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**ASUI ELECTIONS**

**Petitions  
due today**

Liz Virtue  
Argonaut

ASUI Vice President Amy Huddleston is enjoying her last weeks in office. With ASUI elections on the horizon, she said she is preparing to say goodbye to her position.

"I had a really good year," Huddleston said. "I'm going to continue working with the projects we started this year but I want more time for volunteering. Plus it's going to be my senior year so I want a quieter year."

Huddleston, along with ASUI President Jon Gaffney and eight ASUI senators, is stepping down from her position in April.

Elections will be held April 14-16 and the results will be announced the evening of the April 16. The newly elected members of ASUI will be sworn in April 30, Gaffney said.

ASUI election petitions must be completed by any student interested in running and can be found at the front desk of the ASUI office, located on the third floor of the Idaho Commons. Completed petitions are due by 5 p.m. today.

"The petitions are helpful because they help get the candidates' names out before the campaigning," Huddleston said. "It lets people know they're running."

After the petitions are collected, a mandatory meeting for all potential applicants will be held at 7 a.m. Monday in the Horizon Room of the Commons, said Senate Pro-Tempore Dean Throop. The meeting will address campaigning details and rules. Rules and regulations change every year so it is important that those interested in campaigning attend, he said.

Throop is among the eight senators who will not be running for re-election but said he is excited for the process to begin.

"So far there are 18 people that have taken out petitions," Throop said. "That's 18 people already running for eight spots, so I expect a healthy campaign this year."

Throop said only people interested in making a difference at the University of Idaho should run for a spot. Those who are interested in running for their own agendas need not apply, he said.

"ASUI needs people who want to help the student body, work for the student body and fight for the student

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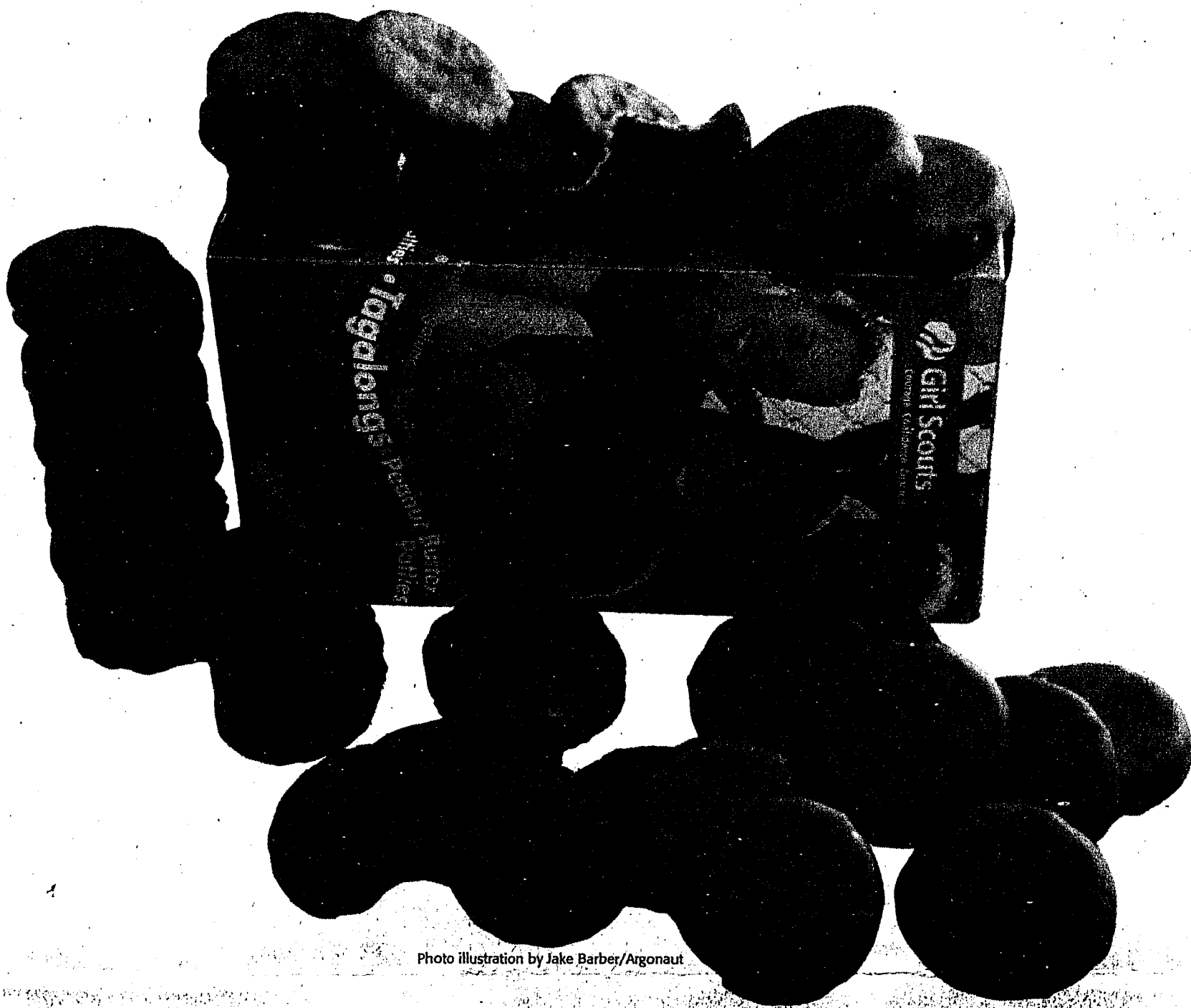


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**C is for cookie**

Watch out for roaming Brownies: Girl Scout cookies go on sale today

Scott MacDonald  
Argonaut

Cookies for sale

Cookie Monster had the right idea. If the blue monster lived in Moscow, he'd be in heaven as Girl Scout cookie sales begin today and run through April 13.

Armed with large reserves of cookies and smiles across their faces, the Girl Scouts will stake out Wal-Mart and Safeway in Moscow as bases of operations for cookie sales in the area. They will also be found outside homes across the Palouse this year.

"The cookies arrived (Wednesday). It's pretty much D-Day on the Palouse," said Claudia Wohlfeil, laughing.

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According to the Girls Scouts of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho Web site, Girl Scouts will sell the following cookies this year:

**Thin Mints:** A thin, mint-flavored wafer covered with a chocolate coating.

**Tagalongs:** Topped with peanut butter and covered with chocolate.

**Samoas:** Vanilla cookies, covered with caramel, rolled in toasted coconut and striped with chocolate.

**All Abouts:** Vanilla cookies with fudge coating on the bottom and a new shape and new messages that celebrate

what Girl Scouting is all about.

**Sugar-Free Chocolate Chip:** A classic favorite with real chocolate chips.

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**Trefoils:** Shortbread that is simple and satisfying.

**Lemon Chalet Cremes:** A vanilla sandwich cookie with a hint of cinnamon ginger spice and a refreshing zesty lemon crème filling.

For information, visit [www.gsewni.org/cookies/Cookies.html](http://www.gsewni.org/cookies/Cookies.html).

**Graduation close for seniors**

Grad Finale gives students opportunity to ready themselves for graduation day

Alexiss Turner  
Argonaut

University of Idaho seniors have 50 days left until they accept their diplomas on May 10. In preparation for the big day, the Student Alumni Relations Board is sponsoring UI's Grad Finale on Tuesday and Wednesday to give students a chance to pick up everything they need for graduation.

Graduating seniors should have already received a note from the Registrar's Office explaining all that they will need in order to graduate including a postcard from Jostens, the University of Idaho's graduation merchandise provider, outlining their offers.

Booths will be set up from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the UI Bookstore. There students can purchase gowns, caps, invitations, honor chords, class rings and other graduation necessities.

Between planning for Mom's and Dad's Weekends as a SARb member, freshman Shea Nesbitt has also been in charge of making sure students get the most out of

the finale. She said the days are an easy way for students to get all their graduation duties taken care of all at once.

"It's an awesome opportunity to get this stuff now before all the pressure of graduation sets in," she said. "It's their last chance to get in touch with people they haven't seen and get the final leg of their time at UI organized."

Katie Dahlinger, student alumni coordinator, said although there is the option for students to do their shopping online, she encourages all graduating seniors to attend the finale.

"It gives them that face-to-face interaction which is really important to some people," she said.

Students will also have a chance to learn ways they can stay in touch with the university after graduation. The UI Alumni Association will be passing out questionnaires for reference in the Idaho Graduates of the Last Decade program, an organization dedicated to maintaining the relationship between the university and young alums. The

don't be  
**LATE**

The Grad Finale runs from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the UI Bookstore.

questionnaire will require a current address and listing of clubs students are involved in so grads can receive pertinent information about events UI is hosting in their area.

Previous events included a happy hour social in Seattle last year and a gathering in Boise that included 200 alums. Dahlinger said Idaho GOLD is an excellent way for young alums to maintain social and professional networking.

Dahlinger said Idaho GOLD isn't just about get-togethers; plans for concerts and hikes are in the works. To stay up to speed grads can join the Idaho GOLD groups on Facebook and MySpace or visit [idahovan-dals.com](http://idahovan-dals.com) for more information.

**Walgreens set to  
replace Mark IV**

The Perch also shut its doors at UI

Brandon Macz  
Argonaut

America's Best Value Inn in Moscow has been fenced off. Not to keep out the local college students who once took advantage of the easily accessible swimming pool, but to fill the pool with glass and concrete when it is demolished sometime next month. The rubble will be cleared away to make room for a Walgreens drug store.

Walgreens opens a new store ever 16 hours, said Carol Hively, Walgreens' public relations representative. Moscow, Garden City and Idaho Falls are all new locations for the drug store chain, adding

to the 24 stores already active in Idaho.

"We're in the early stages still," Hively said. "We're expanding very rapidly."

Walgreens finds it more cost efficient to lease properties than to own them, and has its own real estate department. The former Mark IV hotel on Main and D Street was purchased by Moscow Main LLC and is under the management of Scott Granger. He said the company has a standing relationship with Walgreens. They have acquired 20 stores for Walgreens in Washington and Idaho.

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**ON THE WEB**

Keep an eye on the Arg Web site for updates, exclusives and more. [www.uiargonaut.com](http://www.uiargonaut.com)

Guy in a Monkey Suit spent five hours this week subscribing to various podcasts. He's calling it "research." You know, listening to how it's done so he can make one of his own. Who knows? Maybe before the end of the semester we'll see Guy in a Monkey Suit's MonkeyCast.

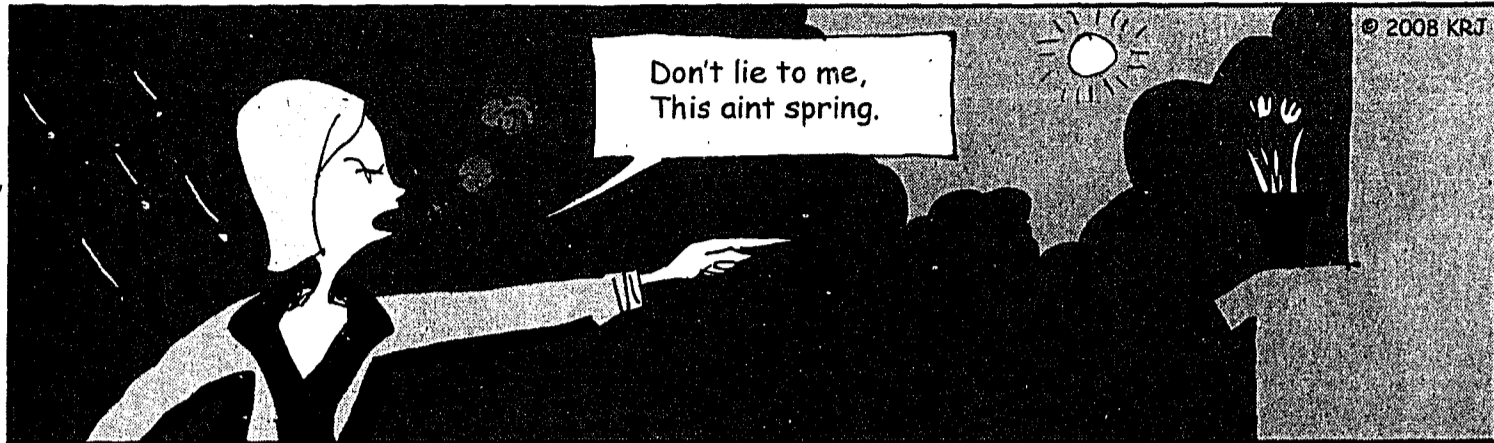
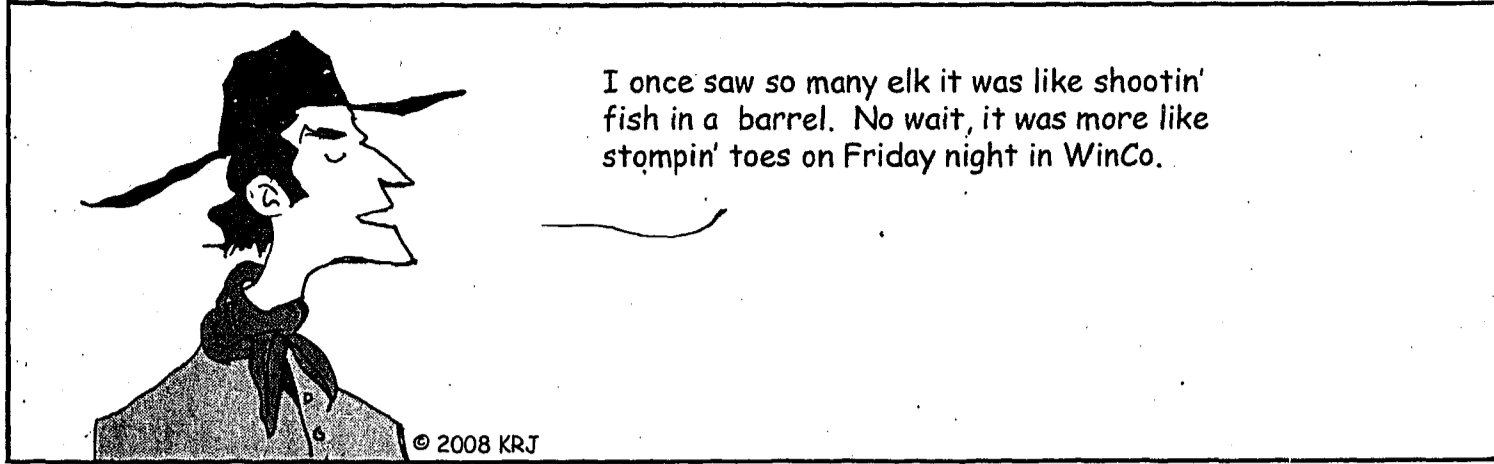
Until then, here's a selection of podcasts he has been listening to.

"The Short List:" Every Wednesday, the Seattle Weekly's music folks discuss shows to see and shows to avoid.  
"Calls for Cthulu:" A green, multi-tentacled puppet channels H.P. Lovecraft's Elder God and takes calls on topics ranging from how souls taste to Cthulu's various film appearances.  
"Barnes & Noble Meet the Writers Se-

ries:" Highlights include chats with David Sedaris and Chuck Palahniuk.  
"Real Time with Bill Maher:" the podcast version of Maher's HBO show tackles all the same issues as "Politically Incorrect" used to except he doesn't talk to as many people.  
The best thing about these podcasts: they are free.

People We Know

by K. Ray Johnson/Argonaut



BEYOND THE SHEETS

Playing dress up

Sometimes sex lives need a little spicing up. That is stating a common fact more than new information. I have given suggestions in the past for different ways to add this spice. I am now going to add another series of ideas to that list of suggestions. These ideas are very basic but very sensual and intimate all at the same time.

much like a bra, and having your partner unhook these closures can be, and should be half the fun. Corsets are very similar but not quite the same.



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Many of us played dress up as young children, but mixing that sense of childhood game with a sense of adulthood can add a new level of intimacy to your relationship. After all, playing dress up is quite fun ... especially when it involves lingerie and your partner.

They usually do not have the cups in them, but rather are flat. Along with the hook and eye closures, which are usually found in the front of the corset, there is also back lacing. Opening such a garment can be made into any type of game you want (you can put it under something for going out to dinner and then reveal it for dessert). The other exciting thing about a corset is the "shaping" it produces. When it is properly fitted a corset will produce an hourglass silhouette by bringing in the waist. It also gives more cleavage than even your best push-up bra and can be worn by any bust size (yes, it will give cleavage to a 32 inch bust).

If you are dressing up for your partner, I suggest subtly getting some ideas of what would be liked. If your partner has an attraction to thigh high stockings, then by all means go out and buy a pair. If, on the other hand, thigh highs do not even register on the attraction radar, do not go that route. You do not have to be very blunt in this information gathering endeavor. You do not have to say, "Do you like thigh high stockings?" but it can be part of a standard conversation. "I like her stockings. What do you think?" could be uttered while out on the town or at a party.

There are also pieces such as teddies and negligees. These are lovely classics and fantastic options. These are personal preferences. When it comes to choosing some of these lingerie pieces, it is about what looks good on your body and what you like. Do not overlook bra and panty sets either. All of these pieces are very simple but very attractive.

It is a good idea to always have some of the basics, even if they are more for you than another person. You should always own a garter belt. For those who are not entirely sure what a garter belt is, it is an undergarment designed to help keep thigh highs from constantly falling down to your ankles. It goes around the hips/waist area and has four straps that hook into the thigh high. You should also always own thigh high stockings, especially in fishnet. Fishnet is a standard, classic look that is almost always found attractive.

Don't forget the entire package. If you are going to get dressed up, whether for another person or for yourself — yes, you can get dressed up for yourself, there is no reason not to — keep in mind that not only does that involve sexy lingerie, but also an excuse to do your hair and makeup more elaborate than you normally would. It is also a chance to break out those heels that have been hiding in the back of your closet for a while.

Let's move away from the basics and go for some of the more fun lingerie pieces. A bustier is a good choice. They are designed with some boning to help give a bit of shape to the body while you are wearing it. They also have cups to hold your breasts in place. The combination of the cups and the boning are the big clues that you are looking at a bustier. One of the other aspects is that they are often closed with hook and eye closures,

The biggest thing to keep in mind during all of this is to make sure it fits. Ask the salesclerk if you can try it on and ask for help. Chances are they are skilled and knowledgeable in the product and can help you get the right fit to make the lingerie work for you.

My advice to men: if a lot of effort has been made to provide you with an enjoyable, attractive visual stimulus, you need to return the favor. Do what you can to provide the same kind of enjoyment to your partner as you receive.

Have fun, be safe, and happy dressing!

Have a sex question for Chris? Send it to arg\_opinion@sub.uidaho.edu

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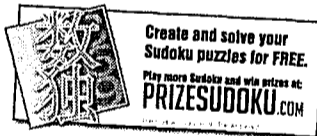
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Solution

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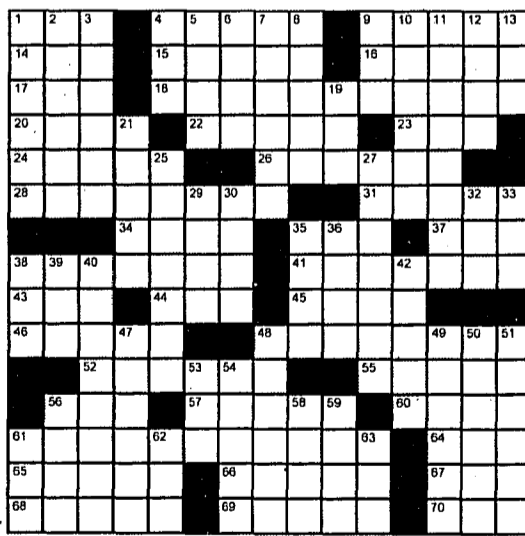
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk).



CrosswordPUZZLE

Across

- 1 Romaine lettuce
- 4 Ayn Rand's *\_\_\_\_\_* *Shruggeel*
- 9 Stage, in time
- 14 Strike
- 15 Prepared
- 16 Fur of the marten
- 17 So. state (Abbr.)
- 18 Butterfly beginning
- 20 Tennis units
- 22 Rich brown pigment
- 23 Jacuzzi
- 24 Clips
- 26 Bull's eye
- 28 Fugitives from justice
- 31 Gazelle
- 34 Permits
- 35 Chum
- 37 Single
- 38 Shellac, e.g.
- 41 Maldives
- 43 Vase
- 44 Norma \_\_\_\_\_
- 45 Fibs
- 46 Hush money
- 48 Marine mammal
- 52 Former Ford
- 55 Scandinavian
- 56 Sense organ
- 57 Tempts
- 60 Grade
- 61 Overwhelmed, totally
- 64 Swedish river
- 65 Go furtively
- 66 Fisherman
- 67 Fr. summer
- 68 Disturbances
- 69 Halls
- 70 Cerise



Down

- 1 Pure
- 2 Tankers
- 3 Radio noise
- 4 Curve
- 5 Receptions
- 6 Tardy
- 7 Tao virtuous
- 8 Middle East nation
- 9 Pressure unit (Abbr.)
- 10 Horse's headgear
- 11 Bath
- 12 Tablet
- 13 Always (Poet.)
- 19 Golf score
- 21 Diminutive
- 25 Impaled
- 27 Sailing vessel
- 29 Volcano
- 30 This (Sp.)
- 32 Conclusion
- 33 Guitarist Paul
- 35 Heap
- 36 Orient
- 38 U-boat
- 39 Slip up
- 40 Like some cartoons
- 42 John Jacob \_\_\_\_\_
- 47 Part of the Malay Archipelago
- 48 Sidewalks divider
- 49 Stock dealer
- 50 Real property
- 51 Staggered
- 53 Shade tree
- 54 Greases
- 56 Monetary unit
- 58 \_\_\_\_\_ Stanley Gardner
- 59 Appear
- 61 Fall mo.
- 62 Increases
- 63 Medic (Abbr.)

Solution



For hints on solving The Argonaut crosswords, see the Crossword Dictionary at [www.crossword-dictionary.com](http://www.crossword-dictionary.com) or One Across at [www.oneacross.com](http://www.oneacross.com).

Campus Recreation

Intramural Sports Deadlines

**Doubles Billiards**  
Forms Due: 3/27  
Play Begins: 3/29

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Eric Petersen/Argonaut

Construction is underway on a newly renovated studio at the UI TV/Radio Station.

# TV station changes help JAMM majors

KUID will transmit an all digital signal by the February 2009 requirement

Lianna Shepherd  
Argonaut

From the moment she heard the news senior Olivia Hodges was excited.

A journalism major with an emphasis in broadcast, Hodges will be one of the students able to use the renovated television station next fall.

"It's hands on equipment with some of the latest stuff," she said. "You get that kind of stuff in California, having it here will make sure we can compete."

The FCC has mandated that starting February 2009, the 1,760 full-power broadcast stations in the United States must go entirely digital, eliminating the analogue signals picked up by antennas.

Broadcast teacher Denise Bennett said that teaching students to use HD technology doesn't change the basic rules of broadcast, but it does require students to approach their shots differently.

"Everything from the size of the screen to the makeup has to be considered. The resolution is great so that if you do something to close up you can see every pore in their face," she said. "The most important thing is the person behind the camera, not the camera itself. You can teach a monkey to type Hamlet, but that won't make him Shakespeare."

In compliance with the regulation the television station has cleared out its old video equipment, some that

was more than 40 years old, for digital.

"We've been transmitting digital for the past four or five years, but we've also been transmitting analogue," said Ken Segota, the chief engineer for KUID. "In February, we won't have the analogue that means if you don't have a digital television you won't receive our transmission."

For televisions that do not offer high definition reception, owners will have the option of buying a new television or a converter box.

"At the beginning of next year millions of people that have antenna TV's will be eligible for two coupons worth \$40 to buy a converter," Segota said.

However, of the 42 coupon eligible converter boxes, only four allow owners to watch analogue and digital stations without having to install an antenna switch, something that KUID station manager Kris Freeland worries the average television watcher won't know how to do.

"Most people sit in front of the TV and they watch it, they don't think about where the signals coming from, they just know they're watching it or they're not," Freeland said.

Along with the change in technology the station is going under a renovation to make the studio and bathrooms ADA compliant.

"Right now someone with a wheel chair can get into the building, but unless we lift them from the chair we have

## digital signal BOXES

Converter boxes with digital and analogue capacity:

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MG9

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Philco TB100HH9

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no way of getting them into the studio, the bathrooms or the directors booth," Freeland said. "In short, they can't use the facilities."

Only two weeks into construction, the studio has been completely gutted and the framework for the new layout has been set. Freeland says that though the progress seems fast, the prep work for this project has taken a great deal of effort.

"This is a University of Idaho building, the public television station has partnered with them over the years, but it's still there building," she said. "When we went to Idaho public television about funding, they sent us to deferred maintenance."

Overall, the project will cost around \$1 million, but Freeland says the studio will be up and running for fall semester's JAMM students.

# Discount education may not be worth it

'Wal-Martization' of higher education bad for students, UI professor said

Will McWilliams  
Argonaut

With the increasing number of higher education institutions that are becoming available, some worry that the value of education may be lowered along the way.

Mike Johnson, professor of educational leadership at the University of Idaho Boise, said that when you look at education it has more competition because the delivery model allows you to provide classes online literally anywhere.

"Basically what many of them are doing is cheapening the value of education," Johnson said. "They're cheapening the value of what the public considers an education to have."

Johnson referred to this trend as the "Wal-Martization" of higher education.

What Johnson means by the "Wal-Martization" of higher education is that an institution reduces its expenses and increases the volume of students.

"Everyone is looking to increase or at least maintain student numbers while lowering the costs," Johnson said.

Johnson said that higher education institutions are doing this because of globalization, especially publicly funded ones.

"(Public funded institutions) have to provide quality education because we're tax supported," Johnson said.

Johnson said that one of the negative effects of the "Wal-Martization" of higher education is that it will affect how universities contribute to the state they're in.

"Universities are brick and mortar places," Johnson said. "They are land grant institutions that provide a direct economic benefit to the state they're in because they are publicly funded."

Because universities are land grant institutions, Johnson said that much of the money they receive goes back into the state in the form of services and research. Universities also provide cultural activities and sorts activities to the local area.

"The money stays here in other words," Johnson said.

Johnson said that what is valuable about a place like the University of Idaho is it is a living group center where students learned to work as a group.

"That's the huge value of a campus education, friendship and networking," Johnson said.

Johnson said that a higher education earned on a college campus adds to the leadership of the state.

"It's knowing how to make worthwhile relationships with people," Johnson said.

Johnson said that one of the reasons that higher education has been changing is that the higher education market has changed.

"We have more non-traditional students going back to school in their 30s and 40s," Johnson said.

Johnson said that what needs to be done is institutions need to utilize the technical tools that enhance what they are doing.

"We don't want to use those tools to degrade the value of what we're doing," Johnson said.

Johnson asked as to whether the value is having the degree, or having the experience and education in getting the degree.

"Wal-Martization means that we are simply providing a degree at the cheapest price," Johnson asked. "Or, are we providing a well-rounded education that also includes the value of a campus life?"

## SenateREPORT

### Open forum

Presidential policy adviser Justin Doble spoke to the Senate about progress of the decision-making process for the bookstore. Doble was appointed as the ASUI representative on the bookstore proposal selection committee. There are five voting members on the committee, Doble said. The committee met Monday to begin discussion on the three completed proposals the university received regarding changes in management to the bookstore. The three companies will be on campus at the beginning of April to present the proposals to the committee in person and to participate in an open forum, available to all members of the university. The dates, times and locations of the forums will be announced later, Doble said. The job of the selection committee is to review each pro-

posal and decide which one would best serve UI. Once a decision is reached it will be presented to all associated bodies at the university and feedback will be compiled. A completed consensus of university opinions will be presented to President Tim White. Doble said the ultimate decision appears to be in White's hands.

### Presidential communications

ASUI President Jon Gaffney was not present at the Senate meeting but asked Vice President Amy Huddleston to remind senators that election petitions are due by 5 p.m. today in the ASUI office.

### Unfinished business

Bills  
S08-21, an act appointing Rob Chalkley to the position of ASUI Commons and Union Board Lounge Committee Coordinator, will remain in the Government Operations and

Appointments Committee until he can be interviewed by the committee members.

### New business

Bills  
S08-22, an act providing service to the Moscow community by philanthropy, was immediately considered. The bill changed the date of Random Act of Kindness philanthropy from March 27 to April 3 to avoid conflicts with other activities schedule during the week of Vandal Friday. The bill was unanimously passed.

S08-23, an act beginning the process to amend the ASUI Constitution was sent to the Ways and Means Committee and will be discussed next week. The bill will place a referendum item on this semester's ballot, limiting the number of Senators from a single living group to three individuals, excluding unorganized, off-campus groups.

— Liz Virtue

The Argonaut is now hiring Arts and Culture writers.

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MEET YOUR SENATOR

# Freshman senator has high goals

Liz Virtue  
Argonaut

For some freshmen, the first year of college is tough. They have to adjust to new surroundings, learn how to be successful in college courses, balance their academic and social lives and deal with being away from home. Kristin Caldwell is a freshman at the University of Idaho who adjusted quickly and wasted no time getting involved with the university. Caldwell is an ASUI senator, the youngest member of ASUI.

Caldwell said an honors American government class in high school got her interested in government and politics. The class presented her with the opportunity to volunteer at the Capital building in Boise.

"I chose to work in Sen. Craig's office," Caldwell said.

"I learned how politics work and I really enjoyed the experience."

Since then, Caldwell has continued her education of politics and government through ASUI. Caldwell ran for a spot on the Senate alongside sophomore Zach Arama this fall. The two helped each other campaign and Caldwell said she thinks that really helped to get her elected.

Arama and Caldwell continue to work together while on the Senate and help each other out with projects, she said.

Caldwell is a political science and Spanish major and is head of the safety task force at UI. The task force focuses on two different levels of safety, the perception of safety and

the level of actual safety on campus. Caldwell said she is working to understand what students think is important as far as safety is concerned. She is working to set up a sexual violence prevention week next year that would teach incoming freshman how to stay safe in their new environment.



CALDWELL

Although she is young, Caldwell has many ideas she thinks could benefit the university and the student body but it took

her some time to develop her confidence within the Senate.

"During the first meeting my hands were shaking so hard because I was so nervous," Caldwell said. "I felt like everyone knew what was going on and I didn't."

But Caldwell said she paid

attention and is now working to make changes. The biggest problem she faces as a senator is the lack of student involvement on campus. She hopes to help students gain interest, especially with opportunities like the alternative service breaks, offered by the university every year.

"There are about 200 hundred people who go, but that could easily be 1,000," Caldwell said.

Caldwell was one of the students who took advantage of the service trips and traveled to the city of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi during Spring Break.

She is also active in her sorority, Gamma Phi Beta, where she serves as the activities chair. As activities chair she is required to run homecoming and Greek Week which also keeps sorority members up-to-date on the events go-

ing on at UI.

"I think it's a great experience," Caldwell said. "When else are you going to live with 74 people from different backgrounds and all walks of life?"

To top it off, Caldwell is taking 18 credits and feels a little overwhelmed at times. However she said she is good at managing her time and enjoys being busy. ASUI requires all senators spend a minimum of five hours in the ASUI office a week but Caldwell said she easily puts in an extra five hours, researching and working on special projects.

She is typically busy from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with classes and ASUI office hours and then attends meetings and does homework in the evenings.

If she has a spare moment, Caldwell said she enjoys eating ice cream with her friends. Mint chocolate chip and pep-

permint are her favorite flavors.

Caldwell also enjoys spending time at Sisters' Brew Coffee House.

"It's filled with crazy, knick-knacks and big comfy couches. It reminds me of someone's grandma's house," Caldwell said. "It's a great place to go to do homework and get away."

Caldwell said she would like to run for another position in ASUI next year but is also considering studying abroad in Costa Rica to work on her Spanish major.

As for now, Caldwell said she isn't going to worry too much about the future, although she has important goals in mind.

"Ultimately I want to be a Supreme Court justice," Caldwell said. "If I make it through the seven or eight years of school."

Local/BRIEFS

PCEI holds series of events this month

Fulfilling its mission to promote environmentally sound and economically viable decisions that promote a sustainable future, the Palouse Clearwater Environment Institute will offer a series of community events in the coming weeks.

An event to teach on the effects of global warming, "Focus on the Nation" will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday at Mikey's Gyros. The evening will consist of a panel discussing "Obstacles to Countering Climate Change and How to Overcome Them" followed by a screening of "Revolution Green: A True Story of Biodiesel in America." Raffle prizes will also be awarded.

A volunteer event is available at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the PCEI learning nursery.

Located at 1040 Rodeo Drive, volunteers will be used for the propagation of native plants, alignment of rows and installation of irrigation system. To find the nursery, please come to PCEI's Rodeo Campus, and just head north along the bark trail.

PCEI is also looking for volunteers to help at 10 a.m. on March 29 at Three-Mile Creek near Grangeville.

The day will consist of blue tube maintenance and planting trees. Volunteers should be prepared for both sun and cold weather; bringing sun-block,

hat, water bottle, snacks, sunglasses, etc.

If anyone is interested in carpooling, they should call in advance, and meet at PCEI at 8 a.m. For directions to Grangeville, visit [www.pcei.org/sites.htm](http://www.pcei.org/sites.htm).

For further information about any of these events contact Courtney Rush at 882-1444.

President to plant ceremonial tree

The last state president of apartheid-era South Africa, Frederik Willem (F.W.) de Klerk will plant a ceremonial tree recognizing his contributions toward global peace.

UI President Tim White, College of Natural Resources Dean Steven Daley-Laursen and the Borah Foundation will join de Klerk's at the 5 p.m. ceremony on April 1 on the east end of the Administration Lawn next to the Spanish-American War memorial soldier statue.

De Klerk will also be the keynote speaker at the university's Borah Symposium that same night at 7 p.m. Both events are open to the public.

De Klerk served as president of South Africa from 1989 to 1994 and was instrumental in dismantling that country's century-old system of apartheid. In 1993, de Klerk shared the Nobel Peace Prize with Nelson Mandela for his role in the ending of apartheid. He currently leads the Global Leadership Foundation, a group of former

heads-of-state advising peers in troubled regions.

American Indians celebrate heritage

The ninth annual Tutxinmepu PowWow begins tonight and offers an opportunity to both learn about and welcome American Indian culture.

Sponsored by the Native American Student Association, the event will begin with the grand entry at 7 p.m. in the memorial gym. The evening's festivities will include the welcoming of the new law professor Angeliq Eaglewoman. A member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation, Eaglewoman is well-known in national Native American law circles, both professional and academic.

The PowWow will continue from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday with a drum contest, chili dinner, songs and dances.

Steven Martin, director of the Native American Student Center, said several thousand people are expected to attend the PowWow, which "provides a great opportunity to meet people."

The PowWow also features three paintings donated by Cheyenne artist Chris Rowland. The paintings were made specifically for the event's silent art auction. Program service coordinator for the Native American Center Heather Kae expects the art to sell for up to \$5,000 a piece.

## Gates discusses U.S. troop proposals for Iraq

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Top U.S. military leaders presented Defense Secretary Robert Gates with their strategy for future force levels in Iraq Thursday, including expected recommendations for a pause in troop cuts for as much as six weeks later this summer.

The hourlong videoconference marked the start of what will be a series of meetings, presentations and congressional testimony over the next two weeks that will assess the military, political and economic progress in Iraq.

During the Pentagon meeting, Gates and Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, heard from the top commander in the Middle East, Adm. William Fallon, and the U.S. commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus.

Officials said little about the discussions, but there was no indication Petraeus had backed off his call for a brief pause in troop cuts after July in order to see what effect the lower force levels have on violence in Iraq.

The key questions that

Petraeus will face — and that are still unanswered — include how long will the pause will have to last in order to assess the security trends, how many troops will be able to come home once that period is over and if that will allow the Pentagon to reduce Army deployments from the current 15 months to 12 months, beginning with those who head to war in August as hoped.

"This meeting was an opportunity for the secretary to be updated on the current thinking and analysis on the way ahead in Iraq from Admiral Fallon and General Petraeus," said Pentagon press secretary Geoff Morrell.

He added that while this was the most recent session between the leaders, it doesn't mean that thinking won't continue to evolve until Petraeus goes before Congress on April 8.

Other military officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the discussions are private, said there is little disagreement between Fallon and Petraeus over the basic strategy. Officials also are giving various

estimates for the length of the pause, ranging from four to eight weeks, with most leaning toward the latter.

Gates has endorsed the idea of a pause but has also said that it should be brief and that he would like to continue to reduce the number of troops in Iraq after the assessment break.

Mullen, meanwhile, has said any break in troop cuts must be balanced against the strain on the force as well as the military's need to address other threats worldwide.

There has been some tension among other top military leaders over how long additional troop cuts can be delayed. The Army's chief of staff, Gen. George Casey, has expressed concern about the stress that long and repeated war deployments are putting on his soldiers and their families. And the Marine Corps commandant, Gen. James Conway, has voiced similar worries about the Marines.

At the same time, however, military leaders have said repeatedly that they don't want to do anything that would jeopardize the gains they have made in Iraq.

CampusCALENDAR

Today

AgSAC Soup Sale  
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Tutxinmepu PowWow  
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Memorial Gym

Dancers Drummers Dreamers  
7:30 p.m.  
Hartung Theatre

Saturday

Alumni, family and friends  
Easter egg hunt  
11 a.m.  
Administration Building lawn

Tutxinmepu PowWow  
1 p.m.  
Memorial Gym

Dancers Drummers Dreamers  
2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
Hartung Theatre

Sapatq'ayn Cinema Native  
American film festival  
7 p.m.  
Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre

Sunday

Africa Night  
5 p.m.  
SUB Ballroom

Monday

Signing of the Memorandum  
of Understanding  
2 p.m.

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and Performing Arts Students"  
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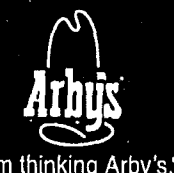
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IDAHO LEGISLATURE

Senate wants House to get moving on bills

Associated Press

BOISE — The Senate Transportation Committee unanimously passed a plan Thursday for the state's performance auditor to evaluate Idaho Transportation Department operations.

The panel then said the House of Representatives should get moving on bills that would raise money to fix thousands of miles of battered roads.

Before the hearing, House leaders demanded the Senate pass the plan as a condition for House action on higher taxes on gasoline sales and car rentals, increases in car and truck registration fees and other bills.

Transportation officials say flat federal highway funding and stagnating state revenues will leave Idaho about \$240 million short of what is required to meet the need for road and bridge work. Nearly all lawmakers concede something must be done, but bills to raise more money have become political kickballs.

"The Senate has done its part," said Sen. John McGee, R-Caldwell and committee chairman, after sending the \$550,000 audit bill to the full chamber. "We're anxiously awaiting their bills for funding Idaho roads."

Office of Performance Evaluations Director Rakesh Mohan said the audit could take up to two years. It's modeled after a similar effort in neighboring Washington state that helped save millions annually.

In February, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter suggested raising \$202 million by 2011 for roads, largely by hiking state car registration fees to \$150 from as low as \$24. He withdrew the plan days later amid objections from House leaders, including Transportation Committee Chairwoman JoAn Wood, R-Rigby, who said it was too expensive.

After the Senate panel approved the audit, Wood said she was pleased.

"If the Senate accepts the audit, we'll get together with them and see what we feel we can do," Wood said.

Nothing the House passes will ap-

proach Otter's original proposal, she said.

"That was totally unacceptable. We have to come up with something under that," Wood said.

Meanwhile, several other proposals have emerged.

• Sen. Tim Corder, R-Mountain Home, a trucking company owner, and Shawn Keough, R-Sandpoint, have introduced legislation centering on a 4.5 cents-a-mile surcharge to increase revenue from commercial trucks by about \$57 million.

• A slimmer competing proposal from Wood to increase registration fees for commercial trucks would raise an additional \$8.5 million.

• A Republican-backed plan would add \$24 to automobile registration fees, raising \$30.2 million. The owner of a car built in 1993 would pay \$48 in state fees, double the current cost, and on new cars the figure would jump to \$72. Counties add additional fees.

• Two separate bills would charge an extra \$10 each for the state's 104,000

specialty license plates, raising \$1 million a year, and assess a 4 percent tax on rental cars, raising about \$1.3 million.

• Three bills introduced Thursday by minority Democrats would raise a total of \$100 million — \$30 million in car registration, \$20 million by boosting boost receipts from commercial trucks and \$50 million from a proposed 2 percent sales tax on motor fuel in addition to the existing 25 cents a gallon.

Rep. James Ruchti, D-Pocatello, said Democrats believe the GOP bills are too insignificant to make a dent in the state's transportation needs and put too much of the burden on automobile owners rather than commercial truckers.

"We wanted to make sure that the needs of the state are met and we start meeting them this year," Ruchti said.

"We feel the proposals we made were fair and provide about half the money the governor said he wanted to get."

The squabbling over how to raise

money for highways is especially intense in an election year because no lawmaker wants to raise the burden on his or her constituents' wallets.

For instance, Woods insisted Thursday that Corder's figures for his truck registration fee bill are faulty, although Transportation Department intergovernmental relations manager Julie Pipal said those numbers are reasonable.

Pipal said a more accurate assessment would be available only after two years of gathering data, given that any changes in registration fees on commercial trucks will likely affect driving habits as companies seek to optimize their routes through Idaho.

Meanwhile, at a Board of Examiners meeting Thursday morning, Otter was overheard by a reporter expressing his displeasure with the House GOP proposals.

"I told them, 'I think everybody should give up something for Lent,'" Otter said. "I think they should give up their registration bills."

ASUI

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body," Throop said. "That's what the students need and that's what they deserve."

It's also important that applicants have time to do the job, Throop said. Elected senators must be able to complete a minimum of five office hours a week, attend weekly Senate meetings held at 7 p.m. Wednesdays and meet with their assigned living groups at least twice a month. These are the minimum requirements and senators who go above and beyond are usually the senators with the most

success, Throop said.

Each senator is elected to serve a full year in ASUI and can run for re-election once their term comes to an end. However, Throop said many senators don't run for a second term and this is something he wants to change before his time is up in office.

"Not running again is kind of a trend we are seeing and it's a process we are trying to resolve," Throop said.

He hopes to work with other members of the Senate to establish some incentives for current senators to run for re-election.

Huddleston and Throop agree that while it's important to have a good number of students running

for positions, it's just as important that students pay attention to the campaigns and vote in the elections.

"We've addressed apathy a lot this year and we're really hoping people will start to care about their student government," Huddleston said.

Just 8.5 percent of the undergraduate student body voted in the fall election and Huddleston hopes this number will improve.

Throop said he would like to see some changes made to the election process this year. One of these changes would include altering the lunchtime forums, traditionally held in the food court of the Commons.

"The acoustics in the food court are terrible, it's not the best fo-

rum," Throop said. "It's hard to get people to pay attention."

Specific details for the lunch forums have not been determined but Throop said there should be plenty of opportunities for students to get to know the applicants.

Candidate biographies will be available online sometime next week after all of the petitions have been collected, Huddleston said.

The seven senators elected this fall will continue their year-long terms through December. The returning senators are Leah Schwisow, Zach Arama, Kristin Caldwell, Ian Harpole, Loren Doman, Olivia Chinchinian and Kayla Dahmen.

"ASUI needs people who want to help the student body, work for the student body and fight for the student body. That's what the students need and that's what they deserve."

Dean

THROOP

Senate Pro-Tempore

MARK IV

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do multiple stores for," he said. "We purchased the hotel there. Walgreens expressed an interest after we identified it."

The former owner of the property across the street from to Rosauers had been discussing selling the hotel for several years," said Christine Thome, America's Best Value Inn's public relations.

"Walgreens wanted the property," she said. "From what we understand the property was sold very rapidly."

Hively said Walgreens considers areas like Moscow for development after looking at the rate of traffic in the city, surrounding medical services and communities where there is a large concentration of elderly residents that will ensure demand for pharmaceuticals will increase.

After the required permits have been issued and the hotel has been torn down, Granger said he expects the store to open in seven months, which is the standard time for development. Walgreens will then take over the property and add the amenities.

Columbia Group Developers has been commissioned to handle the physical development of the new Walgreens according to its prototype, said Seth Startup, who is heading the planning commission. He plans to have Walgreens up in six months.

"You really can't take a hotel and turn it into a Walgreens," Startup said. "We anticipate demolition early in April. It usually takes us about six months to get everything done and hand the store over to Walgreens."

A planned fall opening may be pushed to the following year. Startup said November and December are blackout dates for Walgreens where they do not open stores and focus on capitalizing on the holiday season.

"In the event that we don't make that blackout date, it would open the first part of next year," he said.

While the fate of the hotel

will be sealed with bulldozers and a Walgreens drug store, what is not certain is the possibility of The Perch convenience store reopening.

The store, located at 509 University Ave., was closed recently after owner Jonathan Clark was unable to maintain his lease, said Judith Lokteff, co-owner of the building that once housed UI's closest watering hole.

"(Clark) was evicted, basically," Lokteff said. "He took off to Boise somewhere."

Lokteff owns the property with her husband, Walter. She said they are planning to remodel the store and the upstairs apartment where Clark had been living. There are several interested buyers, she said, but whether they are interested in reopening The Perch is uncertain.

"We haven't really decided what we're going to do with it," she said.

"In the event that we don't make that blackout date, it would open the first part of next year"

Seth

STARTUP

Planning commission

COOKIE

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Wohlfeil is the Service Unit Cookie Coordinator for Whitman County, a Girl Scout troop leader and the University of Idaho's Commons Bookstore manager.

Wohlfeil said there is an emphasis on going door-to-door this year because it's what the customers want.

"It's the result of people calling and asking us 'When are cookies out?' Why didn't we see any girl scouts?" Wohlfeil said.

Sharon Robertson, marketing manager for Girl Scouts of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, said Girl Scout councils made the decision nationwide to revive door-to-door sales.

"When asked, the consumer said the No.1 reason they didn't buy cookies was that no one asked them," Robertson said.

Wohlfeil said door-to-door sales never really died, they just weren't an emphasis.

"For some girls, it's just not their thing," Wohlfeil said.

Robertson said safety is still a top priority.

"They'll go in troops and pick one day to do a 'walk of cookies,'" Robertson said.

Girl Scouts will be selling eight types of cookies this year—Thin Mints, Samoas, Tag-alongs, Do-si-dos, All Abouts, and Trefoils. New this year is Sugar-free Chocolate Chip and Lemon Chalet Cremes.

Senior Amy O'Rourke said that Samoas are her favorites. "My parents used to buy them when I lived at home," O'Rourke said.

Senior Kim Berdeguez said that her favorites are Tag-alongs and Trefoils.

Wohlfeil said Thin Mints and Samoas are the top sellers in the area.

Also new this year is the creation of a national cookie Web site, [www.girlscoutcookies.com](http://www.girlscoutcookies.com), where potential cookie

customers can enter their ZIP code and be linked to the corresponding Girl Scout council in the area, Robertson said.

Proceeds of cookie sales are beneficial to the functions of each troop Wohlfeil said.

"Part of the proceeds go to the troop for badges and trips," Wohlfeil said. "Some of it also pays for the cost of cookie production."

Some proceeds also go toward running "Camp 4 Echoes" Girl Scout camp in Coeur d'Alene Wohlfeil said.

In addition to help fund Girl Scout activities, Wohlfeil said the Girl Scouts also learn from the cookie selling experience.

"They learn how to handle money and manage their time," Wohlfeil said. "They also learn how to handle rejection. Some people just don't want cookies."

Robertson said the girls learn other life skills too.

"They learn how to speak in public and how to build teams," Robertson said. "They also learn self-confidence."

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## SEX AND POLITICS

## NY state Capitol familiar with scandal

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — Of all the wisecracks heard in the marble halls of New York's Capitol after Gov. Eliot Spitzer's downfall in a call-girl scandal, one just enlightened as much as it stung: Spitzer's got to be the only guy in Albany who PAYS for sex.

It is an open secret that there is a lot of fooling around going on at the statehouse. And at other statehouses, too.

In fact, Gov. David Paterson, in an extraordinary news conference on Tuesday, his first full day on the job after taking over from Spitzer, acknowledged he had had extramarital affairs with a number of women while he was a state senator.

At night, legislators, young staffers, younger interns, lobbyists and reporters mix at two or three bars just blocks from the Capitol. And there are numerous receptions, campaign stops and caucuses where lawmakers, straight and gay alike, often have many opportunities for a hookup.

Up until just a few years ago, lawmakers would go "window shopping" for interns at the start of every legislative session. In a practice that went on

for decades, the interns would be corralled in a Capitol newsstand so that legislators could pick their office help based on their looks, not their resumes.

The hanky-panky even has its own lexicon: There's the "Bear Mountain Compact," which says that what goes on north of the state park just outside New York City stays there. Lobbyists, staffers and reporters who seek to enhance their influence by bedding powerful lawmakers are known as "big game hunters." And the men who sleep with the women lawmakers are "boy toys."

"Unfortunately, many of the people who seek public office are flawed people to begin with and the environment in Albany just tends to bring that out," said Paul Clyne, former district attorney in Albany.

Clyne issued a scathing report in 2004 on the internship program at the Capitol, famously saying he would never let his daughter become an intern. The

report led to reforms in the program, including an end to fraternization between lawmakers and interns outside the office.

"There was a lot hitting on us and boundaries being crossed," said one young woman lobbyist who was part of that scene for years.

In truth, the phenomenon is not new, and it's not confined to Albany. By all accounts, the same thing goes on at other state capitols, particularly where the statehouse is far from the main population centers and lawmakers stay overnight several times a week. Men and women outside politics are prone to some of the same behavior when they go on business trips.

"One of the things about Washington and every state capital is for some people it's like going to a convention," said state Assemblyman John McEnery, an Albany Democrat and former Albany County historian. "What happens is you get individuals who would not behave the same

way if they had the disapproval of friends and neighbors keeping an eye on them."

In Colorado, state Rep. Michael Garcia resigned this year after a female lobbyist accused him of sexual misconduct at a bar. He said he engaged in "consensual" but "inappropriate" conduct.

Accusations of sex and politics have taken down congressmen and senators, and nearly brought down President Clinton in 1998. A sex scandal was the undoing of New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey in 2004 and derailed Colorado Sen. Gary Hart's 1988 presidential campaign.

"It really is not anything new," said Tom Fiedler, who covered Hart's downfall as a reporter with The Miami Herald and is now a visiting lecturer at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. "I would have no reason to believe any public officer is any less susceptible to temptations of the flesh than any one who is not in public office."

But the New York state capital — a place of larger-than-life personalities like Theodore and Franklin D. Roosevelt and big

ideas like the Erie Canal — seems to have an outsized history of sexual conduct and misconduct.

Last week, Spitzer's career collapsed just days after the 48-year-old married man was identified by federal authorities as Client 9 of a high-priced prostitution ring.

Other Albany cases include Michael Boxley, the chief lawyer for the speaker of the Assembly, who was led out of the Capitol in handcuffs in 2003 and later pleaded guilty to sexual misconduct after a legislative aide accused him of rape. In 2004, a 19-year-old intern said state Assemblyman Adam Clayton Powell IV, a member of a legendary Harlem political family, gave her alcohol and took her to his motel room for sex. Powell, 42 at the time, said the sex was consensual; no charges were filed.

And in 1992, New York Chief Judge Sol Wachtler, a potential Republican candidate for governor, was charged with harassing a socialite and GOP fundraiser after she ended their affair. He admitted posing as a private detective to stalk the woman and mailing her menacing letters, including a threat to kidnap her teenage daughter. Wachtler served 13 months

in prison.

Stories of mistresses followed Govs. Thomas Dewey, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Grover Cleveland.

In 1961, a photo appeared in the press of Gov. Nelson Rockefeller helping his wife down the roof of the governor's mansion as firefighters battled a fire. Mary Rockefeller was in robe and nightgown while the governor was smiling, dapper in a suit and rakish scarf. He had reportedly been out for a night on the town before he rushed back for a photo.

Some cases quietly lead to resignations and job transfers before they ever reach the Legislative Ethics Committee, which is criticized by good-government groups as too passive.

A Republican former lawmaker, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the subject, said lawmakers have become more discreet about their dalliances, because of such factors as more competitive campaigns, cell phone cameras, and political blogs that can instantly and widely circulate accusations.

"You take your life in your hands if you do this now," he said.

## Dalai Lama says he is willing to meet China's president

Associated Press

DHARMSALA, India — The Dalai Lama offered Thursday to meet with Chinese leaders including President Hu Jintao, but said he would not travel to Beijing unless there was a "real concrete development" in relations between the government and Tibet.

Chinese officials said they would talk with the Dalai Lama on condition he "stopped separatist activities" and recognized Tibet and Taiwan as parts of China. The Dalai Lama has repeatedly offered to meet with Chinese leaders and has long maintained he is not seeking independence for Tibet but wants dialogue aimed at giving Tibetans autonomy under Chinese rule.

Beijing, however, has rejected his appeals, hoping that it can bring Tibetans into China's fold through a mixture of economic development and religious and political control.

Chinese officials have accused the Dalai Lama and his supporters of organizing violent clashes in Tibet in hopes of sabotaging this summer's Beijing Olympics and promoting Tibetan independence.

"I'm always ready to meet our Chinese leaders and in particular Hu Jintao," the Dalai Lama told reporters in Dharamsala, the seat of Tibet's government-in-exile.

Many Tibetans harbor a deep resentment toward Hu, who served as Tibet's Communist Party chief beginning in 1989, marking a return to hard-line policies after a period of relative openness.

"I would go to Peking (Beijing)," the Dalai Lama said. "If I go to Peking, that would be big news and many Tibetans may develop unrealistic expectations. Only if some concrete information comes, I'm ready."

He said he would be happy to meet Chinese leaders elsewhere.

"The whole world knows Dalai Lama is not seeking independence, one hun-

dred times, thousand times I have repeated this. It is my mantra — we are not seeking independence," the Dalai Lama said. "The Tibet problem must be solved between Tibetan people and Chinese people."

The Chinese government said the Dalai Lama's words were not enough.

"For the Dalai Lama, we not only listen to what he says, but more importantly, we focus on what he does," said Foreign Ministry spokesman Qin Gang.

During a news conference that grew increasingly testy, reporters pressed Qin for evidence that the Dalai Lama had not met China's conditions for talks, reminding Qin that the spiritual leader has long advocated nonviolence and meaningful autonomy for Tibet, not independence.

"I'm not aware of the situation or what you're talking about," Qin responded bluntly.

The Foreign Ministry also expressed "grave concern" over a planned meeting between British Prime Minister Gordon Brown and the Dalai Lama, telling Brown not to offer support to the exiled leader.

Brown's spokesman Michael Ellam said the British leader told Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao he plans to meet the Dalai Lama during his visit to London in May.

The Dalai Lama has said in the past that he would meet Chinese leaders. His representatives re-established formal contact with China in 2002 after years of silence. They have met six times since, most recently last June in China.

Brown, who traveled to China in January, said the Chinese premier indicated he is prepared to talk to the Dalai Lama, provided he renounce Tibetan independence and violence.

Tibetan officials in exile say at least 80 people have died in the violence following protests in Tibet that began March 10 on the anniversary of a failed 1959 uprising. Chinese officials say 16 people were killed.

## Audio urges holy war to liberate Palestinian lands

Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — Osama bin Laden lashed out Thursday at Palestinian peace negotiations with Israel and called for a holy war to liberate the Palestinian lands.

A day after a bin Laden audio on a militant Web site threatened Europeans, Al-Jazeera TV broadcast audio excerpts attributed to the al-Qaida leader that urge Palestinians to ignore political parties "mired in trickery of the blasphemous democracy" and to rely on armed might.

"Palestine cannot be retaken by negotiations and dialogue, but with fire and iron," he said.

It was the first time bin Laden spoke of the Palestinian question at length since the deteriorating situation in the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip, where the Israeli military has been fighting with militants who fire rockets into southern Israel.

Bin Laden added that Palestinians who are unable to fight in the "land of Al-Quds" — a Muslim reference to Jerusalem — should join the al-Qaida fight in Iraq.

"The nearest field of jihad today to support our people in Palestine is the Iraqi field," he said.

He also called on the people of Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and Saudi Arabia to "help in support of their mujahedeen brothers in Iraq, which is the greatest opportunity and the biggest task."

Al-Jazeera did not say how it obtained the recording, which was broadcast with an old photograph of bin Laden in a white headscarf and traditional Arab dress.

There was no indication how recently the recording was made, or if it was an unreleased part of the audio posted late Wednesday on an extremist Web site that has carried al-Qaida statements in the past. The two messages were bin Laden's first this year.

In the first recording, bin Laden accused Pope Benedict XVI of helping in a "new Crusade" against Muslims and warned of a "severe" reaction for Europeans' publication of cartoons seen by Muslims as insulting Islam's prophet.

In the audio on Al-Jazeera, bin Laden said the sufferings of Palestinians in the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip began when Arab leaders supported the U.S.-hosted Mideast peace conference in Annapolis, Md., and the "Zionist entity," the militant name for Israel.

The mention of the Annapolis summit in November was the only time reference given in the audio.

"By their support, they are considered partners to this horrible crime," bin Laden said of Arab leaders who are backing the Mideast peace talks.

He appeared to be seeking to merge the Palestinian cause into the wider al-Qaida struggle. There have been concerns al-Qaida would try to increase its influence in Palestinian territories, with supporters of the terror network calling for such action on Web sites.

Israel has been battling Hamas in Gaza since the Islamic militant group took control of the strip last June from followers of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. Israeli air raids are common in Gaza and militants fire rockets into Israeli towns near the strip.

"Palestine will not return to us with the negotiations by the submissive rulers, their conferences, nor by demonstrations and elections," bin Laden said. "Palestine

will come back to us if we awaken from our ignorance and adhere to our religion and sacrifice our lives and means to it."

Although al-Qaida has previously released two messages in as many days — most recently by bin Laden's top deputy Ayman al-Zawahiri in December — the latest two appeared to be the closest by bin Laden, said Ben Venzke, head of IntelCenter, a U.S. group that monitors militant messages.

"Al-Qaida has been making a concerted effort to be responsive to developments in news cycle and to respond to current events with their perspective on it," Venzke said. "The situation in Gaza and the reprinting of cartoons was something bin Laden felt was important to address."

A militant Web site that frequently carries al-Qaida postings, said later Thursday that it expected bin Laden's new audio on "The Way to Salvage Palestine" soon.

In Israel, Foreign Ministry spokesman Arye Mekel told The Associated Press that Israel does not comment on bin Laden's statements.

Saeb Erekat, a negotiator for Abbas' Palestinian administration, said it was up to all parties in the talks to show that bin Laden's path isn't the way.

"We and the international community must prove him wrong, because we have been pursuing peace through negotiations, and I believe the parties involved must make every effort to make the year 2008 a year of peace," Erekat said.

**"Palestine cannot be retaken by negotiations and dialogue, but with fire and iron."**

Osama BIN LADEN  
al-Qaida

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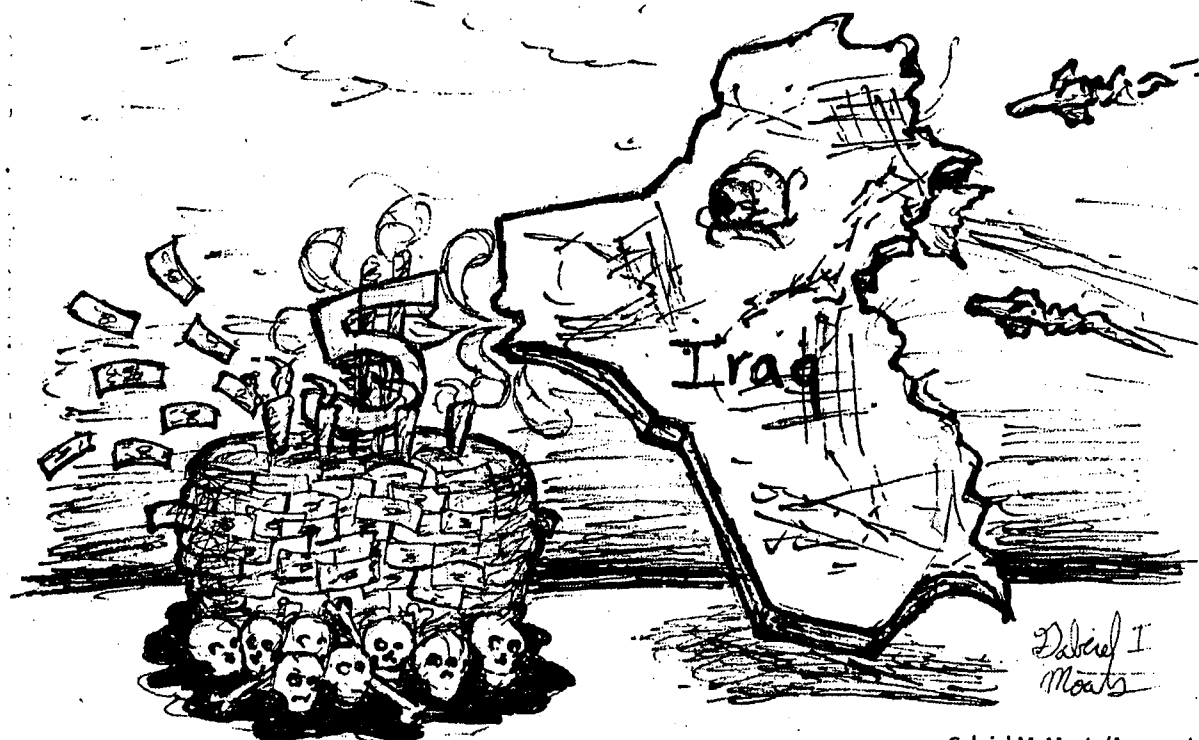
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OurVIEW

## Dangerous associations

Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama is being railed for his past association with a pastor who made racially disparaging comments concerning Sept. 11. Obama detractors are using Rev. Jeremiah Wright's comments to attack Obama.

Anyone with political aspirations will quickly realize that anything from their past can be used against them if nothing else is available. Opponents will dig for those dangerous associations until the last days of an election.

All individuals have come across people in their lives that they may have had expanded dealings with, but that do not speak for them. These associations can be beneficial or hurtful.

It would be unpatriotic to say one is not proud to be an American, yet there are incidents and policies of this country that not every citizen is proud to be associated with.

The U.S., to many people around the world, represents unilateral military aggression, torture, nuclear superpower and "world police."

This country also represents freedom, hope, dreams and opportunity. You don't get one without the other, but that doesn't mean this

country's warmongers and torturers speak for every resident.

We've done our best to distance ourselves from the policymakers who came up with the internment camps for Japanese residents during the 1940s but we acknowledge, to a point, that dark part of our history. Just like slavery and the treatment of American Indians, the first step is recognizing things went wrong.

The second — and more difficult — step is making it right.

Obama is not responsible for the words of his former pastor. He acknowledges their long association and is shaken up by Wright's comments. He wishes the comments hadn't been made, regrets them and says he will do his best to remedy similar thoughts within himself and his current associates.

His actions should serve as an example to everyone from the individual level to the highest ranks of our government.

You can't run or hide from your past but you can do your best to make it better. Fix what you can and make better choices in the future.

And when the vultures come calling with skeletons from your closet, don't act surprised.

— TJT

### Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

#### Give me Sa-moa

This is the week of fabulousness: Not only was it the first day of spring Thursday, but today marks the beginning of Girl Scout cookie sales. As a former Girl Scout (I made it to Junior) and cookie fanatic, I must insist that everyone buys cookies from every Girl Scout you see. Even if you don't like them, buy them and you can give them to me.

— Savannah

#### Fat mints

I have never seen anyone eat just one Thin Mint cookie. It's impossible. Can't be done. I can't do it, that's for sure. I get that first sleeve of cookies open and I tell myself, "Only one today, you fat tub of fat."

It takes less than a day for me to eat an entire box.

— T.J.

#### Get back

I'll be the one to say it. Girl Scout cookies suck. I know it's for a good cause — little money grubbers out in cute green outfits and pig tails — but they're just not as good as everyone makes them out to be. I hate this time of year. They all sit outside of every store I want to go into ... waiting, lurking, ready to pounce. They are the wildcats stalking their prey; I am the innocent just-want-to-buy-some-freaking-Band-Aids-at-Winco bystander. Leave me be, Girl Scouts. I don't want your stinking cookies.

— Christina L.

#### Former cookie girl

Some people might find this shocking, but I was once a Girl Scout and cookie time was my favorite time of year. I loved selling them, but mostly I liked eating them. I may be small, but

I can eat an entire box of cookies in about an hour. Seriously.

— Ryli

#### New swag

I've been at The Argonaut for three years, and I've received a lot of free crap in that time. The tobacco flavored mints were some of my favorites, as was the book of penis drawings from "Superbad". This week, however, I received the swag to rule them all — Harun Yahya's "Atlas of Creation Vol. 3."

It is a beast of a book — 12x18 inches, 850 pages and about 15 pounds — dedicated entirely to explaining why evolution is a lie that caused the Holocaust, the KKK and every other dark chapter in human history. As revolting as this book is, I'm fascinated that someone actually sat down and wrote it, had it published and mailed The Argonaut four copies. Could it get any better? A pallet of Samoa's aside, no.

— Alec

#### Close, but no cookie

The closest I ever came to being in the Girl Scouts was the infamous movie "Troop Beverly Hills" with Shelley Long. A Beverly Hills mom, convinced that she is more than a purchasing machine, decides to lead her daughter's troop. She teaches the troop about picking diamonds, takes them camping in the Beverly Hills Hotel and gives patches based on their shopping habits. They sold cookies out in front of a local gym. Moscow Girl Scouts take notice.

— Alexis

#### The real thing is best

There is nothing tastier than Girl Scout Samoas. Wal-Mart has Samoa ice cream, but after digging through the carton in search of cookies, I realized there is no substitution for the real thing.

— Christina N.

### TEEJOCRACY

## Words that FCC sounds like

The Supreme Court is having another look at the Federal Communication Commission's indecency policies and the penalties dealt as a result of violations.

This isn't as much about what can and cannot be said over the air as it is about how the FCC hands out its fines.

Basically, a few people think the FCC policies are more vague than NASCAR's penalties and need to be cleared up before Janet Jackson's breast pops out again or George Carlin thinks of a few more things you can't say on the radio.

So-called shifting standards have left broadcasters scratching their heads and other parts, wondering what they can say and what words remain on the naughty list.

In case you don't know the "seven words you can't say on the radio," they are ...

Really? You don't know those seven special words? You must not watch cable, then. Technically, the FCC has no regulatory power over cable or satellite TV and radio. That's why Howard Stern is on satellite radio now. He can do whatever he wants.



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This isn't stopping the FCC from sticking their nose into cable's business practices. By getting involved in cable providers' support of analog televisions and ownership caps, they are setting themselves up for deeper involvement in how many times "South Park" can say "s—" in one episode.

It's 162, just in case you missed that one.

Sometimes I wonder about certain words, though. For example, you can say "ass," but not "asshole." When the word is censored, they don't bleep out "ass," they bleep out

"hole." Carlin didn't even have this one on his list, so how bad can it be, really?

And what about "tits"? Does that really belong among the other six words? I don't think so.

People don't seem to mind "s—" as much as they do two other words, commonly referred to as the C-word and the F-word.

Our friend the F-bomb, honestly, is overplayed to the point of being ridiculous. There's an entire documentary with the word as its title.

That other word — recently used by Jane Fonda on "The View" while discussing "The Vagina Monologues" — is one Americans haven't yet embraced. The British use it all the time.

I'm of two minds on this. One part of me thinks we should start using it more and drive it into meaningless like we have with "f—" and then it will go away.

The other half of me, knows

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### MailBOX

#### Show support

Last Sunday, a memorial was held in the Vietnamese village of My Lai. This was the 40th anniversary of a 1968 massacre during which members of Charlie Company executed more than 500 unarmed villagers. The more than 1,000 people paying their respects included not only survivors and families, but also returning U.S. veterans.

Among the speakers was Larry Colburn, one of the three-man US Army helicopter crew that landed in the midst of the massacre and intervened to stop it. Colburn's remark: "No one wins in war, and civilians always suffer ... the only way to prevent atrocities in war is to prevent war."

Also last weekend, many brave veterans gathered near our nation's capital to testify to the atrocities they have witnessed in Iraq. This session of Winter Soldiers Hearings (like the first, in 1971) starkly reveals that the horrors most of us hear about are only the tip of the iceberg. Like the first, it suffered a virtual black-out in the mainstream media.

Fortunately, our media landscape now includes more non-corporate outlets than it did then. We are especially indebted to local independent broadcasters like KRFP and KUOI for their substantial radio coverage of these historic events.

This weekend marks the fifth anniversary of the Iraq war. Though the death toll does not approach that in Vietnam, the damage to Iraqis and to our own military personnel is enormous, irreparable and steadily increasing. The damage to our inter-

national standing and to our national security interests is arguably greater than in the Vietnam debacle — substantial majorities of both American and Iraqi citizens want us out now.

Please consider doing your bit to help end this disaster. Come to Moscow's Friendship Square at noon on Saturday. Hear the speakers; show your support in whatever way you feel appropriate.

Kurt Queller, lecturer, English

#### Elk being wiped out

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service did not adequately consider the consequences of severe winter conditions in its decision to "reintroduce" the gray wolf into Idaho. Because of the deep snow in northern Idaho this winter, wolves are wiping out entire

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# The climax of the universe

We are all familiar with climaxes: Golum falls into the fires of Mount Doom, destroying the One Ring; with Luke on the edge of death, Darth Vader hurls the Emperor into the depths of the Death Star; as raptors are about to strike, the tyrannosaur bursts into the lobby and devours them.

A great climax is both terrifying and wonderful. It must be a dramatic, awe-inspiring, even frightening, event, but it must also bring relief. It comes at the most dangerous moment, but it then releases the tension and brings calm. Most of us can recognize a climax when we see one, even if we are not aware of it, but it is much easier to pick out the key moment in a film than it is to step back and look for such moments in history.

Some things are too big for us to see clearly, and can be difficult for us to conceive. For this reason, I think that many of us have missed the greatest climax of all: the climax of the entire universe.

What event could be so great that it should be called the climax of the universe? We may think of some cataclysmic moment of destruction, some galactic supernova to end everything, or we may think that perhaps it has already happened, in the form of the Big Bang or some other cosmic beginning. However, the true climax of the universe is much more powerful, much more fundamental, and much more personal than anything else. It is the most dramatic and amazing event imaginable. It is the death of God.

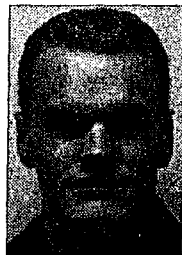
The entire history of the world led up to the moment that Jesus died on a cross, almost 2,000 years ago. The gospels tell us that the visible, physical results were dramatic — darkness in the middle of the day, the earth trembling and rocks splitting — but the power of this climactic event goes much deeper. It was the moment the father was separated from the son. The lord of the universe was killed by his creation. The source of life went through death.

Why did this happen? Why would God allow this earth-shattering death to take place?

The answer is his love for us. Jesus took on himself the sins of the whole world, and died to pay the price for all of us. That is why this climax is not just the most terrifying but also the most wonderful. As the ultimate climax, it also brings the greatest peace and relief, because Jesus did not stay dead. He conquered death itself and invites us all to new life with him. The whole universe builds to this great event; god has given himself up for us and died to save us from our guilt.

This is what we are celebrating during Easter. In the face of such extreme power, such intense drama and such personal significance, almost everything else seems to fade and lose importance. The stories are true: the God of the Universe died but has returned, and he calls to you to accept his sacrifice and let his death save you. What greater climax could we imagine?

...the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed." Isaiah 53:5



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## Digital book-burning makes me :(

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CARBONDALE, Ill. — Who knew you could burn books at the click of a mouse? Absurd as it may sound, a website, <http://www.abunga.com>, has found a way to do it.

The new Christian-based bookstore/Facebook hybrid has gained notoriety for its innovative approach to online shopping: Members vote for material that disturbs their fragile sensibilities and the administrators — who happily play the part of the ardent Nazi skipping to the book burning — find the offensive material and set it aflame.

So to speak, that is. I exaggerate the means, but the end is the same. There is, of course, no literal burning of books.

However, it does beg the question, "If a book burns in cyberspace, does it make a sound?"

So what is the motivation for doing such a thing? Why would a group of people choose to isolate itself from the rest of the world and start its own "Brave New World"

shopping experience? The answer is, according to the website's founders, "to stop complaining about the moral decline of our nation and pool our experience to do something about it."

The most recent victims of Abunga are the obvious ones: literature on the occult, pornographic materials and Philip Pullman's anti-Christian novel "The Golden Compass." However, titles that one wouldn't expect to offend one's sense of "family values" have been added to the site's list of recently blocked books.

"I Dare You: Embrace Life with Passion," a self-help guide to leading a more enriching Christian life made the McCarthy-esque black list; and, most shocking of all, "It's Designed to Do What It Does Do," a children's book about intelligent design has been given a digital "Fahrenheit 451" treatment.

Something is askew. The most plausible explanation is that those who are upset with the website's policy have been creating accounts and mass e-mailing requests to remove a

plethora of Christian books — the Bible included. However, Abunga Chairman Lee Martin insists that the company carefully scrutinizes members' suggestions, to say nothing of the fact that it is easy to tell the difference between someone who wants to ban The Gospels as opposed to "How to Make Love Like a Porn Star."

True as that may be, it also does little for the site's credibility. Operating under the assumption that these Orwellian masterminds are aware of every frivolous request for banned materials, they still did away with the previously mentioned books consciously and maliciously.

This also means the administrators are on a slippery slope to a particularly dark kind of hubris: They are playing God. The only logical reason why a Christian group would ban a book on intelligent design is if it didn't mesh with the group's own warped vision of faith. This fact is evidenced by the pulling of "Evangelist of Desire: John Wesley and the Methodists," a book on the formation of

the second largest Protestant church in the country.

So it is that Lee Martin and company have become so distracted by the glow of their own electronic burn pile that they have strayed not only from the Constitution, but also from the very faith they claim inspired this Frankenstein's monster of an experiment.

Abunga has every right, of course, to participate in a free market as they see fit. However, they have also unwittingly embodied something that has gone very wrong with this country.

Americans have — especially those on the far-right — become so afraid of their own shadows that they feel it necessary to isolate themselves from the rest of the world. That's not good for anyone; not for the country, not for Christianity and certainly not for this Web site's dedicated following.

Because no matter what dark corner of the Internet anyone finds refuge in to huddle around the warmth of smoldering literature, there is one person who will always be able to hear the crackle of digital fire: God.

## FCC

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that if I type that word out right now, I'll get slapped and probably feel bad about myself later.

I know this to be a fact. I knew a very sheltered girl back in high school who didn't know a lot of dirty words. I, on the other hand, knew all of them. We were in drama and debate — yes, I debated often in high school — and I convinced her to perform a scene from "Silence of the Lambs" with me.

I told her when I gave her the script that if she wanted to change anything to let me know. She didn't and we won a state title.

Then someone else told her what the word referred to. Not only did he get slapped but so did I.

The power of the word is such that at the next competition, sans C-word, we took last place in every round. It would have been nice to continue winning, but I understood her point, too. I should have told her what she was saying.

Broadcasters should learn to take the same approach. If you are going to allow people to say certain things, even if it's in the heat of the moment such as an awards show, expect repercussions or save it until after 10 p.m.

The folks in charge might want to take another hint from NASCAR. The person who lets slip one of the Sinful Seven gets fined, too. It might discourage letting those word escape.

The words haven't changed since 1978 when Pacifica Radio put Carlin's infamous monologue on the air. If you don't what they are, that's fine. You don't need to seek them out. You are better off not knowing.

For the rest of us — and this goes for anyone writing a book, TV show or movie; anyone singing a song or talking

on the radio — use your head. As Carlin also said, "In certain company it's perfectly fine to prick your finger but not to finger your prick."

Somewhere, there is a place we can all agree on what is decent and what isn't. Wherever that might be, it isn't for a government entity to decide that line for us. We're adults, we can make choices without government interference.

Even the FCC agreed that certain language was historically accurate and valid given its context within the film "Saving Private Ryan" when ABC aired the Steven Spielberg film in 2004. Historical context also allowed for "Schindler's List" to air uncut on NBC in 1997.

Maybe the FCC just really likes Spielberg. Or maybe, for a few years there, they weren't the fascist regime they are often portrayed as being.

What about the children who could be exposed to things they shouldn't hear? That's what parents are for. The kids are going to hear these words anyway. It's up to parents — not the government or any other institution — to instill their morals into them.

And when children become adults, they can swear up a holy storm if they want to.

They still probably won't get to do it on TV or the radio, and that might not be a bad thing.

With minor adjustments and empty pockets, even the raunchiest of comedians can become family friendly. Carlin was Mr. Conductor, as you kids who watched "Shining Time Station" might remember.

Thirty years sure can change things, but you still can't say "f---" on TV. Even if it's the same sound "FCC" makes if you say all the letters together.

An uncensored version of this column can be found at [www.uiargonaut.com](http://www.uiargonaut.com).

## MAIL

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herds of elk. The depredation is so bad that Idaho Fish and Game has closed off the Clearwater River area to snowmobiles.

This winter has resulted in very heavy snowfall in North Idaho. Because of the deep snow, the elk are trapped in less than 1 percent of their normal range along the rivers and in steep canyons.

The areas' terrain and topography, coupled with the heavy snow, has trapped the elk in small confined areas in which they cannot get away from the wolves.

Sportsman from North Idaho are telling me that this

severe 2007-2008 winter will be a record for wolf caused depredation and will leave entire drainages void of a single elk.

Apparently, the USFW never factored this type of severe winter condition into their dynamic wolf "reintroduction" plan.

However, they had the decision-making abilities and national support to force this plan on Idaho and to cause this wildlife disaster!

Please help us address this pending disaster. Log onto [www.SAVEourELK.com](http://www.SAVEourELK.com). You can also go to YouTube and see the elk winter range void of elk. Search for "Flying the north Fork of the Clearwater River."

Tony Mayer, Twin Falls  
Allan Borchardt, Moscow

## Caught cheating on Facebook

**Editorial Staff**

The Daily Vidette (Illinois State U.)

NORMAL, Ill. — The average college student belongs to at least a couple dozen.

Our membership professes our childhood love for Nickelodeon TV shows, states we have supported a charity or simply reflects a random quirk we feel we need to make public.

However, for one university student, his membership and subsequent moderation of a Facebook group nearly got him expelled.

On Tuesday, administrators at Ryerson University met to discuss possible expulsion of freshman Chris Avenir.

His malfeasance? Administering and belonging to a Facebook site that offered students a chance to discuss chemistry problems for a particular class. 146 students belonged to the site. Avenir received 147 charges of academic misconduct.

A professor noticed the group after Avenir passed the class with a B. Citing the group's sharing of ideas for how to solve the problems the professor assigned online, he immediately changed Avenir's grade to an F, and called for his expulsion.

The facts of the case are this: Avenir did suggest, on the group's description, that students post solutions to the problems for the online homework. Students all received problems that were slightly different to prevent the sharing

of answers, and because of this, no actual solutions were posted. The group no more promoted cheating than does a study hall in which students help each other with tough questions.

While Avenir was not expelled on Tuesday, and received a zero just on the assignment allowing him to pass the class, this case should teach us much about our educations in the 21st century.

As students, we need to recognize our actions, even on the Internet, can catch up with us in our academic lives. If something even remotely seems questionable, it would be the best bet just to simply not associate with it.

Professors, however, need to realize that the wonders of the 21st century, especially with the developments in teaching and grading, sometimes create an atmosphere of less formal education. Putting a test online and asking students to work independently should be enough to receive academic honesty, but the reality is that it does not. In an unchecked scenario, students will help each other out.

In Avenir's case, it is outrageously unfair that he was held accountable for the actions of 146 other students. While Avenir may have managed the group, he did not force any of the other members to join.

Bottom line, in a wired world, things can get tangled very easily.

Watch your step.

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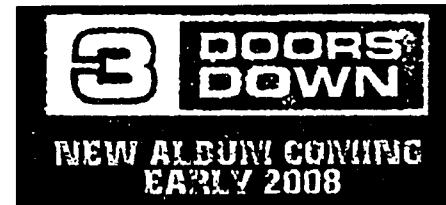


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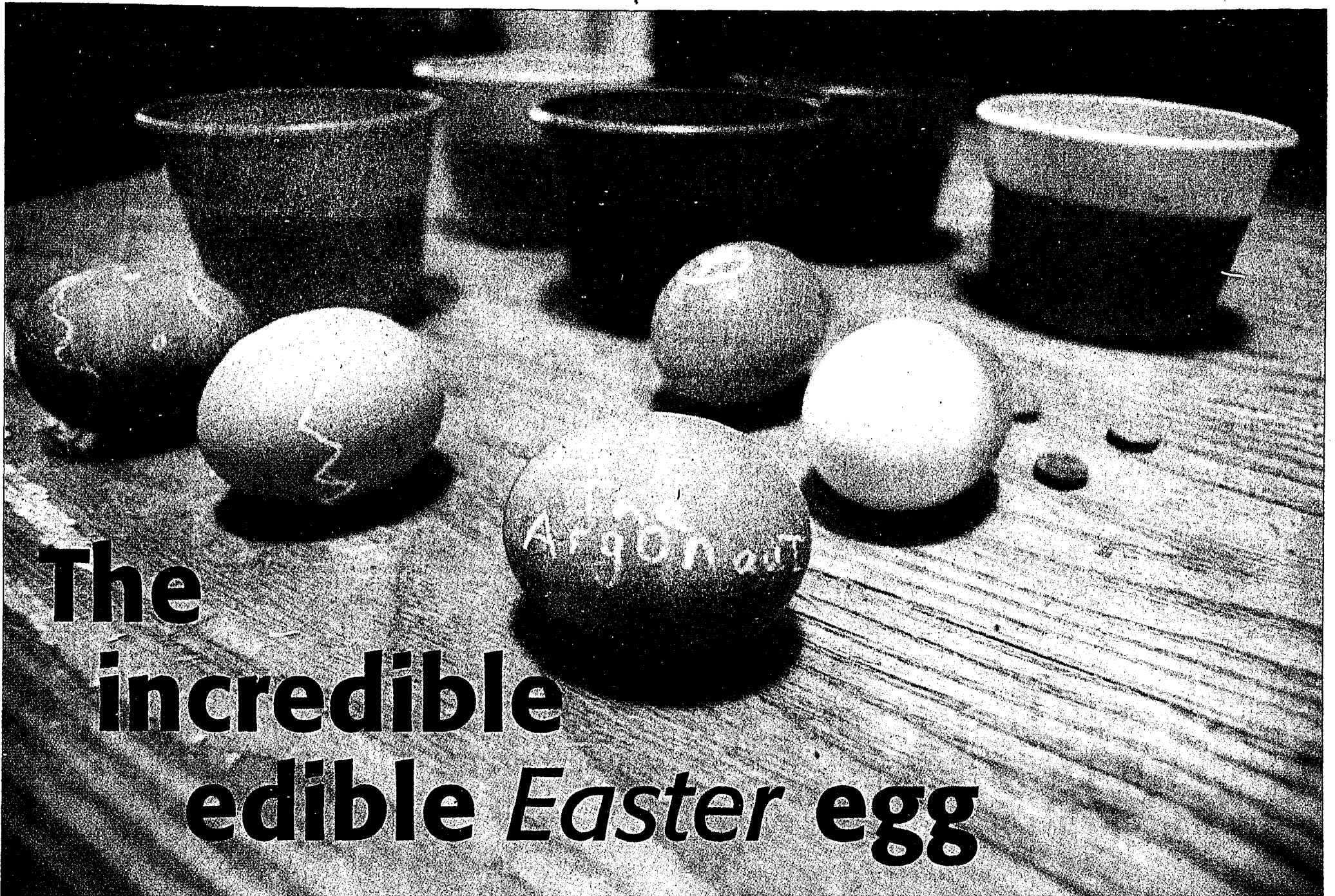
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## The incredible edible Easter egg

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**Meagan Robertson**  
Argonaut

They can be colored with markers, painted or dyed — filled with treats, bought at the store and eaten.

Easter eggs, both traditional hard-boiled eggs and their plastic counter parts, are an essential part of any Easter decoration or celebration.

But who knew there were some non-traditional approaches to coloring your Easter eggs?

While some may prefer the cheap egg dying kits you can pick up at the grocery store, there are many alternative methods to decorate eggs and unleash your creative side.

For those who aren't fans of the brightly colored eggs seen everywhere around the Easter season, try using an onion skin.

Wrapping an egg in an onion-skin before boiling it produces a more natural, and textured look,

and while a brownish egg may seem boring, they actually look quite neat.

Make sure to put the egg into panty hose, or find some other way to keep the onion skin intact while boiling.

Another interesting technique for painting an egg is to use aluminum foil and acrylic paint.

If you crumple up a sheet of aluminum foil and then paint on a layer of the acrylic paint (which comes in hundreds of different colors) you can create a crackled, almost marbled look.

Once the coating of acrylic paint dries, you can repeat the process with more colors.

This technique can be used with more than just aluminum foil, try it with any material that has a good texture.

It never hurts to experiment.

To go all out, make dotted eggs using glue and fine sand or glitter.

To do this, take the glue and

make small dot patterns around the egg, and then carefully place it into the glitter or sand.

This will create textured dots that raise up off the egg.

If polka dots aren't your cup of tea, try making waves or squiggles, or even letters.

It would probably be smartest to use this technique after dyeing or painting your egg though, as the liquid dye could ruin your patterns.

With this being said, it's possible to glue just about anything to an egg, from sequins and beads to noodles and ribbons.

If you choose to just dye your eggs the normal way, try wrapping a rubber band or two around the egg.

This prevents the dye from staining that section of the egg, and you can end up with a cool striped design.

Then, dye the egg again to make the stripes different colors.

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### find those EGGS

For anyone in the mood to dye eggs who also wants to hunt for eggs, or let the little ones hunt for them, Saturday is the day to do it.

Eggstravaganza will be taking place at the at 11 a.m. on Saturday at East-side Marketplace, and will feature 6,000 eggs for children ages five and younger to hunt for.

The Easter Bunny will also be in attendance at Eggstravaganza.

There will be a cake walk, games and crafts for the whole family.

Also at 11 a.m. on Saturday will be the annual SArb Easter Egg Hunt at the Administration Lawn for children ages one through 10 of UI faculty, staff, students and alumni.

Another Easter egg hunt will take place Saturday at noon at Palouse City Park.

### WHILE YOU WERE GONE

## New businesses blossom over break

### Moscow gets a taste of Thai

**Kevin Otzenberger**  
Argonaut

Moscow's Asian cuisine fanatics have long waited for this moment.

The Pullman Thai food restaurant, Suchada's — owned by Rangson and Suchada Stutde — has opened a new location in Moscow.

Nestled next to the Garden Lounge in Friendship Square, Suchada's is the only source of sushi or Thai food in town.

The owners said that the restaurant's first week since its grand opening on Monday, March 10, has been unsurprisingly busy.

"I liked it. I like Thai food and I was always able to get it where I lived before," said University of Idaho psychology student, Shantel Chapple. "I missed it, and it's what I expected."

The restaurant owners began looking at prospective Moscow locations about six months ago, and were originally interested in replacing a Mexican restaurant in the East Side Mall.

The location in Friendship

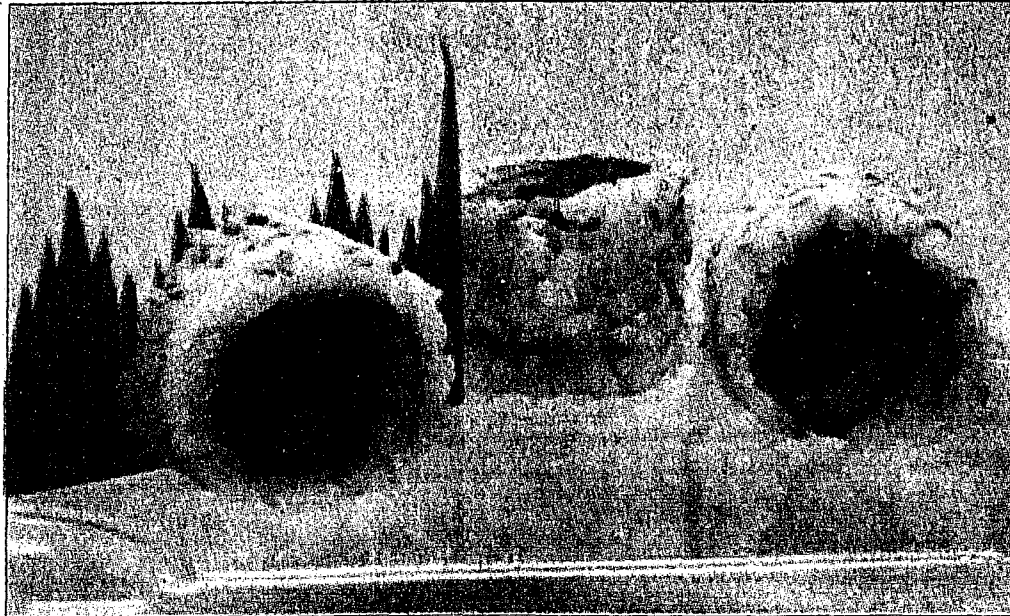


Photo illustration by Jake Barber/Argonaut

Square opened up only two months ago, and the couple fell in love with it.

"We love it," Stutde said. "It's a nice location. We have a lot of people come in that are just walking around."

She said that in the past, customers have frequently driven from Moscow to Pullman and that they have always received suggestions to expand.

"They told us to open one here so they wouldn't have to

drive so far," Stutde said.

She also said that the new space allows the restaurant to host banquet events for business or party groups, unlike the Pullman restaurant.

In addition to its size advantage, the new restaurant has prompted the couple to add new items to the old menu in both locations, including more barbecue and teriyaki dishes and new combo meals.

"You can have real origi-

nal, authentic Thai taste right here," Rangson Stutde said. "All of our cooks are originally from Thailand."

The Stutdes are both natives of Thailand and have lived in the U.S. for 12 years.

They have been in the restaurant business since they arrived, and the Suchada's restaurant in Pullman is the first place the two have run together.

"This is what we love to See **SUSHI**, page B3

### The price of excellence

**Kevin Otzenberger**  
Argonaut

Sometimes it pays to splurge. While it may be a stretch for someone on a college-eating budget to make Suchada's a regular stop, there is something to be said for quality Asian cuisine.

Before anyone decides to eat at Suchada's they should make the decision whether they're having Thai food or sushi before they go.

Along with the fact that the large portions make it difficult for most people to finish a doubled-up order, the cost alone makes this an unlikely option.

Between a plate of Pad Thai and a Ebi tempura hand roll, the bill was already up to \$14 without even buying a drink. For those interested in sampling both menus, Suchada's may take a few more trips than some other restaurants.

This doesn't mean, however, that one needs to take out a

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### Chill out

#### Moscow gains new haven for frozen treats

**Meagan Robertson**  
Argonaut

Moscow has a new place to buy ice cream, frozen yogurt, Hawaiian shaved ice and smoothies.

Chill Box, which opened Monday, will have their grand opening today with free giveaways and special deals to celebrate the occasion.

After opening Chill Box, Storeowner, Andrew Holmes said he wants to give back to the community.

"Students have said that they especially like it because of the cost and it fits right into their school budget," he said.

Prices for items at Chill Box range from around \$1 upwards to \$4.50 for a 24 oz. of a frozen treat that is not only tasty, but also healthy, with real fruits and soy.

"Reviews have been awesome," Holmes said. "People have told me that the flavors

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# 'Flunked' features UI doctoral candidate

Padraig A. Harney  
Argonaut

"Flunked" is a new film about and inspired by men and women from different walks of life — parents, teachers, principals, business professionals — who are making a difference in students' lives.

One woman featured in the film is University of Idaho doctoral candidate, Angie Dorman.

Premiering this week nationwide, the film's purpose is to exhibit those schools and educators nationwide that are succeeding in the midst of a failing system.

In the film, Dorman takes a look at the state of education in America and the evidence of its failure.

"Angie Dorman is possibly one of the greatest student advocates ever," said Lloyd Scott, director of UI's New Student Services. "She does an absolutely phenomenal job helping to get high school students (particularly those from diverse backgrounds) ready for college."

Dorman got involved with the filming with a call from the producers, who had gotten her number through a professional colleague.

"I think it had to do mainly with getting the 2006 U.S. Department of Education's American Star of Teaching Award for Washington and also because of UI's CAMP program and some of the success I've had with the

Gates Scholarships," Dorman said.

With a small rural population, Warden, Wash., where Dorman teaches high school history, might not sound like the place to find an innovator with new and exciting teaching methods.

"I believe you have to learn facts, you also have to get concepts," Dorman said. "At the same time you have to learn critical thinking skills to be able to assess the veracity of information. I require kids to write in my history class. I believe every kid deserves an education that will prepare them for life in a democracy, the opportunity for college and lifelong learning."

Dorman's students take an important role in her teaching and also provided interviews for the film.

"Mrs. Dorman was a great teacher — she cared for us so much. When I become a teacher, I want to do the same," said Janette Escamilla, Dorman's former student and UI junior. "She never let the fear of losing her job interfere with her teaching, which allowed her lessons to go beyond the classroom. ... If Dorman taught me anything, it was to never let your past or

current circumstances affect the rest of your life. I intend to teach this same philosophy to others."

The film also interviews Heidi Castillo Dominguez, another former student of Dorman.

"She help me pursue scholarships so that I could continue to educate myself after high school," Dominguez said.

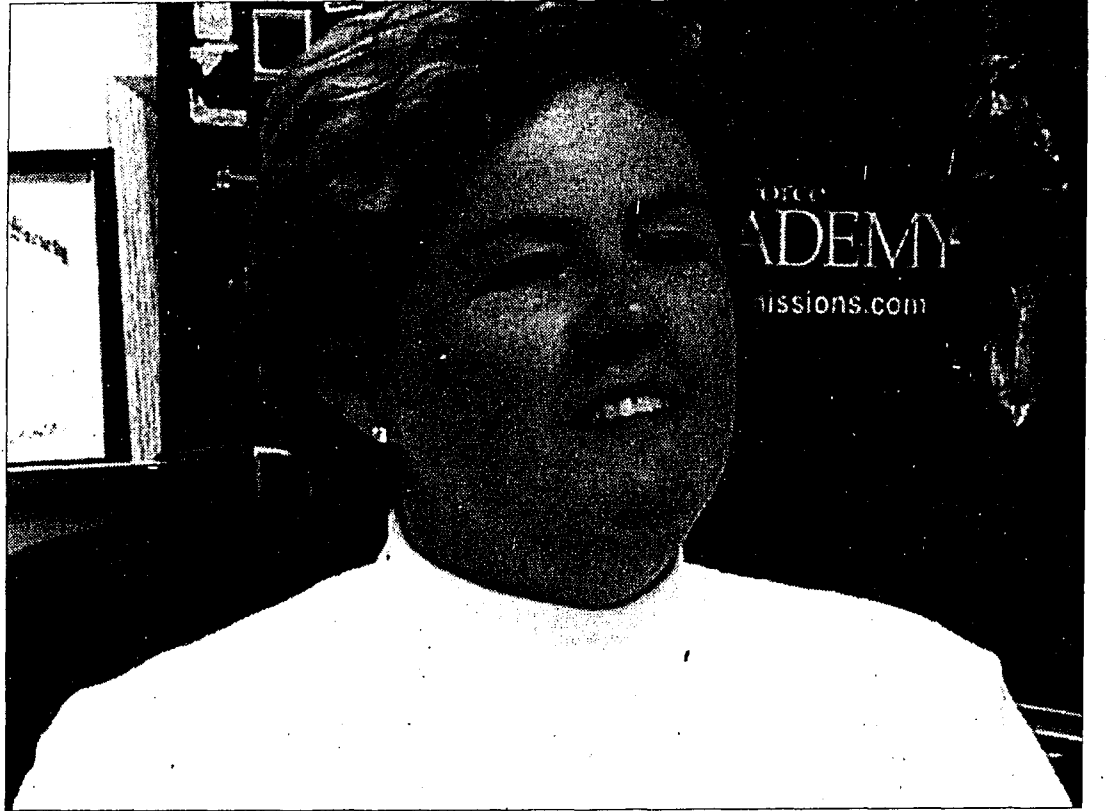
The film runs 97 minutes long and profiles the different teaching styles and projects that are working within the failing American education system.

Film makers visited many schools of various types: public, private, charter, home school and virtual academies.

Virtual academies are a new program within participating public school systems.

Since it is a part of the public school system, tuition is not charged and computer equipment is loaned out to enrolled students.

Students in the virtual academies complete most of their school work at home and are invited to some regular school activities to compensate for the



Angie Dorman is the winner of the 2006 American Star and Teaching Award for the State of Washington. Dorman stars in 'Flunked.'

Courtesy Photo

**"I am the crazy teacher who makes them write papers in History classes."**

Angie DORMAN  
UI doctoral candidate

reduced social interaction, as they are not going to a school building each day.

Filming was done over the summer for Dorman's interviews just prior to the start of the new school year.

"I didn't know it was that difficult. The camera was in one place, the interviewer next to him and then I actually had a couple of friends stand behind them so I could actually talk to a human being while the whole

thing was going on," Dorman said. "The experience was absolutely nerve wracking. I find it hard to sit still and not talk with my hands. Bottom line is when it was all over, I was exhausted."

## Check out The Argonaut online

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### ArtsBRIEFS

#### Prepare for the PowWow

This year's Tutxinmepu Powwow will take place this weekend and is sponsored by the Native American Student Association.

The event will begin at 7 p.m. today in the

#### Memorial Gym.

It will resume from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday.

To view a full list of activities, visit <http://www.today.uidaho.edu/details.aspx?id=4232>.

#### Step and Stroll cancelled

The Step and Stroll Competition hosted by the Women's Center has been cancelled.

For more information,

contact the Women's Center at 885-6616 or [wcenter@uidaho.edu](mailto:wcenter@uidaho.edu).

#### Byword to play at Nuart

The band Byword will be playing at the Nuart Theater on Saturday.

For more information contact Elliot Stone at (541) 301-2753.

#### WSU presents Battle of the Bands

The Washington State University Student Entertainment Board will host the 2008 Battle of the Bands at 7 p.m. on March 30.

The event will take place at Ensminger Pavilion on the WSU campus.

SEB will award prizes to winners, including an invitation to play a set at WSU's annual music festival, Springfest, on April 19.

General information about Battle of the Bands can be found at <http://www.mediafire.com>.

#### 'Seussical the Musical' at RTOF

The Regional Theatre of the Palouse will feature "Seussical the Musical" April 10 to 12 and 17 to 19 at the new RTOF Theatre at 122 N. Grand Ave. in Pullman.

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

More information on the cast and show is available on the RTOF Web site at [www.RTOFtheatre.org](http://www.RTOFtheatre.org).

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# 'Brawl' takes it all

Meagan Robertson  
Argonaut

By far one of the best titles released for the Nintendo Wii is "Super Smash Bros. Brawl" which allows gamers to rumble on to victory after victory for hours.

The third title in the Smash Bros. series, this installment comes with eight new characters added to the line-up, including some less surprising names like Sonic the Hedgehog and Diddy Kong, along with some more unusual ones like Pit from "Kid Icarus," and Snake from the "Metal Gear Solid" series.

The graphics in this game are visually stunning and of the caliber expected from a next-generation console.

Adventure mode, which is now known as the "Subspace Emissary" is far more entertaining than the adventure mode in "Super Smash Bros. Melee." It lasts much longer, has an engaging storyline and

appropriately introduces almost all of the characters.

This game has loads of unlockables as well, from extra stages, hidden characters and trophies to stickers, which players can collect and stick on the bottom of their chosen character's trophy to boost their abilities.

The ability to choose from four different controller schemes is a nice touch to the game, veteran "Super Smash Bros." players to play with the old Gamecube controller or Wii Classic Controller, or the Wii remote with or without the nun-chuck.

The only thing disappointing about this game is the online play.

Actually connecting to an online match is frustrating at times, because the connection to the Internet is often dropped.

The lag is also terrible as well, especially if the Internet is slow, making game play pause mid-punch for a few seconds until it can catch up.

It's almost embarrassing.

Hopefully Nintendo fixes this soon.

Overall, this game is fantastic.

It's fun to play alone or with friends, and it's a game that can be played time and time again even after having seen through the ending credits.

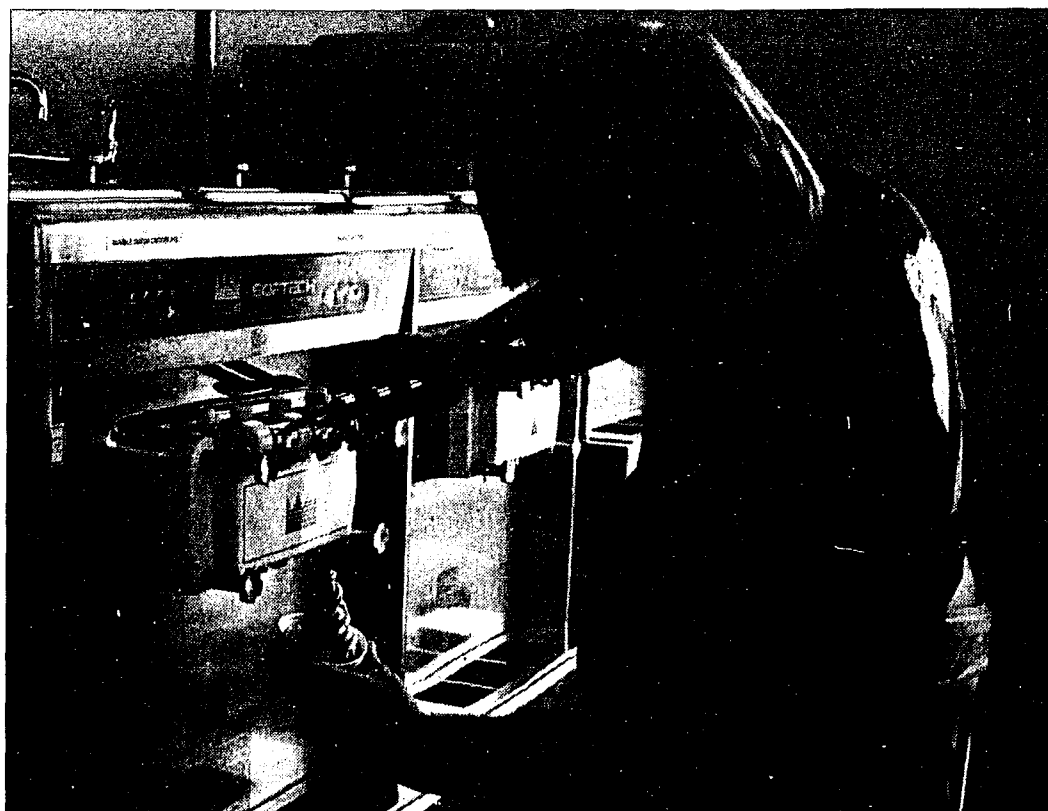
There is so much to unlock and find.

It's pretty much timeless, and at times players can feel like they're taking a walk down their video game memory lane as they see countless things from the past.

"Super Smash Bros. Brawl" is out now, and if you haven't yet picked up a copy run, out and get it today.



"Super Smash Bros. Brawl"



Jake Barber/Argonaut

Employee Brian Hokanson serves up a bowl of ice cream Thursday afternoon at the newly opened Chill Box on Sixth Street.

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are great, that the smoothie mixes have been consistent. I've just gotten great hits across the board."

Holmes, who has lived in Moscow for two years, thought this was the perfect place to open up a shop because he loves the community.

He first came to Moscow from California after he married his wife, who is from St. Maries, Idaho.

"There's no place like this down by the beach," he said. "There's just Baskin Robins."

Holmes said he hopes to please customers with his product.

"We opened to offer a quality product to students," Holmes said. "When we first opened on Monday we had around 45 people, Tuesday we had like 89 and yesterday we got 110 — so things are definitely getting better."

This is the turnout that he's received without any ads or promotions — Holmes said this is just people coming by and some random fliers that were

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Chill Box is located at 317 W. Sixth St. and is open from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m.

tossed around.

Chill Box also sells scoops of Ferdinand's Ice Cream, which is locally owned out of Pullman.

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## Housewares all about living clean

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Pillows made of soy-based oil. Rugs made from bamboo. Reduced-chemical cookware.

At the International Home and Housewares Show, it was hard to find products that weren't calling themselves eco-friendly.

"Probably the biggest trend I'm seeing is the whole green or environmental movement," said Lisa Casey Weiss, lifestyle consultant for the International Housewares Association. "A lot of companies are focused on doing whatever they can to make their products more environmentally friendly."

The green movement's prevalence at the industry's largest trade show signals that eco-friendly products may someday become not just one option for consumers, but the only option. And that goes for packaging, too — on

Thursday, IKEA said it would soon ban plastic bags from its stores.

While Casey Weiss acknowledged that so-called "green washing" — putting the eco-friendly label on not-so-friendly products — does happen, she said for the most part "people are trying to do what's better."

### Going green

One exhibitor who has replaced his entire product line with an eco-friendly counterpart is Tony Tracy, chairman and CEO of Perf Go Green, Inc.

Responding to increasing concerns about the environmental dangers of plastic bags, Tracy said he's the first to manufacture garbage bags, kitty litter liners and lawn and leaf bags that are 100 percent biodegradable.

"The problem we have with landfills is the (plastic) bags don't break down for thou-

sands of years," he said. "Our bags can break down in 12 to 24 months, totally disappear."

"It's the best thing we can do for the planet," he said.

Kim Baker, president of Gouda Inc., had the same concerns about plastic bags in mind when she created the GreenShopper line of re-usable shopping bags.

The GreenShoppers come in several shapes, sizes and materials including washable nylon, post-consumer plastics, organic cotton and bamboo. They each fold down into pocket-sized squares for storage.

"There's a huge demand," Baker said. "Even the people in the shops are saying, 'You don't want a plastic bag, do you?' ... It's sort of embarrassing."

Plastic bags have gone for 5 cents apiece at IKEA since last year in an effort that reduced plastic bag use by more than 92 percent, with proceeds going to charity.

## EASTER from page B3

This technique can be done with stickers and tape as well.

Crayons are fun to use before dyeing eggs, as the dye won't stick to the wax.

A white crayon is favorable, but any color

will work.

If done quickly after the eggs are colored and still hot, the wax will melt, creating a cool effect.

When it comes to decorating Easter eggs, it doesn't have to be boring.

Have fun and think outside the box, because you could end up with some pretty fancy results.

## SUCHADA from page B1

loan in order to grab lunch or dinner at the restaurant.

Suchada's new Thai food combo plates offer the chance to try three or four different dishes for around \$8 or \$9. Reasonably priced, the portions are monstrous and food quality is outstanding.

In general, it's the sushi that adds up the fastest.

Sushi rolls range from \$3.50 to \$12 each and run a wide range of extravagance.

Anyone with the money to sit at the sushi bar for a while will likely find something interesting and unique at Suchada's.

Despite not being able to try much, the tempura roll

was not a letdown compared to any other sushi bar.

The flavor and appearance of Suchada's sushi is top-notch, but the Thai cuisine is every bit as satisfying, especially economically.

A group of accompanying friends seemed generally pleased with their variety of dishes, but unanimously decided that the Pad Thai was the most notable.

Having ordered a plate of chicken Pad Thai I agree that it was the most exceptional when compared with Thai chains like Prasi's or A Taste of Thai.

The dining room is neat, clean and inviting and the décor creates a pleasant atmosphere that is authentic but not gaudy.

The restaurant's appearance is somewhat simplistic, which trades novelty

for hominess.

The service is expedient and personable.

One of the best aspects of Suchada's is the location — in Friendship Square, directly across the glass-windowed hall from The Garden Lounge in the old Moscow Hotel building.

If customers choose to sit at the sushi bar or at a table toward the front of the restaurant, they can see what's going on in The Garden, which makes the place feel like part of a vibrant downtown scene, especially around dinner time.

Suchada's will have no problem becoming a major downtown attraction.

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# Spring covers spectrum

Samantha Critchell  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The fashion world is showering springtime shoppers with two distinct color palettes this season: juicy, fruity brights that are eye-popping and peppy, or natural neutrals that aim to tap into our eco-consciousness and worldly tastes.

There is no mushy middle, though, with nary a dusty pink in sight.

The fashion world is hoping that the infusion of lively colors will help bring consumers out of their winter doldrums and into stores.

"There is a true psychology to wearing color," says InStyle fashion director Hal Rubenstein. "It really can change your mood. ... Not to be too Pollyanna, if you wear something that's mood brightening, it could have an effect on the people around you. It can enhance your environment."

After that initial jolt, shoppers will be offered the more soothing shades of sand and ecru as the weather warms.

When he unveiled his candy-colored spring collection on the runway, Michael Kors explained that his prescription for a population fretting over the war, the economy and the election was to put them in something "delicious."

But Francisco Costa, designer at Calvin Klein, made the case for serenity, taking his inspiration from somber Dutch painter Wim Schuhmacher and the Hutterites of Montana, who lead a very sparse existence.

"Fashion always braces extremes and counterpoints," says Gregg Andrews, Nordstrom fashion director. "The newness is the shocking hues and the neutrals, and I think it's the combination of the two that look extremely sophisticated."

Andrews' choice as the No. 1 shade for the season is a vibrant yellow. It works well on its own, in a print — either a trend-right pop-art geometric or painterly floral — or in a colorblocking pattern.

Other favorites are bright cobalt and a pink that he nicknamed "highlighter pink." He describes it as "less purple than magenta and deeper than hot pink."

Designer Lisa Perry has made saturated colors her trademark. On the day of a recent interview and photo shoot she wore a colorblocked shift dress with diagonal swaths of turquoise, green and royal blue.

Yes, she is extreme in her color choices, Perry says, but she doubts people who claim they can't wear brights have ever tried them. There is a color out there for each person, she promises.

Her advice to color novices is to start out with turquoise, among the most flattering shades of the color wheel for all skin types. From there, progress to yellow and then pink.

Stephanie Solomon, Bloomingdale's fashion director, has already worn her new pink dress by Perry. "Everytime I wear it, I feel 10 years younger. I never receive more compliments than when I wear this dress."

She was drawn to the hue for the same reasons as everyone else. "It's something I haven't owned in a while and brights make us happy. ... You probably own enough black. If you're looking at the perfect yellow dress in front of you, you should buy it."

Solomon is talking mostly about knee-length or shorter dresses — or maybe a simple cardigan, handbag or shoe. Anything more than that can overwhelm some women because then the garment, not you, is making the fashion statement, she says.

A simple shape is key to the look, advises InStyle's Rubenstein.

"If you're going to wear a color that's going to turn a head, the dress can't be overdone, over-draped or over-embellished," he says. "You need to find it in a fluid fabric and a shape that enhances the body."

Men also are embracing color like they never have before, according to American

Eagle chief design officer LeAnn Nealz. "They not only welcome it in polos and T-shirts, but woven shirts and knit underwear as well."

As a wise buy, though, bright colors have their limitations. Solomon knows she can't wear her new pink dress as often as she'd wear a more subdued one — otherwise she risks being known as the lady in the pink dress.

That's where the neutrals come in.

Mixing a vivid color with something from the tan family gives the same high-low effect as mixing a designer piece with a basic, explains Nordstrom's Andrews, and the result is an outfit that's sophisticated and chic that will last beyond this season.

Remember, too, these neutrals are anything but basic. They either have a print inspired by a global craft technique such as ikat or wood-blocking, or they have an interesting texture, and the cut and fit of the clothes should be perfect.

Suze Yalof Schwartz, Glamour magazine's fashion editor at large, holds up Bottega Venetta's trim, ladylike silhouette, shown on the runway with just-the-right shoes and bag, as an example of how to do it right. "You can't wear khaki trousers with an oversized white men's shirt. ... You can do a head-to-toe look that will look more polished and less boring."

There can be something luxurious about earth tones, says Paul Overfield, design director at Cole Haan, which recently launched its woven-leather Genevieve accessories collection.

Technology has allowed for many more leather finishing techniques that make neutrals exciting. The brand is now burnishing, aging, washing and even throwing salt on its leathers to get the texture right, according to Overfield.

"I think accessories always go back to the earth tones. If you're desperate to cheer yourself up, you go to the brights, but when you think about having something on your body all day long, you'll go toward the neutrals."

# Bright makeup recommended

## Colorful makeup used to compliment spring's new colorful fashions

Samantha Critchell  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Color — big, bold, bright color — is one of the easiest trends to spot this fashion season.

That makes the first order of business finding a shade that works for you and your wardrobe. Next, you have to find the makeup that complements it.

Your inclination might be to tone down your cosmetics, says Rick DiCecca, global makeup stylist for Estee Lauder, but it could be the time to be daring.

"The colors are bright but the textures are sheer. It's not as scary as it was in the '70s," he says. "In the '70s and '80s, you had really bright colors and heavy textures, but thanks to technology, you can wear more color."

Ashunta Sheriff is the makeup artist who put Alicia Keys in a bold fuchsia Christian Dior lipstick at the Grammy Awards when Keys wore a rich navy gown on the red carpet and then used a hot pink lipstick to complement the mermaid-green dress the singer wore to perform.

"I think it's more about lips

— strong, bold lips. They could be red, boysenberry, coral or hot pink," she says.

But, she cautions, don't match lips to the color of your outfit. "If the dress is hot pink, go with neutral lips and play up the eye — maybe a smoky green eye and lots of mascara."

It's OK to pick up the same color for your eyes and your outfit, though, according to DiCecca. If you're wearing a lemon yellow top, he recommends using a sheer yellow eye shadow right at the center of the lid — right above the center of the iris.

The same goes for all the other candy-colored clothes out there. A seagrass green and a seabreeze blue are his favorite new eye shadow colors.

Finish the eyes with a mocha brown eyeliner and black mascara.

To deliver deep hues on the lips, he uses gloss pencils which have intense color but are lightweight and shiny. The rest of the face should be kept natural looking, DiCecca says, maybe with just a hint of flirty peach or rose on the apple of the cheeks.

And, he adds, in case you're more into the competing neutral color palette of the season, this beauty routine works for that too.

"If you're wearing your safari jacket, it's great to wear the mocha liner but still do that shot of color above the iris. This is the most fun makeup look I've seen in a long time."

# Twisted Sister guitarist Jay Jay French rewrites anthem to support Barack Obama

Wayne Parry  
Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Jay Jay French wants to rock. He also wants Barack.

So the Twisted Sister guitarist has re-recorded the heavy metal band's anthem, "I Wanna Rock," which has become "I Want Barack."

French, a lifelong liberal Democrat whose mother campaigned for John F. Kennedy, said Barack Obama, who is seeking the Democratic presidential nomination, has energized a new generation of voters who previously felt left out of politics.

"He has excited so many people," said French, who founded Twisted

Sister in 1973, in a telephone interview Tuesday.

"He has given sincere hope to people who have been out of the arena for years."

French plays guitar on the track, which features Paulie Z., singer for the band Z02, on vocals and lead guitar.

They call the band Jay Jay French

and Friends and stress this isn't a Twisted Sister project because that band's members are split on the presidential candidates.

The Obama camp had no immediate comment on the song.

It's not the first ode to Obama from the rock world.

Black Eyed Peas frontman will.i.am has recorded and released

two music videos, "Yes, We Can," which has garnered more than 5 million hits on YouTube.com, and the more recent "We Are the Ones."

French said an accompanying video will soon be released on YouTube, and hopes the song will someday be played at rallies for Obama, where Stevie Wonder's "Signed, Sealed and Delivered" now reigns.

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## Pfeifer dismissed

Hugh Jones  
Argonaut

University of Idaho Director of Athletics Rob Spear announced Tuesday that Idaho men's basketball coach George Pfeifer would not be returning for the 2008-09 season.

The decision comes after Pfeifer doubled his team's win total, and raised its conference ranking from ninth in the Western Athletic Conference to sixth in the WAC in his second year as the Vandals' coach. "George improved the com-

petitiveness of the program and I commend him for his effort," Spear said. "However, in evaluating all aspects of the program and its future, the timing is right to make a change."

Pfeifer issued a statement after hearing the decision.

"I regret we were not able to complete our journey at the University of Idaho," Pfeifer said. "We were hired to improve the men's basketball program. In not quite two full years we moved the men's program from the cellar of the Western Athletic Conference to a sixth-place fin-

ish when coaches and media polls picked us to finish last."

Pfeifer has one year left on his original three year contract.

"We made our best strides in the end when I believe it is the most important," he said. "I feel satisfaction that we have underclassmen who garnered athletic accolades and strong statistics again in the WAC. I am very proud that our seniors are presently on track to graduate."

The coach had an overall record of 12-48 in two seasons.



PFEIFER

The Idaho team went 8-21 this season and won five conference games.

"I appreciate the opportunity to coach at the University of Idaho and wish this institution the best in the future," Pfeifer said.

Specifics on the decision and the effects it will have on the rest of the Idaho

men's basketball program are not yet known. At this time, all assistant coaches for the program have maintained their positions.

However, a statement released by the athletic department said it is already in the process of finding a new coach for the men's basketball program.

The fate of the women's basketball coach, Mike Divilbiss, is undecided. In the release explaining Pfeifer's firing, Spear said he was still evaluating the women's program.

### QuickHITS

#### Did you know...

● Junior Jordan Brooks was named to the all-Newcomer team as well as the second-team all in the Western Athletic Conference. He is the first Vandal to earn those honors in the WAC.

● The women's tennis team was on a four-match winning streak before falling to University of Portland 6-1 last weekend.

● The Idaho track and field team finished its indoor season with two All-Americans. The team finished in the top 20 for the second consecutive year at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships.

● Senior Russ Winger placed second in the shot put, throwing 69-10.25 — a personal best and school record. Matt Wauters placed 19th in the 35-lb. hammer throw, breaking his personal record as well as the Idaho school record with a toss of 70-9.

● Winger is the only NCAA competitor to qualify for the championships in both the shot put and the 35-lb. weight throw.

#### Vandals by the Numbers

**14** Number of assists for Jordan Brooks against Hawai'i, which ranks third in the record book for a single game.

**27** Number of consecutive road losses for the men's basketball teams until they won at Hawai'i on Feb. 28.

**81** Number of career blocks for Darin Nagle, which ranks fourth on the Vandal all-time list.

#### Vandals to Watch

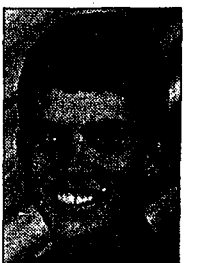
**Kelly Nakashima**  
Women's golf

The senior was named Western Athletic Conference Golfer of the Week for the week of March 10-16. She finished eighth at the UNLV Invitational out of 96 golfers and led the top finishers for the WAC. The award is the second WAC honor of her career. Nakashima will compete in the Oregon Duck Invitational at the beginning of next week.



**Brad Tensen**  
Men's golf

Tensen started strong this spring with a 43rd place finish at the Fresno State Lexus Golf Classic on March 10 and 11. Tensen and senior Ben Weyland helped lead the Vandals to a 17th place finish at the tournament.



#### Vandals in Action

Men's tennis is in Bozeman, Mont., today and Saturday to take on Montana State and Montana respectively.

Women's tennis takes on Weber State in Spokane on Sunday.

Men's and women's golf travels to Eugene, Ore., on Monday for the Oregon Duck Invitational.

#### At the SRC

Play begins for foosball singles/doubles Saturday.

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#### Sports Briefs

The University of Idaho women's snowboarding team defended its national championship title from last year by beating 15 teams to win the combined team title at the U.S. Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Association National Championships in Bethel, Maine, at Sunday River Resort. They also won the team combined titles in slope style and giant slalom.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Leading scorer departs from Idaho team

### Madsion continues streak of Vandals leaving women's program early

Cari Dighton  
Argonaut

Twelve days ago, sophomore Katie Madison was named to the second unit of the All-Western Athletic Conference team for the second year in a row.

Two days later, Madison decided to leave the University of Idaho women's basketball program.

Madison has been the leading scorer for the Vandals in the last two seasons.

She averaged 14.1 points and 6.9 rebounds per game this season. She was also ranked third in the WAC this season with a 16.3 scoring average. In the 2006-07 season, she averaged 19.1 points and 8.9 rebounds per game. At the end of last season, she was named WAC Newcomer of the Year.

Madison and Idaho coach Mike Divilbiss could not be reached for comment on Madison's decision.

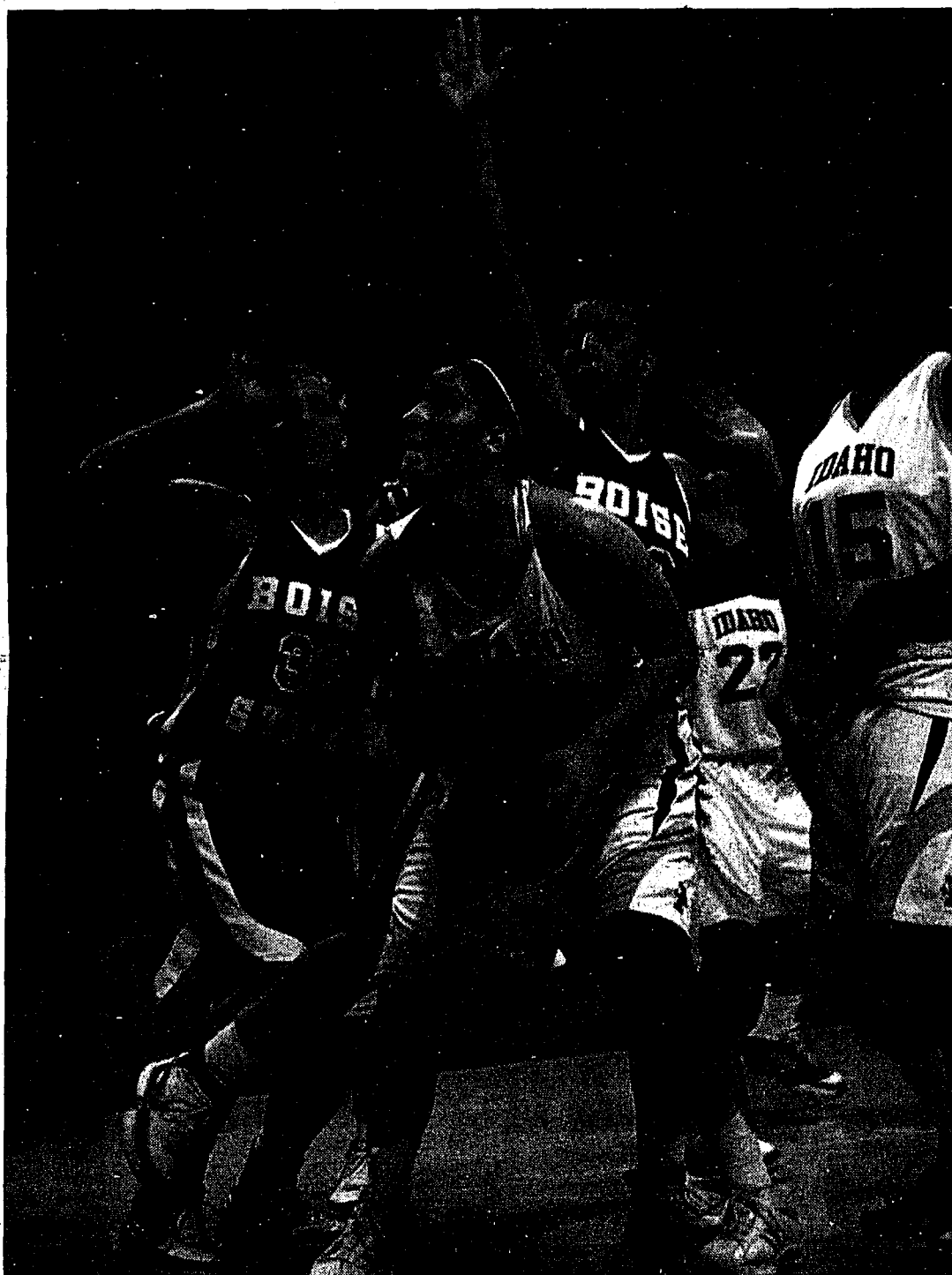
Because Madison has not yet red-shirted a college season, if she does choose to transfer, she will still have two years of eligibility left after she sits out a season in compliance with NCAA regulations.

The women's team produced a 4-25 overall record on the season. The team finished eighth out of nine teams in the WAC with only three conference wins.

Although Madison's decision comes as a shock to some, she is not the first to leave the Idaho program early.

In the 2005-06 season, four non-senior players left the team in April. The most notable of those players was point guard Leilani Mitchell who led the team in scoring and assists. Mitchell now plays for Utah, where she was awarded Player of the Year honors in the Mountain West Conference this year.

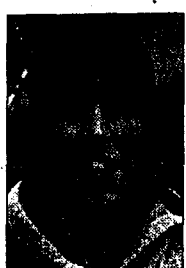
In the 2006-07 season, four members of the Vandal team left the program before their scholarships had expired. The most noteworthy to leave the team last season was Jessica Summers, who started 50 games as a Vandal, and left after the seventh game of the 2006-07 season.



Katie Madison prepares to go up for a shot in a game against Boise State. The Vandals lost 65-60. File Photo

### SpeakOUT

#### Who do you think will win the March Madness tournament?



Andrew Dresback

Answer: Gonzaga

Why?: Because the Vandals aren't in it and I'm home grown right in Spokane.



JP Sacht

Answer: UCLA

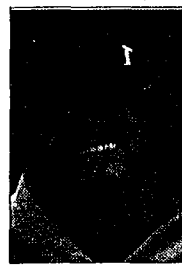
Why?: They have good guards, good size, good speed, and they make other teams play their style.



Charlie Park

Answer: University of North Carolina

Why?: Because they have really good fried chicken down South.



Augusto Sussi

Answer: University of Memphis

Why?: Because they have been ballin' all season and it's their turn.



Landon Weaver

Answer: UCLA

Why?: Because they have Kevin Love and he is from my home state of Oregon. Jake Barber/Argonaut

## Happy holidays for the basketball obsessed

Rob Todeschi  
Argonaut

For some, March is an escape from the Palouse winter and the first sign of spring. But for fans like University of Idaho senior Tom Purvis and sophomore Matt Thomas, who don't leave the dark confines of the TV room, March is

basketball.

"March is a holiday — the whole month," Thomas said.

Following Sunday's bracket release, Purvis and Thomas made their picks in more than 20 brackets combined.

"If I studied accounting as hard as I study the brackets, I'd be out of college in two years," Thomas said.

The basketball analysis Jay Bilas and the ESPN Gameday crew spout off is more influential and important than any philosopher he's learned about in Philosophy 103.

Watching ESPN's sports talk show Around the Horn, Thomas emphatically shouts to the TV screen like he's at the stock exchange. Purvis is just

as involved.

"It's not uncommon for me to check the scores 25 to 50 times each those first two days," Purvis said. "I check ESPN religiously every half hour. I have to know what's going on."

Laptops across campus will flap open to scores during school Thursday and Friday

— if students go at all.

Purvis was lucky enough to be homeschooled growing up.

"It was sweet. I had the TV on all day," Purvis said. "I can't say I did very much those two days."

Thomas has been skipping school for the first two days of

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DIARY OF A FANTASY GEEK

# Houston, you have a problem

The greatest professional basketball-winning streak of our lifetime has officially come to an end.

The Houston Rockets, winners of 22 consecutive games, lost to the Boston Celtics on Tuesday night. It was their first loss since Jan. 27.

What impressed me the most about the 22-game winning streak the Rockets pulled off was that it was the Rockets. Not the Lakers, Spurs or Celtics.

The Rockets are a team nobody predicted to do anything this season. Even with the loss of the team's second best player, Yao Ming, they were able to maintain excellence and practically assure themselves a top seed in the Western Conference playoff bracket.

With all this being said, I am disappointed with one aspect of the streak's exit — Houston Rockets fans.

I was watching the game with a couple of friends and during the third quarter, when Boston was ahead by 20 points or so and the game was practically over, I asked my buddies if they thought the fans would stick around and pay their respects by a standing ovation or large cheers after the loss.

Both friends thought the fans would indeed stick around and show their appreciation.

As we finished the conversation, we began to notice fans inside the Toyota Center (home of the Rockets) bolting for the exits. The arena quickly got smaller and smaller. By the time the game ended, barely any fans remained in their seats.

The arena was empty. No standing ovation. No

loud cheers or clapping of hands in appreciation.

These fans didn't even have the decency to watch the entire game.

Let me be the first to say: weak sauce, Houston fans.

What the Rockets did was historic, in fact, only one other team in the history of the NBA had a larger win streak, and Houston's fans would rather beat traffic than pay their appreciation.

The Rockets are one of those teams I pay little attention to.

I don't really care what they do year in, year out, but now I think I'll be rooting for them to lose in the first round of the playoffs this season.

Why? Because I don't want their fans to get anymore enjoyment out of this team.

They obviously don't appreciate it.

I realize they stop selling beer during NBA games at the end of the third quarter. So if you want to get your drink on, you'd better head to a local bar following the game.

But still, can't that wait to show your team that you appreciate them not losing a game since a week before the Super Bowl?

Seriously, Super Bowl Sunday was a long time ago (Feb. 5) and the Rockets have given their fan base nothing but wins since then. These fans treated Tuesday's loss as just another defeat. What ever happened to the ol' swan song?

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# Vandals prepare for much needed wins

## Men's tennis takes on Montana

Scott Stone  
Argonaut

The men's tennis team will be looking to increase its winning record this weekend as it travels to Montana to take on the University of Montana and Montana State University.

Coming off of a 7-0 win against the University of Colorado and nearing the end of the regular season, the men are looking to improve their play and get back to the level of competitiveness they were at earlier this season.

"We ended that part of the year with a positive win," said Idaho coach Jeff Beaman. "We got a mental break, a physical break over Spring Break."

Beaman is hopeful that Spring Break is what the team needed to recover and come back hungry for more wins.

Junior Hugh McDonald said he feels confident about the competition in Montana and said that Spring Break was a good opportunity for the Vandals to take their minds off tennis and catch up on some school work.

Today the Vandals will take on the University of Montana, which holds a current record of 3-1 and will be looking to add to their three game win streak.

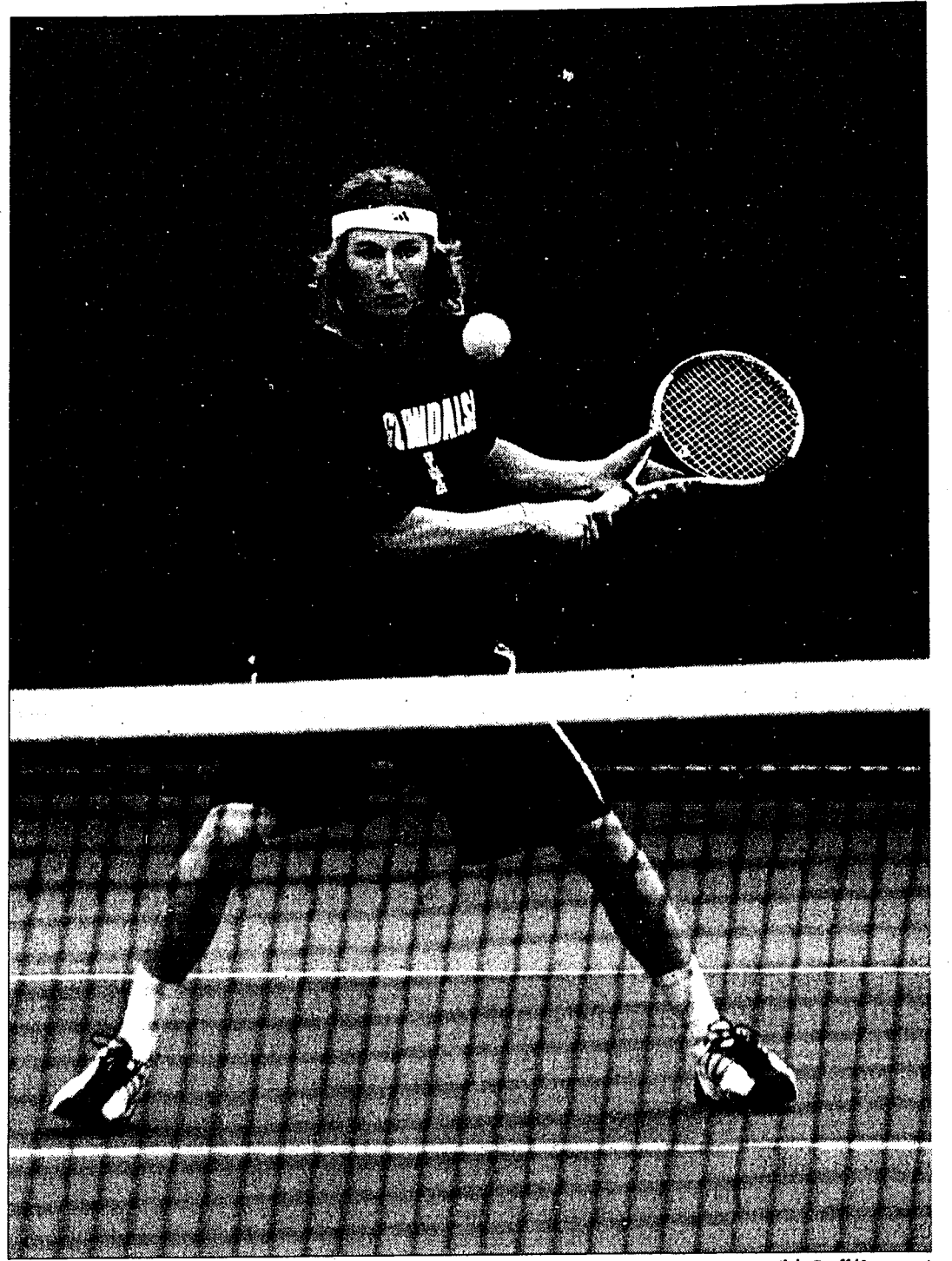
They continue their battle in Montana on Saturday as they match up against Montana State University, which holds a losing record of 5-9.

Montana State will be hungry for a win against the Vandals as they hope to end a devastating five-game losing streak.

The women's tennis team continues to improve this season coming off a three win weekend where they improved their record to 8-8.

Members of the team are happy with the way they're playing right now after holding a 3-7 record earlier this season.

The women will travel to Spokane on Sunday to play their only match of the weekend where they'll take on We-



Nick Groff/Argonaut

Vandal tennis player, Sam Segerstrom, prepares for a backhand return during the team's Wednesday afternoon practice.

ber State, who has a current record of 3-9 and will be coming off an 18-day break.

Weber State lost to Portland State earlier this season, a team that the Vandals had no problem sweeping 7-0.

Beaman said the Vandals feel good about their competition this weekend and believe that their next four matches are all winnable.

"If we don't show up we can definitely lose," Beaman said,

"we show up and I'm confident we can win."

Both the men's and women's tennis teams will be practicing outside for the remainder of the season. Beaman said they'll be at the "mercy of the weather."

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# Kiddie Corps grew up in the nick of time

Paul Newberry  
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Turns out, Michael Beasley and O.J. Mayo weren't the only freshmen on the court.

Redshirt freshman Bill Walker scored 22 points, true freshmen Jacob Pullen and Ron Anderson also reached double figures, and Kansas State's Kiddie Corps moved on in the NCAA tournament, beating Mayo-led USC 80-67 in the opening round Thursday night.

Beasley overcame early trouble to have another big game for the Wildcats (21-11), scoring 23 points and grabbing 11 rebounds for the 27th double-double of his brilliant — and likely only — college season. The NBA beckons, after all.

But 11th-seeded Kansas State is used to big things from Beasley. It was his supporting cast that made the difference.

Walker carried the load in the early going, scoring 17 in the first half and hitting a dagger of a 3-pointer in the closing minutes. Pullen, a lightning-quick guard, scored 11 points and doled out five assists. Anderson, averaging only 3.1 a game, scored 10 and grabbed eight rebounds to help the Wildcats dominate the boards.

And don't forget yet another Kansas State freshman. Dominique Sutton stuck to Mayo like a nagging cold, helping limit USC's freshman star to 6-of-16 shooting. Mayo, who signaled his intentions by wearing NBA socks, scored a couple of late baskets to reach 20 points but it didn't matter.

Beasley put off his expected jump to the pros for at least one more game. The Wildcats moved on to face either No. 3 seed Wisconsin or No. 14 Cal State Fullerton in the second round Saturday.

Walker, who missed most of last season after tearing up his left knee, stepped up for the Wildcats after Beasley picked up two early fouls and would up spending nearly half the opening period on the bench, handing out towels, slapping hands with teammates as they came off the court and checking out the scoreboard from his seat.

Walker accounted for nearly half of Kansas State's points, hitting 6 of 8 from the field — including both 3-point tries — and going 3 for 3 at the foul line to push his team to a 37-27 lead

at the break.

Beasley, playing only 11 minutes in the first half as coach Frank Martin subbed him in and out trying to avoid that third foul, managed only 5 points. But USC wasn't about to keep him down the whole game.

The 6-foot-10 forward kept bullying his way inside, despite constant double-teaming, to pick up three points the old-fashioned way. Beasley made four shots while being fouled, and hit the free throw every time to complete the only trey that existed before the 3-point line.

Mayo simply couldn't shake Sutton and the rest of the Wildcats' defenders, who played defense with an intensity that belied their youth. And the inside game evaporated when

Davon Jefferson and Taj Gibson piled up one foul after another trying to stop Beasley; both of them wound up fouling out.

Jefferson had 15 points and Gibson 10, but they were man-handled on the boards. Kansas State had a 44-27 rebounding lead, including 21 at the offensive end to set up 22 second-chance points. The Trojans had three second-chance points.

USC rallied in the second half, actually pulling ahead for the first time since the opening minute when Mayo stole a pass from Clint Stewart, drove in for the layup and was fouled. The free throw gave the Trojans a 48-47 lead with 13:06 remaining.

It was short lived. The Wildcats went right back to Beasley, who drew the foul

and made both free throws to put Kansas State back in front. Pullen scored on a drive and Beasley followed with his fourth three-point play of the game, pushing the margin to 54-50.

The Wildcats pulled away from there. Walker hit a 3 from the corner for his first points of the second half, making it 67-58 with just under 5 minutes left. Beasley finished off the Trojans with a 3-pointer of his own that made it 72-60.

Kansas State, which finished third in the rugged Big 12, slipped all the way to an 11th seed after losing six of its last nine games heading into the NCAAs, including a quarterfinal loss to Texas A&M in the conference tournament.

But the Kiddie Corps grew up just in the nick of time.

## For a day, Ogilvy and Jimenez keep their noses in front of Woods

Doug Ferguson  
Associated Press

DORAL, Fla. — Tiger Woods kept his head down as the rain fell harder and never broke stride as he followed a series of winding stairs and back doors, each step taking him farther from the Blue Monster. A security guard politely asked for an autograph, and Woods reached for a pen and forced a smile.

A tough day at the office. He shot 67 and was two shots off the lead Thursday at the CA Championship.

Woods hasn't lost a tournament since September, a streak that includes six official victories around the world, the last title coming four days ago with a 25-foot birdie putt on the final hole at Bay Hill.

Apparently, he's working on another streak — the endless pursuit of perfection.

Woods was poised to catch Geoff Ogilvy and Miguel Angel Jimenez, each of whom opened at 7-under 65, until he missed a 7-foot birdie putt on the 16th and three-putted the 18th hole from 70 feet, missing the last one from 5 feet.

Someone asked if the three-

putt bothered him.

"Yeah, I'm (ticked)," Woods said with a cold glare. "You three-putt 18, you're not going to be happy."

Strange, because it was Ogilvy who referred to the Blue Monster at Doral as a "happy place," for Woods, and that's ordinarily the case. He has won here the last two years, and won this World Golf Championship six times in eight years.

For most, it was a shift in the wind that brought joy.

After practice rounds in ferocious wind, so severe that Ogilvy didn't even bother playing on Wednesday, it made a slow shift to favorable conditions, allowing for all but two dozen players in the 79-man field to break par.

Ogilvy got off to a strong start in one respect. He's ahead of Woods.

The former U.S. Open champion is savvy enough to know that golf is about beating the course better than anyone else, but these times call for slight adjustments. Woods has become the most dominant player this side of World War II.

"You know starting the

week if you want to win the tournament, you're going to have to beat him because you

know he's going to be in contention come the last nine holes here on Sunday," Ogilvy said. "It's just one of his happy places, obviously. If I can just be one in front after every round, that will be pretty good."

One shot out of the lead was Stewart Cink, who has played in the final group at three tournaments this year and is playing more consistently than anyone but Woods.

Woods wasn't all that bad, he just sounded that way.

"I didn't really do anything all that special today," Woods said. "I just kind of hung in there and took care of the par 5s, and made

a couple of other birdies here and there. But all in all, just kind of ground it out."

If it wasn't anything spectacular and he still was only two shots bad, that would seem to bode ominously for the rest of the 78 players gathered at Doral for this World Golf Championship.

But there was a sense after one day that no one was going to lay down.

Phil Mickelson rallied from a double bogey in the water with four birdies over his final six holes to match Woods at 67, and they were joined by Adam Scott, who is No. 5 in the world and won the Qatar Masters earlier this year with a 61 on the last day.

Four days after slamming his cap to the ground to celebrate a 25-foot birdie putt to

win at Bay Hill, he rarely broke a smile. Woods started strongly, with an easy two-putt birdie on the par-5 opening hole and a 20-foot birdie down the fast green at No. 3. He made birdie on two other par 5s, one by missing an eagle putt from 20 feet, the other with a wedge inside a foot.

His longest putt was a mere 18 feet on the par-3 15th, and Woods had a chance to join the leaders when he blasted a tee shot into the front bunker on the 366-yard 16th hole, only to miss from 7 feet.

"I've got to trust what I see," Woods said, referring to the grain in these Bermuda greens. "I didn't do that enough times today."

Ogilvy felt much better as he continues a slow rise back to form. He has not won since his U.S. Open victory at Winged Foot in 2006, and he took a month off around the holidays when his second child was born.

But he played in the final group at Innisbrook two weeks ago, closed with a 66 at Bay Hill to leave on a positive note, then kept the ball in the short grass for most of a cloudy day in south Florida to tie Jimenez,

a Spaniard making his debut at Doral.

"It's definitely been building," Ogilvy said. "I came here feeling better than I did going to Bay Hill, and I went to Bay Hill feeling better than I did when I went to Tampa."

He was back in his room after Bay Hill in time watch Woods birdie the last hole from 25 feet for the win.

"It's never surprising when he holes it, but it's always impressive," Ogilvy said. "We're all impressed. Hopefully, none of us are scared. I just want to win tournaments, and he's very impressive. But I don't go to bed thinking about it."

Cink, meanwhile, is trying to bury memories of a few close calls. Woods manhandled him in the Accenture Match Play Championship, winning by a record margin (8 and 7) in the final round. Two weeks later, Cink had an early four-shot lead in Tampa until a late collapse paved the way for Sean O'Hair.

"The memories linger from that," Cink said. "I gave it away, but I learned from it. It's part of the process. Let me just say that not everybody out here is Tiger Woods, OK? He's making it look easy. And it's not easy."

## 25 years after first NCAA tournament, Pitino prepares for another round

Ben Walker  
Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — When it comes to the NCAA tournament, there are a few fixtures — bracketology, buzzer beaters and Rick Pitino.

Hard to believe, but it was 25 years ago when he first took a team to the tourney. Back then, he was a brash New Yorker simply glad to be invited.

It's different now: His jet-black hair is flecked with gray, he's got wrinkles around his eyes, his suits are more expensive.

Some things, though, never change. Popping gum throughout practice Thursday, the Louisville coach was as intense as ever.

"We're all very hungry," Pitino said.

Pitino hopes to add to his sparkling March resume on Friday when the third-seeded Cardinals take on 14th-seeded Boise State.

This marks Pitino's 13th year in the tournament, and his 32-11 record includes the 1996 championship with Kentucky. He remains the only coach to take three different teams to the

Final Four.

"The thing I admire about Coach as much as his record and how well he's done, I really look at people who bring new things to the game," Boise State coach Greg Graham said. "He brought the 3 to the game early when he was with Providence. And at Kentucky he started all the pressing and different things."

"He's an innovator," he said. "Coach has been like that forever."

Seems like forever, certainly. Pitino began coaching in 1974 as a graduate assistant at Hawaii, and the path later took him through Boston University and the New York Knicks. Over the years, he's seen most everything on and off the court.

"That's what you get with somebody who has been coaching as long as he has," senior captain David Padgett said. "He's been to five Final Fours and he's on the NBA level and college level."

The Cardinals went 24-8 this season and lost their last two games, finishing with an overtime loss to Pittsburgh in the Big East tournament.

Boise State (25-8) won the

Western Athletic Conference championship game, beating New Mexico State in triple overtime.

The Broncos are 0-4 overall in the NCAA tournament, losing to Louisville in their last appearance in 1994. That was the only time the teams played.

Still, Graham is familiar with Louisville — sort of. His first job as a head coach was at Louisville High School in Louisville, Ohio. This will be his first time coaching in the NCAA tournament.

"I've been coming to it for 25 years. Just haven't been in it all the time, but I've been coming to it," he said.

Reggie Larry averages nearly 20 points per game and leads the Broncos. His flying dunk punctuated the win that put them into the tournament.

The matchup against someone with a long-standing basketball tradition gives Boise State a chance to do something its football team accomplished more than a year ago. In the 2007 Fiesta Bowl, the Broncos stepped up and beat Oklahoma in a thriller.

dent researches a thesis.

They spend hours listening to the input of broadcasters, analysts and Web pages. Purvis regards Joe Lunardi's predictions and input as the best, but Pat Forde and Andy Katz help his brackets.

"If I don't agree with their picks, I've got to go with my gut," he said.

On the tough picks, Thomas and Purvis look at strength of schedule, winning streaks and statistics. They listen to the analysts on ESPN, CBS and FOX Sports. If they're still unsure, they make the emotional

pick.

"If Duke is playing North Carolina, I pick North Carolina," Thomas said. "It's not that I like the Tar Heels. I just hate Duke."

Only a family emergency would pry Thomas off the couch and away from the TV, he said.

"I may have to miss a few classes," Purvis said. "It's just going to have to happen."

Purvis said he and his fraternity brothers will argue "bracketology" all day.

Thomas' friends and family just have to be patient with him.

"It's only one time a year," Thomas said. "After that I'm pretty normal again."

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school for the first two days of March Madness since the sixth grade.

An hour before tip off, he's in front of a TV no matter where he is. Five years ago, he was on a Spring Break vacation in Hawaii. While his family hit the Maui beach, Thomas was inside watching the double overtime Gonzaga versus Arizona game.

"It was the best game I've seen yet and there was no way I was going to miss it," he said.

Betting isn't in the cards, for Purvis and Thomas only throw down \$5 to \$10 a year. Despite there being no real financial gamble, Purvis and Thomas research their brackets as much as a graduate stu-

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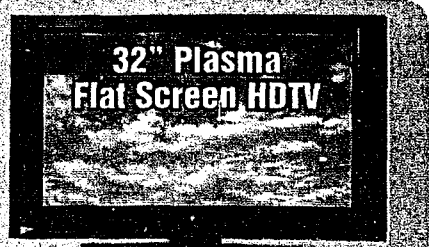
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# White House says the Olympics are about athletes

Barry Schweid  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — China's crackdown in Tibet will not cause President Bush to cancel his planned trip to the Beijing Olympics, the White House said Thursday.

At the same time, the administration interceded on behalf of Tibetan protesters and requested a firsthand look at how Chinese police were dealing with them.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice spoke to Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi Wednesday night for about 20 minutes, urging restraint and also Chinese talks with the Dalai Lama, the Tibetans' spiritual leader.

To underscore U.S. disapproval of the crackdown, Rice then told reporters on Thursday that "We are certainly concerned about the situation in Tibet" and that she hoped China would exercise restraint.

The Dalai Lama, she said, is "an authoritative figure" who stands not for independence but for Tibetan cultural autonomy.

Presidential spokeswoman Dana Perino said, Bush's position is that the Olympics "should be about the athletes and not necessarily about politics."

She said that Bush, in accepting the invitation last year from Chinese President Hu Jintao to attend the Olympics, told him the games would "shine a spotlight on all things Chinese."

"That's not necessarily a bad thing," Perino added.

Bush agreed to go to the Olympics during a meeting with Hu in Australia last September during the Asia Pacific Economic Council meeting. A White House spokesman said at the time that

Bush was going to the games for the sports and not for any political statement.

Protests against Chinese rule in Tibet have drawn a harsh response from Beijing. Authorities say 325 people have been injured and 16 people died.

Rice called Foreign Minister Yang as China sent additional troops into restive areas and made more arrests in the Tibetan capital Lhasa.

State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said the administration was not "calling into question" reports of tough action against Tibetan protesters. But he said, "We don't have a clear understanding of exactly what has happened and what is going on in those areas."

"We have requested access to those areas, including Lhasa, so that we can have our own on-the-ground assessment of what has happened and what is ongoing," McCormack added.

So far, the spokesman said, the Chinese government has not granted the request.

The European Union spoke out Thursday against any boycott, saying it would be counterproductive to efforts to improve human rights in China.

"Boycotting the XXIX Olympiad is not the right answer to the current political problems," said a statement from Slovenia, which holds the EU's rotating presidency. "A boycott could signify actually losing an opportunity to promote human rights and could, at the same time, cause considerable harm to the population of China as a whole."

The statement follows a meeting of EU sports ministers in Slovenia on Monday where several nations rejected calls for a boycott over China's human rights record.

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Sean  
**MCCORMACK**  
State Department spokesman

# Duke barely beats Belmont 71-70

Howard Fendrich  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Mighty, mighty Duke let teeny, tiny Belmont play with the big boys. And, for stretches, get the better of them.

No. 2-seeded Duke actually trailed in the final 15 seconds before barely avoiding the monumental upset, using every last one of Gerald Henderson's 21 points to edge No. 15 Belmont 71-70 in the first round of the West Regional on Thursday night.

While Belmont couldn't quite pull off the stunner, it was surprising enough how close this game was. In a matchup between a school with three NCAA titles — that would be Duke, of course — and another that never has won a game in the tournament, it was Henderson's driving basket with 11.9 seconds left that erased Belmont's final lead.

After ACC defensive player of the year DeMarcus Nelson stole the ensuing inbounds pass, he was fouled, but he missed at the line. Belmont got the rebound, and one final chance to make history, with 2.2 seconds left. The Bruins' leading scorer, Justin Hare, got a good look at the basket from about 35 feet away, but his shot clanged off the iron. He winced, and Duke celebrated as though it had won far more than an opening-round game — something it actually failed to do a year ago.

Duke (28-5) advanced this time to face Arizona or West Virginia on Saturday.

And Belmont (25-9) can go home with heads held high.

Throughout the game, the teams' body language was telling at timeouts.

More than once, Belmont's players would be trailing, yet they skipped to the sideline and were met with high-fives, pats on the back and yells of encouragement. Duke's players, in the lead but hardly thrilled, trudged over slowly, some looking at the floor.

Only four No. 15s have beaten No. 2s, and there were moments it seemed as though it could happen again.

Duke led 69-65 with 2:40 left, but Andy Wickie (team-high 15 points) made a 3-pointer to cut it to one. And after a Duke miss, Hare grabbed the rebound, was fouled, and made both free throws to give Belmont the lead — yes, the lead — with 2:02 left in the game.

There it was, plain as could be on the overhead scoreboard, orange numbering on a black background: Belmont 70, Duke 69.

The Bruins couldn't possibly pull this off, could they?

After all, in the Bruins' previous two trips to March Madness, they had led briefly in the first half before getting beaten by more than 20 points — against UCLA in 2006, against Georgetown last year.

Alas, on this night, on the verge of beating one of the sport's most storied programs, Belmont would not score again.

Duke led 42-35 at halftime, an edge built at the foul line, where the Blue Devils were 11-for-15, and the Bruins were 2-for-4.

Otherwise, in nearly every regard, Belmont played Duke even for those first 20 minutes. The field-goal stats were the exact same: 14-for-29.

# Lidge impresses in return to mound

Associated Press

New closer Brad Lidge might be ready to start the season with the Philadelphia Phillies. John Patterson is looking for a job after he was released by the Washington Nationals.

Lidge pitched in a minor league intrasquad game Thursday at Clearwater, Fla., retiring four of the five batters he faced with three strikeouts and a walk. The right-hander, who had arthroscopic knee surgery last month, looked sharp enough that he just might be available for the NL East champions on opening day.

"I felt great with everything from warming up to throwing in the game," Lidge said. "There is nothing better than facing hitters and that was a lot of fun."

In a surprise move, the off-injured Patterson was cut by Washington a little more than a week before the season begins. He was thought to be a candidate to start for the Nationals when they open their new ballpark March 30 against Atlanta.

"I thought things were going well," the right-hander said.

Elsewhere, the Los Angeles Dodgers made their Cactus League debut, beating the Chicago White Sox 8-2 in Phoenix. The Dodgers are spending the rest of spring training at the Oakland Athletics' complex after saying goodbye to Dodgertown, their home in Vero Beach, Fla., since 1948. They plan to move into a new facility in nearby Glendale, Ariz., next year as long as construction is completed.

"It feels strange," Hall of Fame

manager Tommy Lasorda said. "Everywhere I go, I feel strange. In Vero, everything's right there. I don't know how it's going to be."

Lidge, the key offseason acquisition for the Phillies, threw 19 pitches, including 11 strikes. The only major leaguer he faced was teammate Jayson Werth, who walked on five pitches. Lidge threw fastballs, sliders and a two-seamer. Pitching coach Rich Dubee said Lidge's next outing will come against minor leaguers on Sunday.

"My goal is to get ready for the season no matter where they put me," Lidge said. "I feel mentally that's going to be the case. I don't want to jinx myself, but I feel real comfortable with where I'm at right now and I feel I need a few more outings to get ready."

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215/60TR-15	115.03	225/50TR-17	206.91
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205/60VR-16	134.30	245/50VR-17	206.71
215/60TR-16	142.65	245/50VR-18	241.19
215/60TR-16	127.75	235/45TR-17	185.75
225/60TR-16	133.63	235/45VR-17	201.77
225/60HR-16	143.24	245/45VR-16	254.84
235/60HR-16	147.57		

**OUR BEST FOR TODAY'S NEWER VEHICLES EXCLUSIVELY FROM LES SCHWAB!**

Safety, comfort, performance and our money back guarantee.

**XI-42T**  
*On Sale!*

**FREE** WARRANTY

SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE
175/65HR-14	65.91	225/55VR-17	126.28
185/65HR-14	67.21	185/60HR-16	70.19
185/65HR-14	71.53	205/50HR-16	70.19
185/65HR-15	70.40	225/60HR-16	106.70
185/65HR-15	75.28	245/60HR-16	137.57
205/65HR-15	80.69	205/50VR-16	91.43
215/65HR-15	86.34	215/50VR-17	114.53
215/65HR-16	92.14	225/50VR-17	124.35
205/65HR-16	80.69	205/50VR-16	109.10
215/65HR-16	88.03	215/45TR-17	115.47
185/65HR-16	71.42	225/45TR-17	116.62
205/65HR-16	75.29	235/45TR-17	117.11
215/65HR-16	84.11	245/45TR-17	125.50
205/65HR-16	102.15	245/45TR-16	175.33
205/65HR-16	96.73	205/40HR-16	86.89
215/65HR-16	96.99	205/40TR-17	101.93
215/65HR-16	107.52	215/40TR-17	112.74
235/65HR-16	109.92	275/40TR-17	156.40
185/65VR-16	72.98	215/40TR-16	147.55
205/65VR-16	88.28	225/40TR-16	155.32
205/65VR-16	92.14	235/40TR-16	158.82
215/65VR-16	109.13	245/40TR-16	170.18
225/65VR-16	105.99	215/35TR-16	153.24
215/55VR-17	119.97		

- Tread pattern designed to resist hydroplaning
- Shoulder area designed to reduce road noise
- Two in one shoulder block™ for better handling
- The bar design to increase irregular wear resistance
- Center rib for improved straight handling and stability

**OPEN COUNTRY A/T**  
*On Sale!*

**FREE** WARRANTY

SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE
L1215/85R-16BW	E 157.70	P225/70SR-14	B 128.81	P255/65SR-17	B 114.43
P225/85R-16BW	E 166.70	L225/70TR-15	B 136.76	L275/65TR-17BW	B 211.82
L225/80SR-17	E 224.81	P235/70SR-15	B 140.32	P275/65TR-16	B 209.56
P205/75SR-15	B 114.96	P255/70SR-16BW	B 132.10	L285/65R-16BW	B 251.84
P215/75SR-15	B 119.33	P215/70R-16BW	B 138.23	L275/65TR-18	B 232.06
P225/75SR-15	B 122.53	P225/70TR-16	B 142.41	L275/65SR-18	B 244.73
P235/75SR-15	B 128.57	P235/70TR-16	B 146.72	L285/65R-18	B 251.86
P225/75SR-15XL	B 135.00	P245/70SR-16	B 151.05	L235/65R-18BW	B 238.81
P235/75SR-16	B 139.69	P255/70SR-16	B 155.32	L235/65R-18BW	B 252.89
P225/75SR-16BW	B 122.48	P265/70TR-16	B 160.27	P235/60HR-17BW	B 153.58
P235/75TR-16	B 145.17	P275/70HR-16BW	B 171.66	P275/60TR-17	B 168.23
P245/75SR-16	B 137.13	P275/70SR-16	B 184.67	P265/65R-16BW	B 232.06
P265/75SR-16	B 194.31	P245/70TR-17	B 186.77	P275/60TR-20	B 242.86
P235/75TR-17	B 182.04	P255/70SR-17	B 200.55	L235/60SR-18BW	B 244.69
P245/75TR-17	B 188.58	P265/70SR-17	B 174.96	L235/60SR-20BW	B 332.84
P255/75TR-17	B 140.25	P275/70TR-17	B 216.47	L235/60R-20BW	B 405.79
L225/75R-16BW	E 163.89	P285/70SR-16	B 191.31	L235/60R-20BW	B 428.66
L245/75R-16	C 189.38	L235/70HR-16	B 247.87	P255/65R-18BW	B 181.90
L245/75R-16	E 180.22	L275/70SR-16BW	B 295.31	L235/60R-20BW	B 329.14
L265/75SR-16	C 176.83	L275/70SR-16	E 294.67	P255/65R-20BW	B 243.01
L265/75SR-16	D 191.18	L285/70SR-17	E 227.38	P255/65R-20BW	B 273.95
L285/75SR-16	E 206.54	L285/70SR-17	E 252.57	L235/60R-22BW	B 458.80
L285/75SR-16	D 209.37	L285/70R-17BW	B 337.90	L235/60R-24BW	B 558.78
L285/75SR-16	D 223.38	L285/70R-17BW	B 380.48	P255/65R-22BW	B 285.00
L285/75SR-16	D 247.32	P255/65R-16BW	B 142.83	P255/65R-18BW	B 149.48
L245/75SR-17	E 231.18	P225/65SR-17	B 175.87	P255/65R-18BW	B 178.21
L285/75SR-17BW	E 296.63	P245/65TR-17	B 172.47	P255/65R-18BW	B 178.84
L285/75SR-18BW	E 276.87	P255/65SR-17	B 181.61		

PLUS FEET ON SOME SIZES

**Eclipse**  
*On Sale!*

**FREE** WARRANTY

SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE
P155/80SR-13	53.55	P205/70SR-14	78.87	P215/65TR-16	114.48
P155/80SR-13	58.03	P215/70SR-14	93.90	P185/60TR-14	80.49
P185/75SR-14	73.27	P205/70SR-15	92.04	P185/60TR-14	84.86
P185/75SR-14	77.22	P215/70SR-15	94.80	P185/60TR-15	86.50
P205/75SR-14	82.38	P215/70SR-15	97.95	P185/60TR-15	89.20
P205/75SR-15	85.44	P175/65TR-14	84.67	P205/60TR-15	100.61
P215/75SR-15	88.61	P185/65TR-14	88.03	P215/60TR-15	104.81
P225/75SR-15	90.89	P185/65TR-14	91.69	P205/60TR-16	100.43
P235/75SR-15	96.02	P205/65TR-15	93.58	P215/60TR-16	111.73
P175/70SR-13	61.09	P185/65TR-15	96.43	P225/60TR-16	117.21
P185/70SR-13	65.96	P205/65TR-15	100.21	P205/55TR-16	114.98
P185/70SR-14	69.45	P215/65TR-15	104.39		
P185/70SR-14	73.08	P205/65TR-16	111.16		

- 70,000 mile warranty
- Quiet riding
- Excellent wet traction

**CUSTOM WHEELS**  
*On Sale!* 10 Different Styles!

**Great Value**  
*On Sale!*

**FREE** WARRANTY

SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE	SIZE	SALE PRICE
185/75SR-14	43.35	205/70TR-15	56.40	205/60HR-14	55.12
185/75SR-14	44.63	215/70TR-15	58.26	185/60HR-15	53.21
205/75SR-14	46.37	175/60HR-14	43.78	205/60HR-15	58.08
205/75SR-15	49.27	185/65HR-14	46.61	215/60HR-15	59.02
215/75SR-15	50.85	185/65HR-14	51.69	225/60HR-15	66.75
225/75SR-15	55.09	185/65HR-15	52.91	205/60HR-16	66.75
175/70HR-13	47.64	185/65HR-16	52.73	215/60HR-16	67.16
185/70HR-13	52.30	205/65SR-15	56.52	215/60HR-16	66.05
175/70HR-14XL	52.52	215/65SR-15	61.64		
185/70HR-14	55.29	175/60HR-13	30.16		
185/70HR-14	56.72	185/60HR-14	45.80		
205/70HR-15	54.21	185/60HR-14	49.76		

TREAD MAY VARY FROM PHOTO

**SHOCKS**  
*On Sale!*

**FREE** WARRANTY

MODEL	PRICE
MOUNTAIN RYDER II	26.96 each
MOUNTAIN RYDER XT	38.66 each
RMX MONOTUBE	60.26 each

**FOR BETTER STABILITY AND CONTROL**

**CREDIT IS EASY**

WITH THE LES SCHWAB REVOLVING CREDIT PLAN

ENDING MONTHLY BALANCE	MINIMUM PAYMENT
\$0.01 - \$100.00	\$10.00
\$10.01 - \$50.00	\$10.00
\$50.01 - \$100.00	\$15.00
\$100.01 - \$250.00	\$25.00
\$250.01 - \$500.00	\$35.00
\$500.01 - \$1,000.00	\$75.00
\$1,000.01 - \$2,500.00	\$150.00
OVER \$2,500.00	1/3 OF BALANCE