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## Senate bill will allow weapons on campuses

Six other states have introduced legislation loosening gun restrictions

**Associated Press** 

BOISE - Idaho lawmakers are considering a bill that would strip the authority that administrators at public universities and community colleges have in keeping their campuses free of concealed weap-

A bill introduced in the state Senate on Wednesday would require the State Board of Education to set rules allowing concealed weapons on campuses, as long as permit holders first notify school admin-

Debate on the bill comes at a time when lawmakers in at least six other states have introduced legislation to loosen firearms restrictions by allowing students, staff or faculty to carry concealed weapons on campuses, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Supporters say the measures are inspired, at least in part, by a student movement that's emerged in the wake of the shooting spree at Virginia Tech last April, in which a student killed 32 people before

committing suicide. Since then, the Students for Concealed Carry on Campus, which now counts more than 10,000 members, has been pushing states to open up concealed weapons laws at colleges and universities as a way of allowing people to react to violence.

Many states forbid holders of concealed weapons permits from carrying weapons on school campuses. In states where the

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## Cancellations lead to blood shortages

Reid Wright

Recent snowstorms and icy roads have caused the cancellations of several blood drives in the area, causing blood supplies to drop significantly.

Both the Inland Northwest Blood Center and the inland northwest chapter of the American Red Cross had to cancel blood drives over the past weeks.

'It made us really nervous," Red Cross representative Karen Parvin said. "We had to regroup and try to figure out how to have another drive."

The Red Cross barely met goals last week after a last minute influx of donors, some of which were from blood drives on

UI's campus, Parvin said.

Two blood drives were held by the Red
Cross at the university last week with a goal of collecting 25 units. The first drive only yielded 14 units, Parvin said. The

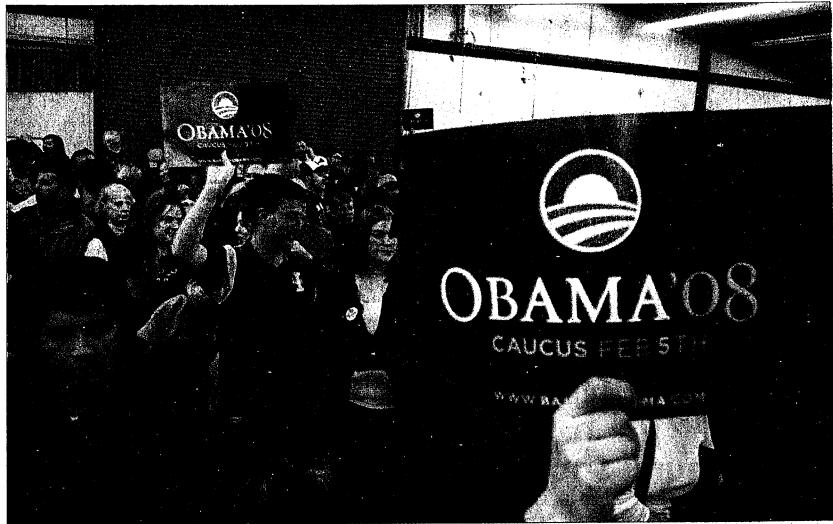
next day's drive exceeded the goal.
"People just rallied," Parvin said. "It was absolutely amazing ... a blessing.'

Inland Northwest Blood Center also reported a blood supply shortage after having to cancel seven blood drives, resulting in the loss of 300-400 units of blood, Vice President of Technical Services Steve Mc-Cormick said.

"We have to make it up somewhere," McCormick said. "If we can get people to come in, it will lower our prices to the hos-

McCormick said that although they didn't charge hospitals for the blood itself, they charged them a fee to have the blood is dested and processed. If more blood is do nated, less processing is needed to preserve existing supplies.

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Roger D. Rowles/Argonaut

## A large number of people attended the caucus on Tuesday evening at the fairgrounds, a large majority of them in favor of Barack Obama. Caucus draws big numbers

#### Obama receives 13 delegates for Idaho State Convention

Brandon Macz **Argonaut** 

More than 1,000 Democratic voters were herded into the 4-H Building of the Latah County Fairgrounds Tuesday. They came to support their presidential candidates and choose delegates for

the Idaho State Convention. Doors opened at 6 p.m. and volunteers ushed participants to the sign-up tables to fill out the top portion of their blue pledge cards indicating their presidential preference. Larger white slips were signed by caucus members to be tallied

in real time on a projector. Political lines were drawn as caucus members joined their respective sub-caucuses or camps. Candidates had to receive at least 15 percent of caucus pledges to qualify for delegates. Sen. Hillary Clinton held steady at around 18 percent, but fell to 14.32 percent at 7 p.m.

"The Clinton camp is kind of empty here," said Dave Nelson, chair for the Latah County Demo-

cratic Party. "And the Obama camp is blocking everything.'

Fifteen minutes after the doors opened, Sen. Barack Obama had drawn in 69.15 percent of caucus members, eclipsing Clinton. Former Sen. John Edwards, who suspended his campaign before Super Tuesday, had a small following camped be-

side the undecided group Sub-caucus facilitators helped organize caucus members to select spokespersons to represent the candidates.

Facilitator of the Edwards camp, Sara Anderson, who works in the diagnostics lab at Washington State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, said she wasn't an Edwards

supporter.
"I was planning on ending up with Obama," she said. "Since Edwards has dropped out, so has

Clinton facilitator Molly Kennedy said she had originally chosen to side with Edwards, but went

where she was needed in the Clinton sub-caucus. "We have the opportunity to ask who we can facilitate for," Kennedy said. "I figured I should vote for who I'm facilitating."

Moving through sub-caucuses was easier for Edwards and Clinton supporters compared to the Obama crowd that had started growing as more caucus members chose sides, like the blocks in

Tetris that quickly stack up.
Obama facilitator and UI student Edith Martinez said she was expecting around 700 supporters. Obama won with 920 after the second caucus was tallied.

We've looked for a president to give us hope," Martinez said. "He's just an amazing person and I think he has what it takes. While the final tally had not been completed

by 7 p.m., officials went to the podium to organize the re-caucus.

"I am so excited," Nelson said to the caucus. I can't believe there are so many Democrats in Latah County."

Clinton was under 15 percent, but reached 16.21 percent in the second count, garnering three delegates for the State Convention. Obama took the 13 remaining delegates. The necessary votes Clinton needed came from caucus members changing their preferences during the 15 minutes between caucuses where other camps try to draw in undecideds and those who had chosen a nonviable candidate.

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File photo John Clayton plays the upright bass, reflected in the piano, at the 2006 Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival.

> himself with the left, he will be splitting the delegates by percent, instead of winner take all like those pesky Republicans do. Snow

before," Clayton said. "I think that's a real cool message to send and I know that that's what Lionel Hampton would have wanted

## Jazz fest in need of volunteers

#### Annual event takes at least 500 students to run

**Alexiss Turner** Argonaut

With less than two weeks remaining before show time, University of Idaho students and faculty are busy preparing campus for the 100th birthday celebration at the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival on Feb. 20-23.

This year, UI expects some 10,000 students to attend the festival, which includes a lineup of jazz artists from around the world.

John Clayton, artistic director for the festival, said preparation is a year-around process. Clayton, a well known composer and musician, has worked diligently with friends and colleagues to create a roster of professional musicians who will participate in the celebration.

"We're bringing in new young faces, some young faces that Moscow hasn't seen

Along with faculty efforts, it takes about 500 student volunteers to run the event. This includes drivers to bring artists to and from appointments, running events as well as being a general source of information for visi-

Morgan Wilson, the festival's marketing

#### want to . HELP?

Students interested in volunteering for the Lionel Hampton Interna-tional Jazz Festival should stop by SUB Room 127 or go to www.jazz. uidaho.edu.

coordinator, said volunteers are still needed for the festival. Depending on the number of hours worked, volunteers can receive free

tickets to events and coupons.

"We rely on volunteers to run the festival," Wilson said. "We rely on the support of the campus and community."

With the influx of people to campus during Jazz Fest week, Parking Services has released a list of changes to normal traffic routes and parking. While the changes are no different from past years, increased traffic on campus can be overwhelming.

"Watch out for a lot of kids and busses," Parking Services Manager Stuart Robb said. "Come to campus early. If you're going to park, try and stay in that spot until you're ready to leave because you might not get your spot back."

For a full list of the changes to parking during the festival, visit www.uidaho.edu/ parking.

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

According to online voters, the 2008 snow days will be more remembered than either Super Bowl XXLII or Super Tuesday.

Since Guy in a Monkey Suit tends to align Days receive 28 delegates, Super Bowl gets four and Super Tuesday gets two.

Football season is over but the snow and the elections are still with us. Mitt Romney, on the other hand, won't be involved anymore. Maybe he can be vice

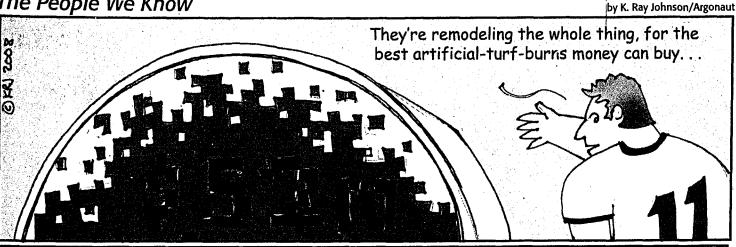
Here's how it will work: Once a year, when it's time to do the budget, the president will go, "OK, Mitt. You can talk now. What do you think about the budget?"

And when the budget is done, Mitt gets

put back into his cage.

Where he belongs.
The time line – no, we can't have time lines — for the ends of Mike Huckabee's and Ron Paul's campaigns is still unsure. Guy predicts Huckabee will quit when he runs out of money but Paul won't concede defeat until Inauguration Day.

The People We Know



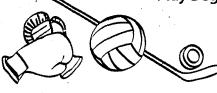


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Hey, look over there. Yeah, to your right. Chris Bidiman's weekly column Beyond the Sheets is right there every Friday. Did you know he answers questions? He does. All you have to do is send your question to arg\_opinion@sub.uidaho. edu and he will do his best to answer your question. And then you can tell your friends about that time when you...

#### **SudokuPUZZLE**

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



10 Raimen

11 Vortices

17 Volcano

19 Xmas gift

25 Disruption

18 Monetary unit

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#### **CrosswordPUZZLE**

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56 Actress Merkel 57 Mellow 59 Roof par 68 Blessing

70 Celebes dwarf 71 Ordinance (Abbr.) 72 Rave Solution

5 Distress signal 30 Go-between 6 Landing craft 31 Illustration (Abbr.) 32 Pizzazz 7 Word of regret 33 Hastens 37 Wicked 8 Architectural 38 Depend 41 Actor Dillon

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For hints on solving The Argonaut crosswords, see the **Crossword Dictionary** at www.crossworddictionary.com or One Across at www.oneacross.com.

45 Flying high

53 Doorhandle

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64 Suffering 65 Weight unit

67 Fuel

60 Batman actor

61 Weak-stemmed

62 Adam's grandson

49 Building block

50 Burrowing rodent

#### BEYOND THE SHEETS

# Beyond chocolates

**Chris Bidiman** 

As I am sure many of you are aware, we are coming up on the most romantic date of the year. That is correct -Valentine's Day is quickly approaching. Everyone likes to celebrate this holiday differently

and that is completely acceptable. Some will take their sweethearts to dinner, while others will prepare a romantic home-cooked meal. Whatever plans you make this year, I suggest thinking outside of the conventional box with some

suggestions. First of all, chocolate is over. While giving your sweetheart a box of chocolates may have been considered romantic once upon a time, in today's time, people want a little bit more. If you are just dead set on giving some sort of snack/indulgence food as a gift for Valentine's Day, why not get something that your sweetheart loves but rarely buys. You may even want to try a "goodie basket." You can compile various snacks and treats you know your other half will enjoy instead of sticking to just one sweet. Secondly, be care-

ful when purchasing certain gifts. This is especially true when buying a "traditional" gift for women. The simple fact of the matter is that buying lingerie for another person is dangerous. If you are going to take this route, be extra sure you know her size. If you buy something too small or too big, you are going to regret that decision. You will also face a problem if you buy something that she finds aesthetically unpleasant. I suggest taking her to the store with you. Have her pick out multiple lingerie pieces that she likes and encourage her to try them on to make sure they fit. Do not buy anything at the time but return later without her and pick one of the pieces she likes. That way you know you are making a good choice but it is still a bit of a surprise for her when

she gets it. I do not suggest buying shoes for a woman unless she is with you or you are positive you are making a good decision. This is very much like the lingerie issue ... but can be a little bit

worse. Enough said. On the other end, do not assume men do not care about romance. While it is true that some men really could care less, there are a lot of men who enjoy and

appreciate romance.
You need to put in just as much effort to impress your guy as you expect him to put in to impress you. Part of being in a relationship is about doing things for your partner ... Valen-tine's Day is no

exception. You , might have to be a little more creative, perhaps he would really enjoy seeing you in a football jer-sey for example, but he will appreciate and respond well to

Sex columnist the effort. arg\_opinion@sub. uidaho.edu Do something special that you both enjoy

that night that does not center on sex. I realize it seems odd that I am advocating the avoidance of sex; however, there is reasoning behind this.

Valentine's Day is about spending time with your significant other. It is about being romantic and intimate and celebrating your status of being together. While sex can be a part of that, it should not be the entirety. Be intimate with embraces and closeness. Enjoy sensual candlelight and massages (there are even candles you can use for massage lotion). Find activities that provide intimacy without involving sex. Yes, sex may happen and that is great; however, if it does not happen, it is not the end of the world. Caressing your blindfolded partner's body with a rose can be just as intimate and rewarding, if not more so, than sex.

Now, not being in a relationship does not mean you can't enjoy Valentine's Day. Perhaps this is a perfect opportunity for you to ask a crush out on a date. You might want to have an anti-Valentine's Day party with some of your close friends. You may want to ignore the day entirely. I suggest finding something you really want to do or have and letting it happen. Be happy on this day, treat yourself to a romantic evening (you can go out to dinner or enjoy candles and a bubble bath or whatever you would like). Just because no one has been lucky enough to snag you for this holiday does not mean you should not enjoy it.

Have fun, be safe and be outside the box.

Have a question for Chris? Send it to arg\_ opinion@sub.uidaho.

Chris Bidiman is a junior studying School and Community Health and a Safer Sex Outreach

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## Computer expert first in lecture series

**Greg Connolly** Argonaut

Nigerian-born supercomputing expert Philip Emeagwali will be speaking at 6 p.m. Feb. 19 at the Best Western University Inn.

The event, sponsored by the University of Idaho's chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers, is the first in the group's Dynamic Engineers Lecturer Series.

"We're excited to present to the Palouse area the perspective of engineering from such a dynamic individual," said Richard Hill, president of UI's NSBE chapter. "We think it's going to be a fantastic experi-

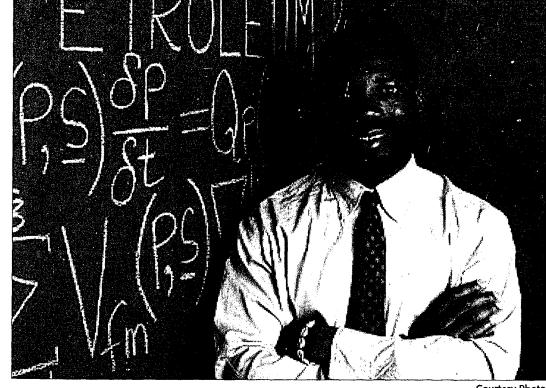
Emeagwali was born in Nigeria while it was still under British rule. Following the Nigerian Civil War, his family was displaced along with 2 million others. He came to the United States to study under a scholarship and earned degrees from Oregon State University, George Washington University, University of Maryland and the University of Michigan. .

Emeagwali became a civil engineer and helped pioneer techniques to extract petro-leum from the ground. He is most known for creating and demonstrating a computational formula in 1989 that allowed 65,000 separate computer processors to work together to perform 3.1 billion calculations per second. This lead to Emeagwali receiving the Gordon Bell Prize, which some refer to as the "Nobel Prize of supercomputing."

In the past, he has lectured at MIT, for the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics, and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, where he served as a distinguished lecturer for six years.

"His talk will be geared toward everyone," said Cyril Ige, treasurer for the local chapter of NSBE. Ige grew up in Nigeria as well and said that Emeagwali was a source of inspiration for him to study science.

'He's a Nigerian who has made a huge impact on the last year, Hill was voted presi-



**Courtesy Photo** 

The UI chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers is bringing supercomputing expert Philip Emeagwali to Moscow on Feb. 19. He will speak at the Best Western University Inn.

world," Ige said of Emeagwali. The event is expected to at-

tract many members of UI's faculty, including President Tim White and his wife, Dr. Karen White.

Hill believes that Emeagwa-li's presentation will help bring the local chapter of NSBE one step closer to fulfilling its mission, which is "to develop and implement programs that advance the Inland Northwest's interest in the various engineering disciplines and increase the number of minority students studying science or engineering at the University of Idaho for both the undergraduate and graduate levels."

Tickets for the event are on sale for \$10 for students or \$12 for the general public. For more information, call 885-5350 or 305-4110.

While Emeagwali is the first speaker in the Dynamic Engineers Lecture Series, Ige hopes that the group can continue to bring in more speakers.

The NSBE was started on campus in 2006. In October of dent of the organization. The neuroscience major is currently doing his graduate work at UI.

The group is approaching thirty members. Nationwide, the NSBE has close to 27,000 members, and hosts an annual conference each year.

The UI chapter attended the conference last year in Columbus, Ohio, and plans on attending this year's conference in Orlando, which should draw as many as 11,000 members from the organization.

Support for the group comes from the Dean of Engineering, Aicha Elshabini, and the Diversity Initiative Growth Grant, as well as other science and engineering related departments. According to the Web site for the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs, the DIGG was established to help promote an understanding of diversity from as many perspectives and views as possible.

According to Ige, Elshabini and the DIGG were both very helpful in bringing Emeagwali

The local chapter of the NSBE has sponsored such

#### check it OUT

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events as bringing a California mayor to speak and purchasing robotics kits and taking them to Spokane and to the Lewiston Boy's and Girl's club to teach children about robotics.

For more information on the NSBE, visit www.nsbe-uidaho.

Anyone interested in joining the NSBE or attending one of its meetings is free to do so. The meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month in the Idaho Commons on the fourth floor.

## In the air

Alpha Phi celebrates the longest lasting love in Latah County

> Cyrilla Watson Argonaut

Alpha Phi is gearing up to host its first "longest lasting love in Latah County dinner" on Feb. 25. The sorority is looking for the three couples in Latah County who have been married the longest.

The couples chosen will be invited to the Alpha Phi house for a dinner, entertainment and many surprises.

The purpose of the event is to "let these couples know they are appreciated," said Alpha Phi President Courtney Rainville.

The event is in honor of Cardiac Care Month, which is the sororities' philanthro-py, said freshman member Shandy Lam. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death to women in the United States.

The house has received more than five entries so far and hopes to get more. One entry was a couple who have been married for 65 years.

Rainville said the sorority wants to host an event that would reach out to the

community, not just Greek

'(It's a) light hearted, fun thing to do for people in the

community," Rainville said. Entertainment will be provided by Old Time Fiddlers and ABC Limousine is helping sponsor the event.

'It will be a great night for them," Lam said.

The house is searching for couples who have been together a long time. Couples apply themselves or be nominated by friends or family.

Lam said the more entries the house gets, the bet-ter it is. She said the sorority hopes to make this an annual event.

Other philanthropy events Alpha Phi hosts are the Red Dress Run with Gritman Medical Center, a kickball tournament, Random Acts of Kindness Day and pumpkin carving.
Alpha Phi has 61 members

who live in the house and have 81 members total on the university campus.

Couples who wish to apply for the "longest lasting love" event can contact Shandy Lam at (208) 669-0026 or slam@vandals.uidaho.edu.

## Two Washington bills address firearm safety

Associated Press

OLYMPIA - Two Washington state lawmakers have offered dramatically different bills dealing with guns on college campuses and the measures touched off spirited debate Thursday at a Senate committee hearing.
The bill offered by Sen. Ed

Murray, D-Seattle, would ban weapons at colleges that host high school students. That would include community colleges that offer the Running Start program and universities when high school students are touring.

In response to Murray's bill, Sen. Pam Roach, R-Auburn, introduced her own measure that would prohibit universi-ties from banning concealed weapons. Her argument is that people with permits to carry weapons would make campuses safer. Most universities now ban weapons on campus, but that is not a state law.

Neither measure is likely to go anywhere in this year's short legislative session, said Sen. Paull Shin, D-Edmonds, the committee chairman. He suggested the sponsors work out their differences and come back next year. Murray said his bill is an

extension of existing state law that prohibits weapons at elementary and secondary Murray offered his bill af-

ter hearing from constituents of a case last October at Seattle Central Community College where a student was found carrying three weapons, in-cluding semiautomatic hand-

The hearing attracted a handful of college students, including some from the University of Washington, who testified in favor of concealed weapons on campuses.

But gun foes said guns on campuses would create more trouble.

## Workshops help develop leadership skills

REARDON

Jessica Mullins **Argonaut** 

Students now have more opportunities to live up to the University of Idaho's new slogan, "A legacy of leading."

The two-year old Idaho LEADS program provides conversation workshops groups and leadership guidance to all students. Students can earn a Leadership Certificate or Leadership Skills Certificate by meeting certain qualifications in the program. The programs are free and open to all students.

"A lot of people have this misconception when it comes to leadership," said Jon Reardon, coordinator of Student Activities. "It is about becoming a better version of yourself."

The program helps students develop self knowledge and leadership skills, Reardon said. The workshops cover a va-

riety of subjects and have interactive guest speakers, said senior Ryan Urie, leadership programs intern. Each speaker chooses the topic of their workshop, he said. The workshops present tips, new ideas and

perspectives to the students.

"I like that the LEADS program covers a lot of ground that seems to get ignored in the general curriculum," Urie said. Reardon defines leadership as conviction and action, he

"If you are putting your convictions into action, seek-

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ing some sort of change, I think that is important" he said. "Leadership where you are not changing anything is not lead-

strive to better themselves and said, and signify the students' the people around

"It is about them. "(Leadership is about) finding out becoming what you are pasa better sionate about and acting in accordance version of to those things," he said. "It is not reyourself." lated to holding a position or having a title.'

It is possible for a CEO or president of a company to not

engage in leadership, Reardon said, or practice toxic or negative leadership.

Leading involves collaboration and not being afraid to stand up for what one believes in, he said.

'Leaders don't have to be aggressive," Reardon said. "In the end it is really the empowering of the people that makes a difference.

If students attend eight workshops within two semesters they will receive a Leadership Skill Certificate. The Leadership Certificate requires 16 attended workshop in four semesters and additional leadership and service requirements.

'No matter where life is going to take you, this is stuff that really matters," Reardon said. "When people get started and give it a chance they find it is

The certificates will look im-Reardon said people must pressive on a resume, Reardon

workshop dance and partici-pation in leader-

ship and service.
"We do think it is a big growing process for people," Reardon said.

The workshops

can help students figure out what they would like to do after they gradcoordinator, Student Activities uate from college, Urie said.

Leadership Certificate seekers must complete a personal action plan with personal goals, complete service through the ASUI Center for Volunteerism and Social Action and serve as an officer in a club or organization or intern in office of student government. The students are also required to participate in a GAP (growth and purpose) Group for at least one semester.

Students in the group meet once a week to have casual conversation, Urie said.

"The GAP groups are a place

IdahoLEADS WORKSHOPS

Workshops are from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays in the Commons Wellspring room and 11:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. Wednesdays in the Commons Clearwater room. Other workshops will be on evenings and weekends.

Tuesday: Finding Your Type

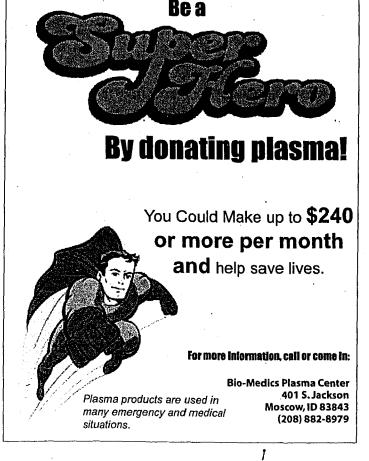
Wednesday: Personal Goals and Vision

For more events, go to www.studentactivities. uidaho.edu/LEADSworkshops.

for students to have meaningful conversation and talk about things that are important to them in a safe environment," Reardon said. "We can think about the things we would like to spend more time talking

The students can develop rapport, Urie said.

The students can take a break and talk," he said.







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## White outlines UI success for JFAC

**Alexiss Turner** Argonaut

University of Idaho President Tim White stood before members of the Idaho Legislature in Boise to highlight achievements the University of Idaho made in 2007.

The speech was made before the Idaho Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee January 15. Legislative members base decisions about how much funding to give UI on what they hear during White's annual speech.

Funding from the Legislature totals 30 percent of UI's total budget, the rest is made up of student fees, grants, auxiliaries and philanthropies.

There is a direct correlation between the amount of state support and the setting of student fees each year," White said. "So any way you look at it, these resources are vital to support our students' learning and creative opportunities."

White also discussed employee compensation at UI. In 2007, faculty received a 5 percent pay increase. The increase ranks UI at 15 out of the 18 competing universities for employee salaries. White said the increase is an improvement, but with other universities moving on the scale, UI is chasing an ever-moving target.
"We moved up one," he said. "It's better

than moving down one."

White has proposed another 5 percent increase for 2009. He said with most other universities moving at a rate of 3-6 percent, UI should be making "incremental progress."

A good portion of the discussion involved the College of Law and concrete plans for its future including a possible move of part of the program to Boise. White acknowledged that talk has been going on for some time but said leadership and the overall business plan for the school has never been stronger. Funding proposals will be brought to UI's Board of Regents

this April.

"We're going to solidify our footprint in Moscow," White said. "And expand our educational opportunities for students in Boise."

White also proposed the need for increased funding in support of Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's Opportunity Scholarship program, a statewide

needs-based program.

"The support that you provided last year has significantly improved our ability to extend necessary financial support to encourage students to attend college who might not otherwise be able to," he said.

White said the university has maintained financial stability and operating revenues are higher than usual. The university has also been focused on enrollment management. Student retention has increased to 79 percent in targeted areas.

The governor has requested a \$4 million government appropriation for deferred maintenance costs. With an estimated total of \$207 million in back-owed payments, White said the allocation would be graciously accepted.

To meet most of that backlog we must rely on state appropriations and this allocation is a

welcome step in that direction," White said.
During the speech, White discussed key areas in which the university has made notable achievenments in the last year.

Over the last eight years, the university has acquired 85 percent of the state's national merit scholars, he said.

The university also awarded its 100,000 degree last year, becoming the leading state university for total degrees awarded.

The Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival received the National Medal of Arts, making UI the first public university to receive

such an award. White also discussed the effects of interdisciplinary programs such as Water of the West, which allow the university to hone in on community needs. The program brings together skills from both students and faculty to analyze

water sustainability around the Moscow area. With this program we intend to lead the universities in the west in providing interdisciplinary education, research and outreach in

water resources," White said.
White outlined future goals for the university including an extensive outside review of the existing graduate program. The College of Law will also be looking to refine their practices to better meet educational needs at the state level.

## Law students raise funds for alternative spring break

**Hayley Guenthner** Argonaut

University of Idaho's College of Law students are getting the opportunity to put their legal skills to the test and make a difference to people in need this Spring Break.

Twenty-five of UI's future lawyers are set to once again participate in an Alternative Spring Break, taking them to Boise; Biloxi, Miss.; and Washington, D.C., where they will offer free legal services to the local residents.

Second-year law student Jordan Taylor is participating for the second consecutive year in the voluntary work and said he is excited to help those in desperate need of legal advice. He said his experience last year taught him a lot and showed him how much assistance is still needed in the South.

"It was really interesting to see the city of New Orleans after the hurricane and how little had been accomplished in rebuilding it," he said. "My favorite part was actually helping people and talking to the victims about their legal needs. We got to hear all these incredible stories of people who had survived the

Taylor said last year's trip had such an immense impact on him that he is now pursuing a public interest law de-gree. He serves as the president of the student run Public Interest Law Group, which is working with the college's Law School Student Bar Asbig easy **BANQUET** 

The Public Interest Law Group is hosting the Big Easy Banquet at 7 p.m. Friday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, located at 1036 A Street in Moscow. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children and are available at the door. The event is a fundraiser for the law school's Alternative Spring Break.

sociation to raise the \$21,000 necessary to finance this year's efforts.

Taylor said the Dean's Office in the College of Law, along with UI's President's Office, has agreed to match the raisings of the students by up to \$7,000. The amount will cover the full airfare, lodging and meals for participants.

Jordan said he hopes to

raise the bulk of the funds at Friday's Big Easy Banquet hosted by PILG. The second annual Cajun-themed dinner will be at 7 p.m. at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, complete with live music. Tickets are for sale at the door and cost \$10 for adults and \$7 for children.

Taylor said he hopes donors will see the importance in the trip and do whatever they can to help other students benefit from the experience. "I want to help people who

can't afford lawyers," he said. "(We all just want to) make

sure everyone has access to justice.'

Anna Faller, a third-year student and the head of the Law School Student Bar Association, agreed that the experience is a huge benefit not just to those in a time of struggle, but UI students as well.

There will be ample opportunity in our lives to take vacations," she said in a news release. "Students who choose to go on an Alternative Spring Break trip do so because of the opportunity to positively impact the lives of others. The experience allows us to spend a week providing legal service to those truly in need.

Taylor said 15 students will be working Boise, nine, including himself, in Biloxi and three in Washington, D.C. He said no matter the destination. all students participating will have a beneficial trip.

Taylor said above getting a first hand opportunity in their desired line of work, helping people in a time of need is what their hard work is all

"The most interesting thing I got out of it (last year) was meeting the people who were frustrated — people wanting to rebuild their homes," he said. "No one would even come talk to them about their problems, and they were comforted and appreciative that we were there to help.'

Anyone wishing to contribute to the cause can send donations the UI College of Law, P.O. Box 442321, Moscow, ID 83843, or attend the Big Easy Banquet.

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#### <u>Senate**REPORT**</u>

Open forum

Katie Scott, director of academics, discussed two issues she encouraged senators to take to their living groups this week. The first is a new degree audit system called "Degree Works," that is being implemented and will affect 2007-08 freshmen. Freshmen should look into the new audit. Secondly, the Student Achievement Áwards are up and coming. Students should take a look at the brochures located around campus and apply or nominate others for the awards.

Matthew Weibler, ASUI Commons and Student Union Board chair, discussed the new artwork the art committee purchased that is on display in the Idaho Commons. A large clock was also purchased and on display. The committee is trying to design maps to help students better navigate the TLC and the Commons. The art committee is planning the Arts Festival that will be held the week of March 24. Student artwork will be on display in the Commons and the committee is setting up events and activities with the drama, dance, music, literature and fashion departments. Weibler also asked senators to immediately consider bill S08-11, an act allowing him to continue his position as ASUI Commons and Student Union Board chair.

Sara Schmoe, recreation

chair, said the Vandal Fitness challenge is under way and registration is now closed. The challenge will end in April and a winner will be announced then.

Presidential communications ASUI President Jon Gaffney gave his State of the ASUI address. He said the Senate is strong this year and has worked to increase their presence on campus and have continued to grow through programs like Alternative Spring Break. This year ASUI has completed numerous projects including the ASB Peru trip, a legislative trip to Boise, a successful canned food drive, work on the feasibility study for the Student Recreation Center and parking issues. The Senate is continuing to work on student fees, a nonprofit management degree, communication improved with the Division of Finance and Administration, planning a successful Finals Fest, the Student Achievement Awards and this year's Alternative Spring Break trips.

Unfinished business

S08-08, an act appointing Andrew Jacobson to the position of ASUI Vandal entertainment films coordinator, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

New business

S08-03, a resolution speci-fying the Senate's position concerning the possible Idaho Bookstore management change, was immediately

considered and unanimously passed.

S08-11, an act appointing Matthew Weibler to the position of ASUI Commons and Student Union Board chair, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

S08-12, an act appointing Jennifer Mano to the position of ASUI Vandal entertainment lectures coordinator, was sent to the Government Operations and Appointments committee for further discussion.

S08-13, an act suspending ASUI rules and regulations section 3010:030; setting a new date for the State of the ASUI address due to conflicts with the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival, was immediately considered and

unanimously passed. S08-14, an act establishing the Senate's philanthropy for the spring semester, Relay for Life, was sent to the ways and means committee for further discussion.

S08-15, an act establishing the Senate's philanthropy for the spring semester, Random Acts of Kindness Day, was sent to the ways and means committee for further examination.

S08-16, an act appropriating \$102 for Sharing is Caring carnation sale, was sent to the finance committee for further examination.

- Liz Virtue

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## Residences get new director

Cyrilla Watson Argonaut

University Residences has a new director this semester. Ray Gasser has taken over the position from Michael Griffel.

Gasser moved here from Tucson, Ariz., to start work as director more than three weeks ago.

He said he has "a lot to learn to fully understand how the department operates."

Gasser applied for the position last fall and was one of three finalists. At the end of November, he had interviews with different departments on campus and a week later the university offered him the job.

The role of director, Gasser said, is to provide services, such as customer service, to students.

Gasser worked as the assistant director of University Residences at the University of Arizona before taking the job at UI.

His goal is to make the residences "an attractive place for students" by filling up the spaces that are empty. Gasser plans to invest back into the Wallace Residence Center because it is in the most need of attention.

University Residences is in the process of getting bonds to help with the upgrades being done to Wallace. They are still getting student feedback about the four concept rooms that

were built last spring.

To fill empty rooms throughout Wallace and other living communities, Gasser plans to advertise to incoming freshmen and their parents that living on campus the first year is the way to go.

By living on campus, students can have a higher GPA and there is a greater likelihood they will graduate, Gasser said.

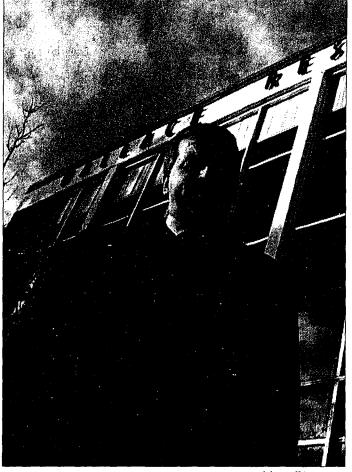
Other changes students may see are a new elevator in Theophilus Tower and more activities. Gasser would like to see vending machines throughout the residence where students can rent or buy movies.

It is just an idea and is still in the preliminary states, Gasser said. University Residences is looking at all the options. He said the residences are

He said the residences are not in the strongest shape financially and he is trying to provide services that won't raise room and board prices in the future.

As a graduate of the University of Washington, Gasser said he is glad to be in the northwest again. Gasser said he is excited about this university.

Any comments or questions contact the housing office at 885-6571 or housing@uidaho.



The new Director of University Residences, Ray Gasser, stands outside the housing office of Wallace Complex.

#### **NewsBRIEFS**

#### Lunar eclipse over Palouse on Feb. 21

A total lunar eclipse will be visible over the Palouse on Feb. 21.

When the moon rises that evening at 5:11 p.m. the eclipse will already have begun, but the center of eclipse — when the moon is directly in the center of the earth's shadow — will not occur until 7:26 p.m. The eclipse will end at 10:17 p.m.

Lunar eclipses occur almost every year, but they are not always easy to observe, do not happen early in the evening, as is the case this year, or are not visible from all parts of the world. The next lunar eclipse will be Aug. 16 and it will not be visible from the Palouse.

## Tips keep the planet toxin free

The University of Idaho released a series of tips to help keep the planet as well as the body healthy.

They included opting for natural agents, such as distilled vinegar, baking soda, citrus juice, basic soap and water, instead of using commercial household cleaning products containing a variety of toxic cleaning agents.

of toxic cleaning agents.
Try buying 100 percent or-

ganic cosmetics, skin care and hair care products to avoid the toxic ingredients often used and disposed of in the production of beauty products.

The university also recommends avoiding the pesticides used to eliminate common household pests, they are harmful both to the body and the environment.

A spray bottle with soapy water, cucumber slices, citrus oils, crushed mint and Thai Jemon grass are all natural deterrents for most indoor pests, such as ants, mosquitoes, fleas, flies and cockroaches.

## Fair trade candy on sale this week

In support of fair trade, UI's Sustainability Center will sell fair trade chocolate from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday at the Idaho Commons.

The Sustainability Center also will raffle off a Valentine's Day gift basket with a selection of fair trade items from the Moscow Food Co-Op. The basket, worth more than \$100, includes fair trade chocolate, coffee, tea, lotions and soaps. Raffle tickets will be on sale for \$1 at the UISC table in the Commons Tuesday through Thursday

table in the Commons Tuesday through Thursday.

The fair trade label on a box of chocolates or bouquet of flowers means that workers on farms around the world are paid a living wage and have safe work conditions.

## Time Warner subscribers welcome Fox

**Liz Virtue** Argonaut

Football fans were able to watch the Super Bowl Sunday from the comfort of their own homes thanks to an arrangement reached by Time Warner Cable and local Fox affiliate, KAYU.

The agreement, reached late Thursday night, ends a 14-month dispute between the two companies. As of Feb. 1, Fox was restored to Time Warner Cable customers in Idaho, Washington and Montana.

Deena Gibbs, Time Warner Cable general manager in Moscow, said the contract will be good until Feb. 1, 2013.

"We have a five-year agreement," Gibbs said. "This won't have to be an issue again for at least 5 more years."

The dispute began in December 2006 when Fox demanded

payment from Time Warner in order to broadcast their pro-

"They forced us to pull down the signals when we couldn't reach an agreement," Gibbs said. "They wanted compensation, which we had never done be-

While specific details cannot be released to the public, Gibbs said Time Warner is happy to have Fox programs back on cable free of charge.

ble, free of charge.

"The employees did such a good job explaining the situation to everyone. Things would get quite and then there'd be a playoff game or American Idol would start back up," Gibbs said. "It's been an issue for a

whole year."

KAYU General Manger Jon
Rand said he agrees and is disappointed that viewers had to
suffer through the dispute with

the companies

"We had a lot of correspondence with unhappy customers during the 14-month period," Rand said. Rand and a few others high in the company took the time to personally answer the emails, phone calls and mail sent to KAYU during the disagreement.

"We didn't have stock answers for everything and we gave them real heartfelt answers to their questions," Rand said. "It was hard for everyone"

"It was hard for everyone."
Time Warner also dealt with dissatisfied customers.

"We had losses for sure,"
Gibbs said. "Not as big as KAYU
would like people to believe
though. Not everyone jumped
ship when we lost Fox."
With the dispute over, cable

With the dispute over, cable customers were able to tune-in to Super Bowl XLII, the most viewed Super Bowl in the histo-

ry of television, Rand said. If the decision had not been reached, this would have been the second year local residents would have missed the Super Bowl.

KAYU/Fox programming can be found on channel 9, and KAYU digital is on channel 709 in Moscow and Pullman. Turner Classic Movies, which was used to fill in for Fox during the disagreement, was moved to channel 99 for 30 days, Gibbs said. After 30 days, customers can decide if they'd like to upgrade their cable package to include Turner Classic Movies. Once the five-year period is up, Time Warner and Fox will begin another negotiating contract.

"This kind of negotiation process is going on all over," Rand said. "It's not just us and it's not just Time Warner. It's a prevalent process that's going on all around the country."

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

#### Today

AgSAC soup sale
11 a.m.-1p.m.
AgBiotech Interaction Court

Big Easy banquet benefit

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
"No Fish In The House"

7 p.m. Kiva Theatre

Faculty recital 7:30 p.m. School of Music Recial Hall

#### Saturday

Chinese Lunar New Year and Spring Festival Celebrations 5:30-10 p.m. SUB Silver Room

Live auction and social 6:30 p.m Prichard Art Gallery Women's basketball vs. Louisiana Tech 7 p.m.

## Memorial Gym Sunday

Student recital 1 p.m. School of Music Recital Hall

"Ballet Goes Swing"

Beasley Coliseum

#### Monday

Book circle: "Buffalo Dance: The Journey of York" 11:30 a.m. TLC 229

Body Image Task Force 5 p.m. Women's center lounge

Foreign film: "Machuca" 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Borah Theatre



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### **CAUCUS**

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Spokespersons selected before the end of the first tally were each given three minutes at the podium to endorse their candidate.

"Clinton comes in with a bunch of experience that Obama doesn't," said Lauren Torok, Clinton spokesperson and UI employee. "She's got that experience and Obama doesn't. You need experience. You don't need charisma."

Edwards spokesperson Bert Cross, an honored emeritus retiree from UI's journalism department, said Edwards was the candidate that set the agenda for the Democratic campaign, and reminded cau-cus members that Edwards had suspended his campaign but had not dropped out of the

"I'm proud to represent Barack Obama for president," said Michael Riley, Obama spokesperson. "It's about the future taking over the past. He will lead us out of Iraq if elected."

Clinton only received 13.29 percent at the end of the first tally, but rules chair Pat Costello said "people can switch to make the second caucus viable.

"A circle of Obama signs flew up around caucus members in the 15 minutes allotted for preference changes, earning him 51 extra votes and 28 for Clinton, enough to make her eligible for delegates. A few pledges were not overlooked in the first tally, which bumped the threshold or number of supporters needed per delegate from 169 to 172.

Costello became one of the

three delegates to represent Clinton at the State Convention, including UI student Kayleigh Anderson and Joyce Brocke, who suffers rheumatoid arthritis and diabetes.

"I'm disabled, but I still get where I have to go," Brocke

Delegates nominated to attend the State Convention on June 12-15 are expected to pay their own way to Boise. Delegates were still being elected at the Obama camp after 9 p.m. with 33 nominees trying for the 13 positions available. The National Convention will be in Denver in late July.

## Obama, Clinton battle for funding

**Associated Press** 

NEW ORLEANS - Battling for every dollar and delegate, Barack Obama raised \$7.2 million in Super Tuesday's wake and Hillary Rodham Clinton pulled in \$6.4 million, stunning totals reflecting the intensity of their neck-and-neck race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Keenly aware of Obama's growing strength, Clinton challenged him to five debates in the next month. Obama initially put her off, then later agreed to two.

"We'll have some debates," Obama promised. But first, he said, "I've got to spend time with voters." Clinton, he argued, is better-known to voters in states coming up on the primary calen-

Clinton, who loaned her campaign \$5 million in the run-up to Super Tuesday, brushed aside the notion she has money problems. She pointed to the roughly even split of delegates still being allocated from Tuesday's primaries and caucuses as evidence her campaign has the financial muscle to compete.

"We're going to be fine," said Clinton. "By the end of the week, we'll be back on track,' she told ABC.

Top Clinton advisers offered to work without pay, but that wasn't necessary with the sudden influx of cash.

Indeed, whatever the current balance in the money chase, both candidates have been raising and spending incredible sums.

Each raised \$100 million last year and sped through at least \$80 million. That compared to \$128 million raised by all the Democratic candidates combined during 2003, the comparable period four years ago. President Bush, running uncontested, pulled in \$129 million of his own that year.

Any financial crunch for Clinton would be largely due to lopsided fundraising in January, when Obama pulled in \$32 million to her \$13.5 million.

'Obama was able to do what no one thought possible, which is to finance Super Tuesday," said

Anthony Corrado, a campaign fi-nance expert at Colby College in Maine. "He was able to advertise in more states, went on TV earlier in more states and put more resources into ground efforts in most of these states."

Looking ahead, Corrado said, the question for Clinton is whether she will have the cash needed for expensive advertising campaigns in upcoming contests including Ohio, Wisconsin and Texas.

'Obama's donor base continues to expand, so it's doubtful that she is going to be able to catch up," Corrado said, calling Obama an "unexpected financial colossus.'

Clinton, as a former first lady, has had the advantage of better name recognition; Obama's recent financial advantage has helped him overcome that familiarity gap.

Obama, asked about Clinton's recent personal loan to her campaign, said it showed "she has not generated the kind of grassroots enthusiasm that we have."

He's confident enough of his standing now to be choosy in the debate over debates.

On Thursday Clinton campaign manager Patti Solis Doyle sent the Obama camp a proposal for five one-on-one debates before the March 4 round of primaries in Ohio, Texas, Rhode Island

and Vermont. There's too much at stake and the issues facing the country are too grave to deny voters the opportunity to see the candidates

up close," Solis Doyle wrote.
After putting off the request, Obama's campaign announced later in the day that he would participate in two debates before March 4, one in Cleveland and the other in Texas.

Buoyed by a primary calendar in February that plays to his strengths, Obama plans a campaign swing through states holding contests this weekend, and will compete to win primaries in Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia next week and Hawaii and Wisconsin the following week.

#### **GUNS** from page 1

decision is left to the universities, most schools prohibit the weapons. So far, Utah is the only state with a law that allows concealed weapons on public university campuses. Kentucky, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia and Washington are all considering

Within days of the Virginia Tech shootings, University of Idaho engineering student Aled Baker started a Students for Concealed Carry on Campus chapter. Now with more than 130 members, the group

played an active role in persuading GOP lawmakers to introduce a bill to prevent school administrators from restricting concealed weapons on campus.

Virginia Tech was a primary example of why we need to allow people the right to defend themselves," Baker, a junior who helped write the bill, told The Associated

Press on Wednesday.

"The discussion started among myself and my peers," he said. "We were saying, 'That's ridiculous what happened.' And we could have mitigated the situation, reduced the number of deaths. You can't always prevent these things. You could maybe cut down on

Sen. Curt McKenzie, R-Nampa, agreed to sponsor the bill, which was introduced in the Senate State Affairs Committee. The bill also has the blessing of the National Rifle Association.

"The creation of a gun-free zone is not going to stop terrible things from happening within those zones any more than laws against murder are going to stop murder," Brian Judy, the NRA's Idaho liaison, told lawmakers.

The bill is also designed to curtail attempts by cities and counties to regulate guns in public places, and pre-empt any attempt at the local level to pass ordinances restricting the sale, acquisition, storage and transfer of firearms and ammunition.

Existing state laws regulating weapons at courthouses, jails and elementary and secondary schools

would remain in place.

During debate Wednesday, some Republicans questioned whether the bill goes too far.

Sen. Brad Little, R-Emmett and the party's caucus chairman, criticized a provision that would strip cities and counties of authority to regulate shooting galleries and

ranges.
"I'm afraid this would have a chilling effect on the establishment of good safe areas for people to shoot," Little said. "I think it's going backward from the way you want to go."

### **BLOOD**

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"I just really appreciate all the donors ... that made a difference," Parvin said. "It will save lives."

Parvin said that more cancellations are possible if storms continue, but at this time, none have been cancelled.

INBC will be holding

blood drives next Wednesday at Gritman Medical Center from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Feb. 24 at the Idaho Commons from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

70 percent of blood collected by INBC comes from mobile blood drives. The Red Cross will

be having blood drives next Tuesday at Good Sa-maritan Village, located at 640 N. Ěisenhower, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesday at Schweitzer Engineering in Pullman.

Donations can also be made at INBC's clinic at 1213 21st St. in Lewiston.

"We have a great sense of community," McCormick said. "I just want to thank folks for coming out and helping us."

### JAZZ FEST

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This year's festival will mark its namesakes' 100th birthday. In commemoration of Hampton, each night there will be a concert featuring the vibraphone, the instrument Hampton was most known for.

"We want people to connect with

what he was about," Clayton said.

The birthday party will culminate Saturday evening with a big band performance. Saturday night is normally the largest performance featuring the Lionel Hampton Big Band. This year Clayton's band, the Clayton-Hamilton Jazz Orchestra, will be added to the mix. His band has been together for 22 years and has received seven Grammy nominations. Clayton said both bands will play a battle-like set, switching from playing 9: hop-hop.

together to one opposite the other.

"We're going to get the audience pumped," he said. "And turn that eve-

ning to a chance for people to dance."

Two evening swing dance classes will be held Saturday giving students the opportunity to refine their skills before the birthday bash begins. These classes have been added in addition to the eight dance classes held each day, genres ranging from swing dancing to

sor, teaches History of Jazz through movement, a dance class incorporating ethnic influences throughout time. Halloran said the festival normally caters to about 400 students interested in learning new moves.

Greg Halloran, UI dance profes-

'Students tend to love to move," Halloran said. "It's a great way for students to brush up and build confidence for the stage."

The first ever Hamp's Club will also

be integrated into the program this year. Clayton said Hamp's Club will be held as an "after hours" event on a side stage in the Kibbie Dome. Judicators will hand select students to play whatever they wish during their own personal performance, giving them a chance to experience what it's like to be in their own big band.

"This is a chance to show our amazing talented young people off," Clayton said. describe the gray of & nowing

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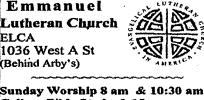
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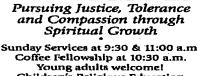
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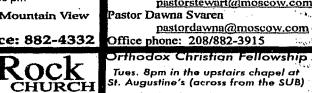
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**OurVIEW** 

## More than a word

¬he Vagina Monologues," showing this weekend at The Kenworthy and put on by student group VOX, is not just a play.

It has become a phenomenon on college campuses across the country and a fundraising avenue for organizations dealing with sexual abuse and violence against

It has been banned on campuses for being "vulgar," on others it has been protested, but in many it stimulates important discussion.

Curious watchers and longtime supporters come out in force every February to hear a range of stories, some funny, and others quite sad.

With all of the shock and controversy surrounding the play, it is a little mysterious and confusing for many students.

What's all the hype about a play about vaginas? The point is, it's not just that. It's about women's stories. Some are things we can all relate to, but that aren't usually talked about, like the cold instruments of a gynecologist. There are also powerful stories about abuse or rape that give the

show a more serious tone.

The play is a source of confusion for so many because it is not often that the vagina and female sexuality literally take center

Through the monologues rather than being dirty or being something to be ashamed of sexuality, and yes the vagina, become a source of pride.

It is important that the play comes to college towns, even ones as small as Moscow, because of the empowering message it sends to men and women. It's about health, about choice and about being proud about who you are and that is important for college students and the community as a whole.

This play is what college is all about: experiencing something empowering and culturally important.

The vagina and "The Vagina Monologues" are not supposed to be dirty and mysterious. This is a yearly event to be celebrated and for those who haven't seen it a new experience to be enjoyed.

#### Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

#### Vandal Indoor

In case anybody is unaware, our track team is probably one the best performing athletic programs we have. And this weekend is the Vandal Indoor Track meet. Being as we have one of the largest indoor track facilities in North America, there should be plenty of room for all of us to go and support a team that actually wins. Go Vandals!

#### Asthma attack

On Monday I discovered that my usual morning barista at the Admin Building coffee shop has severe asthma. Unfortunately, I discovered this after my perfume gave her an asthma attack. So now I am perfume free on Mondays and Wednesdays so I can get my coffee without taking the oxygen of others. Please, campus, be perfume-free at the Admin coffee shop.

--- Savannah

— Roger

#### **Get the Lez out**

Numerous sources, including British rock magazine NME, reported that Led Zeppelin would headline this year's Bonnaroo Festival in Tennessee. They were almost right. It's all-female tribute band Lez Zeppelin that will be playing during the three-day music bash. As for the real headliner, it's Metallica. So, yeah, I wanna go.

#### Those hungry eyes

How can this be happening. I have yet to truly go full-on, pedal to the shopping cart metal grocery shopping yet this semester. Yes, I have purchased milk, cheese, those cheese and sour cream Ruffles. Only the essentials. My mom sent me a WinCo gift card -Mom — today, the day I had re-served for grocery shopping, and now I find out WinCo is closed. It's a sick, sick world. But there IS that deviled ham that I've been saving for a good time... --- Christina L.

For more Off the Cuffs, check out the Arg online

## **TEEJOCRACY**

## Life in a 'Guitar Hero'-filled world

T.J. Tranchell Opinion editor

This is the most painful sentence I have ever typed. The fingers on my left hand are raw, red and feel like they could bleed at any minute. All because of a video game.

You've seen it, probably even played it: "Guitar Hero," in any of its versions. I'm sick of it. Not because I've been playing it for hours, which I haven't, or because my roommate plays it for hours, which he does. I'm sick of "Guitar Hero" because it could kill rock 'n' roll.

All the time spent playing a game could be used to actually learn how to play the guitar — or bass, drums, and lead vocals if "Rock Band" is the game of choice — instead of simulating the heavy riffs of true guitar heroes. If you shop right, it costs about the same. Besides, how many people are famous for playing video games?

I know the price is similar because I have taken it upon myself to avoid the games and learn the real

thing. I will never be Chuck Berry or Angus Young, but I refuse to be another drone who can only pretend to do things instead of being the genuine article.

That's why my fingers hurt. I stayed up all night practicing the first three chords in the guitar book: E, A and B7. I can't play any songs yet. I do have goals. You Xbox heroes can strive for your million points as I attempt to learn Metallica, AC/DC and Guns N' Roses songs. You might beat me to your goal, but who wins in the end?

As our culture becomes more digitized, we are in greater danger of losing "real" activities in favor of plastic and virtual representations. It's been happening since the Industrial Revolution, people being replaced by machines. Many people thought that the human body would be replaced by cybernetics, but we are on a fast track to having our imaginations replaced first. Movies and TV took the place of radio; radio replaced books; books represented oral storytelling. Before that, people had to go have adventures in order for their stories to be

This is my story: I grew up with a musically inclined family. I took my shot at it, with piano lessons and a year playing the trumpet. I was even good at it until I was hit in the mouth with a baseball.

Now I am determined not to let a video game ruin music. If we are lucky, there are some kids playing "Guitar Hero" right now who know in their rebel hearts that a game isn't good enough. They must rock. They'll convince their parents to buy them Les Pauls, Stratocasters, Exploders, B.C. Riches, or Flying Vs. Or, if you are me — and thank

God you aren't - a Gibson SG, red with the black pick guard, and dou-ble cut-outs. It's an instrument that Satan himself might have designed. It sounds great pumped through my Marshall amp, even if I can barely play a twelve-bar blues riff.

What can I say? I'm a rocker, I'm a roller, I'm a right out of controller. Just be happy I'm not trying to sing.

## Conservative doesn't have to mean anti-immigrant

As the presidential campaigns

shift from intra-party primary debates to general election debates, several issues will no doubt raise their divisive heads. Among them, I am sure, will be the issue of immigration.

Sadly, it has somehow become mandatory that Republican candidates oppose any form of amnesty for illegal immigrants and instead support large-scale deportation. Even Mike Huckabee, who had very open policies as governor of Arkansas, changed his tune when he began to

seek the nomination. John McCain, the likely Republican nominee, may well have a more welcoming view on immigration than some, but even if

he does, he will have to keep quiet or lie about it, as he is already seen by some as "not conservative enough.

This is a shame, and yet somehow the issue was closed and built into the Republican party's core platform. When did this happen? Who decided that if you are conservative, you must also want to get rid of any illegal immigrants? Not only that, but, more importantly, what do they expect to happen? Has no one considered the consequences of deporting millions of our

workers? Whether we like it or not, we cannot function without our

workers who happen to be lacking their papers. Most (all) of our illegal immigrants come to work, and they come because we need them. If we didn't, there would be no jobs for them, and they would have no reason to come. Some claim that illegal immigrants "steal" our jobs, as though there are 10 million legal citizens sitting around wishing for a chance to do the jobs our immigrants are doing. Are the opponents of immigration willing or even able to provide all the services which would be lost if they were gone? Apparently not, or we wouldn't have needed them in the first place.

To be fair, there are arguments against illegal immigration. Some would say that many illegals do not pay income tax. This is true, but that

is because they cannot for fear of being discovered and deported. It is also true that some of the money they make may be sent out of the country (to México, mostly), but it is in our best economic interests to have a prosperous neighbor, and if immigrant workers can help pull Mexico out of its poverty, all the better.

Some detractors insist "But they are criminals, they broke the law." This is also true, but they are only criminals in the same sense that a Chinese Christian is a criminal, or that a Cuban who speaks against the government is a criminal. If we decide to let them come freely then, presto, they are no longer criminals. During the New Hampshire debates, Mitt Romney emphasized that he fully supports legal immigration; it is illegal immigration that he opposes. If that is the case, then he should support full amnesty, because that would make more immigration legal.

I don't think that any of this is the key, however. I think instead that, in large part, we do not like illegals be-cause they are not like us. They speak Spanish, they eat different food, and they go to mass. We are worried that they will not assimilate and our culture will collapse. If you worry about this, don't. Society will not fall apart; they are here now, and it hasn't happened. They come from another culture, yes, but they will assimilate, as has every other immigrant group from the Irish to the Poles to the West Africans. Our Hispanic immigrants are friendly, hardworking, familycentered and they throw great parties. We couldn't ask for better citizens to add to our nation.

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# Half and half

Swing dance and ballet come together on stage

Meagan Robertson Argonaut

Cindy Barnhart, executive director of the Festival Dance and Performing Arts Association, said there's a new phenomenon going on in the world of performing arts. Show like "The Swing Kings" are bringing people in the dance and arts community to come to shows in unconventional way.

"I went to an arts conference in Tacoma back in September of last year and I saw these recurring crossover shows," Barnhart said. "One half would feature traditional ballet that would keep the traditionalists happy, and the other half of the show would feature something new that would keep

new attendees happy."
Sunday, Festival Dance is bringing a crossover event to the Palouse that features one half ballet, and one half swing dancing.
That event is the Eugene Ballet

Company's performance of "The Swing Kings," taking place at 3 p.m. in the Beasley Coliseum at WSU.

"The nice thing about this "There are lots particular per-formance is that of wild it's joyous, infecmovements and tious and enthusiastic. If you go you will have a good time, and you'll definitely these dancers do a good job see something of capturing the you haven't seen era." before. You'll leave with a smile, which is Grannan especially nice during this time RILEY of year when the weather is cold Managing Director of the Eugene snowy," and said Riley Gran-

Eugene Ballet Company.
"The Swing Kings" has actually been around for the past three years, and has been per-

nan, managing director of the

formed in four different states. Grannan said the event has had a great touring life, and that's mainly because it's enjoyable for all ages and people can relate to the energy the dancers

bring to the stage.

"For me, the best part is the dance of the swing era. It's not like ballet where technique and focus are very important. There are lots of wild movements and these dancers do a good job of capturing the era," Grannan said.

Rob Bean from the Eugene Ballet Company said that "The Swing Kings" was first created when their Artistic Director, Toni Pimble, took her love for swing music and decided to meld it with ballet

"The show is based on swing music and swing dancing, but at the same time features the clas-

#### watch the **MOVES**

Watch the Swing Kings at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Beasley Coliseum at WSU. Tickets are on sale now at the Beasley Box Office, Tickets West and will be sold at the door the day of the performance.

sic ballet that people love," Bean

Grannan agrees that Pimble had an interesting idea when she created "The Swing Kings" and that she did a good job of creat-

ing a theatrical way of introducing people to big band.
"We come from a place (Eugene) where big band is pretty popular and swing dancing is a lot of our social dance traditions," Grannan said.
"The Swing Kings" features

"The Swing Kings" features 21 dancers dancing classical bal-let, which Barnhart says is spec-

tacular on its own, and then swing dancing to big band mu-

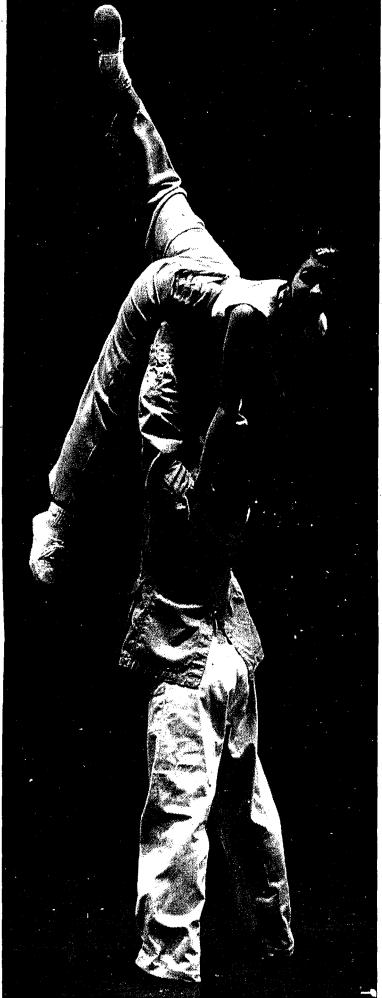
"It's so much fun and such a great experience. First you have this gorballet, geous and then this swing dancing, complete with roller skates and poodle skirts. It's unlike anything else, not to mention this is a professional ballet company with extremely talented danc-

ers," Barnhart said. Barnhart said she is most looking forward to the audience's reactions.

"I want to see the older audience members as they reminisce about their memories. A lot of the older subscribers grew up during or around this time, so it should be a lot of fun for them, Barnhart said.

She is also excited for the Festival Dance students who will attend, because when the students see a real performance from professionals it really cements their interest in dance.

'When they see dances performed by the pros, they really appreciate it more," she said. "It makes them feel credible, and like they're part of something big. I remember when the Eugene Ballet came two years ago and performed 'Cinderella' we had to do a Cinderella-themed recital because of it. It's a really valuable experience for these students."



Dancers with the Eugene Ballet Company strike a pose on stage.

## Embracing the vagina

VOX brings "The Vagina Monologues" to support female sexuality

Sydney Boyd Argonaut

Sex, love, rape, menstruation, mutilation, masturbation, birth and the female orgasm all contribute to one recurring theme — the vagina.

Now hear what performers have to say this weekend at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center.
Vox will bring Eve Ensler's "The

Vagina Monologues" to the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Rachel Todd, University of Idaho student and president of VOX (a UI student advocacy group for Planned Parenthood), said it is time for things to change.

"It is important for people to know that having a vagina is not a bad thing," said VOX secretary Maria Tribelhorn. This makes it something good instead of something dirty."

Lauretta Campbell, treasurer of Vox said "It's a celebration of female sexuality while also raising awareness about violence against women."

The show opens people up to talking about vaginas, a topic most sidesay," Todd said.

The performance involves the au-

Though some pieces are light,

dience, even to the point of chanting

there are some more serious and

step around.
"This show stops taboo about vaginas and makes it a word people can



Pins were sold at the Vagina Monologues table in the Commons on Tuesday.

Todd said.

dark monologues about heavy issues,

Pieces like "My Angry Vagina"

have a woman ranting about the in-

justices wrought against the vagina,

such as tampons, douches and the

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tools used by OB/GYNs. This more humorous piece is countered with monologues like "My Vagina Was My Village," which is a monologue compiled from the testimonies of Bosnian women subjected to rape camps.

Check out the Vagina Mono-

Tickets on sale now at the

General admission is \$9 and \$7 for students and seniors.

logues at 7:30 p.m. Friday, at

7:30 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m.

UI Women's Center.

Other topics include a girl's first period, the story of a dominatrix who loved giving women pleasure, birth and a man named Bob who helped a woman realize that her vagina was beautiful.

The monologues were written by Ensler in 1996 based on interviews she had with 200 women about sex, relationships and violence against

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## Two lies, two men, one book

Padrhig A. Harney Argonaut

In 2002, former journalist for New York Times Magazine Mike Finkel was fired from his job after creating a fictional character for a story on child laborers in Africa.

Yet he wasn't the only one who told a lie.

While at his home in Bozemen, Mont., Finkel received a telephone call from a man that had used Finkel's name as an alias while on the run from murder charges in Mexico.

Finkel, who describes himself as a non-religious person, said he called it a "divine intervention.".

He told his story to a crowd of over 200 people in the University Ad-ministration Building Auditorium on Wednesday night.

The man who used Finkel's name

was Christian Longo, who is now an Oregon death row inmate.

Longo, who was in Mexico at the time, claimed to be Finkel and even hired a photographer. The tale of Finkel's twists and

turns are the subject of his latest book "True Story: Murder, Memoir, Mea Culpa.' The book chronicles one man's de-

mise as another's redemption. "He was baby-faced, and not remotely scary looking," Finkel said,

referring to Longo.

When Finkel first met Longo, he was in isolation away from other

prisoners and guards. "I was talking with a man that in the warden's eyes was not allowed to breath the same air as any other pris-

During his encounter with Longo, Finkel was offered the scoop of the Longo would talk with no other

member of the media or even his own mother. "Longo was a fan, he loved my style of writing," Finkel said.

When Finkel returned to Oregon,

the first of many 70-plus page, hand-written accounts of Longo's life were in his mailbox.

There was not a crossed out word in the whole draft, wonderfully mastered prose filled the pages front and back," Finkel said.

The two kept up correspondence. Finkel visited Longo 10 times and talked through prison phones for

over 50 hours. The two wrote over a thousand pages of correspondence to each

"We would joke that we don't even talk with our mother this much," Fin-

Finkel said he was intrigued by Longo's life.

With his newfound need for factchecking, Finkel called everyone mentioned in the stories.

There was not a lie in the whole story, this whole situation started to feel very strange," Finkel said.

The two would play games to try

out with their counterpart. Like quizzing each other on strange facts about Dr. Seuss.

"I knew that we each felt like we were smarter than the other," Finkel The two men became very close

and Finkel said he felt like a lifeline for Longo. "I looked forward to meeting

him," Finkel said. When his trial finally came, Finkel became aware of what Longo was af-

He was using Finkel to fact check his own life story, so that in court he might gain sympathy from the jury

and possibly gain his freedom.

Finkel said all that he could hope for in the end is that Longo would tell

the truth of the murder. In his letters, Longo had stopped

his story right before the time of the murder.

During the trial, Longo said that his crazed wife needed to die. "I hated him for lying," Finkel

The jury found Longo guilty and

sentenced him the death.

With his last letter Longo confessed to his crimes. Then Finkel ended their relationship and begin to

write his book. After the book was finished Finkel said he received interesting reviews.

'The New York Times hated my book," Finkel said. "Longo did not like the tone." Finkel said he has plans on going

back to journalism. Today he is a freelance writer for

National Geographic. When asked if he would consider

writing fiction, he joked that it had already been published. 'My fiction has already been pub-

lished in the New York Times Magazine," he said.

## MFA coordinator wins Barnes and Noble award

Sydney Boyd Argonaut

For Brandon Schrand, writing is simple.

It's a job that gets done and in his

case, it is award-winning.

The UI Coordinator of the Creative Writing Program recently had his memoir, "The Enders Hotel," chosen as a Barnes and Noble Discover Great New Writers selection.

His was among about 80 writers out of thousands that were chosen as part of the summer 2008 seasonal se-

lection. "I am so honored to have gotten

what I've gotten," Schrand said. Schrand's memoir was also awarded the 2007 River Teeth Prize for Literary Nonfiction, and the title piece from the memoir was named a Notable Essay in "Best American Essays 2007."

The publishers of Schrand's memoir nominated him for the Barnes and Noble award.

"I thought it was such a long shot

that I completely forgot about it," Schrand said.

When he did found he had won, Schrand said he was stunned and

"I was trying to process it. It was just so surreal," Schrand said.

UI English professor Mary Blew taught Schrand in several classes and was the second reader on his thesis committee.

"The award is an important one for Brandon, particularly at this stage of his career, and of course it is a mark of pride for the English department," Blew said.

Having grown up running a historic hotel in Soda Springs with his parents and grandparents, Schrand said he had the idea to write about his experiences when he was in high school, but as fiction rather than non-

He said he wanted a unity of vision and realized later it should be a

"My voice was stronger in nonfic-

tion, it got rid of a false veil," Schrand

He began writing "The Enders Hotel" as a master's student at UI.

Blew said the book "describes Schrand's boyhood in Soda Springs with a mix of idyllic freedom and heartbreak."

It took Schrand two years to write the first 150 pages and soon after, he threw out the first 80 pages and re-

He currently has boxes filled with revisions of his memoir.

Talent is important, but perseverance is most important of all," Blew said. "Brandon was an extremely hard-working, painstaking student, willing to revise and revise.

The day after he graduated with his M.F.A degree in May of '06, Schrand said he got up and wrote the next 150 pages in a little over three months.

I wrote every day. Once I knew what the story was about, it was a race to the end," Schrand said.

Several revisions took place,

Schrand said, because the voice in the beginning of the book was different from when he finished.

Kelly Blikre, a UI graduate student in the M.F.A program, shared classes with Schrand when he was a student.

"Brandon was in his last year of graduate school when I was in my first, but even then, he seemed more like a teacher than a student," Blikre said."It's not just that he led class discussion - which he did, and brilliantly - it's that his work was so ambitious, that he was so ambitious."

Schrand took perfecting his memoir seriously.

"The voice had to be seamless," Schrand said, taking between August and January to revise the memoir.

Schrand said he has never experienced writer's block.

"Carpenters don't have carpenter's block," Schrand said, approaching writing as a job.

He also denies there being any such thing as a muse, but that writing just

"You need to get rid of the romantic notions of the business and keep writing daily," Schrand said.

To other writers, Schrand said to read everything and tune their lan-

You've got to have the music of

the language with words," Schrand

Schrand is now in the running for the Barnes and Noble Discover Award, which has a \$10,000 prize.

"You can't think about those things. Crush hope and live frugally for surprise," Schrand said.

Blikre said his determination to achieve excellence is clear.

"Brandon's fresh, lyrical sentences are evidence of his commitment to craftsmanship; the power of the story itself, a result of his determination to

get things right," Blikre said.
Schrand said he will continue to write without too much pause.

"I will never live long enough to write all I want to write," Schrand

## Student group thinks it's time for a sex talk

**Scott MacDonald** Argonaut

Members of the University of Idaho's Voices for Planned Parenthood would like to have a little talk with students about sex.

The student group, known as VOX, exists as a resource for students with questions or concerns about sex, pregnancy and gender and equity rights.

'I believe in people having knowledge about contraceptives, pregnancy and STDs," said junior Sarah Collins, a member of VOX. "Those uneducated are more likely to make ignorant decisions.

VOX is a student advocacy group. The Pullman Health Center, which is run by Planned Parenthood, supplies the group with safer sex packages, informational brochures and training about health issues including knowledge of contraceptives and pregnancy options. Planned Parenthood does not financially support VOX.

The largest event for VOX is "Sex on the Sidewalk" in the spring.

"We have information about sex, contraceptives and other information," said

junior Maria Tribelhorn, the group's secretary. "We also have games to make it more interactive.'

Some of the games include sexy twister and contraceptive bingo, where participants have to answer a question related to safe sex practices before being able to move. Another game focuses on knowing how to properly put a condom on while blindfolded.

VOX is also sponsoring "The Vagina Monologues," "The Abortion Diaries" and

"Take Back the Night" this semester. 'Take Back the Night' is a march against domestic violence around campus," Collins said. "We get people together and

march and chant. It's very empowering. Collins said the march is important because women shouldn't feel like they need someone to walk with them at night.

'We should not be intimidated to be by ourselves," Tribelhorn said.

"The Abortion Diaries" is a documentary about 12 women who have had abortions under different circumstances. Some were supported by their families, while others were not.

"It's a good portrayal of what abortion is." Tribelhorn said. "These are people that you can relate to."

VOX is hoping to have a panel discussion about abortion law after the film fea-

turing a doctor, a lawyer and a pastor. Tribelhorn said the group is here to help

people make educated decisions. I'm frustrated with the current system. People are not educated about sex. They deserve to know the truth," Tribelhorn said. "Abstinence programs often lie, and that's not a good way to learn.

VOX President Rachel Todd, a sophomore, said that of all the services Planned Parenthood performs, abortion is the smallest.

"We would prefer if there weren't any abortions from unplanned pregnancy. We are here to decrease those numbers," Todd said. "Unplanned pregnancy still happens though, and women need to have safe and legal choices.'

VOX meets every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Women's Center in Memorial Gym. For more information, e-mail VOX at www.uofivox@gmail.com.

#### **ArtsBRIEFS**

#### RTOP to hold 'Seussical' auditions

Regional Theatre of the Palouse is holding auditions for its upcoming production of

'Seussical the Musical.' All performers should be 8

or older. Children's auditions will be from 4:30 to 6 p.m. and teens and adults' auditions are from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Feb. 12 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 1036 W. A St. in Moscow.

On Feb. 13 auditions will be held at St. James Episcopal Church, 1410 NE Stadium Way in Pullman.

Some performers will be required to attend callbacks from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Feb. 19 at St. James Episcopal Church.

"Seussical" incorporates bits and pieces of 14 Seuss classics including, "Horton Hears a Who," "Horton Hatches the Egg," "Gertrude McFuzz" and "The Cat in the Hat."

The show will run April 10 to 12 and 17 to 19 at the new RTOP Theatre at 122 N. Grand Ave. in Pullman.

Evening rehearsals begin Feb. 25.

More information on the cast and show is available on the RTOP Web site at www. RTOPtheatre.org.

For more information call John Rich at (509) 334-7033.

#### **UI Theatre and film** students to compete

Over 24 UI theatre and film students will perform an "Acting Showcase" on Feb. 14 and 15 at the Hartung Theatre at 7:30 p.m.

The students are performing monologues, scenes and songs that they will showcase as part of The Irene Ryan Acting Competition at the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Regional Competition, which will be held in Laramie, Wyo. on Feb. 18 to 22.

The showcases are free but donations will be accepted to help offset the cost of traveling to the festival.

For more information contact Micki Panttaja at mickip@ uidaho.edu or 885-2979.

#### **Musicale to Benefit Local Philanthropy**

Women of Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fratemity (S.A.I.) will present a concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 17 in the UI Lionel Hampton School of Music Recital Hall.

The musicale is the annual fundraising event of the Moscow-Pullman Alumnae Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota. The chapter uses the donat-

ed funds to support its Com-munity Outreach Grants, as well as an annual award to a SAI member.

The hour-long program will feature a variety of classical works by Bach, Mozart and Mendelssohn, as well as newer compositions.

Ul voice professor Pamela Bathurst will sing "Lumiére Blanche," accompanied by her son and composer Brendan Littlefield.

There will be refreshments at a reception in the Recital Hall lobby immediately following the musicale.

There is no charge for admission, but donations will be accepted to help support the chapter's local philanthropic work.

For more information, contact S.A.I. Alumnae chapter president, Del Hungerford at 882-0025.

#### **Black History** events for February

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, Women's Center and the Diversity Initiative Growth Grant Program will sponsor these

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

#### **Book Circle shares** from 'Buffalo Dance'

Frank X. Walker, African-American author and educator, will present his book "Buffalo 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 infamous Lewis and Clark expedition from the perspective of Clark's slave, York.

A limited number of books will be available to participants.



by calling 325-SEAT. All Big Easy shows are all ages, full bar with ld. Unless noted.

### 'Endless Ocean' isn't endless, just unrealistic

"Endless Ocean"

Jan. 22, 2008

**★ (of 5)** 

Meagan Robertson Argonaut

Imagine an ocean where the animals don't attack humans, no less attack one another.

Imagine an ocean that is so endless one can swim as far and as deep as they like — or at least to the end of the level.

In this ocean, one can pet humpback whales and great white sharks, and even swim to the bottom of the black abyss.

Welcome to the Wii's newest and definitely different game, "Endless Ocean."

While this game is interesting, it can only hold your attention for so long.

Once players have encountered all of the animals in the big blue sea, they're left with nothing to do but swim around aimlessly either alone, with a fellow diver, or with a dolphin and continue to roam the most relaxed and unrealistic oceanic environment ever brought to a gaming system.

Unrealistic isn't an understatement either.

The fact that you can dive into an abyss with nothing but basic scuba diving gear or swim by man-eating sharks and not die is not only absolutely ridiculous, but at times

Does anyone honestly be-lieve that all creatures in the sea live like one big happy family? This game is like the "Jaws"

game on Ritalin. It's disappointing. You can be

swimming around at night and, just as the music starts to sound kind of scary, you'll encounter some large shark, complete with big teeth.

But remember, it's your friend. You can pet it, feed it or take pictures of it and all it will do is swim on by.

This game is totally lame. There's no fear, there's no deep sea fighting, just happy dolphins, whales, sharks, fish and what-

ever else you can imagine in the ocean, complete with the most annoying soundtrack ever featured on a game. It's like listening to Enya

singing "Amazing Grace" and wanting to shove something in your ears. It's down-right hor-

This game is graphically impressive, but that's about it. After about 30 minutes of play, you're going to find yourself asking for more.

"Endless Ocean" is out now (and surprisingly hard to find) for Nintendo's Wii Console.

fall showed a maturity and so-

phistication new to his clothes.

There has been a lot of buzz

over the designer for the past

three years, focusing mostly on

his ability to update vintage ro-

mantic looks, but this season he

made the transition from style

light gray suede duster coat

with a shimmery silver bib-

collar blouse and narrow long

blue skirt made of tiers of blue

ribbon — set the tone of chic

outfits that still had touches of

romance. Among the best were

a cropped kimono jacket in to-

bacco-colored suede with em-

broidery, a knit sweater vest, a

silk chiffon turtleneck and black

wool tuxedo pants, and a cozy

gray cable-knit cardigan worn

with a glamorous satin ivory

dress with a halter neckline.

The opening ensemble — a

to substance.

## A step toward the norm

#### The Mars Volta's most recent album 'Bedlam in Goliath' not a great step

Kevin Otzenberger Argonault

With "Bedlam in Goliath," The Mars Volta has managed to combine the technical genius of more recent albums with the more listenable organization and variety of older material like "De-loused in the Comatorium.'

With this new album, the band has shown how they can seamlessly combine their instrumentalism and taste better than the band's prior album.

The band's release of "Amputechture" in 2006 was disenchanting.

The CD felt like an hour of "look how good Omar Rodriquez-Lopez is at guitar," bypassing the opportunity to produce thoughtful and explorative sounds like they did with "De-Loused in the Comatorium" and "Frances the Mute."

"Bedlam in Goliath" abandons some of the long, noisy transitional interludes that have become characteristic of the band for a list of songs that can better stand independently. As always, Cedric Bixler-Zavala's obscure, cryptic messages flow through his unmistakable voice to give the record an identity that only The Mars Volta can uphold.

While the creative mixing and lyrical concepts of past albums may have seemed more inventive, this album still feels like the next step.

The band has not lost their

sense of progression by taking a more traditional recording ap-

The CD begins with an abrupt storm of whammy pedals and synthetic noises, trailing off into

The song seemed to pick up exactly where "Amputechture" left off, but the sense of order and "Bedlam in musical reason that made "De- Goliath" Loused" so catchy begins to appear on this record between the Universal next two songs.

With "Ilyena," the electronic Records

buzzing of processed guitars and Jan. 29, 2008 distorted bass deviates from their loose-flowing style for something more tightly rock-oriented.

"Wax Silmulacra" is likely the highlight moment of the CD.

The exploding drums, punchy vocals, booming rhythm section and stabbing guitar accents set the track apart from the rest of the CD.

The song is technical but crisp.
The middle of the album breaks into

the highly psychedelic. Nearly noise-core tracks make you think of The Sound of Animals

Fighting. Eccentric smatterings of Latin-funk invoke the nostalgic feel of a Pink Floyd record.

At this point, the CD fol-lows big sluggish bass lines into drunkenly slow guitar that is oddly appropriate considering the lightning-fast drum fills.

The section concludes with

fast palm-muted guitar riffs to justify The Mars Volta's status as a progressive rock band.

"Soothsayer" experiments with the ability to use guitar and synthesizer effects to continuously recapture the mood established by middle-eastern string instruments over the voices of a rambling,

chanting crowd. The album's conclusion, "Conjugal

Burns," is not a selling point for the album, but doesn't detract from the band's success in producing something enjoyable for listeners and demoralizing for other

# Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, who taught Beatles meditation, dies

Mike Corder Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, a guru to the Beatles who introduced the West to transcendental meditation, died Tuesday at his home in the Dutch town of Vlodrop, a spokesman said. He was thought to be 91 years old.

"He died peacefully at about 7 p.m.," said Bob Roth, a spokesman for the Transcendental Meditation movement that Maharishi founded. He said his death appeared to be due to "natural causes, his

Once dismissed as hippie mysticism, the Hindu practice of mind control known as transcendental meditation gradually gained medical re-

He began teaching TM in 1955 and brought the technique to the United States in 1959. But the movement really took off after the Beatles attended one of his lectures in 1967.

Maharishi retreated last month into silence at his home Franciscan monastery, saying he wanted to dedicate his remaining days to studying the ancient Indian texts that underpin his movement.

"He had been saying he had done what he set out to do," Roth said late Tuesday.

With the help of celebrity endorsements, Maharishi a Hindi-language title for Great Seer — parlayed his interpretations of ancient scripture into a multi-million-dollar global empire. His roster

of famous meditators ran from Mike Love of the Beach Boys to Clint Eastwood and Deepak Chopra, a new age preacher.

After 50 years of teaching, Maharishi turned to larger themes, with grand designs to harness the power of group meditation to create world peace and to mobilize his devotees to banish poverty from the earth.

His rise to fame came with his association with the Beatles, who first attended one of his lectures in August 1967 in Wales as they looked for a way of attaining higher consciousness in the aftermath of that year's Summer of Love.

The Beatles were so charmed by the self-effacing guru that they agreed to stay at his India compound, starting in February 1968, an astonishing choice for what was then the world's most celebrated music group. But once there, Maharishi

had a falling out with the rock stars after rumors emerged that he was making inappropriate advances on attendee Mia Farrow. John Lennon was so angry he wrote a ditter satire, "Sexy Sadie," in which he vowed that Maharishi would 'get yours yet."

Maharishi insisted he had done nothing wrong and years later McCartney agreed with him. Deepak Chopra, a disciple of Maharishi's and a friend of George Harrison's, has disputed the Farrow story, saying instead that Maharishi had become unhappy with the Beatles because they were us-

Director David Lynch, cre-

ator of dark and violent films, lectured at college campuses about the "ocean of tranquility" he found in more than 30 years of practicing TM.

**★★★(of 5)** 

In a telephone interview with The Associated Press, Lynch said it has aided him 'in every aspect of life.'

He said he believed Maharishi has laid the groundwork for world peace, even if that was not immediately apparent from world affairs. The world appears in bad

shape on the surface, but I compare it to a tree: there are yellow sickly leaves dropping off but Maharishi has brought nourishment to the roots. Hang on for a little while longer, it's coming." His followers say that some

minutes every morning and evening reciting a simple sound, or mantra, and delving into their consciousness. 'Don't fight darkness. Bring

5 million people devoted 20

the light, and darkness will disappear," Maharishi said in a 2006 interview, repeating one of his own mantras. Donations and the \$2,500

construction of Peace Palaces, or meditation centers, in dozens of cities around the world. It paid for hundreds of new schools in India. In 1974, Maharishi founded

a university in Fairfield, Iowa, that taught meditation alongside the arts and sciences to 700 students and served organic vegetarian food in its cafeterias.

In 2001, his followers founded Maharishi Vedic City, a town of about 200 people a

few miles north of Fairfield. The city requires the construction of buildings according to design principles set by Maharishi for harmony with nature.

Ed Malloy, a TM practitioner and mayor of Fairfield, said Maharishi's followers in Iowa were spending Tuesday evening meditating and hold-ing a "celebration of gratitude for everything he's given." Supporters pointed to hundreds of scientific stud-

ies showing that meditation reduces stress, lowers blood pressure, improves concentration and raises results for students and businessmen.

Skeptics ridiculed his plan to raise \$10 trillion to end poverty by sponsoring organic farming in the world's poorest countries. They scoffed at his notion that meditation groups, acting like psychic shock troops, can end conflict.

"To resolve problems

through negotiation is a very childish approach," he said. In 1986, two groups found-

ed by his organization were sued in the U.S. by former disciples who accused it of fraud, and intentional inflicting emotional damage. A jury, however, refused to award punitive damages. Over the years, Maharishi

also was accused of fraud by former pupils who claim he failed to teach them to fly. "Yogic flying," showcased as the ultimate level of transcendence, was never witnessed as anything more than TM followers sitting in the cross-legged lotus position and bouncing across spongy

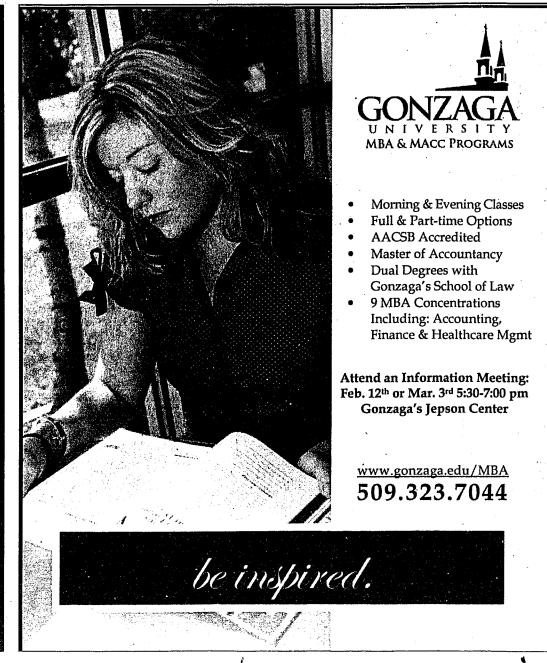
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Daytime coats get the dress

treatment at Fashion Week

Phillip Lim opened with a light gray suede duster coat and moving on to a bronze matelasse trench and a raven-colored alpaca cropped anorak with the potential to be the go-to piece of a woman's wardrobe. Vera

Wang featured a quilted, furtrimmed bed jacket. Standout coats were shown earlier in the week at shows by Oscar de la Renta, Michael Kors

Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week runs through Friday, with shows still to come Thursday from Zac Posen and Calvin

and Narciso Rodriguez.

### **Vera Wang**

Vera Wang said she was striking for a balanced fall col-- one that perfectly lection married light and dark, softness and structure, color and black. What she got was beau-Wang's fall line hit the run-

way Thursday morning, just about the time stylists, editors and retailers were growing weary after six full days of fashion shows and another two days to go. But the buzz backstage from editors and executives was that Wang's show revitalized them.

Wang's clothes often have an avant-garde edge, which make some pieces not for the everywoman. But that doesn't mean

#### **VAGINA** from page 8

The shows this weekend will be performed by Moscow locals — two men and the rest women, and each monologue has been approved by Ensler. "Vaginas come with such

negative connotations, but it is something to celebrate," Tribelhorn said. Jane Lear, Vox adviser, said

that this contributes to the general education of women. "We need to understand what's at stake," Lear said.

Lear said that when she grew up, women had to travel to California or New York to get an abortion.

When abortion is illegal, ".

the number of abortions don't

go down, and the number of deaths rise," Lear said. "The Vagina Monologues" is a show that will bring, among

other things, awareness to the community. "It's about embracing your body," Tribelhorn said.

#### **QuickHITS**

#### Vandals by the **Numbers**

Number of dunks made by ∠Darin Nagle this season.

4 Number of freshman Idaho coach Mike Divilbiss started against Boise State last week-

9 Number of seniors swimming in their final home meet for the Vandals tomorrow.

19 Number of blocks this season by freshman Therese Riedel.

#### Did you know...

 Idaho track and field has three athletes ranked in the top 10 in the country in their respective events. Russ Winger leads the nation in the shot put with a 65-3.5 best throw this season. Matt Wauters has the fourth longest toss in the weight throw. K.C. Dahlgren ranks 10th in the pole vault.

 The Vandals' loss to New Mexico State in Los Cruces Wednesday marked the 12th time the men's basketball team has fallen to the Aggies. Idaho has never beat NMSU on their home court.

• Saturday's match-up be-tween Idaho and Washington State marks the fifth time the swim teams have met this sea-

 Current Vandal basketball players Mac Hopson and Katie Schlotthauer are each secondgeneration Idaho basketball players. Both of their fathers have made a mark in the record books. Hopson's father, Phil, is third on the career list for personal fouls with 321. Dave Schlotthauer is tied for third on the single season list for personal fouls with 107.

• The Idaho women's basketball ball team has never beaten Lousiana Tech — their opponent Saturday night.

#### Vandals to Watch

Anna Humphrey



The freshman was second in the 50 freestyle and third in the 200 IM last weekend in the Vandals' loss to Wash-

She and the Vandal swim team take on the Cougars again tomorrow, their final meet before the WAC Championships.

K.C. Dalhgren Track and field



The ju-nior has hit The three straight NCAA quali-fying marks in the pole vault and will go for her fourth today.

Darin Nagle Men's Basketball



nior led the Vandals with 14 points in Vandals' the Wednesday night loss to New Mexico Nagle 6-of-15 State. shot from the field,

The

added six rebounds and had two blocks. Idaho men's basketball is on the road against Louisiana Tech on Saturday.

#### **Vandals in Action**

Vandal Indoor Invite takes over the Kibbie Dome with the discus starting at 11 a.m. All other events start at 5 p.m.

Men's tennis takes on New Mexico State in Los Cruces at 10

Women's tennis travels to El Paso for a match against UTEP at 1 p.m.

"Think Pink" at the Women's basketball game against Loui-siana Tech at 7 p.m. at Cowan Spectrum.

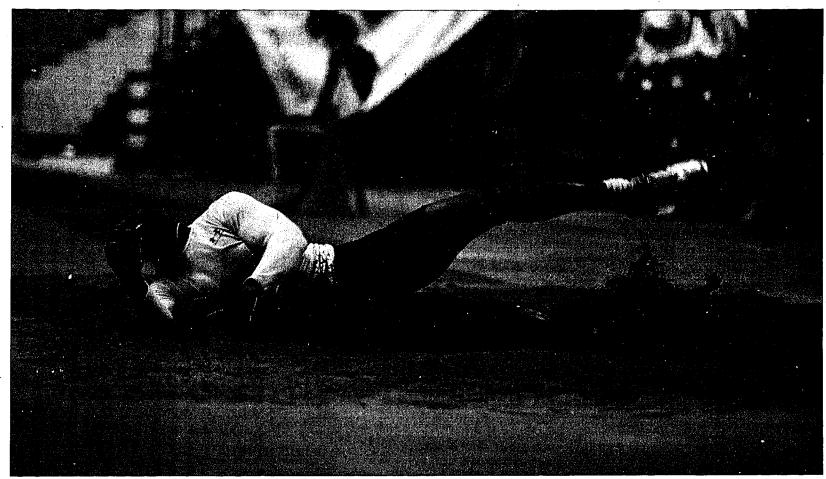
Swimming takes on Washington State for Senior Day at 11 a.m. at the UI Swim Center. Track and field hosts the Mc-

Donald's Indoor Open on Saturday starting at 9 a.m.

Men's basketball travels to Ruston, La. to face Louisiana Tech at 5 p.m. at the Thomas Assembly Center.

## Going strong

Vandal track team gears up for another weekend of competition at home



Perry Hanson/Argonaut

David Holmon pounds the sand following an impressive triple jump attempt at the McDonald's Collegiate Meet in the Kibbie Dome Saturday.

**Levi Johnstone Argonaut** 

The University of Idaho track and field team look to improve on strong athletic performances as they compete at the Kibbie Dome for the Vandal Indoor Friday and the McDonald's Open Saturday.

Those who missed the indoor discus at last week's home meet will get another chance Friday — a rarity at indoor collegiate meets. The Kibbie Dome is one of only four facilities in the nation spacious enough to hold the event. The meet will begin at 11 a.m.

Elvie Williams will be competing this

weekend for the first time with the team. Williams participated at the WSU Open in Pull-

man three weeks ago as unattached. "Elvie is one to watch," said Idaho coach Wayne Phipps. "He does the 60-meter hur-

dles, 60-meter dash, long jump, triple jump

and high jump, so he can score a lot of points and be a big part of the team."

Williams placed fifth in the high jump at the WSU Open with a leap of 6-4.75 feet and also recorded a jump of 23-4 in the long jump, an effort that was good enough for second place behind teammate Kevin Pabst.

Vandal throwers Russ Winger and Matt Wauters will be back in action in the Kibbie Dome this weekend as both athletes had strong performances at the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational last weekend.

"The main reason why we're ranked as high as we are is Russ and Matt," Phipps said. "The only problem for us indoors is that there aren't more things to throw, because that's really where we're going to score a lot of points and where we have the most depth, top to bottom."

Winger and Wauters are the premier throwers on the Idaho team, Phipps said. However, people shouldn't sleep on Idaho's lesser-known throwers as James Rogan had a breakout 2007 outdoor season qualifying for his first NCAA Regional meet. Beau Whitney also earned All-Western Athletic Conference first team honors with his third-place finish in the discus during the outdoor season.

Paul Dittmer ran a season-best 8.09 to win the 60-meter hurdles at the McDonald's Collegiate last week and was awarded the WAC men's Track and Field Athlete of the Week honors along with Winger who had a national best throw of 65-1 1/2

The award is the first of Dittmers' career

and the fifth of Winger's.
Both Winger and Dittmer will be in action for Idaho on Friday at the Vandal Indoor and on Saturday at the McDonald's Open. Both events will be held in the Kibbie Dome. Friday's meet starts with the discus throw at 11 a.m., while Saturday's will begin at 9 a.m.

#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Idaho not close enough

#### Team drops first half lead to New Mexico State, can't make up the difference

Cari Dighton Argonaut

The University of Idaho women's basketball team played a game that kept fans on the edge of their seats, but came up just short of a win losing 54-51 to the New Mexico State Aggies on Thursday.

Idaho coach Mike Divilbiss started four freshmen and one sophomore for the second straight game in a rebuilding year for the Van-

The Vandals took the lead late in the first half and ended ahead at the half 25-20 with a 37 percent shooting average. The women have only led at the half in three other games this season.

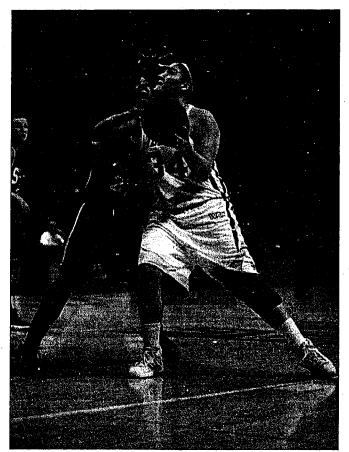
The last time the Vandals faced the Aggies on Jan. 3, the women had an excessive amount of fouls and turnovers. This wasn't the case on Thursday as the Vandals came out of the half with only seven turnovers and seven fouls, but the women could not pull out a win.

The loss brings the Vandals to 2 and 19 on the season and 1 and 7 in the Western Athletic Conference.

New Mexico State is now 17 and 5 overall and 7 and 2 in the WAC. The Vandal women had

four players score in the double-digits on Thursday, led by Sara Dennehy with 12 points and two rebounds.

Freshman Yinka Olorunnife was the second-leading



Perry Hanson/Argonaut

Katie Madison shrugs off a New Mexico State University defender on her drive toward the basket in the Cowan Spectrum Thursday night.

scorer with 11 points and nine rebounds. Sophomore Katie Madison scored 11 points and had five rebounds, and freshman Alana Curtis scored 10 points and grabbed three re-bounds.

Sherell Neal was New Mexico State's leading scorer with 21 points and six re-bounds. Neal was followed by Anikia Jawara who scored 14 points and had four as-

Louisiana Tech is next on the list for the Vandal women at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Cowan Spectrum.

#### up next FOR THE TEAM

The Vandal women's basketball team will play Louisiana Tech at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Cowan Spectrum.

The game is the first Think Pink game. All proceeds go to cancer education. The men's Think Pink game against Nevada is at 7 p.m. Feb. 16 in the Cowan Spectrum.

### DIARY OF A FANTASY GEEK

## Shaq vs. Shawn: Suns make smart decision

Johnny

**Ballgame** 

Argonaut

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a good move trading Shawn Marion for an aging Shaquille O'Neal.

If I'm Pat Riley and running the Miami Heat, I'd also trade Shaq for Marion. This is one of the rare trades that makes perfect sense on both sides. I think Phoenix got the better part of the deal,

for the short term.
First and foremost, Marion was going to leave Phoenix anyway once he became a free agent, so getting a player like Shaq is much better than losing him entirely. The Suns' acquisition now gives them muscle, experience and a defensive-minded philosophy. All three are attributes crucial when winning titles that are synonymous

with Shaq.

Phoenix has been a highpowered run-and-gun team that gets punched in the mouth every time they get in a tough playoff series. Nobody's gonna punch the Diesel anywhere. Sure, in the long run, this trade could hurt Phoenix because Shaq has two years left - maybe.

Those who play fantasy basketball surely know Marion will continue to be an allstar caliber player for the next six years or so. Marion's been the top ranked fantasy hoops

player three years running.
Having said that, Shaq
gives Phoenix a better chance to win an NBA title this year. Shouldn't that be the bottom line? Professional sports are about winning, and Shaq has a history of doing so.

How do you think Tim Duncan reacted when he saw

I may be alone here, but I Shaq was traded to Phoenix think the Phoenix Suns made and back in the Western Conference? I'm willing to bet he dropped an "f-bomb" or two. Shaq and new teammate Am-are Stoudemire will give Duncan fits if the Suns and Spurs battle in the playoffs.

With teammates such as Stoudemire, Steve Nash and Grant Hill, Shaq, for the first time in his career,

won't have to carry the load, although he probably still will. And don't give me

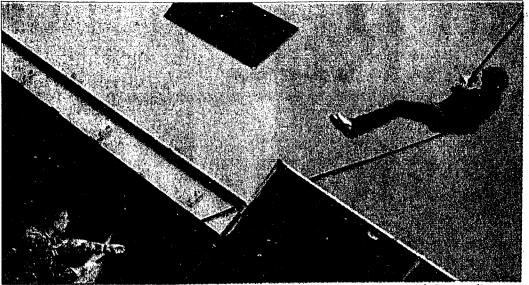
that stuff about Kobe Bryant or Dwayne Wade ever carrying Shaq, because that never happened. The fact of the matter is that Shaq's sidekicks seemed to have a knack for winning and being in nationally televised spots promoting shoes when playing next to the "Big Aristotle." After Shaq, different story.

I remember when people were calling Anfernee "Penny" Hardaway the "next Magic Johnson." Hardaway, Shaq's former sidekick in Orlando, had an oblivious career after Shaq bolted to the Lakers. I bet some people don't even remember when "Penny" was a fixture at the all-star game or doing TV commercials for

Reebok. After being traded from L.A. to Miami, Shaq won his fourth ring during his second season in South Beach while former sidekick Kobe Bryant has failed to get his team past the first round of the play-

offs since winning three titles playing next to Shaq.
I'm currently seeing Dwayne Wade struggle without the

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Eric Petersen/Argonaut

UI Freshman Stacie Bryant ready to make a landing at the Army/ROTC rappelling lab Wednesday:

## New heights, new experiences

Cyrilla Watson Argonaut

The members of the University of Idaho's Army ROTC program are once again leaping for new experiences. More than 70 military science students rappelled off a 70-foot high balcony in the Kibbie Dome Wednes-

Senior cadet Andrew Lytle said the lab is a confidence booster and prepares cadets and students for other activi-

"It prepares me mentally and physically," said freshman Meagan Fortner. "It helps you face your fears and is a chal-

Fortner said she is afraid of heights but told herself to just

During fall semester, students rappelled from the Moscow Fire Station, which is 35 feet high and had a wall to walk down, but not this time, said Captain Rick Storm, assistant professor of military

Rappelling from a 35-foot high building is a lot differ-ent than a free rappel from 70 feet high, said junior Aaron

Since he had never rappelled from 70 feet in the air, Aidan Millheim said he would have to rely on upper body strength to succeed, because there was no wall to push off of.

Many students had never rappelled before the lab on Wednesday, but one student who has rappelled from more than 1,000 feet in the air, Daniel Miller, said he thinks it's awesome and a great experience.

Before students are able to rappel they must first go through a safety briefing and their equipment is checked several times by different Army ROTC cadets and cadre. To ensure their safety, locking carabiners are used.

"I like hands-on activities because they give me new perspectives for life," Fortner said. "It is better than being in a classroom.'

Fortner said during the last rappelling lab she was not fully prepared, but "you've got

to prepare yourself."

After rappelling for the first time, sophomore Lizzy Braun said she wished she could do

it again right then.

Storm said the rappelling lab is fun, different and nothing like it is being done in any other classes.

The Army ROTC has many events coming up in March, including a Best Raider Competition, a paintball lab, a live fire lab and spring commisMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Idaho demolished by **New Mexico State**

**Hugh Jones** Argonaut

The University of Idaho men's basketball team (5-16, 2-8) was bested 88-49 by New Mexico State (13-12, 7-3) on Wednesday.

"We couldn't handle the pressure," Idaho coach George Pfeifer said. "They wore us down and we made bad decisions and those bad decisions turned into points for New Mexico State.

Idaho gave up 21 turnovers to a strong New Mexico State

defense. The Aggies converted those turnovers to 24 points.

'We wanted to look for scores early and then make them play defense if the shot wasn't there and we didn't do that," Pfeifer said.

Idaho answered New Mexico States's 51-percent shooting average, with a season low of 30-percent on field goals. The only Vandal to shoot in the double digits was senior Darin Nagle with 14 points. Mike Hall, who two weeks ago shot a 29-point game, scored only nine.

The 39-point loss was Ida-ho's worst since the 2000-01 season, and Pfeifer expressed. his desire to put it behind the

"Our goal right now is for a split on this road trip," Pfeifer said. "There is no reason to re hash or focus on anything that; happened in this game. We need to move on and not let it impact our preparation for Saturday's game at Louisiana, Tech."

Idaho continues its road rip at 5 p.m. on Saturday in Ruston, La.

#### **SWIMMING**

## The end of our beginning

Saturday morning marks the end of the beginning in the new era of Vandal swimming. It marks the final home

team. Eight seniors and I, who embarked on a journey as fresh-men with a brand new team and coaches four years ago, will walk out of our tunnel as we have hundreds of times before and race in our pool for the final time in our career.

As both the oldest child in my family and a part of this Vandal family, I know about legacy and obliga-tions. It is often the job

of those who come first to be the role models and leaders, in both passion and hard work, for those who follow. On this team I believe we have all met our responsibility head on. From day one, we each have understood our positive actions as individuals shape our team — our family. We have surpassed our highest expectations.

Each practice and each meet brought something new for us to accomplish and ultimately laugh about later. We spent countless hours swimming back and forth on that black line on the bottom of the pool, immeasurable hours on the pool deck and in our locker room — both our new one and the one we burnt down last year. And debatably spent too much time together outside the pool walls' developing the team into what we believe encompasses the honesty, punctuality and respect exciting and new each time that are the integrity of Van-

dal swimming.
There are few days over the meet for the Vandal swim last four years that the pool

and my teammates were not a bright spot in my day — a family I could count on to help and guide me. But like siblings, we have fought and we'd make up. We've laughed and

we've cried, which I'm sure is something Tom, our coach, still **Andrea Miller** doesn't know how to expressly react to. We cooperate under one common goal. This is one of the strongest

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advantages of our group. We understand that there is time to be selfish, but at the end of the day you care equally, if not sometimes more, about how the person next to you is doing or feel-ing because together you are stronger. We have taken the good and the bad over the last four years and luckily spent a great deal of our time laughing. We have relished the time we have spent together and getting to know each other while also better understanding ourselves.

We started young and raw but have been educated, grown and equipped to pass along our message.

We were the smallest team at the Big West Championfirst season, but ships our arguably made the biggest splash. Now the team is in the Western Athletic Conference,

bringing something different,

The last four years have involved the hardest work of my life, but have also been the most gratifying. There wasn't an action that I took that I didn't contemplate the reaction in terms of swimming, and although I made my fair share of screw-ups and bonehead moves, there isn't one minute I would change or trade.
All the 50's no breath, the

pain and the Saturday mornings were all worth it because this team has been the most influential thing in my life. I know that what I value in my life today would not be possible without Vandal swimming; I would not be where I am today without it. The team instilled in me the necessary tools to go out and make my goals a reality. My dreams and ambitions were strengthened by this team which will make their realization even more rewarding.

I have learned and experienced more fulfillment in the last four years than I thought was possible in a program. At the end of this year we nine seniors will go into the world with the education, advice from our coaches and lessons we have learned from each other and even our younger teammates throughout our

Tomorrow will be a morning each of us has been anticipating since our first year as indals, but one that none of us thought would actually be realized. We've got one more lesson to teach — how to genuinely finish what you start.

### **Check out the Argonaut online at** www.uiargonaut.com



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Diesel, too. Funny, huh? Though battling injuries, Wade suddenly looks like just another above-average player. In terms of fantasy basketball, Wade is the 82nd ranked player overall this season. That ranking is also due to the fact that Shaq has missed 14 games with injuries.

If I were Steve Kerr, the Phoenix Suns general manager, I'd make this trade, too. It gives Phoenix a better chance of winning a championship this season. Also, Nash is in his prime and may not play at this level too much longer. Now is the time if you're Phoenix.

Marion is a great player, but Phoenix never advanced to the NBA Finals with him. Shaq lives in the Finals and he'll be able to defend Tim

Duncan in a crucial playoff series. Phoenix has no titles to show for anything. Maybe bringing in Shaq and changing the philosophy is a good thing albeit for the short term. Plus, we might get to watch a "Shaq vs. Kobe" playoff se-

Great short term move by Phoenix.

Check out The Johnny Ballgame Show every Monday from 3:30 to 6 p.m. on KUOI 89.3 FM or www.kuoi.org

### Keep an eye out for the new Blot, coming this month!





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WSU students who wish to attend the Spring Career Expo on the University of Idaho campus can ride to and from the event for FREE and avoid parking hassles. A free shuttle service will run from the front of Beasley Coliseum directly to the UI Kibbie Dome in Moscow. The shuttle will leave the WSU campus every half hour beginning at 10:45 a.m. until 4:45 p.m. and will leave the Kibbie Dome at every half hour beginning at 11:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Avoid parking hassles, conserve energy, and concentrate on making a good impression on employers. Leave your car at home!

PLEASE NOTE: Transportation will NOT be provided for Next-Day Interviews. If you have an interview scheduled with an employer on Thursday, February 14, you will need to find your own transportation to the Kibbie Dome.

The Wheatland Express Commuter Bus offers free rides to and from the Moscow and Pullman campuses. Just show your Cougar ID! Bus schedule is available online at www. wheatlandexpress.com.

## From the presidents:

Welcome! Once again, the University of Idaho, in conjunction with Washington State University, our neighbor institution of higher education, is extremely pleased to co-sponsor the 2008 Spring Career Expo of the Palouse. This event has proven to be a positive and productive experience for students and industry representatives alike. We are honored to be here and thank you very much for your participation.

For students, this is an exceptional opportunity to talk with employers and to explore the myriad options for internships, summer and seasonal jobs and entry-level positions. Employers learn about the quality of education and preparation students from both the UI and WSU campuses have received.

On behalf of the University of Idaho community, we are genuinely proud of our students and are confident representatives will be impressed with their demonstrated academic achievements and subsequent preparedness as they enter the workforce. Our interest in students does not end in the classroom. We take an active role in assisting them find relevant and meaningful work experiences while attending classes. Additionally, we provide career-related assistance prior to and upon graduation, thus en-



Washington State University is delighted to join the University of Idaho in sponsoring the 2008 Spring Career Expo of the Palouse. This event allows both institutions to showcase our excellent students to industry leaders from across the nation.

Our role as a higher education institution is to enhance the intellectual, creative, and practical abilities of our students and to provide industries with graduates who can make a smooth transition into the workplace.

The 2008 Spring Career Expo of the Palouse is a recruitment marketplace for employers and job seekers. You will not only find varied career opportunities, but also internships and graduate programs at the Expo.

It is never too early to begin networking and preparing for your future after graduation. I



abling students to achieve their employment and career goals. The 2008 Career Expo of the

The 2008 Career Expo of the Palouse provides a magnificent opportunity for students from both the UI and WSU campuses to meet with local, regional and national industry leaders. It represents an essential step in the lives of students who are well prepared to enter the workforce and become contributing members of society.

Best wishes to each of you!

Timothy P. White President University of Idaho



encourage you to participate in this event.

Sincerely, Elson S. Floyd, Ph.D. President Washington State University

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# How you can prepare for the Career Expo

Natalie Stone, Career Advising Assistant UI Career and Professional Planning

### What is an "Expo"?

An expo, as defined by Dictionary.com is either a fair or a show of many items. In the world of Career and Professional Planning (CAPP), the Career Expo is an event that is hosted each semester by your local educational institution that aims to bring potential employers to students and alumni.

### Who is this Expo suited for?

In short, the Career Expo is for YOU! The Career Expo is not only for seniors or specific majors, but for people in their freshman through senior years looking for full time or part time positions and internships. This is an opportunity for all students from all degree programs to see what kinds of positions are being recruited, how the companies represent themselves, and what is expected of the people interested in these companies or organizations

## What should I do to be ready for the Expo?

There are several things that can help a person get

the most out of participating in the Career Expo. The first thing to do is to know who is attending the Expo. You can learn this by visiting CAPP's webpage at www. capp.uidaho.edu and selecting the words that say "Students: See who's attending." Do enough research about the employers at the Career Expo to create a prioritized list of "top picks"—those that you will target first at the Expo. Another purpose of doing this research is to create more customized resumes for those higher on your Top Picks list. Not sure about making a custom resume? Come to see CAPP during our walk-in hours 11:00 to 1:00 February 4-8 and 11-12. Another option is to set up an appointment with an advisor.

Next, create a general resume for you to distribute at the Career Expo. This resume is for employers that you may not have thought you were interested in, but that appeal to you after meeting face-to-face. These interactions happen when a company you have targeted is particularly swarming with people. Instead of lurking or cutting in before someone else, it's best if you check out other companies or organizations that may or may not be on your list, then come back later.

Although it may not strike you to "dress up" for the Expo, it is an expectation. Check out business casual attire online and try on what you already have to make

sure it still fits and is in good shape. Take care to make sure that the impression you give potential employers is the one you want them to get. If you feel more comfortable representing yourself in more formal business attire, that's acceptable as well. Have a friend make sure that you look alright and don't go crazy with the cologne. A little goes a long way in a room of over a thousand people.

Here's another tip: Ditch the backpack. You know the saying, "when in Rome"... well that applies here as well. Place resumes and other needed supplies in a nice portfolio or professional-looking bag. Even a clean file folder is better than a raggedy backpack that has hand-sewn patches and buttons supporting a religious group or political candidate. The key here is to show potential employers that you are ready to be a pro-

fessional.

Finally, practice telling people who you are, what kind of position you are looking for, and a bit of your professional background. You don't want to sound like a scripted salesperson, but you don't want to stand around fumbling your words either. To find a midpoint in this spectrum of eloquence, decide what you want to say, perhaps even write a short introductory statement, then practice it until you feel confident and sound comfortable.

## Potential recession could affect students

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As students, we all hope that there will be a glamorous job waiting for us after a grueling 4 or 5-ish years in the trenches. In a rising economy this is much more likely, and not so much in a falling economy. So which way are we headed?

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There is talk of a coming recession: Merrill Lynch indicates that the 5% unemployment level always forecasts a recession; the 2.75% yield on two-year Treasury notes and the level of the Russell 2000 index – not far from an official bear market – are also signs of an impending recession. As well as the stock market, we have signs of deteriorating customer confidence in oil prices, the housing market, and the mortgage mess. If this will be an "average" recession, it may last about 10 months.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics compiles monthly, quarterly, and yearly data to determine the what, when, and why of economic trends. According to James Franklin in his article, "An Overview of BLS projections to 2016,' the labor force is only expected to grow at a rate of 0.9% over the next 10 years, which is at a slower rate than it has grown over the pre-vious decade. At the same time, the rate of job growth is predicted to grow only slightly faster, at the rate of 1.04% per year. This means that the unemployment rate (currently at 4.6%) should drop. Overall, salaries are predicted to head upward at an average annual rate of 1.0%. This could mean that, though there may be more jobs, the pay won't necessarily be higher.

Keep in mind that these figures vary widely from industry to industry. According to Arlene Dohm and Lynn Shniper in their BLI article, "Occupation Employment Projections to 2016," the major occupation groups expecting the most growth over the next ten years are: Management, Business, and Financial; Professional and Related; and Service. Most occupation groups are expecting some growth, except Production and Fishing, Farming, and Forestry, which are expecting declines over the upcoming decade. Franklin's article states that nearly all growth in salaries and wages will be in the service industry.

When reading Betty Su's article for the BLS, "The U.S. Economy to 2016," things look a little more glum. The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is expected to grow at an annual rate of about 2.8% over the next 10-year period. This is slower than it has grown over the last decade.

What does that mean for people currently in college?
For seniors, it may mean that your "ideal" entry-level job is not going to be available. You may want to look more broadly than you origi-

nally planned and think care-

fully about how and where

your knowledge, skills, and abilities can be useful. Entrylevel jobs are often stepping stones, allowing you to gain experience that will take you to another level in your career. In a recession climate, you may need to focus more closely on what your 5-year goals are and what skills and experiences you need in order to get to the next step and the one after that. You may wish to target your job search based on that focus. Don't forget that there are internships for recent graduates and opportunities in un-expected places, sometimes through networking.

For juniors, experiential learning is critical. Look for an internship or co-op relevant to your field of study, research experiences for undergraduates leven those of you not in science fields!), service-learning classes, federal student experience jobs (STEP and SCEP), significant volunteer experience and projects. You've been developing your professional network through past work experiences, professors, peers, and family. Keep it up by joining and being active in a club or student group and challeng-ing yourself in one or two new ways this next year. Be sure to attend events like the Career Expo of the Palcuse, where employers come to town looking for you!

Sophomores, you can follow the advice for juniors, except that a relevant internship or co-op is not mandatory, only desirable. You still have time to explore and get broad-based experience. Don't forget to take advantage of the Career Expo prepand other job training workshops. If you're not completely sure you're in the right major, a summer job or internship that provides diverse challenges may help you with your decision. You may also want to research what you can do with your major, or visit the CAPP office or Counseling and Testing Center in order to take assessments that may help you decide.

Freshmen, you have the most time to weather the recession, and your primary responsibilities right now are to get as much variety of campus-related experience as possible. You are considered a pre-professional now and able to find avenues to explore. Be sure to include the CAPP workshops in your exploration, start working on your "master resume," and attend career fairs like the Career Expo of the Palouse.

Until the economy heads in a clearly upward direction, the future is relatively unknown, but slightly bleak. To gain some footing in this type of economy, you should consider supplementing your education with experience, regardless of whether that comes from work or volunteer activities. Fewer and fewer employers are interested in someone with only a degree. Most are expecting a degree and experience to go along with it. Creating a career path takes time, introspection, and planning, planning, planning. If you are struggling with this, career advisors at the Career and Professional Planning (CAPP) office can help you get on track.

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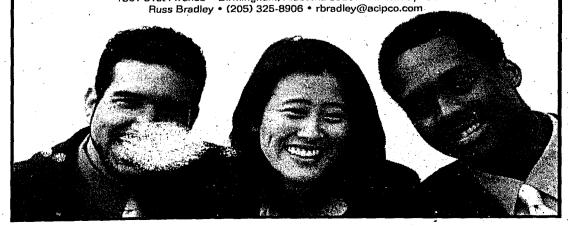
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Located on the 3rd floor of the Idaho Commons, the Career and Professional Planning office helps students/alumni gain skills and experiences needed for career success. Our goal is to enhance a student's education through hands-on learning activities such as, internships, service-learning classes, and experiential learning activities. With a strong focus on early career planning, CAPP advises students as early as the freshman year, to set career goals, and understand career options and expectations of future employers.

CAPP Career Advisors help students find and secure valuable experiences and rewarding jobs upon graduation. We offer individual and group career guid-ance and work with all students, regardless of major or academic level. Some of our student services include:

 Career decision-making, resume, cover letter, and interviewing assistance

 Tools and resources for career research, planning, and goal setting

Vandal CareerConnection, an on-line database of jobs, internships, and employers interviewing on campus (includes your own job search agent that focus, or simply want help find-will email you about job/interning a job or internship, check out ship opportunities in your major)

Career Development Workshops and presentations

 Guest speakers for student groups wanting presentations on resumes, job search strategies, interviewing techniques, etc.

• Mock Interview Day every

Fall semester

• Spring etiquette dinner to learn about dining etiquette in a professional setting

 Fall Vandal Networking Night to learn the art of network-

If you are a UI student and need help identifying your career ing a job or internship, check out our on-line resources at www. capp.uidaho.edu or visit us in the Commons.

In addition, CAPP helps employers meet their recruiting needs by connecting them with interested students and potential employees. CAPP provides the following employer services, free of charge:

 Coordination of on-campus interviewing visits

 User-friendly, on-line job posting system with the option of advertising jobs/internships nation-wide (Vandal CareerConnection, a NACElink database)

• Opportunities to meet with students through networking events (etiquette dinners, networking events, employer panel presentations, etc.)

• Assistance connecting with student groups and classes for presentation opportunities

 Promotion of job/internship announcements to targeted groups of students and academic departments

Whether you are a student or employer, the staff at the CAPP office is eager to help you. Please contact us at (208) 885-6121, capp@ uidaho.edu or visit us in the Idaho Commons, room 334. Enjoy the Career Expo!

## See What WSU Career Services Can Offer You!

Career Services can offer something for everyone! If you are undecided about your major or you do not know how your classes translate into a career, you are not alone. Career Services is here to help.

Meet one-on-one with a Career Counselor who can help you establish academic goals and career direction.

Visit the Resource & Technology Center to assess your interests, skills and values and learn about occupational information by using the SIGI interactive assessment tool. The Resource & Technology Center is also a great place to browse to get ideas

about careers. There are lots of free handouts and magazines in career-related issues to help you explore as well.

● Take the University 100 or University 300 classes to assist you in self-assessment, career planning

and job search strategies.

Once you have determined your interests and academic goals, Career Services can provide more tools to help you work toward your future goals.

• Attend a career development

workshop conducted by Career Services or an informational session sponsored by an employer.

 Find out how an internship can enhance your academic experience as well as help you make a great impression in an interview.

 Visit the Resource & Technology Center to get information about job search strategies, occupational statistics, potential employers, graduate schools, resume writing, interviewing and what to wear to an interview.

 Explore the work world by conducting an informational interview, shadowing a professional in a career of interest or touring companies.

 Gain professional and internship opportunities by attending the Career Expo.

At the Career Expo, you will find employers and graduate schools

from all over the country offering internships, career opportunities, summer jobs, and advanced educational studies in every academic discipline. Attend Career Expo Associated Events such as the "Be a Star!" Etiquette Dinner, Mock Interviews, Career Services Open House, and employer workshops to help you acquire new skills and give you an advantage in the job hiring process.

.Whether you are an under-graduate just starting your academic career or a graduate ready to enter the job market, register with Career Services. It's easy to do online and a must-do if you want to interview with any of the over 200 employers who conduct on-campus interviews each year. To register go to www.careers. wsu.edu and select "WSU CareerLink.

Remember: these services are FREE to you, the staff is knowledgeable and friendly, and the website is a wealth of informa-

Call the office at (509) 335-2546 to find out how Career Services can help, you, or visit www.ca-reers.wsu.edu to learn about upcoming events and services.

Career Services welcomes employer partners and wishes all students success at the Spring Career Expo.

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### Interview strategies that work

**Elizabeth Miles** Career Advisor/Americorps **UI Career and Professional Planning** 

Congratulations! You got an interview for your dream job! What next? Here are some winning strategies.

Before the interview . . .

Do your homework. Learn as much as you can about your prospective employer and prepare answers for typical interview questions. Ask yourself, "What is if that they really want to know?" Here are some common questions

with tips for answering them: "Tell us about yourself." What they want to know is what you can bring to the job. Review the job announcement and keep your answers pertinent. Prepare to talk about the aspects of your education, skills, and experience that make you an ideal candidate for the job. Avoid information that is too personal or not applicable to

the job.
"What are your greatest strengths?" Your prospective employer wants to know how your strengths would benefit the organization. This is your time to shine! List your three greatest strengths as they apply to the job and give concrete examples of your

skills and accomplishments. "What is your greatest weakness?" What interviewers are really asking is, "Can you recognize and solve problems?" Focus on how you solved a problem, not on the problem itself. Pick a workrelated weakness that you have overcome and tell your future employer just how you did it!

Tell us about a conflict you've had in the workplace and how you overcame it." Being able to communicate effectively and work collaboratively are important in every workplace. Employers today want to know that your strong interpersonal skills will make you a positive member of their team! Talk about a time that your ability to mediate, collaborate, or compromise helped solve a workplace problem.

"What is your favorite vegeta-Sometimes employers just want to see if you can go with the flow. If you are asked a silly question, don't take it too seriously and don't be afraid to laugh. Show the people who are interviewing you

that you can be spontaneous. "Do you have any questions for us?" This is a very important question. Sure, your future employer wants to answer your real questions, but they also want to know if you have done your homework. If you don't have any questions, it will look as if you aren't really interested in the job. Get on the company website ahead of time and get ready to ask some questions about the company's mission and values, typical workday, or what the interviewers like best about their jobs. Don't be afraid to ask what you can expect from the rest of the employment process. (This will help you anticipate when you can expect to hear from them.) Avoid asking about money and benefits until you've been offered the job.

The day of the interview ... Groom carefully and dress up. Bring extra clothes in case you spill that cup of coffee or tear a jacket getting out of your car. Make sure you know where to go and arrive 15-30 minutes early. Plan for commuter traffic Leave your cell phone in the car. Be pleasant with everyone that you meet, starting in the parking lot. Do some deep breathing while you are waiting. Greet your interviewer(s) with warmth and a firm handshake. Bring extra resumes to pass around the table and don't be afraid to refer to it when answering questions. Be yourself and relax as much as possible. Thank your hosts for their time and consideration.

Your Career and Professional Planning advisors will be glad to help you prepare for your interview. Come by our office on the 3rd floor of the Commons or call 885-6121 to make an appointment.

## Resume basics: Put your best foot forward

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Leanne Ralstin **Career Advising Assistant UI Career and Professional Planning** 

One of the more difficult documents many people say they have written is their own resume. Are you one of those who think of it as an excruciating process? Do you think you have no experiences to put down or do not to where to begin? There are some basic guidelines that can help you in this process.

The first thing is to organize your work experiences. Sit down and brainstorm all the jobs and volunteerism--yes that counts!—experiences you have. Write

down all the things you did at each place, skills you learned, where it was located, who supervised you, when you did it, and any other pertinent infor-

Clubs and organizations you belong to are also good to add to this document, especially if you held office or did projects for your club. Again, add detail.

Next, add all of your education. You do not need to include high school, it is assumed once you go to college. Include any major projects,

certifications or special trainings. Do not forget dates graduated, names and addresses of schools. If you are in the middle of an educational program be sure to include the expected date of graduation.

Now you are ready to start the actual resume. Most resumes are one to two pages. If you go two pages, fill up the second page and but make sure it is relevant to the posi-

tion you are seeking. One of the primary things to remember is your name should be the biggest, boldest thing on the resume and located on top. It should be bigger than any other font on your resume. It can be centered or to the left, that is up to you. Make sure your contact information is also near your name and absolutely correct. It is amazing to me how many times I reviewed resumes of people and asked them if their contact information was correct and they said no! There should be no confusion to the potential employer as to whose

resume it is and how to contact you.

A conservative font of 12-10 for the body of the resume is usually best. The resume is not the place to be too creative with fonts. If you are in the creative arts, you may get away with a bit more creativity with fontsbut be warned!—the resume must be easily scanned and readable. Do not use a cutesy font, be careful with clip art, be stingy with shading, and use bold with discretion. It is best to error on the side of traditional. Times-New Roman, Arial, or another similar font is fine for most resumes.

In the body of the resume, the order of how you put your experiences and education depends upon the position you are going after. Do a bit of research into the job market and find out exactly what employers in your the job description of the position you are seeking states education as one of the more important things, list your education first. If certain work experiences or skills are listed in the description first, highlight those in your resume.

The thing to remember most as you add to your resume is typical employers take mere seconds in scanning resumes. Most resumes are one to two pages. If you go two pages, fill up the second page and but make sure it is relevant to the position you are seeking. Do not fill up either page with "filler" infor-

mation or white space. If your resume is to stand out, make sure your best information is on the first page, near the top and the left. The reason for this is simple: we read from top to bottom, left to right.

As you build your resume under each heading, consider the placement of the information. For instance, what would be more important, your degree or the date of graduation? More than likely, the degree is the most important. So, you may want to place the name of the degree to the left (so it is read first) and the date

of graduation to the right (still important, but not as much).

Typical headings in a resume include, at the minimum: "Education" and "Work Experiences." Beyond that, your resume could have "Volunteerism," "Computer Skills," "Skills and Qualifications," "Certifications," "Activities," "Honors," and "Projects." There are many other possibilities. Your resume will include some of these and perhaps others that are suitable for your field. Every resume is, and should be, unique.

As you fill in the details from your brainstorming session into the resume under the appropriate headings, be sure to avoid personal pronouns, and use strong verbs with short statements. For instance: "Conducted symphony" is better than, "I helped out the symphony."

After finishing a draft resume it is an excellent idea to have others looks at it. It is very easy to miss typos. If you need someone to look at it, Career and Professional Planning career advisors are always ready to assist with your resume or other career-related questions. There are also sample resumes and other career resources available. If you would like an appointment just call CAPP at 885- 6121 or come by the UI Commons, Room

One thing to keep in mind is that a resume is never a truly finished document. The reason for this is because you are continually gaining new experiences as you work, volunteer and continue with your education. It is advisable to update your resume on a regular basis and change it every time you apply for a new position. But, resume writing does not have to be difficult once you know the basics and where to go for assistance.

### University Of Idaho Office of Multicultural Affairs

Our objective is to help recruit greater numbers of multicultural students to the university through activities and partnerships and to help to retain and graduate these students once they have decided to attend the University of Idaho. We are continually engaged in programming, advocacy, and community building activities that are designed to help enhance the web of resources for students from under-represented backgrounds, (these have historically included Native American students, Hispanic/Latino students, Asian American/Pacific Islander and African American students) and to enhance the educational experience for all students attending the University of Idaho. OMA believes that each member of the University of Idaho community makes a valuable contribution to the intellectual and social culture of the university.

We are proud to be continuing our co-sponsorship of the Career Expo of the Palouse and we sincerely hope that it is a productive and educational experience for you. We will continue to be engaged in a very active schedule of events and activities and we are always looking for ways to help support student academic excellence and individual student development. We are located in the Teaching and Learning Center in room 230 and you will find us on the web at www.uidaho.edu/oma. You may also reach us by phone between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday at (208) 885-7716

#### **Company PROFILES**

#### AB Foods, LLC/ **Washington Beef** Booth #35

www.agribeef.com We will produce the highest quality meat products with a commitment to superior service, value and innovation.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Graduate School Opportunities

Majors: Agriculture/Family/Consumer Sciences, Business & Economics, Engineering, Specific/Other Major

#### Abercrombie and **Fitch** Booth #63

www.abercrombie.com

Abercrombie & Fitch is the most successful specialty retailer in the United States. Our casual, classic, all-American lifestyle brand of clothing is synonymous with quality.

The A&F culture is one-of-akind. We design, merchandise, market and live-the Abercrombie & Fitch brand.

A&F's brand-powered momentum is fueled by constant lifestyle reinforcement. Every aspect of our stores-including the music, the marketing and photos, and overall aesthetichas made the in-store experience stronger than ever. Our web site, abercrombie.com, receives more than 1 million hits per month and has expanded the A&F experience beyond our stores. With the addition of Abercrombie, the lifestyle for kids 7-14, and Hollister Co., for 14-18 and RUEHL 23 and up, our brands have never been stronger. Our focus, strategy, and planning are tuned for long-term, consistent growth and international location

Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### Ada County Sheriff's Office **Booth #129**

www.adasheriff.org

The Ada County Sheriff's Office is located in Idaho's beautiful capital city, Boise, the third largest city in the Pacific Northwest. Boise and its surrounding communities offer affordable housing, a low crime rate, and a great business climate. It also offers abundant recreational opportunities and an unbeatable quality of life.

The Ada County Sheriff's Office is the largest law enforcement agency in the state with over 560 employees. We serve a population of 535,000 and have an annual budget exceeding \$40 million dollars. We offer stable employment and an excellent benefit package.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Law, Liberal Arts/ Humanities, Nursing, Social

#### Advanced Integration Technology **Booth #107**

www.aint.com

AIT is a Dallas based company with an office in the Seattle area specializing in the mechanical design of factory automation systems used in the aerospace industry.

As a Mechanical/Tooling Engineer, you will work with other engineers to develop machine/ tooling concepts & designs. Catia experience is a plus. Candidates must demonstrate a high degree of responsibility and motivation.

AlT provides health insurance, a tax-deferred savings plan, vacations, and a casual & flexible work environment.

Position types: Full-time Majors: Engineering

#### Aerotek **Booth #121**

www.aerotekcareers.com

Aerotek, Inc. is a contract services provider that offers creative staffing solutions to a variety of industries. With over 150 offices throughout the United States and Canada, our professionally trained recruiters and salespeople are dedicated to serving clients and job seekers in nearly every major industry. Our company's good name thrives by continually placing qualified personnel at all skill levels and expertise.

Position ( **es:** Full-time Majors: All majors

#### **Alaska Airlines Booth #102**

www.alaskaair.com

Alaska Airlines and its sister carrier, Horizon Air, together provide passenger and cargo service to more than 80 cities in Alaska, Hawaii, the Lower 48, Canada, and Mexico. Our goal is to always provide safe, reliable transportation for a reasonable price, along with the caring, friendly and professional service that we are known for. We pride ourselves on our superior customer service, as well as our fun and supportive work environment.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal

Majors: All majors

## III First Investors

Company Description:

At First Investors, a Wall Street-based financial services firm with over 75 years of experience, we don't just invest for our clients, we invest in our people. It's why we offer them a complete training program, mentors to guide them through the learning process, advancement opportunities, and generous compensation and incentives. If you have talent, dedication and a strong work ethic, we invite you to join our team of successful professionals.

**Entry-level Representatives:** 

In this exciting role, you will be responsible for helping clients achieve their financial goals. This includes helping them save on taxes, fund a child's education, or prepare for a comfortable retirement. Management opportunities are available for qualified representatives.

To apply, email your resume to:

Seattle: recruit.b39@first investors.com

**Spokane:** recruit.e83<sub>st</sub> firstinvestors.com

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#### Alaska General Seafoods Booth #91

www.alaskageneralseafoods.com

Alaska General Seafoods Naknek is proud to be one of the best seafood employers in Alaska. AGS offers competitive pay and our amenities are first rate. Our housing facilities are clean and modern, and we are committed to providing a safe workplace environment for all of our employees.

We are located approximately 310 miles southwest of Anchorage, along the Naknek River in Bristol Bay.

AGS provides round-trip transportation from Seattle, WA, room, board, shower, laundry facilities, and all the gear needed to do your job — all this is provided at no cost to you.

Position types: Temporary/ Seasonal

Majors: All majors

#### **Alaska Heritage Tours** Booth #33

www.alaskaheritagetours. com/employment

Alaska Heritage Tours is a tour company specializing in wildlife/glacier cruises, luxury lodging in amazing locations. As part of a successful Alaska Native owned corporation we pride ourselves in high level of quality, service, and emphasis on Alaska Native heritage.

We have fun /challenging positions at our sites 'including: Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, Seward Windsong Lodge, Kenai Fjords Tours, Prince William Sound Glacier Cruises and Alas-

We employ 500 seasonal employees in: Hotel Staff, Food and Beverage, Deckhands, Drivers, Maintenance, and Reservations

Position types: Temporary/

Majors: All majors, Hospi-

#### **American Cast Iron Pipe Company** Booth #61

www.acipco.com

American Cast Iron Pipe Company (ACIPCO) was founded in 1905 and celebrated its Centennial in 2005. ACIPCO manufactures a diversified product line for the waterworks, capital goods and energy industries. The Corporate headquarters and principal plant are located in Birmingham, Alabama. The products manufactured by ACIPCO are produced and marketed worldwide through the following divisions: AMERI-CAN Ductile Iron Pipe, AMERI-CAN Flow Control, AMERICAN Centrifugal, AMERICAN Steel, AMERICAN SpiralWeld, and International Sales.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology, Engineering

#### **Apex Systems Inc Booth #120**

www.apexcareers.com

Apex Systems is a rapidly growing business services company that places temporary and permanent professionals into other organizations. Specializing in technical placements, Apex Systems was listed by Inc Magazine as one of the 500 fastest growing private companies in America.

Since it's formation in 1995,

Apex has continued its aggressive growth and gained market share over its competitors. We are an expanding mid - sized company with significant opportunities for advancement.

Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### **Arculus Design and Technical Services,** LLS **Booth #160**

www.arculus.net

Arculus Design and Technical Services offer our clients a full range of architecture and engineering services. Our goal is to provide the highest standards of professional service at a competitive rate. Arculus is located in the Tri-Cities, Washington. Being in the Tri-Cities allows us to be easily accessible to our clients in Southeastern Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska.

The Arculus Team brings a strong professional "outside the box" approach to solving our clients project needs.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time, Graduate **School Opportunities** 

Majors: Art & Architecture, Engineering

#### **ARES Corporation Booth #170**

www.arescorporation.com

ARES Corporation is one of the foremost Engineering, Risk Management, Software/IT and Project Management companies in the US. With a top-notch team of scientists, engineers, and other professionals, ARES focuses on solving industry's most complex technical challenges in the key areas of energy, defense, aerospace and infrastructure. ARES sustains an average 40% growth rate, 95% repeat business, and less than 5% employee turnover.

ARES has current needs for Mechanical, Structural/Civil, and Corrosion/Material engineers

ARES Corporation is an EOE.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Engineering

#### ATK **Booth #100**

www.atk.com

ATK is a leading provider of advanced weapon and space systems, with operations in over 20 states. The company is the world's leading supplier of solid rocket motors and the nation's largest manufacturer of ammunition. ATK headquarters is in Minnesota.

Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op
Majors: Business & Economics, Engineering

#### **Basic American** Foods **Booth #124**

**Basic American Foods.com** Basic American Foods is the leading manufacture of potato and bean products.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Math & Sciences

#### **BCRA** Booth #83

www.bcradesign.com BCRA is the largest multidisciplinary design firm in the South Puget Sound region. We have over 160 employees working on projects throughout the Pacific Northwest and beyond. Our studio specialists have extensive experience in various markets. Our services include:

- » Architecture » Land Use Planning
- » Civil Engineering
- » Structural Engineering» Graphic Design

» Interior Design At BCRA, we're looking for talented, team-oriented individuals with the ambition to benefit the company and achieve your personal objectives. Our ideal candidate is efficient and willing to take on diverse roles and challenges. As a "People First" firm, BCRA values our staff's optimism and enthusiasm with clients, co-workers and consultants.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Part-time

Majors: Art & Architecture, Engineering

#### **Bechtel National, Inc.** Booth #48 & 71

www.bechtelvitplant.com

Bechtel is a global engineering, construction and project management company with more than a century of experience on complex projects in challenging locations. We have 40 offices around the world and 40,000 employees. We had revenues of \$18.1 billion in 2005 and booked new work valued at \$18.5 billion. Founded in 1898, Bechtel is privately held and has been under the leadership of its founding family for four generations. Bechtel adheres to the highest standards of ethical business culture, and our reputation for adhering to these standards is one of our most valuable assets.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Engineering, Specific/Other



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Come visit our booth at the upcoming Career Fair to learn more about the exciting career opportunities at Glanbia. See you there! If you are unable to attend, please visit us online at www.glanbiausa.com.



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#### **Bettis Lab** Booth #67

www.bettislab.com

The Naval Reactors Facility (NRF) is operated for the Department of Energy by Bechtel Bettis, Inc., and is located at the Idaho National Laboratory (INL). NRF receives, examines and prepares naval spent nuclear fuel for temporary storage. The information derived from the examinations provides engineering data on nuclear reactor environments, material behavior, and design performance. This data is used to develop new technology and to improve the cost-effectiveness of existing designs

Position types: Full-time Majors: Engineering

#### **Big Sky Resort** Booth #41

www.bigskyresort.com

Big Sky, Montana is a remote location halfway between Bozeman and West Yellow-stone on Highway 191. Big Sky is a great place for outdoor enthusiasts, hosting the Biggest Skiing in America! Big Sky is a summer and winter full service destination resort.

Employees may balance their work time in the summer hiking, golfing on our 18-hole Arnold Palmer golf course, fishing on the world renown Gallatin and Madison Rivers, mountain biking, climbing or visiting our next door neighbor, Yellowstone National Park. In the winter, skiing and riding the mountain are the most popular off-hours activities.

Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors, Hospitality

#### Boeing Company, The **Booth #117**

www.boeing.com/collegecareers

Boeing is the world's leading aerospace company and the largest manufacturer of commercial jetliners and military aircraft combined. Additionally, Boeing designs and manufactures rotorcraft, electronic and defense systems, missiles, satellites, launch vehicles and advanced information and communication systems. As a major service provider to NASÁ, Boeing operates the Space Shuttle and International Space Station. The company also provides numerous military and commercial airline support services.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology, Engineering, Math & Sciences

#### **Bright Horizons Family Solutions Booth #106**

www.brighthorizons.com Bright Horizons Family So-

lutions is the world's leading provider of employer-sponsored child care, early education and work/life solutions. Conducting business in the United States, Europe and the Pacific Rim, we have created more employer-sponsored child care and early education programs than any other organization and have helped hundreds of companies implement work/life strategies.

Bright Horizons is the partner of choice for more than 250 organizations, including more than 75 Fortune 500 many of the nation's leading hospitals and universities.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Education, Social

#### Brown and Caldwell **Booth #105**

www.brownandcaldwell.

Brown and Caldwell is a na-

tionally recognized leader in the environmental engineering, consulting, and construction management industries. Brown and Caldwell's talented staff of science and engineering professionals work on a wide range of municipal and industrial water, water resources, wastewater, and environmental services

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: Engineering

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Position types: Full-time, In-

### ternship/Co-op, Part-time Majors: Business & Economics

#### **Bureau** of Reclamation Booth #86

www.usbr.gov/pn As the largest water resources management in the West, and the 2nd largest producer of hydropower in the U.S., we provide major economic, rec-

reational and fish and wildlife

benefits to the Nation. See our representative at the Career Expo for exciting opportunities. Check out current openings at the Office of Personnel Management's website at www.usajobs.opm.gov

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time, Graduate **School Opportunities** 

Majors: All majors

#### C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. Booth #29

www.chrobinson.com

C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. is a Fortune 500 company headquartered in Minneapolis, MN with over 6,700 employees in more than 200 branches worldwide. CHRW is North America's largest third party logistics (3PL) company, as well as the world's largest marketer of fresh fruits and vegetables, with operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, South America, Europe, and Asia. With gross revenues over \$6.6 billion and an annual growth rate exceeding 15% per year, we recognize that success is based on innovation. Over our 102-year history, we've developed strong relationships with customers and carriers across the globe.

Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Liberal Arts/Humanities

#### **Cactus Petes Resort** and Casino Booth #95

www.ameristar.com

Located in Northeastern Nevada on the Idaho border, Cactus Petes is an AAA Four-Diamond Resort and Casino and offer 300 hotel rooms, 26,000square feet of gaming excitement, a wide variety of restaurant options including fine dining, an award winning buffet and a 24 hour cafe. Cactus Petes is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ameristar Casinos. Publicly held since November 1993, the corporation owns and operates seven properties in Nevada, Missouri, Iowa, Indiana, Colorado, and Missis-Position types: Full-time,

Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal

Majors: All majors

#### **Camp Fire USA** Booth #27

www.campfireinc.org Camp Sweyolakan

Camp Dart-Lo are seeking lively, energetic men and women to be camp counselors and share summer adventures in the great outdoors with children 3-18. Activities could include challenge course, hiking, crafts, swimming, horseback riding, cooking over campfires, shooting archery, fishing, rockclimbing, canoeing, and much more. What a great experience for recreation, education majors, and anyone else who desires to have a positive impact on kids. Work-study and intern students encouraged.

Position type: Internship/Co-op, Temporary/Seasonal Majors: All majors

#### **CampusPoint Booth #8**

www.campuspoint.com

Our mission is to help more. students and recent grads find jobs and internships. To date as an organization CampusPoint has helped place over 400 stu-dents from the Palouse in a wide variety of career positions in the greater Puget Sound area. This past year alone we filled more than 1,000 positions for students and recent grads and are continuing to grow; our services are completely free to students and recent grads and it will always remain that way.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time

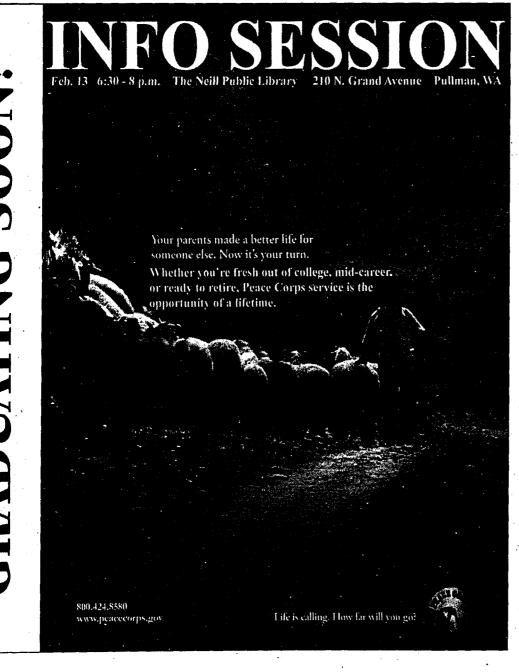
Majors: All majors

#### Cargill Meat Solutions Booth #17

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Agriculture/Family/Consumer Sciences, Business & Economics



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#### Cascade **Agronomics LLC** Booth #54

CascadeAgronomics.com Cascade Agronomics is a company that sells products and services to area agricultural producers.

Position types: Full-time Majors: Agriculture, Family, & Consumer Sciences

#### CH2M HILL Hanford Group Booth #39

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radioactive waste. Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

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Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology, Engineering, Math & Sci-

#### Chief Architect, Inc Booth #38

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Computer Technology, Engineering

#### **Cintas** Booth #118 & 141

www.cintas.com

Cintas is looking for Management Trainee's to participate in an extensive, well-structured, two-year training program com-bining a series of rotations in all departments with the purpose of preparing the individual for what area best matches his or her interests, skills, and abilities. Upon completion of the program, the MT will be placed in a leadership position in one of several areas: Outside Sales, Production Management, Office Management, or Service Management. The purpose is to prepare the MT for a General Management or equivalent function within 5-7 years of completing the MT program.
Position types: Full-time

Majors: Business & Economics

#### CitiFinancial Booth #15

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vider. With more than 2000 offices in the United States and Canada, each branch manager runs their CitiFinancial office as if it is their own business, so loan decisions are made locally. We provide home improvement loans, bill consolidation loans, money for tuition, vacation getaways and unexpected expenses.

Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors, Business & Economics

#### City of Spokane **Booth #157**

spokaneengineering.org The City of Spokane, Engineering Services Department is responsible for design and construction management of all capital improvements related to sewer, water, storm water, and street projects located in the public right-of-way. Engineering Services administers design, construction and permit activities in the public right-of-way, including issuance of street obstruction permits, issuance of sewer/ water permits, initiation and implementation of Local Improvement Districts, drafting and engineering records, engineering design services, inspection of construction in progress and surveying.

Position types: Full-time

Majors: Engineering

#### Club at Black Rock, **Booth #101**

www.blackrockdevelopment.com

Black Rock is an exclusive residential golf community nestled in a majestic forest and overlooking beautiful Lake Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. We are looking for employees who

want to work for an exclusive group of members and there children. Jobs are available in all areas of service that the Club at Black Rock provides, such as: Kids Camp Counselor, Lifeguard, Golf Course Maintenance, Beach, Dock and Waterfront attendant, Clubhouse Receptionist, Bartender, Server, Valet and many more.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/Seasonal, Part-time

#### Majors: All majors

Booth #25

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Position types: Internship/

Majors: Business & Economics, Health & Fitness, Recreation, Liberal Arts & Humanities

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Art & Architecture, Engineering

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Position types: Full-time Majors: Engineering

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: Engineering

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Graduate School Opportunities Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: Business & Economics

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Position types: Full-time

Majors: Engineering

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Part-time Majors: Business & Economics

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Business & Economics

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Engineering

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time
Majors: All majors

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Position types: Internship/ Co-op, Temporary/Seasonal Majors: All majors

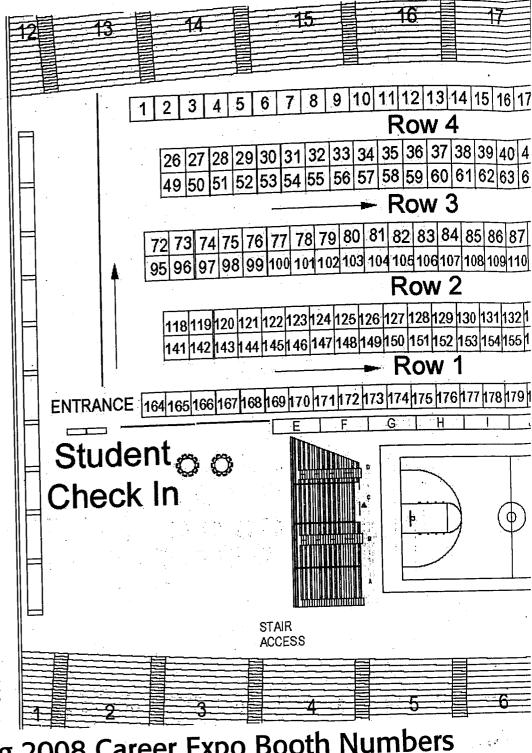
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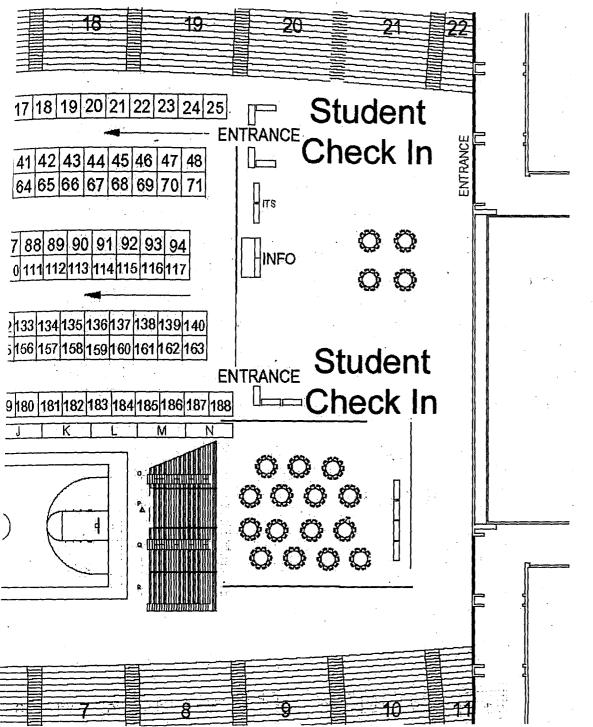
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Position types: School Opportunities Majors: All majors Graduate

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Temporary/Seasonal, Part-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Engineering, Specific/ Other Major

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/Sea-

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Position types: Full-time

Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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www-hvc-wa.com

Hidden Valley Camp in Granite Falls, Washington (45 miles northeast of Seattle) has summer camp jobs for men and women. Spend your summer in a beautiful setting while in worthwhile employment (June 21 to August 24, 2008). We are looking for enthusiastic, hard working individuals to work as: Counselors, lifeguards, RN, program staff, riding staff, drivers, kitchen staff and more. All majors ... welcome! Room/board/salary. Please stop by the Hidden Valley Camp booth at the Career Expo for more information. Interviews can be arranged at the HVC booth or, feel free to contact us directly.

Position types: Temporary/

Majors: All majors

#### Hilmar Cheese Co. Booth #20

http://www.hilmarcheese.com Our state-of-the art production facilities convert an abundance of high-quality milk into a variety of cheese and whey products. We specialize in the production of cheddar and American cheese utilized by private label and national brand companies. Hilmar Ingredients, a division of Hilmar Cheese Company, manufactures a wide range of whey protein concentrates, whey protein hydrolysates and three grades of edible lactose Lactose. At Hilmar Cheese Company, you will find a team-oriented work environment where people really are our most valuable resource.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

#### **Inberg-Miller Engineers** Booth #34

www.inberg-miller.com Inberg-Miller Engineers is a progressive, growing Consulting Engineering and Land Surveying firm offering Quality Solutions Through Teamwork throughout Wyoming and the Rocky Mountain region. We offer Civil, Geotechnical, and Environmental Engineering and Land Surveying services from our five Wyoming offices located in Riverton, Casper, Cheyenne, Powell, and Green River. Our staff is comprised of Engineers, Land Surveyors, Geologists, Hydrogeologists and Environmental Scientists and Technicians. We offer a competitive salary and benefits package including an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

Position types: Full-time, Temporary/Seasonal Majors: Engineering

#### **Inland Northwest Broadcasting** Booth #87

www.myspace.com/zfun106 We are a group of nine radio stations covering Moscow-Pullman-Colfax-Lewiston-Clarkston. We occasionally have employment opportunities for a variety of jobs including, but -not limited to: sales, programming, IT, on-air personalities, production, news, traffic and reception.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time

Majors: All majors

## **Booth #176**

www.simplot.com/ The J. R. Simplot Company is a privately held food and

CompanyPROFILES agribusiness corporation based in Boise, Idaho. We employ approximately 10,000 people in the U.S., Canada, China, Mexico, and Australia.

Simplot is one of the world's largest frozen-potato processors, annually turning out 3 billion pounds of french fries and other potato products world-wide. The firm also is one of the nation's largest beef-cattle produçers, and ranks as a major agricultural-fertilizer manufacturer, with markets in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

#### **JCPENNEY Booth #153**

jcpenneycareers.com

JCPenney is one of America's leading retailers, operating more than 1,000 department stores throughout the United States and Puerto Rico, as well as one of the largest apparel and home furnishing sites on the Internet, jcp.com, and the nation's largest general merchandise catalog business. Traded as "JCP" on the New York Stock Exchange, the Company posted revenue of \$19.9 billion in 2006 and is executing its strategic plan to be the growth leader in the retail

Position types: Full-time Majors: Business & Econom-

#### **JELD-WEN Booth #135**

www.jwcareers.com JELD-WEN is one of the world's largest manufacturers and distributors of doors and windows. Privately owned and headquartered in Klamath Falls, J.R. Simplot Company, over 100 companies throughout the US and Canada and has operations in 17 countries outside North America employing over 20,000 people worldwide. JELD-WEN offers a comprehensive 18-month Management Development Program, an employee stock ownership plan and excellent family health care benefits.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: Business & Econom-

ics, Engineering

#### **Jigsaw** Booth #45

www.jigsaw.com

Jigsaw is an online directory of more than 7 million business cards. Every card on Jigsaw has an email address and phone number, allowing members to bypass gatekeepers and get directly to decision makers and influencers. Jigsaw has become a required resource for sales people, recruiters, marketers and small business owners. Jigsaw's unique directory is built and maintained by over two hundred thousand members. Using a point system for credit, members trade business cards they have for business cards they need.

**Position types:** Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part time

Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology

#### Kah-nee-ta High **Desert Resort &** Casino Booth #57

www.kahneeta.com Destination Resort

**Position types:** Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time

Majors: Health/Fitness, Recreation, Hospitality

#### **KAYU FOX 28** Booth #44

www.myfoxspokane.com KAYU FOX 28 is Spokane's local Fox television station. Along with sister stations, KFFX FOX 11 in the Tri-Cities and KCYU FOX 41 in Yakima, FOX 28 provides quality programming and exciting promotions for the Inland Northwest.

Position Types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### **Keck Graduate** Institute **Booth #149**

aboldnewhybrid.KGI.edu

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Position types: Internship/ Co-op, Graduate School Opportunities

Majors: Agriculture/Family/Consumer Sciences, Engineering, Math & Sciences, Nursing, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine

#### **Life Chiropractic** College West Booth #16

www.lifewest.edu

Located in the San Francisco Bay Area, Life West provides a solid academic and clinical experience, featuring an integrated emphasis on chiropractic techniques. We take a very practical approach geared towards the needs of the practicing chi-ropractor. Thus equipped, our graduates are well prepared for their future career.

Position of types: Of Graduate School Opportunities \*\*\* \*\* \*\*\* \*\*\*

Majors: Health/Fitness, Rec-

#### **Lincoln County School District** Booth #18

www.lincoln.k12.or.us Lincoln County School Dis Construction Co. trict services a population of approximately 5000 students across the county, LCSD offers a full benefits plan including medical, vision and dental coverage. The state of Oregon has an excellent retirement program. LCSD makes the full contribution for employees to that program. The base salary for a teacher in LCSD is \$32,000 per year. A teacher with a Master's Degree plus 45 credits with 15 years experience will max out at \$61,800 per year. The average teacher salary for a BA plus 60 at 7 years experience is approximately \$45,000. There is also a PhD stipend of \$3,100.

Position types: Full-time, Part-time Majors: Education

#### **Logistics Proponency** Office **Booth #110**

www.eustis.army.mil/ocot The Department of the Army, Logistics Proponency Office hires and trains Logistics Management Specialists under the Federal Career Intern Program. All Bachelor's degrees are considered with a GPA of 2.95. Entry level is GS-7(\$35,752) with promotion to GS-9(\$43,731) after 12 successful months of performance and promotion to GS-11(\$52,912) after another 12 months of successful performance. The field of activity encompasses functional planning, procurement, coordination, and the movement of personnel, personal property, and materiel on commercial and military ics

transport. Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### **Longview Fibre** Paper & Packaging, Inc. Booth #24

www.longviewfibre.com

Longview Fibre Paper & Packaging, Inc. is a major manufacturer of value-added corrugated and solid fiber containers, and other products. We operate one of the largest pulppaper mills in North America at Longview, WA; 7 converting plant on the west coast and we are a leader in recycled-content paper packaging. Longview Fiber first opened its doors for business in 1927, in Longview WA. Eighty years later, our mill has evolved into one of the largest papermaking complexes in North America.

Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op
Majors: Business & Economics, Engineering

#### **Macy's Northwest** Booth #6

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\*Summer interns must be culminating Junior year, enter-

ing Senior year in Fall 2008.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Hospitality, Liberal Arts/ Humanities, Specific/Other Major

#### **Mass Electric** Booth #169

www.masselec.com

Mass. Electric's transportation service includes signal, overhead contact systems (catenary), traction power and communications systems for clients nationwide. We give each project our full attention, from inception through final acceptance.

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: Business & Econom-

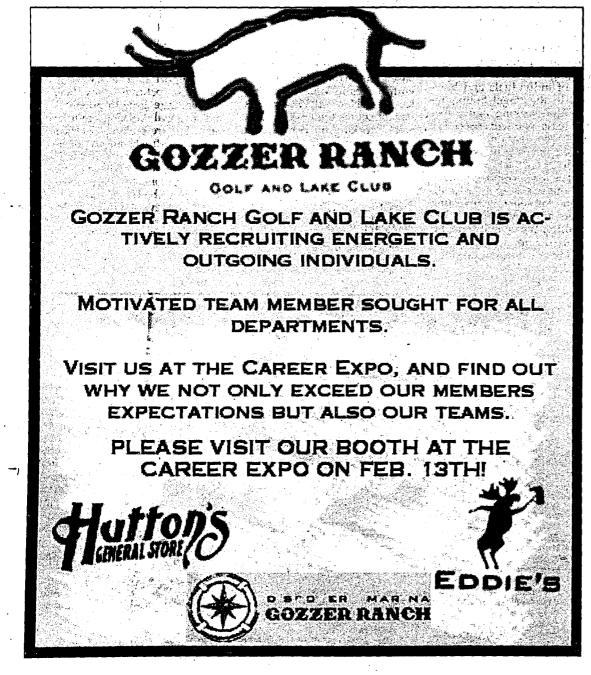
ics, Engineering

#### MassMutual Financial Group Booth #14

MassMutual.com

MassMutual is a Fortune 100 company founded in 1851. MassMutual is a full service financial services company offering an array of financial services tools designed to help individuals and businesses grow and protect their assets. MassMutual is currently hiring for Financial Advisors for a new agency in Boise.

Position types: Full-time Majors: Business & Econom-



#### **Maxim Healthcare** Services Booth #88

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Position types: Full-time Majors: Business & Economics, Liberal Arts/Humanities

#### **MEIER Enterprises,** Booth #98

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as commercial projects.

Position types: Full-time,
Internship/Co-op, Graduate School Opportunities

Majors: All majors, Engi-

#### Micron Technology, **Booth #134**

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Engineering

#### **Moscow School of** Massage Booth #90

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Moscow School of Massage is a career preparation school that trains individuals for satisfying professions in Massage Therapy. We offer 9-month programs in the spring and fall to prepare graduates for regional licensing and National Certification exams. Our rigorous, comprehensive curriculum is based in the health sciences, clinical/business practices and includes thorough hands-on training. We are looking for kinesiology, art, nursing, social science students who have an interest in the health sciences and who would enjoy working one-on-one with clients helping

them to improve their health. Position types: Part-time

CompanyPROFILES Majors: Education, Fleatin/Fitness, Recreation, Specific/ Other Major

#### **Mowat Construction** Company **Booth #111**

www.mowatco.com

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Industrial projects Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Engineering, Specific/Other Major

#### NAVAIR **Booth #171**

jobs.navair.nay.mil

The Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) serves the nation and the Navy by providing advanced warfare technologies. This team researches, designs, develops, and tests aeronautical and aeronautical-related systems. NAVAIR's products include state-of-the-art sensors, aircraft, weapons, training, launch and recovery equipment, and communications technologies. NAVAIR Weapons Division is located at China Lake and Point Mugu, CA.

Position types: Full-time, Graduate School Opportunities Majors: Engineering

#### Northwestern **Mutual Financial Network Booth #7**

www.nmfn.com

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Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op Majors: All majors, Business & Economics

#### **OR Department of Transportation** Booth #4

www.oregon.gov/odot

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) was established in 1969 to provide a safe, efficient transportation system that supports economic opportunity and livable com-munities for Oregonians. Our mission is to provide an efficient, safe transportation system that enhances Oregon's economic competitiveness and

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projects that maximize safety and ensure economic viability while providing outstanding customer service. ODOT develops programs related to Oregon's system of highways, roads, and bridges; railways; public transportation services; transportation safety programs; driver and vehicle licensing; and motor carrier regulation.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal

Majors: Business & Economics, Engineering, Mines/Earth Resources, Natural Resources, Social Sciences

#### **OR State Police** Booth #10

www.osptrooper.com

Oregon State Troopers provide a wide variety of public safety services. From the rural counties to metropolitan freeways, Troopers are trained to do it all. The mission of the Oregon State Police is to develop, promote, and maintain protection of people, property, and natural resources of the State, and to enhance the safety and livability by serving and protecting its citizens and visitors through leadership, action, and coordination of Oregon's public safety resources.

OSP is conducting Entry Level Testing at the Kibbie Dome on February 16th. In order to test, applicants must complete an application at the Career Expo on February 13th to be allowed to test on Saturday, February 16th. Applicants can also download an application at www.osptrooper.com and bring it to the Career Expo and receive information on the testing. Anyone that has not been preapproved will not be allowed to test.

Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### **Pacific Capital Resource Group Booth #126**

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Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op Majors: Business & Econom-

#### **Pacific Gas &** Electric Booth #51

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Position Types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology, Engineering

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Part-time Majors: All majors

#### **Patriot Fire Protection** Booth #104

www.patriotfire.com

Patriot Fire Protection is a leading full-service Fire Sprinkler System Contractor. We are based in Tacoma, Washington, with offices in Vancouver, Spokane, and Hanford, Washington. Patriot serves the entire Northwest, working on construction projects of all sizes.

**Position types:** Full-time Majors: All majors, Art & Architecture, Engineering

#### **Peace Corps** Booth #43

www.Peacecorps.gov The Peace Corps traces its

roots and mission to 1960, when then Senator John F. Kennedy challenged students at the University of Michigan to serve their country in the cause of peace by living and working in developing countries.

Today's Peace Corps is more vital than ever, working in emerging and essential areas such as information technology and business development. Peace Corps Volunteers continue to help countless individuals who want to build a better life for themselves and their host communities.

Position types: Full-time, Graduate School Opportunities Majors: All majors

#### **Pointe Pest Control/ Eclipse Marketing** Booth #53

www.goeclipse.com

Eclipse Marketing has been in business for over 16 years. We provide Sales & Marketing services for two national pest control companies (Orkin and Pointe Pest Control). Each summer Eclipse hires over 300 college students for sales/ nonsales/ and manager positions. For those that are hired Eclipse offers free rent and great money making opportunities. Average first year employees typically make \$10,000 to \$15,000 thousand dollars in 3.5 months. Experienced reps typically make much more. For information in advance or to schedule an interview, contact Jacob Borg at 208-691-0653.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time

Majors: All majors

#### **POWER Engineers,** inc. Booth #65

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about us and our positions. Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Engineering

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Bring your completed application by our booth at the UI Career Fair to be approved for testing

Visit our website www.osptrooper.com for applications

#### **Professional Service** Industries, Inc. Booth #36

www.psiusa.com

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Position types: Full-time, Temporary/Seasonal, Part-time Majors: Engineering

#### **Progressive Insurance Booth #139**

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Position types: Full-time
Majors: All majors

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Position types: Internship/

Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology

#### **Puget Sound Naval** Shipyard and **Intermediate Main**tenance Facility Booth #12

www.psns.navy.mil

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: Engineering

#### Regence Booth #22

www.regence.com

Regence provides health insurance and related services for nearly three million people in four western states: Idaho, Oregon, Utah and Washington. In addition, employment opportunities are available through its subsidiaries, including Regence Life and Health Insurance Company. Regence employee's work as a team to develop lifetime relationships with customers through a combination of superior service, a relentless focus on customer relationships and innovative products and services. The company is seeking employees who embody its core values of accountability, commitment, and teamwork.

Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: All majors

#### Residence Inn by Marriott **Booth #109**

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### **Rite Aid Booth #177**

www.riteaid.com

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

#### Sacred Heart **Medical Center** Booth #46

www.shmclab.org

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Position types: Internship/

Majors: Math & Sciences

#### Schweitzer **Engineering** Laboratories, Inc. Booth #72

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Engineering

#### **Seattle Police Department** Booth #52

www.seattlepolicejobs.com The Seattle Police Depart-

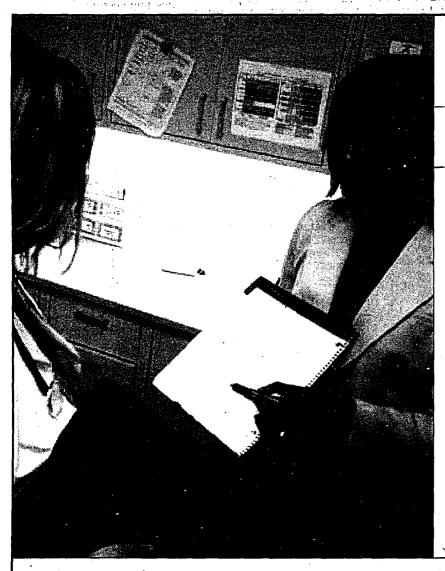
ment (SPD) is the largest police agency in the State of Washington. SPD has 1,285 sworn members and an additional 500 civilian employees.

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors



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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: All majors

#### **SITKA TOURS** Booth #85

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Position types: Full-time, Temporary/Seasonal Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Engineering

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as cut & wrap operations.

Position types: Full-time,
Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ easonal, Part-time

Majors: Agriculture/Family/Consumer Sciences, Engineering, Math & Sciences

#### Southwest Research Institute Booth #42

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Majors: Computer Technol-

ogy, Engineering

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: Engineering

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal

Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op
Majors: Business & Economics, Engineering

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Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Engineering, Specific/Other

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Position types: Graduate School Opportunities Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Part-time, Graduate School Opportunities

Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-or

Majors: All majors, Engineering

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Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op
Majors: engineering

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Engineering, Nursing, Pharmacy, Veterinary Med-

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/

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Position types: Full-time, Temporary/Seasonal, Part-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, In-

ternship/Co-op

Majors: Engineering

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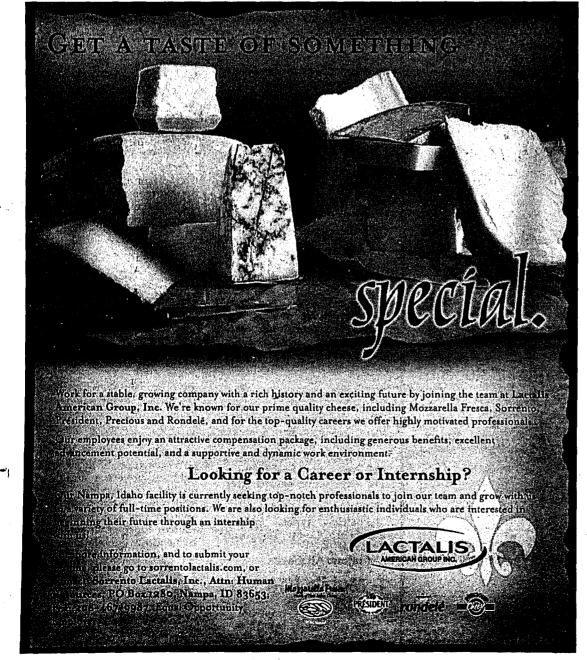
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Majors: Business & Econom-

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Position types: Full-time, Temporary/Seasonal, time

Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position Types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time,

Majors: Education

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Position types: Internship/

Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op

Majors: Business & Economics, Computer Technology

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Temporary/ Majors: All majors

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Position types: Graduate **School Opportunities** Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Graduate School Opportunities

Majors: Computer Technology, Engineering, Natural Re-

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time

Majors: All majors

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School Opportunities
Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time Majors: All majors

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Position types: Graduate School Opportunities Majors: All majors

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Position types: Internship/ Co-op, Temporary/Seasonal Majors: All majors

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Position types: Full-time, Internship/Co-op, Temporary/ Seasonal, Part-time

Majors: All majors

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Majors: All majors

# The grad rush Is a graduate program for you?

**Alec Lawton Argonaut** 

ith the popularity of shows like CSI and House M.D., it is easy to understand why so many students see college as a way to land their dream job. A National Science Foundation survey of college students, however, suggests that an increasing number of undergrads are realizing that a bachelor's degree isn't necessarily a license to do the really cool stuff. From 1975 to 2005, the number of undergraduate students in the U.S. boomed by 153 percent, while graduate en-rollment increased by 172 per-

While the numbers indicate significant growth over an extended period of time, the motivation for attending graduate school has remained largely the same - a graduate degree allows individuals to pursue a career in academia or a highly specialized field. Nick Benardini, a University of Idaho student pursuing a doctorate in micro-molecular biology and biochemistry, said he sees a graduate degree as a hurdle that needs to be overcome in order

to reach his goals.
"A lot of it is just a job ceiling. As a bachelor's I was only able to work as a technician in my field," Benardini said. "You can move up in the technician ranks, but if you want to go into any lab management positions, you just can't because you don't have the qualifications or means. As far as becoming principle investigators or group leaders or professors, you have to have those upper degrees."

As president of the Graduate and Professional Students Association at UI, Benardini has interacted with students with a variety of backgrounds and aspirations. Some of them entered graduate school immediately after receiving their undergraduate degrees, while others have decades of work experience under their belt.

Craig Watts, vice president of GPSA, waited 15 years be-fore coming back to school for a master's in conservation social science. He said that a master's is a necessary step in pursuing his goal of a career in academia, but that changes in the



While some students may thrive in graduate school, further study may not be for everyone.

technological field have made graduate studies applicable in more people's lives outside of academia. Within the U.S and in the global economy, there's an increasing demand for technical graduate students, particularly in engineering, that Americans aren't meeting, he said.

"The universities in India and China are very competitive — they can outsource education to the U.S.," Watts said. "American citizens aren't terribly interested in those fields, but American companies definitely want to hire individuals. So there's a global demand for them.'

Margrit von Braun, dean of Graduate Studies, said the global market is placing increasing demands on graduate students in job competition, as well as graduate institutions competing for students.

The dynamics of the workplace have changed because of global competitiveness," von Braun said. "When I was in college as a graduate student, there was much less competition from other countries. For example, China and India are generally the countries from whom we get the most graduate students. Both of those countries are building a lot more in-country capacity. There are a lot more places students can go outside

The importance of having a graduate degree in many fields is highlighted by increased enrollment in spite of the fact that it is becoming more and more difficult to finance and attain a graduate degree. Von Braun said that aside from the cost of education increasing, funding from government loans and grants is decreasing.

Both at the undergraduate and graduate level, the burden of financing your education is horrendous," von Braun said. When I was in college, there were a lot more government loans, more grant money. It was much more forgiving as far as paying back your loans. That as changed tremendously.

International students often have the most difficult time in funding their education because they pay out-of-state tuition and must apply for visas as well as acceptance into a university. International student and scholar adviser Tammi Johnson said that graduate students continue to be strongly represented at UI in spite of financial and logistical burdens.

'A lot of times I feel that our international students are the cream of the crop," Johnson said. "They're being sent here by their families who have dedicated their whole lives to saving enough money to send their kids here. ... They groom these kids for a U.S. education.

Johnson said that the numof out-of-state waivers granted at UI has been seriously reduced, resulting in major set-

want to go to grad school

Undergraduates considering an advanced degree in their field are bound to have ques-tions. The answers to many are available online, especially related to graduate exams, which almost all fields require. Beyond that, UI faculty and graduate students have plenty of advice.

So you

GPSA President Nick Benardini said that graduate study takes dedication, drive and commitment to a specific subject. He said it is a very good idea for a student to spend time thinking what type of job they want, because certain degrees are only going to open doors in specific areas, or may not be necessary at all.

"If you just a want a 9 to 5 tech job where you're going in and somebody's telling you to do this, you're fine with a bach-elor's," Benardini said. "But if you want to be on call and all these other kinds of craziness designing experiments, submitting grants, submitting proposthen that's something you need a higher degree for."

He also recommended that students take advantage of current graduate students and the college of graduate studies as a source for answers about graduate school. He also recommended that students get as much hands-on experience as possible.

"If you're in an area where you can do research, get in a lab and see if that's what you want to do," Benardini said. "Or if you have an opportunity to be an undergrad TA, take those opportunities. Take those leadership roles, and get as much experience in that area as you possibly can."

GPSA vice president Craig Watts said that strong writing skills are crucial in almost any field of graduate study, so undergraduates should invest plenty of time in developing them.

'Probably being able to write well is one of the biggest things," Watts said. "Using the tutorial services on campus is highly recommended. Writing well is something that takes a long time. It's something that rarely comes easily to people."

The College of Graduate Studies offers seminars on graduate school each semester. The seminars offer tips on applying to graduate school, choosing a graduate school, pros and cons of working versus getting an advanced degree and much more.

Margrit von Braun, dean of Graduate Studies, said that the presentations are a great source for information, as well as online resources. The presentations are

available to anyone.
"We also do presentations like this on invitation — to a department or a housing group or whoever asks. We can customize it." she said.

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dean, Graduate Studies at UI

back for international students. Those students are also hindered by an increasingly strenuous visa application process in a post Sept. 11 society. She said that contributed to a drop off in international enrollment after 2001 as well as concerns among international students about how they would be received in the U.S. The primary obstacle, however, remains the high cost

'Right now our international graduate students have to show \$27,210 for one year of academic and living costs," Johnson said. That's a big number.'

In 1998 this figure was only

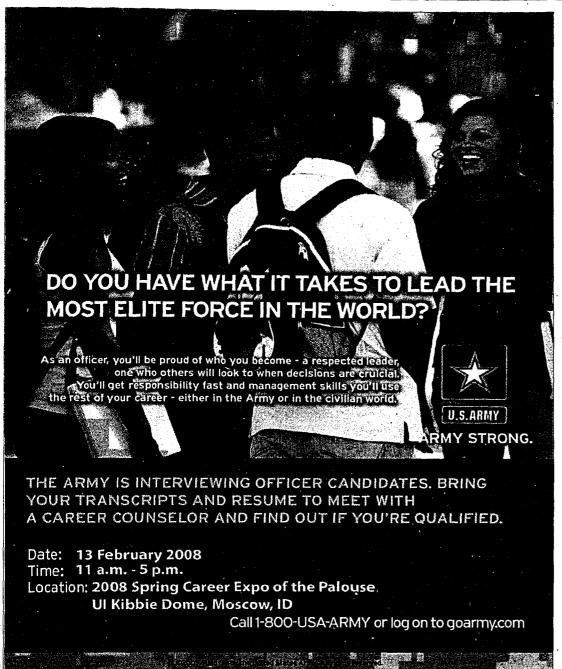
For students determined to earn a master's or doctorate, figuring out how to pay for it has become just as important as the knowledge inherent in their studies. In order to remain competitive, von Braun said, schools need to secure research grants in order to fund paid positions for students. UI averages \$100 million in research grants each

"It's really like getting a job," von Braun said. "You go to the best place that you can and take

the best deal you get."
Benardini said that as long as science and technology continue to expand, there's no reason to expect that the graduate enrollment trend will slow down because it is a necessary step to get involved.

"I want to have my own lab, become an instructor," he said. 'In order to do that, I have to have a degree. I see it as a hurdle, a semantic to be in that position."





## Credentials have more sway with employers

Scott Cahoon The Daily Athenaeum (West Virginia U.)

(U-WIRE) MORGANTOWN, W.Va. - As graduation slowly approaches for West Virginia University students, many find themselves wondering about the reputation of WVU in the workplace and how it will affect their future job prospects. Is a degree from WVU enough to get a job with a Fortune 500 company?

WVU's reputation as a party school usually does not affect an employer's judgement of an

Valero Energy is ranked 16th on Forbes' Fortune 500. Human Resources Associate Pat Dooley said that, for most positions, Valero does not take interest in what university you attended but rather the quality of the individual.

"If someone has good work experience, has the right major and has a good GPA, then it doesn't really matter where they went to school," Dooley said. "We get a lot of people from Texas A&M, which has a reputation as a big party school, and they are extremely successful in our workplace."

WVU Director of Career Services David Durham works with over 800 employers around the nation and has never come across a problem with any of them regarding WVU's reputa-

"I've been doing job place- a WVU degree.

ment with the engineering school for 10 years, and not once has WVU been looked upon negatively," Durham said. "It's actually a positive for employers to have an employee from WVU, especially entry-level employees.

Before Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman began recruiting at the University, recruiters would make special trips on their own vacation time to visit WVU."

Within the state, West Virginia's reputation is even more \*\*reputation favorable.

Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation is ranked 926th on the Jist and is the only Fortune 1000 company based in West Virginia.

Becky Bloom is a Human Resources representative for Wheeling-Pittsburgh. She said that there are quite a few people in the company who graduated from WVU.

"WVU has a great reputation as far as I'm concerned," Bloom said. "Many or our employees, as well as my boss, Jim Sullivan (General Manager of Human Resources), attended the University."

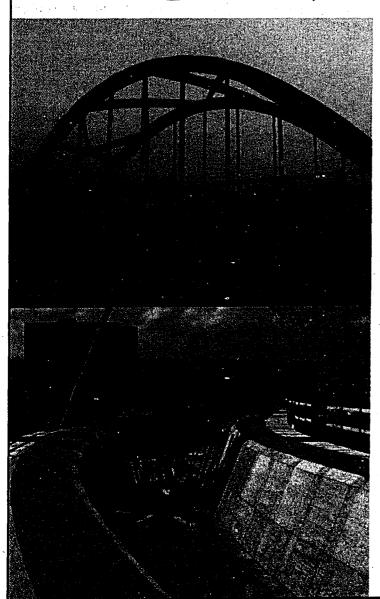
According to Dennis Halpen, director of public relations for Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel, the size and prominence of the University lets potential employers know what to expect.

Employers recognize, know and can relate to someone with a WVU degree.



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## Recession ahead? A survey of the gathering storm as consumers pull back, businesses feel pain

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By Dave Carpenter Associated Press

Economists and politicians can debate all they want about whether the nation is sliding into its first recession in nearly seven years. To Chuck Rizzo, the picture is clear.

Rizzo was recently laid off from his customer service job at a homebuilder in Sarasota, Fla. His grocery bill is higher nowadays, and he can barely afford his mortgage payments.

"Everything has gotten tremendously more expensive," said Rizzo, 45, who is married with a 15-year-old daughter. "We don't go out to dinner now. We don't take vacations. We've had to make a lot of adjustments to our lifestyle."

Whether an actual recession is on the way — or already here — U.S. consumers and businesses are being increasingly squeezed by a downturn that threatens to spread the pain being felt everywhere from the gas pump to the unemployment line.

The official designation often comes long after the recession itself begins. Experts note that the point at which the "R-word" is triggered is mostly an academic debate.

"That's not going to make a great deal of difference to people's economic well-being or their pocketbooks," said Frank Lichtenberg, professor of business, finance and economics at Columbia Business School in New York.

"The idea that if you're on one side of the line you're in a recession and if you're on the other side you're fine — that's not really the case," he added. "Clearly, we are in a very difficult period."

In the last recession, in 2001, investors took the biggest hit

from collapsing technology stock prices. This time, consumers may bear the brunt of the pain as rising inflation and skyhigh energy prices boost daily living costs uncomfortably.

The current slide started when the housing market, pumped up with the help of loans that were easier than ever to obtain, went from boom to bust. The real estate and home construction markets collapsed, loan defaults and foreclosures proliferated and damage has continued to spread through the nation's financial system.

The double punch of a punctured housing market and oil that topped \$100 a barrel has slowed the growth of the world's largest economy to a crawl, and tightening credit and other worrisome trends may well make things worse in 2008 before they get better.

The question now: How bad will it get?

There is little consensus on the consequences if a full-blown recession — defined as an outright contraction of economic activity and employment lasting at least six months — develops.

The effect will depend in part on how aggressively the Federal Reserve keeps cutting interest rates and whether Democrats controlling Congress can reach quick agreement with President Bush on an economic stimulus plan. But experts warn that even quick action from Washington now could be too late.

One potential scenario, built from precedent, recent corporate developments, economic indicators and interviews with economic and business experts:

Consumers will continue to pull back, with troublesome results for retailers and companies. Housing prices, which have fallen an average of 8 percent nationwide and as much as 40 percent in some markets since peaking in 2005, will drop for another year or so.

Unemployment could climb another two percentage points to 7 percent, which would be the highest in 16 years and leave another 3 million Americans out of work. And stocks could keep dropping.

For some, tougher times may mean opportunities. House-hunters with cash on hand and respectable credit scores will likely be able to take advantage of cheaper prices. Hardware stores and auto parts retailers tend to see sales rise when more cash-conscious people attempt their own home improvements and hang on to cars longer. Foreign investors may find U.S. assets more affordable as prices drop, especially if the dollar continues to weaken.

Overall, however, it is a picture with far more losers than winners.

"All of us are going to feel the pain to a greater or lesser degree," Lichtenberg said.

And the outcome could be gloomier still if the nation's banks and brokerages can't recover quickly from heavy losses incurred in the collapse of the subprime mortgage market, resulting in a prolonged credit squeeze — or if the dollar goes into freefall and global investors lose faith in the U.S. economy.

"It's not hard to get to dark places once you're in a recession," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy. com.

Americans are clearly spooked by the current prospects of the economy. Consumer confidence sank to the lowest level in at least six years

this month, according to the RBC Cash Index, amid growing worries about jobs, energy bills and home foreclosures after the unemployment rate rose to a two-year high of 5 percent in December.

Consumer spending, which fuels a majority of the economy's output, has slowed dramatically in recent months, as was evident in the unexpected 0.4 percent slump in December retail sales reported by the government on Jan. 15.

Carl Steidtmann, chief economist at Deloitte Research, this month forecast an actual decline in same-store sales this year at the nation's retailers — the first since the recession of 1991.

Affluent shoppers have joined low- and middle-income consumers in pulling back, so corporate results have suffered everywhere from upscale jeweler Tiffany & Co. and Saks Inc. to Sears Holdings Corp.'s Sears and Kmart stores.

And more people are having trouble paying their bills. AT&T said recently it's disconnecting more phones because of delinquent customers, and American Express Co., whose customers are generally affluent, said it expects slower spending and more missed payments on credit cards throughout 2008.

As Americans feel the pinch — with food and fuel costs rising and jobs becoming harder to find — they're heaping more debt onto credit cards. Balances surged through last fall, Federal Reserve figures show.

And anecdotal reports suggest they are paring where they can — putting off a teethwhitening, perhaps, or trying to wring a few thousand more miles out of an old car before trying to replace it.

On the business side, financial services companies have been battered at the front edge of the gathering storm.

Merrill Lynch & Co. and Citigroup Inc. reported \$20 billion in fourth-quarter losses between them earlier this month as the corporate earnings season opened with a flood of red ink. Banks, brokerages and insurers announced staggering writedowns, largely due to bad subprime mortgage bets.

They also added to the jobless ranks. Citigroup said it had slashed 4,200 jobs as it braces for more consumer-related trouble and mortgage lender IndyMac Bancorp Inc. cut its work force by 24 percent, laying off about 2,400 employees as it tries to weather the housing slump.

The hardest-hit occupations in terms of recent job losses include real estate brokers, financial services sales agents, loan counselors and public relations specialists, recent government figures show.

Automakers are suffering, too, as consumers hold back. U.S. new car and light truck sales fell by 415,000 vehicles or 2.5 percent, to 16.1 million last year, according to Ward's AutoInfobank, and could drop toward 15 million in a recession.

Other industries, including airlines, may also be vulnerable to big cutbacks ahead.

The downturn also is taking a toll on city governments because revenue from property taxes will decline along with home values.

In Cleveland, an epicenter of the foreclosure crisis, the city has demolished 1,000 abandoned homes in the past year that had become targets for vandals, in order to save money on policing those neighborhoods. Most of those homes had been financed with subprime mortgages.

Small businesses are also feeling repercussions and reporting that conditions are soft as customers cut back.

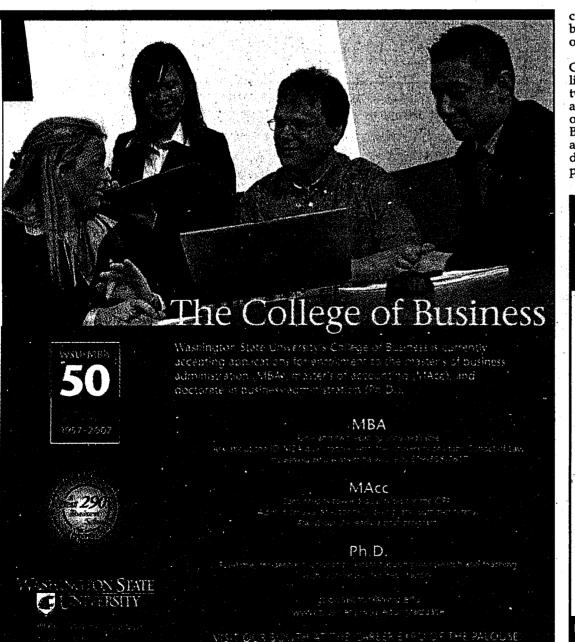
In Sedona, Ariz., some galleries and restaurants have closed because tourists are spending less, said Mary Schnack, whose business Up From The Dust sells imported jewelry, purses and home decor made by women in developing countries.

Schnack said her sales were

Schnack said her sales were way down during the holiday season as customers bought items only as gifts, not for themselves.

"It's the first sign like this," she said. "They don't say it's because the economy is bad, but I know that's the reason."

There are winners among small businesses, too: Some companies that sell software that helps other businesses cut costs are seeing stronger sales.



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