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Tuesday, October 7, 2008

Gay student threatened

Lianna Shepherd
Argonaut

It was a little before 9 a.m. on Sept. 29 when sophomore Kory Larabee went to his dorm room and found the words, "Faggot. F---ing kill you," scrawled across his message board.

"I came out when I was 15," Larabee said. "This is the first time I've ever been truly afraid. I don't feel safe walking out at night ... it's violating."

An international studies major and resident adviser for Wallace Residence Center, this was not the first time Larabee has been harassed at the University of Idaho. As a freshman he said he endured a similar situation, although in that instance the perpetrator didn't leave a threat behind, so he chose not to tell anyone.

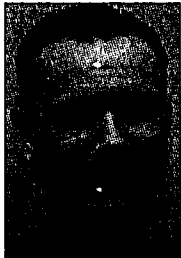
"It's so easy to get stuck in a stereotype," he said. "It bothered me, but I just told myself to move past it. I know I'm not the only one who's ever made that decision."

Larabee said he was embarrassed when he first saw the message and reported the incident to his supervisors, who called the Moscow Police Department. It is currently unknown who left the message — but the action qualifies as a hate crime, which is a felony.

In response to the incident, University Housing put cameras in the surrounding hallway. Dee Dee Kanikkeberg, associate director of university residences, said the cameras would only be placed in public areas in response to the "appalling" incident.

"It's deeply concerning that someone has been threatening within our community," Kanikkeberg said. "We work hard to create a safe environment, and we are going to protect it."

In addition to working as an RA, Larabee works as a staff member in the Women's Center. Rebecca Rod, GLBT program adviser, said after working with Larabee for the past two years, she was particularly hurt when she heard what happened to him.



Kory Larabee

See **THREAT**, page 6

Michaud to leave Idaho

Alexiss Turner
Argonaut

After three years of employment, the University of Idaho will lose its assistant vice president of human resources.

Paul Michaud has been working in human resources for 27 years. He oversees many aspects of campus, including employment, job classification, compensation as well as employment relations and grievances. Michaud is the voice of appeals between the university and state. If an employee from any of the cooperative extension centers across the state is not happy with the workings of the university, he is the go-to guy.

Vice President of Finance and Administration Lloyd Mues will lead the evaluation to decide how the empty position will be filled. Michaud said he has supplied Mues with recommendations as well as his overall outlook for the department.

With the hiring pause, Mues said a "worst-case scenario" would mean the position could be filled by an employee already working in the department. Mues said he does not discount a "best-case scenario" in which a new employee could be hired to take the job.

"The sky is not falling," he said. The evaluation began once news arrived of Michaud's departure. Mues said he hopes to have the evaluation completed before Michaud's last day, Oct. 17.

Michaud is one of nine employees who make up the human resources department, including those working in compensation, employment, job classification and helping international visitors. The department hired two new faculty this year, and Michaud said the university is in the middle of hiring another body to assist in employee compensation.

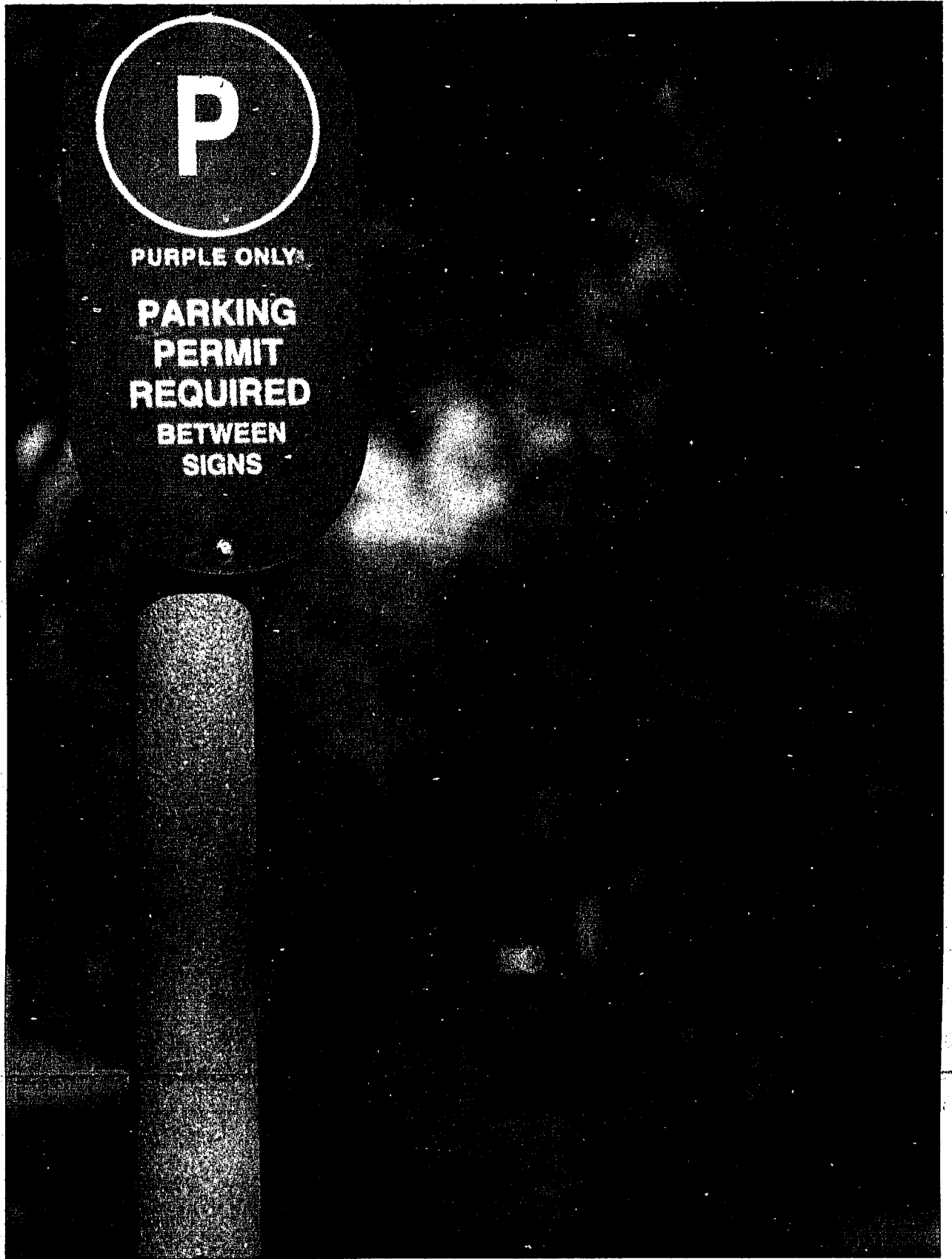
Michaud said he spends about 40 percent of his day in meetings. He said a typical day is difficult to describe. Although his morning starts with a specific plan of action, more pressing issues soon arise, he said. No matter the problem, he said the main goal is to supply employees with all available information.

"I never say, 'This is the policy,'" he said. "I say, 'These are the options.'" The human resources department no longer oversees employee benefits — the task is now headed by UI Payroll Services. Michaud said the move was an administrative

"I never say, 'This is policy,' I say, 'These are the options.'"

Paul
MICHAUD
Vice president of human resources

See **LEAVE**, page 6



Tyler Macy/Argonaut

The purple parking lots on campus are full because Parking and Transportation services sold too many permits.

Parking services oversells permits

Cyrella Watson
Argonaut

ASUI asked Parking and Transportation Services to stop selling an unlimited number of purple passes after 670 permits were sold when only 480 spaces are available.

"Students buy a purple permit to guarantee themselves a parking spot," said Garrett Holbrook, ASUI president. "And then they find out they don't have a spot at all."

There are seven purple parking lots used for residential parking for Greek students.

ASUI is working to change Lot 45 on Blake Street into a blue or dual red-purple to help with overcrowding of vehicles.

ASUI Sen. Zach Arama said 100 more students went through Greek recruitment this fall, meaning there are a lot more cars on Greek Row.

Arama wrote a resolution that stated Parking and Transportation Services was unethical in selling unlimited purple passes. The resolution was sent to Carl Root, manager of Parking and Transportation Services.

The resolution also stated Parking and Transportation Services ignored past requests from ASUI to change its practices related to Greek parking and have not been transparent enough with students.

"(It's) not fair to those students who live in those areas," Holbrook said.

Root said parking services wasn't aware of the problem and didn't like that they received a resolution stat-

ing they were unethical.

"There can be more effective ways to communicate," Root said.

Holbrook said ASUI told Root about the resolution before it was sent.

Root declined to comment.

Holbrook said he is frustrated because he had a pre-session with Root last year and clearly asked parking to stop overselling parking permits.

Arama said Root promised parking services wouldn't oversell parking permits but did it anyway.

Parking and Transportation Services sells more than the number of spaces available because of turnover. Holbrook said purple and silver lots are residential parking and are used more for storage. They are different than commuter lots where people come and go every day.

Mark Morgan, president of Beta Theta Pi, said it's ridiculous when parking services oversells permits by that much.

Arama said people are upset about the overselling of permits.

"Lots of people are parking in spots where they don't have permits because they don't have a choice,"

he said. "Those people are getting numerous tickets."

Parking and Transportation Services has helped ASUI in a lot of other ways, Arama said.

ASUI and Parking and Transportation Services discussed this issue last year, Holbrook said.

"I thought this was over," Holbrook said. Holbrook said some students don't want to move their cars from purple spaces because they are afraid of losing their spot. He said there is no point in that when blue lots can be used as storage parking and are \$10 cheaper than purple.

Students were not aware of the unlimited selling of purple passes, Holbrook said. At the very least, parking services should have told students, he said.

Holbrook said ASUI talked with sorority and fraternity presidents, and they were upset about the over-

selling of parking tickets. ASUI received a lot of complaints about the parking issue. Holbrook and Arama said they will meet with Root to discuss the issue and come to an agreement.

"Students buy a purple permit to guarantee themselves a parking spot. And then they find out they don't have a spot at all!"

Garrett
HOLBROOK
ASUI president

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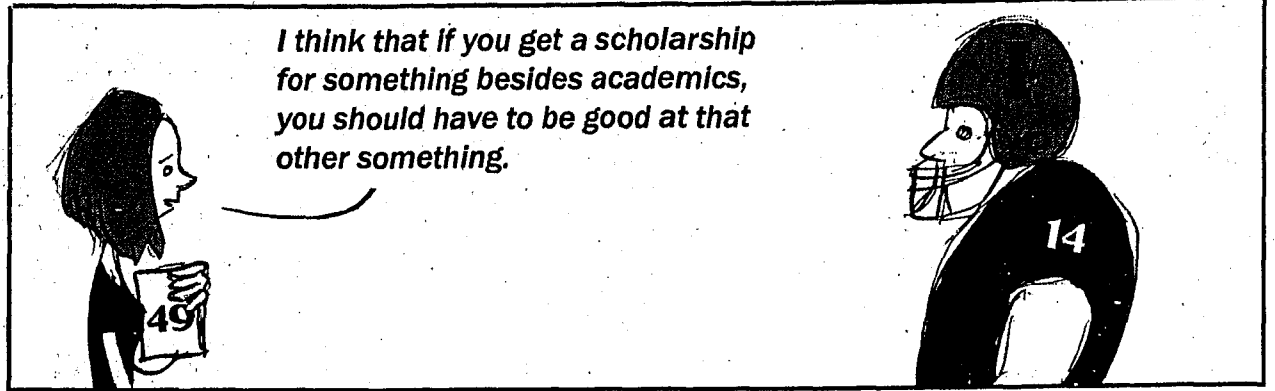
CORRECTIONS:

In the Friday story "Hispanic culture: learning origins," Ruthanne Orihuela was quoted as saying she brought her husband to Moscow "so he could have an experience without racism." She was comparing the Moscow to alternative cities and did not intend to imply that racism did not exist in Moscow.

Solutions

People We Know

K. Ray Johnson/Argonaut



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<p>Chris Murray Junior Answer: Sarah Palin saying "Drill, drill, drill..."</p>		<p>Ariel Dennis Freshman Answer: Sarah Palin kept repeating the phrase, "team of mavericks."</p>	

WEB POLL RESULTS

How concerned are you about our nation's financial situation?

I'm a little worried	20
I'm very worried	18
I'm not worried in the least	7
I can't sleep at night	5

How many times a week do you drink?

I'm drunk right now	14
1-3	13
0	12
4-6	4
10-12	3
7-9	0

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Across

- Cobra
- Ledger entries (Abbr.)
- Gowns
- Tablet
- Swamp grass
- Cease, nautically
- Bird enclosure
- Capital of Norway
- Speeds
- Hammed it up
- Deer relative
- Football's Bradshaw
- Burbot
- Some
- Leavening agent
- Shorttail weasel
- Pouch
- Sibling
- Sp. monetary unit
- Scrawniest
- Colonist
- Get there
- Container
- Arid
- Season
- More peculiar
- Ocean
- Plaything
- Exudes an odor
- Jacuzzi
- Like some government documents
- Elevate
- Font style (Abbr.)
- Domini
- Succulents
- Wheys
- Light shade of red
- Fixes
- Pigpen
- Hurricane part
- Compass pt.
- Holy folks (Abbr.)
- After straw or buckle
- Extinct bird
- Yes vote
- on (trust)
- Embark
- Bone tired
- Affirm
- Pose
- Soak flax
- Time zone
- Salads
- Bird's nest
- Buttonhole filler, at times
- Insect egg
- Dusk
- Doleful
- Rabbit hunters
- Before (Poet.)
- Summary
- Elevator man
- Singer Ford
- Loggins or Rogers
- Stir up, as a fire
- Employed
- Writer Truman
- Separate
- Execute
- Aries
- Beer relative

Down

- Fancy neckwear
- Work very hard
- Beeper
- Dangerous reptile, for short
- Catch one's breath
- Chooses
- Scarce
- Egg-shaped
- Football formation

Sudoku

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Check out **The Argonaut** every Tuesday and Friday!

Agriculture days brings students

Dustin Smith
Argonaut

More than 250 high school students from various schools in the Northwest came to the University of Idaho for Agriculture Days, sponsored by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The event, which featured multiple activities and workshops related to agriculture, gave prospective students a look at the college.

"I wasn't planning on coming here," said Thomas Hurley a junior at Filer High School, "But then I came here and I saw what (the college) was all about."

Other students with different college plans came solely for the livestock judging activity.

"I came here only to judge the livestock," said Jessica Lancaster, a freshman at Valley High School in Hazelton. "I'm already planning on going to Casper University. I have already earned scholarships there."

"Ag Days has been around for 26 years, it used to be only a homecoming for the college of agriculture," said Rachel Lorenzen, director of new student recruitment for the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences. "For the last three years it has become a recruiting tool for

prospective students."

Invitations were sent to high schools across Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Attendance showed an improvement over last year's 187 students and teachers.

Students participated in various one-hour workshops such as "Soil as a natural resource" and "From food to fuel: growing your own biodiesel." Students could also attend a barbecue hosted by Farmhouse and Alpha Gamma Rho as well as a game session at the Student Recreation Center, which included activities such as dodge ball, rock climbing and a movie night.

Ag Days featured a chili cook-off and a softball tournament on Thursday for alumni and current agriculture students. Friday, participants could attend a hayride tour of the campus and major fair showcasing different fields of study in the college of agriculture. Saturday featured livestock and dairy judging.

Students had the opportunity to spend the night at various locations across campus.

The students were required to pay \$40 or \$85 if they intended to spend the night on Friday. Cost of transportation was also a factor. Filer High School used a booster program to raise the \$1,300 needed for bus transportation.

All proceeds from the event go to paying for the costs of the activities. The events take a considerable amount of time to plan, and they represent a collaboration of multiple university departments including facilities, housing and Sodexo, the campus catering service.

The college of Agriculture Student Ambassador Program, an organization that helps recruit students to the college by giving presentations to high schools across the Northwest, was responsible for running many of the events.

Amanda Naher, a student ambassador, said she felt it was

"Seeing all these young people interested in agriculture and life sciences is great."

Amamda
NAHER
CALS student ambassador



Jake Barber/Argonaut
Tiffany Thorton, right, teaches Amin Rezamand a game at the Ag Days Barbecue and Chile Cookoff Saturday in front of the Kibbie Dome.

a great way to connect with students.

"It is incredible," Naher said. "Seeing all these young people interested in agriculture

and life sciences is great."

Agriculture Days was expanded to include the natural sciences, and she said the desire exists within the college to include

the biological sciences as well. "It is a matter of developing it for more people," Naher said. "We are hoping to see it continue to expand."

Hassoldt and Ringo seek position B

Sarah Yama
Argonaut

With an emphasis in education, Bob Hassoldt said he hopes to redirect the flow of votes of Latah County residents from incumbent Shirley Ringo to claim seat 6B in the Idaho House of Representatives.

"We definitely have different focuses," Hassoldt said. "My opponent comes more from a public sector and I'm more of a private sector."

Hassoldt, a Republican from Kendrick, has been a resident of Latah County for 31 years. He is currently a self-employed consultant forester with a master's degree in business administration from the University of Denver. Hassoldt underscores education in his campaign and he said he feels strongly about keeping the University of Idaho, one of the biggest employers in Latah County, intact and in a healthy state. This translates in part into keeping the law school out of Boise.

"My candidate has gone on record stating that she supports the expansion of the UI Law School to Boise," Hassoldt said. "I guarantee you that Boise will end up with our law school."

The extension of the UI law school has been an issue for an extended period of time. The board recently ruled that no expansion would be taking place at this time.

"If you talk to Mr. (Sheldon) Vincenti who is running against (Gary) Schroeder," Hassoldt said, "He'd tell you he's been trying to save the law school for year — this is not an issue that's just going to go away."

Hassoldt believes if the law school

is expanded into Boise, UI will lose the school entirely.

"When the good times get rolling again, Boise will want to expand their law school and think 'Hey and Moscow wants to follow our lead,'" he said. "I guarantee you Boise will end up with the law school."

Ringo, already having served eight years in position B, has a completely different perspective concerning the UI law school expansion.

"UI would still be administering the law school," Ringo said. "I just don't see the threat."

Ringo said she feels a greater focus should be on higher competitive wages for professors and researchers.

"It's important," Ringo said. "We don't want to lose the law school, but as of right now, the state board ruled no."

Higher wages is the issue Ringo has been trying to address in legislature and the joint finance committee for years.

"When it comes to being able to recruit top-notch people ... we are competing in the national and global market, and we're not measuring up," she said. "Many people can drive seven miles to the west and get a job at Washington State University and not even have to move out of their homes."

Along with further issues at UI, candidates both had a general focus on higher education standards in District 6.

"Idaho is an export economy," Hassoldt said. "If we don't have people that can function on a national and world level in the academic world, we are going to do very poorly."

He said it is not fair for students to leave UI ill prepared to compete on a global level. Hassoldt said he purposes more rigorous standards at the K-12 level.

"Taxpayers end up paying for remedial classes at the college level, there's no reason why there should even be remedial classes at that level," he said.

Hassoldt said vocational studies are necessary to maintain the state economy while Ringo closely examined K-12 education.

Focusing on broader issues, Ringo and Hassoldt have different perspectives on the financial crisis and the recent holdback announced by Governor Butch Otter.

"I don't feel District 6 will be affected too severely," said Hassoldt. "Agencies have built in slack for times like these— there might be a slight reduction in services but nothing catastrophic."

According to Hassoldt, infrastructure will be the worst to suffer.

"Everyone will be feeling the pain with transportation," he said. "You'll see it come out of car registration and the gas tax."

Ringo has a dissimilar perception because she said the Idaho legislature has always been fiscally conservative.

"We have rainy-day funds for times like these," Ringo said.

As far as the state budget is concerned, according to Ringo, the state has accounts that will help carry District 6 through the crisis.

"What we need to be concerned about are small businesses," Ringo said. "We need to make sure that they are still able to stay afloat."

Hurdles face UI presidential search

Associated Press

MOSCOW — Some University of Idaho employees fear the \$270,000 first-year salary for the northern Idaho school's next president is too modest to attract a candidate willing to stay for an extended period.

By comparison, Washington State University President Elson S. Floyd, who oversees a campus just eight miles away, earns \$725,000.

UI is trying to find a successor to Tim White,

who left in June to lead the University of California-Riverside.

White arrived at UI in 2004 after the school endured budget cuts, faculty turnover and a financial scandal from a failed expansion project in Boise.

Robert Dickow, a faculty member in the UI's Lionel Hampton School of Music, said "we have to face the fact that maybe we won't be able to attract and retain a president because we're not competitive."

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Teaming up: Army ROTC competes

Dara Barney
Argonaut

Two squads made up of 22 cadets — that was the makeup of teams Alpha and Bravo when the University of Idaho Army ROTC competed in the Ranger Challenge on Saturday in Warrenton, Ore.

"It felt like we competed for about half of the driving time," said Cadet Captain Dezarai Stringer. "Also, it was hard to get homework done."

The team of 22 made it to Camp Ralea to participate in the competition against 10 other universities.

"There was never any down time," Stringer said.

Team Alpha was led by Mitch Lokker, and Team Bravo was led by Jonathon Deaustin.

There were different stages to the competition, including a "Rope Bridge" event, where participants used a 150-foot rope to cross a creek, or more commonly, a river.

"Also we had 'Hand Grenade,' in which we had

to take out a bunker, throw one into a trench, then sprint back and climb under barbed wire all in a small, 35-meter course," Stringer said.

There was a 20-question "navigation quiz" and a quiz where participants ran around finding different designated points. There was also a 10-kilometer march.

Disassembling weapons was part of the competition as well, Stringer said. Cadets had to sprint 100 meters over to a M-16, disassemble it, put it back together and run back. Participants were evaluated on time and precision.

All of the events had to be endured through the constant rain that beat the Oregon Coast.

"If it ain't raining, you ain't training," they say," Stringer said. "But I disagree. It constantly rained the whole time, and that was my least favorite part."

The scores brought on a more positive aspect when Alpha scored fourth overall.

"They scored one of the highest in the written navigation portion," Stringer said.

Alpha placed first in two events, while Bravo placed ninth total. Stringer said practicing and learning was key.

"We watched other competitors to learn what to do and what not to do," Stringer said. "The navigation portion was one of my favorites, because we could find a point, know we found it and know we got the job done right. We didn't know immediate results after a lot of the other competitions."

Stringer said the Ranger Challenge let the team know where they stood and what they needed to fix as a team.

"We learned skills we need to know," Stringer said.

The cadets funded the trip themselves and raised money by taking tickets at football games and a "SAT Shack" in the Army office.

"It sounds like it doesn't work, but we can get them for a little cheaper, and the money goes back to our funds," Stringer said.

Oct. 17 will mean more practice for the ROTC members.

"There will be field ex-



Dezarai Stringer/Courtesy Photo

Juniors Jonathon DeAustin and Josten Cornett hurry to finish the practical land navigation exercise during the Ranger Challenge on Saturday in Warrenton, Ore.

ercise to practice working as a squad against opposing forces," Stringer said.

"Juniors will be in charge, while underclassmen will participate as members

to learn what it will be like when they become squad leaders."

University offers Computer Security Symposium

Greg Connolly
Argonaut

It's October, which means it's time to counter phishing and viruses at the annual Computer Security Awareness Symposium hosted by ITS as a part of National Cyber Security Awareness Month.

ITS will present a series of lectures and discussions regarding computer security and how to stay safe Thursday in the Clearwater Room of the Idaho Commons.

The symposium falls on the

same day as a national Webinar, or online seminar, hosted by the Department of Homeland Security. Symposium participants will be able to listen to a presentation by the department on how to avoid getting caught up in phishing schemes, said Mitch Parks, a Desktop Security Analyst with the ITS department.

Phishing is a form of fraud where someone poses as a trustworthy person or group, such as a bank, and attempts to get information from a second party.

The Webinar features the

same PowerPoint presentation that's being given by the actual presenter, as well as a live audio feed from where the presentation is taking place, allowing anyone across the country with access to the Webinar to get the same experience as someone who was attending the lecture in person.

In addition to the Webinar, there will be discussions related to properly maintaining a PC, general desktop security and software updates.

There will also be a

workshop that deals with staying safe while using social networking sites. In that workshop, Darren Kearney of ITS will discuss various ways to keep a password safe and to protect one's identity while using sites like Facebook and MySpace, said Joyce Davidson, Customer Support Manager for ITS.

Four years ago, phishing became a problem on the University of Idaho campus, so the ITS department hosted a computer security symposium.

ITS believes phishing is still a serious issue on campus, but they don't hear many complaints from its victims, said Parks.

"Facebook had a vulner-

ability in how it handles your birthday, so anyone could figure out your identity and use that against you," Parks said.

Facebook did resolve that issue, but there are still plenty of ways to get in trouble online.

"I encourage folks to come and protect their information," Parks said. "(The lecture) talks about what sort of information you can put out there."

There will also be a panel discussion regarding copyright issues on campus.

"We're required to track more and more as to what students do on "P2P" applications," Parks said. "We record how much bandwidth students use."

"P2P" stands for peer-to-peer. It's a type of program that allows people to connect their computers and transfer files. Examples of such programs include Kazaa and Limewire.

The ITS department tracks users who have had

complaints filed against them. If the Recording Industry Association of America had tracked a user on the UI campus illegally downloading music, they can file a complaint with the ITS department, who in turn can observe what the user was doing. That information can then be used to prosecute the person who was illegally downloading media.

"P2P is a big issue," Parks said. "We only get notices for a fraction of the activity."

The event will also feature door prizes, which are usually technology-related, Richardson said.

"It was very successful and well attended, so we've done it ever since," he said.

On average, 150 to 200 people attend the event each year. "It's our signature event," said Parks.

Anyone who is interested in attending is invited, and it is free of charge. It starts at 8 a.m. in the Clearwater Room, and the last discussion concludes at 5 p.m.



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WSU holds first Raptor Safari

Will McWilliams
Argonaut

Since 1981, the Washington State University Raptor Club has been rehabilitating and taking care of birds of prey that cannot survive in the wild.

"Any raptor that comes into the facility that can't be released, the club will take on," said Ali Clark, member of the WSU Raptor Club. "We'll do their basic care, feed them and take them on presentations."

Clark said a raptor is defined as any bird that kills its prey with its feet. She said this includes birds such as eagles, hawks and owls.

The club held its first annual Raptor Safari from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday. The event consisted of a tour featuring the club's birds, activities to learn about the various birds and a crafts section where children made pine cone owls.

Clark said the event was organized to teach people about



Allison Clark/Courtesy Photo
Charlie Kimball, left, with Dakota, a female red tailed hawk, talks to a guest in the Falcon room. The Washington State University Raptor Club held its first annual Raptor Safari on Saturday.

the birds and the club's efforts in taking care of them.

"We're teaching the public about the conservation of these

animals, biology facts about these animals and what we do as a club," Clark said. "Just basic conservation facts about them."

Shawneese Rocco, president of the WSU Raptor Club, said the club started in 1981 when a red-tailed hawk that had been hit by the car was brought to WSU by Erik Stauber, a professor of small animal medicine and the adviser of the club. She said the club was started because of the red-tailed hawk, named Charlie, and has been taking birds in ever since.

"We kind of give them a second chance at life as education ambassadors," Rocco said.

Clark said in order for the club to own and maintain the birds they must have permits. Some of the species, such as eagles, are protected by laws. Rocco said one of the permits requires the club to take the birds on educational presentations.

"The permit requires that we do 12 a year, but we do over 80 presentations a year," he said.

Matt Bocek, a senior English major at WSU, attended the event.

"A lot of the exhibits were really cool," Bocek said. "The kids that I saw here seemed really excited about it."

Bocek said the members of the club put a lot of effort into the event.

"The staff was really knowledgeable and really eager to show off their birds," he said.

Clark said the club consistently has new birds coming in and out of the club to be taken care of. She said the club currently takes care of 20 birds. Anyone can join the club as long as they are 18 or older, and they don't have to be a student at WSU.

The event featured several birds including a golden eagle, peregrine falcon and a great horned owl. Several people attended the event, the majority of them being young children with their families. Clark said the club will continue to hold the event each year.

PoliceLOG

Monday

9:15 a.m. Blake Avenue: Report of a bike stolen from the Continuing Education Building.

2:29 p.m. Elm Street: Caller would like to report letters stolen from a sign in front of their house.

4:32 p.m. Stadium Drive: Caller reported money was stolen from his wallet while he was exercising at the Kibbie Dome.

7:18 p.m. Elm St: Caller said a man was spotted in the back yard of the house. He was headed up sixth street.

Tuesday

9:28 a.m. West Sixth Street:

Caller said someone had been leaving threatening messages on his door.

Wednesday

8:07 a.m. South Line Street: Law, fire and EMS responded to someone who had fainted, but the person refused treatment.

11:33 a.m. Deakin Avenue: Caller wants to report their vehicle stolen.

2:45 p.m. West Sixth Street: Someone left a large amount of garbage in a private dumpster. Some of the garbage is mail addressed to the person that left it.

5:31 p.m. West Sixth Street: Caller reporting a stolen bike. The bike was left unlocked.

9:52 p.m. Elm Street: Caller re-

porting a lot of noise from a party happening at a nearby house.

10:41 p.m. Idaho Avenue: Two males arrested for an alcohol offense.

11:00 p.m. West Sixth Street: Caller is reporting an unknown number of people smoking on the roof of the Wallace Residence Complex Dining Room. Officers were unable to locate.

11:29 p.m. Deakin Avenue: Arrested a male for an alcohol offense.

11:43 p.m. University Avenue: Warned a male for excessive noise.

Thursday

12:04 a.m. Elm Street: Caller reporting that several people outside of a fraternity are being very loud.

11:23 a.m. Stadium Avenue:

Caller is reporting someone is not welcome on the property. They were last seen walking toward Memorial Gym.

2:24 p.m. Elm Street: Caller reported someone parked in a no-parking area. Officers responded and issued a citation.

5:20 p.m. West Sixth Street: Caller reported bike stolen.

Friday

No reports on campus.

Saturday

12:41 a.m. Deakin Avenue: Arrested one male for an alcohol offense.

1:26 a.m. Deakin Avenue: Caller said she witnessed three people push over a pile of wood and then run away.

2:36 a.m. West Sixth Street: Report of a male trying to fight several different people.

3:22 a.m. Deakin Avenue: Report of someone urinating in public.

7:13 a.m. Stadium Drive: Caller reporting a theft.

11:34 a.m. Stadium Drive: Caller requesting an officer pick up a stray dog that's in the Kibbie Dome area. Owner came and picked up the dog.

6:03 p.m. Stadium Drive: Caller reporting a possible hit and run in the Kibbie Dome parking lot.

Sunday

10:56 p.m. Nez Perce Drive: Report of two to four figures dressed in black running around next to the water tower. Officers were unable to locate.

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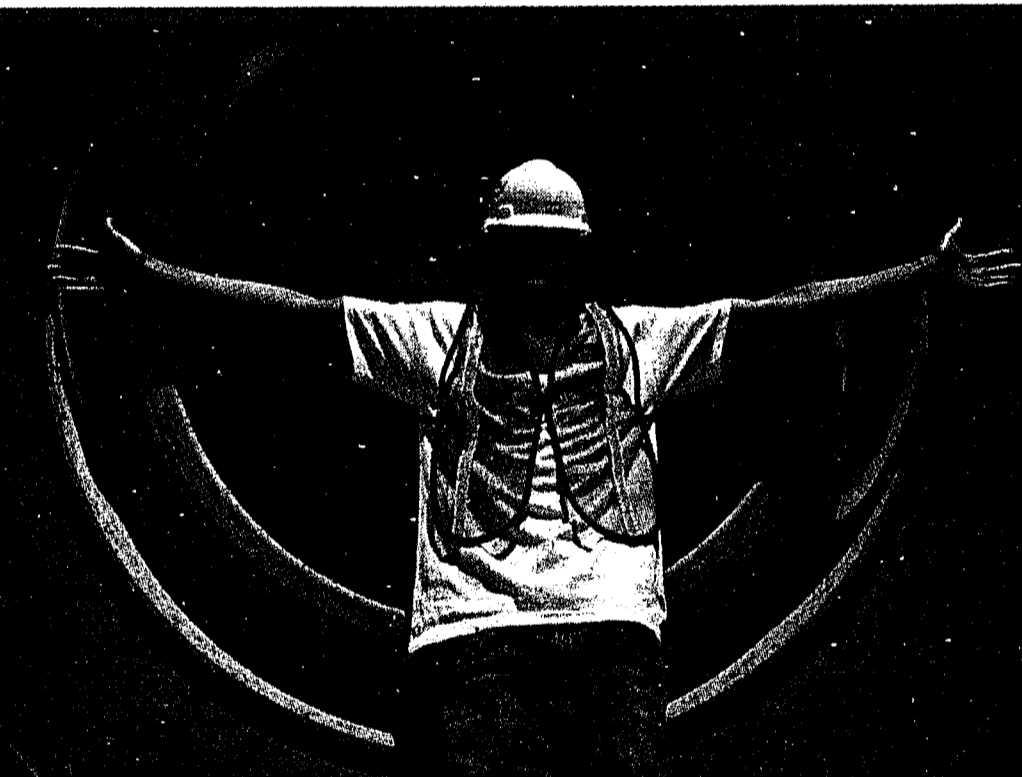
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Keynote speaker Judy Mitchell makes a presentation at the Fall Literacy Conference in the Whitewater/Clearwater Rooms in the Idaho Commons on Friday. The Conference is an annual event sponsored by the College of Education that aims at providing teachers with new tactics to improve literacy in K-12 education. In addition to the speaker, participants were able to take part in a variety of sessions ranging from graphic writing to using puppet theater.

NewsBRIEFS

Arg to celebrate 110th anniversary

The Argonaut is celebrating 110 years of being the University of Idaho's student newspaper.

The celebration lasts Oct. 9 through Oct. 11.

All alumni of The Argonaut, BLOT magazine, the Gem of the Mountains yearbook and KUOI-FM are invited to join the celebration.

Alumni will take tours of the campus, meet current students and faculty and reminisce with old classmates.

On Thursday, alumni are invited to visit The Argonaut office to watch students work to get the cur-

rent issue of the paper out.

There will be a banquet at 7 p.m. on Saturday. Retired editorial page editor for the Lewiston Tribune Bill Hall will serve as the banquet speaker. Reunion events are open to the public. Participants can register at www.uirsvp.com or by calling the Alumni office at 885-6154.

For more information, visit www.class.uidaho.edu/Argonaut_110th_Reunion.htm.

Panel to discuss hunger issues

Issues related to hunger will be discussed at "Hunger Here and Now: Palouse Solutions" at 10:30 a.m. on Oct. 15 in the Student Union Building's Borah Theater.

Mary Schmidt of the

Horizons Project will talk.

At 7 p.m. at the Best Western University Inn, a panel will discuss issues related to hunger. The panel members are Amy Grey of Backyard Harvest, John Mix of Empowering Families, Linda Nickels of Moscow Food Bank and Connie Salisbury of the HOPE Center.

Events are free and open to the public.

The events are part of the Margaret Ritchie Distinguished Speaker Series and are sponsored by the School of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Webinar to teach fundraising

On Oct. 10 in Moscow and Boise, "The Savvy Fundraiser: A Guide for Academic Leaders" will take place.

In the Idaho Commons Crest Room, a Webinar on fundraising is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

The Webinar is for faculty and staff who are unfamiliar with fundraising

and want to learn new skills.

To attend, RSVP by Wednesday at 885-5935 or email arnold@uidaho.edu.

Screening for mental illness

From 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on October 9, University of Idaho students will have the opportunity to test their sanity.

National Depression Screening Day will be at the Idaho Commons as well as the Student Health Center from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Tests for disorders like depression, bipolar and anxiety will be administered during this time for anyone who feels open to seeing whether they may need help.

The screening process is anonymous and no records will be kept. In addition to the screenings, pamphlets on depression and suicide, coping skills and depression differences among gender will be available.

CALENDAR

Tuesday

Dissertation Defense: "Controlling Chatter to Make it Matter: Evaluating a Self-Talk Intervention to Enhance Adjudicated Musical Performance" 9:30 a.m. College of Education

University Interdisciplinary Colloquium 12:30 p.m. Idaho Commons

Mock Interview Day 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Idaho Commons

Wednesday

Career Expo of the Palouse 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. WSU's Beasley Coliseum

Photo Display: "The American President" 8 a.m. Idaho Commons

Thursday

Computer Security Awareness Symposium 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Idaho Commons

Department of History Brown-bag Series 12:30 p.m. Administration Building

MMBB Seminar Series 12:30 p.m. Life 227

Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering Research Colloquium 3:30 p.m. TLC 031

Multicultural First Year and Transfer Student Orientation and Dinner 5:30 p.m. SUB

Idaho volleyball vs. Utah State 7 p.m. Memorial Gym

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decision made to place all payroll data in one area.

"It's a good combination," Michaud said. On top of his job, Michaud is the chair of the Benefits Advisory Group and adviser to the Staff Affairs Committee. He said over any other employee at the university, he believes he has made the most presentations to the faculty council - especially involving recent benefit changes.

"It was my responsibility to explain any changes in hopes to get their endorsement," he said.

Michaud will be working at Georgia Southern

University in Statesborough, Ga. Although the school houses some 19,000 students, Michaud said his past experience has prepared him for the job.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity," he said. "I like a smaller institution, and (at a bigger institution) you just get more of the same. It's nothing different."

Michaud said he hopes to leave UI with the knowledge that the university is headed down the right path. He said he believes the university has gained stability over the last few years.

"Hopefully I (will leave) the institution a little better than when I got here," he said. "Maybe I was able to plant the seed and hopefully it is germinating here."

THREAT from page 1

"I've seen him come in and help so many people who are in this critical stage in life," Rod said. "The idea that someone would intentionally try to hurt or threaten him ... it's horrible."

Rod said it takes a great deal of courage to be an

open homosexual, particularly in Idaho. She said this makes Larabee an even stronger example, because he is an example to any member of the campus still hiding who they are.

"He really is an example of strength and endurance for this campus," Rod said. "What really encourages me is the fact that he won't take this lying down."

In response to the message, Larabee put a sign on his door taunting the perpetrator by listing the previous insults and inviting more. Instead, people responded with comments of compassion and pride.

"Everyone has been so supportive," Larabee said. "It's nice to know I'm not alone in this ... my hall is really supportive."

He said he is upset that whoever vandalized his property acted in such close

proximity to National Coming Out Day and the week the Women's Center has planned in observance.

"In some ways it's sorta poignant," Larabee said. "I think people forget that this level of hate and ignorance still exists in the world and maybe reminders like this will keep them aware ... this is a high-risk time for people."

Rod said that celebrations of alternative lifestyles are traditionally met with resistance and even "allies" can find themselves quieted because they fear being ostracized. She said now is the time for people to "stand and let their voice be heard."

Larabee said rather than let this experience

deter him, he believes it will help him in his work.

"If this ever happened to anyone who came to me, I would tell them to make as much noise as possible," he said. "A lot goes unnoticed because people are too afraid to talk about it. If we want to stop it, we have to have a voice."

Next semester Larabee will study abroad in Quebec. He said he is looking forward to living in a culture that's more sympathetic and accepting of homosexual lifestyles.

"What really encourages me is the fact that he won't take this lying down."

Rebecca ROD
GLBT program adviser

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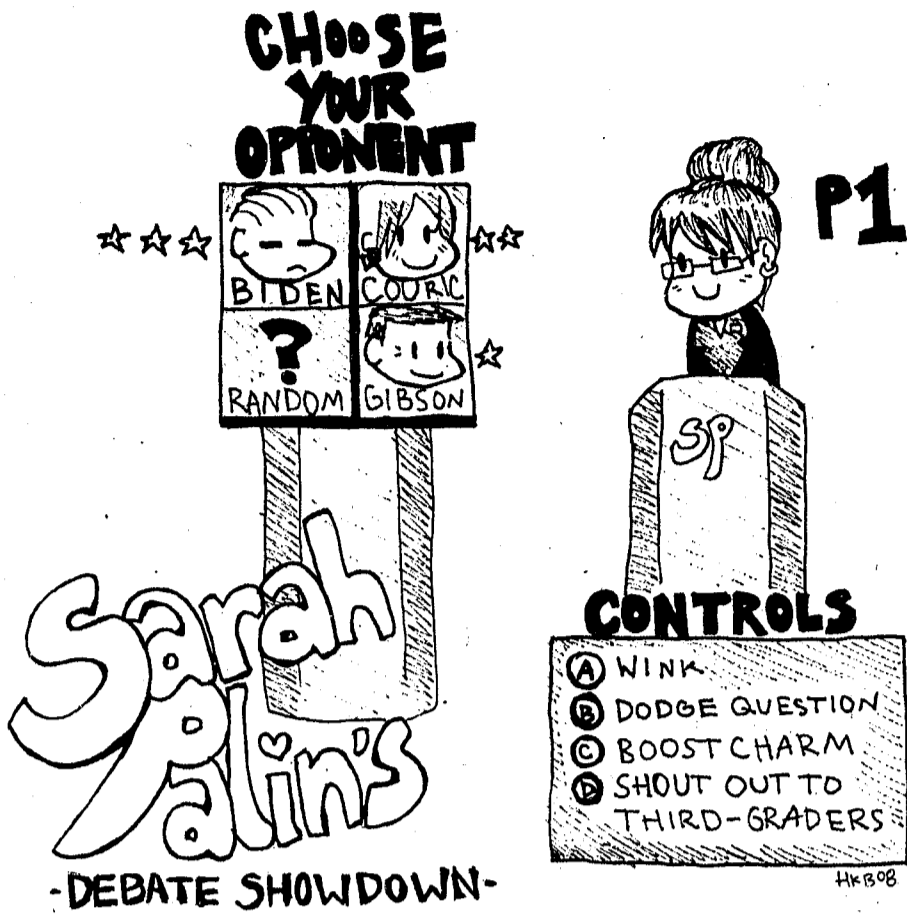
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OurVIEW

Threats unacceptable

The university community can easily lapse into believing we're building a safe, diverse and equal educational environment for the future leaders who come out of this institution.

So many on the University of Idaho campus work every day to bring us closer to understanding, tolerance and acceptance.

That's why it's so shocking when the campus community is reminded of the blind hatred and uninformed messages with which some people choose to deteriorate this campus.

On Sept. 29, a gay UI Resident Assistant returned to his dorm room to find the words "Faggot. F---ing kill you" written on the message board on his door.

The blatant disregard for the student's right to safely live a life that is congruent to his or her own beliefs is appalling and pathetic. Threats of violence and bigotry should not and will not be tolerated at UI.

The threatening statements appeared one week before National Coming Out Day events began, which were planned by the UI LGBTQA, Women's Center and Gay-Straight Alliance.

The person or persons responsible for the message board incident, and anyone else who harbors true hatred for an individual because a person is different, can benefit from (if nothing else) just listening

to someone else's perspective.

The groups offer events throughout the next two weeks, including a free film and discussion in observance of Matthew Shepherd and an official observance of National Coming Out Day on Friday.

It is important to remember it is OK to disagree completely with someone else's personal beliefs, moral standards or differences. It is not acceptable to threaten or incite violence at UI because of those differences.

As administrators consciously attempt to bring in more faculty, students and staff with diverse ethnic, religious and sexual orientation backgrounds, the UI community will be able to experience more perspectives than ever before.

Those people rightly deserve a setting with a sense of safety within that community. They deserve a community where hatred and misunderstanding have no place.

They deserve the right to openly discuss and agree or disagree with one another's differences without the threat of violence.

People who threaten or encourage violence on campus should know there is a much stronger majority who may or may not agree with homosexuality who will not tolerate and stand up to the hatred and injustice of this or any other acts of violence.

—CL

Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Please register

Don't forget the deadline to register to vote in Idaho is Friday. This includes if you have changed your address since you last voted. You can also register to vote at the polls on Election Day, but why not get it done now?

— Holly

With your best shot

Another UI student was hit in the deathtrap/crosswalk on the Moscow-Pullman Highway on Sunday. I'm wearing every piece of safety equipment they make for my walks to campus from now on. My morning routine now consists of a checklist. Knee, elbow, mouth and shin guards? Got 'em. Helmet? Check. Bulletproof vest? Double check. Steel-toed boots? Shyeah. Bring it on, 80-year-old old fart who can't see beyond the steering wheel. This is war.

— Christina

Where's Thanksgiving?

It's Tuesday, but I need it to be Friday. Or, better yet, Thanksgiving. Why is there this hellish stretch between breaks? Students work hard. We deserve to preserve our sanity with some time off. That's it. I'm cutting class.

— Sydney

Microwaving goodbye

The International Food Safety Network has said "improperly microwaving frozen food" is making consumers sick. It appears college students have no safe way out. And to think — all this time, I thought it was the mushrooms growing from the shower leak in the back of my closet that were going to kill me.

— Kevin

Break time

I agree with Sydney. We really need a break right about now, and a long weekend doesn't cut it. Why can't school run four weeks on and one week off and cut summer to six weeks? I love summer as much as the next person, but I need more breaks during the year. Ugh.

— Alexis

Murder mystery

I keep finding dead flies stuck to the wall in The Argonaut office. The weird thing is they are always on the wall backwards and upside down. I don't know how a fly could physically die that way, or if someone is going around and putting them there just to creep me out. Is there an entomologist out there who could enlighten me on this?

— Jake

Bring on the snizow

We've had a pretty decent run with the weather being nice. I say we skip right over fall and head straight to winter. Bring on long slick walks to class and freezing mornings in my apartment (I refuse to turn the heat on) — I'm ready for it. Oh, University of Idaho big wigs, remember last year when you closed school for a couple days because of heavy snow? Do more of that; it's nice having a couple days off now and again.

— Levi

Envy

Two days a week The Argonaut prints news briefs and a calendar about all the events and activities going on in town. What I hate is I don't have time to do any of the things I actually print because I'm so busy printing them. Then I look at Cheech and Chong, who live below me, and marvel at how some people use their time. I don't need to be high — I just want to go to a movie.

— Lianna

BEYOND THE SHEETS

Exposing the sexual rumors

Dear Chris, Is the "G-spot" a real spot or just a myth?

— Unsure

Dear Unsure, This is a perfect case for exploration. One of the safest and most satisfying types of sexual activity is self-exploration and masturbation (a completely healthy and viable alternative to sex with another person).

The vagina hosts several different things, including an area commonly referred to as the "G-spot." This area serves a variety of functions by means of constriction and fluid release.

It is able to be stimulated via the hand or a curved toy. In every woman this spot is

in a slightly different location. Some women will find it deeper in the vagina, while others will find it closer to the vaginal opening. The point is to not be discouraged while trying to find the G-spot.

To find the G-spot, make your hand into a "C." You need to insert your hand so the bottom of the "C" is on the outside (most likely touching the clitoris). You should be in the appropriate area, so now you must explore it a little farther to find the right spot.

Keep in mind not every woman responds to this stimulation in the same way. For many women the G-spot involves wonderful stimulation and is pleasurable, while for

other women, it is uncomfortable and provides no added pleasure. The only way you are going to know is to stimulate the G-spot and pay attention to responses.

Dear Chris, Can you really tell the size of a man's penis by his shoe size?

— Intrigued by Feet

Dear Intrigued, I assume this saying implies the shoe size converts to inches, so a man with a size 10 shoe would have 10 inches in the pants. For many men, that notion would be awesome if it were true, but alas, it is just a rumor. If it were true, men would be a lot more boastful about their shoe size, and conversations such as, "Dude, my foot is a size 14" would be heard. Life would

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Chris Bidiman Sex Columnist arg-opinion@uidaho.edu

MailBOX

Reduce clutter at crosswalk

I read "Psych out" in the Friday issue of The Argonaut with great interest. My daughter and I arrived in Moscow early Thursday evening for the Vandal Preview event the next day. This was our first visit to the area, so we decided to drive around the city and UI campus. While driving along the Moscow-Pullman Highway, we encountered close calls with pedestrians near crosswalks twice, once during early twilight hours and the other after darkness had fully set in. While I could clearly see crosswalk lines crossing the highway both times and that no one was in the crosswalk as I approached, I did not see either of the pedestrians preparing to step into the crosswalk and my lane of traffic. The pedestrians apparently did not wait for me to acknowledge them through the slowing of my vehicle prior to

stepping out into the crosswalk.

Although I saw flasher lights and the caution signs as I approached the crosswalk both times, these pedestrians were hidden among the clutter of flashing lights, signs and poles along the side of the road.

My suggestion is the city should reduce the visible clutter at each end of these crosswalks to make pedestrians clearly visible to approaching drivers, and the use of strobe lights, perhaps in conjunction with strobe lights embedded into the crosswalk strips, should be considered since there are many locations along roadways, not just crosswalks, where yellow caution lights flash 24 hours per day. Yellow flashing lights should not be utilized as a visual signal to approaching drivers that a pedestrian is present and about to enter a crosswalk.

Mike McInnis Port Orchard, Wash.

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Bailout prompts silly reactions

Yevgeniy Feldman
Cornell Daily Sun, Cornell University

You know what really grinds my gears? People. People who say, "Do you hear me, local representative? I will not re-elect you. Be afraid. Be very afraid."

First, saying, "local representative" instead of "Kucinich" or whoever is generally a good indication you don't know who your local representative is. Second, who votes for local representatives? Did you vote for your local representative last year? Do you know whether or not he voted for the bailout bill? Were there actually local elections last year? Did he hear your voice? If you did not have a representative, would you even know the difference? All are valid questions.

There are insane protests going on. On the Internet, actually. The Internet, being the world's most effective protest platform, is going nuts. People are outraged the government is trying to save the economy. Just outraged. People on Digg, a social content-sharing Web site, are busy spamming local representatives' mailboxes and phones with detailed messages that read much like this:

"Dear local representative, I would like you to know, although I did not vote for you in the past election, your conduct during this economic crisis has given me no reason to vote for you in the future. You do not have my vote, definitively. And I will tell all my friends on digg.com not to vote for the Sixth District Democratic representative of Ohio.

To summarize: your vote on the bailout was despicable. I will hunt you down and vote you out. Eff the Fed. Eff Congress. Eff big \$\$\$ America. Ron Paul '08. Viva Ché. Digg me up.

Good day to you, Sir. Good day to you." For reasons of I-don't-know-what-the-eff-is-going-to-happen, I don't want to explicitly debate the specifics of the bailout. What is clear is that the United States of America is willing to put the dollar on the line to save the economy. Depending on whom you ask, that is either heroic in the sense of World War II or heroic in the sense of the war in Iraq.

What is just plain un-heroic is saying the financial world is stupid. Over the last week I have heard some very... educated thoughts. Some include:

1. "Screw banks. What the hell do we need banks for? Loans? I can just buy stuff

on Craigslist that I can afford."
2. "This would have never happened if our money was still backed by gold."

3. "We need to abolish the Fed." The first two things I heard from students (the greatest economic crisis occurred when our money was backed by gold, by the way).

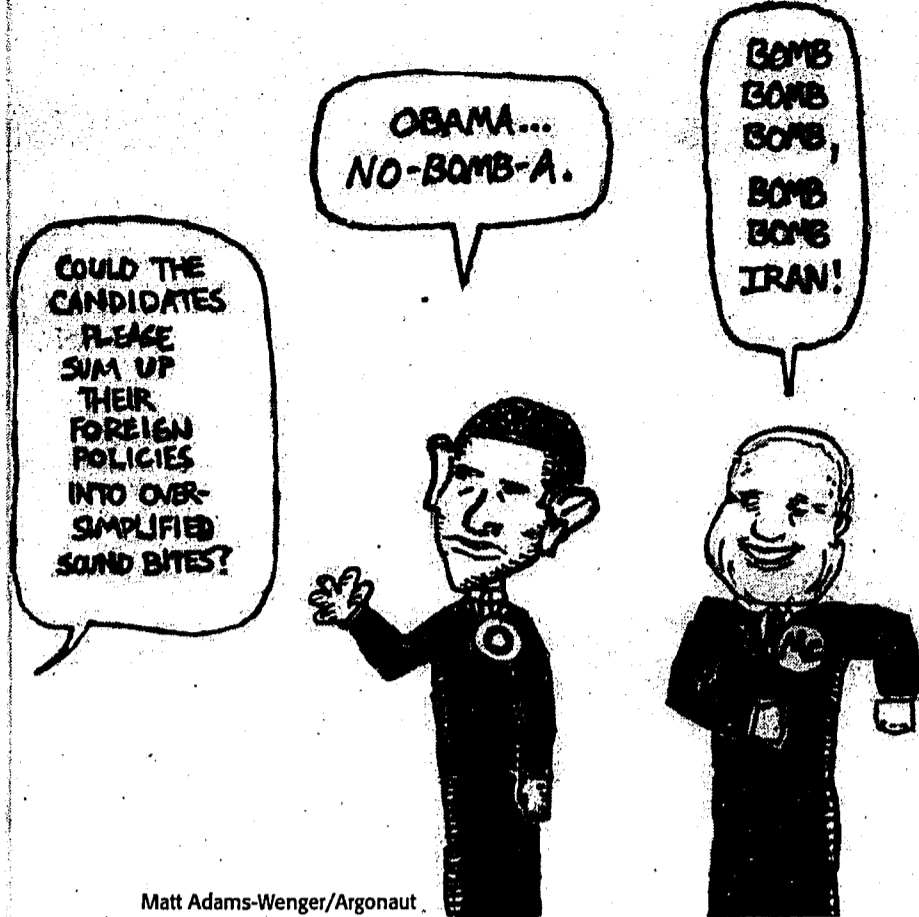
The last one I heard from Ron Paul. It left me confused, because what I really heard was, "We need to abolish an institution whose objective is to minimize inflation and unemployment."

This is what I hear every time Paul says we need to abolish the Fed. He says "Austrian school of economics" more often than Sarah Palin calls McCain a maverick. This is what I hear when I log on to digg.com and read hundreds of comments that say "Dr. Paul" is a genius. As if "Dr. Paul" is the only guy in the world with a degree in economics. Wait, he doesn't have a degree in economics. He's actually a real doctor. He delivered babies. And now he wants to cure the economy by "abolishing the Fed" (an institution which is independent from politics and whose sole purpose during normal times is to minimize unemployment and inflation).

Is the man a monster who wants to see Americans unemployed and prices skyrocketing? Or is he trying to say the best way to help the economy is to do nothing at all, ever, even in ridiculous circumstances that have arisen because of market failures which could have been regulated against? But I mean, it's all good, right? The market will just straighten itself out.

Let's apply Paul's doctrine to all American policy. The troops? They'll just figure it out. If they don't want to be in Iraq, they'll probably leave. Or maybe the Iraqi insurgent market forces will kick them out. Then they can go wherever they feel like, because they know best. That's the beauty of free markets. Social Security? Let the people figure it out. If they don't want to pay into it, that's perfectly fine. They'll learn their lesson when nobody gets benefits. When they say, "We really need these benefits 'cause our hips hurt," what they will really mean is, "The market has spoken for us, and we don't really need medical assistance. Seriously. Just ignore us. Austrian school."

Local representative, if you read this paper, you have not lost my vote. You never had it. Thanks for doing your duty by trying to save the economy — whoever you are.



Matt Adams-Wenger/Argonaut

MAILBOX

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Free pass for Obama

Once again I find myself cringing in the early morning hours when my roommate's alarm goes off, and the brain surgeons at "Z-pun" (ZFun 106) take stabs at the political candidates.

Answer me this, "Z-pun": why is Obama, a man who just begs to be made fun of, such a sacred cow?

Quite frankly, the Sarah Palin jokes are wearing thin. Furthermore, why aren't the feminists all over that?

Doesn't it seem to you, too, that their silence is saying Idaho's women or UT's women grads are only second-rate?

Right, wrong or indifferent, we at UI need to stand behind candidates like Palin. After all, how often is our little backwater university going to be thrust into the national limelight?

Although I am painfully aware of Hillary Clinton's track record, I would be more inclined to cast my vote (which leans heavily to the Republican side) for her than Obama. Hillary can at least articulate herself intelligently in debates and has concrete answers to tough questions, even though her answer isn't what I want to hear.

As for me, I really like the idea one of our grads such as Palin has made it as far as she has. That speaks volumes for

the hidden talent at this institution. So, you folks in the media need to grab hold of your ears, pull until you hear a loud pop and get a whiff of the mocha. Maybe you'll see things for what they really are.

Michael W. Coey
Junior, forest resources/
forest products/German

Minnick not conservative

Walt Minnick may sound like a conservative in all those commercials he's been running for the past month and a half, but we all know he will be obliged to vote in lock-step with all the other Democrats in Congress. So, no matter what he says, he will vote for more government, more taxes, unrestricted abortion and same-sex marriage. He will vote against conservative judges and against success in Iraq (can you say, "Joe Lieberman"?)

However, while his lip service to our conservative values and beliefs insults my intelligence, I do appreciate what pointing out Bill Sali's financial struggles. It confirms to me that Sali did not go to Congress to get rich, as it seems many have, but to actually serve his constituency and his country by seeking to preserve the freedom and opportunity that made America great and oppose those who scoff our constitution and our faith.

Fortunately for America, Mr. Minnick, you can't fool all the people all the time.

Curtis Young
Meridian

RUMORS

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be nothing but a walking shoe size competition.

I have heard height relates to length. The taller the man is, the more well endowed he is. It seems like a legitimate theory until short men with big endowments are entered into the situation.

There is an old wives' tale about the

hand being indicative of a man's length. Bending the middle finger onto the palm, the man's length is supposed to be from the point on the palm the finger touches to the tip of the middle finger once it is extended. It may be accurate, but I do not fully believe it.

The tried and true way to know a man's length is to use a tape measure (from the base to the tip of the head).

Have fun, be safe and enjoy your bodies. Have a question for Chris? Send it to arg-opinion@uidaho.edu.

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INTERVIEW

Funny lady loves Obama, heartbreak

Megan Broyles
Argonaut

If you have aging Jewish grandparents residing in the Sunshine State, Sarah Silverman wants you to fly down and convince them to vote for Barack Obama.

In a telephone interview with student journalists from nation-wide college newspapers, Silverman explained her part in a grass-roots effort called "The Great Schlep," along with her take on Sarah Palin, the start of the newest season of "The Sarah Silverman Show," the content of her jokes and what's been playing on her iTunes.

While Jews are already liberal, Silverman said, "Nana and Papa" need to know why Obama is the better candidate. She broke it down for an Internet audience in a video called "The Great Schlep," explaining how Obama "has a scary name" that sounds Muslim, scaring older Floridian Jews.

No one but grandchildren have a greater impact on grandparents, she said, thus creating the need for young Democrats to make sure grandma and

grandpa make the right decision on Election Day.

"This is a year where young people can make a huge difference," Silverman said. "It's pretty exciting."

The "Schlep" video was produced in Silverman's own living room, "just like Osama." She said she's only indirectly involved in the campaign run by Mik Moore and Ari Wallach.

"I wish she wasn't so polished," Silverman said about vice presidential candidate and University of Idaho alumna Palin.

"She's scary. The truth is, she's got charisma and that sucks."

Silverman said Palin "is a monster," requiring women to pay for rape kits and being unsupportive of women's reproductive health and general rights.

Moving past politics, Silverman discussed other topics. She talked in-depth about the creative process of episode creation and the story lines in the new season of her show. The first episode premieres at 10:30 p.m. Wednesday on Comedy Central, and the second episode will show the following night. Silverman said the first installment revolves around her and

her friends "smoking pot and solving crime." The second will feature Silverman suing Mongolia for rape.

Silverman is often referred to as "the pretty girl with the dirty mouth" and has been accused of using racial and ethnic slurs in her comedy. She was confronted with the issue as a guest on Late Night with Conan O'Brien where she was asked if she thought she could get away with it because she's a comedian.

"There is a difference between buzz words and jokes," Silverman said. "I am always the butt of my own jokes. A joke won't be about race, it will be about an idiot."

She calls her gags "cerebral shit jokes," where

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Courtesy Photo/Comedy Central



Music worth exclamation

While listening to the excellent Okmanix album "Party Fever!!!," a wonderful thing happened: I felt the urge to fance like nobody was watching. Luckily, that was the case — I was at my radio show. As I cued up an old Neu! LP, I was moved to highlight some of my favorite exclamatory works.

One group I love to death is The Go! Team (of no relation to the Calvin Johnson/Tobi Vail project.) The Go! Team is from Brighton, England. Its music is a beautiful, ebullient mix of cheerleaderism, hip-hop and samples. It has two albums out so far: last year's "Proof of Youth" and the band's 2004 debut "Thunder, Lightning, Strike." Both are great, though I'd confess I'm more partial to the debut. Nearly every song is pleasant, from "We Just Won't Be Defeated" to "Bottle Rocket."

!!!, based in Brooklyn, has been perfectly described by the Onion AV Club as "an evil Go! Team." !!! is dancey, punkish, electronic-type music. Because !!! seems prima facie unpronounceable, they suggest to pronounce it as any three repeated monosyllabic sound — chiefly "chk chk chk," but claps or anything else works too. "Pardon My Freedom" is one notable track from the group.

Along the same lines as !!! and Go! Team is Snakes Say Hiss!, a three-piece electropop group from Philadelphia. According to its MySpace profile the band is working on a second album. Its 2006 debut, "I'll Be Lovin' You," came across the music director desk at KUOI while I was a music librarian, and I took up the charge of its review. From its first track, "Talk," onward, I was hooked. Hiss! is recommended for fans of Hot Chip, Crystal Castles and of Pullman's Yoghurt.

Los Campesinos! is a newer band from Wales. Its first full-length, "Hold On Now, Youngster..." was released stateside by Arts & Crafts to critical acclaim from Pitchfork Media, All Music Guide and yours truly. The album features their notable single "You! Me! Dancing!" which is exactly what it sounds like: beautiful, exhilarating dance music. Contrary to a group like — say — the former Panic! At the Disco, their song titles are as good as the songs (see "This Is How You Spell 'HAHAHA,"



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We Destroyed the Hopes and Dreams of a Generation of Faux-Romantics," and "... And We Exhale and Roll Our Eyes In Unison").

Furthermore I should certainly mention the Quebecois post-rockers Godspeed You! Black Emperor, formerly known as Godspeed You Black Emperor! Squares might remember the name being dropped in this summer's film "Pineapple Express." Its albums don't have many songs, and the songs are all long and without sung words. Succinctly, it's art music. My favorite work and album title of the band is "Lift Your Skinny Fists Like Antennas to Heaven." "Sleep," track three from the album, opens with a strange monologue from an old-timer

about Coney Island before getting down to business. It is among the most well-known of post-rock groups, but if you happen to know Maserati or Broken Social Scene and not Godspeed You! — check them out.

There are some songs I'd like to endorse: first, "It's!" from Australia's Architecture in Helsinki. It's got everything a song needs — handclaps, backing vocalizations and a beat you can wig out to. Conor Oberst of Bright Eyes has a solo album out now, and I think the album highlight is "Souled Out!!!," returning to the country-rock style featured on the last BE album "Cassadaga." The Cure has a stellar 1988 single, "Hot Hot Hot!!!," of no relation to the wedding/karaoke standard. From David Bowie's superlative album "Hunky Dory" comes "Oh! You Pretty Things."

I'll conclude with two songs from two of my favorite bands: "July, July!" by the Decemberists and "Oh! Sweet Nuthin'" by the Velvet Underground.

The Decemberists' track is a rare cheery song from the group's early period, though beneath the surface the lyrics describe a comically sad nostalgia for a life not that great ("... and I'll say your camisole was a sprightly light magenta, when in fact it was a nappy bluish-grey"). Totally killer organ on that number, too.

"Oh! Sweet Nuthin'," though, is a seven-and-a-half-minute stoner groove which you could maybe think of as what would happen if "Hey Jude" got high and didn't know what to do with its life.



Jake Barber/Argonaut

People get into line to dish up at the Ag Days Barbeque Saturday in front of the Kibbie Dome. Ag Days celebrations began Thursday and lasted through the weekend.

Food fair serves up fun

Students sell variety of food, desserts during Ag Days

Megan Broyles
Argonaut

The tastiest part of the College of Agricultural and Life Science's Ag Days event lineup was the North Idaho Chili Cook-off and Agriculture Student Affairs Council and Clubs Food Fair Thursday.

Between the College of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences building, smells of barbecued beef, burgers and numerous chili arrangements wafted between booths hosted by the expected candidates for Ag Days and a few surprise guests.

"I didn't actually hear about this," University of Idaho senior Ryan Squires said. "I rode by it on my bike. I'm supposed to be in the library studying."

Only having been at the event for 10 minutes, Squires sized up the fare he had already acquired from the row of food-dispensing tents.

"This burger came from the Block and Bridle Club," he said, motioning toward the club's sunny table on the lawn. "This chili came from the Food Science Club and the milkshake from the Dairy Club."

The Student Idaho Cattle Association (SICA) was a group of familiar faces at the Ag Days event. SICA hosts a booth every year during the annual event and holds claim to the best dish at the Food Fair. Elizabeth McShane, a junior, is a

SICA member who represented the association Thursday.

"We promote beef and cattle," McShane said. "We help the Idaho Cattle Association and help with student events and (football) games."

McShane advises giving beef a chance. SICA displayed free information about the health benefits of beef and meat products along with recipes. McShane said SICA wants to show people beef is a part of a healthy diet, contrary to recent attitudes.

The booth's main course, barbecue beef sandwiches, proved to be popular.

"We ran out of buns," McShane said. Sitting side-by-side, representatives from the Ag Ambassadors and Food and Nutrition Club presented desserts and baked goods by the dozen.

"I was really surprised how much people like muffins," senior Michelle Alexander said.

Alexander said the baked goods, such as their whole-wheat blueberry muffins, were homemade and donated by club members.

"You can get just about anything you've ever wanted here," senior Amelia Naher said. "SICA has the best sandwiches, but the best desserts are over here."

At the end of the day, one table kept busy. Advertising only with a simple

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REVIEWS: the kooky, the entertaining and the hormonal are critiqued

of Montreal goes glam

Andrew Priest
Argonaut

Of Montreal has always been a delightfully inconsistent band — eccentric concept albums being their forte — but it may be this time that front man Kevin Barnes has finally gone kooky.

This week of Montreal released their ninth studio album, "Skeletal Lamping."

It's one that touches on their past catchy experimentalism and takes it somewhere that just makes you feel dirty — in the good way.

In their last release, "Hissing Fauna, Are You the Destroyer?" Barnes unleashed his alter ego, the likes of which has not been seen since David Bowie's Ziggy "Glam-Rock Alien From The Future Destined to Save the Earth" Stardust.

I doubt many people expected Barnes' new inner-Bowie to take over creative control from there on out, but that's what happened.

Barnes' new creation is named Georgie Fruit. He's the black, transsexual, sinister half of Barnes' personality. In "Skeletal Lamping," Fruit has been let loose to liberate Barnes' more perverse glam-funk urges.

Imagine Bowie if he had never come across Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey" or the alluring, dollish vice of New York proto-punk bands. He would have remained an obscure dissenter in the world of psychedelic folk, and what a tragedy that would have been.

Such is the story of of Montreal, which is one of the most important connections to make in this album. The band seems to have become enlightened, worshipping gods like Freddie Mercury and Iggy Pop.

Much like Bowie, of Montreal had less going for them with their "Lysergic Bliss"-style LSD trip or the lo-fi indie rock that started of Montreal's career, so it's fantastic that they've found their way.

Ultimately, this album is about transformations, which have always come easy to the band, but as is always the story with of Montreal, there's more to it. "Skeletal Lamping" is pure sinful

celebration, and I enjoy every minute of it. It's the heavily sexual lyrics — more so than ever in the band's past. It's the visual image of Barnes performing the music in the buff, which he has been known to do in the past. It's the dirty, funky disco melodies that would be otherwise completely uncalled for.

It's all that wrapped up in psychedelic nude pagans dancing around the front cover of the album.

However, it's always been my experience after each new release by of Montreal that I find I completely misunderstood the previous one.

They each give small clues to what's going on inside the mind of Barnes, and hopefully listeners will learn something new about their own transsexual alter ego.



of Montreal

"Skeletal Lamping"

★★★★½ (of 5)

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Doll's new album only for dancing

Anne-Marjie Rook
Argonaut

With the Pussycat Dolls' second album, "Doll Domination" (Interscope) the girls make very clear that they are entertainers, not musicians.

In the '90s, the Spice Girls might have raised some eyebrows as they rose to pop-star fame, but the Pussycat Dolls take the girl-group image to a whole new level and are possibly more popular among horny teenage boys than lip-syncing 8 to 12-year-old girls.

While the Dolls can easily be dismissed as eye-catching products infused with studio enchantment and touch-ups, the burlesque-dancers-turned-band know exactly where their niche is — they make simple club music with a magic touch of slick production and plenty of sexual innuendo. The lead song, "When I Grow Up," shows exactly that. It's a catchy, solid club song with a good beat and debate-starting lyrics.

However, beyond the skimpy outfits, breathy vocals and sly dance routines, "Doll Domination" shows some maturity. The lyrics show the girls are less interested in stealing boyfriends after experiencing some heartbreak of their own.

This album features a surprising amount of lyrics about loss and love.

Emotion takes a front seat

in the dramatic performance on "I Hate This Part."

"Happily Never After," written by Ne-Yo, continues the emotional theme with a sweet chorus, soft-voices, guitar and piano dominance.

However, with the help of Timbaland, Missy Elliott, Snoop Dogg and R. Kelly there are still plenty of danceable songs.

After all, the dance-pop group is known for strutting it on stage to pulsing beats, and with only one girl who can sing, that's probably for the best.

In the Missy Elliot-featured "Whatcha Think About That," Timbaland's "Whatchamacallit" and "Magic," the girls show no

sign of vulnerability and prove themselves sassy and cocky instead. With their feisty yet simple lyrics, pulsing beats and slick production, these tracks were made ready for the dance floor.

R. Kelly makes an appearance on "Out Of This Club," and Snoop Dogg supports the Dolls once more on "Bottle Pop," which is pretty standard 'sex-you-up' fare.

The electro sounds and other tricks make the girls' voices sound everything but real. But as said, the girls are entertainers not singers.

"Doll Domination" might not be dominating, but should be taken for what it is: entertaining club music.



Pussycat Dolls

"Doll Domination"

★★½ (of 5)

Interscope 2008

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Angst with a side of eyeliner

Megan Broyles
Argonaut

Tokio Hotel won the MTV Video Music Award for Best New Artist on July 9. Why, among all the truly innovative new artists existing on the Earth's surface, would a teen-pop quartet from Germany take the cake?

It's because the girls love them.

Bill Kaulitz, the band's lead singer, has been described as the anime version of Project Runway's Christian Siriano. Kaulitz carries his 18-year-old eyelinered self with a boy band swagger akin to glam, goth and emo — however that adds up.

His distinguishing feature is his electro shock hair that stands about a foot tall, if not higher. Every member of the band has their own niche to fill and girlies to be idolized by.

Tom Kaulitz, Bill's younger twin brother and guitarist, dons blonde dreadlocks, a lip piercing and flat bill caps. The remaining two bandmates (who don't appear

to have the same priority as the twins in the public eye) are Gustav Schaefer on the drums and Georg Listing (bassist). Gustav and Georg take on the roles of Volcom Stone skater and long-haired-boy-next-door, respectively.

"Scream," Tokio Hotel's 2007 release, perfectly exemplifies what it feels like to be 14 years old through adolescent lyrics and sound that can best describe the makers as "bad boys with a soft side."

The title track from the album is an anti-authority anthem instructing the oppressed listener to "scream it out loud." Tokio Hotel dredges up memories of early Good Charlotte in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

Besides the obvious twin superstar connection, both bands' messages are strikingly similar in how outrageously easy it is

to follow — no tricky musical business here — and mostly emotional, sticking in the hearts of young, impressionable female listeners.

Tokio Hotel can expect success. No matter how unsavory their musical contributions may be, a technically or comparatively, they are trendy enough to snatch the spotlight for fifteen minutes with a palatable — at best — generic sound. Emotion (or hormones) fuels the incoherent translated-from-German lyrics and dramatic instrumentals.

Nothing can take away from the fact that somewhere someone is listening to Tokio Hotel and feeling better about their own life. At the end of the day, a smiling fan of Tom and Bill Kaulitz is happy. If the fans are happy, there's nothing left to say.



Tokio Hotel

"Scream"

★★½ (of 5)

Universal 2007

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FUNNY

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a viewer could simply see jokes about "diarrhea and wet dreams," while Silverman claims she has actually made a metaphor about corporate America creating problems and marketing the solutions.

When The Argonaut got a turn to ask the infamous face of female

comedians our slew of questions, we opted out of any more political conversation and instead asked what she was listening to these days.

"Jenny Lewis," she said almost immediately.

Silverman had nothing but glowing adoration of the Rilo Kiley songstress.

"She is amazing," she said.

Silverman said in lieu of purchasing entire albums, she tends to find obscure singles on

iTunes, and her music collection is scattered with them. "No Children" by the Mountain Goats, a folk punk group led by John Darnielle, had Silverman using the word "rad."

She and Him, the indie duo including actress Zooey Deschanel, was described as "heartbreaking with awesome, great lyrics."

Silverman said she "loves heartbreak," and her music taste tends to reflect this.

Silverman also mentioned Elvis Costello, "of course," along with lyrically classic Patti Griffin and another iTunes pick-up, "The Show" by Lanka.

Silverman ended the marathon of revolving interviewers by describing her end-of-the-day routine.

"I wash my face, take various medications, take maybe one puff of (marijuana) to help me sleep, watch some Law & Order, and by the time order happens, I'm asleep on the couch," she said.

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sign reading "Puerto Rican Food," the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) sold Puerto Rican rice, fried rice and cream cheese flan: a delicious semi-gelatinous dessert. Each dish was home-made by ASABE member Manuel Diaz.

"I'm from Puerto Rico and I like to cook," Diaz

said. "We got rid of all the rice already, so now we're working on the flan."

ASABE President Dallace Sevier said the club is involved in things the average student may not be aware of. ASABE participates in an annual inter-collegiate tractor pull, competing against schools like Texas Tech University and others in the Midwest. Sevier said the proceeds from the Food Fair would first go to club funds, such as those for the tractor pulling, but also to a paintball tournament to which eight campus clubs are invited.

artsBRIEF

Commons hosts presidential photo exhibit

Images from presidential history will be on display in an Associated Press exhibit titled, "The American President" starting Thursday. The photographs will be displayed in the Idaho Commons until Oct. 31. The exhibit includes numerous Pulitzer Prize-winning images, including Paul Vathis' view of John F. Kennedy conferring with his predecessor, Dwight D. Eisenhower at Camp David after the unsuccessful Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961, Ron Edmonds' rapid sequence documenting the 1981 assassination attempt on Ronald Reagan and White House photos taken by J. Scott Applewhite and others during Bill Clinton's 1998 impeachment battle. The photos will be displayed on the top level of the Commons, near room 232 of the Teaching and Learning Center.

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Vandals in action

Women's golf heads to Sammamish, Wash. to play in the Edean Ihlanfeldt Invitational at the Sahalee Country Club. It is a two day tournament that started Monday.

Idaho volleyball plays at 7 p.m. Thursday at Memorial Gym. The team will look to gain another conference victory as they play Utah State.

Vandals to watch

Kelsey James
Volleyball



James tallied a total of 52 assists in her game against Nevada last week in Reno. The Vandals won 3-2 giving Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan her first victory at Reno in her tenure as coach.

Nathan Enderle
Football



Enderle played a solid game against Nevada despite the end score being 49-14. Enderle completed 50 percent of his passes with 2 touchdowns and 0 interceptions. The Vandals will need a similar performance from Enderle this weekend as the team heads to Fresno to take on the Fresno State Bulldogs.

Allix Lee-Painter
Cross Country



Lee-Painter was awarded the Western Athletic Conference women's cross country athlete of the week award for the second time this season. Lee-Painter's effort helped the Vandals finish second out of a sixteen team field.

Vandals by the numbers

2 Number of passing touchdowns Idaho scored against Nevada

15,006 Number of fans attending the football game against Nevada.

52 Number of assists tallied by volleyball player Kelsey James in UI's game against Nevada.

49 Number of points given up in the football game to Nevada

Did you know ...

•NFL pro-bowl running back Stephen Jackson was in attendance at the University of Idaho's football game Saturday. Jackson is the uncle of UI running back Deonte' Jackson. Stephen Jackson made the trip to Moscow during his bye week to watch Deonte' Jackson and the Vandals play.

•Former Vandal and "Mr. Irrelevant" David Vobora was at the game against Nevada as well. He was accepting an award at half-time of the game.

•The men's basketball team will be holding walk-on try-outs Monday Oct. 16 in the Physical Education Building.

FOOTBALL

Idaho suffers growing pains

Idaho needs wind in sails

Scott Stone
Argonaut

Idaho fans filled the Dome Saturday to witness the Nevada Wolf Pack dominate the Vandals in a game that displayed the ups and downs of a young football team.

The Vandals couldn't catch a break against the Wolf Pack who scored four unanswered touchdowns before Idaho finally responded in the third quarter when Eddie Williams made a diving catch in the end zone.

The touchdown brought hope to the Vandals who saw two and a half quarters go by with a blocked field goal, dropped snap, overthrown passes to open receivers and missed conversions on 4th down, including a fourth-and-1 on Nevada's 1-yard line that even running back Deonte' Jackson couldn't convert after leaping over his linemen.

Jackson said there were no holes so he just jumped — he's confident the ball crossed the goal-line.

"I think 100 percent I got it," Jackson said. "But the stripes are the ones making the call, I just make the play."

Nevada went on to score three more touchdowns to end the game with 49 points, while Eddie Williams tacked on another touchdown pass thrown by Nathan Enderle to give the Vandals just 14 points.

"(It) wasn't the outcome I went into it looking for," Idaho coach Robb Akey said. "We had plenty of opportunities to have done some things to help ourselves out today, plays that we left out there, plays that we did not make."

He said these things are all part of the learning curve, and while he isn't frustrated, it is driving him crazy.

"I think sometimes you say the word frustrating, you say disappointed, that means people think you're losing hope and I'm not," Akey said. "I firmly believe in where we're going and the way we're doing things."

The Vandals did show some strength against the Wolf Pack with freshman



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I remember the commercials like it was yesterday — a new era in Vandal football had arrived and at the helm was Idaho coach Tom Cable. "Are you ready for Cable vision," or "Are you Cable ready," were slogans that had Vandal football fans not only excited, but ecstatic about what the future could hold.

That was in 2000, and I know it seems like a lifetime, but it was in fact only eight years ago. So who cares? The Raider Nation should as they

are going to get a dose of Cable vision soon thanks to Al Davis.

The Cable era at UI was not a memorable one. It was down right frustrating most of the time and was the beginning of a downward spiral that the UI team is still trying to get under control. Cable was the first to grab a shovel and dig, not knowing just how deep he could get before sending the program into its current state.

Cable inherited a team that just two years earlier won the Humanitarian Bowl under

coach Chris Tormey and finished second in the Big West in 1999 with a 7-4 overall record.

It was a good time for Vandal football.

2000 was UI's last year in the Big West Conference. During that season, Cable coached the team to a 5-6 overall record. The team beat Washington State and it appeared things were in place to continue as they had. Then something went drastically wrong.

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University of Idaho running back Deonte' Jackson leaps over Nevada Wolf Pack wide receiver Max Komar during the football game Saturday in the Kibbie Dome. Jake Barber/Argonaut

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Overtime losses hurt Vandals' record

Jaimee Myers
Argonaut

Overtime losses appear to be a downfall for the University of Idaho women's soccer team this season.

With three overtime losses and one overtime tie, the Vandal women are going above and beyond the regular 90-minute games to try and beat their opponents. However, even with all the extra effort, the Vandal women have been coming up short in every overtime match thus far.

"Our mentality has to be far tougher at this level for us to be successful," Idaho coach Pete Showler said. "It's really a mentality that, 'I'm going to work harder than the next team to make sure we get it done.' Right now, other teams have that mentality and we don't."

This last weekend was a busy weekend for the Vandals as they traveled to Orem, UTah to take on Utah Valley University.

UVU is new to the Division I

level this season.

After 103 minutes of play, the Vandals lost in a 2-1 match against UVU.

"For the second time, we don't step out and play hard in the first half and then in the second half step up and outplay them," Showler said.

UVU scored the first goal of the match 35 minutes in. Sophomore Jenna Hull scored the equalizing goal with eight minutes left in regulation on a corner kick placed directly in front of the net from Senior Nicole McAllister.

"It was a great goal under pressure," Showler said. "She turned and volleyed it right into the top of the net."

The Vandals' non-conference schedule ended with another loss Friday with a match against University of Montana in Missoula.

The Vandals have slipped to 1-10-1 on the year, while Montana moved to 3-7-1.

"Probably our worst performance of the season and this is not the time to be doing it, leading into



Forward Jennifer Hull kicks the ball out of Vandal territory after stopping a Nevada offensive during an Oct. 26, 2007 soccer game. File Photo

the conference season," Showler said. "Some players stepped up as usual and some players just had

off days and there were just too many off days."

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Outdoor Program offers options

Rob Todeschi
Argonaut

Moscow sits in the middle of the Northwest surrounded by miles of whitewater and mountains, perfect for outdoor recreation. The University of Idaho Outdoor Program's Rental Center offers the access and availability needed for students, staff and the community to take advantage of the outdoor experience.

UI's Outdoor Program was one of the first ten in the country to be run and managed professionally. It started in 1973 in the basement of the Student Union Building and since 2002, has inhabited the Student Recreation Center.

"For 35 years, we've been able to go from a little closet behind the Gem of the Mountains yearbook office, to where we are now," Outdoor Program Coordinator Mike Beiser said. "We've been able to sustain a small but steady growth in participation and revenue."

The growth of the program — its trips, events and activities — wouldn't be made possible without the rental center.

Steve Mims, the manager of the rental center, said they've always been a popular entity on campus, even when located in the basement of the SUB.

"We've always done a really aggressive job of promoting the program and what we have to offer," Mims said.

Snowshoes, cross country skis and snowboards line the walls of the rental center and camping equipment and raft gear fills the upstairs room.

Behind the glass garage doors, more than 40 rafts are stacked and ready for use. In the winter months, the garage is a ski and snowboard shop, offering full tuning, repairs and waxing, all at an affordable rate.

Mims said the rental center serves all facets of the university, the community and anyone traveling through the Northwest with outdoor equipment.

He said he enjoys the business aspect of the Outdoor Rental Center. He said it's consumer driven and they're constantly trying to meet the demands of the customer base they have, and that means adapting to the changes in activities.

"Years ago nobody knew what a snowboard was. Years ago, rock climbing was considered the lunatic fringe. Things come and go," Mims said. "We're constantly reacting to the changes in technology, changes in what people are doing to recreate, and changes in the demographics of people's affluences."

Mims knows the quality of the equipment they rent creates the experience people have in the outdoors.

"I'm pretty nit-picky about equipment being maintained," Mims said. "The quality of the equipment we give people can ruin their weekend or give them an experience they'll remember for the rest of their lives."

People from all around can rent from the rental center and Mims said they're always aggressively promoting their equipment and their rates each year.

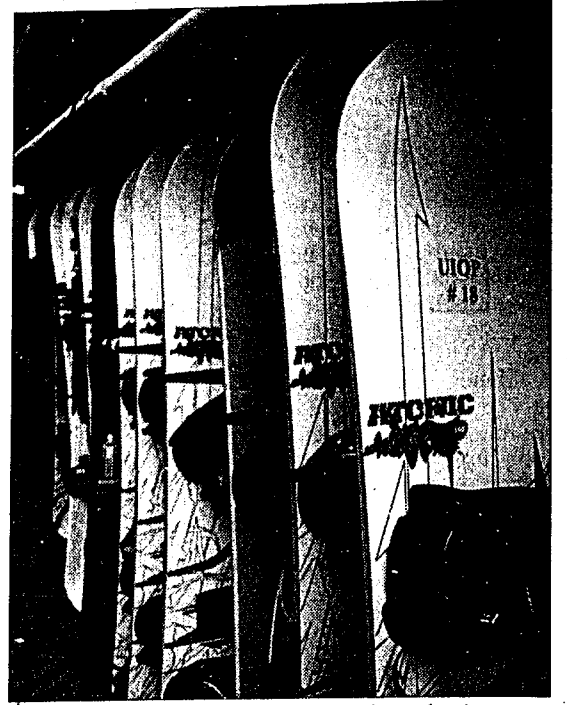
"It wouldn't take much for a person with inclination to get outdoors to find out we exist," Mims said.

The program rents equipment for all skill levels of outdoor recreation and for the Outdoor Program trips organized by Beiser.

"You have to have the equipment in order to blaze through with your program so that you can challenge people and help people grow," Beiser said.

From waterfall ice picks to snowshoes avalanche transceivers to Dutch ovens, the rental center gives people the equipment and resources they need to enjoy the lifetime sports and experience wilderness activities.

For information about equipment and rental rates, visit www.campusrec.uidaho.edu/outdoor.



Jake Barber/Argonaut

The Outdoor Rental Center offers an assortment of outdoor equipment for all seasons, including snowboarding and skiing gear.

Cubs' drought to continue after early mistakes

I remember reading an article that featured very in-depth interviews with Chicago Cubs fans. The people featured in the article were very diverse. One was blind and in his nineties, while another was Billy Corgan, front man of Smashing Pumpkins. All of these people had a couple of things in common — their love of the Chicago Cubs and their belief that this was the year the Cubs would end their World Series drought.

Now it's only a couple of days into October, and the north side of Chicago is looking at another

long, dark winter of second-guessing and wondering what went wrong.

The Cubs finished the regular season with the best record in the National League. They won 97 games. Only the Los Angeles Angels had a better regular season record than the Cubs.

The Cubs had excellent starting pitching this year. Ryan Dempster had the best season of his career, Carlos Zambrano threw a no-hitter, Ted Lilly reached a career high in wins and Kerry Wood did a decent job of being dominant as a closer.

These Cubs had a valid rookie-of-the-year candidate in Geovany Soto, who put up good numbers as Chicago's catcher. They had solid hitting and only the Texas Rangers scored more runs than they did during the regular season. They scored a National League leading 855 runs, 56 more than second place Philadelphia.

Yet, here we are with another botched October. The Cubs are home until the start of spring training while October baseball carries on without them.

The fact that the Cubs are sitting on their couches, watching the Championship Series and World Series on television is their own doing.

In late August, the Dodgers were five games under

.500. There were eight teams in the National League that had a better record, and yet here they are, going to the Championship Series against Philadelphia.

The Cubs could have, and should have beaten the Dodgers. The Dodgers do have good starting pitching, and they have a couple of offensive gems, but they are not as good as the Cubs.

First of all, the Cubs made several managerial mistakes. Piniella started a struggling Kosuke Fukudome in the first two games, and got a solid 0-8 batting show out of him. The man who finished the regular season 17-9 with a 4.09 ERA, Ted Lilly, was put in the fourth starter position for the Division Series. His last four starts in September had earned him

wins, with three of them being quality. Zambrano on the other hand had one quality start in his last four starts, which was his no-hitter. The other three starts featured him getting lit up on the mound. Somehow Zambrano started game two.

Another problem the Cubs had was nobody could work together at the plate. In game one, Chicago managed to strand 14 runners on base. That's 14 times someone came up to bat and managed to get an out, leaving someone standing on base.

Alfonso Soriano went 1 for 14 in the series. Aramis Ramirez was 2 for 11 and Geovany Soto was 2 for 10. In the snap of a finger, Chicago's offense went from being a powerhouse to all but

dead. Mark DeRosa hit the Cubs only home run in the entire series in game one.

Additionally, the defense was sloppy. In game 2, the Cubs committed a whopping 4 errors, one by each infielder. Zambrano was pitching well enough, but the errors led to several unearned runs which blew the game wide open.

The Cubs lost it in the blink of an eye. They went from being a dominant September team to a team with home field advantage that got swept in the first round of the playoffs. The Cubs have nobody to blame for this but themselves. Every part of that ballclub stepped down at the end of September, and that's why the drought is going to continue.



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Seven teams in trouble

Dave Goldberg
Associated Press

The Indianapolis Colts were handed a game by the Houston Texans on Sunday.

It was a much-needed win, but it may not matter. Just five weeks into the 2008 season, the 2006 champs are in trouble. It's not just their 2-2 record that leaves them 2 1/2 games behind unbeaten Tennessee in the AFC South, but the way they are playing: badly.

They're not alone. Six other teams that began the season with high hopes are already in deep holes: San Diego and Jack-

sonville in the AFC; Seattle, Philadelphia, Green Bay and Minnesota in the NFC.

Some are using the "it's early" theme, pointing to the New York Giants' climb from an 0-2 start to a title last season. But every season is different, and it's unwise to use the example of last year's Giants or the 2005 Steelers, who won the Super Bowl after opening 6-5.

"There are any number of statistical analyses of teams that have started this bad and still done OK, but those don't mean much unless you improve the product and what

you're doing on the field," Seattle's Mike Holmgren acknowledged after those same Giants pounded his Seahawks 44-6 on Sunday, outgaining them 523-187.

The Seahawks have the same thing going for them they've had the past few seasons: the NFC West, where even at 1-3 they are only 1 1/2 games behind the inconsistent Cardinals. But Seattle played Sunday more like a team that would challenge the winless Rams for a spot at the bottom than one that can compete for its fifth straight division title and sixth straight playoff berth.

The struggling team: —Indianapolis (2-2): The Colts have been one of the league's elite teams for most of this decade. Not this year.

"I thought we had that passion at the end. But it was missing during the middle of the game and we've got to get that back somewhere," coach Tony Dungy said after Sunday's 31-27 win in Houston. Indy trailed 27-10 midway through the fourth quarter, cut it to 27-17 with 4:04 left, then capitalized on two fumbles and an interception by Texans QB Sage Rosenfels to pull out the win.

The Colts could be 0-4.

They trailed only 15-0 in Minnesota late in the third quarter because young QB Tarvaris Jackson couldn't convert scoring opportunities into TDs. That allowed Peyton Manning, who can do what Jackson can't, to pull out an 18-15 victory.

Yes, Indianapolis has run off double-digit winning streaks in the past and still has two games left with Tennessee. But the Colts can't get away with giving up more than 150 yards on the ground while waiting for injured safety Bob Sanders to return, as they did two years ago.

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The two teams played a scoreless first half, but Montana quickly changed that in the second half, as Anna Pingree knocked in a loose ball three minutes into the half. Montana's Kaityln Heinsohn added the final goal with less than a minute to go, sealing the win for the Grizzlies.

With all the non-conference games behind them this fall, the Vandal women are going to team up and make some suitable changes in practice in order to start winning games.

"The girls have to get refocused and commit to winning games," Showler said. "Attitude and mentality has got to be positive going into games with the attitude that we can win, and then we have to transfer that into the game itself."

The Western Athletic Conference Games will begin with their road trip to Logan to play Utah State on Friday.

On Sunday, the Vandals will have their first home game in nearly a month against Louisiana Tech.

"The team without a doubt has the ability, we've just got to translate it into performance and results and have everyone do it at the same time consistently," Showler said.

Rays head to AL championship

Rick Gano
Associated Press

CHICAGO — They rushed toward the mound, these remarkable Rays, and immediately formed a circle. Jumping together like fraternity brothers, they resembled party regulars in the post-season.

Worst in the majors last year, Tampa Bay will play for a spot in the World Series.

"It means everything. We've been at the bottom of the barrel for so long,"

B.J. Upton said Monday after homering twice in a 6-2 win over Chicago that clinched their AL playoff. "I think there was a point in time where people didn't even know who we were."

They do now, for sure.

Andy Sonnanstine pitched five 2-3 solid innings, and manager Joe Maddon's surprising Rays won 3-1 in the best-of-five series — their first trip to the postseason. Next up, the Boston Red Sox or the Los Angeles Angels starting Friday.

Ray-markable. "We feel like we belong and it's showing right now," Upton said. "They want more, too. So why stop now?"

"Like Carlos (Pena) said, we're kind of a fraternity. And we stick together at all times no matter what happens," Upton said. "As long as we keep that attitude and continue playing as a team and doing the little things to win, I don't think there's any reason why we can't win this whole thing."

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Kama Bailey running for 217 yards on seven kickoff returns including the opening kick off which Bailey returned for 43-yards

Bailey said this was only the second time he had ever returned kick offs, the first being in a high school all-star game.

The team was also happy with punter T.J. Conley's performances, who, after dropping the first snap of the day, finished the game with a 51.5-yard punting average.

His longest punt was a

61-yard boot that put Nevada on the 4 yard line.

Co-team captain Eddie Williams was again in the spotlight. He picked up 142 yards on 10 passes and carried in both of the Vandals touchdowns. Although he had a good game, Williams said it is not good enough.

Williams said if he caught zero passes, and his team got a win, he would be happy.

"There's no way to sugarcoat it; we need to play better," Williams said.

The Vandals will hit the practice field this week to prepare for another conference game against Fresno State.

DOUBLE

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When Boise State left the Big West for the Western Athletic Conference, it put the Big West under the six team minimum required by the NCAA effectively destroying the league.

The next move? To put Idaho into a newly formed league, the Sunbelt Conference, with teams that were spread out across the United States.

The league was sweet and gave UI a chance to play against the likes of North Texas University and the University of Louisiana-Monroe, or Lafayette for that matter. It seemed as though the sky was the limit, and we'd really taken the proverbial bull by the horns on this one.

It didn't turn out nearly as well as we'd hoped.

The Vandals' first year in the Sunbelt was a forgettable one that produced only one win.

The team did have some good things going for it though.

One thing in particular, an all-conference quarterback in Brian Lindgren. Lindgren was something to watch. One game I remember in particular — a 70-58 loss to Middle Tennessee State Community College, or something like that — proved Lindgren could be

the quarterback of the future at UI.

During that game Lindgren threw a record 71 passes and completed 41 of them with 6 being touchdowns. This is the stat that still sets my mind ablaze: Lindgren threw for an unheard of 637 passing yards — that was just one game.

Lindgren also threw six touchdowns in another game later in his career against San Diego State. He still sits in the middle of the pack in a number of UI career statistic categories even though his career was cut short by, well, Tom Cable.

At this point, things still looked like they were on the up and up to me. My friends and I chanted for more as the offense put up ungodly numbers and gave fans hope of things to come.

The next season was different. There was a new face at quarterback, the younger brother of NFL quarterback Joey Harrington, Michael.

He was not as good as Lindgren, (actually, it would be like comparing John Kitna to Joe Montana) but Cable stuck with him through thick and thin amassing five wins in the next two seasons and driving the once proud Vandal program deeper into the ground.

Our cheers quickly turned to jeers, and we came up with slogans of our own for the coach. Primarily, "Cut the Cable" was chanted every game

before, during and after. Each loss brought us closer to losing faith.

When he was fired, I had hoped never to think about that time in Vandal football or him again.

Now, Al Davis will give Cable another shot at proving he has what it takes to be a head football coach. I wish I was in Raider Nation right

now to hear what they think.

I noticed Joey Harrington just signed a contract with the Saints. I laugh to think of coach Cable drooling over the opportunity to coach the better Harrington.

I guess when all is said and done I would just say this: watch out JaMarcus Russell. You may have been

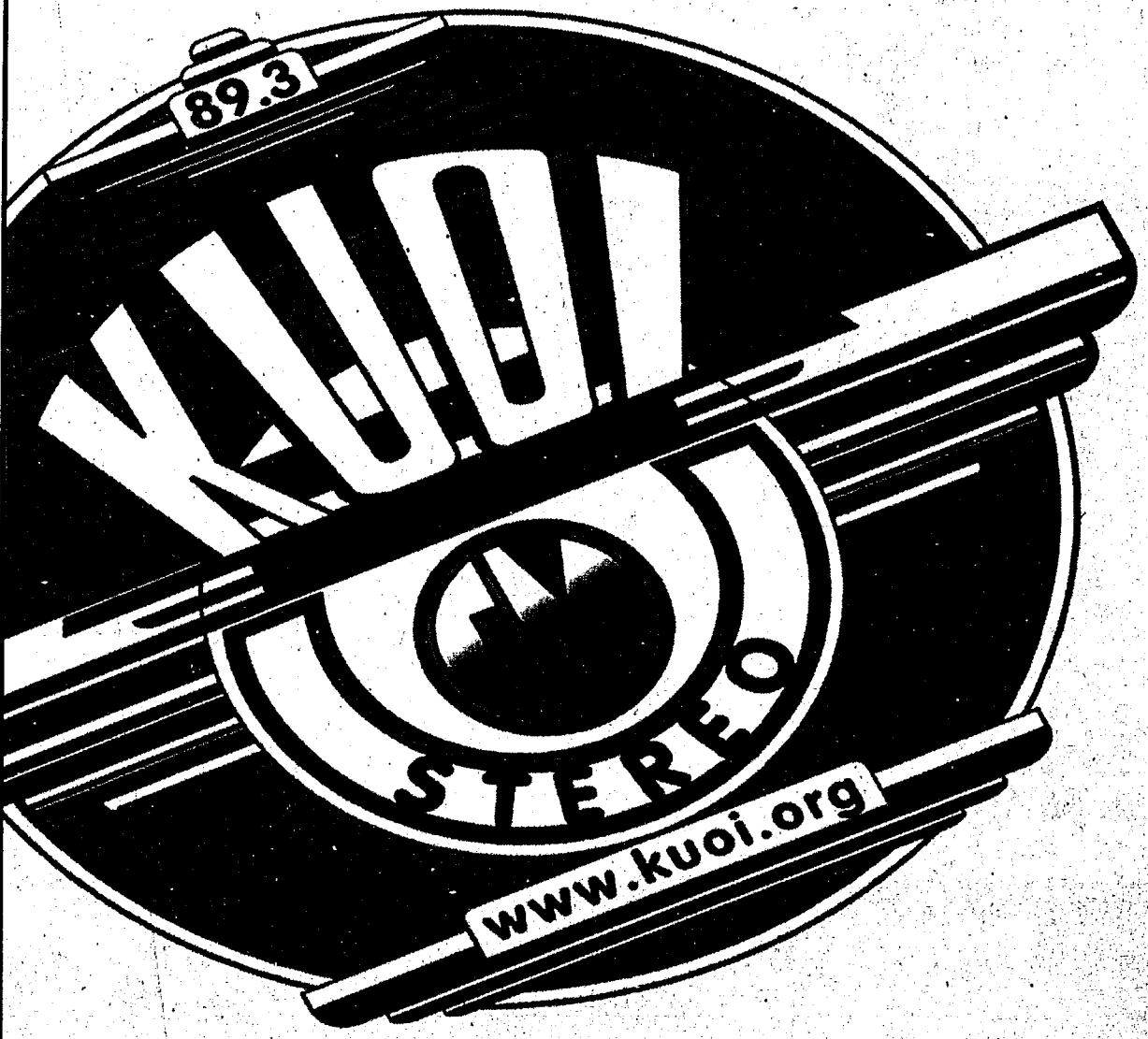
a No. 1 draft pick, but if history repeats itself I see a lot of Andrew Walter and Marques Tuiasosopo in your future.

Good luck to you, Raider fans. If Cable leaves your once magnificent program in as much disarray as he did ours, you have a long road ahead before anything is worth cheering about.

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Volleyball wins at Fresno State

FRESNO, Calif. - The University of Idaho volleyball team ran its winning streak to three matches with a 3-0 sweep at Fresno State Saturday.

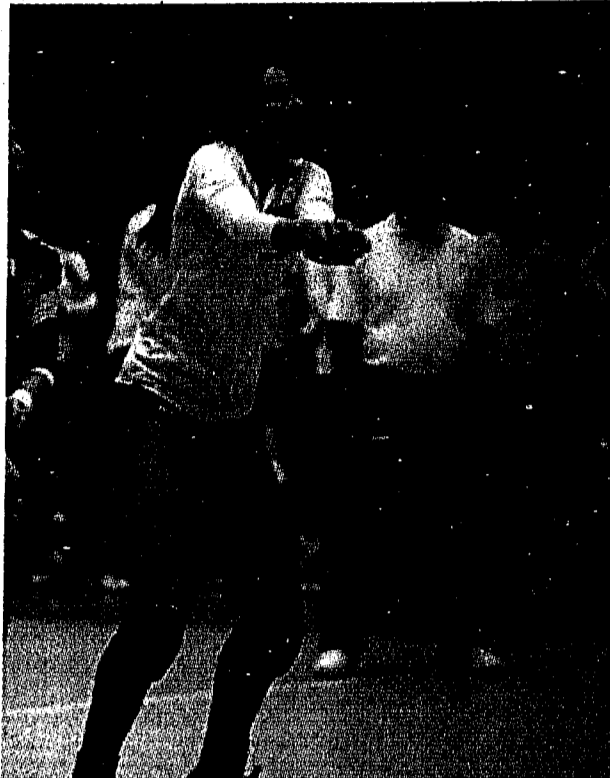
The Vandals (10-6, 3-2) used scores of 25-20, 25-21, and 25-20 to earn their sixth sweep of the season. Idaho has now won nine consecutive matches in the series with Fresno State (5-10, 2-4).

Haley Larsen reached double-figures kills for the 15th time this season with 12 and earned her seventh double-double with 10 digs. Sarah Conwell notched nine kills and a .308 hitting percentage while Debbie Pederson and Anna McKinney each tallied seven kills in the middle. Kelsey James finished with 34 assists while Cassie Hamilton totaled 17 digs and Kelsey Yonker finished with 14 digs.

As a team, Idaho hit .231 and held the Bulldogs to just .083.

Idaho used a 7-0 run in the first set to build a 12-6 advantage and later led by as many as 10 at 18-8. The Bulldogs closed the gap to 20-14, but the Vandals held on for the 25-20 victory. Idaho again took a double-digit lead in set two at 16-6, but Fresno State made things interesting and came within 20-17 before the Vandals held on for the 25-21 victory. Fresno State held the advantage in set three until Idaho moved ahead 17-16. The Vandals maintained the lead for the remainder of the match and three kills from Larsen helped seal the match with a 25-20 victory in set three.

Idaho returns home next week to host Utah State Thursday (Oct. 9) and San Jose State Saturday (Oct. 11).



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Patience is a Virtue

As previously mentioned in The Vandalizer Sports Extra, it takes time to rebuild a football program but it's not impossible. Let's take Vanderbilt for example. Vanderbilt's football program has a similar past to that of the Vandals. Their current head coach, Bobby Johnson, took over in 2002 and had two wins in each of his first three seasons. The next three seasons, while more successful, never added up to winning records. This fall however, the Commodores are off to a

5-0 start which includes wins over two top 25 teams and is their best start in 65 years. If Vanderbilt wins only one more game this fall they will end their 25 year span of losing seasons. While the Vandals football program has not gone as long without a winning season we can all associate with the frustration that the Commodore fans were feeling during their drought. In sympathizing with their frustration we have to realize that our fortune is going to change as well. The Commo-

dore fans were patient with their coach Bobby Johnson and it has obviously paid off. We, as Vandal fans, need to take note of how the Vanderbilt fans allotted their coaches time to build a program and do as they did. Give our coaches the time needed to build our program. WAC championships and bowl game victories are on their way, so stay positive and be patient, it will only make our future success that much sweeter!

Joe Vandal

Vandalizers

If you haven't heard already, the University of Idaho is finally going to have a dedicated student section. Have you ever watched ESPN, ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox Sports or countless other TV networks on a college game day and been captivated by their avid student sections? My guess would be a resounding yes and if you're like me you would love to take part in something similar. In the coming weeks that opportunity will reveal itself as the "Vandalizers" will debut. This isn't the first time the University of Idaho has taken a shot at creating a student section. Some of you might be aware of previous attempts that went over like a lead balloon, so what's different this time? The timing is right, as students are eager to become part of the Idaho tradition and get involved with the Vandal teams. Many students leave athletic events wishing they could have more of an impact on games. By joining the new look "Vandalizers" students will be able to single handily change the outcome of games. Too often fans take for granted their ability to affect athletic

events. If students are able to unite in one common voice and fully participate in games there will be extra wins in the box score. A great example would be fellow Northwest institutions Washington (Dawg Pack), Washington State (Zzuu Crew), and Gonzaga (The Kennel). Each of these student sections were formed when their respective athletic teams were not national powers or even contenders. Interesting enough, after these groups were established, these programs began their ascent to success. A lot of this newly acquired success can be attributed to their coaches, players, and athletic departments but a huge chunk is also due to fan support. Take a look at other highly competitive programs across the nation and you'll probably notice they have active student sections also. Do you want to see the Vandals bring home WAC championships, Bowl invitations, and NCAA tournament appearances? Then get in the game and become a member of the "Vandalizers", you'll be glad you did! Go Vandals!

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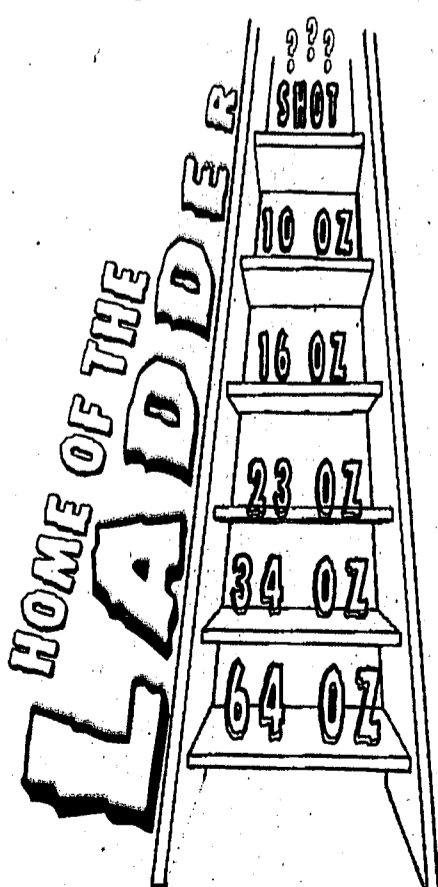
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