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The scar of Sept. 11

Lianna Shepherd
Argonaut

Sept. 11 was a cataclysmic national event that shook the foundations of the nation.

Throughout the country, people underwent the full range of emotions from fear and anger to joy. Now seven years later, people of varying backgrounds come together at the University of Idaho seeking the next level of education, and recall their experience on that remarkable day.

Haley Lengacher

It was 9 a.m. when senior Haley Lengacher was awakened by her grandmother and told to turn on the news.

"She wouldn't tell me why, she just kept shouting at me," she said. "I sorta understood what I was seeing, but not all the way. I just stared at it."

Lengacher said what she experienced was complete disbelief.

At the time, the 30-year-old was living in Boise, and after hours of staring at the news, she got up and went to her job at a local Rite Aid.

"It was so quiet, music was less," she said. "It was just so still."

For eight hours she watched the replay on a television someone had brought into the store. The customers were few, she said, but when they came they talked about the towers.

"You could really feel the changes after that," Lengacher said. "People were less trusting, which is sad, and we were suddenly afraid of the future."

By the end of the week, she said the store was flooded with people trying to buy flag-colored merchandise. It sold so quickly that the supply couldn't keep up.

At the time of the attacks, Lengacher said she was in a stagnant place. She said she was in a relationship she didn't like and trapped in a job she wanted to escape, but living through the effects of Sept. 11 had given her the desire to do more with her life.

"It was a kick in the pants," she said. "I realized things happen, but you've got to get out and get on with it. It gave me a little extra freedom."

Lengacher has returned to school and will soon graduate with a bachelor's in history. She said she wants to continue with her education and ultimately teach.

"Thank God there's a second chances program at the University of Idaho," she said.

Teo Polawski

At 18 years old, freshman Teo Polawski said it's difficult to remember how life was before Sept. 11.

"I was in the sixth grade when it happened and since then it's been everywhere," she said. "In high school our history book had a chapter on it. I know it should be there, but it's just weird that I can remember it."

Polawski lives in Burlington, Vt., located five hours outside of New York City driving and 45 minutes flying. That day she was on a field trip and said she knew almost instantaneously something was wrong.

"The principal was there, and he just brought us all back," she said. "They put us in a room and told us what was happening. I knew it was a tragedy, I knew it was sad, but I didn't realize how bad it was until later."

Polawski said many of the people in Burlington commute back and forth from New York, and some of her classmates lost family members.

"It was so spooky, like a scary and profound kind of quiet," she said. "People are pretty tight knit, and you could feel their sadness and their loss."

When she came home her mother was on the phone with relatives in North Carolina gathering assurances that all of their family was OK. She said it's the distance that can drive a person crazy under those circumstances.

"I spent I don't even know how long staring at the television watching the buildings fall over and over," Polawski said. "I don't know when I realized I had seen so many people die. I must have been a little older."

Thinking of all the ways her life has been affected by Sept. 11, Polawski said she believes that by living through it she has been made more aware of the world around her and is less naïve than she would be otherwise.

"It made me so unsure. No one likes to lose their safety net," she said.

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UI puts breaks on hiring

Lianna Shepherd
Argonaut

One day after the University of Idaho released 10-day numbers publicizing the increase of enrollment, Steven Daley-Laursen, interim president, announced the university will pause hiring for fall semester and leave vacant positions open.

"Roughly \$1.3 million is what we owe the state because of our past sins," said Doug Baker, provost for academic affairs. "That's one of the reasons we have to be really fiscally responsible with our hiring, so we can pay the bills."

According to the Moscow-Pullman Daily News, approximately \$296 million of UI's budget goes toward hiring, paying and outfitting employees each year.

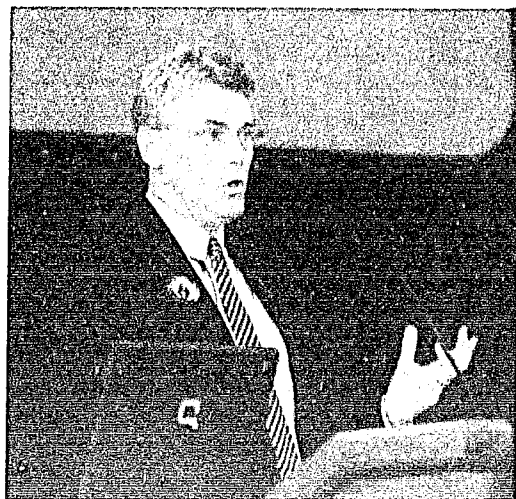
Daley-Laursen said any money saved will be used for "strategic investments" in other areas of the university. Those investments have yet to be determined, but he said faculty will have a large role in determining where to put the money.

The new hiring practice hopes to alleviate the strain on the university's wallet after projections that state appropriation, which accounts for 37 percent of the university's total budget, will be \$1.3 million less this year.

Over the summer, UI hired 80 new faculty and administrators for the fall semester.

This decision is based on the Enrollment Workload Adjustment, a score every university is given each year based on its enrollment.

The EWA is the formula the legislature uses to appropriate money to all the universities and colleges throughout the state. It is measured on a three-year scale and determines whether money is added or subtracted from a



Nick Groff/Argonaut

University of Idaho Interim President Steven Daley-Laursen announces a hiring freeze for fall semester during his fall address Wednesday afternoon in the Administration Auditorium.

school's appropriation.

"We have one more year of pain," Daley-Laursen said. "The enrollment workload adjustment is on a lag."

From 2003 to 2007, overall enrollment at the UI decreased by 5.51 percent.

"The last three years we've had increase in undergraduate classes," Baker said. "But we're refilling a pipe that was not full."

All positions that are currently in the process

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Enrollment numbers reach higher level

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After years of struggle, the University of Idaho has seen an increase in student enrollment both among freshmen and graduate students.

A total of 10,667 students are enrolled at the Moscow campus for the fall semester, an increase of 118 students over last fall's head count of 10,549 students. This is the first enrollment increase since 2003.

"We've been very focused on recruitment and retention in the last few years," said Jeanne Christiansen, vice provost for academic affairs. "This is a product of that focus."

From 2003 to 2007, overall enrollment at UI diminished by 5.51 percent. Idaho State University saw a similar decrease, while Boise State University saw a 6.72-percent increase over the same period. Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston saw an increase of 7.89 percent over the period.

In-state enrollment is important partially because of a school's desire to reach a specific full time equivalency. The FTE numbers determine how much funding a college will receive from the state.

The percentage of students re-

cruited from in state vs. out of state is currently unknown. However, only in-state students are counted in FTE numbers, and an FTE takes the total of full-time credit loads to determine how much a school will be allotted.

Every percent of enrollment is worth around \$500,000 in FTE.

Graduate school numbers also saw an increase of 23.9 percent — a fact that Christiansen said is a true tribute to the university.

"We have always been committed to providing students with what they need to be successful, but our graduate numbers are proof of our commitment to scholarship," she said.

Higher graduate numbers are particularly encouraging one year after the release of the Yardley Report, a document commissioned by UI almost two years ago to examine the university's graduate education.

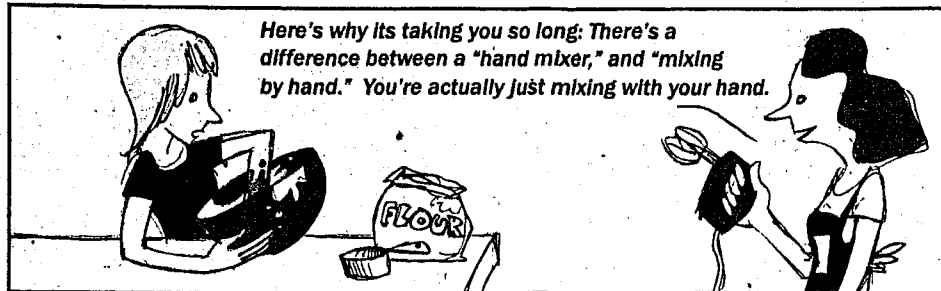
In February, Margrit von Braun, dean of the College of Graduate Studies, said the need to commission the report stemmed from several factors, including a 20 percent drop in graduate studies in recent years.

Yardley collected data from interviews with faculty, administrators

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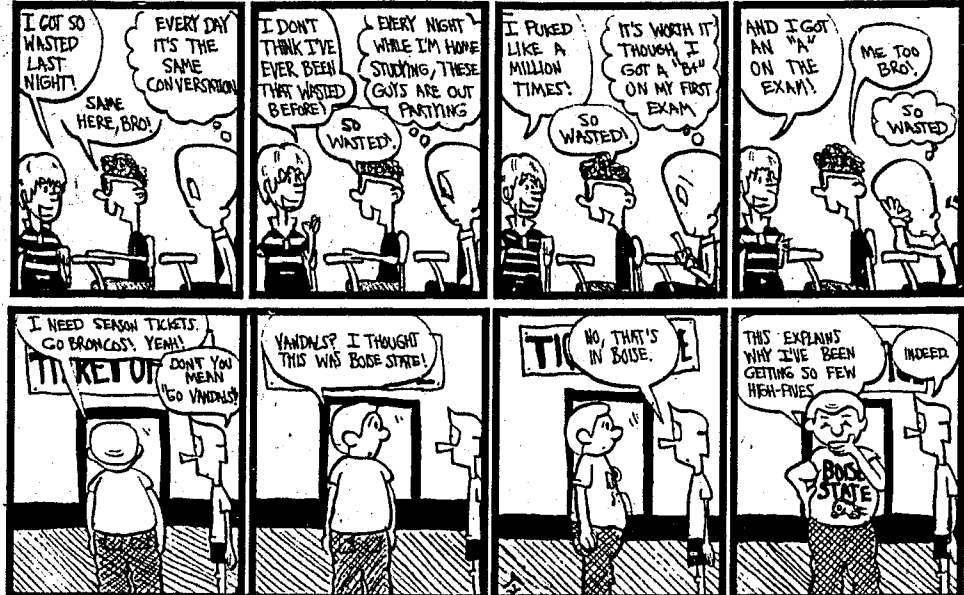
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CAMPUS PROFILE

Born: June 23, 1951
Hometown: Portland, Oregon
Best administrator to work with: One with energy & principle
Favorite memory of being president so far: Connecting with my fellow university president
Goal for the upcoming year: Make strategic investments in people & programs
Advice for successor: Be strategic & engage
Coolest thing in your office: The art.
Dream classic car: I don't have one
How did you propose to your wife: on a fire blanket, with fireworks above at park in Montana
Soda you drink most often: I don't drink sodas.
Best method to cook a potato: Baked.
Favorite band in college: Led Zepplin / Beatles
TV show you can't miss: Great Performances, PBS
Which is better? Braveheart or Gladiator? Braveheart
Worst fashion mistake you've made: Being alive in the 70s!
Current stress/worry: Not enough time in the sun making more nature conservancy.
Charity you'd most like to donate to: The Common Pride that we are leaders.
Best part about being a Vandal:



Steven Daley-Laursen
UI President

Crossword

Across

- Fever
- Banner
- Articulated
- Upon
- Misleading term, for short
- Aptly
- Constructed
- Hindu princesses
- Golden residents
- Theatrical Act, climbing plant
- Angers
- Barnet
- Focal product
- Excellent!
- Prescheduled fights
- Cowboy show
- Fr. okay
- Teas
- Inferior
- Ceremonial elegance
- Apply
- Road fees
- Sp. houses
- Tower rooms
- Valleys
- Fired up
- monster
- Part of a script
- Berserk
- Headset
- Division word
- Not my
- Rapels
- Citizen follower
- Epochs
- Fr. painter Bonheur
- Young lady

Down

- Dinner choice
- And others (Lat.)
- Soft drink
- Score on TV offerings
- Wears out
- Solitary
- In the middle of
- Transparent
- CA volcanic mountain peak
- Venti opens
- The Terrible
- GOP rival
- Groom with elaborate care
- Malay dagger
- Disentangle
- Pretense
- Drive back
- Chain feature, at times
- Korean date
- Stripout
- Machete
- another
- Yelps
- Thrust
- Function
- Dawdler
- Impressive, as so subtle
- Mark course, for short
- See 38 Down
- Some cereal
- Fests
- Mr. Gault
- Air pollution
- Chant
- Display
- Wife of Oedipus
- Peruvian Indian
- Heater icon
- Acts of ascent
- I.2. collection

Sudoku

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CORRECTIONS:
In the Sept. 9 edition, Greg Tatham was misquoted in the article "Pharmacist shortage leads to shutdown." He said "It was just really bad timing, and it got out of our control," not "out of control."
Also, in the same article, the pharmacy was said to open Sept. 25. It will be open Sept. 22.
The Argonaut apologizes for any confusion.

Solutions

Grid solutions for the crossword puzzle.

Moscow police buildings tagged

Greg Connolly
Argonaut

During the night of Aug. 29, the Moscow Police Department's main building and the campus substation were tagged with spray paint.

The message on both buildings was the same: the numbers 18 and 21 were painted on the buildings with a slash in between them and a question mark afterwards.

"We assume it has something to do with the drinking age," said Lt. Dave Lehmitz of the Moscow Police Department.

He said recent talk of lowering the drinking age in the news may have had something to do with it, but at this point, it's just speculation.

The actual tagging isn't large, so the building's maintenance division cleaned it off the side of the main police station shortly after the tagging. UI Facilities hasn't removed the paint from the substation.

"Every once in a while we'll get some tagging on the alley part of the police station," Lehmitz said.

It's uncommon for any other part of the police station or the substation to be tagged.

Tagging a public building is a misdemeanor and falls under the guise of injury to property. The maximum penalty is a \$1,000 fine and one year in jail.

The Latah County Sheriff's Office is the only other law enforcement building in the city of Moscow and appears to be the only one that didn't get tagged.

Lehmitz isn't aware of any student groups or organizations on campus that are working to lower the drinking age.

Lehmitz said the number of drinking tickets being handed out hasn't grown any this year from where it has been in previous years.

"This is the most active part of the year for handing out drinking tickets," he said. "Everybody is coming back to school and seeing their

friends for the first time in a while, and they want to party."

The east side of the police station, facing Washington Street, was where the tagging took place. On the substation, the western side of the building facing Line Street was tagged.

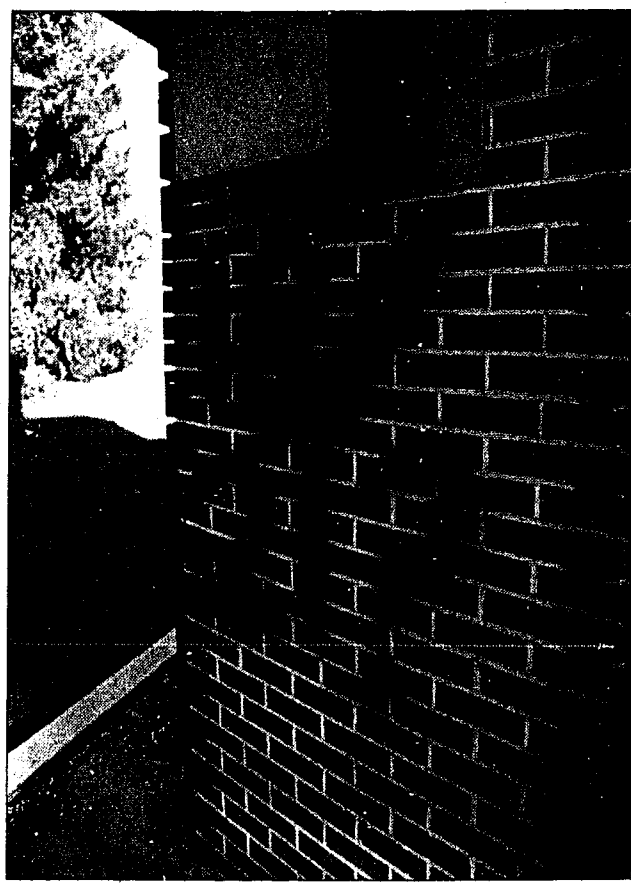
Currently there is no reward for information leading to the people responsible for the tagging.

Each year the campus is tagged several times, mostly with stencils, Lehmitz explained.

"It's disrespectful. It requires people to come out and clean it up," he said.

If someone wants to come forward with information, they can call the Latah County drug tip hotline. Contrary to the name, this hotline can be used to report any information about any crime in Latah County.

The hotline is run by a third party organization, so law enforcement authorities have no way of finding out who left the information unless the caller chooses to leave their name.



Nick Groff/Argonaut
Graffiti supposedly questioning the drinking age was tagged on the Moscow Police campus substation Aug. 29. The maximum penalty is a \$1,000 fine and one year in jail. Anyone with any information is encouraged to call 892-3898.

Organic milk may not have advantages

Alexiss Turner
Argonaut

Holding a carton of soy milk in his hands, he reads ingredients from the label: crushed soybeans and vanilla extract.

His concentration breaks at the most prominent

tose or milk sugar," he said, shaking the empty carton. "This—is not milk."

Whether it is from cows, humans or another animal, Mammary Lactation Scientist Mark McGuire knows his milk. He has been a professor at the University of Idaho for 14 years studying the popular beliefs dictate milk choice.

McGuire said he may know the facts, but his main concern is consumers know what they're purchasing off the shelf.

"Sometimes we (scientists) hide in our labs," he said. "We need to tell people what we're doing and what the ultimate goals are." McGuire presented his views to a packed floor last Tuesday during the Science on Tap feature at the Coeur d'Alene Brewing Co. Laurie Hassell, regional manager of the Northwest Association

for Biomedical Research, an organization that sponsors the lecture, said faculty, students and concerned mothers from around the area showed up to ask questions.

"Everyone wanted specific information," she said.

During his speech, McGuire went through ingredients of popular milk choices and outlined the proper way to read labels.

He said consumers tend

to rely too heavily on the way a product is marketed to make their decisions.

Moscow Co-op employee Beth Schultz said even with prices rising to \$7 a gallon, she sees organic milk pass through the checkout line frequently.

The Co-op goes through a full 4-foot-wide array of organic milk stacked as tall as the average worker every two days, said Kevin Clegg, an employee of six months. He said most shoppers choose organic milk because it contains fewer hormones.

"Hormones trickle down from cows into their milk just like in humans," he said.

A popular hormone used in producing milk is RBST or recombinant bovine somatotropin, a growth hormone approved by the Food and Drug Administration to increase milk production in cows by 10 percent. According to the FDA web site, during its approval process in 1993, the FDA determined there was no significant difference between milk from RBST-treated and RBST-free cows.

Labels indicating organic milk as a healthier choice because it comes from open-range cattle without man-made additions like herbicides, pesticides and antibiotics, doesn't mean the milk produced is any cleaner than the regular choice, McGuire said.

All shipments of milk are approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture before being shipped to consumers, McGuire said. Each shipment meets the same requirements as the next.

"All milk is milk," he said.

"They're not different."

McGuire said many cows on organic farms are denied antibiotics for long periods of time, risking the life of the cow as well as milk production.

The main reason these facts go unnoticed, McGuire said, is because of the way milk products are marketed. He said regular milk is the produced in the cheapest and most efficient process.

Glass containers were replaced with plastic to not only decrease shipping costs, but to guard against the loss of essential B vitamins from sunlight exposure.

McGuire said these new, bland containers may be cheaper, but they tend to give regular milk less appeal than alternative milk choices with bright logos and false claims.

McGuire said regular milk is in desperate need of a new campaign to attract consumers.

"We've got the milk mustache," he said. "But in the marketplace, what do we have?"

McGuire said he does agree there are some advantages to milk alternatives like soy and rice, but

regular milk still leads as the best and densest source of calcium available.

"Soy is a competitor," he said. "But it's just as competitive as coke or any soda."

An up and coming choice in the industry has been raw milk, or unpasteurized milk that is not heated to destroy specific bacteria.

Milk is pasteurized to safeguard consumers from bacteria that may be harmful to them without previous contact.

McGuire said he considers the consumption of

unpasteurized milk to be dangerous, something he would not want his family drinking.

"Modern dairy practices produce clean milk," he said. "But it's not sterile."

Another tactic, ultra high temperature, is now being used to pasteurize milk.

This method produces milk powder with a shelf life of about nine months. McGuire said this method is helpful in areas of the world where refrigeration isn't prevalent.

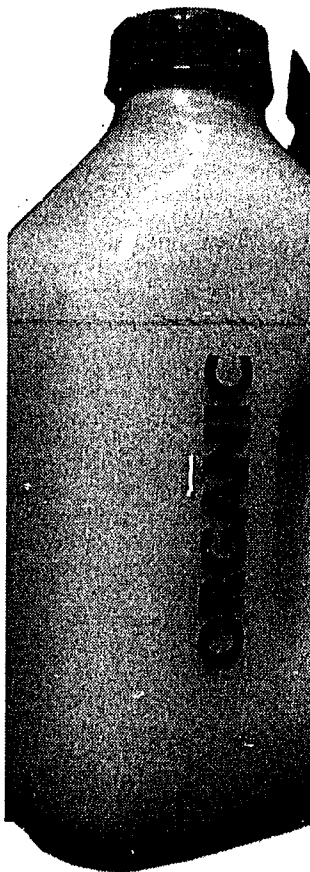


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ingredient — filtered water, and he lifts his head to speak.

"That's just water," he said and continues, listing vitamins A, and B, sea salt and evaporated cane juice.

"The definition of milk is something that contains lac-

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Satanism meets espionage at UI

History professor uses interdisciplinary colloquium to share new insights into espionage and occultism

Sarah Yama
Argonaut

Aleister Crowley's name is often paired with Satanism or the "The Great Beast," but a recent lecture given at the University Interdisciplinary Colloquium by Richard Spence, chair of the University of Idaho history department, argued there was more to the man than occultism including a world of secret identities and espionage.

"Aleister Crowley is the poster child for modern occultism," Spence said. "But I believe calling him a Satanist is going too far."

Crowley is generally known to have practiced in several cults one of which is the Ordo Templi Orientis. He is even noted for writing The Book of the Law, or the sacred text of Thelema.

He was called 'The Great Beast' or '666'.

"The name, 'The Great Beast' is actually a name

his mother gave him," Spence said. "Crowley grew up in a very strict Christian household."

In Spence's book, "Secret Agent 666: Aleister Crowley," British Intelligence and Occult, he explains the path Crowley travels in this time period and the acts he performs while being involved in espionage. In the lecture, Spence described Crowley's role as an "Irishman" and his relation to the Germans.

Spence's extensive research did not focus upon Crowley's practices, but rather Crowley's link with British intelligence. Crowley's practices, however, did play a key part in his job as a spy.

"Crowley was an Englishman who in fact was employed by the British government during World War I," said Spence, "He was involved in a culture of secrecy."

Crowley posed as an Irishman and began writ-

ing German propaganda, which caused many of the British to label him as a traitor. Spence said this hurt Crowley who later said, "... his actions were all in England's service."

Crowley wrote the extremist propaganda for key reasons.

"Crowley wrote over the top stuff, making the Germans look blood thirsty and destroying credibility," Spence said. "It also allowed him to touch on German sabotage and plant a bug in the media room."

According to Spence, its unrealistic to believe Crowley's credibility with the German was founded upon the fact he was posing as an Irishman. Ireland was part of the United Kingdom during the first World War and over 200,000 of its citizens were serving with the British.

Spence said the reason Crowley had such credibility and was not exposed

as a spy, was in fact due to an occultist relationship.

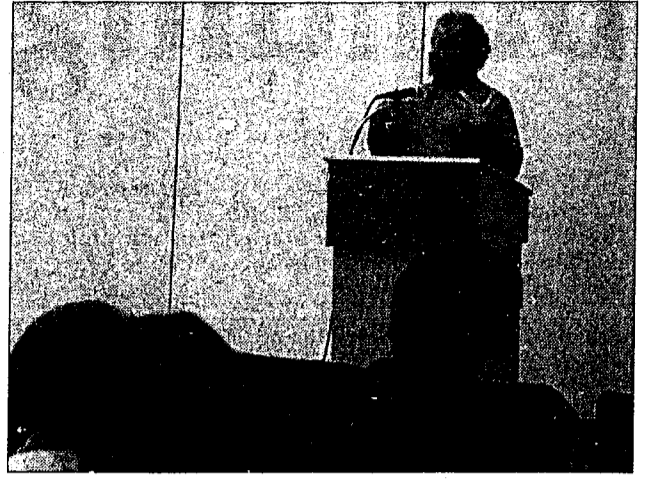
"A Kaiser intelligence operative adviser was part of a cultist society Crowley was accepted into," he said. "This gave him credibility."

Crowley was accepted into the OTO. Spence further explains the relationship between the world of intelligence and secret societies in his novel.

He is also the author of many other books dealing with espionage such as "Trust no one: The secret life of Snide Reilly," and other biographies featuring characters of espionage such as: Boris Savinkov, Kurt Kalamatiano and Sergius Riis, Jahnke, Xenophon.

The University Interdisciplinary Colloquium is a series of lectures featuring different members of the UI faculty and staff from different disciplines.

All of the lectures given are on specific topics and explore subjects and methodologies that define the disciplines each



Jake Barber/Argonaut
Professor of history Richard Spence presents "On the Track of the Beast: Uncovering Aleister Crowley's Intelligence Connections" as part of the University Interdisciplinary Colloquium in the Whitewater Room of the Idaho Commons Tuesday.

speaker works within, the main goal being interdisciplinary cooperation.

The University Interdisciplinary Colloquium will run until Dec. 2. The next lecture will feature Steve Krone, professor of Mathematics and Initiative for Bioinformatics

and Evolutionary Studies on "How many biologists does it take to Change a Mathematician?"

The event will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday in the Whitewater Room in the Idaho Commons.

All lectures are sponsored by the UI Research Office.

CALENDAR

Friday

Get Involved Fair
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Idaho Commons Plaza

UI Women's Soccer vs. Wyoming
3 p.m.
Guy Wicks Field

Saturday

UI football vs. Western Michigan University
2 p.m.

Kibbie Dome

Rose Creek Volunteer
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Rose Creek Nature Preserve

Artist Studio Event
Phase I: Foundation
9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
PCEI Nature Center

Second Annual Moscow Bike Swap
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
East City Park

Sunday

Watercolor Workshop on Color

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Latah County Fairgrounds Main Building

Monday

Dissertation: "The Limits of Progressive Multiple Sequence Alignment"
10:30 a.m.
PEB, room 201

Foreign Film Series: "Persepolis"
7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Borah Theater

Local/BRIEFS

New disability van offered

Beginning on Sept. 15, the Vandal Access Shuttle will provide transportation for disabled students and the elderly, so they can get from one end of campus to the other in a more efficient manner.

The shuttle is being funded by a grant from the Idaho Dept. of Transportation, and the cost of running it is being provided by ASUI.

Operational funding for the shuttle is provided by matriculated fee of \$2.65 per student per semester, as well as the Idaho Transportation Department, Idaho Commons / Student Union Building, Academic Affairs, Disability Support Services, Dean of Students, and the Human Rights Compliance Office.

The shuttle will function on a fixed-route schedule, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with the exception of university holidays and academic breaks.

Dance the night away

The Palouse Promenaders Square and Round Dance Club is sponsoring a Welcome to Square and Round Dance party Sept. 23, Oct. 7 and 14 at 110 S. Blaine St.

The sessions are free and open to the public. Couples and singles are welcome with no dance knowledge required. For more information, call (509) 332-7781

or 882-8366.

West Wing opens today

The opening of 1912 West Wing will be at 5 p.m. Friday at 412 E. Third Street. This is the first time West Wing has been opened for the public.

At 5 p.m. there will be tours, hors d'oeuvres, wine, music and discussion of the construction. West Wing will host a formal program dedicating a room to the arts for businesses and unveiling a memorial will follow tours.

YouTube features contest

Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting, YouTube, Sony and Intel launched a contest encouraging journalists to report on stories in the community that usually are not told.

The winner of the contest will receive a \$10,000 grant, a Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting fellowship, a Sony and Intel camera and editing equipment.

The 10 semi-finalists will receive high-end video equipment and laptops from Sony and will be featured on the YouTube Web site.

There will be three rounds in the contest, with the first round ending Oct. 5. During each round, interested reporters will be given an assignment. The assignments give reporters an opportunity to report on important people, issues and communities.

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David Pierce

The wild white hair and pale blue eyes of David Pierce give his already-aged features a look of wistful joy as he cheerily saunters through the halls.

The 71-year-old isn't your typical student, but he said he has a passion for learning. "I came to Moscow in 2005," he said. "I loved the idea of coming to a university town."

That Tuesday, Pierce was at work in the State Office Building in Baltimore. He said the first inkling something was happening came just after 9 a.m. when his office mate said to turn on the radio.

He heard the news a plane had crashed into the Pentagon and with Baltimore being only 35 miles from Washington — he said they were generally frightened.

"The news reports were already calling the 'attack' a terrorist attack," he said. "Were we at risk in a large state office building? We didn't know but many people were afraid that our building could also be under attack."

He said some of his colleagues went home early to check on their families but for the most part, they stayed and busily worked moving medical samples to across the street in case of attack.

That evening he said he sat down at the computer and wrote.

"I knew that I needed to write something be-

cause it was the most important event I had ever lived through," Pierce said. "And I remember the end of World War II, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and the massacre at Kent State. This was far more significant and I think we all knew it."

The next week he went on vacation and drove the 150 miles from Baltimore to Williamsburg.

"I have never seen so many American flags," Pierce said. "Every bridge over the interstates had flags. Waving from the railings, hanging from the sides. And there wasn't just one or two, it was more like twenty or thirty."

He said Williamsburg was hushed when he arrived, but full of people who wanted to remind themselves of the nation's history.

"Suddenly, everywhere you looked people were wearing small American flag pins," Pierce said. "I remember I had a hard time finding one to buy so I could wear one too."

Christina Ziegler

Senior Christina Ziegler wasn't accustomed to sleeping in front of the television and still remembers the dream she was having.

"I saw people jumping off a building and landing on each other," she said. "When I woke up I saw the first plane hit, the second plane came while I watched the news."

She was living in Lewiston and said as an American Indian she feels she was better prepared for what followed.

"I think it's made me accustomed to being told things without being given

a reason," Ziegler said. "A lot of evil things happen in the world and we're not exempt. I think I came to terms with that faster than other people."

Ziegler is a mother of two and said she realizes her children won't remember a pre-Sept. 11th world. She said she doesn't worry about their future because of what she observed in the aftermath.

"What we went through as a country was rough, but we handled it as a country," she said. "We didn't just sit and wait stunned, we could have but we didn't. That's what makes us stronger, we're able to recover."

In Lewiston she said there was an increased sense of patriotism, and the community banded closer together than they had been before. However, she said the years that followed changed her perception in some ways.

"I think in terms of emergency," she said. "I keep a 72-hour kit and I know where it is along with the granola bars. After a while though, it just becomes part of living from day to day."

HIRING

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of being filled will be staffed, but future vacancies will be left open, he said during his fall address to faculty, staff and students at the Moscow campus.

Four of the university's vice presidents will now have to approve all new hires.

Daley-Laursen said he doesn't yet know how much money UI hopes to save during the hiring pause and according to Lloyd Mues, vice president of finance and administration, that number won't be available soon.

"The truth is the resources we have don't meet our needs," Daley-Laursen said. "Some of it's up to us to generate those resources and some of it's us doing what we need to do to request those resources."

SenateREPORT

Open Forum
None

Presidential Communications
ASUI President Garrett Holbrook told members of the senate that he met with the Bookstore Advisory Committee about its future plans.

He wanted to recognize the senators that attended University of Idaho President Steven Daley-Larsen's welcome back address. Holbrook asked Senators to consider bills F08-23, F08-24 and F08-25.

Unfinished business

F08-22, an act at allocating funds from the ASUI general reserve to the ASUI pregame concert series, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

New business Bills

F08-23, an act appointing Ashley Cochran

to the position of ASUI promotions coordinator, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

F08-24, an act appointing Anna Marie Limbaugh to the position of ASUI presidential policy adviser, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

F08-25, an act appointing Chris Shirts to the position of ASUI vice president adjutant, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

F08-26, an act providing for the assignment of senators to living groups, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

Resolutions

F08-02, a resolution recognizing the staff of the University of Idaho, was immediately considered and unanimously passed.

Vetoed Bills
None

—Cyrilla Watson

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and students, external program reviews and then compared UI to peer universities and programs and also examined factors such as student-to-faculty ratios,

GRE scores, GPAs, research funding and research space.

"The Yardley Report has some language that some people have described as inflammatory and insulting," said Steven Daley-Laursen, interim president. "But there were some nuggets in there. The Yardley Report has served us well."

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OurVIEW

Enrollment is money

The 10-day overall enrollment numbers are in, and for the first time in awhile, the University of Idaho can breathe a sigh of relief. But administrators, faculty and students should recognize the university's problems haven't been completely stabilized.

The overall enrollment numbers for the fall 2008 semester are up for the first time since 2003.

Unpredictable numbers of incoming freshmen, minority and graduate students have plagued the university and led to financial instability for the last five years.

While this year's numbers are encouraging, it is still uncertain if an overall increase in enrollment is a developing trend or happenstance.

A university's enrollment numbers are critical to finding a firm financial ground.

A school's full-time equivalency — or the total number of students' of full-time credit loads — determines how much money the state of Idaho will give to the university.

Every enrollment percent increase is an approximate \$500,000 in state funds coming into UI.

In the last four years, UI experienced a 5.51 percent drop in overall enrollment.

UI has been developing plans such as targeting more out of state students and students from smaller rural communities to get students to attend this university. Now is the time for the university to push for larger incentives to get them to stay here.

It must continue to improve educational programs that offer comparable real-life work experience.

It must continue to recruit students and faculty that will promote a diverse campus community.

It must continue to focus on providing interdisciplinary studies to produce students with more understanding and more marketable skills.

It is critical for the university to continue focused efforts on recruitment, but the retention of the newly recruited is paramount.

It is encouraging to be in a better situation now than in the past, but focusing on keeping students here can only lead to a more stable future.

— CL

Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Switzer-vacuum

The Large Hadron Collider was turned on Wednesday in Switzerland, and we weren't sucked into a black hole as a result. Until it does, I will be religiously checking <http://hassthehadroncolliderdestroyedtheworldyet.com> for updates.

— Holly

Let's all play nice

After several failed fair elections in Zimbabwe, the country has come to a power sharing agreement between current president, Robert Mugabe, and candidate Nkempile Mabuse. Wait, Mugabe is sharing power? Mugabe — the guy who epitomizes tyranny, corruption and who rigged the elections in the first place? Huh? I just don't buy it.

— Sydney

The happiest place

Last night my roommate and I began planning for Spring Break. Most college kids head to some far-off exotic destination. Not us. We're going to Disneyland. Sure, there will be drunken debauchery at night, but at least we'll be spending our days hung over with the likes of Mickey, Cinderella and Eeyore. Beat that, party people.

— Christina

Dirty, sexy, oily money

An Interior Department investigation found agents at a big-oil royalty collection service allegedly "partying, having sex, using drugs and accepting gifts from oil company representatives." That's tough. It's going to be hard for Sen. McCain to argue that we should press offshore drilling and avoid taxing Exxon when he's fighting the mental image of oil execs yanking the dollars out of our hands and rolling them up to hit a line of blow.

— Kevin

Missed chances

I was just informed that the Latah County Fair is happening at this very moment. Sadly, I don't have time to go and visit the animals, which is obviously the best part. The booths and rides are okay, but I go for the livestock. Especially the llamas.

— Lulu

I'll just have to pretend

I would really like to study abroad some day. I am currently learning Russian, and I was pretty stoked when I found out there was an exchange program offered through an affiliate of UI that takes you to the University of St. Petersburg for a semester. All that excitement died a little, however, when I saw the price tag of \$10,500. I've got enough student loans as it is, so I think I'll just have to wait on that one.

— Jake

Change of heart

At the beginning of the year I was really upset about a dress code being enforced in one of my classrooms. But three weeks into the semester, I actually enjoy it. It makes me take that day's classes more seriously because I have taken the time to get ready for them. I still enjoy my sweats but appreciate the high heels and professional shirts.

— Alexis

The man in black

Someone told me never to wear white after Labor Day. Why couldn't one make the case that in a cyclical year every day is technically after Labor Day? I mean what if, heaven forbid, I ever find someone crazy enough to marry me, and I want a nice October wedding? Does my bride have to wear a burnt sienna dress? I guess the only solution is to burn my white clothes and go Johnny Cash on everyone's ass.

— Levi

Palin: a feminist's headache

Anne-Marije Rook
Argonaut

Sarah Palin has been a real headache for feminists in this country. One-third of the time they want to defend her and her right to have a family and a successful career at the same time, yet two-thirds of the time they want to cry out in disbelief over all this faux-feminist stands for.

Just last week, Benjamin Ledford questioned in his Argonaut column if it is "really a good thing for her to be devoting all her time and energy to the campaign and possibly the office of vice president? McCain said in his announcement Palin is exactly who this country needs. Maybe that's true, but even if it is, do we need her

more than her children do?"

Really? Are we still, in this day, of the belief that women belong at home with their children? Unfortunately, he is not alone in this thinking. Mainstream media and critiques are raising the same question. What they fail to recognize is that argument would alienate the majority of American women who juggle a family and a career every day just like Palin does, though without the excellent benefits, paycheck and access to health care that Palin enjoys. Women have been performing this balancing act for years, so why would it be any different for a VP?

Even after all the ridicule and misogyny Hillary Clinton battled to win 18 million votes, we're right back to the "are

women competent enough to run this country" debate.

Luckily for Palin, her VP nomination wasn't so much about competence as it was about ideology. The GOP needed to get some diversity of its own for this historic debate, so it turned a blind eye to Palin's zero background in national and foreign policy issues (she has one month to prove how this will compete with Sen. Joe Biden's 37 years experience) and looked at the image she'll portray instead — that the GOP can be just as diverse and support women politicians. The ulterior motive of course is to reel in the 18 million disgruntled Clinton voters. But as Gloria Steinem penned in her L.A. Times op-ed titled "Wrong Woman, Wrong Message," "Palin shares nothing but a chromosome with Clinton."

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Secularism is an American value

"Secularism" has become something of a dirty word in the American political dialogue. For many, the word conjures images of Stalinist, godless government that actively inhibits religion. Nothing could be further from the truth.

A secular government does not inhibit religion in any way. On the contrary, secularism is a policy that exists specifically to protect the freedom of all ideas, creeds and modes of worship. Secularism keeps religion out of your government, but just as importantly, it keeps the government out of your church.

Secularism is not atheism. You may be an evangelical secularist or a Muslim secularist. There is no contradiction. Secularism is an effective public policy, not a private belief.

Secularism is a conservative value because it affirms personal identity and limits government.

Secularism is a liberal value in that it preserves personal freedom. Most importantly, secularism is an American value that is explicitly mandated by our Constitution.

Christopher Dennis
senior, physics

The business of sports

The athletic director of the University of Idaho should be fired.

For money, the director scheduled the Vandal football team to play a PAC-10 opponent in Tuscon, Ariz. It was a humiliation for the team and the university.

Again, for money, the director has scheduled PAC-10 opponents for 2009 and 2010. The result will be the same, but money will be realized.

This is not intercollegiate athletics. This is a business masquerading as college athletics.

S.A. Kolman
Green Valley, Ariz.
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Atheist authors don't impress me

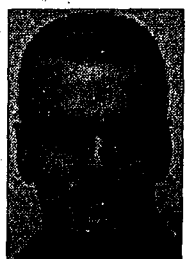
In the past few years, there seems to have been a revival of what many call "popular-atheism." At the front of this movement are several well-known atheists — Sam Harris, Christopher Hitchens and Richard Dawkins — each with his own bestselling book attacking religion. Being an inquisitive, aspiring young thinker, I decided I would find the best books and examine them thoroughly in order to give contemporary atheism its best hearing.

I began with Hitchens' book, titled "God is Not Great: How Religion Poisons Everything," and the book doesn't go into much more depth than its title. After reading for a while, I got sick of the rhetoric, insults and lack of argumentation, and I decided it would not be fair to judge contemporary atheism by Hitchens and that I had better look elsewhere.

I was telling a friend — an intelligent and friendly atheist — about my disappointment with Hitchens, and he told me that "The God Delusion" by Dawkins was good and suggested I read it. I did, and here's what

I think.

"The God Delusion" is, in Dawkins' own words, his "full frontal attack on religion." It includes rebuttals to arguments for God's existence, Dawkins' reasons for disbelieving in God, an explanation of morality without God, how religion came to be, why religion is bad and why we shouldn't teach it to our children. I read the whole thing, but what interested me most, of course, were his arguments against God's existence because the rest of the book hinges on them.



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I'll cut to the chase: I wasn't impressed. Although Dawkins is polished and sounds very intelligent, the more I read, the more it

became clear to me he is really not qualified to write on many or most of the issues contained in the book. He is an amateur philosopher at best, and when addressing morality and arguments for God's existence, he either misunderstands the issues or else fails to give an answer altogether. In Chapter 4, titled "Why There Almost Certainly is No God," he

presents his argument for disbelieving in God.

His argument can be summarized in three points. Point 1: the world looks like it was designed. Point 2: the biological sciences use the theory of evolution. Point 3: therefore, God does not exist. I am not sure how those points even relate, let alone disprove God. I would like to reassure you that I am not going out of my way to make his case seem weak; when you boil it down, that is the complete argument.

We have to remember while Dawkins is a respected biologist, he has no credentials in the areas of philosophy, sociology, the history of religion, textual criticism or theology, despite writing about them.

This book is not a serious challenge to anyone who believes in God. If someone is persuaded by arguments in "The God Delusion," then I would have to say that he or she didn't understand the issues in the first place because Dawkins clearly doesn't, and his reasoning reflects it.

I guess my search will have to continue. I think I will read Harris' "Letter to a Christian Nation" next, but I have to admit that my expectations aren't all that high anymore.

UI is serious place of learning

This letter originally appeared in Thursday's Wall Street Journal.

I'm content to leave political analysis of Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, recently chosen as Sen. John McCain's running mate, to those who make a living doing such things. I must, however, take a bit of good-natured exception to a reference in Daniel Henninger's "What's So Special About Sarah?" (Wonder Land, Sept. 4), where he says (or implies that someone has said) that Gov. Palin graduated "from a no-name university." That would be, of course, the University of Idaho, where we proudly celebrate a 120-year legacy of leadership for our state and nation.

UI is consistently recognized among the "top national, doctoral-granting universities" in the country by U.S. News & World Report. We are ranked in the top half of

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UI is a national research institution and attracts outstanding faculty and students to study in our world-class labs and facilities; and with a 16-to-1 student-faculty ratio, that means you will actually get to use those resources and connect with faculty from day one. We are also the first public university to receive the prestigious National Medal of Arts for our Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival.

A no-name university? Not really. More correctly, UI is a distinguished research university preparing leaders for today and the future.

Steven Daley-Laursen
President, UI

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faux-feminist, pro-life group called "Feminists for Life," Palin might be a maverick Republican, but she stands for all the things Clinton (and Obama) are against. In picking Palin, Republicans are giving credence to the horribly sexist assumption that women voters will vote based solely on gender. This family-values,

ice-fishing, god-fearing, pistol-packing hockey-mom might fit in nicely with the patriarchal ideal of a "strong" woman, but as long as she stands by a man with strong anti-woman policies and who opposes equal pay, universal health care and reproductive freedom, she's everything but a positive sign for women.

Anyone who thinks Palin is a feminist and that women should rejoice in her VP nomination might want to think again. Feminism, after all, is the fight

for gender equality and women's rights. Palin, however, opposes almost every issue women need and want.

She's all for bringing women's reproduction rights to a screeching halt. She's against marriage equality and supported the 1998 constitutional ban on gay marriages, yet she states that she has gay friends.

As far as education goes, she believes creationism should be taught in public schools and approves abstinence-only pro-

grams. She's for oil drilling and doesn't think global warming is human-made. As a proud lifetime member of the National Rifle Association, she opposes gun control yet supports government control of women's bodies.

The latter is perhaps the biggest issue that proves Palin is anything but a progressive choice for women. Not only does she believe if a woman is impregnated by rape or incest she should bear the child, she also supports charging victims for their own rape kits.

Yes, the Frontiersman, a Wasilla, Alaska, newspaper, reported that while Palin was mayor of Wasilla, police billed rape victims for their own sexual assault forensic evidence kits, which were used to collect DNA that can be used in criminal proceedings.

I applaud her effort to have a career and a family at the same time, and I'm thrilled to see women politicians rising to the top, but let it be known that a vote for Palin is not a vote for women's rights.

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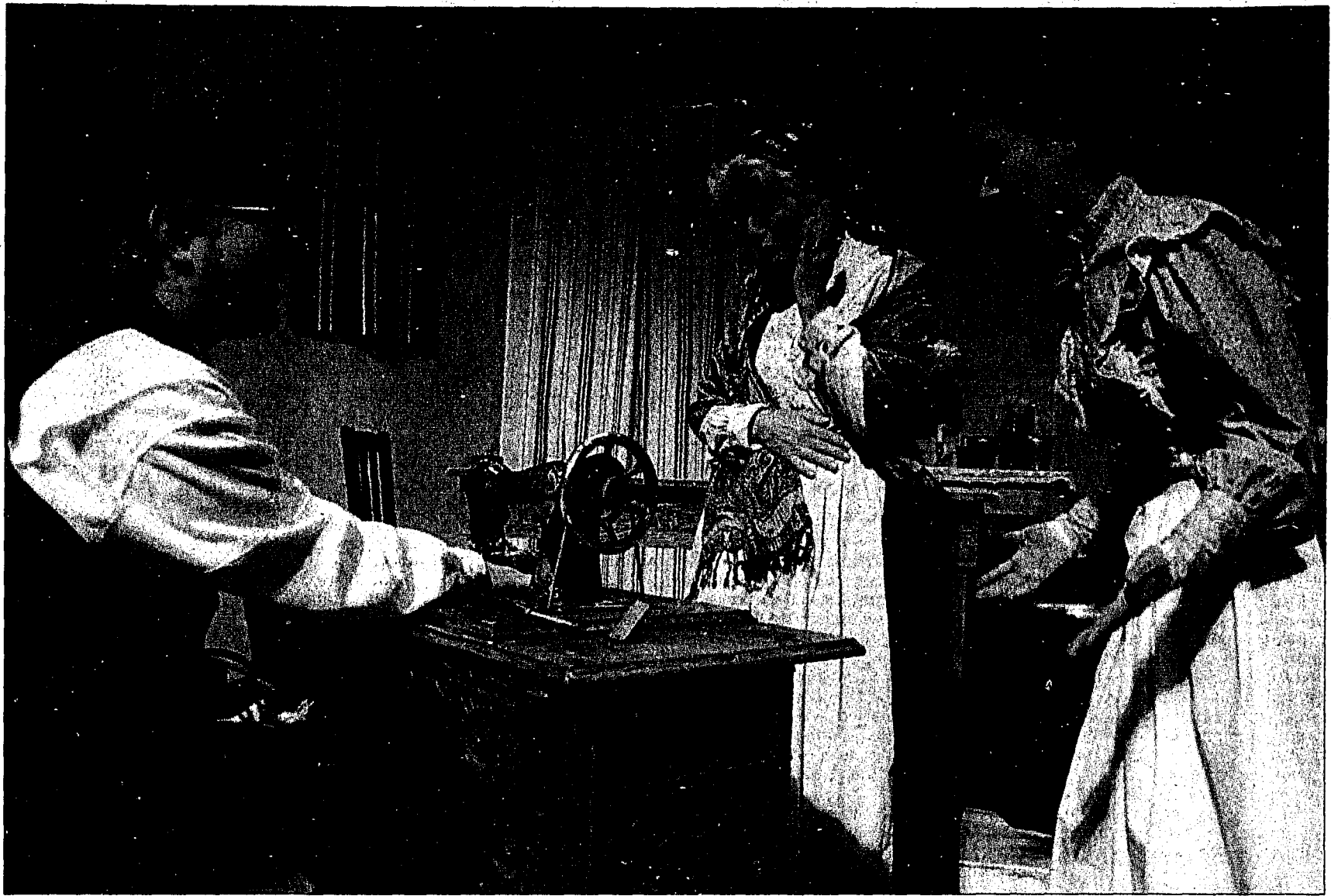
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Darin Mitchem, left, University of Idaho College of Natural Resources professor Lauren Fins, center, and Jessica Mitchem act out a scene from the play "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Beasley Performing Arts Coliseum in Pullman on Wednesday. Jake Barber/Argonaut

'Fiddler on the Roof' comes to Pullman

Meagan Robertson
Argonaut

Tevye, the poor milkman in the town of Anatevka, Russia, is having a problem with three of his five daughters.

Instead of going the traditional route to pick a husband through a matchmaker, his three oldest daughters would like to pick their own men to love and cherish for as long as they live.

That is only part of what makes up "Fiddler on the Roof," a musical that features tales of traditions and relationships in a small Russian town at the turn of the century.

This weekend Regional Theatre of the Palouse will be putting on its production of "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Beasley Performing Arts Coliseum at Washington State University.

The show, which first debuted on stage in 1964 at the Imperial Theater in New York City, will feature a cast of nearly 65 actors, actresses and musicians from around the Palouse.

RTOP first held auditions for the show back in May and has been working on the show since Aug. 1.

John Rich, artistic and managing director, said he's looking forward to the audience learning something about a culture they may not know much about.

"The story is about this Jewish family during the turn of the century and the three daughters are starting to become 20th century thinking women," Rich said. "They're breaking tradition and not having a matchmaker arrange their marriages."

Tina McClure is a publicist for RTOP, musical director for the show and playing the role of Grandma Tzeitel. She said the Jewish community in the story is trying to survive the changes in the village and Tevye is desperately trying to hold onto the traditions they've had for so long.

The musical will feature live music from an accompanying orchestra, and McClure said the score is really wonderful.

"It will feature songs that some people may know well, like 'Matchmaker' and 'Tradition,'" McClure said. "It's a really fun show."

McClure said she loves the song Tevye sings to his daughter Chava which accompanies a small ballet sequence in the show, and that it's beautiful.

She said the musical numbers tell the story and they are part of the dialogue. Without them, the story would not be complete.

"The first one that opens the show sets up the whole village," McClure said. "You get to learn who the mamas are and what they do, and who the papas are and what they do. It really gives you a glimpse of everyone's role in the village and how those roles are played out according to the traditions of the village."

Rich said he is excited for the actors and actresses in the performance.

"We've cast some really excellent and professional leads," he said.

Rich said that John Weiss, the actor playing Tevye, actually performed the role professionally on the east coast and Elena Panchenko, the actress playing Tevye's wife Golde, is actually a professional musician from Ukraine.

"We have people from all over, from Tensed and Troy and Genesee," he said. "In our little corner of the world that is Moscow and Pullman and the Palouse we have people who come from everywhere. It's really cool."

"Fiddler on the Roof" opens at 7 p.m.

Fiddler on the ROOF

The show opens at 7 p.m. today at the Beasley Coliseum. It will also be performed at 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets are available in the advance through the Beasley Box Office and TicketsWest for \$10, \$15 and \$25.

They will also be available at the door for \$12, \$18 and \$30.

tonight at the Beasley Coliseum and will run through the weekend with Saturday's show also at 7 p.m. and a matinee at 2 p.m. Sunday.

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KUOI looking for new student voices

Student radio opens studio doors to new disc jockeys

Amberly Beckman
Argonaut

The student-run radio station, KUOI 89.3 FM, is looking for students interested in radio production. They are currently in the hiring process and are looking to fill roughly 70 volunteer positions.

Andy Jacobson, who has been station manager for two years, said the station is looking for someone with an open mind toward music, and who will explore the music library of about 70,000 albums.

"I hate it when people plug in their laptop and just use their own playlists," Jacobson said.

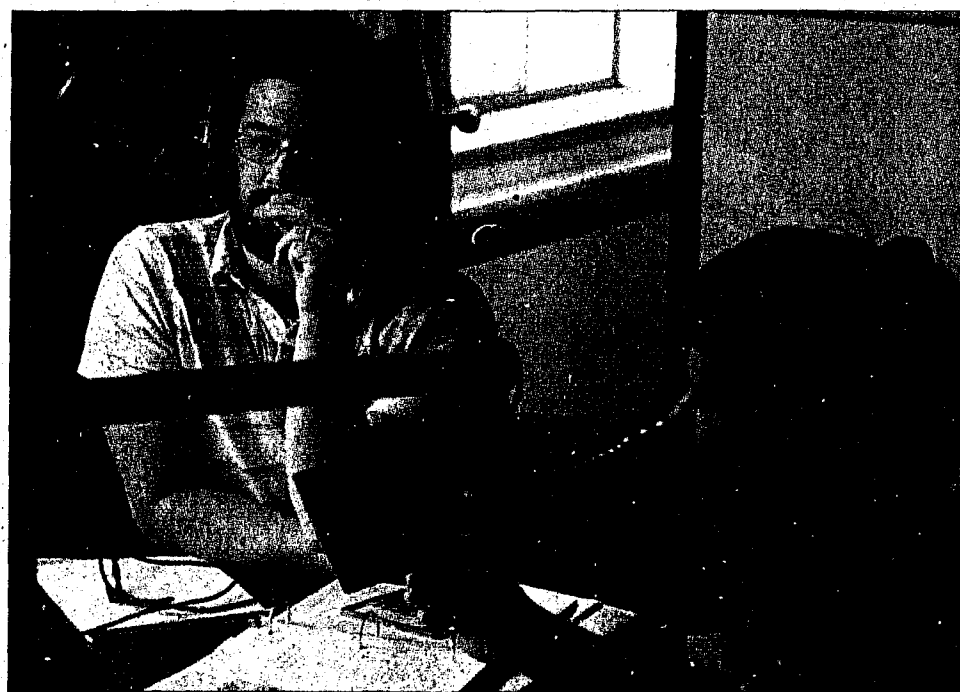
KUOI features more than just music. It includes news, talk shows and a weekly political show that interviews leaders throughout the state.

The station is a free-form radio station, meaning the DJs can play whatever they want, Jacobson said.

Eric Billings, one of KUOI's DJs said more on the issue of what can and can't be said on the student-run station.

"We can't play songs after FCC restrictions on them, except after 10 p.m.," Billings said.

This will be Billings' second semester working for KUOI.



In the KUOI sound booth, Larson Hicks, right, and Josh Stevenson host their 12-2:30 p.m. show "Stereopathic Session." Josh and Larson consider themselves "just a couple dudes who like music." Tyler Macy/Argonaut

The environment is relaxed and laid back, Billings said.

He co-hosts his show, "2 Guys 1 Mic," with Breaze Newell.

Billings described the show as a "social and comedic mix with new and eclectic music."

The talk aspect of radio is one of the big-

gest changes Jacobson has noticed while at KUOI. When he joined the station, it was mainly music being broadcast.

While that trend is changing, KUOI is still predominately music-based.

Every week when new CDs come to the station, Billings picks one with an interesting name to play on his show.

"We only play a song once," Billings said. "We try to never repeat a song."

Billings, who started his show halfway into his senior year, said his only regret was not getting involved sooner.

"I've wanted to since freshman year," Billings said.

Each DJ will get about a three hour time slot.

"It's a great way to get ideas out there," he said. "The more people at the station the better."

The job is ideal for anyone wishing to gain experience, Billings said. He has gotten hands-on work with the equipment and digital media at KUOI.

Jacobson said it is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to get something out of the program.

"I love the radio station, it's one-of-a-kind," he said.

More information about KUOI is available on their Web site, www.kuoi.org and "2 Guys 1 Mic" can be accessed through the Web site, www.2guys1mic.blogspot.com.

Listeners can tune in to 89.3 FM to listen to KUOI.

Lights, camera, action ... die

Anne-Marije Rook
Argonaut

Dying in a gruesome, bloody way isn't exactly something most people get excited about. But for actress and University of Idaho Associate Professor Kelly Quinnett, it's something she strives to excel at.

Starting on Sept. 26, Quinnett will be shooting a slasher movie titled "The Absent" in Winthrop, Wash.

"I think it's a great script and we have a good cast. I just have this gut feeling that it is going to be good," Quinnett said.

Quinnett will be playing the role of high school principle Marge Jackson, a role she said she's been preparing for by following her daughter's high school principle around. "Kelly was chosen for the



Courtesy photo

University of Idaho associate professor of acting Kelly Quinnett will be acting in a slasher film titled "The Absent" in Winthrop, Washington.

role of the principal because she has a strong acting and academic background," Producer Sage Bannick said. "Her scene with Josh Hartnett in 'Mozart and the Whale' convinced us that

she was right for the role." The movie takes place in a small town and opens with a childhood flashback of a series of mysterious accidents that occur. The child kills his parents and then the movie

cuts to 20 years later when he gets out of jail and becomes a high school teacher.

"He's hot and young and starts having affairs with a number of his students and I like him and invite him over," Quinnett said. "Then strange events start to happen at the high school - girl after girl start to die."

Quinnett revealed that she will have a "cool bloody" death scene that she has been doing some research for.

"Acting is difficult anyhow but it (a death scene) requires you to go over. You can't just scratch the surface," Quinnett said.

"The screenplay was written by Sage Bannick, Damon Abdallah and Ari Bernstein," Publicist Jason Kasperski said. Bannick is producing alongside Chris Siverston who also pro-

duced the thriller "I Know Who Killed Me."

"The cast is top notch," Bannick said, "Bryan Kirkwood is a name in the genre and the Zima sisters bring award winning credits to the table. Watch for Sam Ball of '13 going on 30' to turn in a career-changing performance."

Ironically, Quinnett is scared of the thriller genre herself, and she will not let any of her three children watch it. "It's perfect for the college age," Quinnett said. She plans on watching it with some of her classes.

The movie will be rated R for sex, blood and gore. "The film should be finished within the year, then we will start getting it out there. Look for screenings as early as next summer," Bannick said.

This will be Quinnett's

seventh movie role, having previously appeared in 'Mozart and The Whale' with Josh Hartnett, 'The Basket,' 'Mr. Write' with Paul Reiser, 'Fratelli e sorelle,' 'Home of the Brave' with Samuel L. Jackson and "Frank" with John Gries.

She also has an extensive on-stage resume and formed a production company with two friends called Three Tall Women, determined to bring good quality theater to Moscow.

Quinnett earned her Master's degree in acting at UI. She's been teaching at UI for ten years.

"I wanted to be a working actor and also wanted to give back. I was very fortunate," Quinnett said. "I had a dream come true for me. I really worked hard and I really enjoyed the whole thing."

Co-op brings back local favorite

Anne-Marije Rook
Argonaut

Zack O'Connor, a 22-year-old English and French major, stands with eyes closed while strumming the guitar outside the Moscow Food Co-op. His voice and tunes amplified through a P.A. system stop people as they are on their way in or out of the store. Some of his audience members have squeezed themselves onto a picnic table and others stand in a half circle.

Tuesday evening was O'Connor's third performance at the Co-op and Dave Billin, the Co-op music coordinator, said that O'Connor can "come back as many times as he wants."

"Zack has this wonderful knack that when he plays, people show up and they stick around," Billin said.

O'Connor first got into music as a freshman in high school when his parents bought him his first bass guitar. He joined a jazz combo and got jazz lessons. O'Connor enjoyed it so much he started taking lessons from Aaron Miller, the bass player of the Glenn Miller Orchestra. After seeing Jessie Hadley playing upright bass, O'Connor was wowed into trying it for himself.

"He's one of the best bass players I've ever seen," O'Connor said.

Using money from the college fund his grandparents had set up for him, O'Connor bought his own upright bass.

When O'Connor performs, he brings out the instrument for a few songs.

In high school O'Connor joined a garage band. He started writing his own material during his junior year when he got his first guitar as a Christmas gift. "It's the same guitar I still use today," O'Connor said.

He wrote much of his material in Belgium, while on exchange his senior year of high school.

"My exchange played a huge role," he said. "At first I didn't really know anyone so I played a lot of guitar."

"Inhibitions," "Too much," "Girl on City Bus," and "Unlooked For" are some songs he composed (at least partly if not entirely) in Belgium and are songs he still performs today.

His music is influenced by Josh Ritter, Joni Mitchell and Bob Dylan: "people who tell a story," he said. His stories revolve around relationships and one particular girl. She is a girl he started writing about his senior year in high school, still writes

about, and plans to someday marry.

"His music is hard to explain. It's exactly what you need on a rainy day," Britta Rustad said. Rustad is a senior at the University of Idaho and has seen O'Connor perform three times.

"Zack has a distinctive talent," Billin said. "He's good with words."

Zack attributes his writing talent to his English major and said he structures his music around the lyrics. After having heard O'Connor play three times now, Billin has a favorite Zack O'Connor song, called "The Sun is Shy."

Last semester O'Connor won the Kenworthy Battle of the Bands event and opened at July's Rendezvous in the Park.

Currently he's working on copyrighting some of his live recordings to create a CD he plans on selling for five or six dollars. "Just enough to cover the cost and maybe some extra beer money," O'Connor said.

"I try to take myself serious. Right now, this is really fun. I'm just going to keep doing what I'm doing," O'Connor said. "I can play music anywhere."

O'Connor said but he has no aspirations



Tyler Macy/Argonaut

Locals gathered around Zack O'Connor, left, and Scott Fagerland as they played some covers in the Co-op parking lot on Tuesday evening.

to drop out of college and move to Los Angeles to make it big.

As long as people will come to listen, O'Connor is willing to play. "He doesn't demand much from his audience, he just want you to listen," Rustad said.

When he's not working on his solo act, O'Connor plays with a local band called "The Holiday Friends."

Samples of his music are available at www.myspace.com/zackoconnor.

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Ampline puts away the mics

Three guys and a band

Jordan Gray
Argonaut

Some bands cram their songs with meaningless lyrics because they think they need to. Other bands can say more with a few lines and some dynamic instrumentation than those who crowd their music with words.

This is the case with Ampline, a Cincinnati-based threesome whose music is almost entirely instrumental.

The group will be playing in Pullman tonight.

"(The group) started as an instrumental band," said guitarist Mike Montgomery. "We always liked bands like The Ventures ... we sort of stem from that."

The group plays a mix of surf, punk and progressive rock while still keeping the songs melodic. Ampline avoids the loud and heavy sounds of hard rock in favor of a smoother style.

Ampline started 10 years ago with Kevin Schmidt (bassist) playing with other founding members in basements. After various changes, the band ended up with its current configuration of Schmidt, Montgomery and drummer Rick McCarty. The three have been playing together for seven years.

"We usually try to purposely not have anything before we go to practice," Montgomery said of their composing process. "If someone stumbles across an interesting series of notes, we try to flesh it out from there."

Montgomery said the group is a bit like a democracy "(It) keeps everyone more interested if they all get a say in the writing process."

This is the reasoning behind why the group doesn't have a defined front-man

or a singer.

"There are no real people who are backup singers," Montgomery said.

This leaves the group free to just play and compose songs that don't have to accommodate a vocalist.

While the group has toured the west coast before, this will be their first time visiting the northwest. Montgomery said they are looking forward to meeting new people and seeing parts of the country they've never seen before.

The group is making a stop in Pullman because of the work of Malice in Wonderland Productions.

"The group found us through Myspace," said Cris Maxey, president of Malice in Wonderland Productions. "We're starting to get a big network of bands to come and play. We've had bands all the way from Mobile, Alabama. It was a mutual find because one of our house bands played with them."

The Pullman Moose Lodge is starting to draw a wide range of talent from several different genres.

"We have everything from jazz and country to punk rock and death metal," Maxey said.

While Ampline may not fit neatly into any particular genre, they don't seem to mind.

"I don't think we set out to change the world or anything, we're just out to play music," Montgomery said.

Ampline will perform at 9 p.m. tonight at the Pullman Moose Lodge on SE Kamiaken Street. Doors open at 8 p.m. Admission is \$5. The group will be selling their latest albums for \$10 and will also be offering albums from other bands under the Shake-It record label.



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The Cincinnati-based band Ampline will be playing at 9 p.m. tonight in Pullman.

Music that needs few words

Jordan Gray
Argonaut

Instrumental-only groups are typically pigeon-holed as being suppliers of movie or television soundtracks or as classical musical groups. Ampline manages to blow these stereotypes out of the water.

The Cincinnati threesome off their newest easy-to-listen-to tracks in "Rosary," their latest full-length album. It was released in 2007 by Shake-It Records and is available in

instros and on iTunes. The songs range in style and time with one song garnering only 44 seconds while another plays on for more than nine minutes. The style is mostly smooth rock that doesn't deviate

too much toward harder or softer forms.

That's not to say the tracks don't have flair — they have it in spades. They range from the slower pace of "The Men with Bibles" to the upbeat tracks "Paper Tiger" and "Two Hands."

One song, "Loud Acres," even has a bit of a bluegrass feel to it. There are occasional vocal tidbits sprinkled throughout the album, but they almost act as another instrumental part rather than as a conventional vo-

cal one. They echo softly in the tracks before disappearing again, one of the lyrics stating the thought: "we live like echoes combine/ just movements repeating/ no pattern is pattern too." The only problem with

instrumental tracks is they are fun to listen to, but often disappear from the mind once the song is over. It's hard to hum along to a song that moves in such interesting ways with only three instruments, a challenge that will likely only be accepted by those who are musically inclined.

It is likewise difficult to find a band to compare Ampline to. They do however cite The Ventures, The Famous Flames and The Who as influences to their music.

For the casual fan, Ampline is definitely worth a listen if only for the sake of trying out a new genre of music that takes risks.

For the serious fan, the group has three other full-length albums and two shorter ones. The band is on tour until Sept. 20 and will be making a stop in Pullman at the Moose Lodge tonight.



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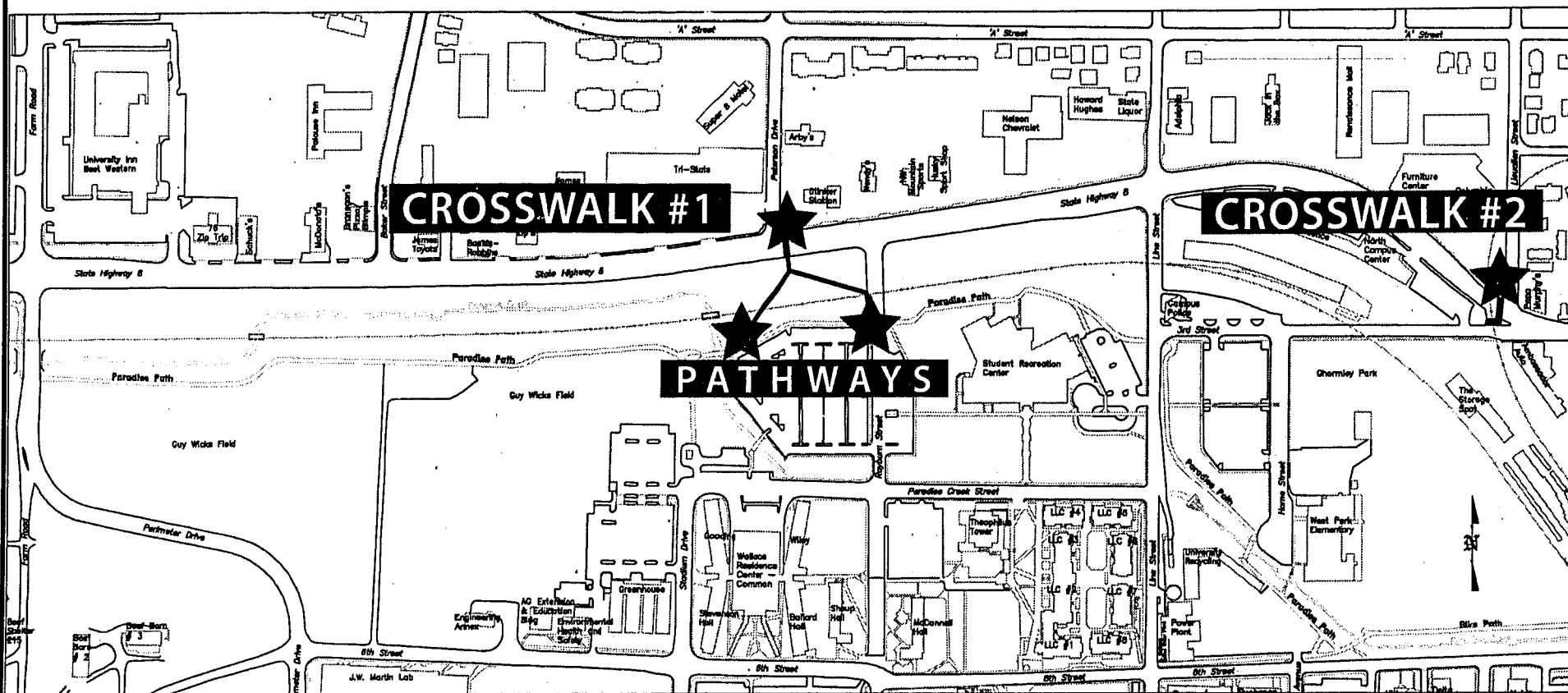
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QuickHITS

Vandals in action

● Vandal volleyball travels to Portland this weekend to compete in the Portland State Volleyball Tournament. Idaho's first match will begin at 10 a.m. Friday against Seattle University.

● Idaho soccer hosts Wyoming at 3 p.m. Friday at Guy Wicks Field.

● Idaho football takes on the Western Michigan Broncos this weekend at home. Kick-off will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kibbie Dome.

Vandals by numbers

1 — Idaho volleyball is currently ranked first in the Western Athletic Conference over nationally ranked Hawai'i.

4 — Idaho football is currently ranked fourth in the WAC.

1,985 — Number of miles between Kalamazoo, Mich., where Western Michigan University is located, and Moscow.

Vandals to watch

Sarah Conwell
Volleyball



Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said Sarah Conwell made the difference in last week's matchup with Eastern Washington. Look for Conwell to make the difference for Idaho again this weekend at the Portland State Volleyball Tournament.

Isaac Butts
Football



Isaac Butts was nominated WAC Defensive Player of the Week last week for his performance against Idaho State. Butts picked up two interceptions and four solo tackles during the game.

Eric Hunter
Football



Eric Hunter was nominated WAC Special Teams Player of the Week after he blocked a punt then recovered it in the end zone for a touchdown last weekend.

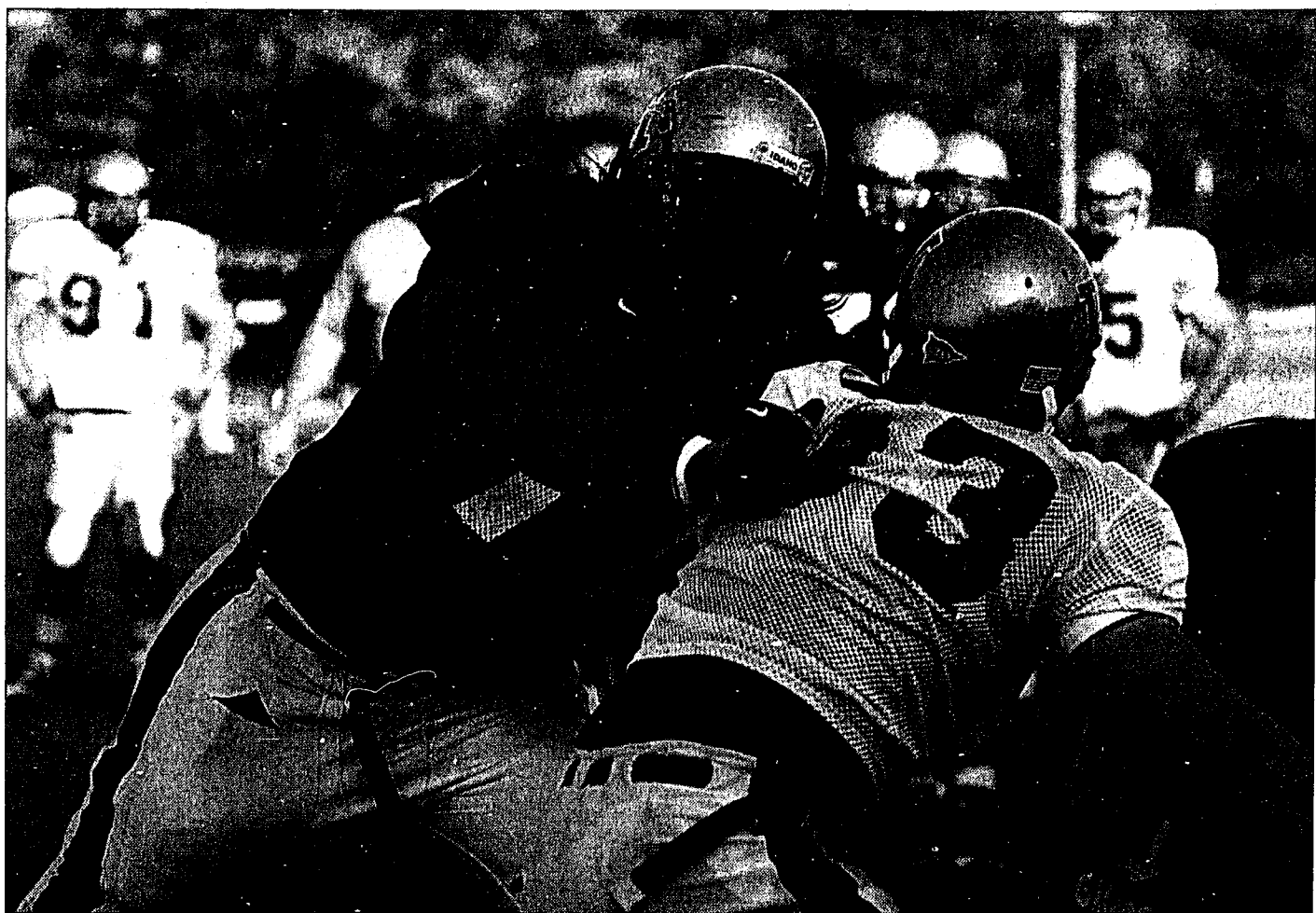
Did you know ...

● The last and only time Idaho football played Western Michigan was in 1972 at Western Michigan. The Broncos won the game 27-16.

● Friday's volleyball matchup between Seattle University and Idaho will be the teams' first meeting since 1978.

● Idaho volleyball has the best record of any team competing in the Portland State tournament this weekend.

● By car, it would take approximately one day and five hours to get to Western Michigan University.



Players look on as junior offensive lineman from Anaheim, Calif., Mike Lupati, blocks defensive tackle Michael Cosgrove from Las Vegas during practice on the SprinTurf Wednesday afternoon. The Vandals will look for their second win of the season against Western Michigan at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kibbie Dome.

Nick Groff/Argonaut

The WAC against the MAC

Scott Stone
Argonaut

Idaho hopes to accomplish something Saturday against Western Michigan University that it couldn't do last season by winning a second game.

The Vandals started the season with a disappointing loss, but came back with a win against Idaho State and proved to the fans they are capable of winning.

Now it's time for Idaho coach Robb Akey and the Vandals to show they've improved from last year by beating their previous record of one win and defeating a Division I team.

The Vandals are currently fourth in the Western Athletic Conference while Western Michigan sits first in the Mid-American Conference's West Division.

"It's the WAC against the MAC," Akey said. "We get an opportunity to represent not only ourselves but our conference, that adds a little fun to it, kind of like a bowl game early."

The Broncos have an impressive defense which features No. 9, Louis Delmas, a safety who received the MAC West Defensive Player of the Week after defeating Northern Illinois by a field goal last week.

"He can lash around, he's physical, might remind you of another safety you know of," Akey said, referring to Idaho's Shiloh Keo.

After the much-needed win against Idaho State, Akey said they still have a lot to work on, such as the pass rush from the defensive line and quarterback protection, the Vandals are also focusing on the positive aspects of the game like taking the ball to the end zone with six different players.

Although Idaho's running game looked flawless on Saturday, running back Deonte Jackson, who ran for 100 yards, said they still need to work on breaking tackles and hitting the holes faster.

All five running backs saw playing time against the Bengals and Jackson said the rotation is key because the substitutions "keep your legs fresh and your mind sharp."

The Vandals are preparing for a strong offensive unit from Western Michigan who won its first conference game of the season after Tim Hiller, the Broncos' quarterback, completed 21 of 30 passes and threw for three touchdowns.

"They're a good team, we just have to play disciplined and we should be fine," said Idaho's safety Isaac Butts. "We've just

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SOCCER



Senior Ali Buswell, right, takes control of the ball as Gonzaga's Katie Spangenberg falls during the University of Idaho soccer game on Aug. 29 at Guy Wicks Field.

File photo

Vandals saddle up for Cowgirls match

Jaimee Myers
Argonaut

With a win fresh under its belt, and a strong week of practice, the University of Idaho soccer team will take on a new opponent today, the University of Wyoming Cowgirls.

Idaho coach Pete Showler said Wyoming has a new team and a new coach who left the Division II level with plenty of wins and a couple of national championships on his resume.

"He is very organized, and he is used to winning," Showler said. "They have two wins already, so they are in a better position than we are. We hope to change that."

The Vandals played a physical and fast-paced game against Idaho State last week. Sophomore Anna Edmonds and senior Nicole McAllister each had a goal in the second half to finish off the win against ISU, but they said it was total team effort that led to the victory.

"Attitudes have changed, we know what it feels like to win now," Edmonds said. "We are an up and coming team, I think we just needed to get over that wall."

Edmonds said her teammates stepped up for the game playing aggressively in order to show the Bengals

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DIARY OF A FANTASY GEEK

Welcome to my geek life

Two conferences that seem to gain more national respect each year will be on showcase Saturday inside the Kibbie Dome. In Idaho and Western Michigan, Palouse area fans will get to see the Western Athletic Conference vs. the Mid-American Conference in a showdown between two of the nation's top non-Bowl Championship Series conferences.

I'm curious to see how things play out between these two teams.

The Western Michigan Broncos are 1-1 on the season with their victory coming against Northern Illinois (a team the Vandals should have beat last year — that game still pisses me off).

The Broncos' loss came during week one against Nebraska. They actually played a solid game and were able to move the ball on the Cornhusker defense.

That said, we'll have to wait and see what happens come Saturday.

Or maybe we won't. My curiosity, mixed in with boredom and geekability led me to do the only thing armchair athletes such as I can: play video games.

So I have decided to simulate tomorrow's game with

my Xbox 360 on the latest version of the NCAA Football video game by EA Sports.

Anyone who hasn't seen this video game is missing out.

The Kibbie Dome looks nearly identical in the video game to the dome in real life, except for the sellout crowd, and Akey is working on that.

The craziest aspect of the video game is that the very paper I'm writing for, The Argonaut, is actually in the game too.

I recently played a full season with the Vandals and brought home a Hawai'i Bowl championship trophy.

What can I say, I'm a cyber-athlete.

During my season, Vandals wide receiver Max Komar had statistics comparable to Texas Tech's Michael Crabtree and was a first team All-American.

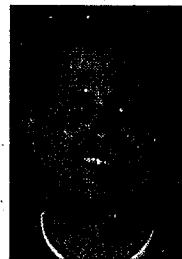
Hey Komar, holla' at your boy, Ballgame.

But back to the simulation at hand.

To keep things fair and to minimize the video game luck-factor, I simulated this contest five times.

Upon completion, Western Michigan won four of the five games and the average score

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Vandals hope to raid Portland tourney

Hugh Jones
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The University of Idaho volleyball squad travels to Portland this weekend to compete in the Portland State Volleyball Tournament. Teams competing in the tournament include Seattle University, Oregon State, UC Riverside and Portland State.

"This weekend we have four more tough matches," Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said. "All four of our opponents have been playing high level volleyball teams."

Idaho comes into the tournament after winning the Idaho Classic tournament at home last weekend. The Vandals not only won that tournament, but shut out all three of their opponents — Washington State University, Eastern Washington University and Notre Dame.

"It's nice to get wins at home and to win each

match in three was huge for our team," Buchanan said. "This group of players has (gone) through its downs in past years and they have never given up."

The tournament brought Idaho's season record to 5-1, and was the first time Idaho Volleyball has had three straight sweeps since 2004.

For those Vandal fans who remember 2004, it was the last time Vandal volleyball went to the NCAA tournament.

"Now we are becoming a better volleyball team through what we've done in the weight room and in our chemistry so it was interesting to watch this last weekend," Buchanan said. "There were times when we were behind, but we never gave up and that was great to see."

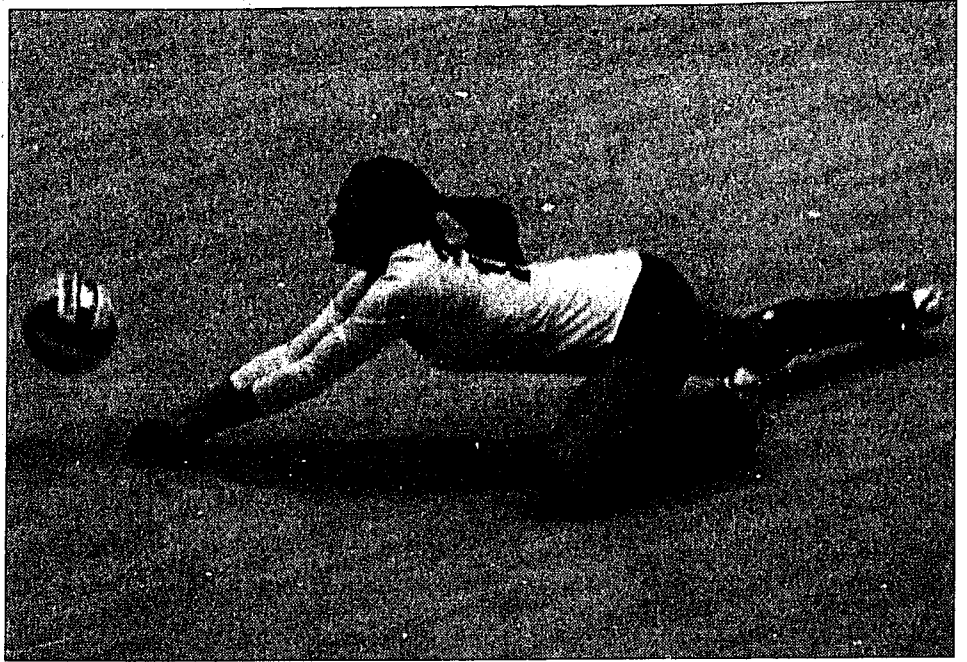
Haley Larsen, who is ranked seventh in the nation with 4.75 kills per set, has led the team in scoring through-

out the season with almost double the number of kills than that of any other so far this year.

Larsen was selected to the Preseason All - Western Athletic Conference team this season - she has already been selected as the WAC Player of the week, and has earned all-tournament honors in both tournaments that Idaho has competed in this season.

Other Vandals ranked in the top 50 nationally are Kelsey James, No. 24 with 10.95 assists per set; Anna McKinney, No. 49 with 1.3 blocks per set, and Kelsey Yonker, No. 50 with 4.6 digs per set.

The Vandals will hit the road next week for games in Spokane and the team's first conference match against No. 10 Hawai'i. Hawai'i will be Idaho's second crack at defeating a nationally ranked team.



University of Idaho senior Kelsey James dives for the ball during the Idaho Volleyball Classic Tournament game against Notre Dame on Saturday in Memorial Gym. File Photo

Growing grass and flaking paint

This season watching the National League West was like watching paint dry, and then continuing to watch it flake off years later.

In a league where few players are having notable years and even fewer are performing at the caliber that coincides with success in October, these five teams have sunk down with the Washington Nationals and a few others as teams nobody likes to watch.

When the season started, the NL West was an exciting place to be. Joe Torre, who has etched his name into the hollowed cadre of legendary managers, was now taking the helm as skipper of the Los Angeles Dodgers. Hard-throwing Dan Haren moved to Arizona to be the No. 2 starter behind Brandon Webb in what some thought would be the best 1-2 punch in the league. There's always that chance that Nomar Garciaparra would act like he was playing in Boston again. Jake Peavy was coming off the most dominant year thus far in an already impressive career.

There was so much potential for exciting baseball out west; then the season started.

The one thing that has really set the NL West apart this year from the other five conferences is all five teams are having truly mediocre seasons. Usually, each conference has at least one or two dominant teams in it, but this division can't seem to get anything right.

The San Francisco Giants and San Diego Padres have especially suffered, with both at least 15 games below .500. I would hate to think about where the Giants would be if they didn't have Cy-Young probable Tim Lincecum. Here's a kid in his second year in the bigs who is putting up numbers comparable to the most elite starting pitchers. The only number for him that isn't where it should be is the win count, and we can blame San Francisco's bullpen for that.

The Padres had a decent year in 2007. They finished 15 games over .500 and gave the Rockies a run for their money in that one game playoff. This year, it's as if a different team calls Petco Park home. Their starting rotation is in shambles. Peavy and Greg Maddux are the only two pitchers in San Diego this year to qualify for the ERA title, and Maddux doesn't even play there anymore. Only Brian Giles, Adrian Gonzal-

ez and Kevin Kouzmanoff have seen consistent time at the plate, and their numbers aren't anything to get excited about. The fact of the matter is, the Padres look like a disenfranchised little league team.

Next comes last year's underdog favorite, the Colorado Rockies. They're only eight games out of first place, and that's with their ace pitcher Jeff Francis pitching like a mediocre No. 5 guy. Matt Holliday is having a great year offensively but that's not enough to carry this team.

Aside from Holliday, only Brad Hawpe and Garrett Atkins are having decent years at the plate, and that's just not enough. Aaron Cook has been having a decent year, even if only three of his last 10 appearances have qualified as quality starts.

Currently we have the Diamondbacks in second place; however, that could easily change as it has recently. There was a lot of excitement around the Diamondbacks early this season. They were the first team to win 20 games this season. Brandon Webb earned a win in his first nine starts, critics were hailing Micah Owings as the next big thing in pitching, Haren was as dominant as ever and things were looking good.

Then it all fell apart. Right now, they've lost 14 of their last 18 games and look dead in the water out on the field.

This leads me to the current first place team in the NL West, the Los Angeles Dodgers. They've been outstanding as of the last few weeks, winning 10 of their last 11 contests. Most of this comes from Manny Ramirez crushing the ball and Derek Lowe pitching like the staff ace they're paying him to be.

The thing is, hot streaks like that only last so long. It's not that their entire team is playing well, it's that a couple of players have gotten hot and brought a short jolt of confidence to the clubhouse. This isn't long term.

The NL West is still anyone's ball game. I wouldn't put it past the Rockies to get hot and breeze into the playoffs just like last year. This is the one conference in baseball where there are so few things going right that a sub-.500 team has the chance to do that in mid-September.



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Emotional status fine according to Young

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Associated Press

NASHVILLE — Titans quarterback Vince Young insists he never wavered in his commitment to football.

All that concern over his mental state? He says he was upset as he dealt with his first serious injury, and he didn't realize he had to tell his mother where he was going anymore.

Then the media went overboard.

Young spoke publicly Thursday for the first time since Titans coach Jeff Fisher called police for help in locating the quarterback Monday night because of concerns over his emotional well-being.

His mother, Felicia Young, also told a local newspaper that the quarterback had indicated he didn't want to play football anymore because of all the negativity he faced.

"I was never depressed," Young said.

He took questions from reporters for 16 minutes after watching his teammates practice. His message? Don't question his commitment.

"Football, this is my life. This is my dream. All I did all these years growing up to get to this point and never had an injury like this before in my life," he said.

"It's a hard time because I'm a competitor, and I definitely want to be out on the football field with my teammates."

Questions about his mental state and attitude started Sunday when the third-year quarterback was booed heavily by fans upset at his second interception, and he appeared as if he didn't

want to return to the game. Fisher pulled his headset off and talked to him before the quarterback joined the rest of the offense.

Four plays later, Young sprained his left medial collateral ligament when Jaguars linebacker Daryl Smith crashed into his left knee.

Young didn't go to the Titans' headquarters Monday, and Fisher went to his quarterback's house. The Titans also sent a psychologist and another team official to talk with Young. He was described as being emotionally down. Young said Thursday that lasted half a day and he was upset over his two interceptions.

Fisher told Young to go take the MRI exam needed to determine the extent of the damage to his knee. Young didn't go. But with so many people at his house, Young said, he needed space to think.

"Let the cloud go away for a minute, and that's what I did. I left. My mom saw me; she thought I wasn't in my right mind. At the same time, I was watching the game, watching Aaron Rodgers do his things ... eating some hot wings," Young said.

The quarterback said he didn't realize he had to tell his mother where he was going. "Even though you're paying your own bills at your own house, you still got to tell your mama where you are going now. So I understand where my mama's coming from. She wanted to know where I'm going because I didn't take my cell phone because so many people were calling me and making sure I'm all right," he said.

Those comments from his mother about his not wanting to play? Young blamed the media. "She know I don't want to leave football. She knows

I love this game. She's the one that put me in this game. I'm here. I'm ready to play, but right now I'm rehabbing," he said.

Young didn't talk about the police, including crisis negotiators, waiting for him at the Titans' headquarters when he arrived to talk with Fisher, nor what they discussed. He thanked the franchise for being behind him.

As far as his injured knee, Young said only that it is sore and he is working hard to heal up. He won't rush back too soon for fear of aggravating the injury.

The Titans have listed him as out for Sunday's game at Cincinnati and have given no timetable

for how long he might be sidelined. Young walked stiffly with a black wrap around his knee and promised he is arriving for treatment around 6:30 a.m.

He missed one game in 2007 with a strained quadriceps muscle, came back a week later and wasn't the same the rest of the season.

Fisher said Young is doing fine.

"First and foremost is getting his knee back, taking care of his treatment and getting his mind back in football," the coach said.

Helping Young do that have been his mentor, Steve McNair, and quarterbacks like Donovan McNabb. Young said he also will sit down with teammate Kerry Collins for advice.

All those boos? The right of fans paying hard-earned money to watch, part of the territory of being an NFL quarterback.

Young plans to answer his critics once he's back on the field.

"If I ever change and turn my back on this game or turn my back on anything like that, I'm letting down a whole lot of people," he said. "And I definitely don't want to do that because they love me for what I'm doing, and I love doing it for them."

"It's a hard time because I'm a competitor, and I definitely want to be out on the football field with my teammates."

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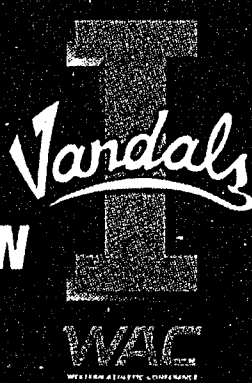
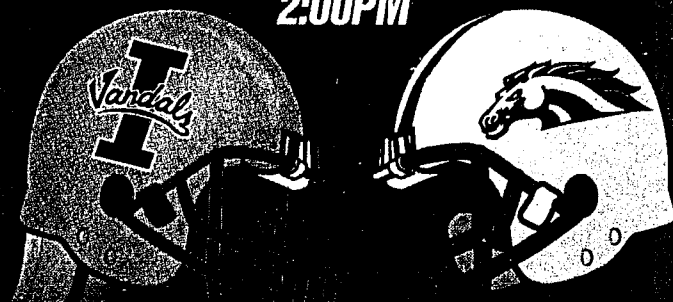
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Don't hate Tony Romo because Jessica chirps

Jim Litke
Associated Press

Evidence that celebrity girlfriends can be hazardous to a career dates at least as far as Samson and Delilah. On the other hand, a succession of them doesn't appear to have slowed down Derek Jeter. Either way, it's not as if Tony Romo didn't know the tabloids were going to have a field day.

When the sports and entertainment worlds intersect, there's never enough perspective to go around. Seeing the people blessed with big muscles squirming around the ones who inherited good teeth makes the rest of us flash back to high school. Not always a good thing. So when Jessica Simpson signed off her appearance on "Good Morning America" the other day by taunting Eagles fans that the Cowboys would kick their butts come Monday night, you know what just about everybody who doesn't already hate "America's Team" started thinking:

"We are all Eagles fans. Go Philly! And while you're at it, kick Romeo's butt!"

Fans will recall this isn't the first time Simpson affixed a big "kick-me" sign to her boyfriend's backside. A video of the two canoodling on a sun-splashed beach in Mexico during the Cowboys' playoff bye week last January raised quite a ruckus. And after the Giants went into Dallas and won shortly after, the people who whined Romo should have been studying film instead of starlets had all the proof they needed.

The New York Post, which hired a Simpson-impersonator at considerable expense and sat her a few rows behind the Cowboys' bench, even crowed: "She must have made the difference — Romo's final drive was stopped short of the end zone."

Romo probably wishes Simpson chose her spots a little more carefully — two of the worst clunkers on his impressive resume have come against the Eagles at home. But as we said, he knows it comes with the territory.

When the subject of Simpson's trash-talking came up Wednesday at his weekly media session, Romo raised his hands in a defensive posture and smiled, good-naturedly letting reporters know his "nothing-personal, just-football" interview policy was still in effect. What he didn't mind discussing was how hard he'd worked during the offseason to stop scampering around the pocket — a condition known as "happy feet" — every time a defense brings pressure.

That's because Romo knows that his improvement in that department will have a lot more to do with the Cowboys' performance against Philly than all the jinxes in the world. Eagles defensive coordinator Jim Johnson is a certified genius at blitzing. We're going to find out

whether the kid really did his homework, whether he's able to handle distractions a lot more perilous than any Simpson can cause him.

"They're not going to let you go through your stuff," Romo said about the Eagles earlier in the week. "You've got to work fast. Teams that do that also give you a chance to create big plays if you know their personnel or if you know what they're trying to hope for."

Romo came into the league with a gunslinger's mentality and way too often, he took that pressure as an invitation to scramble — with mixed results. Now, with a little seasoning, he's hoping to exploit it, not just by standing in the pocket longer, but standing farther back, and buying himself more time to make his reads and make better plays. Just like the playoff loss to the Giants and the two against the Eagles at home, his success will hinge in large part on whether Romo's offensive line and running backs do their jobs too.

One of his prime weapons, wideout and widemouth Terrell Owens wasn't above throwing a dart Philly's way, saying that while he's willing to acknowledge that Donovan McNabb made him a better receiver during the time with the Eagles, "I think Donovan would have a hard time admitting I made him a better quarterback."

Owens also said his popularity with Eagles fans ruffled McNabb's feathers, then answered a question about the shift of power in the NFC East from Philadelphia to Dallas this way: "The common denominator was me being in both places, but I will let you make that assessment."

Perhaps because he's got some skin — his own — in the game, Eagles fans haven't lit up the boards at the talk radio stations to rip T.O. the way they did Simpson. Maybe they figure the Eagles' defense will take care of that; Philly, after all, is the same place that cheered long and loud when Michael Irvin, another trash-talking Cowboy receiver, lay on the turf after getting knocked down and had to be stretchered off.

If fans needed another reminder to be careful what they wish for, here it is: the NFL is getting faster and tougher by the year, and injuries are piling up at an alarming rate. Three quarterbacks went down on the opening weekend, following a 2007 season in which 64 QBs started games, exactly half of them because of injuries. According to research by STATS, those injuries cost teams a collective 133 man-games.

More backup QBs mean more limited offenses, which means more boring football for everybody. So just because Romo's girlfriend likes to chirp is no reason to be a hater. Besides, Tom Brady's girlfriend, Gisele Bündchen, was the very supermodel of discretion, and look at what good it did him.

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Volleyball	Oct. 14	Oct. 20
Co-rec floor hockey	Oct. 14	Oct. 20
Kickball	Oct. 21	Oct. 29
Dodgeball	Oct. 21	Oct. 27
3 on 3 basketball	Oct. 29	Nov. 2
Swimming	Nov. 3	Nov. 4
Singles Billiards	Nov. 6	Nov. 8
Singles badminton	Nov. 6	Nov. 7
Doubles badminton	Nov. 13	Nov. 14
Preseason basketball	Dec. 1	Dec. 4
Wrestling	Dec. 2	Dec. 3

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O.J.'s jury prospects approved

Linda Deutsch
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The judge in the robbery and kidnapping trial of O.J. Simpson and a co-defendant approved the last of 40 jury prospects Thursday, including a man who wrote on his jury questionnaire that the former football star was "a murderer and got away with it."

Clark County District Judge Jackie Glass told lawyers to return later in the day to exercise peremptory challenges and choose the final 12 jurors and six alternates.

Defense attorneys clashed with the judge in the final hours of four days of jury questioning when she refused to remove a retired policeman who repeatedly said Simpson was a murderer. He said he filled his questionnaire with such statements for shock value. "I wanted to scare you so I wouldn't have to be here," he told defense attorney Gabriel Grasso. "I was hoping they would say, 'Oh, this guy is crazy,' and they would move on."

But the man said he later decided he wanted to serve

and would put his opinions about Simpson aside and give him a fair trial.

"I'm a firm believer in the system," he said. "He won. He's a free man until he comes here."

The potential juror had written that co-defendant Clarence "C.J." Stewart was a murderer, too, but said he made a mistake. Stewart's lawyer unsuccessfully challenged him for cause.

The man also said a friend of his took a photo with Simpson after his 1995 murder acquittal and sent it out as a Christmas card.

"That's a big honor, I really wasn't expecting it," Butts said. "I just got to stay humble and keep my mind right for next week and the whole season so I can get hopefully more of those."

The kickoff is set for 2 p.m. on Saturday and Akey hopes everyone will come to the game and bring more people with them. He said the Broncos are already leery about playing in the dome.

"The more people that are in there, the more claustrophobic it feels, the hotter it is, the louder it is," Akey said. "(The fans) can help us win, we're all in this thing together. So come on out and join us, let's all have a ball."

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got to be prepared to stop that big 27, he's a pretty big cat."

Butts is referring to the Broncos' 6'2", 234-pound wide receiver Jamarko Simmons who caught the ball eight times against Northern Illinois and averaged 12.8 yards per catch.

Butts is confident in the Vandal defense after causing Idaho State to turn the ball over four times, two of those were Butts interceptions — which earned him the WAC Defensive Player of the Week.

against the Broncos.

"We didn't watch too much because we were focusing on our own games," Hull said. "I know they lost a big chunk of last year's team, so we should beat them."

The Vandal women say they are unique because they have a close relationship on and off the field. Last summer the team went rafting to take their minds off soccer, and have some fun together during their two-a-day practices.

"We all hang-out a lot outside of soccer," Edmonds said. "We have had barbecues too, it is nice to be able to relate on and off the field."

After today's game, the Vandals are on the road to Reno to face Minnesota in a match at a neutral-field location.

The Minnesota Gophers are off to their best season so far as they lead the Big Ten Conference with a 6-0 record. Ten of their players have each scored a goal, creating a strong attack on the offensive side.

"We are playing two very different opponents this week," Showler said. "We have tailored practice for both of those. The Midwest teams, such as Minnesota like to play very physical and hard, and the West coast teams like to actually play more."

Most teams play better and tend to win when they are on their home turf, but based on last year's performances, Vandal victories typically came on the road.

"We are able to leave the focus on the games when we go on the

"I know they lost a big chunk of last year's team, so we should beat them."

Jenna HULL
Soccer player

road," Edmonds said. "We don't have classes or any other distractions getting in the way of things."

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was 41 to 22 Broncos.

The one game Idaho did win was a 34-31 overtime thriller.

That's the kind of game Vandal fans want to see tomorrow.

I'm hoping to see a sell-out crowd like I did in the video game too.

Listen to Johnny Ballgame and Tom Purvis broadcast each Vandal home football game on 89.3 FM or kuoi.org.

SOCCER

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that they were on Vandal turf.

Jenna Hull, another key midfielder for the Vandals and last year's leading scorer said she wants to do whatever it takes to make it to the Western Athletic Conference Championship.

"Everyone on this team brings something different making us very well rounded," Hull said.

With classes and the focus drawn to their own matches during the Governor's cup, the Vandals didn't watch much of Boise State's games to assess the competition for next month's match

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EcoAnalysts is hiring a full-time Laboratory Technician in our Moscow, ID office. Please go to www.ecoanalysts.com/employment for complete information.

Employment MOSCOW SCHOOL DISTRICT #281
Coaches needed for the 2008/09 school year. Information and

Employment application materials are available online www.sd281.k12.id.us or contact the Human Resource Office, (208) 892-1126, 650 N. Cleveland, Moscow, ID 83843. EOE/Veteran's Preference

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Employment hr. Preference will be given to full-time interest, but will also consider those who can work a minimum of 20 hours/week. Send cover letter and resume to etorok@ecoanalysts.com.

Part Time - skinning, fleshing, working with hides and antlers, outside work, maintenance, customer service, plus miscellaneous duties. Wildlife resources industry. Skinning or taxidermy experience important. Computer experience helpful. Apply in person; Moscow Hide and Fur, 1760 N Polk Extension

Carrier Deliver newspapers, AM routes, before school or work. Earn \$400/month one smaller in-town route. One larger

Employment route \$850/month. Two reliable vehicles. Fuel paid. Leave message 882-8742. Lewiston Tribune, Moscow.

The Spokesman Review newspaper has an early morning car-delivery route opening in Moscow. \$600+gross/month +gas and other bonuses and a \$25 signing bonus after first month. Call 509-334-1223.

General House Helper Job # 504
Busy couple with a large house and yard need a student to help on various projects including mundane cleaning and other various odd jobs. Must be reliable, willingness to work, handyman, gardening and cleaning experience a plus.

Employment Rate of Pay: \$9.00/hr
Hours/Week: flexible hrs
Job Located in Moscow

Employment Laborers Job # 503
Very flexible hours. Will be working on various projects including landscaping, yard work, decking, cleaning around the house and other projects. Must have physical ability to do the work. Rate of Pay: \$10.00/hr - will be paid cash for work Hours/Week: Very flexible hours
Job Located in Moscow

Office Assistant Job # 492
Office assistant needed for private environmental lab in Moscow. Duties to include filing, mailing, computer work and other

Employment duties as assigned.
Must have computer skills, motivation and reliability. Rate of Pay: \$7.00-\$8.00/hr DOE
Hours/Week: 10-20 hrs/wk
Located in Moscow

Services

A Choir of Angels Massage Center **Students' Massage Special: "Welcome back" .5 Hour Massage** only \$19.00! Patricia, 1-208-413-4773, 106 E 3rd, Moscow

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