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Summer means construction season

Greg Connolly Argonaut

Summer's a popular time for construction, and sometimes construction bleeds into the school year. Moscow and UI have had plenty of projects this year. Following is a short list of projects and timelines.

Paradise Creek Street

Paradise Creek Street has been closed since the summer of 2008 after being declared structurally unsafe. A series of concrete T-joints run underneath the road, which hold the street up over the creek, said Mark Schlickenmeyer, a field representative for the Moscow Division of Public Works.

"One of the T-beams was eroded and several others were deteriorating," Schlickenmeyer said.

Contractors have repaired all of the damaged joints and

installed a new one.

The \$350,000 project is expected to be finished three weeks ahead of schedule, ending in the third week of September.

SUB Ballroom

The upgraded Student Union Building Ballroom is expected to be ready for use on Oct. 1, said Mark Miller, the assistant director for facilities and operations for the Idaho Commons and Student Union.

The \$1.2 million renovation will modernize the ballroom and its entryway. The entire area hasn't been renovated since it was built in 1961, Miller said.

"The entire lobby is getting a new look to make it more

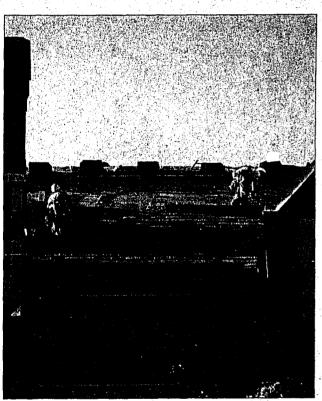
inviting," Miller said. The ballroom will receive a new sound system, walls, lighting and a new ceiling. The original wood floor is be-

Miller said the original HVAC air diffusers are getting a new powder coat and will then be reinstalled, giving the building a retro look.

Life Sciences South

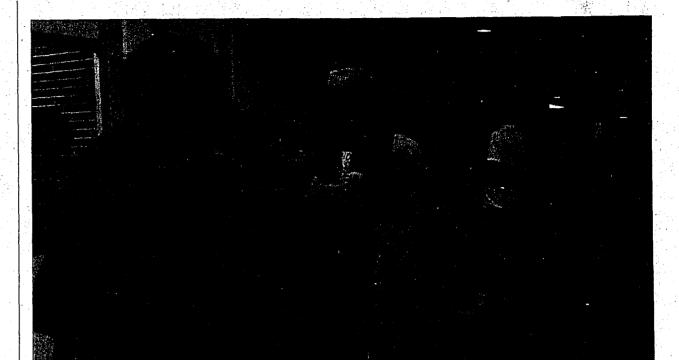
Work began in mid-June to restore the masonry on the 80-year-old Life Science building.
The \$412,000 project is designed to bring the building

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Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut

Construction workers at Life Sciences South work on a new roof for the building Monday. The project is one of many renovations on campus this year.



Dorm residents line up for dinner in front of Bob's Place in Wallace Residence Hall Monday. University administrators announced last week that starting next fall freshmen will be required to live in dormitories.

Fall 2010 freshmen must live on campus

Marcus Kellis Argonaut

University of Idaho administrators hope to improve retention rates and student achievement by requiring freshmen to live on campus beginning next fall. Certain students, including those living at home with parents, will be exempted.

UI administration announced the change late last week, following its presentation to the Idaho State Board of Education at a meeting in Pocatello. The university was not required to get permission for the change — the board presentation was merely informational.

Bruce Pitman and Ray Gasser first spoke about the proposed change with university groups early this summer. Pitman is the dean of students and vice provost for student affairs, and Gasser is UI's housing director.

Groups at the meeting included the Residence Hall Association and the Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils. Administrators had also discussed the proposal with UI academic deans, the UI Parents Advisory Board, student groups and enrollment management.

"They showed how dramatic liv-

ing on campus affects students, especially academically, that first year," said Kelby Wilson, ASUI president,

who attended the meeting.

A press release from UI specifically cited living on campus affects

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student retention, with many more such students returning for a second year than those who live offcampus — 88 percent versus 59 percent.

Wilson said Pitman's presentation met little opposition from the attendees.

"The concerns that we expressed were that we needed broad exceptions for students," Wilson said.

Other students automatically exempt from the requirement include those who are married, those with children and those at least 21 years old.

Students with ei-

ther 27 or 30 transfer credits - a decision has not been finalized will also be exempt. However,

(such as dual enrollment or credits from AP classes) will not count toward the requirement.

Lynn Lafimer, an 18-year-old freshman in theater, lives off-campus. If the rules had been in effect

this fall, she would have had to live

on campus. Latimer said she 'probably would have stayed at UI" if she had been required to live on campus.

"I would've just stayed at a coed dorm," she said. Sororities were "never really a consider-ation" for Latimer.

"I don't like that (UI) controls your way of living," she said. "Some people wouldn't do well in that environment."

UI joins many other campuses with

freshmen residency requirements, including Washington State University and the University of Montana. WSU instituted most credit earned in high school the rule in 1988.

UI researchers receive NIH grants

Chava Thomas Argonaut

· Patrick Hrdlicka and Madhusudhan Papasani are both 32 years old. According to the director of the Exceptional, Unconventional Research Enabling Knowledge Acceleration grant program, they are the youngest principal investigators to receive an award.

"It was very competitive and we are thrilled to get it," said University of Idaho coprincipal investigator Rod Hill.

The grant was one of 25 awarded nationally by the National Institutes of Health, and the first EUREKA award given to researchers from Idaho. It is also the first NIH grant for the UI chemistry department.

"The grant is extraordinary in status,"

Hrdlicka works in the UI chemistry department as an assistant professor. He met Papasani and Hill, who both work in the department of animal and veterinary sciences, through the Biology and Nanotechnology

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group at UI.
"Collaborations slowly emerge from these encounters," Hrdlicka said.

Papasani said he wants to cross disciplin-

ary lines. "This award is unique in this (respect)," he said. "It has unique opportunities to integrate chemistry into biology with new molecules."

Hill said projects like it are magnets for funding.

"The multidisciplinary nature of the grant meets the new paradigm of grant funding,"

The original seed money came from a grant from the Initiative for Bioinformatics and Evolutionary Studies group at UI, another interdisciplinary group. This group has established a computational biology supercomputer on campus and done research in underrepresented areas like women's reproductive health.

The research deals with a type of laboratory-produced nuclear acid called Locked

Nucleic Acid. LNAs bind to complementary strands of DNA and, depending on their structure, can inhibit or encourage expression of a gene. LNA specifically targets chromosomal DNA and the location of the DNA.

Hill and Papasani supervise the cell models, and Hrdlicka constructs the LNA. Hrdlicka said if their "Cinderella story" is successful, the group has the potential to cure many genetic diseases.

The (EUREKA) review panel could see that if it works, it could have a huge impact," Hrdlicka said.

Currently, the group is testing LNAs in eukaryotic cell models and targeting the gene that regulates insulin.

"It's so basic," Hill said. "It's important for diabetes in humans and basic energy me-

tabolism for other species." Papasani said the insulin molecule was

essential in the context of diabetes and it was his main interest.

If the insulin model is successful, the group will research other genes.

"We need to test how general this is," Hrdlicka said. "This is pretty far down the road."

Hill said the project also promotes a "legacy of leading.

"I'm a strong believer in leading by ex-

ample," he said. Hill said he serves on review panels

for grant projects to both help other scientists and help his own institution by bringing back the knowledge to write better grant proposals.

Hill is currently the principal investiga-tor or co-PI on eight research projects, five of them federally funded, with a total of \$6.5

million in grant money.
"The leadership develops young scientists so they can reach their full potential,"

Hrdlicka said he wants to help others with

the research.

"I hope to make a difference in a health-related field, even though I may not do it with my own hands," he said.

Paul Tong/Argonaut

Discover

at the Idaho Commons Life
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http://volunteer.asui.uidaho.edu/ They are due September 14th at 5pm to the ASUI Center for Volunteerism & Social Action.

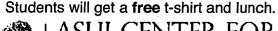


Freshman looking to volunteer? Come meet other students at our first year build with Habitat for Humanity September 25-27. Students can register at http://volunteer.asui.uidaho.edu/volun teer/firstyearbuild by September 4th. The weekend is free and everything is included.

Unternational Student?

If you are an international student and want to volunteer in the community, a good way to get started is by registering to help build a house on September 19th. Students should register by September 12th at

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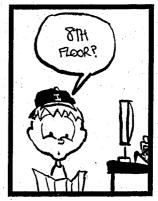
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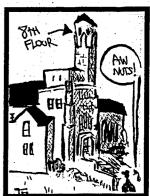










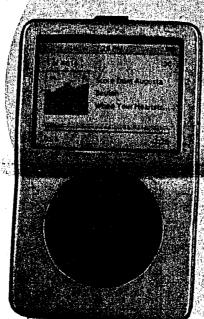


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Two iPods, shuffled and battling in The Argonaut's page 2. Defend your music. Look for this new feature every so often in The Argonaut.

Travis Mason-Bushman, blogger, Vandal Nation Emmylou Harris, "Making Believe" (from the album "Luxury Liner")

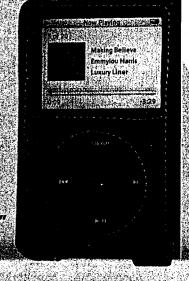
Because I have a whole bunch of Emmylou Harris stuff.
How would you defend it? Emmylou Harris's haunting voice penetrates my mind Do you think your song or "Score from Augusta" is better? "Making Believe" gets the win in uniqueness.



Marcus Kellis, Argonaut news editor Beulah, "Score from Augusta" (from the album "When Your Heartstrings Break*)

Why is it on your iPod? Beulah's a great, underrated band from SF. How would you defend it? It's very hooky. The brass and the vocals are super catchy

Do you think your song or "Making Believe" My song. The brass rules hard.



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Corrections

Find a mistake? Send an email to the section editor. In the August 21 issue of the Argonaut, the editorial "Use your head" said Daniel Miller was a Washington State University student who fell off a cliff and died and Stuart Robertson was a University of Idaho student who fell asleep and never woke up. Stuart Robertson was the WSU student who fell off a cliff and Daniel Miller was the UI student who fell

Contact information can be found on page B1.

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Former UI veterinary professor dies

Keith Ridler Associated Press

Gordon Woods, a veterinary scientist who helped create Idaho Gem, the world's first cloned mule, has died. He was 57.

"He was a brilliant scien-tist," said Dirk Vanderwall, who worked with Woods on the mulecloning project at the University of Idaho, and who is now an associate professor and chief of the Section of Reproduction at the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. "Over the last 30 years he's conducted groundbreaking research in several different areas.

Woods passed away unex-pectedly Thursday, said Dell Rae Moellenberg, a spokeswom-an at Colorado State University

in Fort Collins, Colo., where Woods was a professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Woods died at the Medical Center of the Rockies in Loveland, Colo. Moellenberg said the family has asked for confidentiality, and she declined to provide additional details.

In 2003, Woods, Vanderwall and Ken White of Utah State University led a team that cloned Idaho Gem as part of a larger project intended to better understand human diseases.

The University of Idaho "beat a number of other teams around the world trying to clone a member of the horse family," said Bill Loftus, a spokesman at UI. "I'm personally devastated by the loss and I know many of his friends

are. He had a lot more to give."

The mule clone, one of three produced at the university, went on to success on the mule racing circuit in Nevada and California.

"It certainly made interesting headlines in both the scientific and popular press," Vanderwall said.

But Woods was looking for more than just race results from the clones. Horses and other equines have significantly lower cancer rates than humans, and scientists hope cloning will illuminate the difference and provide research clues, particularly into calcium's role in diseases. Equines have much less calcium within cell walls than humans.

"That certainly was another primary focus of Gordon's," Vanderwall told The Associated

Press on Sunday, to use the horse as a model to try to understand age-onset diseases in people. Gordon's hypothesis was that excessive intracellular calcium in human cells could be an underlying factor in age-onset diseases.

Woods had been continuing his research in that area.

'Gordon was so novel in his thinking along those lines," Vanderwall said. "It was his drive and passion that was really moving that forward. It's just a devastating loss.

According to a biography supplied by the University of Idaho, Woods grew up in northern Idaho and received an undergraduate degree from the University of Idaho and his doctor of veterinary medicine degree at Colorado State University. He later received

another doctoral degree from the

University of Wisconsin.
In 1986 he returned to Idaho and founded the Northwest Equine Reproduction Laboratory, then joined the University of Idaho in 1988 as a professor in the Department of Animal and Veterinary Science.

He left the school in 2007 to work at Colorado State.

Vanderwall said Woods had a dry sense of humor and loved

hiking with his family.

Vanderwall said Woods is survived by his wife and four adult children.

The Lewiston Tribune reported that a funeral for Woods is planned for 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Stake Center in Moscow.

Idaho wolf tag sales brisk as judge considers hunt

John Miller **Associated Press**

Matt Yost has hunted elk, deer and antelope for years on a college buddy's sheep ranch in Idaho's Southern Mountains, not far from the resort region of Sun Valley.

After a wolf pack killed 19 domestic rams there recently, Yost was at Idaho Department of Fish and Game offices in Boise on Monday adding the predator to his list of possible targets.

It was the first day Idaho wolf tags went on sale for a hunt slated to start next Tuesday. By mid-afternoon, the state was reporting about 4,000 tags sold, as hunters motivated by curiosity, novelty - and in some cases frustration with predators' impact on wildlife and livestock — shelled out \$11.50 for a wolf tag.

This year, Yost's friend with the sheep ranch had made a special request.

"He called me and said,

'If you're going to show up, you'd better have a wolf

tag," Yost said.
The federal government lifted Endangered Species Act protections from most wolves in the northern Rocky Mountains in May and now Idaho and Montana are gearing up for first open gray wolf hunts in the lower 48 states since delisting. Idaho last week approved a 220-wolf hunt, about a quarter of the state's estimated 1,000 wolves,

with limited hunting due to begin on Sept. 1. Montana approved the shooting of up to 75 wolves starting in mid-September.

It's still uncertain if hunts

will even proceed. Thirteen environmental groups that have sued to overturn the federal delisting will get a hearing next Monday — one day before Idaho's hunt would begin where U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy in Missoula will hear their arguments on why a wolf hunt should be halted.

At the Cabela's Inc. sporting goods store in Boise, hunters lined up at the customer service counter to get first crack at licenses that began selling at 10 a.m. Jennifer Fusselman, Cabela's event coordinator, said most of the people purchasing the right to kill a wolf had already bought another big game elk or deer tag. Ed Mitchell, an Idaho

Fish and Game spokesman, said "about 98 percent" of hunters who bought tags the first day were from Idaho. Out-of-state hunters must pay \$186.

Wolves were reintroduced by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to Idaho, Montana and Wyoming in the mid-1990s after being nearly exterminated six decades earlier by hunting, trapping and poisoning.

By now, they number more than 1,650 across the region, though only Idaho and Montana plan 2009 hunts; in Wyoming, the animals' federal protections re-main due to a state law considered hostile to wolves.

Since their reintroduction, wolves have been a lightning rod for disputes between environmental groups and ranchers and hunters who blame them for killing too many sheep and cattle, as well as prized big game species like elk and mule deer. For some, the chance to shoot a wolf is a symbolic opportunity to take back control of a species they blame the federal government for forcing on them in the first place.

Brent Martell, a 40-yearold Meridian resident who has hunted near Idaho's Sawtooth Mountains for nearly three decades, said he's ridden his dirt bike 1,500 miles this year on backcountry trails here and has yet to see a live elk. He's seen wolves three times.

'Each time I've stopped and they've come toward me. There's no natural fear," said Martell. "It's time for them to be managed properly. It needs to be done right, but it needs to be done now.

In documents filed last week by the environmental law firm Earthjustice, groups including Defenders of Wildlife and the Greater Yellowstone Coalition demanded Idaho and Montana hunts be stopped while they seek to restore federal protections.

The groups insist the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service illegally delisted the animals without properly evaluating factors such as whether wolves' survival will be threatened if animals are prevented from successfully interbreeding with members of other packs. Hunting, they said, will only makes things worse.

"The federal delisting and state management plans don't provide for a sustainable wolf popula-tion in the Northern Rock-ies, and wolves should not be hunted at this time particularly not at the unsustainable levels that have been announced for this fall," said Suzanne Stone, of Defenders of Wildlife in Boise.



Wild horse adoption faces trouble

Associated Press

An official with the U.S. Bureau of Land Managene's concerned there won't be the usual interest in adopting wild horses captured in Idaho due to the economy.

best, but finding good homes for them has been tougher in the slow economy," Kevin Lloyd, the agency's herd manager, told the Post Register. "Nationally, we placed almost 6,000 wild horses just a few years ago. Last year, it was under 4,000."
The BLM is putting up for

adoption about 150 horses captured in July near Challis in central Idaho.

The first adoption is being held Friday to Sunday at the BLM's Challis Wild Horse Corral. Adoption fees are \$125 for an individual horse and \$150 for two.

Lloyd said he hopes to place 50 horses during the first adoption.

A second adoption opportunity is planned at the BLM's wild horse corral in Boise from Sept. 11 to 13, and a third at the Eastern Idaho State Fairgrounds in Blackfoot from Sept. 18 to 20.

The Challis herd, Lloyd

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said, have a large amount of draft-horse blood and tend to have a tall, chesty "We're hoping for the look associated with a Belgian or Percheron.

> "They can make outstanding pack animals," Lloyd said. "At the same time, we have pony and saddle-bred blood in the herd, too. There are a lot in this gather that I think will be excellent riding horses."

Lloyd said the horses are captured about every five years when the population exceeds the amount of food available on the range to support them.

"The ones we can't place, we'll ship to another adoption center, probably in the Midwest," Lloyd said. "If, for some reason, they can't be placed at all, they'll be pastured out on government property. We don't put any of them down. The ones that aren't placed just go straight

into retirement.' The horses need to be trained, but most are acclimatized to people after a few weeks.

"Once you start feeding them, they can get very comfortable," he said.

He noted it's rare for wild horses, once captured, to try to escape. He said protesters once tried to free a herd of wild horses from a BLM corral in Wyoming, but the horses wouldn't leave.

"One of the first things most of them figure out is that they aren't wild horses anymore," Lloyd said.





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CIA tactics spur criminal probe

Devlin Barrett and Pamela

Associated Press

The Obama administration launched a criminal investigation Monday into harsh questioning of de-tainees during President George W. Bush's war on terrorism, revealing CIA interrogators' threats to kill one suspect's children and to force another to watch his mother sexually assaulted.

At the same time, President Barack Obama ordered changes in future interrogations, bringing in other agencies besides the CIA under the direction of the FBI and supervised by his own national security adviser. The administration pledged questioning would be controlled by the Army Field Manual, with strict rules on tactics, and said the White House would keep its hands off the professional investigators doing the work.

Despite the announcement of the criminal probe, several Obama spokesmen declared anew — as the president has repeatedly that on the subject of detainee interrogation he "wants to look forward, not back" at Bush tactics. They took pains to say decisions on any prosecutions would be up to Attorney General Eric Holder, not the White House.

Monday's five-year-old report by the CIA's inspector general, newly declassified and released under a federal court's orders, described severe tactics used by interrogators on terror suspects after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Seeking information about possible further attacks, interrogators threatened one detainee with a gun and a power drill and tried to frighten another with a mock execution of another prisoner.

Attorney General Holder said he had chosen a veteran prosecutor to determine whether any CIA officers or contractors should face criminal charges for crossing the line on rough but permissible tactics.

Obama has said inter-rogators would not face charges if they followed legal guidelines, but the report by the CIA's inspec-

tor general said they went too far — even beyond what was authorized under Justice Department legal memos that have since been withdrawn and discredited. The report also suggested some questioners knew they were crossing a line.

"Ten years from now we're going to be sorry we're doing

this (but) it has to be done," one unidentified CIA officer was quoted as saying, predicting the questioners would someday have to appear in court to answer for such tactics.

The report concluded the CIA used "unauthorized, improvised, inhumane" practices in ques-tioning "high-value" terror suspects.

Monday's documents represent the largest single

release of information about the Bush administration's once-secret system of capturing terrorism suspects and interrogating them in overseas prisons.

White House officials said they plan to continue the controversial practice of rendition of suspects to for-eign countries, though they said that in future cases they would more carefully check to make sure such suspects are not tortured.

In one instance cited in the new documents, Abd al-Nashiri, the man accused of being behind the 2000 USS Cole bombing, was hooded,

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CIA interrogator

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handcuffed and threatened an unloaded gun and a power drill. The unidentified interrogator also threatened al-Nashiri's mother and family, implying they would be sexually abused in front of him, according to

the report. The inter-

rogator denied making a direct threat.

interrogator Another told alleged Sept. 11 mas-termind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, "if anything else happens in the United States, 'We're going to kill your children,'" one veter-an officer said in the report.

Death threats violate anti-torture laws.

In another instance, an interrogator pinched the carotid artery of a detainee until he started to pass out, then shook him awake. He did this three times. The interrogator, a CIA debriefer accustomed to questioning willing subjects, said he had only recently been trained to conduct interrogations.

Top Republican senators said they were trou-bled by the decision to begin a new investigation, which they said could weaken U.S. intelligence efforts. Sen. Patrick Leahy, the Democratic chairman of the Judiciary Committee, said the revelations showed the Bush administration went down a dark road of excusing torture.

Investigators credited detention-and-interrogation program for developing intelligence that prevented multiple attacks against Americans. One CIA operative interviewed for the report said the program thwarted al-Qaida plots to attack the U.S. Embassy in Pakistan, derail trains, blow up gas stations and cut the suspension line of a bridge.

'In this regard, there is no doubt that the program has been effective," investigators wrote, backing an argument by former Vice President Dick Cheney and others that the program saved lives

But the inspector general said it was unclear whether so-called "enhanced interrogation" tactics contributed to that success. Those tactics include waterboarding, a simulated drowning technique that the Obama

administration says is torture. Measuring the success of such interrogation is "a more subjective process and not without some concern," the report said.
The report describes at

least one mock execution, which would also violate U.S. anti-torture laws. To terrify one detainee, interrogators pretended to execute the prisoner in a nearby room. A senior officer said it was a transparent ruse that yielded no benefit.

As the report was released, Attorney General Holder appointed prosecutor John Durham to open a preliminary investigation into the claims of abuse. Durham is already investigating the destruction of CIA interrogation videos and now will examine whether CIA officers or contractors broke laws in the handling of suspects.

The administration also announced Monday that all U.S. interrogators will follow the rules for detainees laid out by the Army Field Manual. The manual, last updated in September 2006, prohibits forcing detainees to be naked, threatening them with military dogs, exposing them to extreme heat or cold, conducting mock executions, depriving them of food, water, or medical care, and

waterboarding.
Formation of the new interrogation unit for "highvalue" detainees does not mean the CIA is out of the business of questioning terror suspects, deputy White House press secretary Bill

Burton told reporters covering the vacationing president on Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts.

Burton said the unit will include "all these different elements under one group" and will be located at the FBI headquarters in Washington.

The structure of the new unit the White House is creating would be significantly broader than under the Bush administration, when the CIA had the lead and sometimes exclusive role in questioning al-Qaida suspects.

Obamacampaigned vig-orously against Bush administration interrogation practices in his successful run for the presidency. He has said more recently he didn't particularly favor prosecuting officials in connection with instances of prisoner abuse.

Burton said Holder "ultimately is going to make the decisions.

CIA Director Leon Panetta said in an e-mail message to agency employees Monday that he intended "to stand up for those officers who did what their country asked and who followed the legal guidance they were given. That is the president's position, too," he said.
Panetta said some CIA

officers have been disciplined for going beyond the methods approved for interrogations by the Bushera Justice Department. Just one CIA employee contractor David Passaro- has been prosecuted for detainee abûse.

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Liquor, beer sales slow in FY 2009

Associated Press

State liquor officials say the rapid growth in booze sales recorded statewide in recent years slowed in fiscal year 2009 as consumers sought cheaper labels and imbibed less at restaurants and bars.

Revenue figures for fiscal year 2009 also show sales of distilled spirits declined in Boise, the state's biggest market, while taxes on beer declined compared to 2008.

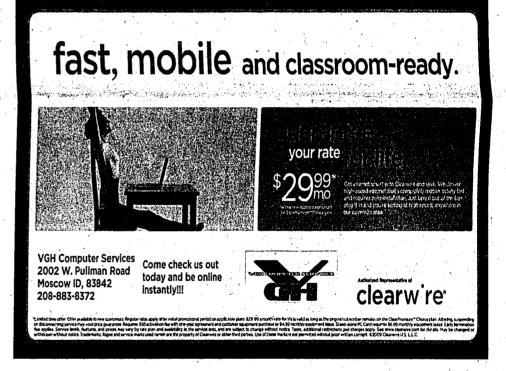
The Idaho Liquor dispensary, which fiscal 2008.

oversees sales of all hard liquor, reported 2009 revenue of \$135.1 million, up 3.3 percent from fiscal year 2008 but the lowest growth rate since 1997.

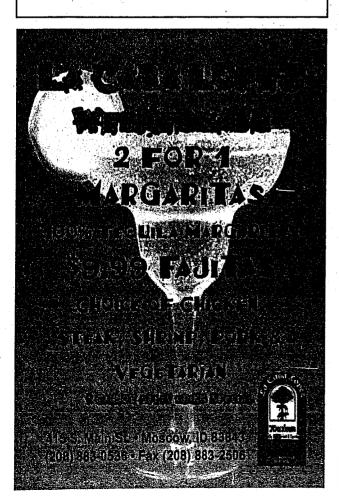
In Boise, 2009 sales of hard liquor declined 0.7 percent, while the region from Lewiston to the Canadian border had 5.2 percent growth.

State figures show beer tax revenues dropped more than 5 percent to 54.3 million, down from \$4.5 million

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Israel brings balancing act to Europe

Matti Friedman **Associated Press**

Benjamin Netanyahu's talks in Europe this week will force the Israeli leader to balance the demands of his right-leaning ruling coalition against an international front opposed to Israeli settlements.

Though Netanyahu says his talks in London and Berlin will touch on other subjects, such as Iran's nuclear program, he is likely to hear concerns about settlements from all three of the key people he is slated to meet: British Prime Minister Gordon Brown, Chancellor Angela Merkel and the representative of Israel's closest ally, U.S. Mideast envoy George Mitchell.

Netanyahu began his 4-day European visit in London late

Monday afternoon, and held a meeting with British newspaper editors Monday evening before his scheduled meeting with Brown on Tuesday. He will meet Mitchell in London on Wednesday before heading to Berlin. He is due to return to Israel Thursday.

Ignoring the wishes of the broader international community will demand a diplomatic cost Israel can ill afford to pay, and both Israel and the U.S. signaled Monday that they have made progress

on a compromise on settlements.
But at home, Netanyahu's
partners in an unruly governing
coalition are pulling him in the opposite direction and are suspicious of any sign of compromise. Crossing them could unravel his hold on power.

In recent weeks, some of Netanyahu's allies have done their best to nudge him rightward. A group of Cabinet ministers paid a supportive visit to an unauthorized settlement outpost in the West Bank — even though Netanyahu has promised to remove such wildcat settlements — and called on the prime minister to ignore

President Barack Obama's call to stop building homes for Jews on land the Palestinians want for an independent country.

Netanyahu spokesman Nir Hefetz said there was no expectation that the settlement issue would be resolved at Wednesday's meeting with Mitchell, perhaps the most important of Netanyahu's meetings this week. But Hefetz told reporters traveling with the prime minister that there was like-

ly to be "certain progress."

That was echoed Monday in Washington, D.C., by State Department spokesman Ian Kelly, who said the sides were "getting closer" to a deal.

"I don't want to go into the details of exactly why, but just to say that we are — we're hopeful that we can resume very soon," Kelly said, referring to the suspended Israeli-Palestinian peace talks.

The Palestinians say they will not resume talks before the Israelis freeze settlement construction.

Hefetz said Israel's government believed talks could be resumed within two months.

Israeli government officials say a compromise being discussed could see Israel freeze building except for 2,500 units currently under construction. They spoke on condition of anonymity because details of the talks between Israel and the U.S. are secret.

The number of Israeli settlers in the West Bank — home to some 2.5 million Palestinians has more than doubled since the mid-1990s and now stands at around 300,000.

Netanyahu has shown some willingness to compromise since taking office in March, after winning an election on a hard-line platform.

He endorsed the formation of a

Palestinian state, a major reversal after years of opposing the idea, albeit with several conditions. And last week, Netanyahu's housing minister said Israel had temporar-

ily stopped approving new building projects in the West Bank.

Obama said after that announcement that he was "encouraged by some of the things I am seeing on the ground," an indication, perhaps, that the sides are

getting close to a compromise.

But the halt in approvals for new building was seen by Netan-yahu's critics as little more than a maneuver. The settlement watchdog group Peace Now said Sun-day that there had been no real slowdown in construction and that settlers could keep building indefinitely, using plans that have

already been approved. Netanyahu has also taken steps to improve life for Palestinians in the West Bank. With the territory enjoying a period of calm, some Israeli military checkpoints have been lifted, permits for importing raw materials are being granted, and there are other signs that life there is assuming a semblance of normalcy.

Report: US envoy likely to visit North Korea next month

Jae-Soon Chang **Associated Press**

President Barack Obama's special envoy on North Korea is likely to visit the communist nation next month for the first nuclear negotiations between the two countries under his presidency, a news report said Tuesday.

North Korea recently invited special envoy Stephen Bosworth and chief nuclear negotiator Sung Kim to Pyongyang, and the U.S. government is strongly consid-

ering their trip to the North next month, Seoul's JoongAng Ilbo daily reported. The U.S. diplomats may be able to meet with North Korean leader Kim Jong Il during the visit, considering Pyongyang's recent conciliatory attitude, the report said, citing an unidentified high-level dip-

lomatic source in Washington.
Yonhap news agency also reported that the North has invited the two officials and that the U.S. is reviewing the offer.

Comments from the U.S. Embassy in Seoul were not immediately available.

The reported trip, if realized, would mark the first nuclear negotiations between the U.S. and North Korea under the Obama administration.

Over the past year, North Korea had been stoking tensions with nuclear and missile tests while boycotting international nuclear talks. But in recent weeks, it has become markedly more conciliatory toward the U.S. and South Korea.

The North freed two American journalists following a trip to Pyongyang by former President Bill Clinton earlier

The North has since freed a South Korean worker it held for more than four months, agreed to lift restrictions on border crossings with the South, and pledged to resume suspended joint inter-Korean projects and reunions of families separated during the Korean War over five dePyongyang wants to negotiate directly with Washington. The U.S. has said it is willing to talk bilaterally to Pyongyang, but only within the framework of the sixparty talks involving the two Koreas, the J.S., China, Russia and Japan.

"I would not say that we've seen really any progress toward our oft-stated goal and our clear position that we want to engage with North Korea to discuss this denuclearization issue in the six-party context," State Department spokesman Ian Kelly said.

Despite the series of overtures from Pyongyang, Seoul and Washington have remained firm that they need to see North Korea taking concrete steps on ending its nuclear programs before they consider softening their stance on a nation known for backtracking on agreements.

'We are sticking to our existing position that we will continue faithfully carrying out U.N. resolutions while urging North Korea to return to six-party talks" on its nuclear programs, Moon said of the outcome of talks over the weekend between Bosworth and South Korean officials.

Washington, for its part, has been keeping up pressure on Pyongyang to dismantle its nuclear programs, sending a senior official to Asia to seek support for stringent implementation of the U.N. sanctions meant to punish the North for its May 25 nuclear test.

North Korea has long balanced stoking tensions with conciliatory overtures to extract concessions and head off sanctions.

After a long impasse in the nuclear standoff, Pyongyang carried out its first-ever nuclear test in 2006. The bold move resulted in a U.N. sanctions resolution, but the North got away unscathed by agreeing to return to the negotiating table.

Subsequent talks made some progress, but stalled again later and led to Pyongyang's second nuclear test in May.

South Korea and the U.S. have repeatedly said they won't repeat the same mistake again.

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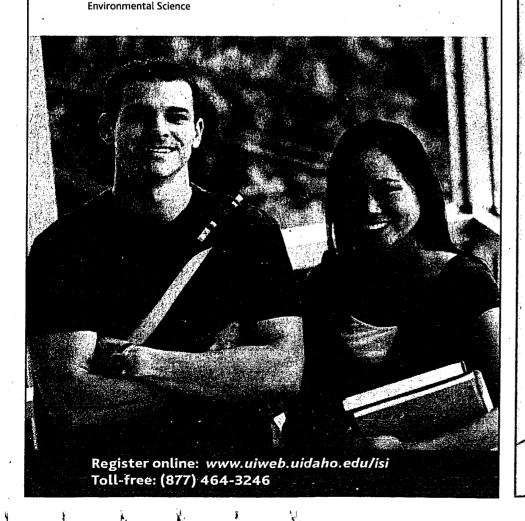
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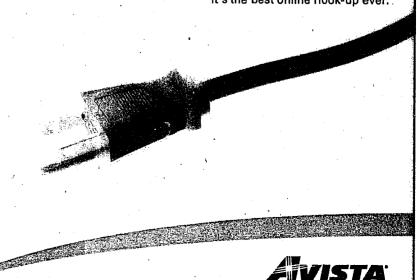
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Governor's mansion remodel costs escalate

Associated Press

Renovations at the empty hilltop governor's mansion above Boise are running more than 20 percent over budget, as a state government panel that oversees the place discovers shortcomings to remedy before it's fully suitable for overnight guests.

The original price tag for the upgrades was pegged at about \$260,000 last year.

So far, however, new flooring, furniture, appliances and other work to make the 7,400-square-foot, 30-year-old home suitable to house official visitors overnight have run just more than \$300,000, paid for from private donations.

And on Friday morning, members of the Governor's Housing Commit-tee, including Department of Administration Director Mike Gwartney, discussed directing another \$20,000 for additional blinds, furniture and kitchen utensils in time for next month's visit by foreign dignitaries.

At the meeting, Rep. Phylis King, a Boise Democrat on the five-person panel, also suggested setting a firm date to hold discussions over selling the house.

The state spends thousands of dollars every month to mow and water the expansive lawn and cover the electricity bill, draining what

had been a \$1.5 million fund have been held at the home, to just over \$1.1 million at

The late billionaire J.R. Simplot donated the house and surrounding acreage to Idaho in December 2004 to be used as a governor's mansion, but so far no state chief executive has lived here. Simplot's Boise-based agrochemical company has the first option to reacquire the house that has been valued at about \$2.1 million,

should Idaho decide to sell. 'We need to sit down with the Simplots and talk about it, to ask them what do they want to do," King said Friday. "We need to sell this because it's costing us a lot of money."

After taking over the house, Idaho planned, then abandoned an ambitious \$3 million renovation and expansion plan, in part because private donations didn't keep pace with original expectations.

While the mansion remains without a permanent occupant — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, who was married to Simplot's daughter, Gay, until their 1993 divorce, prefers his riverside ranch west of Boise - it hasn't gone unused.

Otter and his wife, Lori Otter, have overnighted at the mansion when they decided not to drive back to their own home following a function in Idaho's capital.

And several state events

with more planned for coming months.

King said the big reason for the latest \$20,000 request is single-pane windows on the east side of the home do little to block out the morning sun's heat. The air condifioner can't keep up and blinds would help control the temperature, she said.

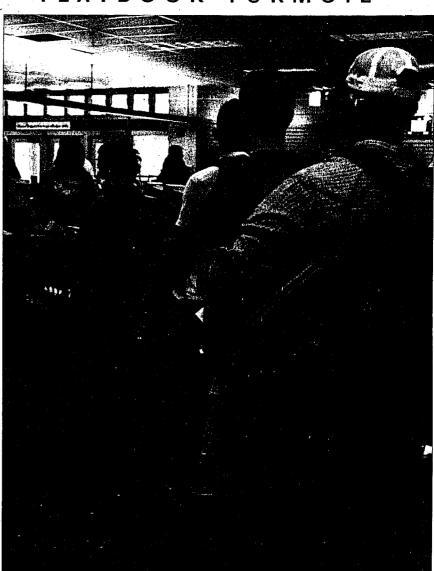
In addition, there are insufficient pots and pans and other kitchen utensils for those who overnight at the house, so making a meal on the fly is difficult,

King said. The Department of Administration also wants to purchase a couple of chairs that convert into beds, so that a security detail that ac-companies next month's foreign visitors will have a place to stretch out for the night in one of the home's rooms.

It wasn't immediately clear where the guests are coming from, and Otter spokesman Jon Hanian said he didn't know who they are.

No official action was taken Friday on the additional \$20,000, because three other lawmakers on the housing committee — Senate President Bob Geddes, a Soda Springs Republican; Sen. Les Bock, a Boise Democrat; and Rep. Max Black, a Boise Republican — didn't attend the meeting, leaving the panel without enough votes for a final decision.

TEXTBOOK TURMOIL



Jake Barber/Argonaut

Students form long lines to buy their textbooks in the University of Idaho Bookstore Monday. The Bookstore giving a \$5 store credit for every \$100 worth of textbooks purchased at the Bookstore and \$5 credit for every \$50 worth of textbooks you sell back at buyback. Rewards dollars can be used for all bookstore purchases except for computer hardware.

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Worker accused of battery at 50 Cent's Conn. home

Susan Haigh **Associated Press**

An employee of rapper 50 Cent has been accused of getting into a fight after a sex-related dispute at the hip-hop star's mansion and is facing assault charges

Dwayne McKenzie works for the rapper's company, G-Unit, and lives on the sprawling property, which was once owned by boxer Mike Tyson.

Court documents obtained by the Hartford Courant newspaper allege McKenzie requested oral sex from a woman during an Aug. 16 gathering at the 50,000-square-foot mansion in the Hartford metropolitan area suburb Farmington.

A friend of the woman took offense, and a

fight ensued, police said.

Police Lt. William M. Tyler said 50 Cent wasn't at the home, which has 19 bedrooms and 37 bathrooms and boasts a gym, billiards rooms, racquetball courts and a disco with stripper poles.

When the woman and her friend decided to leave the mansion, witnesses said, another woman, Michelle Krzykowski, ran after them and grabbed the friend, and McKenzie told her she was attacking the wrong person, according to a warrant for McKenzie's arrest.

Krzykowski hit the woman with a hard

object, leaving a large gash in her head, police said. Witnesses told police McKenzie pinned the woman to the ground while Krzykowski

McKenzie claims the accusation that he urged Krzykowski to attack the woman "is totally false," said his lawyer, Gerald Klein, who has represented him before.

"He's not a celebrity, but he works for one," Klein said. "So I guess he can be targeted by people looking to make hay."

McKenzie, 28, was blasted in the eyes with pepper spray during the fight, Klein said.

He faces several charges stemming from the incident and is scheduled to appear Tuesday in Hartford Superior Court, but his lawyer is expected to ask for the case to be continued until Sept. 1.

Krzykowski, of New Britain, also faces assault charges. She's due in court Sept. 1. No published telephone number for her could

50 Cent bought the mansion for \$4.1 million. He said it had "a 'Miami Vice' feel," and he spent \$6 million on renovations and repairs.

But the rapper said he was growing tired of the two-hour commute and put the home up for sale for \$18.5 million before dropping the price to \$10.9 million this summer.

McKenzie and Krzykowski are free

Police LOG

Friday

1:47 a.m. University Avenue: Caller said there was a male making lots of noise. 2:01 p.m. UI campus: Caller reported seven Frisbee golfers trespassing on the UI Admin-

2:55 p.m. Elm Street: Caller said there were people throwing water balloons at passing

8:20 p.m. Wallace Complex: Caller said female wouldn't stop calling and harassing her. 11:08 p.m. Wallace Complex: Resident adviser said he received a call about a bat in the basement between Ballard and Willey halls.

Saturday

1:01 a.m. Blake Avenue & Taylor Avenue: Officers cited a female for an alcohol offense.

1:54 a.m. Ash Street: Caller reported loud party noise and music. 2:52 a.m. University Avenue: Caller said three drunken males were messing with frater-

2:56 a.m. Memorial Gym: Caller reported two people on the scaffolding outside the gym, four floors up.

8:49 a.m. Taylor Avenue: Caller said a bicycle was stolen.

10:16 a.m. Wallace Complex: Caller requested welfare check.

12:47 p.m. Deakin Avenue: Caller reported loud offensive music. Officer issued

12:54 p.m. University Avenue: Caller reported loud music.

12:54 p.m. West Sixth Street: Caller reported stereo playing.
7:14 p.m. West Sixth Street & Rayburn Street: Officer was told patient had blood pressure

issues. Ambulance attended to patient. 8:07 p.m. West Sixth Street & Rayburn Street: Generator theft reported. 9:54 p.m. Blake Avenue: Caller reported an unconscious person. Ambulance and police

10:48 p.m. Baker Street: Caller reported parking problem. 10:55 p.m. Idaho Avenue & Elm Deakin Alley: Male arrested for MIC. 11:21 p.m. Idaho Avenue & Elm Street: Officers cited a female for an alcohol offense.

Text messages now divorce evidence

Maria Danilova **Associated Press**

Unfaithful spouses in France beware: Passionate text messages sent to mistresses and lovers can now be used as evidence against you in a divorce.

Experts say the recent ruling by France's Supreme Court to accept phone exchanges as legitimate proof of adultery will make it easier for the French to get divorced. Previously, French husbands and wives often had to wait for years to escape a marriage if they could not prove that their spouse was misbehaving or mistreating them.

The June ruling by the country's highest court went largely unnoticed until it was reported by the French media last week.

Text messages have long been accepted as official proof in murder and other criminal trials in France, and the new decision extends such practice into family law. E-mails are also accepted as evidence in trials.

Getting a divorce can be a lengthy and painful procedure in France. If the spouses fail to agree to separate by mutual consent, those filing for divorce must prove that the spouse was cheating or abusing or mistreating them.

If the judge is not convinced, a divorce will be pronounced only after

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2 years of living separately. Up until 2004, French law required couples to

wait as long as 6 years. Over 273,000 marriages and nearly 135,00 divorces were registered in France in 2007, according to government data — meaning that half of all marriages were likely to end

Lawyers hailed the high court's latest ruling.

"It's a very good decision," said Paris divorce attorney Laurence Mayer. "It facilitates ... collecting evidence.

"I tell my clients: If they receive text messages with insults, threats, various things ... go and register that" with justice authorities, she said.

The June decision overturned a 2007 ruling by a Lyon court, which had declared that using phone exchanges in court was a breach of privacy, according to the Supreme Court Web site.

Infidelity and other faults committed by spouses, however, do not affect child custody or asset division issues, Mayer said.

Justice officials say the ruling might prompt some unfaithful spouses to eliminate the evidence by quickly erasing those frivolous cell phone messages.

"If you leave the message in the phone in your pocket, there is a risk

that your spouse will find it," said Guillaume Didier, spokesman for the Justice Ministry. 'Maybe people will now be more prudent when it comes to keeping

their messages. Didier

it was unclear whether courts could force spouses to retrieve deleted phone messages with the help of moile phone operators.

Wireless phone operator Orange said it was technically possible to retrieve a deleted phone message for up to 10 days after it was sent, but a court order was necessary to compel the company to release such messages without the client's consent.

Some felt the French would quickly adapt to the new law.

The public knows enough about how technology works to know better than to send SMS like that," said Aurore Belkacemi, a 51-year-old restaurant owner in Paris.

In neighboring Germany, couples are granted a divorce after one year of living separately and don't need to prove a spouse's guilt, making phone messages irrelevant in divorce trials.

In the United States, phone text messages are accepted in most states as evidence in trials if they are proven to be authentic.

Christopher Yannon, a divorce attorney working in New York and New Jersey, said most U.S. states also have a "no-fault" divorce system where spouses don't need to prove their partners' fault to get divorced.

In most cases, adultery does not influence asset division and child custody issues, he added. French attitudes regarding divorce had been changing

even before the SMS ruling.
"Before, people used to stay together because it was convenient, now they get separated like it's nothing," said Mayer, the French divorce lawyer. "People no longer want to stay and be annoyed by a spouse they

RI state government to shut down for 12 days

Ray Henry **Associated Press**

Rhode Island will shut down its state government for 12 days and hopes to trim millions of dollars in funding for local governments under a plan Gov. Don Carcieri outlined Monday to balance a budget hammered by surging unemployment and plummeting tax revenue.

The shutdown will force 81 percent of the roughly 13,550-member state work force, excluding its college system, to stay home a dozen days without pay before the start of the new fiscal year in July.

The closures come as the worst recession in decades has eliminated hundreds of millions of dollars in tax collections and pushed unemployment to 12.7 percent, the second-highest jobless rate in the nation behind Michigan.

Carcieri predicted the state's fiscal future could grow

"There are going to be inconveniences for the public, and there are going to be sacrifices, as I said, for state employees," Carcieri said at a State House news conference. "These steps right now are unavoidable if the state is to live within its budget, live within its means."

The governor ordered the shutdown in an executive order but said he's willing to negotiate a different deal with state employee unions so long as it saves the same amount of money, roughly \$22 million. But time is short: the first shutdown day has been scheduled for Sept. 4. Additional shutdown days have been scheduled every month through June.

Critical workers such as state police, prison guards and child abuse investigators still will report to work during the shutdown, Carcieri said. He ruled out raising taxes to balance the budget and said the state cannot lay off more workers since it deeply trimmed its work force last year.

At least 19 other state governments have proposed fur-loughing workers or shutting down government offices to save money amid the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, according to a survey by the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Carcieri's plan is certain to spark a legal fight with state employee unions that contend it violates their contracts. In bargaining last year, state workers agreed to give up a pay raise and pay more for their health insurance as state leaders struggled to balance the budget. They also took a day without pay.

"We did what we think is all we can do as taxpayers and state workers," said J. Michael Downey, president of Council 94, a state employee union that represents around 4,000 workers. "We're saying to them that enough of the budget problems have been taken on the backs of state employees.

Besides shutting down state government, Carcieri asked lawmakers to grant him the power to unilaterally cut spending approved in the budget. State lawmakers rejected a similar request from Carcieri earlier this year.

Governors in 38 other states have at least limited powers to cut state spending without legislative approval, according to a survey last year by the National Association of State Budget Officers. State lawmakers stripped that power from Rhode Island's governor in 1997.

If approved, Carcieri said he would cut about \$33 million in local funding for city and town governments.

Democratic leaders in the House and Senate did not immediately return calls seeking comment.



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Ryan "John Paul Hate" Beitz, left, and Timothy "Robert Pants" Anderson of the band Stable Comings pose outside the Idaho Commons Monday where they did a short performance. According to Beitz, the purpose of the performance was to "promote a unification between mysticism and robot technology."

SBOE authorizes scholarship cut

Marcus Kellis Argonaut

About 1,600 Idaho students receiving the Robert R. Lee Promise Scholar-ship will face a mid-year

award reduction. The Idaho State Board of Education authorized the cut at their meeting last week. The Promise Scholarship funds \$250 per eligible student per semester. The cuts will prospectively reduce the

spring award by \$100. "It's unfortunate that we have to cut any scholarships for students at a time when all funds are important for students," said Dan Davenport, UI's financial aid director, "but we'll do whatever we need to do to make sure we meet the new guidelines.'

The specific action the SBOE took was authorizing their executive director to review the Promise B disbursement in the spring. Because of Idaho's fiscal situation, the Legislature authorized only \$3.9 million for the pro-gram, \$500,000 less than last year's appropriation.
The board's spokesman,
Mark Browning, said 8,500
students would be affected statewide. The adjustment amount is not yet set, but according to Browning will go no further than a reduc-

tion of \$100 per student.
"We had a significant increase in the number of students who qualified for the scholarship," Browning said, "which was more people wanting a smaller available fund.

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DAVENPORT Financial aid director



Photo Illustration by Jake Barber/Argonaut The Idaho State Board of Education authorized a cut of the the spring semester Robert R. Lee Promise Category B Scholarship award in a meeting Friday.

SUMMER

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back to its original condition, said Guy Esser, the project manager for Facilities, Architecture and Engineering services. A chief concern was cracking in cast stone blocks,

which will be replaced. Work is being split between this summer and next summer due to concerns about how well the refinish would turn out if done

in cold weather. The building's slate roof is also being replaced. That will cost \$700,000 and be fin-

ished by mid-October, Esser said. The original roof of the building stood for 80 years before the project began.

Funding for both projects came from the state's Division of Public Works permanent building fund.

Art and Architecture

Workers began installing new safety measures in the Art and Architecture building, such as new fire sprinklers, fire alarms, emergency lighting upgrades and a struc-tural reinforcement of the roof through the installation of steel beams, Esser said.

The roof is also being insulated for the first time and new shingles are being in-

The Art and Architecture building is one of the oldest on campus. It had a cupola on top that was removed in the 1940's for reasons unknown. Part of the \$998,000 project is to rebuild the cupola, which helps passively

ventilate the building.

The project was started at the end of April and will be finished by the end of September, Esser said.

Idaho Route 8

Construction began in May on the short stretch from Veatch Street to White Place on Idaho Route 8, said Mel Coulter, communications specialist for the Idaho Transportation Department.

The road is being refinished with concrete, and has been expanded to three lanes, with a center turning lane, in order to better suit heavy traffic.

'Agricultural traffic uses that highway," Coulter said, "so the concrete will hold up better to those heavier loads.' The project is nearly complete. Most of the remaining work comes in leveling the road

with driveways and streets, Coulter said. The detours will be removed in the next few days, with the project finishing in the next few weeks.

U.S. Highway 95

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In a joint project with the city of Moscow, the Idaho Transportation Department installed a new intersection where D Street and U.S. Highway 95 intersect.

The city installed new waterlines, with

the transportation department replacing the asphalt intersection with a concrete one to better handle heavier traffic. A new traffic light was also installed.

The project is nearly complete, with only a small amount of fine-tuning to be done. They are waiting on some components for the stoplight in order to make it function properly, as right now it can only flash red or yellow, Coulter said.

The \$1.9 million project began in May and will be complete by mid-September.

Loca/BRIEFS

Planning and budget candidates to appear on campus

Keith E. Ickes and Diane S. Stephens, candidates for executive director for planning and budget at UI, will appear separately in open forums at 11 a.m. today and Thursday in the Horizon Room at the Idaho Commons.

The position is in the newly created Planning and Budget Office. According to the job description, the director will report to Provost Doug Baker and work closely with the UI president.

Ickes is presently the director of Boulder County, Colo.'s administrative services department, a position he has held since 2007. He worked at Colorado State University before that, as interim director of institutional research, chief financial officer and director of budgets and institutional analy-

sis, among other positions. Stephens is the director of academic

resources at California State University-Northridge. She has also served as that university's director of academic budget management.

Iraq Veterans Against the War seeks members

Afton Carlson, a UI philosophy undergraduate, and Jon Ader, a UI history student are seeking veterans of the 2003 Iraq war to found a UI chapter of Iraq Veterans Against the War. Ader and Carlson are both veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The national IVAW organization is a 501(c) (3) organization with 61 chapters across 43 states, focusing on demonstration, counterrecruitment and troop support. Carlson can be reached by e-mail at carl2179@vandals. uidaho.edu.

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Rep. Walt Minnick community meeting 7:30 p.m.

1912 Center Freshman Rep. Walt Minnick will speak about representing Idaho's first congressional district and the first eight months of

questions during his appearance.

Thursday, Aug. 27

EnviroQ Picnic

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his term. Minnick will take and games. Campus Din-

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OurVIEW

Required dorms

New rules to be enforced for freshmen housing

This year, first-year students at the University of Idaho will be the last of an age. Starting next fall most first-year students will be required to live on-campus.

In a recent press release, the university cited a study in which students who lived on campus had a higher chance of returning to school. The move by the university brings Idaho in line with most other schools in the area and will exempt certain non-traditional students.

Currently most freshmen choose to live on campus. The advantages of being totally immersed in the college lifestyle and the easy access to study help are appealing to students who are fresh out of high school. Dorm life provides a stepping-stone for students to adult living.

Despite the benefits, a minority of

first-year students feel comfortable stepping out into the real world and living independently, but for many, the draw to private apartments is money.
According to the University Hous-

ing website, a room in the Theophilus Tower will cost a student \$3,902 for the academic year, or about \$487 a month,

and that's sharing 184 square feet. Plus dorm residents are required to buy a meal plan, which start at \$150 a month. Meanwhile, at Hill Rental Properties — one of Moscow's many rental agencies — a two-bedroom apartment with a living room and kitchen costs each tenant \$294 a month, and they get to use it over Christmas break and into the summer.

Not to put down the dorms. The benefits of dorm life may outweigh advantages of off-campus living for many people, but the administration shouldn't be surprised when students opt for apartments that are cheaper and nicer than the dorms. There is something wrong with University Housing if they cannot offer better amenities than private apartments

while charging more.
While it is likely beneficial to most students to live on-campus their first year, those who choose not to should not be forced to live in cramped, old dorms just to help subsidize the school when there are better apartments out there.

President, geographer, writer

It's been said the president of a university is like the mayor of a city. If that's the case, this city

looks more like Detroit (three mayors in two years) than Chicago (one in twenty).

I don't mean to make too much fun, but when Duane Nellis was announced as the University of Idaho president in April, he became the fifth of the decade. That's too many. Clearly, we could stand to have a little

more stability. Maybe we're missing something in the

recruitment process. Maybe we're hiring candidates who look good on paper, but lack whatever it takes to stay in

The United States Postal Service just an-

nounced a \$2.4 billion loss in the last three

tory. People aren't sending mail like they used to. This development just reinforc-es my belief the world has become more

Don't get me wrong; I love technology

just as much as the next person. Without

classes. Regardless, there are some things

As a kid I had pen-pals in other states,

school, taught me how to format a letter, write

complete sentences and use proper grammar. My

teachers taught writing and penmanship - cur-

All those years of writing and a permanent

sive every student cursed while learning to write

exchanged letters with on a weekly basis.

This, along with language arts classes in

it I would not be able to type my essays,

write my blog or participate in online

that should never fall by the wayside

because the world now has computers

capable of running your life for you.

even in different countries, whom I

months, the largest in its 234-year his-

the same high-paying executive position for longer than a few years. Maybe somebody needs

to look closer and figure out if these people are really right for the job. Well, I'm somebody, and I like to take closer looks at things

Let's begin by turning my scrutiny to our latest presidential hire. Aside from official biographies and press releases, there isn't much in the way of background information about Nellis, and that could very well be for the best.

Mark

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Goethe said, "Every author in some way portrays himself in his works, even if it be against his will." And Goethe See PRESIDENT, page A11

Save the post office, save the world

- if his own maxim is to be believed — was as smart as he was German, which is to say: very smart. If we want to get to know the real Duane Nellis, his writing is the place to start.

Where to find such writing, though? Thankfully, Nellis is an academic, and academics write papers. Papers with titles like "Evaluating Soil Properties of CRP Land Using Remote Sensing and GIS in Finney County, Kansas" or "Distribution of Suspended Sediments in a Kansas Reservoir Using Spot-HRV Data." Or, my favorite, "Aboveground Counts of Black-Tailed Prairie Dogs: Temporal Nature and Relationship to Burrow Entrance Density.

There are others, but they

callous on the second finger of my right hand and

I still try to write letters and improve my interper-

sonal skills. Yet everyday I see students

walk around campus sending text mes-

faces to see where they are going, they

gies. Often times, the person to whom

say when they last wrote an actual let-

ter to their parents, choosing instead to

technology is tearing apart any communi-

cation skills we have acquired in class and

We will soon find men and women

e-mail or instant message. All of this

who, lacking communication skills,

have trouble talking to one another. I

on the playgrounds of our youth.

think it won't be long before I see two friends

relay information in a language some of us

having lunch but neither is saying a word, instead

using their phones, computers or other devices to

sages to their friends. They never lift their

bump into others barely mumbling apolo-

they are sending the message is only feet away. I would bet most students couldn't

Off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

Animal crackers hold the soup

I wish we had Trader Joe's stores in Idaho. I'm eating animal crackers from there. They're vegan, and I find that to be hilarious.

--- Marcus

Wal-Mart woes

I am already tired, and I haven't even been to classes yet. It could have something to do with wading through a sea of students at Wal-Mart to buy a clock. There should be an express lane for a single

- Erin

Meet Jessica

Jessica is my Project Run-way paper doll. She lives on my desk here at The Argonaut. I never had paper dolls as a child, so I made her one boring summer afternoon. Today, Jessica is wearing a dashing denim above-the-knee dress with a soft white shawl, adorned with a pink flower. What will Jessica wear tomorrow?

Freaked the F out

Yesterday was the first day of my senior year.

I'm scared to death to

graduate. As I am warned this was a bad year to major in journalism,

I'm left with no answer to what I am doing after graduation. I think I'm left with the

prospect of living in Troy, in a van, down by the river. — Jennifer

MWF

The powers that be should rethink the policy of holding nearly all the engineering lectures on Monday, Wednesday

and Friday. Six lectures in one day and none the following day gets a bit lopsided.

- Jeffrey

Running late

This morning I woke up late, or rather intentionally slept in. My first class was at 8:30 a.m. and I am not a morning person, yet every semester I sign up for an early class and every semester I wonder why. Anyway, I wasn't worried about finding my class in the TLC, and like I always do, I waited until the last possible minute to leave. I ran outside and unlocked my bike, got on and then I realized my tires were flat -

— Elizabeth

Printed in Gold

Why are textbooks so expensive? I could print the text in gold ink on dollar bills for less money than I spent Friday buying the textbooks for one semester.

— Jens

Mailman

Today I saw a mailman back into a Buick and then drive off. My bus driver in elementary school also backed into something and drove off, but it was a mailbox instead of a Buick. I wonder what happens to my poor car when I'm not around?

— Greg

Got WD-40?

Today was the first time I've ridden my bike since last semester. Left out to deal with the elements all summer, it's a little rusty and stiff. I sounded ridiculous riding to class with all the creaking and clacking. I'll be surprised if I make it home today without the tires falling off.

— Jake

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Combatting ignorance on college campuses

Joanne Tucker Daily 49er, Cal State-Long Beach

People fear the words "I don't We fear uttering these words , when asked for answers. Instead of admitting the unthinkable we curve and dance around logic to make sure we still look smart with whatever answer we end up formulating. We elect people to run our nations who are experts at this artistically-friendly form of truth bending.

Science and technology are partly to blame for our relentless know-it-all mentalities. We run this planet, how could we not know something? But science is also what encourages us to be skeptical of what human culture constructs, which is exactly what I'm saying we need to do more of.

So many times in classes from the high school to collegiate level I have heard professors, students mostly, and academia as a whole, jump to wild conclusions simply because part of the puzzle is nonexistent in human knowledge. We may find these elusive answers to life someday, but why can't we admit until then that we just do not know?

An increasingly required act for students is to be skeptical. Research it for yourself. This requirement

has never really changed, but today where information sits at our fingertips, there is more bullshit to weed through. Don't get frustrated and believe what is easy to believe. Slippery slopes are easy to coast on the only problem is that they only spiral down and it's a long way back

If we let ourselves fall into these tightly departmentalized ideals of how everyone should be categorized, or how information should be interpreted, or how people should go about being tolerant of each other then truth is going to fly right on past us, and we will never have noticed. Who knows, maybe instead of tolerating each other we could actually like each other someday.

I once walked out of a class on the first day when the professor who thought it best to inform us what books were required the first day of class — assigned all literature written by her. Every book was bylined "Your Professor." I was immediately skeptical of anything this professor was planning on teaching me. This is not studying holistically with multiple sources. One book by "Your Professor" — great! They need the morale booster. Five books? ... I'll

take my brain elsewhere, it doesn't need to be washed and picked clean. I didn't return for Day 2

I am not going to specifically say everything I think people are ignorant of because we all have our different degradations. We all have the answers we cling to because a reasonable answer is unknown. We make nicely packaged answers instead. We each have our own misconceptions either instilled in us from our upbringing or from a conclusion we came to on our own that lies challengingly in our heads, logic-less. They just sit there drenched in fallacy.

We are at a pivotal point in world history. This era will surely take a chapter or two to explain in the text-books. Goals and the means to get them are shifting, many of which are seemingly good-intentioned, but we must always have questions and doubts about why ideas take par-ticular forms. Certainty is frequently filled with holes.

No longer should we march to our desks, jobs or graves apatheti-cally. If something has ever seemed just not quite right or settling, then maybe it's time to interrogate it and dig your knife into the problem. See ignorance for what it really is.

Condoms: Safe, fun longer on the market. This occurred not because it is a faulty material

academic year. It is quite exciting and full of wonderful possibilities. You might join a student organization or take part in a sport. You may reconnect with an old flame, lose your current flame or meet a new flame (and by flame, I do mean

romantic inter-

est). There are so

many things you can do during this

time. It is the time

have learned before.

to learn new and interest-

ing things. It is important

while learning new things

I find this especially true when it comes to sex.

Now is a time for you to

explore new avenues and

maintaining a foundation

of important information

new possibilities while

to fully enjoy yourself. For many, this is your

first experience of true

independence and you

are going to want to enjoy

that as much as you pos

sibly can. My advice to

you is to have as much

fun as you can but do so

wisely and with modera-tion. Too much of a good

thing but rather it can be

I love sex as much as

more), not just as a partici-pant in various activities

but also to talk and learn

ing adult toys because I

about sex. I enjoy research-

find it to be fun. However,

even for a person such as

myself, there are only so

a single evening before it

seems a bit excessive.

(at least to those who

know me) how much I

can be used for various

love condoms. While they

non-sexual games (making

balloon animals), they are

just as entertaining when used for sexual activities,

their real intention. One of my favorite things about

condoms is the seemingly

endless variations. Yes,

there are basic and good

for all intended purposes

condoms, but one should

experience the pleasure of a ribbed condom every so

often. If that is a bit mild

for your taste, seek differ-

ent colors, shapes, flavors,

or even try condoms with

lating or warming gel. Condoms do not have to be

boring.
Since I am on the topic

of my favorite thing, it

is important to point out

non-latex options to you.

I used to suggest polyure-thane condoms for those

with latex allergies. Many of you may have noticed

the increasing difficulty of

finding this material over

the past few months. It has

become obsolete and is no

additives such as stimu-

many dildos one can see in

It is a well known fact

most people (perhaps

overkill.

thing is not always a good

to remember the basics you

BEYOND THE SHEETS

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or product, but rather because of the discovery and utilization of an equally effective yet thinner and less expensive material. Poly-isoprene is the newest non-latex

material being used for condoms and is being met with much customer satisfaction. Remember

that lambskin condoms will only prevent pregnancy and nothing else. It is a porous material which allows virus and bacterial transmission.

Perhaps you do not have a sexual partner. That is still no reason to not enjoy the feel of various condoms. Yes, I really am suggesting masturbating while wearing a condom (referring specifically to male condoms in this situation). Some of you may cringe at such a notion, but be advised it can be quite enjoyable in various aspects. This can help alleviate any psychological blocks to condom use you may; have allowing you to perform while wearing a condom with a partner (condom induced erectile dysfunction is a real issue and can be solved). Further, you may find increased stamina by acclimating your body to the feel and sensation of the condom. One other benefit involves fluids. Self-contained messes are much easier to clean up

than others.

Some of you may be wondering why I am spouting off about condoms. Besides the obvious fun of it all, this is just what I do. I love talking about sex so much I have been granted the ability to do so every week. I am here for your use. Not only do I love to talk about sex and share information, but I do this quite a bit. I have worked in the adult industry (on the retail end) for several years, am working on my degree specifically focused on STD and HIV prevention and treatment, and run a HIV testing clinic on the weekends. I really know more than most should and I want to share it with you. That means if you have a question or need information but do not know who to ask, I am your guy. I will always give you all the information I can or send you in the right direction. So get in touch with me with your burning questions and thirst for sexual

knowledge. Have fun, be safe, and happy condom time. Have a question for Chris? Send your questions to arg-

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Youth vote surge started in 2000

Jason Kehe Daily Trojan, USC

Conjuring up in the collective mind of America's citizenry nasty images of fist-slamming old men frothing at the mouth over matters of precious little consequence, politics is so unsexy it's criminal. It's a crying shame, really, that this is so, because it means that politics fares most badly among the looks-obsessed — which is to say, among the young. Until now, right?

Obama is largely credited with giving politics its sexy back; young people rallied behind him in record numbers, elected him president and won back their political voice. Right?

Well, not exactly. Obama merely added a few drops of fuel to the fire, happily taking the credit given him by his loyal band of media followers for single-handedly igniting youth involvement in politics. Actually, that fire started in 2004, with sparks beginning to fly in 2000 — nearly a decade before the age of

Young people — by polling standards, 18- to 29-year-olds — have always had a curiously onagain, off-again relationship with politics, and are notoriously fickle in their voting trends: up in arms one minute, down for the count the next. In 1972, when the voting age was

lowered to 18, they made a particularly grand showing at the ballot box: 55 percent of 18- to 29-year-olds voted in that year's presidential election, according to the Center for Information and Research on Civic Learning and

Engagement.
There hasn't been that high a turnout since.

After a particularly dismal showing among young voters at the 1996 presidential election — some 39.6 percent — some-thing changed in 2000, a small uptick. Then in 2004, the fire came (back) to life: Nearly 50 percent of 18- to 29-year-olds voted in that year's presidential election, which CIRCLE estimates was an 11-point increase from 2000. The controversial Bush-Kerry race - hilariously lampooned by a brilliant Jib-Jab video, which quickly went viral and got kids everywhere talking politics coupled with inventive new outreach programs and shifts in attitudes essentially re-enfranchised a new generation of young

That was 2004.

We have since forgotten this original surge and focused solely on the one which came next, in 2008, which was actually considerably smaller - a fact largely ignored by the media.

Time Magazine called 2008 the "year of the youth vote," saying of Obama, "His campaign has become the first in decades - maybe in history — to be carried so far on the backs of the young." The media lavished on the praise, raising its collective hands in exultation and praising Obama for doing the seemingly impossible:

getting us to care. Undoubtedly, Barack Obama's early victories in the Democratic state primaries last year, especially in Iowa, were due in large part to the youth vote, and no one can say otherwise. But given the exorbitant fuss made over the socalled "youthquake" his campaign supposedly en-gendered — a breezy term the media couldn't get enough of — one might have expected a record turnout during the actual election among young voters. Alas, no: Gallup polling found "little evidence of a surge in young voter turnout beyond what it was in 2004.

Why, then, does Obama get all the credit for galvanizing the youth of America? Part of it is that the surge in 2004 was underreported while the "surge" in 2008 — which in reality was but a couple more percentage points, if that — was vastly overreported. The media wasn't exactly enraptured by Bush or Kerry, but Obama was another story, a new breed of politician, so fresh (and fresh-faced) with his

message of change and

Who is this

Why don't I

understand

anything he

audacity of hope that if anything good happened in American politics, there was really only one man to whom credit was indubitably due.

There were other reasons for Obama's (perhaps undue) lionization among the young, chief being that he was running as a Democrat, and — for better or worse --- most newly politicized young people are also often Democrats. Democrats have an easier time gain-ing young converts. It's no secret that the young tend to be more idealistic; not surprisingly, the increase in the youth vote from 2004 to 2008 mostly favored the Democrats - though John McCain's stodginess might be partly to blame for that.

And so it goes: Obama

But really, should we care who gets the credit?

Honestly, probably not, and Obama would be the first to say that it matters less what caused the surge in youth voting than the surge in youth voting itself. Time will tell if this trend continues. Hopefully it will. In the meantime, we can rejoice in our newfound civicmindedness (or more than half of us can), thank a decade of politicians who decided we mattered and hope the flame continues to burn a while longer.

Politics might just be sexy yet.

PRESIDENT

from page A10 don't get any more comprehensible. The titles are like papers unto themselves. I committed myself to

reading these things, though, so I worked my way through as much as I could find. Yet the more I read the more questions I had. Who is this Duane Nellis? Why don't I understand anything he writes? Just who does he think he's impressing by loading up his papers with ten-dollar words and technical

jargon? Nellis is a world-renowned geographer, which doesn't sound like much until you hear about the space age computer stuff that goes into being a geographer these days.

So how about some descriptions of satellites screaming through space and firing lasers or whatever back at the earth? Wouldn't that read a little better than "the

third analysis used a GIS overlay technique to compare the area of the water surface for each of the four dates with the flood pool as marked on U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangles"? Yawn! Someone get Tom Clancy on the phone.

writes? I confess to not having read many scholarly journal articles, but surely most of them aren't so dry and devoid of action. Does he really have to spend so much time talking about how he calculated

such and such? Why all the charts and graphs? Either I've fallen asleep and awoken in a world where things like the "ERDAS ISODATA algorithm" are common knowledge,

or our new president likes to make difficult subjects seem as difficult Duane Nellis? as they are.

In either case, I think next time we should give a non-egghead a shot at running the university. Someone like Nellis may know the ins-and-outs of academia and have a vast

store of subject-specific expertise, but would you really want to sit down and have a beer with the guy? I mean, it's like governing a country — can't be that hard, right?

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find hard to understand.

Date NSA- SPST 2MOR. PLMK. Translation: Date no strings attached — same place same time tomorrow. Please let me know.

Is this where we are headed - electronic relationships with no real communication? We need to stop typing and start writing. It's like riding a bike; it all comes back to you. The tools are not hard to find. The bookstore on campus sells everything you need. I am not suggesting people have to go completely old school and use pencils that need to be sharpened. By all means use a mechanical pencil, or even a pen if you are so inclined. Just write. Send a letter to your mom. Send one to your friend. Get a pen pal. You will be surprised at how much delight you find in getting a letter in return. No one is immune to the anticipation of mail, especially when it is actually addressed to you and not 'occupant'.

I vow to choose 'snail mail' over e-mail more often

than not, but I cannot save the post office alone. Everyone must make his or her best effort, even if the price of a stamp could buy almost an hour of parking on campus.

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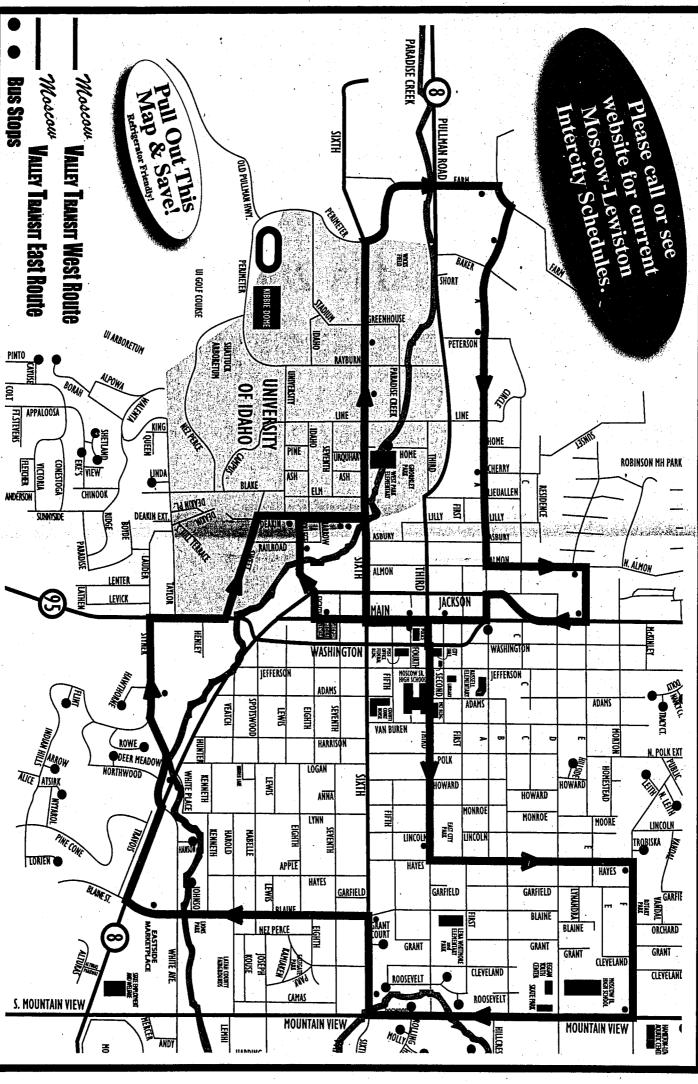
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Refreshing variety of entertainment

Palousafest 2009 - music, laughter and a good time for new students

Kelcie Moseley Argonaut

As the crowd dispersed to the Tower Lawn and dusk settled over campus at Palousafest, comedian John Mulaney took the stage and informed his audience, "My name is John Mulaney, I have lots of hilarious things to say and we're going to have a lot of fun tonight." The comedian was the first of three acts at the event, and was the perfect way to kick off the evening's entertainment, as he brought the audience in with his sardonic humor and wit.

During the course of his career, Mulaney, a cast member on VH1's "Best Week Ever," has appeared on several late-night talk shows, including Conan O'Brien, and is currently a writer for "Saturday Night Live."

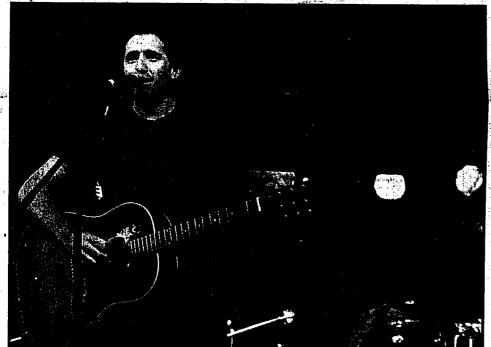
Mulaney kept the promise he'd made by entertaining a crowd filled mostly with freshman with dry comments on goths, drinking too much, "Law and Order" and much more.

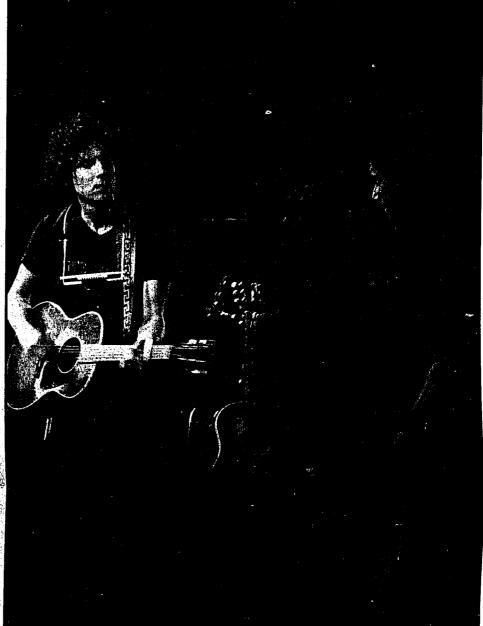
He also interviewed two new University of Idaho students on stage about their plans for college. The first student, Daniel Torres, told Mulaney he was an international studies major living in Wallace this year. Mulaney joked not only about Wallace, but the idea of majoring in international studies in Northern Idaho.

"It was nerve-wracking, but fun at the same time," Torres said. Finishing his act with a story

Finishing his act with a story about driving diner customers to insanity with a jukebox, Mulaney surrendered the stage to folk musician Jeremy Fisher.

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(above) Canadian musician Jeremy Fisher performs on stage during Palousafest Saturday on the Tower Lawn Fisher is known for creating the stop-motion video for his song "Cigarette" that became a viral phenomenon.

(left) Internationally recognized songwriter and singer Joshua Radin also performed at Palousafest. Radin signed with Columbia Records and debuted his album "We Were Here" in 2006.

GEEK IS SEXY

WoW "Cataclysm" will be epic

Expansion shows promise with new playable goblins, worgen

I'm not shy to admit I'm a newbie when it comes to World of Warcraft. My highest character is level 24, and though I've been playing for

about a year, my enthusiasm for it comes and goes. However, with the new expansion coming out in 2010, I think I will have a new love for the game.

"Cataclysm,"
the new expansion,
was previewed at
BlizzCon, which
took place last
weekend in Anaheim. Blizzard
announced the

announced the addition of two new playable races: goblins for the Horde

and worgen for the Alliance.
Goblins are nothing new.
They built Orgrimmar, one of
the largest Horde cities, and
run the zeppelins that take
Horde players from continent to continent. They are
motivated by greed and selfinterest, and have remained
neutral to maximize profiteering from both factions. The
playable goblins are but one

tribe of many in the goblin race, which could prove complicated for the rest of the neutral goblin population.

WoW players have limited experience with worgen. Worgen are pretty much only seen in the Shadowfang Keep instance, as their home city of Gilneas was sealed. They are basically werewolves, and since they used to be humans, it makes sense for them to have ties to the Alliance.

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uidaho.edu I want to be a goblin. They're green, tiny and ble sassy. I'm excited to role de play as a goblin because ce. they love money and are extremely cutthroat. A goblin would probably sell his, or her, mother into slavery for

Chava Thomas

Argonaut

the right price.
In addition to the new races, Blizzard announced major changes to Kalimdor and Eastern Kingdoms.
Deathwing has risen from Deepholm and reforged the world with fire and brimstone,



Courtesy Art A night elf watches a burning village in the latest expansion to World of Warcraft. The expansion will be released in 2010.

splitting continents in half and flooding old regions with both water and lava. Apocalypse? Sounds good to me.

Blizzard also announced new race, and class, combinations, some of them more logical than others. Troll druids and blood elf warriors — awesome – tauren paladins and night elf mages
— weird.

A lot of time will pass before the new expansion is released, but I'm already anticipating the new content. Until then, I'm going to try to get my main up to level 80 so I can enjoy all the new content. Wish me luck.

Familiar school accessories help college transition

Starting college can be a little intimidating. First, you go from being the top dog at your high school to being the small fish in a big, or sometimes huge, pond. Second, you have no idea what to expect from classes because people constantly tell you it is so much different than high school. And third, you're alone — you don't have your parents there with you and, for the most part, you don't have the friends you grew up with either. So here's a list of five items to help ease the transition from high school to college.



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5. Planner

A planner will help you keep your classes organized, turn your homework in on time (or plan for tests and quizzes) and be a familiar object in the school setting. Many times high schools will require students to buy school planners, and some teachers will even grade students on how they are using the planners. The University of Idaho doesn't require planners, and it's not a grade, but it does offer UI planners for students to purchase in the bookstore. It's a small similarity that can easily make a big difference in the transition process.

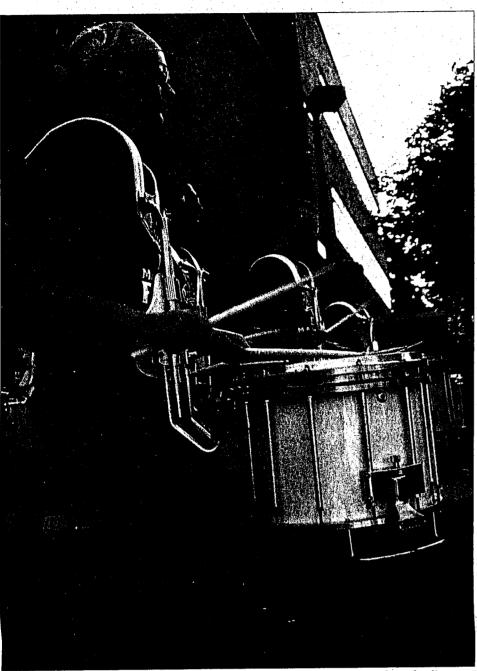
4. Walking shoes

Good walking shoes might seem silly, but Ul's campus is nowhere near level, since it is located on

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DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

Artistic fields stimulate passionate atmosphere



The drumline of the Vandal Marching Band marches down the Campus Mall during Palousafest Saturday. The band routinely changes its playlist for Vandal games.

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Chair of theater arts

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Music plays on director's heart strings.

Ashley Centers

Music runs deep in the blood and throughout the soul of the director of the Lionel Hampton School of Music Kevin Woelfel, and he hopes to share that deep love and appreciation of music with every person -music major or notwho walks through his office doors.

"I started playing the trumpet over 36 years ago, and decided almost immediately that music would be a huge part of my life,"
Woelfel said. "I haven't
looked back since."

With music as his calling, Woelfel started playing gigs in the Inland Northwest at 16, and playing professionally as a member of the Spokane Symphony at 19. Over the years and after a plethora of opportunities all across the country, Woelfel eventually found himself back at home in the Northwest. He previously worked at the University of Colorado.

"I'm always looking for opportunities, and already thought the world of the University of Idaho, and so when one opened up I threw my hat in the ring, Woelfel said.

Three years later he

doesn't regret the decision.
Woelfel said the biggest challenge for himself, the department and even the university in the least of the said the sa the university in the last couple of years has been overcoming financial difficulties. Woelfel also said he tries to create a positive

learning experience for his students — no matter what life on the outside may hold for them.

"What makes it all worth it for me is when a student graduates with competence and a look of confidence in their eyes," Woelfel said, "That's when you know that you've done something right."

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el's job is emotional, given his desire for students to succeed. "When

a student comes into my office you can just see them fallapart ing and know that you can help only them so much," Woelfsaid. "Those are

the days that I go home and have to find peace knowing that I've done all that I can.'

The music department has a full schedule during the 2009-10 academic year and Woelfel can't wait for it to get started. Projects include renovations to the recital hall, which has not been touched since its construction in October 1954, along with many recitals, concerts and other events for both the marching band

and choirs.
Woelfel said the marching band is probably the most well known part of the music department because they perform during the football games.

"What makes the marching band remarkable is that they don't just play the same pieces every week," Woelfel said. "Instead the

ferent show every time. keeps things ex-

citing." UI's music department currently has graduates working for Disney as well as professional operas and orchestras all over the world. According to Woelfel, UI graduates are also

most sought out and awardwinning music teachers in the Northwest.

"Only join the music department if you want to because it takes a lot of commitment and passion and the degree is diffi-cult," Woelfel said. "You'll probably practice more than you'll ever want to. Regardless, knowing something about music enhances the quality of life and will give you a lifelong friend in itself."

Theater creates expressive outlet for performing artists

Ashley Centers Argonaut

With a flair for the dramatic and a passion and love for everything theater, Dean Panttaja, chair of theatre

arts is excited for what the theatre department has planned for plays and entertainment during the 2009-10 academic year.

"Theater may seem like an odd little art form," Panttaja said, "but it allows people, and in our case students, to express themselves. It teaches skills like problem solving, critical thinking and networking in a fun, easy to understand manner. Theater very much so does apply to

the real world.' Panttaja and the rest of the theatre department know what they're doing more than one University of Idaho alumnus has gone on to hit it big. The most recognizable of the alum-

ni would be Bill Fagerbakke, who played Dauber on the 80's sitcom "Coach" and is currently the voice of "Patrick the Starfish" on "SpongeBob Squarepants.

The curriculum for theater stu-

dents is generalized during their freshman and sophomore years. According to Panttaja, this is because no matter what aspect of theater a student is going into, everybody has to know the basics and they are covered in the first two years of school. Starting their junior year, students are allowed to branch off into different

fields within theater. Panttaja's specializations lie in lighting and design, but he said after many years in the business he's pretty much

done it all.

According to Panttaja, the outcome of all of the hard work the theatre majors do all semester long is entertainment the whole campus and community can enjoy-in the

form of plays.

People like to be entertained and that's the nature of our business," Panttaja said. "The dramas tend to get overshadowed by the comedies duction because that's what people want to see, but the dramas are my favorite to work with."

Like most, if not every other department on campus, the theater department has also been affected by the economy and current financial difficulties, but that doesn't mean they can just drop everything until the hard times are over.

"Financial cutbacks have affected the way we look at casting roles and costuming those roles mostly," Panttaja said. "We're look-ing at shows that have less scenery demands and making wise choices with the resources that we have available to us.'

The theatre department will produce four shows this semester.

For more information on the department or any of the shows, go to the UI website, or contact Dean Panttaja at 208-885-6636.



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Jett Bingman, left, leads blindfolded Emily Schacher around while doing an acting exercise in David Lee-Painter's Basics of Performing class Monday.

Passion, understanding key elements in art department's goal for student success

Ashley Centers Argonaut

A wise man once said art gives life

Well, if that's the case then Moscow, especially the University of Idaho, provides a meaningful life for each of its residents and students. They create a place where students can thrive and develop a passion for all things art, which is what Bill Woolston, chairman of the Department of Art & Design said he and the rest of his department strive for.

"The whole idea in what we do is that we're creating—through lectures and the studio culture—enlightened integrators,"

Woolston said.

According to Woolston, enlightened integration happens by bringing the students closer to the art and helping them, in a sense, become one with their artwork.

The art department consists of more

than just one form of art. An undergraduate student wanting to pursue art at UI has nine different majors | ston said. There are nearly 200 undergrad and grad majors in the art program and many classes have waitlists

to choose from including architecture, art education and virtual technology and design, and others. There are also master's programs for graduate students.

I transferred here for the art (and architecture) department," said Landon DeFelice, a sophomore architecture major from Spokane. "It offers a more general sense of design but at the same time lets you be more artistic and gives you the freedom to be creative."

The art classes are a hot commodity, which makes things even harder, Wool-

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WOOLSTON

Chairman of A & A department

with five to 15 people on them. Woolston said while he is satisfied with the number of students interested in the art program, he can't help but have some anxiety over how everything will turn out in the end.

That anxiety hasn't stopped the College of Art and Architecture from taking the necessary steps to grow, change and develop over time. Woolston has worked on campus for 36 years-in the School of Communications before it was dissolved in 2003, and then in his current position-and has seen

the College of Art and Architecture pick up enough speed to be reactivated and renamed in October 2005. According to Woolston, the course offerings of the department have changed just as much dur-

Keith Bickford, a graduate student from San Juan, Puerto Rico, said that is why UI's

art department is a perfect fit for him.
"I want to do things that matter instead of lining the CEO's pockets with more money," Bickford said. "We already do that enough in other areas and school helps me stay focused on the things that

really matter. Bickford said green building and sustainable living and development are important to him and at the core of his goals as an architecture major.

No matter whose mouth it comes from, it is safe to say both faculty members and students share the same goals and ideas within the College of Art and Architecture.

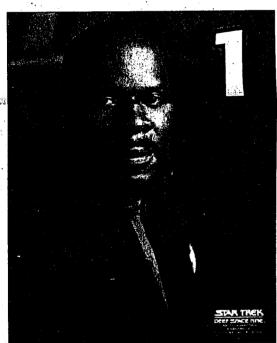
THRILL THE NIGHT AWAY



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Vandal Marching Band members practicing their new routine to Michael Jackson's "Thriller" Friday on the University of Idaho Administration Building Lawn.

Sisko ranked number one on Trek eaptains top five list



Courtesy Photo

Captain Sisko (Deep Space Nine)

Of all the series, Deep Space Nine was the most character driven. Nine times out of ten, DS9 was about relationships, with maybe some sci-fi technobabble to make it more interesting. Sisko, more than anyone else, had a dynamic seven year run, from being thrown into the middle of a recently demilitarized zone to becoming a religious prophet to being a single dad ... all in the first episode. For that, and for taking his acting to the Shatner line but not quite crossing it, he wins.



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Captain Archer (Enterprise)

I'm a massive, massive Trekkie. I don't know. anyone who's a bigger Trekkie than me besides my dad, and I'm going to be honest: I've never seen a single episode of Enterprise. Being somewhere without TV for the duration of its run didn't help. So since I know nothing about it, I'll have to make up reasons Scott Bakula comes in last place: Scott Bakula? More like Scott Drakula. Starfleet may be really accepting (they let Wesley Crusher in) but I don't think they'd take kindly to vampires. I heard there was a hot Vulcan, but there's only one hot Vulcan for me, and her name's Saavik. Not the Robin Curtis Saavik, the Kirstie Alley one.

Captain Picard (The Next Generation)

Nerd Trivia: ST: TNG is what Gene Roddenberry, the creator of Star Trek, wanted to make in the first place. Now that he had a big budget and network confidence, he could make it. Captain Jean-Luc Picard, the French-born man with the English inflection, led his great circus of drama expertly for seven years and four movies. He fought battles, yes, but he also portrayed many a literary character on the holodeck, which Microsoft Word tells me isn't a word ... yet. He just found more variety in his adventures and I appreciated that - when you turned on the TV for the week's episode, you didn't know if you were going to get a techno-thriller or a romantic comedy, or both. So I love me some Peek-



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Captain Kirk (Star Trek)

kie nerds out there yelling in dis-

by who bedded more alien women than James Bond (I'm convinced

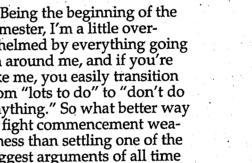
Halle Berry is not human). I'm sim-

not sure Billy Shatner's now-famous overacting is what made that show so interesting. It was how the show dealt with modern issues in a sci-fi venue, using allegory and drama to tell contemporary stories, but with phasers. Don't get me wrong, I love everyone on this list (beside Archer) But I think Kirk and his ham-fisted fight scenes made for less interest-

ing TV than Captain Picard.

I can hear the twelve other Trek-

Being the beginning of the semester, I'm a little overwhelmed by everything going on around me, and if you're like me, you easily transition from "lots to do" to "don't do anything." So what better way to fight commencement weariness than settling one of the biggest arguments of all time (for nerds): here is my Top Five Star Trek Captains.





Courtesy Photo

(Voyager)

Maybe I'm sexist, but it seemed to me like every episode of Voyager came down to some touchy-feely conflict that only Janeway's feminine intuition could solve. And Chakotay ... seriously? He goes from freedom-fighting renegade to her poodle plaything in the first episode, and never looked back. Spock and Kirk fought more than that, and their sexual tension was far more entertaining.

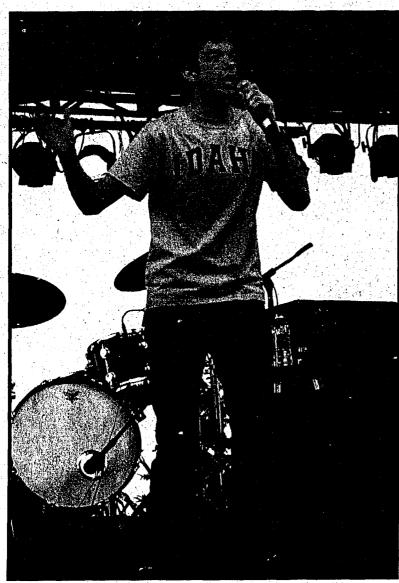


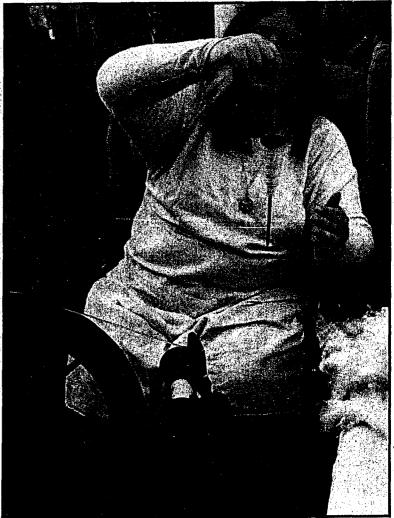
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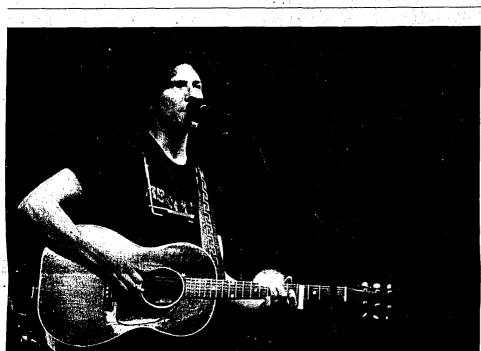
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Comedian John Mulaney performs on stage during Palousafest 2009 on the Theophilus Tower lawn.





Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut Information Fair Tabling during the Palousafest on Sturday afternoon. This year over 150 tables representing students organizations, campus offices and regional businesses were providing information for students.



Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut Jeremy Fisher performed Saturday night at Palousafest at the Theophilus Tower lawn, between comedy from John Mulaney and another set from Joshua Radin and his band.

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Fisher said.

While he seemed nervous at first, Fisher settled into his performance and started to look more comfortable with the venue. His songs were mellow and acoustic, and much of the sound was reminiscent of oldies like Bob Dylan.

Fisher, a 32-year-old musician from Hamilton, Ontario, started playing the guitar when he was 12 and began performing at 16. Fisher said he was used to playing for very small audiences, much smaller than Saturday's crowd.

While he said he didn't go to college himself, Fisher said he enjoyed

"It's awesome, I love it here," Fisher said. "Makes me almost want to go to college if I didn't have to do any work.'

Fisher advised college students to enjoy the time they spend here with people who are interested in the same things. For music students in particular, Fisher told them

to join choir and learn the piano.
"Every last one of you, join the choir,"

After performing a Peter Gabriel cover, Fisher signed off with a wish for the Chess team and an "FU" to BSU. Both sentiments went over well with the crowd.

The slight disappointment of the night came with Joshua Radin, who started off by admitting to the crowd that Saturday's performance was the first one he'd done sober. That fact may have contributed to the slightly dull set he played.

Radin's voice may be soothing and easy to listen to, but he tended to use the same general sounds and chord progressions to mark his music. By the second or third song, it was difficult to tell if the first song had actually ended, or if it was one continuous piece.

However, one highlight came with a song Radin wrote in Europe last week while it was raining "every single day," he said. His performance of that song painted a perfect picture of a rainy landscape, and the way the notes he sang reverberated off the buildings in the street was a beautiful effect. It didn't fully make up for the lackluster performance, but it helped.

This year's kickoff party didn't start with a bang, but it did start with a few laughs and some quality music, which is just as satisfying.

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on the "rolling hills of the Palouse." When you're try-ing to find your classes in the chaotic first couple of days, you definitely want shoes you will be able to move in quickly. This is also fairly essential when the snow begins to fall, and if you're not prepared with good shoes, you will most likely end up landing on your butt.

3. A backpack

This seems a little obvious, but a good backpack is important. There may be some days when you need to carry three, four, or even more books, in addition to notebooks, paper, pens, etc. A good

backpack can relieve a lot of stress, both emotionally and physically. If you have a good backpack you will not need to worry about whether or not you can pack all your stuff, or that it will be too heavy and strain your back.

2. Cell phone

Most university students, and even those younger, have cell phones nowadays — they're an important accessory to college life. Cell phones can easily become your connection to the outside world – that is, the world before college. You are able to communicate with your parents, other family members and your friends who have gone to other schools. Any time you're feeling alone, all you have to do is call or text and you will be able

to reconnect to something familiar and comforting.

1. Computer

A computer is pretty essential for class and doing school work, but it is also incredibly essential for socializing and communicating. Your computer can, and most likely will, become your life support. Your computer makes it possible to talk with your family and friends via e-mail, social networking sites, instant messaging and webcam conversations. It also allows you to see pictures and videos of them and vice versa. Your computer serves multiple purposes, and is the number one accessory that will help make the transition from high school to college easier.

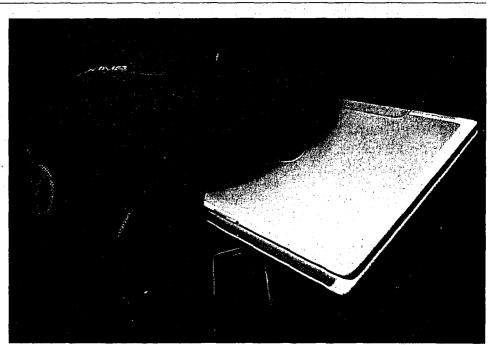


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A computer, a good backpack, and a cell phone are among the familiar items that can help new students transition into college life.

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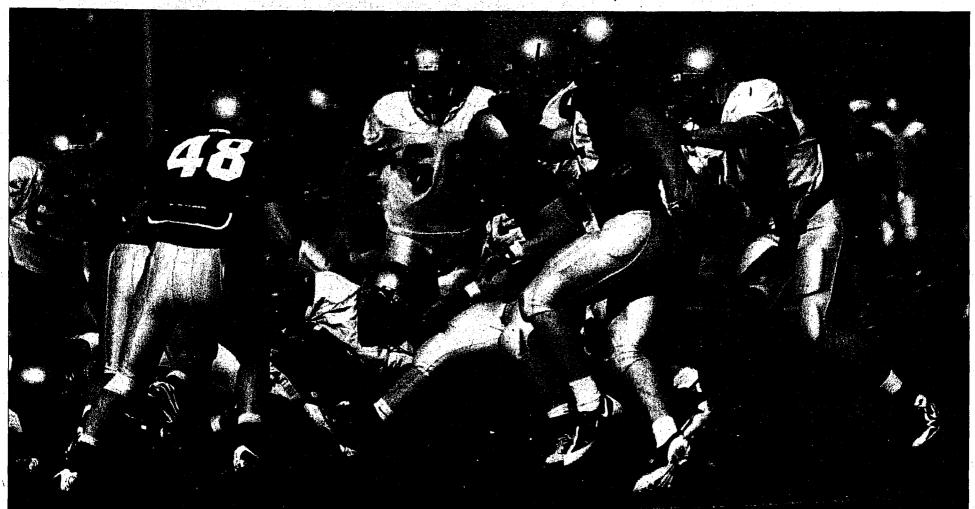
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The offense and defense scramble for the ball as an Idaho running back gains yards in the Vandals third scrimmage of summer camp Sunday, Aug. 23.

Offense outshines defense

Jennifer Schlake Argonaut

While the defense has made great comeback plays in the last two scrimmages, it running back Deonte Jackson and sophowas the offense that dominated the Vandal football scrimmage Sunday.

By the end of the day, the defense just couldn't keep up, leaving the offense with eight touchdowns and one field goal.

Before the game, head coach Robb Akey predicted one side of the ball was going to dominate the other, but he was unsure who

would show up. "I thought our offense played well to-day," Akey said. "We had big plays in the running game and big plays in the throw-

Akey was still unhappy with the number of penalties that occurred, which included four false starts and three calls on the offense for holding.

"I didn't want to see penalties out there," Akey said. "I want that to be cleaner than

more Corey White. On Sunday, Jackson ran for 57 yards and scored three touchdowns while White ran for 38 yards and scored one touchdown.

The competition between the two is mere child's play.

Both players are from Las Vegas, Nev. and are roommates at UI.

White said there is always competition between Jackson and him.

"The rushing attack is going to be there," White said. "We do it together. We're like a two-headed monster."

But right behind the rushing dominance was senior Devon Sturdivant, who led the running backs with 12 carries for 132 yards. With quick feet, he broke tackles and ran

the most at 66 yards for his only touchdown of the afternoon.

Along with the rushing team, it was no surprise quarterbacks Nathan Enderle and Brian Reader were in charge.

Enderle threw 4 for 5 for a total of 129 vards and Reader not far behind him with 7 for 9 for a total of 122 yards.

But even after the success of the offense, Akey is continuously looking for

improvement.

"As a coach you always want a little more," Akey said. "I'm happy about the progress that we made today

The defense did give up a lot of touchdowns, but they were able to add three sacks and eight tackles for a total of 19 yards lost.

Even though the defense lacked some competition, the players are still confident

they'll be ready to play on game day.
"We are doing our best," said linebacker

Conrad Scheidt. "We didn't have the best scrimmage but we're going to get better and we're moving on.'

White looks to the success of the offense as a learning tool for the defense.

'The more balanced we are playing against the defense, the better it is for them to get after other offenses in the WAC, White said.

As school started yesterday, Akey looks

ahead to the first game in a couple of weeks.
"I think the team is chomping at the bit," Akey said. "They are showing they want to play against somebody else instead of each other all the time."

Now that most of the scrimmages are out of the way, Akey is sure he has the lineup all set to go and the team is ready to play.

Akey said to open with a conference game is like "gasoline on a bonfire."

They play their first game Sept. 5 at New Mexico State in Las Cruces.

Vandals soccer drop pener agains

Ilya Pinchuk Argonaut

Playing before 1,007 people, the third largest crowd to ever attend a Washington State University home game, the Vandals lost their season opener 3-0 Friday afternoon.

The young Vandals team, with seven true freshmen in its starting lineup, was dominated by a deep and experienced WSU squad.

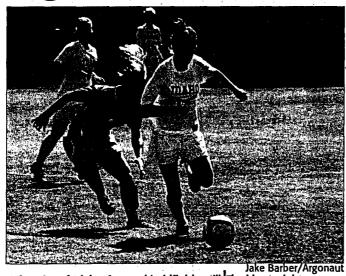
Ranked 21st in the nation, WSU took control of the game early and Idaho never kept up.

There were lots of nerves in the first half of the game,' said defender Sari Morrison, one of four returning seniors. The communication was not as good as it should have

The Cougars took full advantage of the Vandals' shaky start with sharp, crisp passes into the Vandals' zone, and barraged goalkeeper Liz Boyden from all angles. Their offensive effort paid dividends early, when Brandi Vega took a breakaway pass and beat Boyden one-onone from four yards out to score

the first goal of the game. Sensing blood, WSU continued to press their attack and was rewarded in the 30th minute when Kiersten Dallstream intercepted a pass, beat her defender and fired a shot from eight yards out that beat Boyden. Only two minutes later, WSU struck again from 12 yards out, giving them a 3-0 lead.

With WSU dictating the play, the Vandals' offense never had a chance to set up and managed only four shots in the first half, with only one



University of Idaho forward/midfielder Jill Flockhart, right, moves the ball down the field as Washington State University midfielder Melanie Johnston gives chase. The Vandals lost to WSÚ 3-0.

of those shots being registered on goal, while WSU had 11.

Putting the disastrous first half behind them, the Vandals came out strong in the second. Lead by a drastically improved defense, they kept WSU off the scoreboard for the rest of the

"We had a chat at halftime, and the team responded very well," said coach Peter Showl-er. "We kept the second half at 0-0 and played with more vigor and shape."

Boyden led with outstand-

ing plays and several key stops including a penalty kick in the 46th minute and a diving save off of WSU's Caeli Abeyta, who twirled around two defenders and fired a hard shot on goal, tightening up the defense.

The Vandal offense re-

mained ineffective, with many errant passes going wide of

their target. The Vandals registered no shots during the second half, despite a late game surge.

Spurred by a late-game steal by Cassandra San, the Vandal offense put WSU on the defense and showed life in the last ten minutes of the game. Showler was impressed, despite the drastically low number of shots.

The Vandals were outshot 21-4 overall, and Boyden fin-

ished with seven saves. "They were creating opportunities throughout the game, against a nationally ranked team, just not finishing them," Showler said. "What we want to do is build on the second half and keep creating those opportunities against other teams, but find a way to finish."

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Mount McKinney

Lisa Short Argonaut

The end of Anna McKinney's career at the University of Idaho is off to a great start. McKinney graduated with a bachelor's degree in history last. semester and is finishing up a bachelor's degree in political science with a French minor this semester. Accompanying her academic success, McKinney is gearing up for another exciting season on the court.

McKinney was named preseason all-WAC first team, and although she had an impressive year last year, she is plan-

ning for another knock-out season. I look at it as more of a challenge. I now need to fill my role on the all-WAC first team," McKinney

said about the honor. The middle blocker from Federal Way, Wash., finished last year ranked 12th in the nation and first in the WAC. Averaging 1.42 blocks a game, McKinney is an offensive weapon as well, with a hitting percentage of .287. McKinney was named all-WAC second team last year. She set an Idaho record with 13 block assists in one game last season and plans to remain a defensive force.

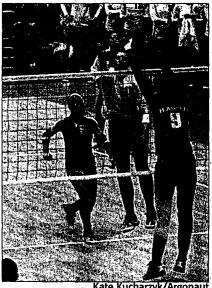
Knowing how great it feels to get a kill, McKinney said it is that much more exciting to take it away from the other team with a dominating block.

Soon to be graduating, McKinney knows every moment on the court counts.

"It's a surreal feeling," McKinney said about her final season. "I know I have to put everything I have into everything we do, or I know I'll re-

gret it later." In the end, McKinney is hoping to have more outstanding statistics, not only as a blocker but as a leading offensive player. More importantly, she wants to work hard as a team and see success in doing so.

Since this is her last season with the Vandals, McKinney is looking forward to seeing how far she can



Anna McKinney spikes the ball over the net during a Nov. 8, 2008 volleyball game against the University of Hawai'i.

push herself and her team this season. It's a priority for her to not only play her hardest, but make sure she is a leader to the team and help push her teammates.

"The new players are bringing a lot of talent and energy to the team, making returning players push themselves harder and really increasing the level of play for our whole team," said McKinney.

The excitement is building with an intense offseason and preseason and the whole team is ready to get going.

Even with all the energy, they hope fans can match and elevate it. Memorial Gym is known as being one of the most hated gyms to play in for opponents in the WAC because the Vandal fans bring such a high level of enthusiasm and support to Idaho teams.

McKinney hopes fans can help them start the season off strong. The first home game isn't until October, but the few games they have nearby could really use Vandal support.

Tennis players receive honors

Jennifer Schlake
Argonaut

Behind all the stats and records, most fans don't get to see the academic successes of most UI athletes.

But this year, before the uproar of the season, four

"It is

great to

squads

see players

represented"

BEAMAN

Idaho Director of tennis

from both

tennis players were honored for their success off the court.

Robert Chalkley and Timothy Huyhn from the men's team and Daniela Cohen and Barbara Machiocha from the women's team earned the Scholar Athlete honor from the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

In order to earn the honor, a player must be a varsity letter winner with a grade point average of at least 3.5.

"It is great to see players from both squads represented on the Scholar Athlete teams," Idaho Director of Tennis Jeff Beaman said. "It is definitely something to strive for. It's a model that tennis players focus on something other than tennis."

Chalkley who was the cocaptain for the men's team last season, graduated with

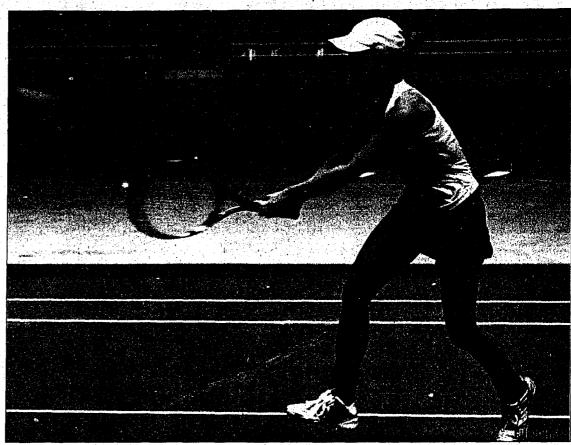
a bachelor's degree in business and a master's degree in man-

agement.

Huyhn was also the co-captain of the men's team last season and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business. He moved back to Australia to work for the family business.

Cohen is entering her senior year and was a critical part of the women's team last

Machiocha is also returning for the 2009 season and was tied for the team lead in doubles wins with 17.



University of Idaho junior Barbara Maciocha practices in the Kibbie Dome on March 3. Maciocha is one of four UI tennis players to win this year's Scholar Athlete honor fron the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

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Vandals vs. Seattle brief Contributed by Jennifer Schlake Argonaut

Heading to Seattle after a loss against WSU, Idaho only had one choice but to improve. Only losing the game by one goal, the Vandals held on tight to the competition as the statistics showed their fight.

When junior Mel Canite kicked in what could have been the first goal of the game, officials had called an offside infraction, causing the goal to be taken away. Although Idaho was earned a penalty kick later in the game, they weren't able to capitalize on that either. "We were disappointed not to win that game," Showler said. "In the first half we were will nill. and we turned it on a little more in the second half." Showler said the team just had one of those days but he's taking the opportunity to learn something from it. "We just gotta be mentally focused," Showler said. "We need to be ready to push through that next level and know what it takes to win games." The Vandals will face their first home game of the season 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30.



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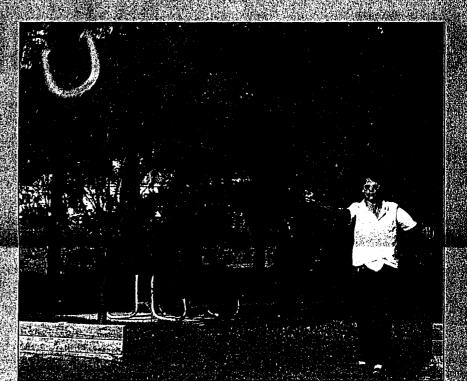
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Jake Barber/Argonaut Alex Vigil tosses a horseshoe behind the Student Recreation Center during an intramural horseshoe throwing competition Sept. 5, 2008.

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Thursday, Aug. 27
Sand Volleyball tournament entry deadline

Friday, Aug. 28

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Saturday, Aug. 29

Sand Volleyball tournament Volleyball @ Fullerton, Calif. (vs. Lamar) Volleyball @ Fullerton, Ca-

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Sunday, Aug. 30

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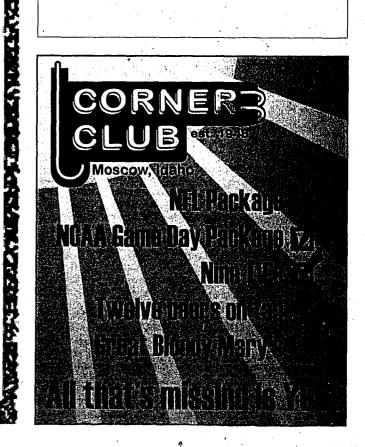
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Notes from around National League

Amazin' misfortune

The current iteration of the New York Mets are nearly as bad as the new G.I. Joe film. They're real bad. Every time they take the field, it's like watching a bad little league team

play a game against a Major League Baseball team that, for some reason, has an axe to grind with them.

Unlike the last two seasons, the seemingly perennial aversion to the playoffs is a result of injuries. First it was Carlos Delgado. A hip injury sent him packing on May 10, and there's no telling when he's coming back. Jose Reyes joined the party next, going down with a hamstring problem. Carlos Beltran? Knee issue. J.J. Putz? Elbow problem. Oliver Perez?

Tendinitis in the knee (though this could be more of a case of stashing a grossly inefficient pitcher on the disabled list so he can work out his kinks on a minor league team).

The list goes on and on, mostly with some less key players, but you get the point. When the Mets are healthy, they're a good team. The top players on that team are some of the elite at their respective positions. The lack of balance leaves the Mets where they are right now-15 and a half games behind the division-leading Phillies — although a few boneheaded moves by management certainly aren't helping either; I'm looking at you, Jeff Francoeur.

The Mets went into this season as the same team they were last year, just with a few better bullpen arms. I even

thought they had a chance at making the playoffs as a wildcard team behind the Phillies. The amount of bad luck surrounding the Mets is epic for a sport that holds dear the Billy Goat and the Bambino.

Making it look easy

Let's hear it for Tim Lincecum. Really. He's not yet in **Greg Connolly** his peak years, but already he plays a game that only a few select others do, players like Albert Pujols or Mariano Rivera.

> He's playing in a division marked by good offense except for his team, which has an offense that couldn't hit its way out of a blackjack game. Most of the time, things like steady run support doesn't matter to Lincecum. Just hit a sac fly and call it a day when he's on the mound.

> He's on pace to beat last year's strikeout total; to post a lower earned run average; to pitch more innings and to walk less batters. His gaudy video game numbers are the best. He may not get enough votes for the Cy

Young this year — purely because his win totals are lower than they would be on a team with a respectable offense — but he's the most deserving by leaps and bounds.

Pedro Pedro Martinez is a 37-year-old pitcher with a history of shoulder and arm issues. Granted he was the most dominant pitcher of the late 1990s, ten years and a balky body can do a lot to derail your career;

In his three starts as a fightin' Phil, he's given up eight runs in 14 innings. The Pedro Martinez that outpitched everyone is dead and gone. He hasn't been right since 2005 and he hasn't een great since 2003.

just ask Jason Giambi.

Martinez is slipping away, fall-ing face first into scrapheap territory with the likes of Sidney Ponson and Bruce Chen. His pedigree will forever be better than what they bring to the

table, but the magic is gone.

The Phillies signed Martinez to try and shore up the back of their rotation. Joe Blanton was pitching well, but Cole Hamels is having an off year after being tremendously overworked in 2008 and Cliff Lee wasn't a permanent part of the Phillies staff when they picked up Martinez.

As a stopgap on a Phillies team with a dynamic offense that calls a bandbox home, Martinez is passable. Anything more is unrealistic at this point.

under the padding of the wall. Center fielder Shane

Victorino threw his hands

up, looking for a ground-rule double, as Pagan slowed into third, but second base umpire Rob Drake allowed play to go

on and Pagan raced home

for his first career inside-

the-park homer.

The worst form of betrayal

Someone please, pull contract with the Jets, the the knife out of my back. As a Green Bay Packer

fan, I have been betrayed. From 2007 up until now, Packer fans have put up with Brett Favre's seesaw story of, "I'm retiring," or "I'm coming back."

understand it's hard to leave someyou've thing done and loved for 18 years, but the drama Favre put the Packers through was just enough.

Schlake 2008, In Argonaut Favre when arg-sports@ uidaho.edu announced he was retiring, this time for real, the Packers were ready to take his saga seriously and were determined to move on.

Jennifer

Favre's former backup quarterback Aaron Rodgers was placed in the

starting position.
Rodgers rightly deserved this position after being in Favre's shadow for three years.

When Favre decided he wanted to return to the team, the Packers offered him a chance to compete for the position.

immediately Favre asked for a release from the team and went on to play with the New York Jets.

In 2008, fans were shown the selfish side of Favre. Sure, he wanted to play

but if he couldn't be in the spotlight, he wanted something else.

With only a one-year

2009 season is where the betrayal began. After shoulder injury

and surgery that should have put him out of the game, Favre announced he was coming back and the

rumors started flowing that his chosen team was the Minnesota Vikings.

He might as well have said, "This is for you, Packers" as he signed the contract.

The worst thing you can ever do in the realm of sports is leave your team and play for the big-gest rival. It's like a Vandal playing for BSU or the other way around.

You just don't.

Vikings fans are rolling in our disgust, because let's face it: they needed a quarterback.

But can Favre still play? In his first game of the pre-season, Favre went 1-4 for only four yards.

With blades sticking in our backs, the only thing Packer fans can look forward to are chances at interceptions when we play them next.

And maybe a sack or

The only thing Favre will be remembered for is the mid-life crisis he made public and not the great football player he used to be.

Sure people will remember all the records he broke, but they'll mostly remember him as the old man who would not leave.

Triple play ends Phils' win

Associated Press

It happened so fast, Eric Bruntlett needed a few moments before he realized he had just ended a game with an unassisted triple play.

Bruntlett became the second player in major league history to get the final three outs on his own, accomplishing the feat Sunday to preserve the Philadelphia Phillies' 9-7 victory over the New York Mets.

"I didn't know how to react. I didn't know what to do," Bruntlett said. "The ninth inning was wild. The whole game it seemed

was strange. Indeed, it was a stunning end to a crazy game that included an insidethe-park homer after the ball got stuck under the

outfield wall. Bruntlett turned the 15th unassisted triple play in big league history — the second that ended a game. Detroit Tigers first baseman Johnny Neun also turned the trick on May 31, 1927, completing a 1-0 victory over Cleveland according to STATS LLC.

The amazing final sequence made a winner of Pedro Martinez in his return to New York and quashed a Mets rally against closer Brad Lidge.

"We picked a good time," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said.

With runners on first and second in the ninth inning and a run already in, Jeff Francoeur hit a line drive up the middle that appeared headed toward center field for a single. But both runners were stealing on the 2-2 pitch, so Bruntlett was in perfect position as he moved over to cover second base.

He caught the liner easily, stepped on second to double up Luis Castillo and then turned to tag Daniel Murphy for the third out. Murphy tried to backpedal away from Bruntlett, but had nowhere to go.
"Frenchy hit it on the

screws," Murphy said. "It happened so fast there was nothing I could do.'

After bolting out of the box, a frustrated Francoeur stopped in his tracks and threw down his helmet with both hands.

"What a bizarre ending. I don't know what happened there. The game's over, so I'm happy with that," Lidge said. "That was pretty exciting. That's definitely not the

way you draw it up." The Phillies raced onto the field to congratulate Bruntlett after his rare play secured Lidge's 25th save in 33 chances.

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It was the first unassisted triple play since Cleveland second baseman Asdrubal Cabrera turned one in the fifth inning on May 12, 2008, against Toronto.

Bruntlett, who made one of two Phillies errors earlier in the inning, started at second because All-Star Chase Utley was rested.

Another Phillies second baseman, Mickey Morandini, turned an unassisted triple play in 1992.

It was the first time the Mets were involved in such

a play.
"Even with the runners going I did not expect him to be there. The only place he could catch the ball was where he was," Francoeur, said. "To end the way it did

was a little disheartening."

Angel Pagan hit the inside-the-park shot and added another homer for the Mets, handed yet another befuddling defeat. New York has found improbable ways to lose all year: Murphy dropped a fly ball in left field, Ryan Church missed third base while rounding the bag, Castillo flubbed Alex Rodriguez's ninth-inning popup at Yankee Stadium.

Of the 15 unassisted triple plays in big league history, all but one came during the regular season. Cleveland second baseman Bill Wambsganss accomplished the feat in the 1920 World Series against Brooklyn.

Martinez batted before throwing a pitch. The Phillies scored six times in the first inning off Oliver Perez on three-run homers by Jayson Werth and Car-

The Citi Field crowd of 39,038 stood and cheered as Martinez walked to the plate in the Phillies' road gray-and-red uniform, a jarring sight for sure after he spent the previous four years with

"The ovation, that's exactly the response I expected because of the mutual bond I have here," Martinez said. "I respect them and I love them.

Martinez worked the count to 3-0 and Mets manager Jerry Manuel came out to remove Perez, bothered recently by a tender right knee that sidelined him earlier this season. The move got a loud ovation, and Perez (3-4) was soundly booed as he walked off the field having thrown 47 pitches --20 strikes — and getting just

two outs. Nelson Figueroa struck out Martinez to end the

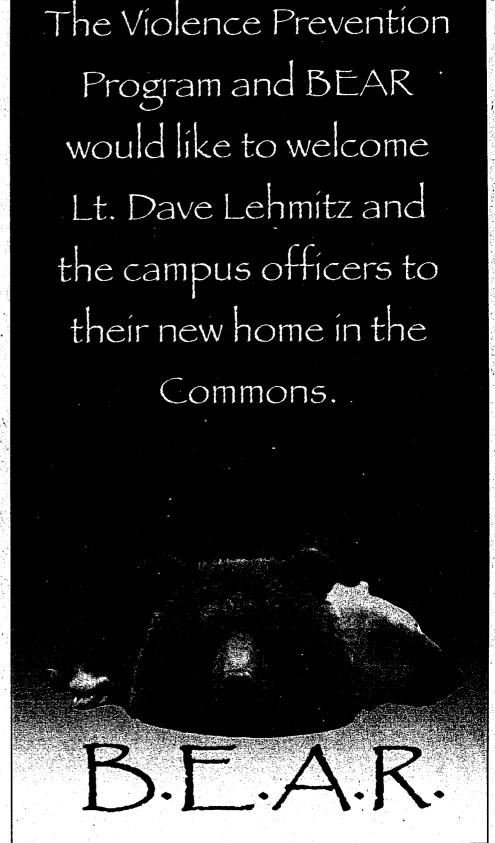
inside-the-park homer leading off the first.

26-minute inning.

The 37-year-old Martinez then gave up Pagan's

Pagan's drive to leftcenter briefly got stuck

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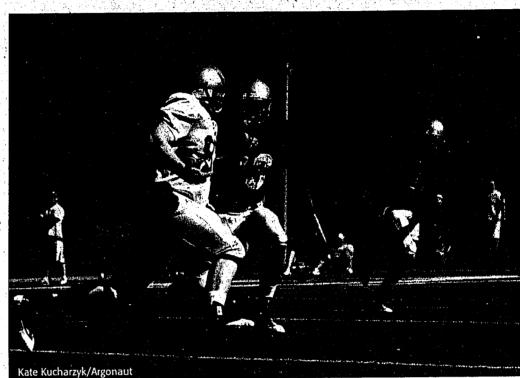
Top left: University of Idaho midfielder/ defender Erica Hart, center, and Washington State University midfielder Melanie Johnston, left, fight to head the ball as Lauren Layton looks on.

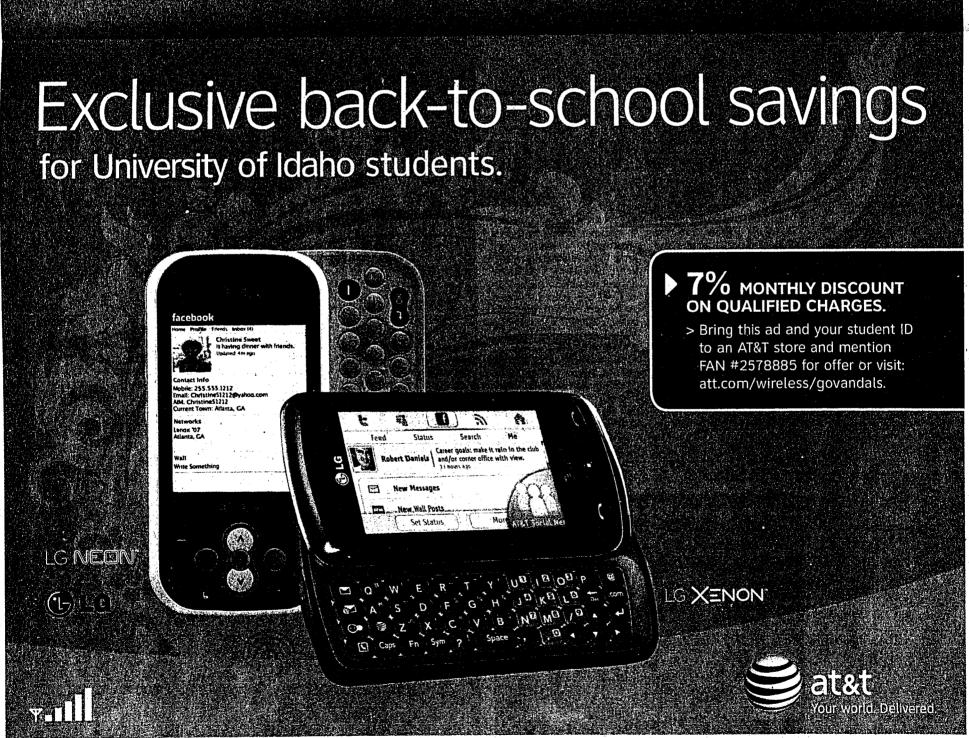
Top Right: Senior running back Devon Sturdivant races past the defense and scores a touchdown for the offense during Sunday's scrimmage. Sturdivant led the rushing team with 12 carries for 132 yards, one which included a run of 66 yards for his touchdown.

Bottom left: Vandal running back Corey White from Las Vegas, Nev., catches the football after being tackled by defensive back Kenneth Patten on Sunday afternoon. University of Idaho football team wrapped up fall camp with a two-hour scrimmage on the Sprint Tuff practice field.

Bottom right: Junior wide receiver Daniel Hardy runs past Freshman defensive back Trey Williams who stands ready to make the tackle. Hardy broke the tackle and ran for 21 yards.







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