

Student death details released

Lianna Shepherd
Argonaut

There is nothing uncommon about drinking heavily on a Friday night.

Groups of friends gathering together at a bar until late into the night, then continuing the party at someone's home is pretty standard in a college town like Moscow. But in a town where the population is young and looking for a release, it's easy to forget the dangers of alcohol.

This was the case for Daniel Miller, a 23-year-old senior from Wilder, Idaho, majoring in secondary education. Miller died Saturday morning from alcohol poisoning.

According to Moscow Assistant Police Chief David Duke, Miller and a group of friends started drinking about 7 p.m. Friday at C.J.'s. The group took advantage of the establishment's 7-11 deal, where consumers can drink from a keg cup for \$6 with unlimited refills from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

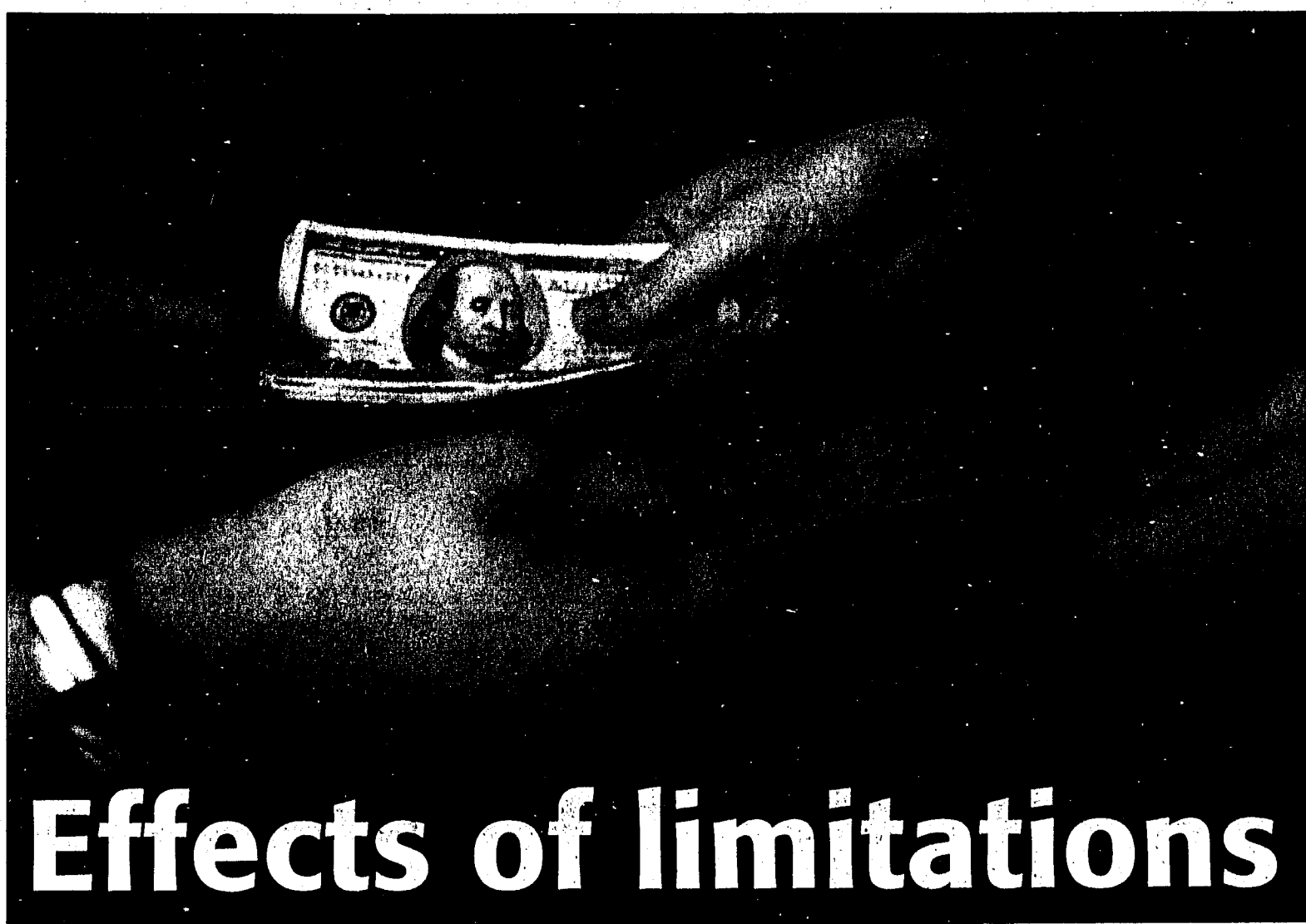
The group left about 11:30 p.m. and went to a private residence, where they continued playing drinking games until 2 a.m., Duke said.

"At 2 a.m., he began passing out," Duke said. "His friends kept checking on him until around 4:30 a.m., when they all went to sleep."

Around 8 a.m. Saturday, Miller was found unresponsive and transported via ambulance to Gritman Medical Center in Moscow, where he was later pronounced dead. Duke said the last alcohol-related death in Moscow was in 2005. It was a case of asphyxiation.

"The human body can only consume so much alcohol until it starts shutting down," Duke said. "People need to realize that."

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Effects of limitations

Photo Illustration by Jake Barber/Argonaut

Starting this fall, full-time students taking 12 to 18 credits will pay \$2,466 in fees and will be required to pay \$251 for every credit more than 18.

Charging for extra credits hinders speed of graduation; fees 'not to make or lose money'

Jennifer Schlake
Argonaut

It's important for Maggie Rodriguez to get out of college as soon as possible.

As a double major in vocal performance and psychology, Rodriguez knows the definition of busy.

She said the hectic nature of her schedule makes it imperative she graduate, but her plans have reached a snag.

On April 9, the Office of Enrollment Management sent out an e-mail to all UI students notifying of the changes in fee structure for enrollment.

Starting this fall, a full-time student taking between 12 and 18 credits will pay \$2,466 toward fees.

Students will pay \$251 for every credit more than 18.

Rodriguez, currently a sophomore, said the credit limit will be a burden on her financially.

She said her parents help pay for both her student fees and her older brother's who is still attending college. They will also help pay for her younger brother who will start college in one year.

As a music major, Rodriguez said she expected a heavy load of credits. When she added a psychology major, she planned to be on a five-year track. But, with the change in fees per credit, Rodriguez is unsure when she'll graduate.

"I am overwhelmed, but my education is very important to me," Rodriguez said.

Assistant Vice President for the Office of Enrollment Steve Neiheisel said he recognizes that the change will have effects.

"It's going to affect students on an average credit load," Neiheisel said. "Clearly, students will take fewer credits."

Neiheisel said the

change was done to bring consistency among universities statewide.

"This was not done to make money or lose money," Neiheisel said. "We planned to bring a consistency to policies within financial aid and make the revenue neutral."

Although the changes will influence certain students, Neiheisel said there are multiple factors that will cause students to take longer to get their degrees.

For example, with the

overall economic situation, students are going to be taking on more hours at work which in turn will prolong their degrees, he said.

"Students are going to have to decide whether to pay or take more time getting their degrees."

Steve NEIHEISEL

Assistant vice president for the Office of Enrollment

"Students are going to have to decide whether to pay or take more time getting their degrees," Neiheisel said. "It's a balancing act between cost and access."

Next semester, Rodriguez is registered for 19 credits.

"I am not happy about paying that extra fee," Rodriguez said. "Hopefully, I can pick up a few extra babysitting jobs

in order to pay for that one very frustrating credit."

To help offset the number of credits she will take each semester, Rodriguez said she is taking seven credits during the summer. Three of those credits she was hoping to add to her fall semester, she said.

"Apparently, it's cheaper to have less fun in the summer," Rodriguez said.

Although Rodriguez is not eligible for financial aid, the Financial Aid Office creates an estimated balance of cost for the university that only allows for 12 to 18 credits.

"My dad is a chemistry professor at (Idaho State University), and my mom is a clinical nurse specialist," Rodriguez said. "They pay for a large chunk of my school finances. I can imagine, though, it's not going to be convenient for people who rely heavily on financial aid."

Daley-Laursen addresses university for last time

Marcus Kellis
Argonaut

In his second State of the University address as the University of Idaho's interim president, Steven Daley-Laursen described an institution facing myriad trials even amid some positive indicators.

"The University of Idaho is on a very good trajectory," he said Tuesday. "But to be honest, there are real challenges, and we have to be wary, watchful and diligent to sustain our direction and our position."

Daley-Laursen began his address by recognizing those in attendance, including recently-elected ASUI President Kelby Wilson and Vice President Ashley Cochran, Moscow Mayor Nancy Chaney and Provost Doug Baker.

Quoting College of Law Dean Don Burnett, Daley-Laursen welcomed Duane Nellis and his wife, Ruthie, and said, "people are chosen by the institution, and the institution chooses people."

Daley-Laursen focused

his speech on what he called four areas of advancement: institutional scope, fiscal matters, culture and climate and relevance and impact.

"We have been, historically, an institution trying to meet increasingly broad demands on decreasing resources," he said. "Over the past couple of decades, we've become unsustainable, burning out our flexible funds and burning out our people, missing opportunities to lead regionally and nationally in education and research because we are not focused on our greatest strengths."

Daley-Laursen singled out this year's Program Prioritization Process, which led to the proposed closure of many degree programs — as a necessary first step in ensuring the university's solvency.

"The easiest of the choices about our scope have been made," he said. "The next round will be more personally and professionally difficult ... but this work is not optional."



Nick Groff/Argonaut

Interim President Steven Daley-Laursen delivers the State of the University address Tuesday afternoon in the Administration Auditorium. Daley-Laursen commented on the Program Prioritization Process and four areas of advancement for the university.

When addressing the fiscal year ahead, Daley-Laursen noted the budget has yet to be finalized due

to the stalled Idaho Legislature. Daley-Laursen's hands are tied by the legislature, which has not been

unable to pass an appropriations bill for higher education into law.

"We can't make final

budget decisions," he said, "and we don't have all the men on the chessboard."

Daley-Laursen outlined several cost-cutting actions currently up for consideration, including "selectively applied" furloughs. A furlough is a leave of absence. Daley-Laursen said the furloughs would mostly affect UI employees with a higher salary.

Other cost-cutting actions mentioned by Daley-Laursen included carryover accounts, vacant positions and the catchall "reduction of expense in all manner possible." He clarified the reductions are tactical and prospectively temporal.

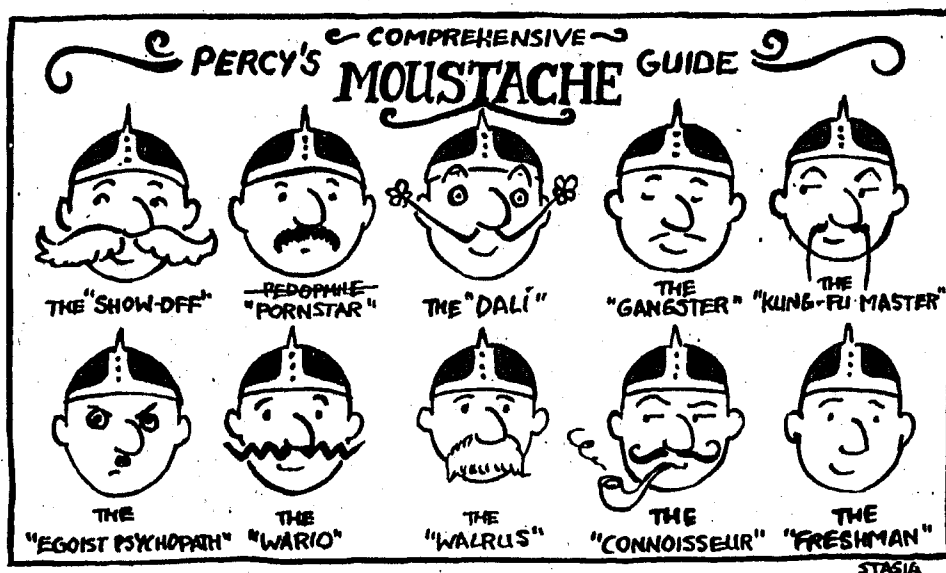
The address was not all doom and gloom. The president noted that enrollment for the past two cycles in the graduate school is up 22 percent, which he credited to increased recruitment funding.

In cooperation with Nellis, Daley-Laursen said that a working group to examine athletics will be launched.

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Percy the Barbarian

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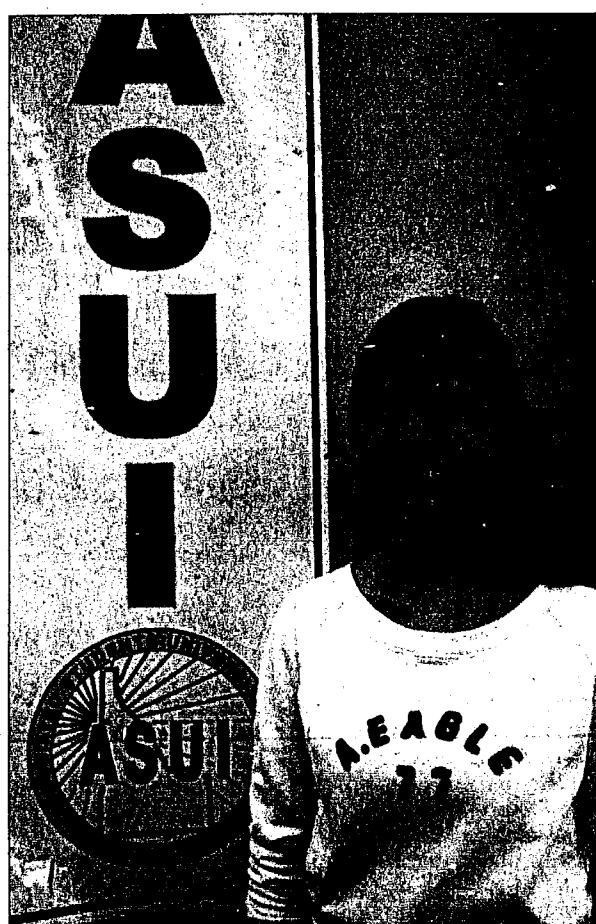
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ASUI Senator



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What do you think most needs to change at UI? The thing that I think needs to change most about the UI is Vandal pride. Our school needs to have more school spirit and support our athletic teams and other organizations on campus. We need to be more united.

What political topic are you most passionate about? For ASUI I'm very passionate about increasing communication between ASUI and the student body. As for national politics I'm concerned about the economy and budget cuts. Also another issue is using clean energy sources. I'm a big fan of Biodiesel and other alternative fuels..

What is your favorite word? Spectacular.

What is your least favorite word? Moist.

What sound or noise do you love? Rain.

What sound or noise do you hate? People cracking their knuckles.

What subject other than what you are currently studying would you like to study? I would love to study Spanish. I'm half-Mexican so I would love to learn the language.

What profession would you not like to participate in? I would not like to be a sewage plant worker.

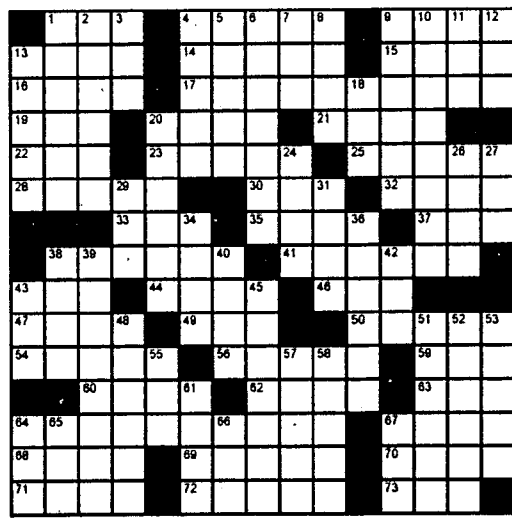
One word to describe yourself? Outgoing.

What was your favorite subject in high school? My favorite subject in high school was agriculture. I was very involved in FFA.

What is the best advice you have received? From my dad: don't let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game.

Crossword

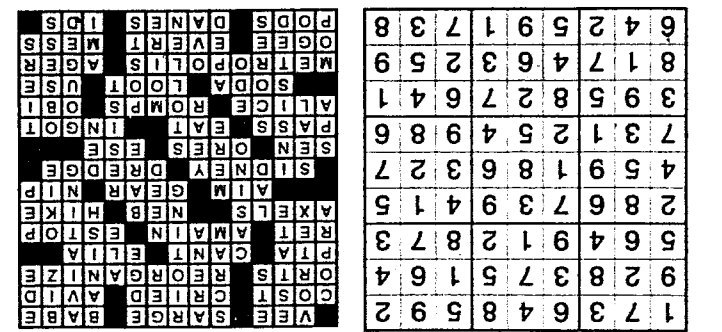
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Corrections

In Tuesday's edition of The Argonaut, the column "Thank you, Mrs. Nellis" misquoted Ruthie Nellis as saying, "We was both raised here." She did not say this. The column also misidentified Nellis as the communications management director at Kansas State University. She is actually the director of knowledge resources in KSU's National Institute for Strategic Technology Acquisition and Commercialization. Also, "Earth from Above" Web site is www.earthfromabove.usa. Find a mistake? Send an e-mail to the section editor. Contact information can be found on page 7.

Student creativity celebrated at EXPO

Kelcie Moseley
Argonaut

Jessica Smith has two PlayStation 3 systems in her office, but she's certainly not playing "Call of Duty" or "Grand Theft Auto" in her spare time.

The two systems, affectionately named Johnny 5 and Jenny 8, are used in Hot Threads — Smith's senior design engineering project.

The Hot Threads, or Raytheon, team is researching multicore processor designs for the Air Force that will allow top secret information to be stored in a more tightly secured system. The Hot Threads team will present their project at the Engineering EXPO Friday.

EXPO will run from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the Student Union Building. Senior engineering students will present their projects at booths and in technical sessions, where they show the process and results of their designs.

Steve Beyerlein, a professor of mechanical engineering, said EXPO has been the department's top event for the last 15 years.

"EXPO is our signature event in the College of Engineering," Beyerlein said. "EXPO to the College of Engineering is like Jazz Fest to the music school."

Twenty-eight projects will be featured at this year's EXPO, including Icubed, a senior design. Other projects include an Animal

Research Management System, the Vandal Education Robot, a Thumbprint Ignition System and Water Infrastructure for Moscow.

Each group, made up of three to six members, has been working on these projects for the past two semesters. Beyerlein said EXPO is a celebration of their hard work and accomplishments. Every group is also questioned by judges who are invited from area companies.

Beyerlein said close to 70 judges will be at this year's event.

"The judging is a way of recognizing outstanding work, but even more significantly than that, the whole judging process is a structured conversation between the judges and the students," Beyerlein said. "It provides a vehicle for that communication."

The distinguished speaker at this year's EXPO is Russell W. Strong, a 1976 agricultural engineering graduate from the University of Idaho. Strong is working on a project called the Jake Platform, an innovative piece of military and tactical equipment.

Strong has more than 50 patents and was the winner of the 2002 Business Week/ISDA Gold Medal for Vehicle Design. He will speak from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Borah Theatre.

Smith said she is looking forward to the EXPO not only so she can be finished, but also to see what the other groups are presenting. Smith said she is used



Jessica Smith poses in front of a presentation poster for her senior design project, Hot Threads. The Hot Threads team is researching a secure information storage system for the Air Force and will present their project at the Engineering EXPO Friday.

to public speaking, so she's not nervous about presenting her project. She thinks it will be good experience for those who aren't used to it.

Smith said non-engineering students should come to the event. "Everything from the tables and desks to the computers is a

product of engineering," Smith said. "Knowing where engineering's going can give you a distinct edge in whatever field you're going into."

ASUI president and Senate at odds over bill for new hire

Erin Harty
Argonaut

A bill creating a new position on the ASUI executive board was vetoed by ASUI President Garrett Holbrook last week and immediately overturned by the Senate.

Bill 509-30, which was passed by the Senate on April 15, creates a position and job description within the ASUI Communications Board. The job would include creating and running a weekly ASUI radio show to further communications with students.

Holbrook said the bill wasn't discussed as much as it could have been ahead of time.

"Usually we talk about bills before they get approved," Holbrook said. "In this case, (the Senate) didn't really spend much time coming and asking if I really thought it was a good idea."

Joe Black, the senator who wrote the bill, said he discussed the bill with several senators and approached both Holbrook and ASUI President-elect Kelby Wilson with his ideas.

Now that the Senate has overturned the veto, the position officially exists, but Holbrook said it doesn't have to be filled and it doesn't have an established salary.

"There is no guarantee this position will ever be filled because appointments to the executive are made by the president with the advice and consent of the Senate," Holbrook said.

Black felt strongly about overturning the veto and said this position is another way to involve the student body.

"I think that the purpose of ASUI is to create educational opportunities through experience," Black said. "I think that ASUI has this budget and student fees so we are here to give you the opportunity to lead and learn through actually doing."

Not all of the senators agree with Black and voiced their concerns during the senate meeting as well as after the vote.

"I was in favor of the veto," said Osama Mansour, an ASUI senator. "I think we need to solve other issues before we can go ahead and create more new positions and spend more money on things. I think we need to clean up first."

Holbrook said he discussed the bill with President-elect Kelby Wilson be-

fore vetoing it and decided the bill should wait, allowing the new executive board time to see if there is an audience for an ASUI radio show and if someone currently employed by ASUI communications had time in their schedule to take on the project.

"We have a director of communications and a promotions coordinator whose job description this would fit in," Holbrook said. "The job of the promotions coordinator is to promote the ASUI, the job of the communications director is to communicate with the student body about the functions of ASUI."

Black said giving the responsibility to others in ASUI is not the answer. If all the jobs in ASUI were consolidated, then there would be no opportunities left for students, he said.

"At the end of the day I think that if we really went through ASUI and combined everything that could be combined and shaved positions here and there that we would have two people in ASUI," Black said.

Mansour said the president would be the one who would ultimately choose someone for the position and should get the opportunity to look into the job further.

"We should be considering both sides of ASUI, and if the one side, who will be

essentially managing it, wants to hold off on it and take more time to think about it, why not let them do it," Mansour said.

ASUI Senator Casey Lund supported Black and his effort to overturn the veto.

"Why not create the position and if it doesn't work out than it doesn't work out," Lund said. "It's student government and it's creating a new and interesting position and I think fiscally it's not too big of a deal."

After looking back at what the Senate has accomplished this year, Holbrook said there is room for ASUI to do more and take more action.

"So we hire people and amend bylaws and pay people, and occasionally, we spend money on a program," Holbrook said.

He said he would challenge the senators who strongly backed this bill to take on the responsibility themselves. He said their time spent on the show would count toward their required office hours, so it wouldn't require more of their time.

"They get paid \$100 a pay period to come here and do something," Holbrook said. "Why don't they take it on and start this radio show? Why should we pay somebody to do something

else when they are not too busy. They aren't passing a whole lot."

Black said he wrote the job description to be very specific, and the person who fills it needs to be able to create, regulate and be accountable for the radio show and its programming.

"I think that a senator's

job is completely different," Black said. "That's not part of our job to do that."

Holbrook said the student's money should be used more responsibly.

"My perspective is that we shouldn't use student money to create more positions and fill more positions when we already have

people running around here," Holbrook said. "We have senators who have time, who should be doing things like this."

The new position now officially exists within ASUI, but it is up to next year's ASUI President Wilson to decide whether or not it should be filled.

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Snowmobile team takes third

Student group finishes third at national competition with fuel efficient engine

Greg Connolly
Argonaut

After starting in August 2008 with a fresh chassis, the 2009 University of Idaho Clean Snowmobile Challenge Team walked away from the 10th annual SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge contest with a third place finish.

The team started with a new chassis after using the same one in 2007 and 2008, said Nick Harker, a graduate student studying mechanical engineering who served as a team mentor.

"We don't compromise rideability for the competition goals," Harker said. "With our (snowmobile for the challenge), we wanted to make it something we wanted to ride."

The snowmobile team is made up of 16 UI students ranging from freshmen to graduate students.

"We've been able to have one of the fastest, most fuel-efficient snowmobiles over the last few years," Harker said.

The UI team finished first in the fuel economy portion of the March contest after recording an average of 13.43 miles per gallon.

The snowmobile runs on flex-fuel, an ethanol mixture. The contest featured E55, a blend of 55 percent ethanol and 45 percent gasoline, said Dylan Dixon, a senior studying mechanical engineering who served as co-captain of the 2009 team.

The UI snowmobile was equipped with a 600 H.O. SDI two-stroke Ski-Doo engine that had been modified by the team to run on flex-fuel.

The rules of the contest mandate the snowmobile cannot have any user input for fuel — the snowmobile must determine what fuel is in the engine and run



Jake Barber/Argonaut

Nick Harker, right, Peter Britanyak, center, and Dylan Dickson, from the 2009 University of Idaho Clean Snowmobile Challenge Team talk about their snowmobile in the Gauss-Johnson Engineering Laboratory Tuesday. The team took third at the SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge contest.

with it. Because of this, the team installed a computer into the snowmobile that determines the fuel type and adjusts the engine accordingly, Dixon said.

While the fuel efficiency portion of the contest went well for UI, the noise portion did not.

"Nobody passed the noise portion of the contest," said Peter Britanyak, another graduate student mentor. "It was really icy that day."

The contest is held at Michigan Technical University. It was first held in Wyoming, as the contest was originally designed to create a cleaner snowmobile for use in Yellowstone National Park, said Karen Den Braven, a professor of mechanical engineering.

The team began plan-

ning this year's snowmobile shortly after the conclusion of the 2008 contest, in which they placed second, Harker said. The team used the remainder of the 2008 spring semester to work on the design for the new chassis and then proceeded to commence building it at the start of the 2009 year.

"We do a lot of on-snow testing," Dixon said. "We drive out to Elk River and test the snowmobile every Saturday from January to the contest."

After the tests, the team would take apart the snowmobile on Mondays to address issues that came up during the tests. After working on it all week, they would re-assemble it Friday afternoon, Dixon said.



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Dylan Dickson races for the University of Idaho team during the 10th annual SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge in March. The team took first place in the fuel economy portion.

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Local/BRIEFS

Alumni inducted into Hall of Fame

Robert L. Bunting, C. Scott Green and Alma Winward will be inducted into the UI Alumni Hall of Fame at a noon luncheon May 15 in the Student Union Building Ballroom.

Bunting served as chief executive officer of the accounting firm Moss Adams for 23 years before stepping down in 2004. He now serves as the chair of Moss Adams' International Services Group.

Green is serving as executive director of WilmerHale, a law firm that generates annual revenues of \$1 billion.

Winward served as regional ecologist for the Intermountain Region of the Forest Service and retired in 2003 after 23 years.

The hall of fame was created in 1962 and now features more than 160 UI alumni.

UI associate dean to lead EPSCoR

Greg Bohach, the Idaho Agricultural Experiment Station director and associ-

ate dean of the University of Idaho College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, will lead Idaho's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research.

EPSCoR is overseen by legislative, business, science and education leaders throughout the state and is designed to help state scientists obtain competitive grants.

Bohach has been a UI faculty member for 20 years and also directs the National Institutes of Health-funded Idaho Host Pathogen Interaction Center of Biomedical Research Excellence.

Brooks appointed assistant VP

Tyrone Brooks, who has served as the interim vice president of UI Auxiliary Services since Oct. 18, has been appointed the permanent director effective May 4.

The job leaves Brooks responsible for several different entities on campus, including the Bookstore, Campus Dining, the golf course, University Housing, Parking and Transportation Service, University Support Services and the Ticket Office.

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Open Forum

Amy Huddleston reported that Carol Gregory from YMCA received rave reviews for her Friday presentation on working with non-profit organizations. Huddleston expressed disappointment with ASUI, stating that only one person from ASUI attended. She also said she was displeased The Argonaut did not attend, as there would have been a good story on the inefficient nature of the Senate. Huddleston also said she was appalled by the behavior of senators in the ASUI offices and said she hopes they will "step it up in the future."

Kelby Wilson, ASUI president-elect as well as the activities board chair, gave the April and end of year report for the board. He reported 48 student organizations and clubs received money from the board this year, which allowed them to allocate all but 18 cents of their budget.

President Garrett Holbrook announced three big bills were up for a vote at the meeting including an update of the ASUI Commons and Union Board bylaws. He said the changes realign positions to be more efficient.

Unfinished Business

Bill S09-33, a bill establishing the ASUI general operating budget for fiscal year 2010, was tabled in committee.

Bill S09-34, a bill amending ASUI Rules and Regulations section 5000, was passed.

Bill S09-35, a bill updating ASUI executive job descriptions, was passed.

Bill S09-37, a bill updating the ASUI Commons and Union Board bylaws, was passed.

New Business

Bills
Bill S09-38, a bill transferring \$2,000 from the ASUI programming budget to the safety task force "Sex-1 Party," was sent to finance.

— Erin Hartly

PUTTING TRASH IN ITS PLACE



Jake Barber/Argonaut

Robert Wulff, left, and Richard Yang, right, play a recycling game Wednesday their group created in the Design Process 2 class. The game, where participants pump air bubbles into the water tank to try to get recyclables in their proper spot was designed to promote sustainability. Other groups in the class presented games in the Reflections Gallery.

Legislature continues, without House

John Miller
Associated Press

BOISE — The House of Representatives may have temporarily adjourned its war with Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and his Senate allies, but House Assistant Minority Leader James Ruchti says the gas-tax hike is no longer the main issue.

"This is about personalities," the Pocatello Democrat said Thursday. "It's about who's going to have the power."

Hours earlier, the House bolted town, marking the first time since 1980 one chamber has adjourned without the assent of the other. Ruchti was among minority Democrats who used the morning-after lull to lambaste House majority leaders.

The novelty of the House's sudden departure underscores the deep rift that's only deepened in Republican-dominated Idaho government, as representatives like House Majority Leader Mike

Moyle, R-Star, and House Speaker Lawrence Denney, R-Midvale, spar with Otter and the Senate over roads money.

Otter demands a revenue increase worth about \$80 million; Moyle and Denney have agreed to \$30 million in new roads money, but no more.

On Thursday, Moyle was doing shuttle diplomacy between the respective chambers in jeans, looking more like the mink rancher and corn grower he is for most of the year

than a state lawmaker.

Moyle was fulfilling this pledge: Despite the adjournment, House GOP leaders would stick around to negotiate.

The down-home appearance of a farmer headed for his fields belied the tacit acknowledgment by representatives they'll be back in the building come Monday.

That's because Idaho's Constitution doesn't let one chamber adjourn for more than three days without the other's OK.

House Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, had met with Senate leaders in the morning — albeit without finding a way out of this dead end on Idaho's gas tax highway. Still, he dismissed the Democrats' contention the legislative process in 2009 is being sullied by GOP egos, Otter's and those of his House colleagues.

"A majority of Republicans and Democrats have turned this down six different times," he said. "To second-guess that at this point is just another brand of political opportunism."

Meanwhile, Sen. Shawn Keough, R-Sandpoint, ac-

cused House members from southwestern Idaho's Treasure Valley who are benefiting from millions worth of construction projects on U.S. Interstate 84 of opposing a gas tax hike that might help other regions of the state like hers in northern Idaho with high way maintenance and repairs.

During six votes on proposals ranging from 2 cents per gallon to 7 cents per gallon, up from 25 cents now, Keough pointed out, a total of 40 House lawmakers on one measure or another voted in favor.

Now, she wants them to align on a single bill and end the second-longest session in Idaho history at 109 days. Only 2003 was longer, at 118 days.

"It is time for the grandstanding to end," Keough said.

Otter didn't immediately respond to requests for comment, but a message late Wednesday showed he's still fighting.

"I remain hopeful for a resolution," he said in a statement.

The 70-year-old Ada County Courthouse that's housed the Idaho Legislature for two sessions while

the century-old Capitol next door undergoes its \$122 million makeover normally overflows with 105 lawmakers, attaches, lobbyists and bureaucrats responsible for greasing the wheels of Idaho's version of democracy.

Thursday, the 38,000-square-foot building was comparatively deserted.

Senators did go about their business, before concluding about noon after blasting through bills that had previously been vetoed by Otter to protest House recalcitrance on the gas-tax issue. In addition, they completed a smattering of other business, including a 30-0 vote for House amendments to a day care licensing bill to require facilities that care for seven or more kids to secure a state license, down from the standard of 13 children now.

Idaho's Constitution aside, Senate leaders pointed to another reason why the House will be back next week: Representatives broke the rules.

In their rush to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. the previous evening, House leaders violated the Idaho Legislature's time-honored protocol in which budget bills emerge only after being vetted by the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee. In order to finish Wednesday, however, the House skirted that tradition, printing the bills itself.

"Process is just as important as substance," said Senate Majority Leader Bart Davis, R-Idaho Falls, vowing not to let those measures clear his chamber.

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'PANDEMIC' PROTEST



A University of Delaware student who did not want to be identified rides around the university campus wearing a gas mask to make a statement of how he feels the swine flu is being overblown by the media Thursday in Newark, Del. Four cases of swine flu at the University of Delaware have been confirmed, state officials said.

DEATH

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Bruce Pitman, vice provost of student affairs, said students often underestimate how alcohol will affect them, instead it's treated as an accepted part of campus culture instead of dangerous substance that requires constant monitoring and responsible use, he said.

"Occasionally, students express surprise that alco-

hol can kill, and in this case it did," Pitman said. "Prior to Spring Break, (Brotherhood Empowerment Against Rape) put on an alcohol awareness program where students guessed how much alcohol was in a drink ... almost everyone underestimated the amount of alcohol."

American culture embraces excess, including binge drinking. Duke said this leads to common misconceptions of how alcohol can affect people.

"Drinking affects your metabolic function," he said, "It's important to control what you're ingesting."

The reaction to Miller's death didn't cause huge waves locally. Pitman said the campus reaction varies from situation to situation. Because Miller wasn't part of a large living group and led a relatively private

life, the reaction among students has been docile. However, Pitman emphasized that this is a "tragic and horrible situation."

"I feel this is not an issue we can treat passively," Pitman said.

The investigation of Miller's death is ongoing, and an autopsy will be conducted in the next few weeks. Moscow police have executed two search warrants and are investigating what happened and whether anyone acted negligently, Duke said.

In Wilder, Duke said, Miller's passing was a shock to the community. Andrew Miller, Daniel Miller's brother, has created a memorial Facebook page.

A funeral for Daniel Miller will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Homedale Middle School located at 3437 Johnstone Road in Homedale.

facts about ALCOHOL

The age of 19 to 24 is associated with the highest prevalence of periodic heavy alcohol consumption during the life span.

A drink is defined as one 12-ounce beer, one 4-ounce glass of wine, one 10-ounce wine cooler, or one 1.5-ounce shot of 80-proof hard alcohol. Factors such as body weight, height and body chemistry should also be considered. Many mixed drinks have more than one serving of alcohol. Be sure to know how much alcohol is in your drink.

Alcohol goes directly to the blood stream, which is why it affects every system in the body.

Approximately one in three 18- to 24-year-olds admitted to emergency rooms for serious injuries is intoxicated.

Factors that affect blood alcohol level include:

- How strong the alcoholic drink is
- How quickly the body metabolizes alcohol
- How much food is in your stomach at the time you drink
- How quickly the alcoholic drink is consumed

Critical signs for alcohol poisoning:

- Mental confusion, stupor, coma or person cannot be roused
- No response to pinching the skin
- Vomiting while sleeping
- Seizures
- Slow breathing (less than eight breaths per minute)
- Irregular breathing (10 seconds or more between breaths)
- Hypothermia (low body temperature) bluish skin color, paleness

If you suspect that someone may have ingested a fatal dose of alcohol, help is required immediately.

Call 911 or the emergency number. Stay with the victim.

Keep the victim from crawling on vomit. Tell emergency medical technicians the symptoms and, if you know, how much alcohol the victim drank. Prompt action may save the life of a friend or your own.

STATE

from page 1

Daley-Laursen said the group will "quantify the gap between the current vision for athletics in our institution and our currently financing model for athletics."

The president introduced one new hire — a special assistant to the president for human rights access and inclusion, Carmen Suarez, to reorganize diversity functions at UI.

He also thanked the UI

Native American faculty and graduate school staff for the grant awarded by the National Science Foundation to develop a national center for indigenous graduate study and research at the university.

In describing relevance and scope, Daley-Laursen said that, where the Program Prioritization Process reduced the scope of the institution, the Request for Innovations is about "creating, reconstructing and reconfiguring ourselves for the future."

The RFI's 16 proposals

are currently under review by the Faculty Council.

Acknowledging that his time as president has an expiration date — Nellis is scheduled to take over July 1, incidentally the beginning of the fiscal year — Daley-Laursen thanked the university community for their support of him and welcomed his successor in the office of president.

"Give President Nellis the same voice and power that you gave me," he said. "This is the time to be a modern university, to stay on the road to vitality."

Watch for The Argonaut Tuesdays and Fridays and every other Wednesday this summer!

Researchers ID remains of vanished vagabond poet

Paul Foy
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Researchers said Thursday that a skeleton found last year in Utah's redrock country is that of a 20-year-old artist, poet and wanderer who disappeared in the 1930s and has been the stuff of Western lore and Navajo legend ever since.

The bones of Everett Ruess, a self-described vagabond from California, were discovered by a grandson of a Navajo elder who, according to a family story, had witnessed the young man's murder by other Indians and was haunted by it.

Ruess' remains and a few artifacts were found last May in a rock crevice against a cliff wall at Comb Ridge in remote southeastern Utah, about 60 miles from Escalante, the town where he set off for his final wilderness journey.

gist Kenneth Krauter. The facial bones also matched photographs of Ruess taken by Depression-era photographer Dorothea Lange a year before he vanished, said Dennis Van Gerven, an anthropologist at the university.

Ruess was known for his landscape block prints and was a gifted writer who explored the Southwest over much of four years, writing letters frequently to his family in California.

In his final, Nov. 11, 1934, letter to his brother, Everett wrote that "as to when I revisit civilization, it will not be soon" and "it is enough that I am surrounded with beauty." He added, "This has been a full, rich year. I have left no strange or delightful thing undone."

in 1934 from coyotes and other scavengers after other Indians clubbed him on the head and robbed him.

The story was originally revealed to Bellson's sister, Daisy Johnson, by a medicine man who blamed their grandfather's cancer on having handled Ruess' remains. He said Johnson was able to point out the approximate location on a topographical map, and he found the remains after several hours of searching.

"There was a white guy out there, and we wanted to find him," Bellson said Thursday on a teleconference call arranged by the magazine. "It was a big mystery, another story to be told."

"It was a big mystery, another story to be told"

Denny BELSON
Navajo Native American

"All kinds of people have tried to solve the mystery of his disappearance," said David Roberts, a climber and writer who profiled the discovery in National Geographic Adventure magazine before genetic results were available. "The combined efforts of everybody got nowhere until last spring."

Denny Bellson, who lives on the Navajo reservation, discovered the skeleton in a rock crevice where he said his late grandfather hid the body

Sheriff Mike Lacy of Utah's San Juan County said, "We went out there and looked at the bones," but he added that he couldn't vouch for the skeleton's identity and wasn't planning to open an investigation.

In Salt Lake City, FBI spokesman Juan Becerra confirmed an agent also had visited the site, but he had no further comment.

"A 75-year-old murder is the definition of a cold case, and we haven't asked anybody to be involved," Ruess' nephew Brian Ruess, a 44-year-old software salesman in Portland, Ore., told The Associated Press.

A niece, Michele Ruess, said the family planned to cremate the bones, now stored at the University of Colorado, and scatter the ashes in the Pacific's Santa Barbara Channel.

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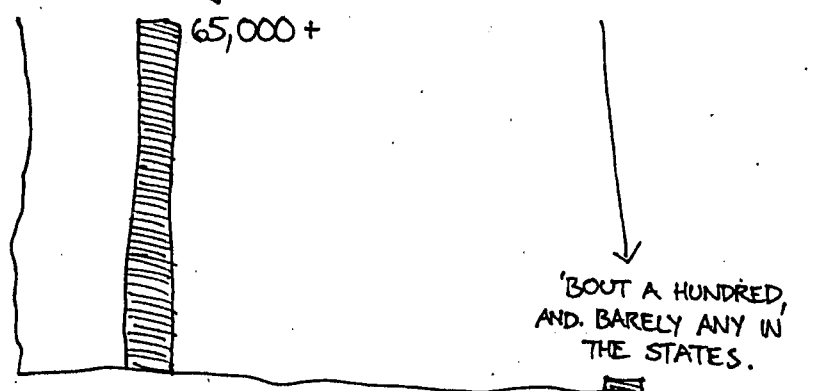
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Matt Adams-Wenger/Argonaut

OurVIEW

Reality check

Student's death reminds us of alcohol dangers

Daniel Miller, like hundreds of other University of Idaho students, went out drinking Friday night. Miller — like countless other Vandals — went to a bar, made the right decision to walk home instead of drive and then went to sleep. But there was one difference between Miller's experience and many other UI students that night. He didn't wake up Saturday morning.

The seriousness of this tragedy cannot be understated, ignored or passed off like this is something that "just happens." Miller died after consuming a lethal amount of alcohol. His death is a painful reminder of how one night of innocuous fun can equate to heavy consequences and change everything.

Members of his family, friends and other loved ones will mourn their loss for the rest of their lives, but Miller should also be remembered by those in the UI community who didn't know him.

Accidents like this could happen to anyone, anywhere, at any time. It is important to remember how excessive drinking can affect not only the drinker,

but those people close to him or her. One night of seemingly simple fun can have long-lasting repercussions.

Drinking will forever be a part of this and other colleges' cultures, but it is devastatingly regrettable it takes an incident such as this to re-evaluate how alcohol can affect a campus community.

It is important to keep track of how much you're drinking and how fast you're drinking every time you consume alcohol.

Know the signs of alcohol poisoning — including vomiting, seizures, slow or irregular breathing and low body temperature — and don't be afraid to seek medical assistance if you're worried about a friend.

"Better safe than sorry" is a battered-down and worn-out expression, so much so, we might forget how much it can actually ring true. It seems obvious the sentiments behind that phrase should be taken sincerely, but in senseless cases like these, maybe the most obvious things in life should be stated most frequently.

— CL

OPPOSING VIEWS: GENDER

Anti-feminism still strong

I like to think we live in a society where everyone agrees women and men deserve the same political, social, sexual, intellectual and economic equality. On a college campus where male and female students have equal opportunities to pursue their degrees, it seems blissfully equal. But a large part of our society does not think that way. It's hard to watch the news or surf the Web without coming across anti-women, anti-feminist news stories, articles, statements and hate mail. The opponents, the anti-feminists, those who keep feminism alive — are out there and in the middle of the public eye.

Some anti-feminist arguments are flat-out stupid and highly amusing — others are scary.

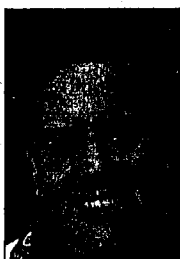
While hate mail filled with c-words and b-words, unfound arguments and "femi-

nazi" comments has little weight and is best ignored, it is the well-educated commentators who draw large audiences that worry me.

Take columnist and conservative writer Bernard Chapin, for example, who, in a Mens News Daily article, penned he finds it "comforting to think that feminists are all horrendously ugly, or at the least for the most part, lesbian in their sexual orientations."

But upon stumbling across feministing.com, the most highly trafficked site for progressive women, he came to the shocking realization that feminists are actually "young and fit" and blamed radical feminism and the "Dark Lord Saurons of gender study programs" for poisoning the minds

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Movements destroy gender identity

Are you a man or a woman? Does your answer even mean anything? Is your gender an important part of your identity? Bizarre though it may seem, our society is moving toward eliminating the concept of gender altogether.

If this seems like a farfetched claim, consider what we are already doing. We blur the distinction between the sexes by embracing the notion of gender identity — that our gender is defined mentally and is not dependent on physical reality.

Additionally, we perform sex change operations and hormone treatments so an individual can move from

one sex to the other in either direction. In short, the physical reality of gender becomes less than fixed, but that's not all.

At the same time the biological definition of gender becomes fluid, we also deny any non-physical definitions of gender. As enlightened people, we insist gender has no implications for a person's behavior, career choice, strengths, weaknesses, responsibilities or even sexual relations. If the physical expression of gender becomes flexible, and we also deny any innate differences between the sexes, the next step is obvious: gender does not exist, and all we have are arbitrary

anatomical differences.

The denial of any inherent differences between the sexes is usually presented as a "pro-woman" position because it works against the oppression of women, but it is really not pro-woman. It is anti-gender, and thus, it is both anti-man and anti-woman. This idea teaches us women are supposed to be more like men, and men are supposed to be more like women. Accepting anything as traditionally "masculine" or "feminine" is considered backward, patriarchal and oppressive.

As a result, men today are emasculated. We are taught about "male gender norms" such as emotional control, competitiveness, risk-taking and independence, and we are told conforming to them

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Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Elephant in the room

I saw former Sen. Larry Craig in the Idaho Commons Wednesday. I can't imagine how bizarre it would be to enter a restroom on campus and unexpectedly see that face. I'm surprised Craig doesn't tow his own portable toilet behind him wherever he goes just to avoid the inevitable awkward silence and avoidance of eye contact.

— Holly

Talk to me when ...

Mike Galanos, host of ET's "Prime News," recently made a strong stand against legalizing the contraceptive Plan B pill to 17-year-old women without parental consent. Why is a 40-something man telling people what's best for 17-year-old women? Mr. Galanos, you can come talk to me again when you've either given some actual credit to those opinions voiced by 17-year-old women — or any women, for that matter — or become one yourself.

— Sydney

Read the signs

It amazes me how disgusting people can be. If I'm in the bathroom and can hear the door open 10 or so times without the faucet turning on, something is wrong. That must be why there are those "how-to" signs on the mirrors. Apparently, washing your hands is a difficult thing to manage. I guess they're too busy worrying about the swine flu.

— Alexis

Swine

Why do the media insist on using terms no else uses when describing the flu? Why can't they just say "pig flu" or "bird flu"? Even better, they can just give up and call it "the flu."

— Jens

A motto to live for

My professors' motto for the final two weeks of school: "the beatings will continue until morale improves." Oh yeah, and eff all this swine flu talk — nonsense, all of it.

— Levi

Think before you speak

All day, I've heard people talking about how swine flu is just hype, and it's nothing to worry about. They say normal influenza kills way more people than swine flu has, so what's the big deal? Take a look back a few decades. The pandemics of 1889, 1918, 1957 and 1968 all started this way, with a mild flu during the spring and a much more deadly version in the fall. The 1918 strain was especially nasty, killing 50 million people. I'm not saying we should all head underground, but at least know what you are talking about.

— Jake

Too steep for my blood

I just learned Thursday that your first-ever DUI offense is a \$1,088 ticket — aka, one more reason for all of us to walk our drunk butts home at the end of the night (as if saving your own life and the lives of others isn't enough). A thousand bucks for one totally preventable act should be enough to make you think twice. Besides, think of how many beers and taxi rides home that thousand bucks could get ya.

— Christina

Everybody's invited

I've written a lot of negative, whiny, sarcastic off-the-cuff comments this year. Reading some of them, I'm starting to worry about myself. That's why this edition, I'd just like to remind whoever's reading that summer will be here in two weeks, and we are all going to party. We're going to party real hard, and it's going to be fun.

— Kevin

Real random kindness

Thursday, I saw a girl drop her bag, and all her belongings fell down the Sixth Street hill. Some guy stopped on his bike and helped her pick up her belongings. She didn't thank him — she just ran off embarrassed, but he didn't seem to mind. He just kept on going. Thank you for brightening my day.

— Lianna

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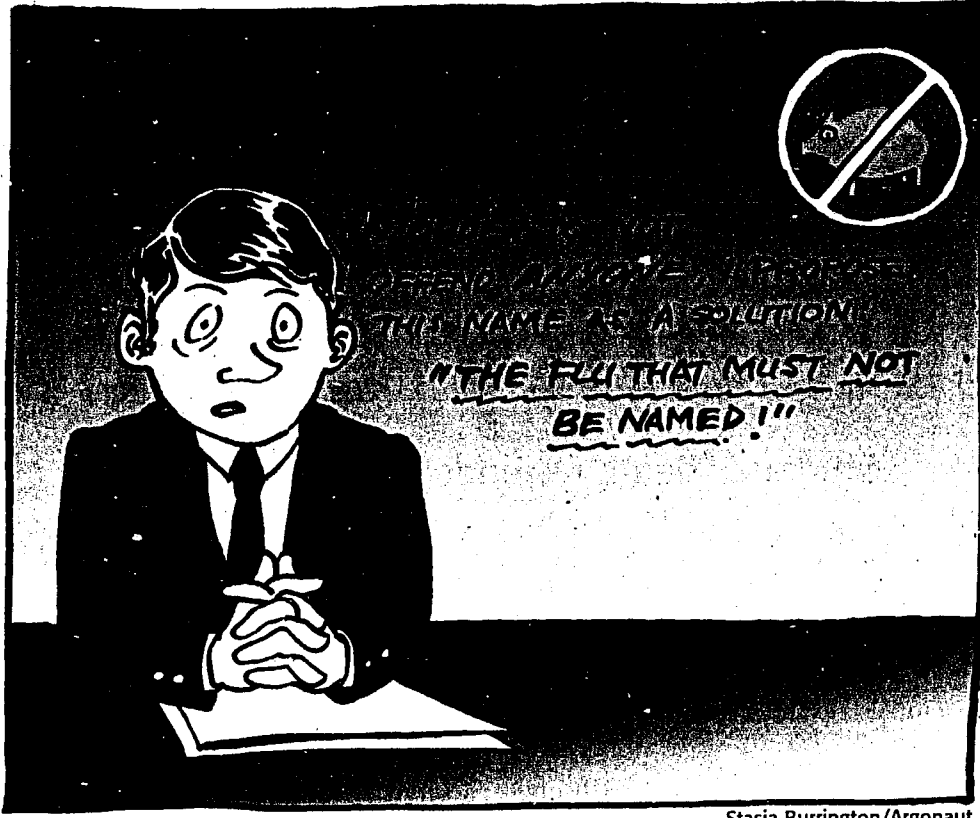
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ASUI: pointless

I did not know what ASUI was for the first six months I attended the University of Idaho. I eventually found out it stood for the Associated Students of the University of Idaho, but I would guess there are a fair share of students still in the dark as to what ASUI stands for or, better yet, what the organization does.

Events over the past month have led me to believe the ASUI government is simply a group of people pretending to play government. The main problem is students' money is going to their make-believe world of politics.

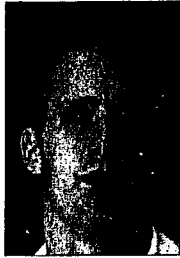
One of the most telling signs of the election had to be the candidates' admittance that presidential/vice-presidential campaigns took both significant amounts of money and time — the two things most students perpetually lack. The testimonials of those who ran for office immediately discourage most potential applicants who may lack the money to finance such an ordeal or who may instead focus whatever free time they may have elsewhere.

However, it would seem the time and money it takes to campaign is being wasted in a spectacular manner, considering only 6 percent of the student body voted in the most recent ASUI elections. Despite some hailing the record-setting turnout as a major victory, it is underwhelming and quite frankly embarrassing given the ease and time allotted to voters to cast their ballots.

The fact those elected to represent the student body only needed a majority of 6 percent of the total number of students exposes a critical flaw in the system. A majority of the sentiment would favor blaming the apathetic student body for not caring about their school, but I disagree.

Idaho students should not be bothered to care about an organization that holds no

tangible power within the university. The ASUI government may have some leverage on nickel and dime issues, but it is all too easily circumvented when the university is determined to pass something it wants to do. Do not take my word for it — take a look at the parking fee situation.



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ASUI President Garrett Holbrook is, arguably, the most informed person on campus when it comes to issues affecting students, yet he is simply nothing more than a rent-a-quote for this paper. Holbrook has a nice title and serves up some insightful knowledge on a varying array of topics, but it does not mean he holds any power.

The real power, as with any democratically elected government, lies with the voters. Seven miles down the road, students started their own protests in regard to the financial issues at Washington State University. The students organized a protest themselves without any major help from the student government.

If an issue is so pressing it requires action, students will unite and fight the university themselves. There is no point in having students pay for a liaison they obviously do not want or care about having.

The rallying cry for every candidate running for office was a commitment to the students and a promise to help work through the fiscal problems facing the university. If those in the ASUI government are actually determined to follow through on their promise, they should return any money they are paid for student government.

I for one am tired of paying real fees for a fantasy government to operate under the guise of representing the student body. The ASUI government is not needed, and the massive indifference shown by students in every election for the past 20 years shows the student government is refusing to acknowledge the hint.

such a project needed more professionalism and was a more appropriate endeavor for the state's "premier" research institution instead of student volunteers.

Is this a black eye for such a pre-eminent entity? While some may claim the intent was to put on such an event, some would also say the road to hell is paved with good intentions. I encourage paid employees at the Research Office and the President's Office to actually take action for the benefit of the university's students — as many unpaid graduate students have done in the past, including myself.

Craig Watt
former president, UI Graduate and Professional Student Association

FEMINISM

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of students and called for an end to government funds for womens studies programs and majors.

In a recent essay titled "The Education of a Libertarian," PayPal co-founder and Facebook investor Peter Thiel suggests women and their right to vote and speak for themselves may be what ruined America.

He writes, "The 1920s were the last decade in American history during which one could be genuinely optimistic about politics. Since 1920, the vast increase in welfare beneficiaries and the extension of the franchise to women — two constituencies that are notoriously tough for libertarians — have rendered the notion of 'capitalist democracy' into an oxymoron."

Luckily, these articles do not go unnoticed, and the Web is a great medium for outcries, counterarguments and battles in which one site criticizes another site, and they go back and forth. There are some interesting anti-feminist Web sites that get called out on their rubbish quite often, such as ihatewomen.com, "The Chauvinist Corner" and angryharry.com. On the latter, one can find "The 'Benefits' of Feminism — an insight into just how astronomically huge is the damage that feminism causes to people," which blames feminism for everything from sexual abuse to global warming.

And it's not just men, either. For four decades, Phyllis Schlafly has been the anti-feminist spokeswoman for the national conservative movement. Schlafly argues feminism teaches women to be victims and is incompatible with marriage and motherhood. Last year, Schlafly made headlines with statements that there is no such thing as sexual harassment in marriage, because by getting married, the woman has consented to sex.

And then there is my least favorite button-pushing commentator, Rush Limbaugh, whose misogynist and homophobic statements never fail to make jaws drop and have you saying, "He did not just say that!" Two decades ago, Limbaugh wrote the

"Undeniable Truths of Life" as part of an article for the Sacramento Union. In 1994, he updated the 35 truths, and he still upholds them today.

Here are some of my favorites.
"4. Evidence refutes liberalism ...
12. Condoms only work during the school year ...

16. Women should not be allowed on juries where the accused is a stud ...

17. The way to improve our schools is not more money, but the reintroduction of moral and spiritual values, as well as the four "R's": reading, 'riting, 'rithmetic and Rush."

And the best, as it pertains to this column:

"24. Feminism was established as to allow unattractive women easier access to the mainstream of society."

In the 1988 version, he had one "undeniable truth" that has since been removed, but it is one I'll agree with wholeheartedly, and that was No. 25, "Love is the only human emotion that cannot be controlled." Three guesses why that one was removed...

In February, after finding out only 37 percent of women have a favorable view of him, Limbaugh decided to hold a summit to figure out what caused the gender gap in his approval rating.

"I want some of these women to start telling me what it is I must do to close the gender gap — or, if not what it is I must do to close the gender gap, what it is I've done that has caused the gender gap ... I own the men, and what must I do now to own women?" he asked:

Maybe it lies in the fact women generally don't like sexist remarks. Just sayin'.

While some arguments are laughable, the fact his show is the most listened-to radio talk show in America, with broadcasts on more than 600 radio stations nationwide, is not.

Commentators reach millions of people, as do their offending messages. When they speak loudly, we need to speak louder. Let it be known, misogynist jokes and women-blaming are not OK. It is hard to believe sometimes, but many people actually believe women cannot and should not be equal to men and that feminists — those fighting for gender equality — are the roots of all evil.

GENDER

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is always bad. We are told these societal norms are why men get in trouble with the law, can't express their feelings, start fights and refuse to ask for directions.

Maybe. But don't these traits also lead men to endure difficulties, achieve high goals, save lives and not move back in with their parents? Why can masculinity never be framed positively?

While we are emasculating our men, we are also de-feminizing women. Even clearly positive feminine traits are rejected in the name of gender equality. Are women more emotionally sensitive or more tender and compassionate? No — that's chauvinism. What we don't seem to see is rejecting these traits doesn't elevate women, it just makes them more like men. Today's feminist hero takes pride in the fact she is not a nurturer — her children are in daycare while she proves she can swing it with the men in the workplace.

Because of these attitudes, our conclusion is neither the man or the woman bring anything special to a relationship or a family. They are interchangeable. Thus, it is perfectly fine to have two parents of the same gender or for a single woman to become a mother through in-vitro fertilization. After all, one sex is just the same as the other — there's really no difference. But are we willing to accept the idea neither gender is unique or important, and our only differences are anatomical?

Some will say denying gender differences promotes the individual's freedom of expression and identity. This is true, unless an individual

wants to identify with and take pride in his or her gender. A similar case would be to deny all cultural differences. We might say it would free us from having to tie our identity to our culture, but in reality, it would destroy a part of our identity. And of course, the differences between the sexes are more fundamental and more important than those between cultures.

We cannot think we can remove such a fundamental aspect of our existence without serious consequences. The shift to a gender-free society may take a long time to complete (if ever), and its effects may unfold slowly, but we can predict some of them.

How many relational, emotional, psychological and behavioral issues are already tied to strained or neglected relationships with fathers or mothers? What will be the effects if we eliminate those roles altogether? Fatherlessness is already a problem — 85 percent of youths in prison come from fatherless homes, as do 75 percent of adolescent patients in chemical abuse centers, 90 percent of runaway children and 85 percent of children with behavioral disorders. In light of this, is it a good idea to deny the unique role of a father, as we are asked to do in the name of gender equality?

Yes, acknowledging differences between the sexes implies women, in general, are better at some things, and men, in general, are better at other things. Specifically, women are better than men at being women, and men are better than women at being men. If a statement like this offends us, it is an indication of how far our attitudes have departed from common sense. Do these differences have implications for how we should live our lives? Yes, but that is often the case with reality.

MailBOX

Where's the research?

Is the University of Idaho a real research institution?
You may have noticed: there is not going to be a student research expo this year. Originally conceived for graduate student research presentations, in recent years, the expo had been broadened in scope to allow all UI students a format to share their studies and projects with the university community.
One year ago, after 20 years of managing the research expo for the benefit of UI, the Graduate and Professional Student Association felt

such a project needed more professionalism and was a more appropriate endeavor for the state's "premier" research institution instead of student volunteers.
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NO PANTS

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Music school drops recital charge to all who show some leg

Marcus Kellis
Argonaut

Now in its fifth year at the University of Idaho, the Lionel Hampton School of Music's No Pants Day will upgrade from house parties to an official recital.

Sort of.

At 9:30 p.m. tonight in the LHSOM Recital Hall, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, a music fraternity, will present a musical program featuring the chapter's 19 men singing Billy Joel, Death Cab for Cutie, Huey Lewis and the News and original material.

Those without pants will be charged no admission fee, but for others it's \$1. The concert does not appear on the May performance schedule for the LHSOM, but some faculty from both UI and Washington State University will be accompanying the men on stage, all without pants.

Danny Bell, a 2008 graduate in music theory, remains a member of the fraternity. Bell composed one of the pieces to be presented.

"Phi Mu Alpha is about spreading American music," he said. "We're supposed to put on a recital every semester - what better day than No Pants Day?"

Matt Thompson, a biology undergraduate in his fifth year, began celebrating the holiday in 2004, at the suggestion of music graduate Nick Courtnage.

"I do look forward to it," Thompson said. "I like the freedom. I like the feeling of air on my naked thighs."

Matt
THOMPSON
UI biology student

According to Bell, the celebration hasn't extended much beyond music students, but the music students who celebrate it do so fervently.

"There are a select few who go to all their classes without any pants on," Bell said. "Some people wear pants between classes. I think that's the sissy way out."

The celebration's Web site, at nopantsday.com, clarifies that "pants" is generalized to mean any traditional leg covering - skirts, shorts, kilts, dresses, etc.

Across genders, the event is infrequently risqué.

"Boxers are clearly the number one choice," Bell said. "Most women just buy fancy men's boxers."

Bell and Paul Taylor, another music student and Phi Mu Alpha member, did the arrangements for the concerts.

Bell, employed locally as a cashier, said he regrets that he has to wear pants at work today.

"I feel a little cheated," he said. "Some people wear Christmas attire at Christmas or Halloween attire at Halloween. Why can't I celebrate the holiday that I want to?"

"I do look forward to it. I like the freedom. I like the feeling of air on my naked thighs."



Photo illustration by Jake Barber

Return to renaissance

Ren. Fair celebrates another year

Jordan Gray
Argonaut

There may not be a monarchy in the U.S., but for a weekend, a king and queen will preside over Moscow's East City Park.

For its 36th year, this weekend the Moscow Renaissance Fair will start off with the introduction of this year's king and queen, who will open the fair at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Fair runs Saturday and Sunday and is free to all.

"Every year, two people are chosen as king and queen," said Bill London, who was king in 2004. "The king and queen are honored for their activities in support of the community."

Lois Blackburn served as queen of the fair last year. She's attended the fair every year since 1991.

"That was one of the jolliest moments of my life," Blackburn said. "Getting to wear a queen dress and walk around the fair and have children getting their pictures taken with me. That was great fun."

The fair features a variety of ethnic food and eclectic craft booths. All of the food booths are

run by nonprofit organizations and feature homemade goods.

"The Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute always makes smoothies on a bicycle-powered smoothie machine," Blackburn said. "So you get to sit on a bicycle, peddle and make your own smoothie."

This effort is partly for the fun of it and partly because the booths do not receive electricity. The Fair will also try to cut down on waste this year with all of the plates and utensils from the food booths made from either compostable or recyclable materials.

"Every year at the fair what we do is train to compost or recycle as much as possible," said Andy Boyd, the food booth coordinator. "We usually can compost or recycle up to 80 percent of the waste generated at the fair."

This year's programs feature an image of Peter Basoa, the former music director for the fair. Basoa passed away a month ago, and in his honor, the directors of the fair requested the stage he helped build in East City Park - which the fair donated to the city - be named in his honor.



File Photo

A musician in period costume plays during the annual Renaissance Fair in East City Park. This year's fair will take place Saturday and Sunday and will feature events such as the local band "Bare Wires."

The Moscow City Council approved the request in its April 20 meeting and this year's featured groups, like Moscow's Bare Wires, will perform on "The Peter Basoa Stage."

"He was our music man for the Renaissance Fair for

way over 25 years of the 35 years that the fair has been happening," said Jim Prall, who served as king last year.

Prall said the fair originally started as an ASUI

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Jane's Walk to spark urban conversation

Anne-Marije Rook
Argonaut

The Students for Place-Based Planning and Urban Design is hosting Jane's Walk this weekend - an opportunity to be outside and get to know Moscow on a different level.

Jane's Walk is an international event in the form of walking and biking tours around town to look closely at how people live, work and play in their urban environment.

It is an opportunity to get to know one's city, its parks, buildings, streets and sidewalks.

Building Sustainable Communities Initiative program coordinator Michele Vachon stumbled across the event on the Web and presented it to SPUDD.

Vachon said Jane's Walk is a great event because it involves all of Moscow and fits SPUDD's mission to promote planning and community design at a regional level as a means to empower citizens, strengthen communities, preserve ecosystems, promote social justice and accommodate society's needs in a sustainable manner.

The event is in honor of Jane Jacobs, an urbanist and activist of the 1950s and '60s and author of "Death and Life of Great American Cities." Jacobs pressed for a community-based approach to city building and encouraged walkability of cities.

"Jane Jacobs is kind of a hero for the planning field," Vachon said.

Vachon said one of the tour guides for this year's event has been to New York and visits Jane Jacobs' former house in Greenwich Village each time he is there.

The tours will take participants to locations within Moscow that exhibit Jane Jacobs' design principles and will

"There's great connectivity. It's conducive for pedestrians and has good bike paths."

Carmen
WEBER
SPUDD events coordinator

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT: TAARKA

Experimental band returns to the Alley

Megan Broyles
Argonaut

John's Alley Tavern considers itself Moscow's Home for Live Music, a title the bar has taken with pride for years.

Less than a month ago, comedic rapper Afroman drew in a crowd that packed the relatively small venue. One Independence Day, a Doors cover band took the stage in tight leather pants. The Alley has never had a problem with musical diversity. To add to this colorful palette of performers, Colorado-based band Taarka will play on the stage shared by many before at 10 p.m. tonight.

The members of Taarka describe themselves as an "indie-gypsy-chamber-grass band," and the description isn't too far away from accurate. The four band members — David Tiller, Enion Pelta, Daniel Plane and Troy Robey — are saturated with classical training and attempt to bring each individual's influences together in working pieces of music.

Robey, Taarka's upright bass player, said the band draws musical inspiration from many different places, ranging from jazz and gypsy music to the Foo Fighters. Robey said his band is "definitely eclectic" and has fused different styles on its newest release, "Seed Gathering for a Winter Garden."

"The challenge is to not



Courtesy Photo

Taarka, the self-described "indie-gypsy-chamber-grass band," will perform at John's Alley tonight and the Moscow Renaissance Fair Saturday.

sound like you're stealing or borrowing," said Robey. "We're trying not to offend the purists."

Taarka has embarked on a summer-long tour starting in the Pacific Northwest, crossing the West and ending in Virginia. Robey said the band is happy making a living by touring and making music, especially in places like Moscow.

"It's exciting to bring the band back to Moscow," he said. "There's a great appreciation of music and culture here. I love the people here."

Lydia Williams, bartender at the Alley, said she acts she's seen during her time at the downtown establishment both as an employee and a patron have been varied.

"You never know what you'll find here," she said. "Each show is worth coming out for. You'll end up supporting a band that may need you, and you may need them, too."

Taarka will bring their eclectic show to the Alley tonight and the Moscow Renaissance Fair in East City Park at 8 p.m. Saturday.

"There's a great appreciation of music and culture (in Moscow)."

Troy
ROBEY

Taarka band member

Strings bring classic charm

Megan Broyles
Argonaut

The sounds coming from the Colorado-based group Taarka's new album are beautiful, eccentric and hard to categorize. The band doesn't seem to be concerned with fitting into any kind of limiting genre or even subcategory, which adds to its unconventional yet classic charm.

"Seed Gathering for a Winter Garden" draws listeners into a different musical realm, somewhere unmapped and ready to be explored.

From the first instrumental track, "Arctic Melt-down," attention is snared and held with a beautiful barrage of stringed instruments. Taarka enlists a variety of sounds: mandolin, tenor guitar, tenoreightor, five-string violin, cello and upright bass. "Melt-down" is an intriguing introduction to the rest of the album, giving a small taste test of each band member's ability on their respective strings.

"My Angeline" is one of few tracks featuring vocal accompaniment. Cello player Daniel Plane's voice is smooth and flowing with a tinge of angst, perfect for the poetic lyrics placed effortlessly atop the ebbing and flowing intensity of the various strings.

Taarka gets a nod for

lyrical creativity in this track, as well. The song describes a woman as a "human snake" and a "loving circus queen."

The 13 tracks on "Seed Gathering" give a unique cross-section of each member's musical style and influences. Jazz, old-timey western, folk and gypsy-esque sounds are heard throughout the album, which makes classification near impossible. But each track is more interesting than the first, no matter which order the songs

are played. "Seed Gathering" is the newest addition to the collection of five Taarka albums. The band has made a name for itself in the Pacific Northwest playing assorted venues, including Seattle festivals such as Bumbershoot and Folklife.

The group has been touring for six years with talent and classical training on their side.

Music like this isn't played on mainstream, top 40 radio stations. Taarka is to be listened to and not heard, to be appreciated for its sheer creativity and variety. The band may not be able to be categorized or sorted with spot-on accuracy but should be a welcome addition to anyone's music collection who employs a broad, cross-cultural sense of quality tuneage.

Disney joins others on Hulu

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Disney movies and ABC TV shows will be available on Hulu.com now that Walt Disney Co. is taking an equity stake in the popular video streaming site, joining its founders, NBC Universal and News Corp.

The deal announced Thursday will bring older Disney movies to the site, along with ABC and Disney Channel shows such as "Lost," "Grey's Anatomy" and "Wizards of Waverly Place" after they run on TV. Disney hopes to gain new online viewers that it does not already capture on ABC.

com and pick up new income from sharing ad revenue on Hulu.

The new setup also brings the owners of three of the four major broadcast networks — ABC, NBC and Fox — into a fight for online eyeballs against the video streaming site TV.com, which CBS Corp. acquired last year when it bought CNet Networks Inc. for \$1.8 billion. In February, Hulu pulled all its content from TV.com.

Another rival is Google Inc.'s YouTube, which is trying to become more than a repository for clips uploaded by the general public. It recently launched a "Shows"

section with older movies and TV episodes from partners Sony Corp., Lions Gate Entertainment Corp., CBS Corp., Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. and Liberty Media Corp.

Disney has a deal to provide short-form ESPN and ABC content to YouTube. But in general, ABC, NBC and Fox now will be pitting their premium material against YouTube.

"It's an extremely big

blow to YouTube," said Gartner Inc. research vice president Allen Weiner.

Hulu ranks as the No. 4 online video site in the U.S., with 41.6 million viewers of its videos in March, according to tracking firm comScore.

That placed it behind Google sites, including YouTube, at 100.3 million; News Corp.'s Fox Interactive Media, which includes MySpace, at 55.2 million; and Yahoo sites at 42.5 million.

"It's an extremely big blow to YouTube."

Allen
WEINER

Gartner Inc. research vice president

Top 5 cable programs

Associated press

1. "NFL Draft" (Saturday, 4 p.m.), ESPN, 3.89 million homes, 5.05 million viewers.
2. "WWE Raw" (Monday, 10 p.m.), USA, 3.87 million homes, 5.49 million viewers.
3. "WWE Raw" (Monday, 9 p.m.), USA, 3.49 million homes, 5.1 million viewers.
4. Major League Baseball: N.Y. Yankees vs. Boston (Sunday, 8 p.m.), ESPN, 3.38 million homes, 4.59 million viewers.
5. "NCIS" (Monday, 7 p.m.), USA, 3.31 million homes, 4.33 million viewers.
6. "iCarly" (Wednesday, 8 p.m.), Nickelodeon, 3.26 million homes, 4.52 million viewers.
7. "SpongeBob SquarePants" (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.), Nickelodeon, 3.23 million homes, 3.99 million viewers.
8. "SpongeBob SquarePants" (Saturday, 9 a.m.), Nickelodeon, 3.1 million homes, 3.72 million viewers.
9. "Penguins of Madagascar" (Saturday, 10 a.m.), Nickelodeon, 3.07 million homes, 3.94 million viewers.
10. "NCIS" (Monday, 8 p.m.), USA, 3.019 million homes, 3.93 million viewers.
11. "For the Love of Ray J" (Monday, 10 p.m.), VH1, 3.018 million homes, 4.22 million viewers.
12. NBA Playoffs: L.A. Lakers vs. Utah (Thursday, 10:42 p.m.), TNT, 2.99 million homes, 3.82 million viewers.
13. "Law & Order: Criminal Intent" (Sunday, 8 p.m.), USA, 2.96 million homes, 4.1 million viewers.
14. "Hannah Montana" (Tuesday, 7 p.m.), Disney, 2.954 million homes, 3.74 million viewers.
15. NBA Playoffs: Chicago vs. Boston (Monday, 7:07 p.m.), TNT, 2.951 million homes, 3.76 million viewers.

'IFC Media Project' studies news coverage

Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — In its second-season opener, "The IFC Media Project" raises some interesting issues:

— Are Americans really better off with the Al-Jazeera English news network banned from almost every U.S. cable system?

— In the five-day war between Russia and Georgia, was Russia the automatic bad guy and Georgia the clear good guy, or did it just seem that way thanks to how the war was covered?

— What's up with those pirates in Africa?

Arriving last November with a round of brisk, sharp-witted scrutiny of news and the media industry, "The IFC Media Project" is back with five more editions on the IFC network, airing Sundays during May at 11 p.m. EDT.

Hip-but-not-too-hip journalist Gideon Yago returns as host.

"How much of a good clean look at the rest of the world are we getting through American journalism — and, frankly, how much do we really want?" he poses at the top of this week's show.

The episode finds evidence that American consumers of news (and the journalists who serve them) have a taste for certain U.S.-centric story lines, and prefer not to be troubled with other versions of world events.

Or would they watch if they could?

Former Al-Jazeera producer Robb Wood takes a look at efforts to stamp out the English-language spinoff of Arab-owned Al-Jazeera. After 2½ years, it's available from only one commercial U.S. cable provider (Buckeye Cable in Ohio) and the municipal cable system in Burl-

ington, Vt.

Is Al-Jazeera English really a "global terrorist propaganda network"? Those are the words of Accuracy in Media's Cliff Kincaid. He's a leader in the campaign to shield U.S. viewers from seeing for themselves.

Also on the program, a young New York journalist visits her family's Russian homeland in the aftermath of the clash with Georgia last year. She uncovers a different story than the Cold War Redux she saw depicted on U.S. news outlets. And she interviews a Belgium-based publicist hired by Georgia's government to help facilitate that pro-Georgia coverage.

Yet another segment seems ripped from the headlines, despite having been conceived months ago. A frazzled cartoon character, the News Junkie, ruminates on how U.S. media oversimplify and underreport Africa, summing it up with broad-brush topics such as famine, revolutionaries, elephants, diamonds, Nelson Mandela and "pirates who like highjacking ships for no reason."

Or is there a reason? The 3-minute piece may have unintended timeliness, but it was meant "just to remind people there might be something more there to think about," says Yago.

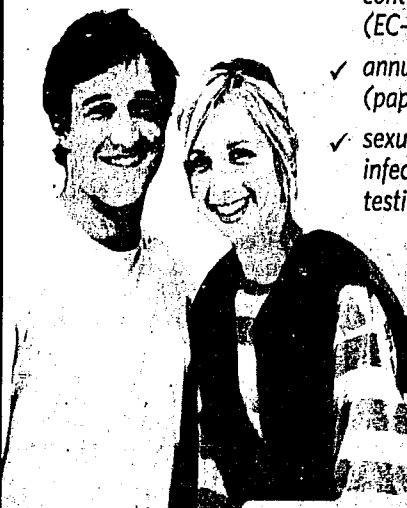
Yago, 31, is a past producer for MTV News and CBS News. He has written for various publications and reported for public radio's "This American Life." He joined "The IFC Media Project" feeling "burned out on my experiences with TV news," he says, and "by the number of people who had given up on the potential for journalism to speak truth to power and effect change."

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'Limits of Control' stretches patience

Christy Lemire
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Paint drying. Photosynthesis. Rush-hour traffic on the 405.

All these activities would be more entertaining to watch — and probably speedier — than Jim Jarmusch's "The Limits of Control."

The writer-director's latest contains so many of the themes and aesthetic choices that have permeated his previous movies, it almost plays like a parody: the meandering protagonist, the self-serious philosophizing, the cryptic dialogue, the excruciating pace. Individually, his films (like "Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai," "Coffee and Cigarettes" and especially "Broken Flowers") often have their compelling moments. But taken together and presented as repetitively as Jarmusch does here, all these signature details make "The Limits of Control" seem insufferably pretentious.

The "story," for lack of a better word, follows a quietly intimidating criminal (Jarmusch favorite Isach De Bankole) as he travels through Spain on an assignment. First, he travels to Madrid where he stays in a dramatically circular high-rise apartment building. (Jarmusch spends so much time there and films its unique curvature so obsessively, it's as if he began with the building, then crafted the rest of the movie around it.) Then it's off to Sevilla by train, followed by the rugged Spanish coun-

tryside.

His daily routine consists of getting out of bed fully dressed after remaining awake all night, performing tai chi, sitting at a cafe and drinking espresso from two individual cups, then waiting until a contact approaches him.

Each person begins by asking him, in Spanish, "You don't speak Spanish, do you?" which grows old quickly. Each gives him the same kind of matchbox containing a small piece of paper, which contains a code, which he reads before stuffing it in his mouth and swallowing it with the aforementioned espresso. Each tries to engage him in a discussion about life's ephemeral nature with such trite observations as: "Nothing is real. Everything is imagined." Or: "Among us, there are those who are not among us." Regardless, he remains mute.

Among his maddeningly mysterious partners in crime are Tilda Swinton in a white wig, white cowboy hat and leopard-print boots; Gael Garcia Bernal in a pickup truck that reads "La Vida No Vale Nada" ("Life isn't worth anything") across the tailgate; John Hurt carrying a well-used guitar and babbling about bohemia (though he is a rare bright spot); and Paz de la Huerta, who repeatedly shows up naked in his bed. That's her schtick. Well, sometimes she's wearing a see-through plastic raincoat, but our guy is so stoic and self-possessed, he wants nothing to do with her.

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event before it grew too big for the organization. One of the traditions that started in the early years of the fair was the Maypole, an offshoot of another university event. Prall has been the keeper of the Maypole for years.

"Now we have this wonderful, glorious Maypole that we erect every spring for May Day and the Renaissance Fair and do this Maypole Dance," Prall said. "And one of the things that's unique about it is simply that kids of all ages — and by kids I mean kids from the age of 3 to the age of 90 — are out there checking out the Maypole."

The fair happens rain or shine, but sometimes nature isn't as kind to the spring celebration.

"The first time I attended was 1980 when Mount St. Helens sent everyone home," said Andee Chosch-Pittenger, the current president of the Renaissance Fair. "And the police came on the stage and told us all to go home, that the volcano had erupted."

This year's parade will be at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Since the Renaissance Fair is not designated in a historical period, costumes range from medieval garb to the blue jeans and T-shirts of the 'common folk.'

"I love the whole thing," Blackburn said. "You just go around and look at people and look at all the wonderful booths of handmade things for sale. There's wonderful music on stage — I think you'll just get caught up in it. I don't know of anyone who doesn't like it."

For a complete list of fair events, go to moscowrenfair.org.



Steven Devine/Argonaut

Carmen Weber poses Tuesday with a sign for the Jane's Walk and Talk. Weber is the events coordinator for Students for Place-Based Planning & Urban Design, the organization hosting the event May 2 and 3 in Friendship Square.

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highlight civic spaces, mixed-use development, walkability and other community design principles.

"If people want to learn more about what Moscow has to offer, this is a great way to get to know your community," said Carmen Weber, events coordinator of SPUDD.

Weber said what she likes about Moscow is that she can walk everywhere.

"There's great connectivity," she said. "It's conducive for pedestrians and has good bike paths."

Jane's Walk will consist of walking tours on Saturday and biking tours on Sunday.

All tours meet at 1 p.m. at Friendship Square on Main Street and will convene at One World Café where SPUDD will lead a discussion on Jane Jacobs.

The walking tours will be given by Pro-

fessor Emeritus Nels Reese, Wendy McClure and by Rula Awward-Rafferty. The biking tour will be given by SPUDD.

"It being the inaugural year, we don't know what to expect, but we're hoping for a good outcome and good weather," Weber said.

Vachon said they expect between 25 and 30 participants.

"I want enough people to break up in three groups and cover three different areas — Eastside and Russell District, Farmers Market and Main Street and University Heights," she said.

The tours will last about an hour and a half, and participants are encouraged to dress for the weather conditions. Vachon said rain or shine, SPUDD will be out there ready to show what Moscow has to offer.

"Lots of students don't live here and would gain a greater appreciation for the town," Vachon said.

If all goes well, Vachon is hoping to offer the event at the University of Idaho Boise campus next year.

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QuickHITS

Vandals in action

Today
Track and field — The Vandals will compete in the Pelleur Invitational. Starting time is to be announced and the meet runs through Saturday in Cheney, Wash.

Sunday
Track and field — Some members of the team will compete in the Payton Jordan Invitational. Start time is to be announced and the meet will take place in Palo Alto, Calif.

Vandals to watch

Jared Bossio
Men's golf



Bossio, with rounds of 71-73-71, finished at even-par 216 and in a tie for fourth. For his efforts, Bossio earned the conference's Freshman of the Year Award and was a second-team all-Western Athletic Conference choice.

Kayla Mortellaro
Women's golf



Mortellaro landed in the NCAA Women's Golf Championship Central Region, where she'll play the Ohio State University's Scarlet Golf Course May 7-9 in her quest to reach the national tournament. Mortellaro, the Western Athletic Conference's Freshman of the Year and a first-team all-WAC selection, is ranked 52nd by GolfStat.com and is ninth among the nation's freshmen.

Did you know ...

The women's WAC Volleyball Tournament will be moved to the New Orleans Arena in Las Vegas for the 2009 season. It isn't the first time the tournament has been played in Las Vegas though as the WAC Tournament was played at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas from 1996-98 when UNLV was a member of the WAC.

Vandals by the numbers

3 Idaho had three tennis players in Stanislaw Glukhov, Hugh McDonald and Alexandru Joitoiu make all-WAC teams. Glukhov in men's singles and McDonald and Joitoiu in men's doubles.

16-6.25

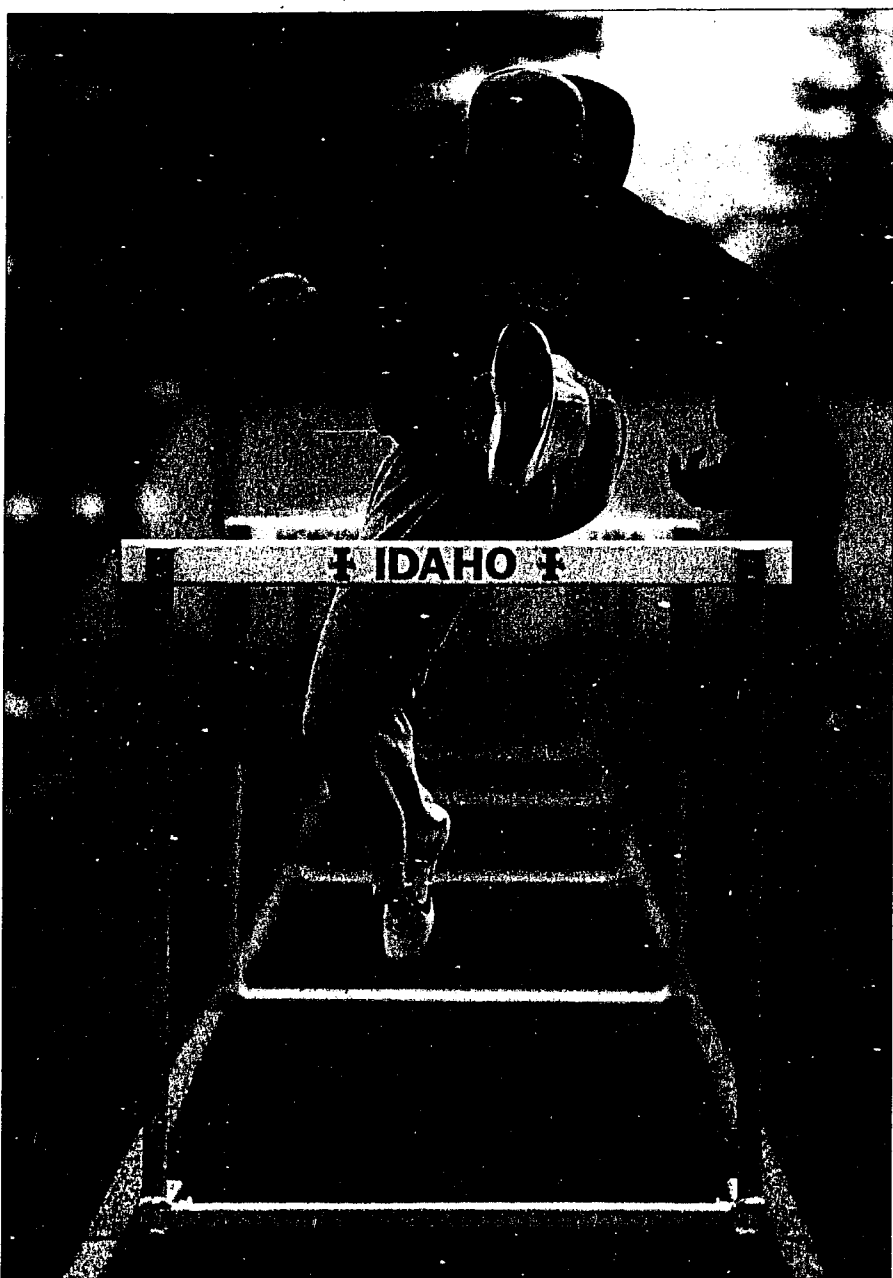
Vandal pole vaulters Lucas Pope and Jeremy Klas hope to clear 16-6.25 to punch a ticket to the regional meet in May.

1 The men's basketball team signed one new recruit this week.

Obscure stat of the day

Hawai'i has won eight consecutive WAC titles in women's volleyball. Since the WAC was created, only two different teams have held the title, Hawai'i and Brigham Young University.

UI track looks to peak



Nick Groff/Argonaut

Vandal hurdler Paul Dittmer runs through hurdles during practice Thursday afternoon at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex. Dittmer, who was the 2008 Western Athletic Conference 110-meter Hurdle Champion, will head to Cheney, Wash., with the rest of the team today to compete in the Pelleur Invitational.

Vandals hope to hone their skills for peak performances as the season ends

Kayla DesJarlais
Argonaut

As the Western Athletic Conference Championship nears, the University of Idaho track and field team looks to continue to improve and approach peak performances at the Pelleur Invitational hosted by Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash., today.

Several regional colleges are participating, including Gonzaga University, Seattle University and Washington State University to total 350 student athletes.

It is one of the few competitions before the WAC Championships May 13-16.

"Typically, everyone across the board is going to be working on reaching their peak," Idaho coach Yogi Teevens said.

Meet preparation was difficult this week as cool winds and heavy rain forced many runners and jumpers indoors.

"It's too risky this time of year to sprint in the cold," Teevens said. "Athletes risk injury."

To keep them safe and on schedule, coaches improvised training regiments to ensure their readiness for today's competition where athletes will enjoy improved conditions.

"It should be perfect weather for some good times and marks," said EWU Sports Information Director Dave Cook. "Especially in light of the fact our track was

re-surfaced last summer.

Last year four Idaho athletes achieved NCAA Regional qualification, and the team brought home one relay title and seven individual titles. 2008 champions sophomore Paul Dittmer (110-meter hurdles), senior Elvie Williams (long jump) and junior Mike Carpenter (pole vault) will defend their titles today.

Williams is likely to deliver as he ranks 19th in the NCAA in the men's long jump.

"I'm just moving up," Williams said. "I'm putting in all the hard work now to peak at nationals."

Williams' field contributions are bolstered by the throwing squad as they attempt to increasingly farther marks. Seniors Matt Wauters and Evan Ruud aim to break the 200-foot barrier in the men's hammer throw, a mark they've been just short of all season.

Junior Beau Whitney qualified for regionals for the first time last year as a sophomore and is hungry for another opportunity as he pursues the regional mark in the men's discus event.

Tied for No. 6 in the WAC men's high jump event, freshman Ryan Bowen and junior Jonathan Marler will face tough competition from EWU sophomore Adam Stewart. Bowen and Marler's must improve their 6-2.75

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Two UI players' NFL dreams comes true

Scott Stone
Argonaut

With the 221st pick of the 2009 NFL Draft, the Washington Redskins picked Eddie Williams from the University of Idaho.

Those words will play through his head a thousand times in the weeks as it begins to sink in for Williams that he was drafted Sunday in the seventh round to be part of the NFL.

It was a dream come true for Williams to see his name come up on the screen as the newest member of the league.

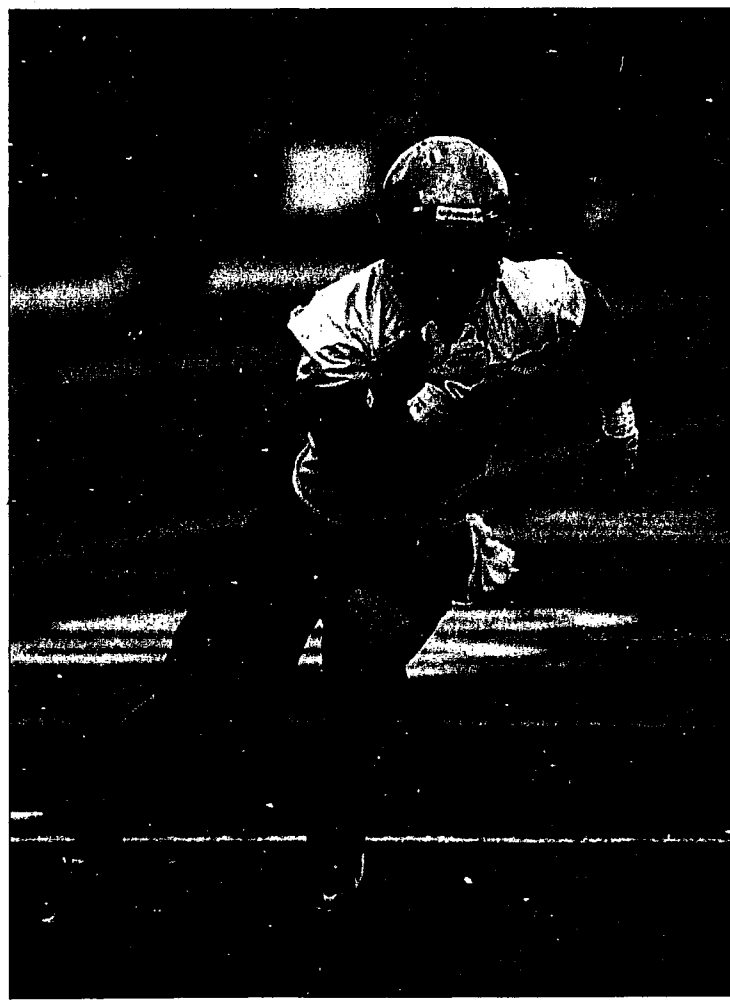
"Every kid who has ever played football has dreamed of playing in the NFL," Williams said. "Every step, high school, college, you get a little closer, and for me, I just happened to be one of the lucky ones. (I'm) one in a million kids. It was a blessing to even be considered."

Williams now has a lot of work ahead of him before making it on the roster, so he said he didn't make a big deal out of being drafted.

"I had some family and friends over," he said. "It wasn't too many people, maybe four or five of us just hanging out. I didn't want to make a big deal out of it. I figure if I make the roster, I'll have a roster party. That would be more appropriate."

Williams still had to finish classes this week before heading to Washington, D.C., yesterday for minicamp. He said it really hasn't sunk in what just happened, but once he gets there and sees that it's real, he said he thinks it will be a reality.

"I don't think it has fully hit me, the vastness of the situation," he said. "Once you actually go to Washington, D.C., the capital of the country, and actually see some of the buildings and meet the owners and players — there's a lot that goes into this thing, and it's kind of hard to really understand it right now,



Nick Groff/Argonaut

Vandal H-back Eddie Williams runs for extra yards after a catch during practice on the SprinTurf during the 2008 fall season. Williams was drafted in the seventh round by the Washington Redskins as the 221st overall pick in the 2009 NFL Draft.

but when I get there this Thursday it will really hit me I think."

Williams will spend the weekend with the Redskins before returning to Moscow for a couple weeks to finish classes and graduate before making Washington, D.C., his home.

Williams said he didn't know anyone there except President Barack Obama, but a familiar face won't be far away.

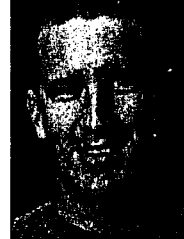
Idaho punter T.J. Conley will also take a shot at the NFL this year. Conley signed a free agent deal with the New York Jets where he said he'll have to beat out another free agent to earn the starting position.

Conley's family was in town watching the draft together when he got the call.

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Reinstate Michael Vick now

He's served his time and lost most of his money, as well as his respect. Now it's time to reinstate Michael Vick in the world of football. Not the NFL, but give him a chance to play in the arenafootball2 league, it will only add to his humility.



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The Albany Firebirds recently offered Vick a one-year contract requiring him to donate \$100,000 to the local humane society and play for \$200 per game with a \$50 bonus for each win.

Best case scenario: Vick gets reinstated, signs the contract and wins every regular season game. It would cost Vick just \$96,000 to play the sport that once offered him \$130 million.

As if that's not degrading enough, Vick will be joining one of the worst teams in the af2. The Firebirds are currently 0-5 and have lost their five games this season by an average of just more than three touchdowns.

The best part of the deal is you can get into a Firebird game for as little as \$10, that means even in tough economic times, every dog lover in Albany can afford to attend.

The Times Union Center where the Firebirds play can hold 17,500 Vick-haters. They sold an average of 4,653 tickets between the first two home games this season, meaning there are about 12,847 open seats.

If I were in charge of concessions, I'd start popping the popcorn now.

Certainly Vick is much better than the af2, but this will be a warm up round for the hateful chants and scrutiny he'll hear if he rejoins the NFL, and it's not a bad deal for the af2 either.

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KEEPING YOUR HEAD UP



A University of Idaho football player jogs off the field during the Silver and Gold game on the SprinTurf Saturday. File Photo

Idaho club teams suffer home losses

Cheyenne Hollis
Argonaut

Men's Lacrosse

The University of Idaho men's lacrosse and volleyball club teams came out on the losing end of home matches last weekend.

The lacrosse team closed out its season with matches against the two Oregon schools. The weekend started on a sour note as the Vandals lost to Oregon State 11-8 Saturday. Grant Band, John Kopke and Krieg Shaw each scored two goals for Idaho in the loss.

Sunday was not much better for the Vandals as they failed to stop nationally ranked Oregon. Idaho fell to the No. 16 Ducks 19-9 as Band, Shaw and Jacob Ballard each scored two goals in the losing effort.

"Ben Lavigne played a great defensive game against Oregon holding Men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association All-American Justin Blackmore to just one goal," Shaw said. "Seniors Grant Band, Jacob Ballard, Andrew Jensen and Nate Strom all had a great last season and contributed greatly to the growth of our program."

Idaho, led by first-year Idaho coach Mike Band, finished the season with a school best 4-6 record on the season. The Vandals ended the year seventh in the Pacific Northwest Collegiate Lacrosse League standings. It was the second consecutive season

Idaho finished seventh in the PNCLL standings.

Leading scorer Shaw will return next season, alongside defensive leader Lavigne and 32-point scoring sophomore Eric Fletcher to try and make another run at the PNCLL playoffs.

Men's Volleyball

The men's volleyball team concluded the home portion of its season last Sunday with tournament featuring squads from Washington State, Boise State and Seattle Volleyball Club.

Idaho started round-robin play with a 1-1 split against the Cougars but struggled against Boise State and SVB being swept 2-0 in both matches. In the knock-out portion of the tournament, the Vandals kept it close against the Broncos but lost in the rematch 2-0 losing the first match 25-21 and the second match 26-24.

"Ian Kelsey blocked like a mad man and had some fantastic kills for us," men's volleyball club president Luke Hardwick said. "Brady McNall played the best day of volleyball in his life, and he played out of his mind throughout the tournament."

Boise State would eventually be crowned tournament champions after knocking off SVB in the finals.

"We were pleased with how we played even though we did not win the tournament," Hardwick said.

Meds under suspicion after horse deaths

Brian Skoloff
Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Pharmacist Ephrem Degefu's shelves are stocked with clean, white bottles of powdered chemicals, all essential ingredients in hundreds of commonly used medications.

But Degefu isn't repackaging medications like your typical corner drugstore. He's making them.

Degefu is a compounding pharmacist who custom-mixes drugs for patients. Although they have been around for centuries, compounding pharmacies are getting attention because of the recent deaths of 21 elite polo horses that were given a lethal cocktail of drugs erroneously mixed up by a compounding pharmacy in Florida.

In contrast to the arduous and expensive process by which new pharmaceutical products come to market, critics say oversight of compounders is spotty and that patients — human and animal — are sometimes given medications that regulators never tested.

Occasionally, the results are deadly.

"The whole system is full of holes, or maybe it's not even a system," said Larry Sasich, a pharmacist and professor at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine School of Pharmacy in Erie, Penn.

Others say they serve a vital role and that mistakes are rare.

"There are just a lot of patients who need a medication that's not commercially manufactured," said L.D. King, executive director of the International Academy of Compounding Pharmacists. "And I think it's well-regulated, and it's improving."

Patients who turn to compounders include people who are allergic to inactive ingredients in FDA-approved medicines, or those who need a different dose or a different form of delivery — such as a cream, powder or injectable liquid — than what is commercially available. Any licensed pharmacist can compound drugs, but a doctor's prescription is required.

The polo horses began dying on April 19, just before a championship match near West Palm Beach.

They were given a cocktail of vitamins and minerals from a Florida compounding pharmacy that has acknowledged using too much selenium in the mix. Like many others, the pharmacy mixes medications for both animals and people.

Florida officials later determined that the horses died of an overdose of selenium, a common mineral

that is used to combat muscle fatigue but can be toxic at very high doses.

From 1990 to 2005, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration documented at least 240 serious illnesses and deaths associated with improperly compounded products. The agency noted that the numbers may be considerably higher because compounders aren't required to report ill effects. Still, it's a tiny fraction of the thousands

who suffer adverse reactions to manufactured, FDA-approved drugs every year.

In 2007, three people in Oregon died after using a poorly made compounded drug that was 10 times stronger than it was supposed to be. The Oregon Department of Justice sued the Texas pharmacy that produced it, later settling the case.

While department spokesman Tony Green said Oregon officials believe drug compounding has legitimate uses, he added: "We are concerned that drug compounding creates a loophole for marketing of drugs for purposes that are neither approved nor backed up by science."

The FDA has issued numerous warning letters over the years, but in almost every instance — including the Oregon deaths — the pharmacy remains open.

In 2006, the FDA issued a warning letter to a Maryland pharmacy for a bacteria-contaminated solution it created for use in open-heart surgeries. The drug caused severe infections in five patients at a Virginia hospital. Three of them died.

And in 2005, the agency recalled a product that was distributed to eight states after two Washington, D.C., patients were blinded and several others injured from use of a compound that was also contaminated with bacteria.

There are about 5,000 pharmacies nationwide that specialize in compounding, according to King. They fill

about 38 million prescriptions each year — about 1 percent of the roughly 4 billion prescriptions dispensed annually, he said.

But many more traditional pharmacies also do some form of compounding, he said, including Walgreens and other national chains. And hospitals also do it regularly.

"Hospitals have a huge rate of medication errors, whether it's a wrong dose or a wrong drug," King said. "Mistakes are unfortunately all too common in health care and compounding pharmacies are not going to be immune."

The FDA does recognize the need for compounding pharmacies that alter and create medications to meet patients' needs, but the agency considers them all unapproved drugs and has not verified their safety or effectiveness.

Instead, regulation is left mostly to the states, but the rules vary from state to state and enforcement is sparse, said Sasich, who called it a "shadowy industry" operating under standards "more akin to the Third World."

And unlike drug manufacturers, compounders don't need to have their products tested before giving them to patients.

In a 2006 study of compounded drugs, including female hormone medications, inhalation products, and local anesthetics, FDA tests of 36 samples found that 12, or 33 percent, failed quality standards, including potency requirements. According to the study, the potency of the drugs ranged from 67.5 percent to 268.4 percent of the level declared on the product's label.

By contrast, the agency's routine sampling of thousands of drug products made by commercial manufacturers yields a failure rate of less than 2 percent.

"The quality of compounded drugs creates an important public health concern," the agency wrote in its findings.

Still, the FDA recognizes the need for compounding pharmacies that serve patients whose medications are not commercially available, agency spokesman Christopher Kelly said.

Basically, the FDA recognizes the need, but doesn't officially condone the practice.

"That opens up Pandora's box and a whole gray area, and that's where we all find ourselves," said Dr. Eleanor M. Green, dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at Texas A&M University. "And not all physicians and veterinarians clearly understand the issue."

Dr. Eugene Mironer, medical director at the Greenville, S.C.-based Carolina Center for Advanced Management

of Pain, often turns to compounders to convert drugs into creams or gels when they aren't available in those forms. He also occasionally asks compounders to create more affordable versions of FDA-approved drugs, or higher or lower dosages. And in some instances, he has medications made that are not FDA-approved for treatment of a specific ailment.

"We use quite a few things that FDA has not approved for certain uses," Mironer said. "We don't need to follow exactly how they have approved it for use. We do whatever is benefiting the patients."

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The Firebirds and any team they play will immediately benefit from increased ticket sales by people who hate him and want to voice their disgust or people who love him but could never afford to attend a Falcons game.

One ticket, \$10. One hot-dog, \$3.50. "One" cold beer, \$28. Watching Michael Vick compete in the af2 like a high schooler playing kickball with the grade-schoolers at recess; priceless, not to mention all the new words your kids will add to their vocabulary from Vick "fans."

Whether you like him or not, everyone should support his reinstatement. If you love the guy you'll get your chance to watch him for cheap. If you hate him, then \$10 is a small price to pay to finally give him a piece of your mind.

Most teams require their players to sign autographs following the games, so if you can wait until the end, it's the perfect opportunity to share with him your thoughts, but I'm thinking Vick might sit that part out.

Even teams like the Spokane Shock, who don't even play Albany in the regular season would benefit because of the exposure the af2 would receive. People who don't even know there's such thing as arena football would start to tune in, and the Shock would immediately find the spotlight as one of the top teams in the league. Any publicity is good publicity.

Of course, the likelihood of Vick accepting the deal,

if he's reinstated, has to be little to none. He's far better than the af2, and he could make more money taking pictures of himself for the paparazzi. But it's still funny to think about how embarrassing it must be for Vick to know that right now, it's the best deal he has to get back into football again. Besides, after all the financial trouble he's been in he'd probably have to take out a loan for the \$100,000 donation and would probably be denied by the bank before he even walked in the door.

This guy is in trouble no matter what route he takes, and it's going to be a long uphill climb for him to reach the level he was once at, but why not give him a shot — everyone loves a good comeback story.

Even if he skips the af2 and goes straight back to the NFL, isn't that better than letting him hide from society? Put him in the spotlight so football fans can finally let them know what they think. Give the fans the option of accepting him back or not.

If he isn't reinstated he will just disappear like many athletes before him who have experienced similar circumstances, although I don't recall any cases quite like Vick's. He should be released back into society and given a chance to fend for himself and rebuild his reputation — the odds are against him.

On a side note, all but two of Michael Vick's dogs have been saved and are almost ready to find new homes where they can frolic in the backyard and live normal dog lives, and I want one.

A-Rod hits homer in return

Ronald Blum
Associated Press

NEW YORK—A new, unflattering biography of Alex Rodriguez reportedly says he may have used steroids as early as high school and even after he joined the New York Yankees.

Rodriguez admitted in February to using steroids while with the Texas Rangers from 2001-03, but insisted he stopped before he was traded to the Yankees in February 2004. He brushed off a question Thursday about details from Sports Illustrated writer Selena Roberts' upcoming book "A-Rod" that cast doubt on his earlier statements.

"I'm not going there," he said after homering in an extended spring training intrasquad game in Tampa, Fla. Rodriguez has been rehabbing from hip surgery in March and hasn't played for the Yankees this season.

"I'm just so excited about

being back on the field and playing baseball. My team has won two games (in a row) up there and hopefully I can come back and help them win some more," he said.

The Daily News reported Thursday that Roberts' book portrays the three-time AL MVP as a needy personality who wanted his ego stroked constantly and a player who tipped opponents to pitches in blowout games, hoping the favor would get returned someday.

The paper didn't say how it obtained a copy of the Harper Collins book, scheduled for release Monday.

A high school teammate of A-Rod's told Roberts that the future No. 1 draft pick was on steroids as a prep player and his coach knew it — an allegation the coach, Rich Hofman, denied.

"What would be alarming is if somebody didn't work and got a lot bigger," Hofman told The Associated Press on Thursday night. "But the fact

is, he was the hardest-working guy around. No reason to be alarmed. I was in the weight room, I was in the classroom, I was in the field every day that he was there. And the work ethic was definitely there."

But, Hofman said it would be "far-fetched" to say that he kept track of his star player's every movement.

"I didn't follow him home everyday," he said.

"I wasn't his parent. I took care of him at school, I gave him the best advice I could give him about how to live his life. And after that, it's up to him."

Rodriguez said he wasn't worried that the steroids issue was being brought up again.

"No. Not really," he said. "I'm in a good place. I think more importantly physically I feel like I'm getting better everyday. We've had a great week here. We've worked extremely hard, and I'm just very anxious to do what God put me on this earth to do, to play baseball."

In the book, an unidentified major leaguer is quoted as saying A-Rod and former Yankees pitcher Kevin Brown, who was named in the Mitchell Report on performance-enhancing drug use, were seen together with human growth hormone in 2004.

The book also goes on to say that two anonymous Yankees said they believed A-Rod was using banned substances based on visual side effects, and

that a clubhouse staffer said management had a suspicion that the third baseman may have been juicing.

Rodriguez went 1-for-6 with two walks as a designated hitter in Thursday's extended spring game. He had a long homer to left-center in his sixth plate appearance.

He was slated to play in another extended spring game Friday against Pirates minor leaguers at

Pittsburgh's complex in Bradenton.

Rodriguez said he needs to run the bases at full speed and is still on target to return to the Yankees in May. Yankees manager Joe Girardi said he expects A-Rod will play third base on ei-

ther Saturday or Monday.

"I think the last thing I'm going to do here before I leave is sliding," Rodriguez said. "I think sliding is probably the thing I have the most reservation about because you have to get on your hip and bounce on it a little bit."

Rodriguez could rejoin the Yankees in Baltimore from May 8-10. Girardi isn't dwelling on the steroids issue in Rodriguez's past and recommends A-Rod deal with it the same way.

"To me it seems like a lot of 'he said, she said' kind of stuff," Girardi said. "We've been down this road. We're going to move on, and Alex has talked about how he's going to move on. And to me the focus about Alex Rodriguez is he had eight at-bats today."

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"A couple picks before the end of the draft, the Jets' special teams coach called me and told me he knew it wasn't the end of the draft yet, and there was still an opportunity for teams to draft me," Conley said. "He just wanted to let me know that they definitely wanted me to be a Jet, and I went ahead and told him right there I would agree to it

and I want to be a Jet too. I think that was definitely the best opportunity for me. It's a great place for me to be as far as the depth chart, and being able to beat out the guy they have."

Conley said his mom immediately popped open the champagne and pulled out the homemade apple pie.

Conley also left yesterday and will spend the weekend at minicamp and then return to finish school before he makes the move to New York.

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mark by nearly half a foot if they want to defeat Stewart.

Hitting the 16-foot range consistently all season, freshman Jeremy Klas and junior Lucas Pope hope to

punch their ticket to regionals by finally clearing the 16 feet, 6.75 inch mark in the men's pole vault.

Klas is among those seeking school glory as his last week 16-1.25 vault moved him to third all-time at Idaho in the event.

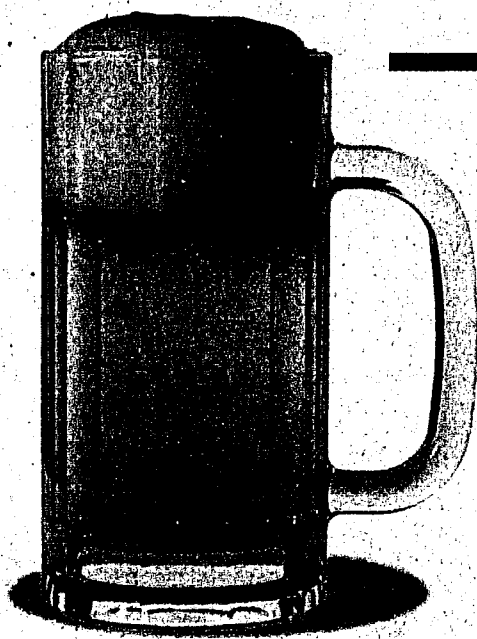
Fellow freshman Keli Hall

and Lauren Schaffer will seek improvement on their personal-best performances in their respective 400-meter (56.86 seconds) and 800-meter (2:11.34) events. Resetting the standard early, Hall and Schaffer's best efforts respectively place them No. 8 and 9 all-time at Idaho.

After today's meet, the athletes will resume practice in preparation for the WAC Championships.

"Usually the intensity (of practice) gets a lot higher and the volume a lot lower," Teevens said. "The peak phase in our training in the next couple of weeks."

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