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The UI ski team's third race of the season was canceled due to weather issues, but that didn't stop some of them from having fun at Silver Mountain Saturday.

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Faculty frustrated by Yardley Report

Lianna Shepherd
Argonaut

An impassioned faculty had a vibrant discussion about the recently released Yardley Report at the Jan. 28 Faculty Council meeting.

Present faculty expressed both uneasiness with the report's findings as well as apprehension about the future.

The Yardley Report is the result of an investigation commissioned by the University of Idaho more than a year ago to the Yardley Research Group to evaluate the university's graduate programs. The rough draft of the report was released in December.

In addition to addressing issues with the graduate programs, the report referred to "serious faculty cultural issues," including stating that UI faculty members lack national perspective and are overly concerned with "trivia and do not feel they have an obligation to help with larger issues."

"Our goal for this is not to discourage our faculty but to create a catalyst for a discussion about our future," said Provost Doug Baker.

Margrit von Braun, dean of the College of Graduate Studies, said the need to commission the report stemmed from several factors, including a 20 percent drop in graduate studies in recent years. The report suggests that the divided nature of the graduate programs contribute to their failing.

"We are so fragmented it's difficult to figure out the four to five key areas we need to focus on," von Braun said.

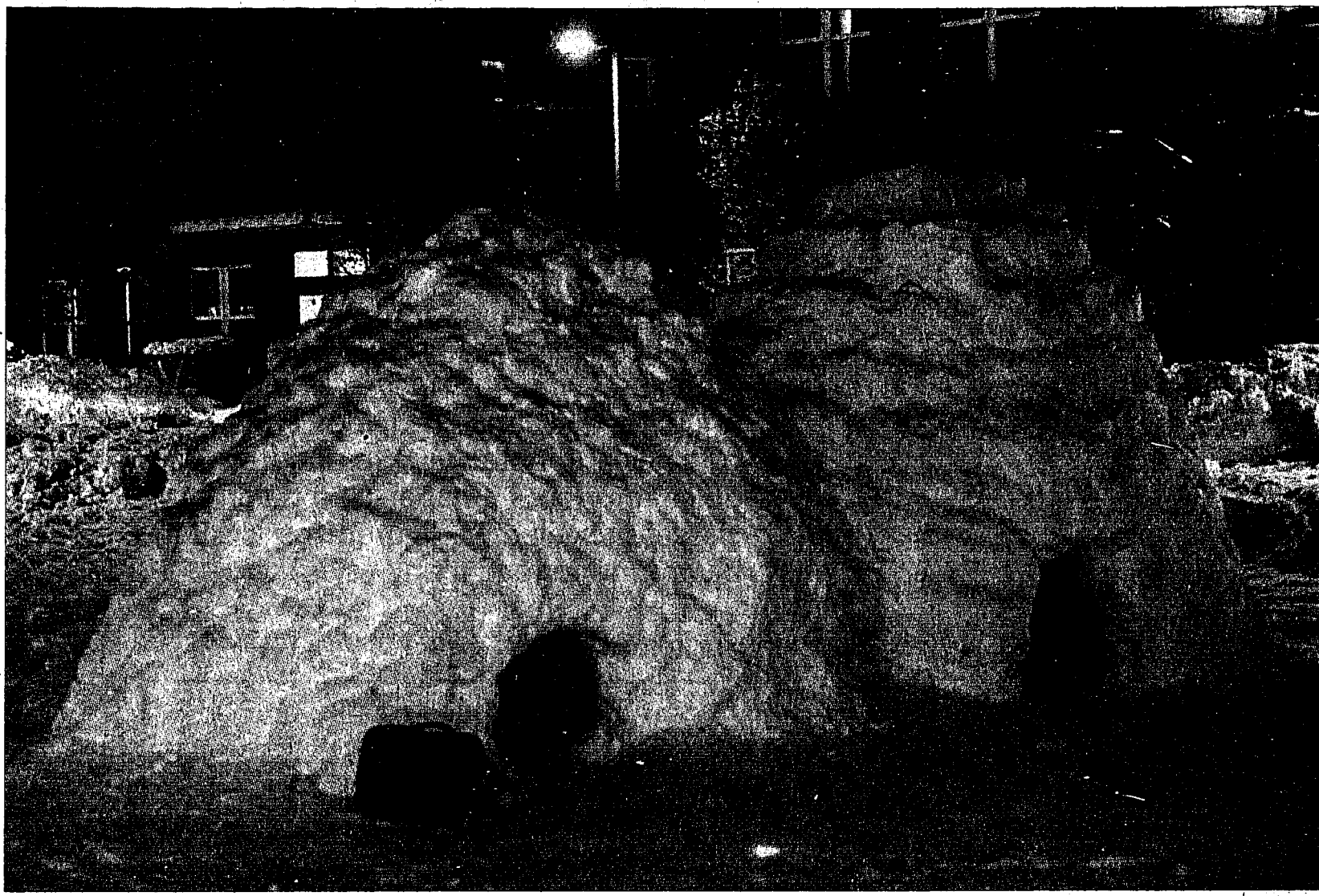
Joseph McCaffrey, a faculty member in the plant, soil and entomological sciences department, called the reports accuracy into question because of the omission of data about the level of interaction UI has with Washington State University. However, von Braun assured him that it was considered when the report was written.

Another debated aspect of the report is the allocation of resources between the graduate and undergraduate programs. Under the core discovery program, professors whose skills could be used in research are adopted to teach undergrads, something the Yardley Report was against.

"In my opinion the Yardley Report says, 'This is what you sacrificed ... research,'" said Jack Sullivan of the biological sciences department.

Council Chair Don Crowley said that although sacrifices were made within departments, this isn't an issue of one college over another, but rather the reallocation of resources.

"It's not that we have to choose undergraduate or graduate education," Crowley said. "I acknowledge that we haven't made very good choices regarding how (faculty

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Eric Petersen/Argonaut

Snow structures sprung up across campus in the two days that classes were closed. This double-domed structure could be found in the LLC plaza.

Moscow digs itself out after weekend storms

UI campus closes for first time since 1996

Savannah Cummings
Argonaut

The University of Idaho returned to its regularly scheduled programming Monday after winter storms closed the university for the first time in 12 years on Thursday and Friday.

UI and Washington State University cancelled classes and non-academic activities for two days after receiving between 7 and 17 inches of fresh snow. Students and employees were asked not to bring vehicles to campus to allow facilities access to roads and parking lots.

The decision to close campus was made by 8 a.m. Thursday morning, said Lloyd Mues, vice president of

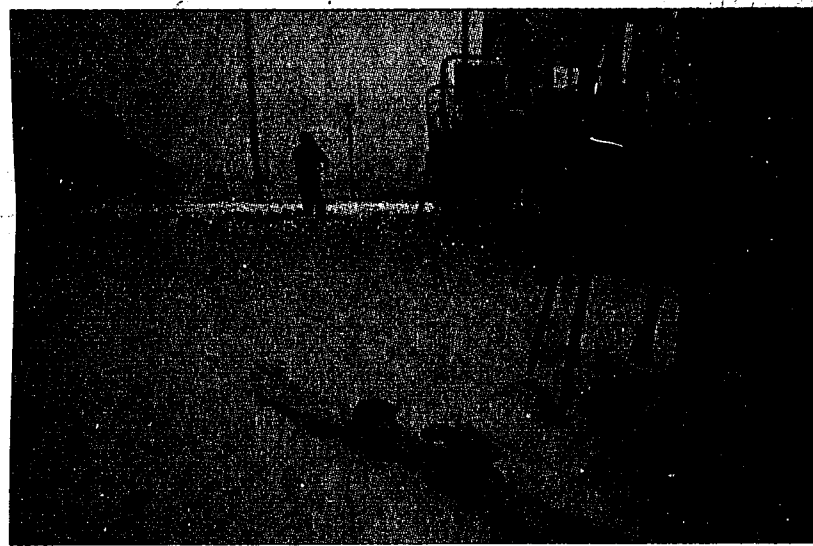
finance and administration. Because of predictions of heavy snow, UI activated its emergency response team, which is responsible for advising President Tim White about the decision to close campus, Mues said.

"It was the right decision with a lot of people involved to make it," Mues said. "The challenge was folks who were already on their way to class."

"Because the snow didn't get bad until after 6 a.m., some students and faculty made it to campus before the decision to close."

"The last thing in the world we ever want to do is close this university," Mues said. "We will do anything in our power to get it open."

By Friday, conditions on campus were good enough that the university could have opened, Mues said, however the problem was getting students and employees to campus



Roger D. Rowles/Argonaut

Many students took advantage of the weather this weekend and hit the slopes. For more photos of the UI Ski Club, check out page 9.

that live outside of the city. "The facilities deserves a big pat on the back," Mues said. "Little known to everyone, our facilities team never quit working. ... We could have had class (Friday) as far as moving around the campus."

Snow accumulations had already become a problem for the city and university last week. On Jan. 29, the Moscow Police Department announced that it would begin citing or impounding vehicles that did not

move every 48 hours so that plows have the opportunity to clear roads. "By city code, a vehicle needs to be moved every 48 hours if it's on a city street," said Lt. Dave Lehmitz, campus liaison for the Moscow Police Department. "The vehicles that we're trying to get moved are the ones that are obviously completely buried in snow. If you're moving your vehicle on a regular basis,

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Today's Idaho Democratic Caucus not small potatoes

Brandon Macz
Argonaut

With a new U.S. president headed for office, today's Democratic caucus could be a defining moment for Idaho.

Constituents will participate in the democratic process to represent the state's choice for the presidential candidate for the Democratic Party in the Idaho caucus.

The Latah County Fairgrounds, the county's caucus location, is completely run by volunteers chartered by the state party. The Latah County Democratic Party will organize and host the event, which begins promptly at 7 p.m.

"People need to come early," said chair David Nelson. "By the rules of the caucus, we have to lock the doors at 7."

The caucus is a "three-step" elec-

tion, Nelson said, where voters who will be registered as Democrats by Nov. 4 can elect the presidential candidate of their choice.

An initial vote will be cast upon entering the caucus. The LCDP will broadcast the incoming votes to the final tally on a large screen, utilizing a new computer system that Nelson said will simplify the process. The 4-H Building is the largest facility at the fairgrounds and was chosen to facilitate a greater voter turnout.

"Organizing the caucus is probably the biggest job we've had in years," Nelson said. "We've tried to spend the effort to do it right."

If a candidate gets less than 15 percent of the votes, they will not be given delegates to represent them in the state election in June. Latah County will represent 16 of the 23 delegates selected to the Idaho State Democratic

Convention in Boise.

Democrats that elected a candidate that won't be assigned delegates will have 15 minutes to meet with representatives for each candidate to decide how they will vote in the second caucus election. The number of delegates assigned to each candidate will be based on the percentage of the votes they received. There is one final step to the Idaho caucus.

"We actually have to elect the delegates," Nelson said.

Willing participants can place their nominations to support their candidates and caucus members will vote for the delegates that will support the candidate and their political interests in Boise. All delegates must be willing to pay their own expenses, Nelson said.

University of Idaho students will be joining their efforts with the

LCDP, said Cassie Byrne, secretary for the College Democrats of the University of Idaho. Club members will help set up the caucus for Super Tuesday, when 24 states will also be holding elections. They will be calling Democratic supporters from previous elections and assisting with caucus registration.

"We're going to call them and just remind them to go to the caucus," Byrne said. "It'll be kind of fun to see it from an inside view."

Byrne said the College Democrats are not large in numbers, but have been making and putting up posters on campus and in the Moscow area. The 20-year-old said she is "absolutely floored" to "actually see how this works."

"This is the biggest opportunity of the year to talk to other Democrats," Nelson said. "It can only pay

democratic caucus TODAY

Registered Democrats can vote in Idaho's caucus today at the Latah County Fairgrounds in the 4-H building. The doors will be locked at 7 p.m.

off in Idaho if you have people on the ground."

The only Democratic candidate to have staff representation at the Latah County caucus will be Illinois Sen. Barack Obama. Supporters for Obama opened a Boise office in September and were then given resources by the Obama Campaign, including a full-time staff.

Chani Wiggins is the legislative director for Missouri Sen. Claire McCaskill, and works on Capitol Hill. She

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ON THE WEB

Keep an eye on the Arg Web site for updates, exclusives and more.
www.uiargonaut.com

Did you miss us on Friday? We were snowed in, too. No, we didn't want to be, but what can you do? We hope you all stayed safe and warm and didn't do anything to risk life and limb. Unless it was really fun.

Did you waste your snow day, curled up in front of the TV with a mug of hot chocolate or were you productive? Just in

case, here is Guy in a Monkey Suit's favorite things to do on a snow day:

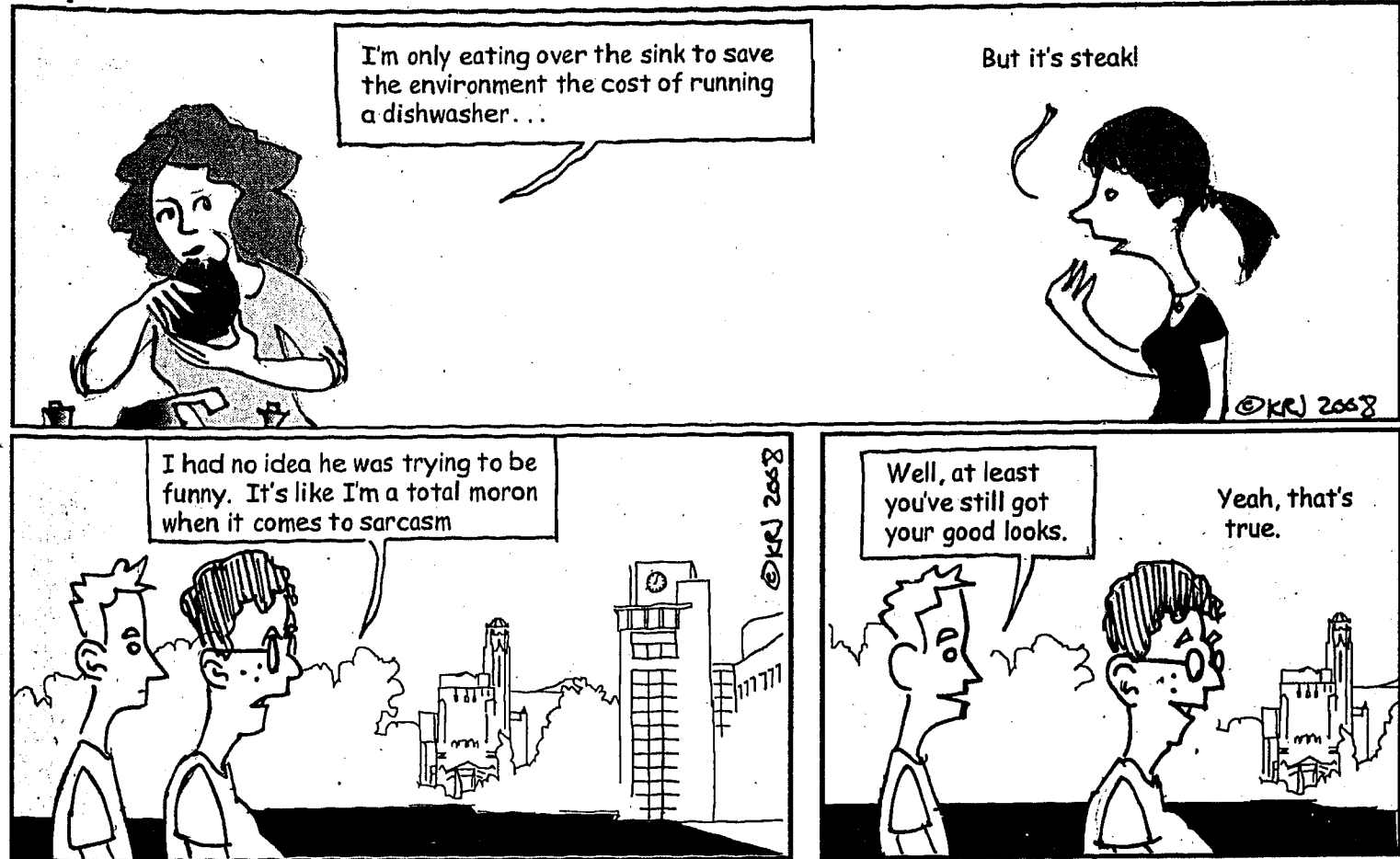
1-Reminisce about his last snow day, Feb. 14, 1995. 2-Surf the Internet for obscure 1980s goth bands. 3-Brush up on Shakespeare, especially the required reading for ENGL 345. 4-Google search old friends who probably live in warmer climates. 5-Listen to Mitch Hedberg's "Strategic Grill Locations"

until he has every joke memorized. 6-Breakfast: Cap'n Crunch, Tang, toast. Lunch: Walla Walla onion chili, Mountain Dew. Dinner: Red Baron Four Cheese Pizza, homemade apricot wine. 7-Do all these things without getting dressed. Or out of bed. For two days of lazy bliss.

Let us know how you spent your snow days at arg_opinion@sub.uidaho.edu.

PeopleWeKnow

by KRJ/Argonaut



We missed you on Friday – all of us at the Arg were busy building igloos and snow couches and not driving to and from the office to put out a paper. Don't worry, with classes canceled we figured you wouldn't be around to read it anyway.

SudokuPUZZLE

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Solution

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

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

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Solution

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- 11 Emaciated
- 12 Conditional words
- 14 String of pearls
- 22 Buzz off
- 24 Nimbus
- 26 Has breakfast
- 27 Worship
- 28 Bolsheviks founder
- 29 Emerged
- 30 Closed hand
- 31 Mishandle
- 32 Eastern Christian member
- 33 Impertinent
- 35 Months (Abbr.)
- 36 Ennobled
- 38 Noisy fight
- 39 Expel
- 44 Arm joints
- 45 Threat
- 46 Helped
- 47 Washstand
- 48 Bonsai
- 49 Actress Russo
- 50 Toboggan
- 51 Actress Sorvino
- 53 Lendl or Pavlov
- 54 Roman Emperor
- 55 Increased
- 56 Accounting entries (Abbr.)

NewsBRIEFS

Jazz Festival restricts parking

Due to increased vehicular traffic and the high number of pedestrians on campus, some streets and parking lots will have restrictions during the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival from Feb. 20-23. The Wheatland Express bus stop located on Deakin Avenue temporarily will be relocated during the festival to the north side of Sixth Street, across from the university's Human Resources Building. The Moscow Valley Transit bus stop located on Deakin Avenue temporarily will be relocated during the festival to Railroad Street. Also, portions of the Student Union Building parking lot will be closed each day of the festival. For further information on parking changes contact University of Idaho Parking and Transportation Services at 885-6424.

cal Department is now offering a \$20,000 signing bonus to medical and dental students who are accepted into their Health Professions Scholarship Program. Scholarship recipients can receive the one-time incentive of \$20,000 in addition to the financial support of HPSP, which covers the full cost of tuition to any accredited medical or dental school in the U.S., books, school fees and equipment and a monthly stipend of \$1,900 per month. More than 50 areas of medicine ranging from anesthesiology and family practice to plastic surgery and radiology are available through the program. HPSP recipients benefit from the program by graduating college with no student loan debt and being able to participate in programs both in the U.S. and abroad as students and residents. For further information contact Rebecca Wright at rwright@webersandwick.com.

Students work on art displays

Some 22 art pieces from University of Idaho art and architecture students are now on display in Idaho Congressional delegation offices in Washington, D.C. The works were installed last week in the offices of Senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo and Representatives Bill Sali and Mike Simpson. The displays include 13 traditional works of art — paintings, prints and small sculptures — and four digital picture frames containing about 100 electronic images of design product from Architecture and Interior Design, Landscape Architecture, Virtual Technology and Design and Graphic Design, as well as a few images of sculptures that were too large to install.

UI author's books go global

Two books authored by Boise-based Michael Kroth, assistant professor of adult and organizational learning at the University of Idaho's College of Education, will be translated and sold in Russia and Korea. "The Manager as Motivator," published by Greenwood Press in 2006, will be translated into Russian and has been licensed to be sold in that country for five years beginning in July 2009. In addition, Sigma Press will translate and publish "Transforming Work: The Five Keys to Achieving Trust, Commitment, & Passion in the Workplace" (Perseus Publishing, 2001) and market it in Korea. Kroth uses both books as resources for monthly Lunch and Lead meetings in Boise. Lunch and Lead is an opportunity for Treasure Valley leaders to discuss issues over their lunch break related to healthy work environments. Topics range from motivation and passion to organizational culture to leadership and employee development.

Army offers scholarships

Thanks to the United States military, medical students could become eligible to a financial and career boost. The U.S. Army Medi-

CampusCALENDAR

- Today**
 - Informal reception for Dr. Noel Gurwick
CNR Room 108
2:30 p.m.
 - UNITY meeting
TLC 230
6 p.m.
 - Compassion Speaks
Women's Center
6:30 p.m.
 - NCM Fusion
Clearwater Room
7 p.m.
 - Student Jazz Recital
School of Music Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.
 - Women's Climbing Night
Student Recreation Center
9 p.m.
 - Wednesday**
 - Film: "Lackawanna Blues"
Women's Center
12:30 p.m.
- Studying the Spiritual Disciplines**
Niccolls Conference Room 102
5:30 p.m.
- Freelance writer Mike Finkel to read**
TLC Room 040
7:30 p.m.
- GSA meeting**
TLC 229
8:15 p.m.
- Thursday**
- Programmed cell death: Not just for eukaryotes anymore**
TLC 122
12:30 p.m.
- Lavender Lunch**
Women's center
12:30
- CAPP workshops: Internship/job search for seniors**
TLC 222
5 p.m.
- Women's Basketball vs. New Mexico State**
Memorial Gym
7 p.m.

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ASUI visits Boise to further UI's interests

Liz Virtue
Argonaut

Members of ASUI braved terrible weather conditions to attend the Legislative Breakfast in Boise on Wednesday. The event takes place each spring and allows student representatives from the University of Idaho to meet with Idaho legislators and discuss important issues that directly affect UI students and the campus.

"The Legislative Breakfast is a unique opportunity for ASUI leadership," said Justin Doble, ASUI presidential policy adviser. "We are the only university in Idaho that sends several students for face-to-face meetings with Idaho legislators."

The ASUI members didn't actually eat breakfast with the representatives, but spent the day at the Capital Building Annex with legislators from the Moscow voting district. Students were also able to meet the representatives and senators from across the state, said ASUI Sen. Justin Kilian.

The event gives students an opportunity to polish their professional techniques and voice their opinions on pressing issues at UI, Doble said.

ASUI lobbyist Jimmy Fox has attended the Legislative Breakfast for the past two years and is in charge of coordinating the event.

"The ASUI's primary issues

this year are a continuation of what we have been discussing for the last several years, but they remain the most critical to the success of the university and its student body," Fox said.

This year one of the main issues ASUI focused on was a \$50 million scholarship fund proposed by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter.

"This would allow Idaho students that would not otherwise be able to achieve higher education a chance to learn in Idaho schools," Doble said. "In short, this will help more of Idaho's youth compete in the job market."

Another pressing issue was a 5 percent pay raise to state employees, which would raise salaries at UI. This is an important issue to consider because instructors at UI get paid much less than those at surrounding universities and may choose to teach at a university where they'll receive a higher salary, Doble said.

The final issue was the funding for the \$200 million worth of deferred maintenance to UI's campus facilities.

"The UI is in desperate need of repair," Doble said. "The FY2009 budget has a proposal that would give \$4 million to the UI to help. This is just a start, but it will stop the debt from increasing."

ASUI members voiced their opinions throughout the day

and hope their presence will have an effect on the future of the university, Kilian said.

"While we may not have changed very many minds or received everything we asked for, the important thing is that our views and issues were presented and heard by the legislators of our state," Kilian said. "Immediate results do not always occur, but if we are persistent about our issues — which we have been year after year — more and more legislators will keep our school in mind when making future decisions."

Fox said students benefit from the Legislative Breakfast because it proves that college-age people are interested in the political process and gives them a voice in the real world, but they aren't the only ones that will gain from the experience.

"Senators benefit because they get the opportunity to interact with today's state leadership, and see that this state is highly accessible for those who participate in the process," Fox said. "The university benefits because the state legislature is reminded that there is a university in Moscow and it touches each of their home districts."

After the legislative session, the ASUI members participated in the Vandal Vision recruiting event, UI's largest recruiting event. Potential students were invited to the event and ASUI

representatives had the opportunity to speak with them.

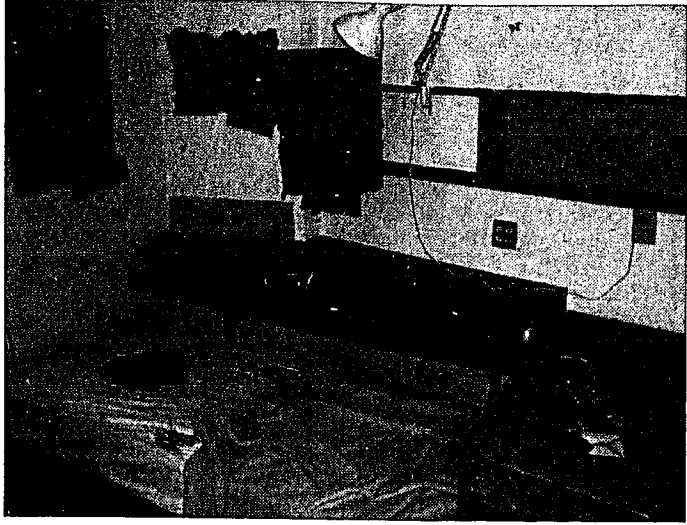
"Even with the terrible weather, we had over 200 prospective students attend. It was nostalgic seeing bright new students, like I once was, with a mixture of fear and excitement at the thought of college," Doble said. "I hope that I was able to diffuse some of their fear that night."

The student representatives used the day in Boise as a way to network and gain valuable experience for future endeavors. They were also able to add a different perspective to the legislative session.

"Although President Tim White and others on the administration have done an excellent job discussing the concerns of the university with our state government, they value input from actual students most," Kilian said. "So if you truly care about funding for higher education, do not be afraid to send an e-mail to your local legislator voicing your concerns."

Road closures and snowstorms forced the traveling students to spend the night in McCall on their journey home. The stop was unexpected, but ASUI members made the most of it.

"We had the luck of being stranded the week of McCall Winter Festival," Doble said. "We took some time seeing all the ice sculptures and we all went ice skating."



Courtesy photo
This display at last year's "Tunnel of Oppression" at WSU was meant to illustrate the tragedy of rape in some countries.

Exhibit breaks down silence

Alexiss Turner
Argonaut

A committee of Washington State University students has created a navigable "Tunnel of Oppression" in an effort to shed light on tough topics such as racism, poverty and gender oppression.

This year will be the fifth year the tunnel has been created. Kari Fass, assistant director of residential life, said the major goal of the tunnel is to expand intercultural understanding and the wide scale of oppression that exists.

"It is the largest project we can do that benefits residence halls as well as the greater community," she said. In previous years, the tunnel was located in a series of rooms. This year the tunnel will be held in two large rooms connected by large hallways. Groups will be guided in a tour-like fashion through various skits dealing with issues of race, gender, disability, socio-economic status and global violence. After the skits, visitors will be left loose to explore displays of information.

"Groups will be asked to read, listen, anything that will engage our hearts," Fass said. The tunnel is the creation of a nine-person committee made up of resident assistants. They began their work in September. The committee brainstormed a large list of themes to work with. In the end, the committee chose categories based on national prevalence and how students might be affected.

The committee was then divided into groups and work began in early November.

Cherise Morton, a junior at WSU, chose socio-economic status as her assignment. Being an elementary education major, Morton said she made her decision based on the closeness she felt to the topic.

"Children are a huge soft spot for me," she said. "They're often treated differently because of their poverty level and I wanted to find out how I can help."

For the section, Morton said her group did a lot of research to examine poverty at the local, national and worldwide levels.

want to GO?

The tunnel will be held 4-8 p.m. today through Thursday and 3-9 p.m. Friday in McCroskey Hall on the WSU campus. There is no charge.

She said finding a way to represent those issues was difficult.

"It's hard to do," she said. "Poverty in Africa is going to look a lot different than poverty in Europe."

The skit that her section will act out was created to help show visitors that poverty is a common issue.

"It's not just someone who is panhandling," she said. "A lot of people who live in poverty are working but just can't get ends to meet."

For the informational portion of their display, Morton's group has created a game much like "Fact or Crap." Visitors will read statements and decide if they are correct. Morton said the display will also have a tent decorated to represent part of the "tent cities" prevalent in the Seattle area. Morton said tent cities are small communities of homeless people that can be set up by the homeless themselves or by organizations trying to alert the public about the lack of low-income housing. The tent will be filled with information and accounts from homeless people. There will also be information on how to donate to local charity groups.

"Even though they are small efforts, they are efforts people can make to one person's life," she said.

The committee hopes to have 1,000 people attend the project. In past years the project has seen about 600 people in a four-night showing.

"(The number) is definitely attainable," Morton said. "These are issues that can affect anybody."

"Very few people go through the tunnel and don't have a reaction, everyone finds something that hits them," Fass said. "Anyone who shows up should expect to feel something."

PoliceLOG

Jan. 28

10:03 p.m. Gamma Phi Beta: Caller said that burnt popcorn set off fire alarm.

Jan. 29

3:06 p.m. Student Housing: Caller was contacted for emergency computer repairs. Now subject is refusing to pay.

3:55 p.m. Wallace: Caller would like to report fraud.

7:17 p.m. LLC: Caller reported a non-authorized car parked in a handicapped space.

7:55 p.m. Perimeter Drive: Caller said that a car passed her on Perimeter Drive.

9:03 p.m. Kappa Kappa Gamma: Fire alarm. Determined to be set off by hair straightener.

10:23 p.m. Theophilus Tower: Caller reported smell of marijuana.

Wednesday

1:10 p.m. Elm St.: Caller said that a Coke delivery truck is blocking the lane. Truck left before officer was able to arrive.

1:31 p.m. Life Sciences South: Caller said he was to help escort

a disorderly student from the Dean of Students office. He said that he was supposed to take him to a meeting in the Commons with several others. Now subject is heading back. One male arrested on warrant.

5:05 p.m. Kappa Sigma: Fire alarm. Determined to be a fire in the dryer. (See photo, right)

6:15 p.m. Perimeter Drive: Caller was on her way to work when someone pulled out and struck her vehicle.

Thursday

9:13 a.m. 1314 Deakin: Caller said that an unruly young male was yelling at his mother, as well as her.

9:36 a.m. Taylor Avenue: Caller reported abandoned vehicle in the road.

12:39 p.m. Blue parking lot, near Lionel Hampton: Black Scion stuck in the parking lot.

3:21 p.m. Delta Tau Delta: Caller said there are underage drinkers at house and they are out sledding.

7:46 p.m. Theophilus Tower: Caller said her car is blocked in. Officer assisted.

11:07 p.m. 415 College Ave.: Caller reported loud bass and yelling from apartment. Officer issued a warning.



Cliff Murphy/Argonaut
The remains of a dryer that caught on fire in the Kappa Sigma house Wednesday. For more information about the fire, go to www.uiargonaut.com.

Saturday

6:22 p.m. Delta Tau Delta: MFD responded to a fire alarm. Smoke machine set off alarm.

Sunday

1:11 a.m. Alpha Tau Omega: Caller said that there are four to five people lighting off fireworks. When caller tried to tell them to stop, they threatened to shoot him with fireworks. During call, fireworks could be heard in the background. Party had dispersed when officers arrived.

2 a.m. LLC: One female transported to Gritman for overdose.

7:06 p.m. The Perch: Several vehicles reported to be blocking loading areas.

9:45 p.m. Wallace: Caller said that near the Ballard wing, four people are sitting in a white, four door car, and smoking marijuana. They said the smell is very strong.

Friday

9:44 a.m. Sixth St.: Caller reported a man with a rifle walking across campus toward town.

10:50 p.m. Sixth St.: One male arrested for driving with a suspended license.

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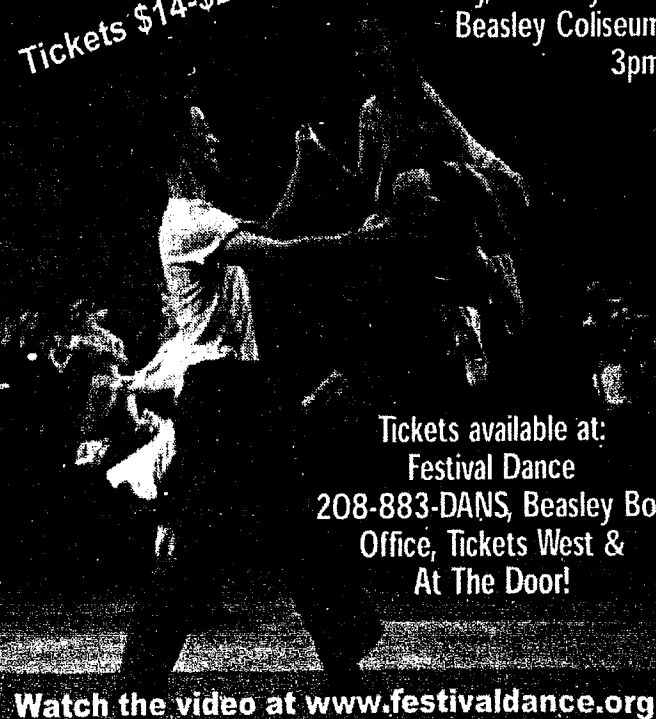
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Plenty of opportunities at career fair

Reid Wright
Argonaut

Representatives from about 50 organizations were available at the Science and Natural Resources Career Fair Wednesday to recruit University of Idaho students for internships, seasonal jobs and career positions.

The fair was held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the SUB ballroom and was hosted by UI Career and Professional Planning, or CAPP. It featured potential employers from the agriculture, forestry and food sciences industries, as well as some non-profit organizations.

"The career fair is a good opportunity to meet qualified individuals from a good school," Ryan Smith of CHS Inc. said. "UI students are

good candidates for positions that right now," College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Caldwell Office director Jim Toomey said. "That's going to create a lot of opportunities."

About 10 percent of employees working for CHS came from UI, Smith said.

CHS is a national agricultural and energy co-op with about 6500 employees.

"It's a great opportunity for students and employers to get together," sophomore Danelle Russell said. "It's great, I hope they have it next year."

"The agriculture sector is the strongest sector in the economy

"The career fair is a good opportunity to meet qualified individuals from a good school."

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CHS Inc.

has hired 20 percent of its workforce from UI, and is planning to double

in size in the coming year.

The Science and Natural Resources Career Fair wasn't just about the agriculture industry, however. Government branches like the U.S. Forest Service and Oregon Department of Forestry had representatives at the fair looking for forestry workers.

Neal Bond of the Oregon Department of Forestry said that he was looking to fill "a whole array" of internships in firefighting, forest engineering and public relations. "Internships are like an extended interview," he said.

Sophomore Thomas Cushman said that he was initially looking for work as a wildlife officer, but was also learning about other jobs. "I wasn't looking into these technical jobs, but some of those look kind of

interesting," he said.

Non-profit organizations like the Peace Corps and the Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute had representatives at the fair seeking volunteers.

Laura Milewski of PCEI said the organization was always looking for student volunteers for an Americorps environmental education program or environmental and watershed restoration work.

"We have a volunteer event every weekend, pretty much for the rest of our lives," she said.

The Science and Natural Resources Career Fair was a preview for CAPP's much larger Career Expo of the Palouse, which will be held Feb. 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Kibbie Dome. It will feature opportunities for all majors.

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are) being distributed."

The debate over action vs. inaction was raised among council members and spectators. Eventually the ultimate question was asked, "Do we have some sense of what happens next?"

"This was supposed to be a spring board discussion, I hope not," said James Foster of the biological sciences department. "What I

would really like to see isn't a discussion but a set of actions."

However this was disagreeable to Crowley who said a consensus on the direction the council wants to take should be established first.

According to Larry Forney from the biological sciences department, much of the disagreement is a result of the documents length, 435-pages, and excessive use of jargon. The message has been lost, he said.

"We need to stop doing more and more with less and less, that's the message," he said.

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traveled to Idaho to become the communications director for the Idaho for Obama organization. While working in the nation's capitol, Wiggins said she has seen a lot of Washington politicians.

"Barack Obama is not Washington," Wiggins said. "He is different from all the rest. This is someone who inspires people. He has a 50-state voter strategy. Idaho is one of the red states that he is covering."

Obama was in Boise Saturday for a rally at the Taco Bell Arena on the Boise State University campus.

Obama has four other offices in cities around the state: Pocatello, Idaho Falls,

Ketchum and Coeur d'Alene.

"Idahoans have a real chance to influence who will be in the White House next year," Wiggins said.

John Edwards, the former senator of North Carolina, ended his campaign Wednesday. Bill Mauk had been running Idahoans for Edwards out of his Boise law office.

Mauk, a former Senate candidate and chairman for the Idaho Democratic Party, said he received messages and calls from Edwards supporters and volunteers who said they were not deterred.

"People are surprised, disappointed and, at the same time, still understanding and still supportive of Sen. John Edwards," Mauk said. "It deflates the balloon quite a bit, there's no doubt about that."

Mauk said Edwards, vol-

unteers and supporters will still vote for Edwards at the caucus to reflect their numbers and to show their appreciation and respect for their candidate. Delegates selected at the caucus will also be able to vote on other issues of the state.

"The caucuses are about a lot more than simply the presidential preferences," Mauk said.

Presidential hopeful New York Sen. Hillary Clinton will not have ground support at the Latah County Caucus and has not made plans to visit Idaho, which Nelson said was "small potatoes, unfortunately." However, no candidate will have the ability to be in all 24 states voting today.

Nelson said all registered Democrats are encouraged to join the caucus.

Task force wants women to embrace their bodies

Hayley Guenther
Argonaut

In the midst of unrealistic, stressful or even dangerous body related New Year's Resolutions, the Women's Center provides an alternative goal for UI students — acceptance of their appearance.

The Body Image Task Force started the semester encouraging body pride rather than body plague at its first meeting on Jan. 28.

Women's Center Mentoring Program coordinator Bethany Anderson said the student-run organization has been on campus for a couple years, and is a great outlet for anyone struggling with body image. She said although weekly gatherings deal with heavy topics, the mood remains upbeat.

"It is a discussion-oriented meeting," she said. "Everyone has an opinion, experience or information they want others to know. It's laid back and comfortable."

Aside from stressing a pleasant atmosphere and providing a venue for new friendships, the group also hosts guest speakers and other "scale-smashing" events.

A main event for the group is participating in National

Eating Disorder Awareness Week. While it is not officially under way until Feb. 24, Anderson said the group is working to alert the campus in the weeks prior with frequent events.

This week's efforts included a free showing of the HBO documentary, "Thin."

Twenty students gathered to watch the award-winning tale of four women ranging from 14 to 30 years old. In it, photographer Lauren Greenfield exposes the lives of those living with body image diseases inside one of the nation's leading eating disorder rehabilitation clinics, The Renfrew.

"(The film) has an extreme impact," Anderson said. "I think everyone should see it, especially college females."

Junior public relations major Nicole Hovey was among the many attendees on Wednesday and said she was disturbed by what she saw.

"It broke my heart to see first hand how an eating disorder can completely take over someone's life and the sufferings they cause," she said. "It was shocking."

Although bold, Anderson said the documentary depicted exactly what millions of wom-

en battle everyday. She said the BITF aims to help students acknowledge that males and females alike struggle with physical insecurities and how to overcome and accept them.

"(The group wants) to make people feel comfortable with their body image and come to some sort of peace with themselves," she said. "It's good to talk about different body images, media portrayals and the pressures we all have to be quote-unquote, perfect."

Upcoming BIFT-sponsored events include a tabling event at the Idaho Commons complete with eating disorder awareness ribbons, Q&A sessions with health care professionals and a free movie showing of the PBS special, "Dying to be Thin."

Times and locations are soon to be determined and Anderson is confident attending will be worth students' time.

"It's a great opportunity to come to peace with yourself," she said. "(Through these events) people can accept themselves for who they are and not just how the media makes them feel they should be."

For more information, students are welcome to attend weekly meetings in the Women's Center Monday at 5 p.m.

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there's absolutely no problem."

Lehmitz said officers will make every attempt to contact the vehicle's owner before impounding a car.

The code also affects streets on campus that are owned by the city, including Taylor and Farm streets and Perimeter Drive, Lehmitz said.

Before Thursday's storm, UI facilities and parking services were planning on spending the weekend clearing trouble spots on campus. The new accumulations made the effort more difficult.

"After working all day on

be safe IN THE SNOW

In order to stay safe in the snow, Charles Zillinger, assistant director of landscape and exterior services, offers this advice to students:

- Wear proper winter shoes or boots and use snow traction devices to avoid falling. Remember that high heels and shoes with smooth soles are not good in the winter.
- Pay attention to the snow plow equipment around you and give them plenty of room. Snow removal equipment always has the right of way.
- Avoid bringing additional vehicles to campus. Students should carpool or use mass transit in order to keep cars off the roads and make things easier for plows.

Thursday just to keep up with the snow accumulation, we started clearing snow after it stopped on Friday at midnight," said Charles Zillinger,

assistant director of landscape and exterior services in facilities.

Crews worked long shifts pushing snow across campus and clearing and widening walkways, Zillinger said.

"All in all, we made quite a bit of headway, and campus is again open for travel," he said.

Another problem the university is facing is what to do with all the snow.

"With the amount of snow we have had recently, all areas are becoming problematic as we are running out of stacking room," Zillinger said.

"We currently do not have the resources ... or funding to spend on removing snow from campus. That is a huge undertaking and we currently aren't set up for that kind of an effort."

When UI closed in 1996, it wasn't because of the snow but rather because Paradise Creek flooded, Mues said. Warm weather and rain may result in more flooding.

"We have been thinking about (Floods) since it first started snowing a lot," Mues said. "The worst thing in the world that could happen is warm weather and rain and it all melts."

A quick thaw will over-saturate the ground and most likely result in floods. However, the Palouse is up to handling the water, Mues said, provided it doesn't melt too quickly.

"What we can't do is get ourselves all worked up that we're going to have a flood," he said.



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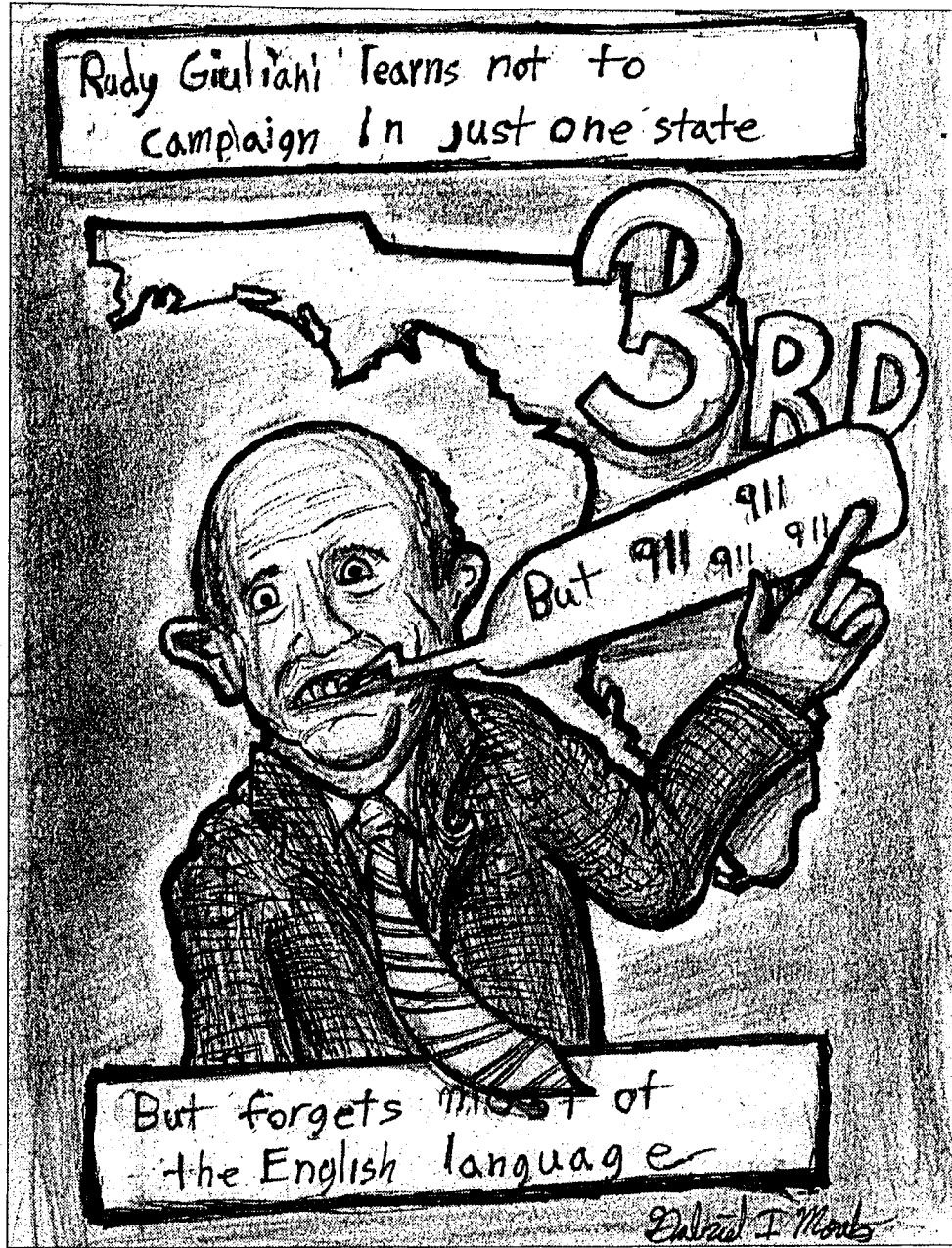
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OurVIEW

Cross the aisle

Participant government is the foundation of democracy. The chance to be heard and be counted makes a democratic government viable. Part of that process includes primary elections and in states such as Idaho, caucuses.

The chance for Idaho Democrats to be a part of this process is today. Republicans here will have their turn in late May. And as long as you will be registered by the November general election, you are invited.

If you haven't made plans to go to the Latah County Fairgrounds and have your voice heard, get off your couch now and get moving. That means Republicans, too. You can go and watch and talk to other concerned citizens, you just don't have your head counted at the end.

Days like Super Tuesday serve as a reminder that our early electoral history was written in town hall meetings, forum discussions and friendly chats with neighbors. Discussions can be heated, as each side attempts to convert the other, but for every passionate voter there is an undecided voter hoping for a candidate to rise above the rest.

Think of it as a civic duty and a community responsibility. Not only does every American have the right to be heard, they have the responsibility to make something of it. Putting a bumper sticker on your

car won't mean a thing if you don't cast your ballot.

While at the caucus, expect to disagree and be disagreed with. Even within political parties there are divisions. Caucuses are a great place to bridge those gaps, find some consensus and move forward toward the general election.

Go into it as informed as possible but expect to learn new information. That is the major distinction between caucuses and ballot-based primary elections. You get to talk to people, specifically your neighbors. Take the opportunity to be taught by them.

If you don't know your neighbors, use today as an icebreaker. Even if they belong to a different political party, they can still go. Or, if your neighbor is a Democrat and you are a Republican, offer to baby sit the kids so that those who want to participate are not left out.

Can you think of a better way to "cross the aisle" than that? Just be sure your neighbor marks May 27 on their calendar and is ready to repay the favor.

Perhaps this caucus idea isn't so bad. You get to meet your neighbors, hear their opinions, share yours and come away with a greater understanding of the political process and your community.

So why are you still sitting down?
—TJT

Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Another one's gone

The Florida primary was last week. Rudy Giuliani's money sure was well-spent there. NOT! What a waste. His drop out announcement came two days later and no one was surprised he endorsed McCain. John Edwards beat him to the punch by dropping out the day before but his endorsement is anyone's guess.

—TJ.

Pretty piece of hide

Last week I had the horrifying and delightful experience of watching "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." While the back of the box promised me a movie that fit as well as a favored flannel shirt, I was left wondering, "For what decade?" Songs about the appropriateness of kidnapping brides and finding a prospective woman willing to cook for seven very hairy men made me glad that I am a 21st century woman. Very glad indeed.

—Savannah

How long?

When a teacher doesn't show up on time to class, how long does the class have to wait for them? I gave my drawing teacher 20 minutes, but now I'm hearing that because the class is taught by a graduate student, I only had to wait for five or 10. If she'd been a full professor, I should have waited 10, and if she had tenure, I should have waited 15. What's true here? Does anybody know for sure?

—Carissa

So pretty

While walking around campus take a look at the amazing icicles on some of the buildings.

Whenever I see a particularly awesome one I just have to stop and stare. My favorite is a group of icicles that have dripped on to a tree creating a huge web of icicles all over the tree. It is totally awesome.

—Ryli

Trash be gone

I am the recycling reformer for the Arg office. I can actually tell when people are throwing away a recyclable material just by the clink or woosh it makes when it hits the bottom of the trash can without even looking at it.

For the most part, I have these people trained, but sometimes they'll slip up and I'll have to bring the eco-friendly heat. And for those brazen buffoons in the Commons completely disrespecting the recycling bins next to the trash bins...be ready. You're next.

—Christina L.

Mounds of snow

It's been days since the snowstorm hit and the streets are still horrible.

Can someone explain to me how this hasn't gotten cleaned up yet?

I lived in Northern Virginia when a blizzard hit about 10 years ago, leaving at least two feet of snow on the roads for about a day — and the roads still weren't as bad as they are here.

Come on!

—Christina N.

That poor ferret

The other day there was a sticker on my door informing me of a missing ferret. All I can think about is that poor, skinny animal shivering in the snow. The worst part is that the ferret is albino, it'll never be found in this snow. But if you happen to see one, you let me know.

—Roger

Coulter backs Clinton, not McCain

Hell has frozen over, and the devil is digging his grave.

Conservative pundit, lawyer and columnist Ann Coulter shocked Fox News hosts Sean Hannity and Alan Colmes Thursday night on their show when she announced she will campaign for Hillary Clinton if John McCain is the Republican presidential nominee.

Coulter's resume includes best-selling books such as "Slander: Liberal Lies Against the American Right," "How to Talk to a Liberal (If You Must)," "If Democrats Had Any Brains, They'd Be Republicans" and "High Crimes and Misdemeanors: The Case Against Bill Clinton."

Of course, there's a catch. "If (McCain) is our candidate," Coulter told Hannity, "then Hillary's gonna be our girl, Sean, because she's more conservative than he is."

Coulter said she thinks Clinton would be more effective in fighting the war on terror. Specifically, McCain has come out adamantly against using torture in interrogations of prisoners at Guantanamo Bay, and Clinton has not. Silence is not necessarily an endorsement, but McCain's opposition to torture is no surprise given his experience as a

prisoner of war in Vietnam.

Normally one should pay no extra attention to Coulter, whose past attention-whoring pearls of wisdom include "We just want Jews to be perfect" and "We should invade (Muslim) countries, kill their leaders and convert them to Christianity," but this time her views hold significance.

One of the most insanely conservative commentators in America went on Fox News to speak out against the probable Republican nominee, and the conservative host next to her did little to rebuke her. McCain's most rabid fans cannot compete with the legions of Barack Obama supporters, 13,000 of whom attended a rally for him in Boise this weekend.

Whether the Democratic nominee is Clinton or Obama, the current political atmosphere in America strongly suggests one of them will be president a year from now.

Ron Paul obviously is not going to win the Republican nomination, but his supporters are extremely vocal and know how to promote a message of change. How likely is it these anti-war Republicans and independents will back McCain, who is undeniably the most pro-war,

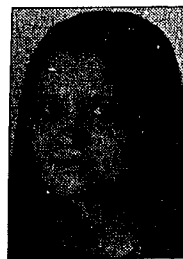
status quo-supporting presidential candidate?

Idaho Democrats will choose between Clinton and Obama tonight. In Moscow, the caucus will be 7 p.m. at the Latah County Fairgrounds. Idaho's four delegates may not amount to much, but then again, Obama bothered to come here, and look how many individuals attended. If you are a liberal and agree with Coulter and think Clinton is more conservative than McCain, then caucus for Obama.

Idaho Republicans have to wait until May 27 to choose their candidate, and by that time the nominee may have been decided de facto by plurality or even a landslide majority. Mitt Romney must wish Idaho, a Mormon stronghold, came earlier in the contest.

The only tragedy about our method of selecting the party nominees is that by the time Super Tuesday (and May 27) rolls around, the pool has been reduced to only two candidates. However, that may be an advantage because it gives Idaho a higher chance of giving support to the eventual winner instead of someone who dropped out after a few states were lost.

As most Idaho liberals can attest, anything that makes our state look a little more mainstream and a little less backwoods in the eyes of the rest of the nation is a worthy pursuit.



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MailBOX

Grounded for life

I attended my first Vandal Men's Basketball game of the season versus Hawaii. I was a few minutes late and was glad to see the Vandals holding their own versus Hawai'i and an excited crowd. I let my son choose our seats and he chose a spot in the student section behind the Hawai'i bench. This is the last time he gets

to choose. I was disappointed in the obnoxious and inappropriate behavior of about 10 students we sat near. It started with some gentle taunting of the other team and progressed into yelling, "Faggot, test tube baby, and your mother is a cheap whore." When one Vandal fan turned around and gave them a well-deserved disapproving glance, they started yelling that she was just an "old bitch." Earlier a young woman with a Hawai'i shirt walked by and they yelled at her that she "isn't even hot." I am

proud to be a member of the university community but embarrassed by these students' behaviors. It makes me think twice about attending games and three times about bringing my three year old with me. I warned my son that if he ever behaved that way, he would be grounded for the rest of his life. Perhaps these students could use a similar outcome.

Angela Crabtree
UI Visitor Center Representative

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Defining director of diversity

I am a very concerned student. I am tired of all these smoke screens and misleading titles that the University of Idaho is throwing around

On Tuesday, Provost Doug Baker had a meeting with young, uninformed members of UNITY that do not understand the magnitude of the decisions that are being presented.

While this misinformation is not the fault of the innocent students, it is due to their lack of knowledge in reference to titles, chain of command, and university politics that is misleading them.

Over the past few years it has been the mission of many staff, students, and faculty members to bring to life the UI Diversity Plan.

Last year their efforts finally took a large step in the right direction by implementing and hiring a Director of Diversity and Communities and placing him on the president's cabinet. Unfortunately this position has been set up to fail. Now they are trying to organize all of the diversity offices under this position, which is good. But there are people trying to sabotage this position with a name change.

When UNITY was asked to attend this meeting they were told last night that this position would be called vice president of diversity, equity, community and assistant dean of students. How one can be a vice president and an assistant to the dean of students?

Being the concerned activist that I am, I immediately e-mailed Provost Baker. His response was:

Thanks for the note. We had a good meeting last night with UNITY and went over many of these issues. We discussed the need to bring together the work of offices to address student/faculty/staff recruitment and retention, improving curriculum/co-curriculum/pedagogy, outreach and engagement, scholarly and creative activity, culture climate, and community relations.

Some of those issues have traditionally worked with Student Affairs and have a strong link to programming in the area. Others are broader university or statewide issues.

The draft title, as we are discussed it, was Director of Diversity, Equity, and Community and Assistant Dean of Students. On the organizational chart there would be a box linking the position to the president for the broader issues and a box linked to the Dean of Students to show the link to student affairs issues.

There are trade-offs with this and other structural options. At the end of our meeting last night I invited students to e-mail me their insights, concerns, and suggestions. If you have more, please pass them on. Thanks, Doug

What does this mean? This means that the university will be taking a big step backward. In reality, this position will now be seen as Director of Diversity, Equity, and Community and Assistant Dean of Students. Reducing this position to a Dean Position and putting all the diversity issues back where some feel they should be. Where they cannot be

addressed or heard!
Jessica L. Samuels
Junior, sociology,
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C'mon UI

I am writing to complain, not about the fact that classes were canceled, as they rightly should (have been), but because the announcement was made after 8 a.m. Some classes begin at 7:30 a.m.

Even those people for whom classes began at 8:30 a.m. received the message too late. Many had in fact already arrived at campus before hearing via rumor mill that campus was closed.

Many students do not live on campus. Instructors do not live on campus. When the announcement that campus is closed includes the phrase, "Essential personnel only will make every effort to report to work for critical operations and life-safety activities."

If travel conditions are so severe that an essential employee cannot safely get to campus, employees should notify their supervisor immediately (University of Idaho communications, Jan. 31.)"

Perhaps it would have been prudent to issue said announcement at a time when many, if not most, off-campus people affected by this had already left home early enough to reach campus in time for morning classes. What good does it do to cancel classes in the name of safety when people have already driven to, and arrived, at campus so that they do not lose credit in essential courses. Or, in the case of instructors, so that they can teach said students who are worried about losing credit. This message was issued:

"Emergency personnel are asking people to do the following:

Stay at home, if at all possible ... Do not approach downed power lines, and don't knock snow off of the lines ... Clear snow away from fire hydrants ... Check on your neighbors who may need help ... Be aware of heavy snow loads on roofs (KHQ.com, Jan. 31.)"

And yet UI waited until 8 am to announce the closure of their facility. When the warning issued by the national weather service is not only a winter storm warning, or a severe weather alert, but a hazardous weather outlook, maybe it is a worth one day of cancelled classes.

Businesses are closed today because of weather. At 9:02 a.m., I finally received an e-mail from facilities management stating that all buildings will be locked at noon. An absurd risk of life occurred today. Why would whomever is responsible for making the decision to close campus wait so long to do so?

If there is a next time, said person should perhaps get out of bed a bit earlier and issue said message about a school closure at least as early as the elementary schools in the area did so. One individual was actually seen walking to school on snowshoes. "Officials made another plea for people that don't have to be on the roads in North Idaho to please stay home (KXLY.com, Jan. 31.)" And yet the prestigious UI did not see fit to allow those individuals under their wing to remain at home where they were safe.

When all of this is occurring, perhaps one day of cancelled classes prior to 8 a.m. would not be unfit.

Hannah Brown
Junior, psychology,
communication studies



Barack Obama visited Boise this weekend to speak at a rally attended by Idaho Democrats -- all 13,000 of them!

Holly Bower/Argonaut

In praise of a painful process

At the moment, most Americans with a weakness for politics are devoting their attention to the presidential campaigns and primary elections.

In the midst of all the attention that the candidates are receiving, we sometimes forget that we have an acting president still in the White House. However, our beloved incumbent got a bit of attention when he gave his seventh State of the Union address. In the breaks between the incessant outbursts of applause that tend to afflict all such addresses, President Bush frequently mentioned "trusting the American people." He used the phrase when referring to several issues including tax cuts, education, healthcare and energy.

Of course, no one is going to contradict this concept directly, but is our country's highest ideal to trust the people? How does this principle apply to the election

underway? Although we may disagree on the issues President Bush mentioned, I think that virtually everyone, when asked if we should apply this principle in our presidential elections, would respond "Of course. Elections are all about trusting the people with the decision."

This is partially true. In November we will hold the best-informed election in the world. We present the voters with as much information as possible and then give them complete freedom to choose whichever candidate they deem best. Though some complain about how long the election process is and how

early it starts, its length and intensity draw out most everything we would care to know about the candidates, their beliefs, their backgrounds and their personalities. When November arrives, we should have a pretty clear picture of who the people on the ballot are, and we can choose between

them as conscience dictates.

However, in large part, the reason our election system is so good is that it doesn't just trust the people. The caucuses, debates and extended campaigns outlast temporary swings in public opinion, and they severely test the candidates in ways other than direct primary results.

Early primaries in small states test the candidates' charisma and personableness; larger states test the candidates' broader appeal, organization, and financial viability; debates test the candidates' intelligence, knowledge, and speaking abilities; and relentless attacks, public criticism, and media coverage test the candidates' endurance and good humor.

Rudy Giuliani tried to bypass the smaller states for the larger ones, but then lost in Florida. Fred Thompson tried to make due with humor in debates, but cannot be taken seriously. And Dennis Kucinich is demonstrating again that without charisma, organization, financial support, and broad appeal, a campaign will not even get noticed. Even the length of the campaign

helps, as is does not permit candidates to win based on short-term popularity surges and makes it difficult to hide information.

The direct election takes the decision directly to the American people, but before we step into the voting booth, we will have already narrowed the field from 300 million down to two. The election just eliminates one more. Some would say that the campaigns should be shorter, the early primaries shouldn't get so much attention and the election should be determined by direct popular vote, but the process we have is much more complicated than a one-time opinion poll, and with good reason. It may not be as purely democratic as we like to think, but it gives us better results.

With all this in mind, take advantage of our long, cumbersome, and sometimes annoying system. Be informed, watch debates (on both sides), see past trivialities that get too much press coverage, and don't be fickle.

And remember, "Democracy is when people get the government they deserve."



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Profanity with purpose is marketable

Alex Larue
Daily Bruin

LOS ANGELES — When The Kingsmen's version of "Louie Louie" was released in 1963, it wasn't just the unruly guitar that had the establishment nervous.

Soon after the song, complete with its famously garbled vocal nonsense, hit the airwaves, the FBI launched an investigation to determine whether the lyrics had obscene content. After 31 months they concluded that the lyrics were unintelligible, ceding their overriding sense of decency to what should have been obvious in the first place — if you need over two years to figure out what something is saying, it's probably not very effective at corrupting the youth.

The Kingsmen got off easy, but that's because they weren't swearing. In 1989, the hip-hop group credited for the Miami bass sound, 2 Live Crew, was subject to an overzealous group of locals rather than the more cerebral FBI. Local courts can get crazy, which they did, deciding that the group's "As Nasty as They Wanna Be" was a little bit nastier than anyone should ever be and sanctioned the arrest of the group's members on obscenity charges.

2 Live Crew was eventually acquitted, but the amazing parts are that one, they actually had to show up to court for swearing, in the middle of a recession, crack epidemic and some of the highest crime rates in recent U.S. history, and two, that their acquittal required the expert witness testimony

of a Harvard professor, Henry Louis Gates Jr., to claim that the sexual themes reflected historically important elements of the black community.

Compare these two examples to the current situation, and it becomes apparent that some attitude in the censorship chain has shifted.

We are now in a time when nearly every radio rap single has a dirty version and a clean version; where potty mouth incantations of bodily functions are perfunctory, not challenging.

So what changed? The controversy surrounding "As Nasty as They Wanna Be" sold 2 million records — in all the cities with enough on their minds to laugh at rural Florida's sensitivities — so it's safe to say that heavy usage

of the obscene had, for a time, some very profitable gimmick potential. But in a situation similar to the arguments of many commentators on film, the average music listener has, to a degree, become desensitized to the words and concepts that once sent you to detention. Profanity is the norm, not the controversial exception.

What's interesting — and counter intuitive — about the situation is that the public outcry aimed at preventing obscene concepts from reaching the ears of children just made it more profitable for artists to use the concepts in the first place. The line often used by apologists is that "profanity for profanity's sake" is worthless and offensive, but if the words have some artistic value it's a different story.

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Leafing through pages of history

Padrhig A. Harney
Argonaut

Editor's Note: Check out the Arts section for a weekly close-up of upcoming events in celebration of Black History Month.

The month of February is a time to remember and celebrate Black History.

While several events have been planned throughout the month, there are ways to celebrate without even leaving one's living room — or library.

"African American literature is a very important aspect of American culture," said Bob Greene, employee at BookPeople of Moscow.

BookPeople offers a wide range of books and a plethora of black literature as well as history books that relate directly to black history.

"Slavery in America was unlike any other historical time," said Janis Johnson, professor of American Indian Studies/English. "Slave narratives help us understand this past."

Early slave narratives were the first published black literature in the states.

The slave narrative took on its classic form and tone between 1840 and 1860.

History books had barely begun covering black history when Black His-

tory Month was started in the 1970s.

One of the first U.S. history works at that time told from an African American perspective was W.E.B. DuBois' 1935 work "Black Reconstruction."

When "DuBois began writing about crime, mystery novels were more easily published at the time," Greene said. "In the early 1900s there was no publisher who would work with DuBois."

After receiving his Ph.D. from Harvard, (DuBois was the first African American to receive a Ph.D. from Harvard) he found it difficult to publish his works that dealt specifically with black history and civil rights.

"There is a wealth of great American fiction from African American authors, expatriates who moved to France to find open minds, Harlem renaissance and so on," Greene said.

Great black authors like Alice Walker and Ralph Ellison offer classic works of fiction.

"African American literature is essential to understanding contemporary American culture," Johnson said. "You can't fully understand American history or culture without African American Literature."

Colson, Whitehead and Sapphire, two authors featured in the list below, who are more contemporary fiction authors, both were influenced by the classics and have improvised and adapted their styles to create something very different.

did you KNOW

Black History Month was established in 1976.

The month-long celebration was an expansion of Negro History Week, which was established in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, who was the director of what was then known as the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History.



Illustrations by Gabriel Moats/Argonaut

Non-required reading to put on your list

Enjoy great works of fiction and comics, or become informed with historical non-fiction and biographies this February.

Here is a recommended reading list ranging among historical non-fiction, literary fiction, slave narratives, children's books and even some graphic novels to celebrate Black History Month.

Slave narratives

1. "Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass" by Frederick Douglass
2. "Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl: Written by Herself" by Harriet Ann Jacobs

Black history (pre-Civil Rights Movement)

1. "Black Reconstruction" by W.E.B. DuBois
2. "Blacks in Gold Rush California" by Rudolph M. Lapp
3. "Roots: The Saga of an American Family" by Alex Haley

Literary fiction

1. "The Color Purple" by Alice Walker
2. "Invisible Man" by Ralph Ellison
3. "Push: A Novel" by Sapphire
4. "The Intuitionist: A Novel" by Colson Whitehead
5. "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston
6. "The Known World" by Edward P. Jones

Post-Civil Rights and Black Panther movements

1. "The Autobiography of Malcolm X" by Malcolm X
2. "Huey: Spirit of the Panther" by David Hilliard
3. "Simple Justice: The History of Brown v. Board of Education and Black America's Struggle for Equality" by Richard Kluger
4. "The Panther and the Lash: Poems of Our Times" by Langston Hughes

Comics and Graphic Novels

1. "Satchel Paige: Striking Out Jim Crow" by James Sturm
2. "The Boondocks: comic strip" by Aaron McGruder

Children to young adults

1. "Elijah Of Buxton" by Christopher Paul Curtis
2. "Let It Shine" by Andrea Davis Pickney, illustrated by Stephen Alcorn

February events bring authors, activists to campus

The University of Idaho's Office of Multicultural Affairs and the University of Idaho's Black Student Union, National Society of Black Engineers, African Student Association, University of Idaho's Women's Center and the Diversity Initiative Growth Grant Program will sponsor cultural events in February.

Events will run throughout the month and are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Doughnuts and talk with Tim White

University of Idaho President Tim White will discuss diversity on campus at noon Feb. 18, in the Student Diversity Center located in the Teaching and Learning Center Room 229.

Refreshments and doughnuts will be provided.

Book Circle reader to share 'Buffalo Dance'

Frank X. Walker, black author and educator, will present his book "Buf-

falo Dance: The Journey of York" at a Book Circle at 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 11 and 25 in the Teaching and Learning Center Room 229.

In the book, Walker innovatively blurs the lines between poetry, fiction and history to tell the story of the Lewis and Clark expedition from the perspective of Clark's slave, York.

A limited number of books will be available to participants.

Women's Center to share film and lunch

There will be a screening of "Lackawanna Blues" at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at the University of Idaho's Women's Center Lounge in Memorial Gym Room 109.

"Lackawanna Blues" takes a look into the black community before desegregation.

The HBO film showcases a story of unconditional love between a mother and her son, telling the story of a woman who overcame segregation in her community.

Lunch items will be provided.

Shades of Black moved to later date

The Shades of Black event, previously scheduled for Feb. 1, has been postponed and will be scheduled for a later date.

For more information, visit www.myspace.com/shadesofblackshow.

Award recipient to speak on obstacles

Philip Emeagwali, a recipient of the Gordon Bell Award, will speak on the topic "Obstacles Faced by Developing Minority Engineers — Career and

Education" at 6 p.m. on Feb. 18 at the University Inn-Best Western, located at 1516 Pullman Rd. in Moscow.

General admission is \$12 and \$10 for students.

For more information contact Richard Hill at richard.hill@vandals.uidaho.edu.

Project founder and CEO to visit students

Bapthol Joseph, president and CEO of Changing Directions For Youth and Families, will visit with students and the community on Feb. 27.

Time and location to be announced. Check www.today.uidaho.edu for updates.

Joseph is the founder of Project New Hope, an after-school initiative that serves nine schools in Pompano Beach, Fla. and Deerfield, Fla.

This event is sponsored by the UI Black Student Union.

Frank X. Walker to discuss literature

Frank X. Walker, black author, educator and poet, will read from his works and discuss trends in black literature at 7 p.m. on Feb. 28 in the Janssen Engineering Building Room 104.

Films from the heart and films from Seoul

Kevin Otzenberger
Argonaut

Sex slaves, soldiers, cops, athletes, musicians and the disabled are several kinds of people that have been captured by the humanistic nature of South Korean cinema.

Later this week, University of Idaho students will have the opportunity to see this for themselves at UI's second annual Korean Film Festival.

Six films will be shown at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday in the SUB's Borah Theater.

Each night, the festival will feature two films that have been classified into a particular theme or genre.

The films have been divided into categories such as "Fun," "Human" and "Dramatic."

Each screening will begin with an introduction about the film, followed by an open discussion.

"Students just don't really know about Korean movies so it would be a good exposure," said Soyeon Kim, secretary for the Korean Students Association.

President of the Korean Film Club Paddrig Harney said that to the best of the organization's knowledge, this is one of only five Korean film festivals held in the country. Harney also works for The Argonaut.

The other four take place annually in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Chicago.

He said that the UI event is the only non-profit festival and the only one associated with a college.

Last year, two of the festival's screenings sold out.

"Other festivals that we have done, like the Chinese and Japanese film festivals, had good turnouts," Kim said, "So we are kind of expecting that now for this one."

The films were selected from a pool of 20 movies collected by Harney.

The film club voted on films to keep for the festival, including several outside opinions



Courtesy Photo
Soyeon Kim, secretary of the Korean Students Association, holds a promotional poster for the Korean Film festival, which will show six films in the SUB Borah Theater from Thursday through Saturday.

to compensate for potential cultural barriers.

"We want to not only show Korean culture, but show universal human emotions and social issues," said the president of the Korean Students Association, Kyoung Deok Baik. "We can enlighten people."

Harney said that the films are difficult to rent because they seldom have U.S. distributors. Kim said it is unlikely that students will be able to see the films anywhere else for such a low price.

"I hope people can appreciate the kind of chances they can get here," Baik said. "They should know that this cannot happen without their help."

Thursday night will be the "Fun Night."

The first film, Jang Jin's "Guns and Talks" is a dark comedy about the police pursuit of a group of assassins.

"At 9:30 p.m., the experimental indie film "Magicians" by Song Il-gon follows the reunion of a rock band on the anniversary of the death of one of their members.

On Friday's "Human Night," the first screening will be for "Crying Fist" by Ryu Seung-wan, which is a family drama set in the world of sports.

The second movie will be Byun Young-Joo's "The Muring."

see the FILMS

The Korean Film Festival will run at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday in the SUB Borah Theater.

Admission will be \$2 per film or \$8 for a festival pass.

This tragic documentary focuses on the oppression of female Korean sex slaves during World War II.

On Saturday, "Drama Day" will start with "Welcome to Dongmakgol" by Jang Jin.

The film is a war drama incorporating aspects of dark comedy.

The festival will finish with "Oasis" by Lee Chang-dong as a statement on human rights surrounding issues of physical disability.

The event is sponsored by the UI DIGG grant, ASUI, The Korean Consulate of Seattle, The Korean Students Association and the Moscow Korean Film Club.

The Korean Student Organization is also involved with the annual December Culture Mash and the Cruise the World event that will take place in the SUB on March 1.

Flying fingers

UI music instructor sets 'Birds' free

Kevin Otzenberger
Argonaut

James Reid has been teaching guitar at the University of Idaho since 1978, but he began performing music at the age of 12.

He said that he took lessons for several instruments that were not holding his interest until he took over a guitar that his sister left idle.

"I listened to songs on the radio and then I started to play in bands in high school and college until I got interested in classical guitar," Reid said.

On Jan. 28, Reid held a concert at the Lionel Hampton School of Music to promote his newly produced album, "Birds" and to premier an original two-piece composition.

While on sabbatical leave last semester, Reid used the opportunity to record music by Gwyneth Walker, Abel Carlevaro, Isaac Albéniz and John Duarte.

"You want to leave some kind of record of your work. When a live performance is over, the second you finish it's gone forever," Reid said. "This is a tangible manifestation of your work."

At the concert, Reid performed "Preludios Americanos" by Abel Carlevaro as well as "Mallorca" and "Zambra Granadina" by Albéniz.

Many of the songs from the recital are included on "Birds."

"It's different hearing it and seeing it created in front of you than seeing it on a DVD that you throw into a machine," Reid said.

Midway through the concert, Reid was joined by fellow music professor, Roger Cole on clarinet.

The two performed a series of four songs originally composed for them by Bryan Johanson, chair of the Portland State University music department.

"We got this new piece last spring, and got the manuscript this summer and started rehearsing," Cole said. "We knew we had a real central attraction."

Tuesday's recital was the first time that the original preludes had been performed for an audience.

"We'd really like to perform them at other events," Reid said, "... really in any place



Nick Groff/Argonaut
UI Professor and guitarist James Reid performs on Tuesday night in the Lionel Hampton School of Music Recital Hall.

they're interested in hearing new music."

The concert was organized by the artists themselves and was attended by a mix of music students and general audience.

"We're hoping if they're music majors that they'll be able to hear the instrument in its classical setting," Cole said. "When we're in the studio, we're studying the repertoire in four walls, and that has nothing to do with walking onto a stage. It's an emotional and psychological load."

Aside from working at UI, Reid has taught music at Washington State University, Spokane Falls Community College and Lewis-Clark State College.

He has performed at several guitar festivals in Buffalo, Miami, New Orleans and Portland.

Reid also founded a regional guitar festival that has sporadically taken place in Moscow, Seattle, Spokane, Boise, Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary

and Bozeman.

However, the LHSOM is a place where Reid and other music administrators go to premier their solo work.

"We make the (performance) opportunities ourselves, and this hall is well used," Cole said. "Solo recitals are usually a product of our own industry. It usually comes out of time we have on our own, not during our teaching schedule."

For the next step, Reid said that he is interested in recording chamber music including guitar. He has considered recording Johanson's piece as well as producing music for two guitars, guitar with violin and guitar with voice.

Following the UI performance, Reid plans to present two concerts in Canada.

"Birds" has been released independently and is available in Moscow at Paradise Ridge CD's and Tapes and at the UI Student Bookstore.

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Idaho 'Thinks Pink'

Basketball games promote cancer awareness

Liz Virtue
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Valentine's Day isn't the only reason to "think pink" this February.

The Vandal Athletics Department has teamed up with the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and Relay for Life to host two basketball games promoting cancer education at the University of Idaho.

The games will take place on Saturday when the women take on Louisiana Tech, and Feb. 16, when the men play Nevada. Both games start at 7 p.m. at the Cowan Spectrum.

UI is one of more than 300 universities and colleges participating in the "think pink" basketball games, designed to support breast cancer awareness. Organizers of UI's event have broadened the theme, focusing not only on breast cancer, but all forms of cancer, said Malia Kau, assistant marketing director for Vandal Athletics.

"Think pink is a way to unite all of the universities across the country," Kau said. "If you go to any university during Think Pink week you will see this happening. They leave it up to each university to decide what they want to do at the games."

Victoria Cook, UI junior and publicity chair in Latah County for Relay for Life, said the Think Pink basketball games have given the Relay for Life committee a chance to get the word out early and increase student involvement for a good cause.

"Almost everyone on campus has known someone affected with cancer, or been affected themselves," Cook said. "It seems like the community is always involved but not always the students. The students might not realize how much it affects them and hopefully these games will help open their eyes and get people interested in Relay for Life."

Booths and information tables will be set up around the stadium, so people are encouraged to show up before the games to look around, Cook said. Free gifts and information brochures will be available and there will be a registration table where students can sign up a team for Relay for Life.

Luminaria bags will also be available for a small donation. Fans can purchase the bags and decorate them with the name of a person they would like honored or remembered, Cook said. The bags will be used at the Relay for Life event held April 4-6 in the Kibbie Dome.

Students are encouraged to wear pink to the games and prizes will be awarded throughout the night to people in pink, Debbie Jacobs, Relay for Life 2008 event chair said. Anyone who is wearing pink and not a student will only pay a \$1 admission. Pink I-Care T-shirts will be sold at the games for \$5, with the proceeds going to Relay for Life, Kau said.

Pre-registered Relay for Life teams will run the concession stands and part of the earnings will go toward their individual teams.

"This is a reward to these teams for signing up early," Jacobs said. "The registration fee for each team is \$100, so eight teams have the opportunity to use the Think Pink games as a fundraiser."

Games and raffles will take place throughout the evening so fans will be entertained during the game as well, Jacobs said.

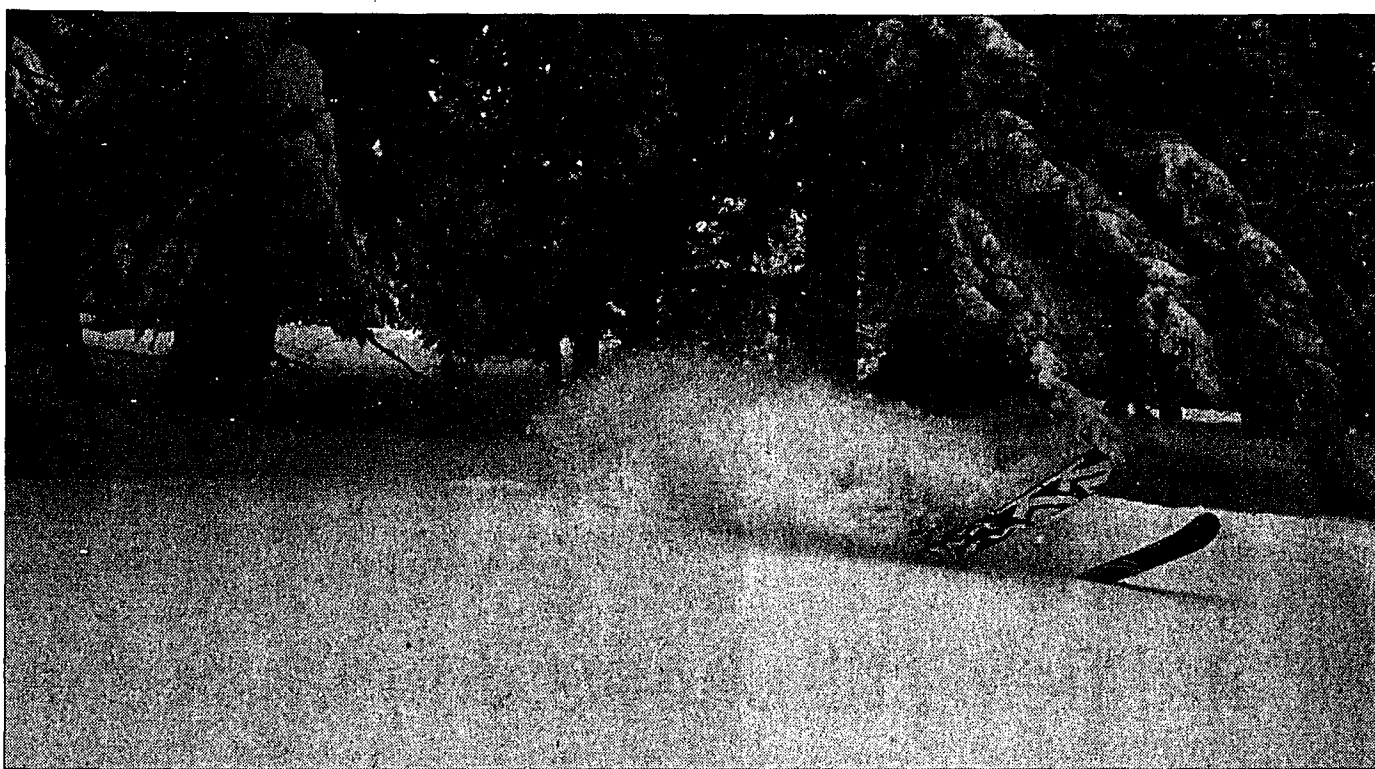
The Relay for Life committee will hand out flags, glow sticks and bookmarks before each game and the flags and glow sticks will be used during a special halftime presentation, Cook said.

Two student cancer survivors will also tell their stories during halftime — one survivor at each game. Tim Kunz, a freshman at UI from Boise is one of the students. Kunz will

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Waist deep

Despite a canceled conference race, the UI ski team still took to the slopes



Roger D. Rowles/Argonaut

Jared Faris of the UI Ski Team glides over fresh powder on Silver Mountain Saturday afternoon.



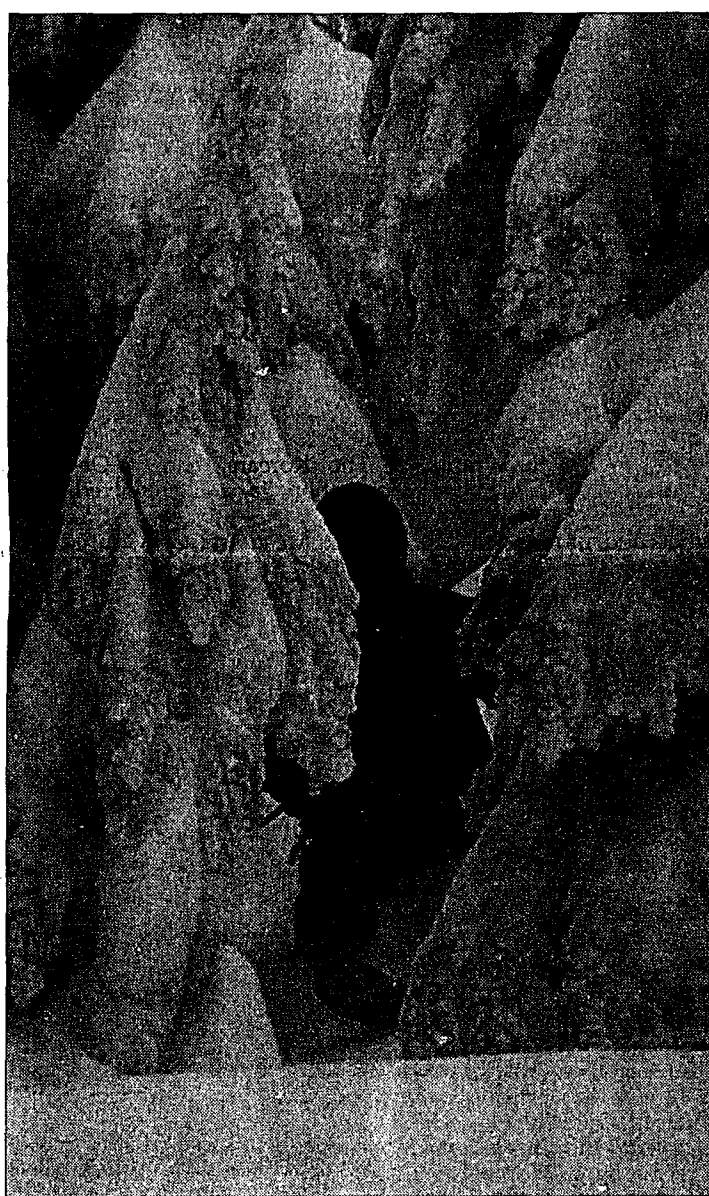
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Cameron Stefanic, the vice president of the UI Ski Club, has been involved in the club for the past three years. "It's really just a great group of people to hang around with." During the season, the 17 competing members of the club travel all over the Northwest to compete in the North West Collegiate Ski Conference.



Roger D. Rowles/Argonaut

Cameron Stefanic struggles to the surface after tumbling through Saturday's powder on Silver Mountain.



Roger D. Rowles/Argonaut

Cameron Stefanic, a junior Mechanical Engineering major and vice president of the UI Ski Club burst through powder covered trees on Silver Mountain's Wardner Peak on Saturday morning. The weekend's storms caused race cancellations, but also led to amazing powder runs.

Women lose hard fought game to BSU

Cari Dighton
Argonaut

Despite a tough, physical game, the University of Idaho women's basketball team lost 65-60 against in-state rival Boise State (14-6, 6-2) on Saturday in the Cowan Spectrum.

This loss brings the Vandals to 2-18 on the season and 1-7 in the Western Athletic Conference.

"I am really disappointed for the kids, but I'm not disappointed in them at all," Idaho coach Mike Divilbiss said. "We had some turnovers late in the game and it cost us. We turned over the ball on four of the last five possessions we had and that cost us the game."

Divilbiss also tried something new on Saturday night — he started four freshmen. "That's what we knew when we recruited them, we really thought they were going to infect our program with that fire, and they showed it tonight," Divilbiss said.

Both teams started off fast-paced and competitive and ended the half tied at 24.

"I thought we really stepped it up, we stepped up big and that says a lot about how hard we've worked this season, to

learn the system and to just get where we need to be," starting freshman Alana Curtis said. "It doesn't matter what year we are, whoever is going to step up and do it is going to do it."

The Vandal women out-shot the Broncos by 5 percent in both halves, but that wasn't enough for the team to overcome their foul percentage. The Vandals' 26 overall team fouls cost them the game.

Although the Vandals lost, they didn't do so without a fight.

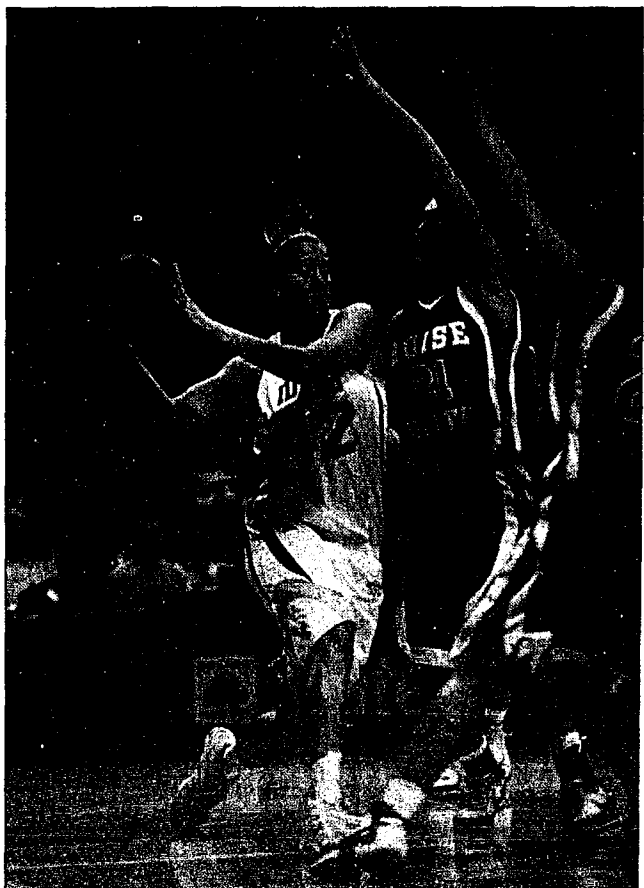
"It is so disappointing to lose a game like this," Curtis said. "That's the hardest we've ever fought in a game by far."

Idaho's Katie Madison stepped it up, scoring 22 points and grabbing 10 rebounds. Saturday marked Madison's 14th career double-double and also marked the 18th time she has scored 20 or more points in a game.

Curtis finished the game with a career-high 19 points, one assist and one rebound for the Vandals. Freshman Carli Bakondy also added 14 points and three assists in 32 minutes of play.

"I was really pleased with our fire and our fight — our

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Perry Hanson/Argonaut

Therese Riedel holds her own against three Boise State defenders during the close Vandal loss 65-60 to the Broncos in the Kibbie Dome Saturday night.

QuickHITS

Did you know...

● Russ Winger's season bests give him current world rankings of 14th in the shot put and 17th in the weight throw. He is the only athlete in the world to hold top-20 rankings in both indoor throwing events.

● Paul Dittmer ran a season-best 8.09 to take first in the 60-meter hurdles at the McDonald's Collegiate in the Kibbie Dome. His time is the best in the WAC this year and marks the third consecutive meet that he has hit a WAC-leading time.

Vandal Impact Players

Michael Crowell Men's basketball

The senior led the men's basketball team with 18 points in the Vandals loss to Boise State in Boise on Saturday. Crowell shot 6-of-9 from behind the three-point arc and added three rebounds.



Katie Madison Women's Basketball

The sophomore put up 22 points and 10 rebounds for the 14th double-double of her career as the women's basketball team fell to Boise State in Cowan Spectrum on Saturday. Madison shot 9-of-18 from the field and had two steals.



Russ Winger Track and Field

Winger defended his shot put title at the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational in Lincoln, Neb., with throw of 65-1 1/2 feet. Winger's throw leads the NCAA. He also earned the Invite's Most Outstanding Performance Award.



In action this week

Wednesday
Men's basketball is in action against the New Mexico State Aggies at 6 p.m. in Los Cruces, N.M.

Thursday
Women's basketball hosts the "Think Pink" game against New Mexico State at 7 p.m. at Cowan Spectrum.

Women's tennis travels to Los Cruces, N.M. to take on New Mexico State at 5 p.m.

At the SRC

Powerlifting entries are due Thursday. Weigh-in begins at 5 p.m.

Doubles table tennis entries are due Thursday.

Wallyball entries are due Feb. 14

Sports briefs

Track and Field

The UI men's track and field athletes Russ Winger and Paul Dittmer both earned Western Athletic Conference Athlete of the Week honors for the week of Jan. 28. It is the second time Winger has been honored this season and the first time Dittmer has been honored.

Men's basketball

The UI men's basketball team has drawn former Big West Conference opponent UC Irvine in the sixth annual O'Reilly ESPNU Bracket-Busters field. The Vandals will travel to Irvine, Calif., to face the Highlanders Feb. 23 at the Bren Events Center. The two teams have not met since the 2003-04 season and UC Irvine holds a 14-4 overall record in the series.

Swimming

The UI swim team fell to Washington State 113-53 in the third meeting of the season between the Cougars and the Vandals on Friday. Leading Idaho were freshmen Anna Humphrey and Alyson O'Brien and senior Kacie Hogan who had second place swims for the Vandals.

Same ball, same hoop, same court

Hugh Jones
Argonaut

Idaho guard Mike Hall might be new to the four year university scene, but he is not new to the game of basketball.

Hall, one of the many junior college recruits on the Vandal men's basketball team, is making quite a show during his first year at Idaho. The junior is transitioning well to Division I athletics, which was apparent in his record-breaking performance against San Jose State on Jan. 21, during which he sank nine-of-10 three point shots. Hall not only broke a school record in the San Jose State game, but was also named WAC Player of the Week for Jan. 21-27.

"It's always just kind of nerve racking when you come in and see all the people, the size difference and strength and speed and all that, but I can score here like I can at any other level and I'm starting to realize that," Hall said.

Jan. 21 was not the first time Hall has hit nine three's in a game. Last year Hall drained nine-for-12 from the arc in the first round of the NJCAA Na-

tional Tournament.

"We watched him just go off at the national tournament last year, and we recruited him to hit the three ball," Idaho coach George Pfeifer said. "Everyone has a void to fill — the three is his void."

The Cincinnati native's basketball career began in a third grade Saturday league. Since that point, he has had basketball running through his veins. At Troy High School, in Troy, Ohio (roughly 1,500 students,) Hall was recruited to play on the varsity squad as a freshman. Hall remained on varsity throughout all four years of his prep career.

When he graduated, Hall was recruited to play his freshman year in college at Cincinnati State, but he relocated himself after just one year.

"I didn't like the situation there coming back my sophomore year, so I transferred to a school in Dallas called Lon Morris Junior College," Hall said.

Lon Morris finished sixth at the NJCAA National Tournament last year, where Hall earned all tournament honors averaging 18.8 points per game.

Though Idaho is Hall's third college in three years, he says that he is here to stay for

the rest of his college career.

"I had a lot of pretty big schools recruit me, but I visited here and liked it. I liked coach Pfeifer and the other assistant coaches, and I just felt pretty comfortable here, so I decided to come this way," Hall said.

Other schools that recruited Hall include No. 22 Kansas State (14-4), West Virginia (15-5), University of Alabama Birmingham (13-6), Kentucky (9-9) and the University of Cincinnati (9-11).

"There were some pretty big ones, but big schools just tell you what you want to hear. They could have three All-Americans playing on their team," Hall said. "Here I get a chance to start and to play, that's what it's all about."

One of the most striking things about the team's self-proclaimed funny man is his belief in the 5-14 team around him.

"I just try to let (the team) know that it's possible to make a big change in the course of the season, and next season as well, if we just work hard at it," Hall said. "I just want everyone to see what we as a team are capable of, and to pack out the Cowan Spectrum one time just to see how it rocks."



Perry Hanson/Argonaut
Mike Hall looks for an open teammate while avoiding Hawaii's Matt Gibson in the Cowan Spectrum Saturday night.

Idaho falls to Broncos

Hugh Jones
Argonaut

University of Idaho men's basketball team (5-15, 2-7) fell 78-64 to Boise State (16-5, 7-2) on Saturday. Though Idaho outscored Boise State by three points in the second half, the deficit set in the early stages of the game was too great for the Vandals to overcome.

"In the beginning we were just silly and did foolish stuff," Idaho coach George Pfeifer said. "I would like to have those first 20 minutes back. We can't expect to win on the road when we do foolish stuff. Things we didn't want to happen we let happen in the first stages on the game. (At the end of the game) we had some players with some pride and some players who wanted to compete hard."

Where the first half showed a struggling Idaho team, the second half showed the team's improvement with a second half shooting percentage above 50 percent.

This week the Vandals prepare for two more road games on Wednesday and Saturday at New Mexico State (12-12, 6-3), and Louisiana Tech (0-7, 3-16).

Vandals track and field still shows dominance in third meet

Wauters, Winger continue to impress in Nebraska while Idaho hosts first indoor home meet of the season

Levi Johnstone
Argonaut

Near and far the University of Idaho track and field team showed their dominance with strong performances Friday and Saturday.

Throwers Matt Wauters and Russ Winger competed at the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational in Lincoln, Neb., over the weekend and continued to impress against na-

tional competition.

Wauters, nationally ranked 6th in the men's weight throw, came in 2nd with a throw of 68-4, and Winger came in third with a personal best 67-3 1/2. Reigning NCAA champion Egor Agafonov defended his title with a throw of 69-8 1/4.

"That's a personal best and a great performance by Russ at a good competition," Idaho throws coach Julie Taylor said. "Matt's a little disappointed,

because the guy who won it was the guy who won nationals last year, and Matt really wanted to beat him."

Both Vandal athletes did well in the shot put too. Winger defended his championship at the meet with a national best 65-1 1/2 mark, a throw good enough to beat the nearest competitor, and second ranked shot putter in the nation, by more than three feet.

Wauters had a lifetime best in the event at 55-10 1/2, nearly a foot better than his previous best, and good enough to take sixth.

Taylor said that Wauters, slightly disappointed in his

second place performance in the weight throw, took his frustrations out on the shot put.

"When Matt came to Idaho, we actually recruited him as a shot putter, but the weight and hammer have turned into his best events," Taylor said. "He was very happy, because that now puts him second in the conference and I know he really wants to help the team."

At the McDonald's Collegiate meet in Moscow, a pair of Vandal pole vaulters continued to excel in the Western Athletic Conference.

Idaho athlete K.C. Dahlgren hit an NCAA provisional qualifying mark for the third

week in a row and had a lifetime best of 13-3 3/4. Her effort was good enough to win the event by more than a foot and moved her up to ninth in national rankings.

In the men's vault, Lucas Pope cleared a lifetime best 16-3/4 and took away the WAC lead from teammate Mike Carpenter, who didn't compete. Pope is the only vaulter in the conference to clear 16 feet this season.

"Our throws coach Jason Graham has been talking about how Lucas has just been money in practice for the past few weeks, so it's great to see him transfer that into competition

today," Idaho coach Wayne Phipps said. "To finally go over 16 feet is fantastic. I'm really proud of him."

Former Vandals athlete and current assistant coach Angela Whyte won the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 7.96. Her effort earned her a top five world ranking.

The Vandals will try to carry this week's momentum into next, when they host the Vandal Indoor, sponsored by Runner's Soul of Spokane. The meet will take place on Friday and will be followed on Saturday by the McDonald's Open. Both events will be held at the Kibbie Dome.

Women's outdoor program to compete in Ski to Sea

Rob Todeschi
Argonaut

Women on the University of Idaho campus have a new way to get involved in outdoor recreation.

The UI Women's Outdoor Program plans to enter the Ski to Sea race taking place on May 25 in Bellingham, Wash. The race is an 84 mile, seven-leg outdoor event beginning on Mt. Baker and ending in Bellingham Bay. The legs of the event include cross-country skiing, downhill skiing or snowboarding, biking, running, canoeing, mountain biking and kayaking. Each team will have one person for each leg.

Rachel Todd, a member of the Women's Outdoor Program, said she hopes to field as many teams as possible for the Memorial Day event.

"We're not looking for people just to win," Todd said. "We just want women to commit to the date and have a great time competing."

The annual event is open for anyone and is divided into

categories based on age, men's, women's, mixed, recreational, corporate and Whatcom County divisions.

According to the Bellingham Chamber of Commerce, the first Ski to Sea, known then as the Mt. Baker Marathon, was held from 1911 to 1913.

The idea for the marathon began as a conservation effort to include the North Cascades into the National Park system.

The marathon was canceled in 1913 but was started again in 1973 and named the Ski to Sea Race. In 2005, the race was broadcast on Fox Sports Northwest.

The Women's Outdoor Program plans to participate in more than Ski to Sea this semester. Todd said they plan on taking cross-country ski, climbing, sea kayaking and backpacking trips this spring.

Todd said the goal of the program is more than Ski to Sea or the trips.

"We understand it can be an intimidating atmosphere in the outdoor center to ask to try new things," Todd said. "We want to provide a



Kyle Griner/Argonaut
Rachel Todd scales the climbing wall in the Student Recreation Center during Women's night on Tuesday.

comfortable environment for women to try new things."

Todd said the Women's Outdoor Program is making every attempt to try and break onto campus in the residence halls and Greek houses.

"It's something that is really important, not even just the ski to sea but the Women's Outdoor

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Bob Knight resigns midseason

Son, Pat, will take over Texas Tech basketball

Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

LUBBOCK, Texas — Bob Knight resigned Monday at Texas Tech, a stunning mid-season move by the winningest men's coach in major college basketball.

"He said he was tired and that it was best to go ahead and do it now," Texas Tech chancellor Kent Hance told The Associated Press. "I think Bob is through with coaching. I think he got to the point where it wasn't fun for him."

Known as much for his fiery temper as his basketball brilliance, Knight gave no hint a change was coming. He will be replaced by his son, Pat, a Red Raiders assistant.

The 67-year-old Knight informed Texas Tech athletic director Gerald Myers of his

decision in a meeting around noon, Hance said. Knight then called Hance and told him.

"He thought about it Sunday all day and talked to his wife and decided 'This is something I want to do,'" Hance said.

The Red Raiders beat Oklahoma State 67-60 on Saturday, giving Knight his 902nd victory. He won national titles at Indiana in 1976, '81 and '87.

Knight was not available for comment Monday, said Randy Farley, a spokesman for the Texas Tech basketball program.

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal first reported the resignation.

In September, Knight signed a three-year contract extension that runs through the 2011-12 season. In 2005, Pat Knight was appointed his father's successor.

Knight arrived at Texas Tech in March 2001, six months after being fired by Indiana for what school officials there called a "pattern of

unacceptable behavior."

In his first six years at Tech, he led the Red Raiders to five

20-win seasons, a first at the school. They are 12-8 this season, including Knight's 900th victory last month against Texas A&M.

Texas Tech's next game is Wednesday night at Baylor.

Knight passed former North Carolina coach Dean Smith as the winningest Division I coach Jan. 1, 2007, getting career win No. 880.

To celebrate the milestone Knight chose "My Way" by Frank Sinatra, a mantra for how he navigated his personal and professional worlds.

"Bob is kind of a funny guy. He always loved that

song 'My Way,' and this is another example," Hance said.

Back then, Knight explained why "My Way" was so fitting.

"I've simply tried to do what I think is best," Knight said. "Regrets? Sure. Just like the song, I have regrets. I wish I could have done things better at times. I wish I would have had a better answer, a better way, at times. But just like he said, I did it my way and when I look back on it, I don't think my way was all that bad."

Knight has been a college coach for 42 years. He broke in at Army in 1965, but made his mark in 29

years at Indiana.

He's a complex package, someone who can hit a policeman, throw a chair across the court or be accused of wrapping his hands around a player's neck, yet never gets in trouble for breaking NCAA rules, always has high a graduation rate and gave his salary back a few years ago because he didn't think he'd earned it.

"Maybe he thought it was the right time for Pat and give him a shot," former Temple coach John Chaney said.

Knight got his 100th victory at Army, then moved to Indiana, where his Hoosiers went 662-239 from 1971-2000.

His first NCAA title came in 1976 when Indiana went undefeated, a feat no team has accomplished since. In 1984, he coached the U.S. Olympic team to a gold medal in Los Angeles.

When he began his coaching career at Army, he was 24, the youngest-ever Division I coach. Knight won 20 or more games in 29 seasons.

"Bob is kind of a funny guy. He always loved that song 'My Way,' and this is another example."

Kent

HANCE

Texas Tech Chancellor

Clemens' turn: Attorney says pitcher won't plead 5th as he follows Pettitte in Hill rotation

Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Not one of Roger Clemens' flat-out denials about using steroids or human growth hormone was delivered while he spoke under oath. Now he gets that chance.

The seven-time Cy Young Award winner is scheduled to give a deposition to lawyers from a congressional committee behind closed doors Tuesday, one day after his former New York Yankees teammate and workout partner Andy Pettitte delivered sworn testimony for about 2 1/2 hours.

Both pitchers' private interviews with staff members from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee are part of preparation for a Feb. 13 hearing. That public session is expected to focus on allegations

made in the Mitchell Report by trainer Brian McNamee that he injected Clemens more than a dozen times with performance enhancers.

The 45-year-old Clemens ranks eighth in major league history with 354 career wins. He put off retirement yet again in 2007, returning to the Yankees in June and going 6-6 with a 4.18 ERA.

"Roger is not going to take the Fifth Amendment," one of Clemens' lawyers, Rusty Hardin, said in a statement e-mailed by spokesman Joe Householder. "He is going to answer the committee's questions truthfully under oath."

McNamee is to appear Thursday. One of his lawyers, Earl Ward, said no decision had been made on whether he would submit to a deposition or transcribed interview.

It is a crime to lie to Congress, whether sworn to tell

the truth or not, so the distinction between the two has more to do with the format of the questioning and the confidentiality of the transcript.

Pettitte, who chose to be deposed, did not take questions from reporters afterward as he walked from committee offices to an elevator in the Rayburn House Office Building. Wearing a pin-striped gray suit and bright striped tie, Pettitte was accompanied by his wife and three lawyers.

"At the committee's request, Andy Pettitte voluntarily met with representatives of the committee this morning, and fully answered all of the inquiries made of him in a sworn deposition," two of Pettitte's lawyers, Jay Reisinger and Thomas Farrell, said in a statement. "Out of respect for the sensitive nature of these proceedings,

and out of deference to the committee's request for confidentiality, we, on behalf of Mr. Pettitte, will not comment on the nature or specifics of his testimony."

Staff members for the committee declined to comment.

McNamee told former Senate majority leader George Mitchell he injected Pettitte with HGH. Pettitte lent credence to Mitchell's findings by acknowledging two days after the report was released in December that he did try HGH for two days in 2002 to help deal with an elbow injury.

The committee announced Monday it will hold yet another hearing Feb. 12, entitled, "Myths and Facts about Human Growth Hormone, B-12, and Other Substances." The committee said medical experts will testify about the effects of such substances.

A former Yankees teammate of Pettitte and Clemens, Chuck Knoblauch, spoke to committee staff Friday. The day before, an employee of the sports agency that represents Clemens and Pettitte went to Capitol Hill to be interviewed.

McNamee said he injected Clemens with HGH and steroids in 1998, 2000 and 2001. Clemens has repeatedly and vigorously denied that, including in a recorded television interview and a live news conference — as well as through his lawyers. Clemens did acknowledge he received injections from McNamee, but he said they

were for vitamin B-12 and the painkiller lidocaine.

When Mitchell testified at a committee hearing Jan. 15, he was asked whether he was still comfortable with McNamee's credibility.

"We believe that the statements provided to us were truthful," Mitchell said.

McNamee also said he acquired HGH from former New York Mets clubhouse employee Kirk Radomski for Knoblauch in 2001 — and McNamee said he injected Knoblauch with HGH.

Radomski pleaded guilty in April to federal felony charges of distributing steroids and laundering money. He is scheduled to be sentenced Friday, then speak to committee staff on Feb. 12.

Last week, Ward said he believed Pettitte would tell Congress he discussed HGH with Clemens between the 2001 and 2002 seasons. Ward said Pettitte talked about HGH with McNamee following a conversation with Clemens.

Richard Emery, another lawyer for McNamee, has said the trainer and Pettitte also discussed steroids use by Clemens.

The 35-year-old Pettitte, who won four championships with the Yankees then helped the Houston Astros reach their first World Series, returned to New York last season and went 15-9. This offseason, he agreed to a \$16 million, one-year contract to play for the Yankees in 2008.

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speak at the men's game. "I was diagnosed with cancer on Aug. 2, 2006," Kunz said. "They wanted someone to talk at the games so I volunteered."

Kunz's cancer, Embryonal Rhabdomyosarcoma, was found in the back of his neck and after chemotherapy, the cancer went into remission. Kunz first participated in Relay for Life last year while he was in treatment, but said he hadn't know much about it before he was diagnosed.

Kunz said he thinks speaking at the games will help students gain a better understanding on the unpredictability of cancer.

"People hear the word cancer and they understand it to some extent but they might not fully get it," Kunz said. "Things like the games and Relay for Life can open your eyes to a lot of things and it shows how important this is to a lot of people."

Qdoba of Moscow pledged to donate 10 percent of the total sales earned on Feb. 16 to cancer research, so students and fans should go eat there before the game, Kau said.

The slogan for the fifth annual Relay for Life in Moscow will be "Celebrate, remember, fight back," and Jacobs said everyone should come to the Think Pink games to start the celebration.

"We had 62 teams last year and we are shooting for 70 teams at Relay for Life this year," Jacobs said.

The final day to register a team is Feb. 22.

"It's not all about raising money, it's more about raising awareness," Kunz said. "Even if you don't donate money or raise your quota, you should still go and support the cause."

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intensity. We played a high level basketball game," Divilbiss said. "You have got to give Bakondy tons of credit, she did a great job on (Jessica Thompson) defensively."


Boise State had also had three players score in double digits.

Thompson led the Broncos with 20 points, but was followed closely by Tasha Harris who scored 17 points and Jamie Malone who had 10 points and three rebounds. Nine of Thompson's and 10 of Harris' points came from free throws.

Although the loss was disappointing to the Vandals, neither Divilbiss nor Curtis are discouraged, especially after such a close game.

"I think that we are starting to get the picture, I really do," Divilbiss said. "We just have to learn how to win, and the more games we are in like this one, the better we are going to get at it."

The Vandal women are back in WAC action this week when they host New Mexico State on Thursday and Louisiana Tech on Saturday in the Cowan Spectrum.



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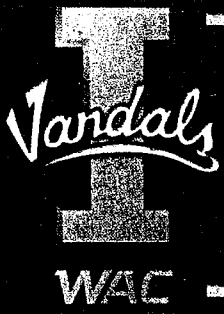
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Vandals take Broncos to the limit, but slip up late

MOSCOW - The University of Idaho women's basketball team did exactly what it wanted to do to Boise State on Saturday night at the Cowan Spectrum—the Vandals took the Broncos out of their rhythm, forced turnovers and played with great intensity all night long, but late turnovers ended Idaho's upset bid and BSU won 65-60.

With the loss, Idaho drops to 2-18 on the year with a 1-7 record in the Western Athletic Conference, while the Broncos move to 15-6 and 7-2.

It seemed early on like neither team would ever even score, as both teams combined to go 0-10 from the field over the first four minutes of the game before Boise State's Sierra Moeller hit a layup at the 16:00 mark. The Broncos went on to take a 6-0 lead early, but the Vandals came right back and scored 10 in a row to set the pace for the rest of the game.

"I told the kids before the game that we wanted them to play 10 four-minute games and I think we won four of the five in the first half," Idaho head coach Mike Divilbiss said. "Defensively, we played aggressive and hard-nosed. I was really pleased with our fire, our fight and our intensity."

The contest featured 12 ties and 14 lead changes and had all 740 fans on the edges of their seats for the whole game.

The critical point in the game came when Idaho true freshman nailed a pair of clutch free throws with 47 seconds left to tie the game at 60-60. The crowd was roaring and momentum was on the side of the Vandals, but Boise State's Jessica Thompson, the WAC's preseason Player of the Year, came right down and drained a three-pointer that ended up being the difference.

The Vandals came back down to try to tie, but Kloke's three-ball with 24 seconds fell just

short and Thompson made another pair of free throws to ice the game.

The Vandal defense stayed in the faces of the Boise State players all night long and forced them into just a .298 shooting percentage for the game—the lowest for the Broncos this season in a WAC contest—but it was free throws that kept Boise State in the game. The Broncos hit 27-of-34 for the game and Idaho racked up 26 fouls.

Katie Madison looked more like her normal self after missing last Thursday's game at San Jose State with a minor knee injury. She put up 22 points and grabbed 10 rebounds with an assist and a pair of steals in 36 minutes of play. Alana Curtis put up a career-high 13 points and a pair of blocks.

Carli Bakondy earned her first career start and showed that she belonged, as she dropped 10 points, dished out three assists and most importantly, played solid defense on Thompson and held BSU's top scorer to just four-of-15 from the field.

"You've got to give Bakondy a ton of credit," Divilbiss said. "She did a great job on [Thompson] defensively. After she fouled out, Thompson made five points right away."

For the Vandals, it was just one more game of being "this close" to pulling out a tough victory. While the loss is tough, Divilbiss said it helped the team learn an important lesson.

"I'm really disappointed for the kids. I'm not disappointed in them at all, I'm just disappointed for them," Divilbiss said. "I think that we're starting to get the picture that we can do this. We just have to learn how to win and the more games we're in like this, the more we're going to get it."

A notable point about the team was that Idaho started its youngest lineup of the season



on Saturday night. True freshmen Bakondy, Curtis, Kloke and Yinka Olorunnife joined Madison, a sophomore, as the team's starting five.

Divilbiss has shown in the past that he's not afraid to play youngsters and this year is no different.

"[The freshmen] showed some toughness," Divilbiss said. "That's what we wanted those freshmen to do when we recruited them. We really thought they were going to infect our program with that fire."

"It took them some time to catch up and learn college ball and the system, but they're starting to go."

The Vandals will try to carry that toughness and intensity over into next weekend, when the team hosts New Mexico State on Thursday and Louisiana Tech on Saturday. Both games will start at 7 p.m. and will be played at the Cowan Spectrum. Saturday's game against Louisiana Tech is also a "Think Pink" game and fans wearing pink clothing will be admitted for just one dollar.

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Vandal track impresses at home and on the road

MOSCOW - Whether they were in the Kibbie Dome or Midwest America, University of Idaho track and field athletes looked to be near the top of their game Saturday, as the men's and women's teams hosted the McDonald's Collegiate and a pair of big-time throwers traveled to the Husker Invitational.

Senior thrower Russ Winger successfully defended his shot put title at the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational with an NCAA-leading throw of 65-1½ to beat out his nearest competitor, the nation's second-ranked shot putter, by more than three feet.

Winger wrapped up an impressive weekend at the Husker Invitational, where he also took third in the weight throw on Friday. Along with his top ranking in the shot put, Winger is also now ranked in the top 10 in the 35-lb. weight throw.

"It's a great meet and a great performance for him," Idaho throws coach Julie Taylor said. "His attitude is that he wants to do anything he can to help his team."

"We don't end up investing a huge amount of time into the weight, because he wants to do so well in the shot put, so having him do so well in both events is pretty amazing."

The Nebraska meet staff took notice of Winger's efforts, too. He was awarded the meet's Outstanding Performance Award at the conclusion of the meet.

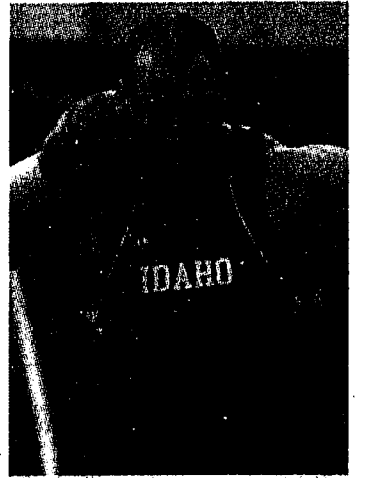
Junior thrower Matt Wauters was slightly disappointed with his second-place finish in Friday's weight throw, so "he kind of took it out on the shot put today," according to Taylor. Wauters threw a lifetime-best 55-10½, nearly a foot better than his previous best, to take sixth.

"When Matt came to Idaho, we actually recruited him as a shot putter, but the weight and hammer have turned into his best events," Taylor said. "He was very happy, because that now puts him second in the conference and I know he really wants to help the team."

Back at Moscow, Vandals and former Vandals put up some of the Western Athletic Conference's and world's best times of the season.

Former Vandal athlete and current assistant coach Angela Whyte blazed her way to a facility record and a top-five world ranking with a 7.96 in the women's 60m hurdles.

A pair of Idaho vaulters raised the bar in the WAC on Saturday. K.C. Dahlgren



cleared an NCAA provisional qualifying mark for the third straight meet and hit a lifetime best of 13-3¼ to win the women's vault by more than a foot. After sliding to 13th in the NCAA, after not competing last weekend, Dahlgren climbed back up into the top 10 with the nation's ninth-best vault of the season.

Lucas Pope easily cleared the competition on the men's side as he went a lifetime-best 16-0¾ and took the WAC lead away from teammate Mike Carpenter, who didn't compete. Pope is the only vaulter in the conference this season to have cleared 16 feet.

"Our throws coach Jason Graham has been talking about how Lucas has just been money in practice for the past few weeks, so it's great to see him transfer that into competition today," Idaho co-head coach Wayne Phipps said. "To finally go over 16 feet is fantastic. I'm really proud of him."

Phipps and fellow co-head coach Yogi Teevens, the prospect of being at home for a meet is great for the athletes, because they are familiar with the track and because they have the support of fans and family.

"I think always when you're at home you have an advantage," Teevens said. "They have a lot of friends out here and we have a lot of parents who came out to support their kids."

"You're sleeping in your own bed and you're competing in your home facility where you practice every day, so it's really good."

The Vandals will try to ride the wave of this week's momentum into next weekend, when they host the Vandal Indoor, sponsored by Runner's Soul of Spokane. The meet will take place on Friday, Feb. 9 and will be followed on Saturday by the McDonald's Open. Both events will be held at the Kibbie Dome.

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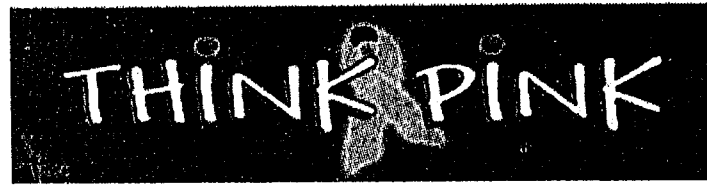
During February 8-17th the Vandal Athletics Department is joining the Women's Basketball Coaches Association and more than 250 universities and colleges around the country to raise breast cancer awareness.

Vandal Athletics is also teaming up with local group Relay for Life. They organize community events that CELEBRATE the

lives of those who have battled cancer, REMEMBER those lost and FIGHT BACK against a disease that takes too much. For more information, please visit <http://events.cancer.org/rfla-tahcountyd>

The "Think Pink" games for the Vandals are:

Women's Basketball on Saturday, February 9th vs. Louisiana



Tech @ 7:00 p.m.

Men's Basketball on Saturday, February 16th vs. Nevada @ 7:00 p.m.

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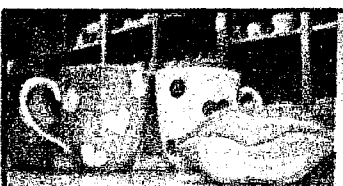


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