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### Ickes discusses budget, fees

Argonaut

Editor's note: This story originally ran in Friday's issue of The Argonaut. This is a newer version of the story that addresses some errors in the original version.

Keith Ickes, University of Idaho Executive Director of Planning and Budget, spoke Wednesday about the fiscal state of the university as well as the fee-setting process at an ASUI budget forum. Ickes used an example

of a budget-modeling sce-nario that would include a double-digit student fee increase in both dedicated student fees and matriculation fees. An article in Friday's issue of the Argonaut erroneously reported the university had already decided to submit a 10 percent dedicated student fee increase as well as a 12.5 percent student matriculation fee increase to the State Board of Education for consideration, implying the university and Ickes had circumvented the fee-setting process. The story also said two new chemistry professors are coming to UI and that they would receive \$1 million for lab set-up. There is no second professor and there is no \$1 million for lab set-up. The Argonaut apolo-gizes for these errors.

The forum was intended to show student fee committee members the process of determining the proposal submitted to the State Board of Education.

The annual discussion of student fees comes at a time when Idaho Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter has recommended another holdback for III on top of last year's 6 percent funding recall. UI needs to make up about \$14 million in revenue this year.

"The soft spot in most state's budgets is (higher education)," UI Provost Doug Baker said.

Ickes said part of the \$14 million in lost funds is the federal stimulus money received last year.

"We expect to lose 100 percent of the stimulus money from the feds," Ickes said. The federal government provided \$5.3 million for UI.

UI must present its fee increase request to the State Board of Education.

Ickes said if other state schools like Boise State University, ask for lower increases UI will probably also receive a lower increase.

"One of the keys for us, if we try for 10 and our colleagues lowball us a little bit, then the board will probably go with the lowball number," Ickes said. "They're going to take it to something they feel comfortable with."

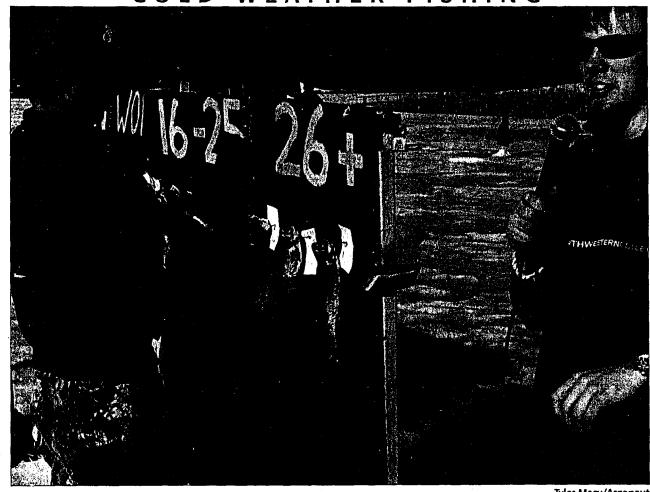
Baker said UI has \$200 million worth of deferred

maintenance. "If you've lived in a dorm, you can point to a lot of places where things need work," Baker said.

He also pointed to the university's 47 acres of roofing as an example of why the school requires so much money.

"How much do you think it costs to maintain roofs for 47 acres?" he said. Baker also pointed out

that it is cheaper for students see ICKES, page 4 COLD WEATHER FISHING



Tyler Macy/Argonaut

A man attending the 5th annual Ice Fishing Derby looks at fish from the event as the larger catches of the day are announced Saturday at the Spring Valley Reservoir near Deary.

## The last resort

Idaho Supreme Court is only remaining option for retiree suit

> **Greg Connolly** Argonaut

No decisions have been made regarding further action after last week's decision to deny a motion to reconsider a suit brought forth by nearly 300 retirees from the University of Idaho.

"I don't know for sure what will happen," said Ron Landeck, the Moscow attorney representing the retirees. He said the next step would be to bring the matter to the Idaho Supreme Court.

The members of the suit have close to a month to

decide whether or not they want to make that move.

The class-action suit stems from a disagreement between the retirees and UI. The retirees — who consigned

tracts in 1999 and 2003 to retire early - want medical and life insurance benefits that are written into the contracts. The benefits were reduced following a recommendation by a 2005 task force, which was commissioned by then-president Timothy White to find ways to save

money, Landeck said. The university cited a preamble clause regarding employee health and life insurance in its defense, which says the Board of Regents has the right to change or modify the terms of retirement benefits in the preamble of section 3730 of the Employee Handbook.

The regents reserve the right to amend, modify or terminate any benefit in part or in its entirety at any time," according to section 55.41 of the current manual.

A statement from UI said the decision to deny the motion for reconsideration was appreciated and that the ruling is consistent with UI's policy to modify employment benefits and benefits programs for retirees.

"Decisions about how the university allocates its resources can be difficult, and we know that they do impact our employees and our retirees, which is why we take seriously the stewardship of our resources," the statement

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Retirees' attorney

group of retirees who signed contracts in 1999 for the Early Retirement Incentive Program," Landeck said. The group consists of both professors and staff members who met the rule of 80 if their age and number of years of service add up to 80 or higher, then they are eligible for retirement.

The 2003 group signed contracts to be a part of the Voluntary Separation and Retirement Opportunities Program. The set of contracts was similar to the first, though the rule of 80 was slightly relaxed to encourage participation. The second group had close to 150 members, Landeck said.

"Both sets of contracts said retirees were entitled to earn benefits under existing UI policy," Landeck

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Joe Pflueger/Argonaut

Super Bowl fans watch the game in the Corner Club, where half-price Brett Favre shots were offered every time his commercial appeared, Each time a team scored customer got to spin a wheel of drink specials.

### Who 'dat down at 'dem bars?

Super Bowl at bars not a super success

> Joe Pflueger Argonaut

Indianapolis and New Orleans are a long way from home for most Moscow residents, and home is where many of them watched the Super Bowl Sunday. The bars in downtown Moscow were a far cry from the turnout at Bourbon Street.

"It wasn't as busy as I expected," said Eric Williams, a bartender at Mingles. "I was expecting more of a BSU game crowd."

But Mingles was one of the more crowded bars. Aside from the drink specials, they had a free raffle ticket for anyone who came through the door.

"We gave away shirts, coolers and barbecues," Williams said.

Joe Conti, bartender at The Plantation, said people generally stay at home during the Super Bowl because the beer is cheaper and they do not have to

worry about driving.

"The people who came out today are looking for

that comradery," Conti said. John's Alley had a large crowd and featured a potluck. A big screen sat on the stage, viewable to the whole bar.

"Everyone here is like family and friends," said Todd Leisinger, a former bartender. "If you want to hang out, bring food.'

John's Alley was full of regular customers, though Leisinger said they gladly accept anyone who comes through the door.

Leisinger held Eighth Annual Football Toss in the alley during halftime. Men's and women's age brackets competed by throwing a football at a tire target.

At the Corner Club, UI graduate Noah Krier was happy to be able to watch the Super Bowl side-byside with the Animal Planet's "Puppy Bowl" on two TV screens.

Krier sat at the bar with his friends, eager to highfive over things that got him excited. By the end of the game they celebrated the Saints' win with the fans at the next table, who came out to be in the "bar atmosphere.'

"I'm not limited to what I have to drink at home," said

Mollie VanKeuren, who sat at the table next to Krier's.

She brought her "world famous" crab dip to share. VanKeuren cheered for the Saints to contradict her friends' support of Indi-anpolis Colts' quarterback Peyton Manning.

During the commercials they collectively cheered for another quarterback great.

"Brett Favre shots, Brett Favre shots," VanKeuren said when Favre appeared in a commercial.

· Every time his name was mentioned, a special half-price Brett Favre shot was offered. Every time ei-ther team scored, a customer got to spin the wheel of drink specials. After New Orleans Saints' place, kicker Garrett Hartley made his 47-yard field goal, the bar let out a collective sigh of disappointment as the wheel landed on "busted." No drink special.

The two teams played a close game, but there were not many die-hard supporters of either side in the bars. Devin Ossinger, manager of Wingers, said people generally seemed to support the Saints.

"When Peyton threw that pick they just went nuts," Ossinger said.

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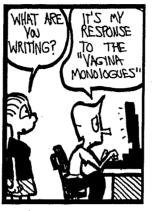
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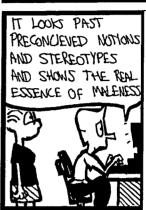




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# The Idaho Argonaut

### Stories from Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1960

#### **Movie Draws 110 Viewers**

One of the largest crowds for a SUB movie attend-

ed the Feb. 7 showing of "An American In Paris."

The picture attracted 110 people in the single showing, according to Charmaine Tourville, SUB program director.

The show was limited to one performance because of the Forester's Ball held Friday evening.

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The next scheduled movie, "Cheaper by the Dozen," will be Feb. 19 and 21. This is an amusing, heartwarming comedy of a large family which—giving each member his full due—solves the individual and community problems in a democratic manner.

#### Flu Epidemic May Be Near As **Cases Rise**

A flu epidemic can be expected if the rate of flu cases entering the Infirmary increases much over what it is now. Dr. J. M. Fleming, University physician, said yesterday afternoon.

About eight cases were admitted to the Infirmary yesterday which, according to Dr. Fleming, has been around the average in the last week or so. Of the different groups in the Infirmary there are one or two cases per group classed as serious situations.

The no-visitor rule is definitely still in effect at the Infirmary contrary to the expressed hope of Dr. Fleming to have it lifted yesterday. There has been no indication as to when it will be lifted.

Flu cases are usually confined for three to ten days at the clinic. Dr. Fleming advised all students to pick up their flu shots at the Infirmary as soon as possible.

### Miss U. of I. Pageant Plans Told

The third annual Miss U of I Pageant, sponsored by the IK's will be held March 25<sup>th</sup> with the winner eligible to compete in the Regional IK Queen contest.

The winner of the Regional pageant will be a contestant in the National contest at the National Convention of Intercollegiate Knights.

The IK conclave is scheduled for April 21-24 in Pocatello.

The winner of last year's Miss U of I Contest was Kris Madison, DG, from Lewiston.

The second place winner in the National IK Queen Contest. She was also a contestant in the Miss Idaho Pageant.

The first Miss U of I was Ann Marie Berry, an Alpha Phi, also from Lewiston.

She was chosen National IK Queen and was fourth runner-up in the Miss Idaho Contest.

The winner of the National IK Queen title will be crowned by Royal King, Gordon Chester, a Phi Delt

The IK's will visit all women's living groups next week to explain the rules of the contest and leave applications.

### crossword

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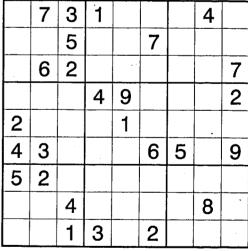
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### Forest products market to improve

Joe Pflueger Argonaut

The University of Idaho's College of Natural Resources published its annual report last month summarizing the conditions of Idaho's struggling forest products industry. Among the authors are Francis G. Wagner, professor of forest products and Steven R. Shook, associate professor of marketing.

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The report, "Idaho's Forest Products Industry: Current Conditions and Forecast 2010," is a compilation of surveys from 65 of Idaho's largest wood processing facilities.

The housing market and lumber market are closely related, "...so when housing is down, so is lumber production," Wagner said. The report said lumber prices fell 13 percent in 2009

The report said lumber prices fell 13 percent in 2009 and approximately 43 percent from 2005, when U.S. housing peaked at more than two million starts. Last year was just above a quarter of that, at 550,000 starts.

Eighty-two percent of the surveyed facilities reported a decrease in sales and more than 80 percent reduced employment.

Wagner said the economic downturn does affect employment opportunities, but the market looks better for 2010.

"It's the same as any other commodities-based market," Shook said.

He said it follows a typical "down and back up" cycle of the economy and things look slightly better for 2010.

The report is sent to state legislators and studied by Wagner's students. Graduating seniors in the CNR's Forest Products Department have had more than 90 percent employment success for the last decade. That rate remains high, even though the state's employment in the industry has declined for the last 15 years.

It is important for forestry students to keep enrolling and entering the field, Wagner said, because UI may face another program prioritization this year.

"Our graduates are in high demand by the forest products industry and serve that industry well," Wagner said. Idaho wood products manufacturers experienced a substantial drop in profits in 2009 from an already bleak 2008. Less than 800 million board feet was harvested in 2009 — the lowest amount since World War II.

The surveyed manufacturers were right two years ago when they predicted the sharp decline to continue in Idaho timber harvest and lumber production.

Now the report predicts a small increase in U.S. housing starts and wood and paper consumption for 2010. Only 12 percent of the surveyed manufacturers predict their conditions will decline in 2010, while 36 percent expect their conditions to get better.

tions to get better.

Nearly all of the producers said the timber market and the overall economic condition are the major factors affecting their conditions in 2010. Increases in transportation and energy costs are also major variables that will affect their operations.

Lumber production continues to be higher than timber harvesting through the economic slump. That is be-

Photo Illustration by Jake Barber/Argonaut

The University of Idaho's College of Natural Resources published its annual report on the conditions of Idaho's forest products industry last month.

cause when scaling logs at the mills using the Scribner Log Rule, an old method, logs are under scaled. That means more boards are produced than estimated. Saw mills have become more efficient since Scribner's Rule was adapted.

Shook said the production numbers stayed relatively constant considering the slump the industry is in. In Idaho, the industry moved to fewer, but larger, lumber mills.

"The lumber price has pretty much bottomed out,"

Shook said. "Prices rose 20 percent in the last month, which is significant."

A copy of the report may be ordered for free from Wagner, University of Idaho College of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 441132, Moscow, ID 83844-1132.

### Boise ceremony rewards Vandal alumni philanthropy

Tanya Eddins Argonaut

A little known fact about Boise is that the largest Vandal alumni base is located there.

Because of that fact, Sandy Larsen, the assistant director of alumni events for the University of Idaho, arranged for the Silver and Gold Ceremony to be held in the Treasure Valley last week.

"The people being awarded are those that excel in the Vandal community, but also in their local communities," Larsen said.

According to the UI alumni's Web site, the awards are presented annually. The Silver and Gold Award recognizes alumni who have a distinguished record of achievement and service in their specialized area, thus bringing recognition to the university.

This year, Frances and Roy Ellsworth were honored for their philanthropy and volunteerism efforts. The Ellsworths' have worked with St. Alphonsus Hospital and the Humane Society in Boise. Frances Ellsworth graduated in 1983.

Wayne Wohler, president of the UI Alumni Association, said Frances Ellsworth gave the most profound speech because of her humility.

At the event, Frances Ellsworth said she hoped as she goes on, she will have earned this award, but Wohler said this was touching because she had already earned it many times over.

The Jim Lyle Award recognizes individuals or couples who have shown long-term dedication and service to the university and/or the alumni association through volunteerism.

Several other alumni were recognized with a medallion, inscribed with the words loyalty, volunteerism and service. Those awarded include Jim Dickinson ('77, '81), Dolores Chapman ('61) and Tom and Diana Nicholson ('59).

Larsen said these volunteers help with recruitment and are also involved with several organizations on campus or with the alumni association. These volunteers raise money for scholarships and help provide funding for the university through donation.

Wohler said as a volunteer, it is

important to build ties and contribute to the well-being of a community you care about. Wohler said volunteerism was embodied through the recipients of these awards.

"There are many roads to provide service," Wohler said. "You find the things that drive and inspire you and pursue them."

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Dolores Chapman, volunteer with the UI Foundation and Jim Lyle award recipient, said the best part of the ceremony was hearing each of the awards recipients repeating in their own words what the university means to them.

### calendar

Today

Menard Environmental
Audit Project promotion

Menard Law Building
The Environmental Law
Society will promote the
Menard Environmental Audit Project, which is a joint
venture between the group
and the University of Idaho
Sustainability Center.

E-Verify Session Student Union Building

Pend Oreille Room,
Due to a new federal
law designed to ensure the
federal government only
does business with companies with a legal workforce,
UI has decided to E-verify
its entire workforce. All
employees hired between
Nov. 7, 1986 and Jan. 28,
2008 will have to complete
a new U.S. Citizenship and
Immigration Service form.

Dine With Style Etiquette Dinner 5 p.m.

Participants will learn about proper etiquette and dress styles for professional dinners. A multi-course meal is served and tickets, which are available at the Career Center, are required.

Faculty Artist Recital 7:30 p.m.

University Auditorium Carol Padgham-Albrecht and Kay Zavislak will perform. Tickets are only available at the door and cost \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

### Wednesday

Spring All-Majors Career Fair 10 a.m.

SUB Ballroom
Employers will spend
the day recruiting students
and alumni for full-time
jobs, internships and summer employment. There
will also be an Agricultural
and Life Sciences and Natural Resources Career Fair in
the SUB at the same time.

Brown Bag Series: Insights Into Manhood 12:30 p.m.
Women's Center
Brian Hopper of the
Counseling and Testing
Center will give a presentation and lead a discussion
on contemporary masculine issues.

E-Verify Session Engineering/Physics Building 3 p.m. Room 324A

First-Time Study Abroad Advising 3:30 p.m. TLC 51 Advisers will discuss studying abroad.

### Thursday

Spring Student Climate Forum 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Commons Clearwater and Whitewater Rooms

The UI Sustainability Center is hosting a forum on the climate and challenges it faces. All students, faculty and staff are invited.

E-Verify Session 9 a.m. Buchanan Engineering

Lab, Room 111

Women's Reading

Club Meeting 4 p.m. Women's Center Love 'em and Read 'em Spaghetti Feed and Read

5:30 p.m. 1912 Center The UI chapter of English honor society Sigma Tau Delta is hosting a spaghetti dinner. T profits will go to First Bo

ing a spaghetti dinner. The profits will go to First Book, a non-profit organization that distributes books to low-income areas. Mike's Gyros is providing the food. Tickets are sold at the door and cost \$3 for kids, \$7 for adults and \$20 for families.

Robert B. and Floretta F. Austin Distinguished Lecture in Science 7 p.m.

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College of Law
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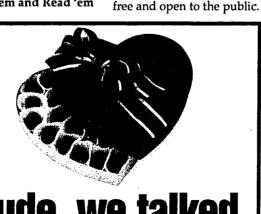
Susan L. Brantley, a professor from Pennsylvania State University, will present "Bedrock to Soil: Where Rock Meets Life." The event is open to all.

Paul Grove Recital

7:30 p.m.
University Auditorium
Paul Grove will give a
performance. Tickets are
only available at the door
and cost \$5 for adults and
\$3 for students.

Martingale and the Budwiggers concert

SUB Ballroom
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### **Professors react to Supreme Court ruling**

**Kelcie Moseley** Argonaut

A Supreme Court ruling allowing corporations to spend unlimited amounts of money during election campaigns will have serious ramifications in upcoming elections, University of Idaho professors said.

Bryan McQuide, professor of political science at the University of Idaho who teaches a course called American Interest Groups and Social Movements, said the biggest problem with the decision is the effect it will have on political advertising. He said the ruling, in effect, has given corporations the same protections

"They are going to lose control over outside (advertisements)," McQuide said. "This is going to exponentially increase that prob-

lem during campaigns."
By a 5-4 vote, the court decided in favor of a non-profit organization called Citizens United, which was barred from releasing a 90-minute film called, "Hillary: The Movie" before the election in 2008. Under the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, otherwise known as the McCain-Feingold Act, corporations and independent groups were barred from participating in what is termed, "electioneering communications" 30 days before an election.

Political commentators, news organizations and the president during his State of the Union address have criticized the decision, and many have called it a threat to the foundation of democracy. While direct contributions to candidates from corpora- an act of judicial activism by tions are still banned, and giving direct contributions to a party is still banned, corporations can

now spend unlimited amounts up until the amounts up until the day of the election on efforts to elect or defeat candidates.

McQuide said candidates already have trouble controlling their much money message because or-ganizations similar to Citizens United create special issue ads that appear to be endorsed by a candidate, even if they know nothing about the ad. He said voters will have to become much

ing and consider the messenger. While some have cited it as

more aware of what they're view-

conservative judges in an election year that will change the entire process of elections in the

future, McQuide said his view is mixed. 'I don't think it's this danger to our democracy that people make it out to be," McQuide can spend as said. "What is worrisome is the effect it could have on issue ads. It's going to open the floodgates.

James Macdonald, a professor of Constitutional law, said he MACDONALD opposes the decision Law professor and the idea that corporations should have

speech rights. "I think the decision is very wrong-headed,"Macdonald said. "I disagree with the majority of the court."

Macdonald said the outcome was a classic liberal and conservative split, and he sees it as a decision rooted more in partisan politics than the law.

"Now the corporations can spend as much money as they want. It is hard for me to understand why conservatives think that's a good idea," Macdonald

Macdonald and McQuide said to reverse or amend the decision the makeup of the court would have to change through the death or resignation of one or more of the justices. The idea of a Constitutional amendment has also been floated, but Macdonald said neither of those situations are likely to occur, especially in the current political climate.

### news**BRIEFS**

#### **Holiday Break** Bus adds new routes for spring

The Holiday Break Bus now offers routes to the Tri-Cities and Portland for Spring Break. These routes have been available during past years for fall and winter breaks, but not in the spring.

Tickets will cost \$90 for Oregon and \$50 for the Tri-Cities. The bus will stop in The Dalles, Hood River and other requested stops as long as the bus can safely exit and re-enter the interstate.

One-way fares are also available. The service is available for Washington State University students, and there is a pick-up location in Pullman. For information, contact the Office of the Dean of Students in the Teaching and Learning Center or visit their Web site at http://www. uidaho.edu/dos.

#### Sigma Tau Delta hosts fundraiser

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in the Western Undergraduate Exchange program to come to UI rather than Washington State University, as their in-state tuition is and Idaho's out-of-state tuition with the WUE waiver would only be \$7,500.

Baker said he doesn't think Idaho legislators will raise taxes to offset

#### The International English Honor Society Sigma Tau Delta will host a spaghetti feed 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thurs-

The event is a fundraiser for the University of Idaho's chapter of the group. The proceeds will benefit a non-profit organization called First Book. The group uses money from donations and grants to buy books to distribute to low-income

day at the 1912 Center.

Tickets are sold at the door and cost \$3 for kids, \$7 for adults and \$20 for families. Food will be provided by Mikey's Gyros.

### **Vandaleers** offering singing valentines

The University of Idaho Vandaleers choir is available for singing valentines this week by donation in an effort to fundraise for their summer trip to Europe. The group can also be available for singing telegrams for birthdays, anniversaries and other special occasions. Contact Teresa Tully at 208-310-0345 for more information.

increasing to \$9,200 this year

the budget decreases.

"It's an election year in a conservative state," he said.

### Baptists' attorney: clients innocent

Nicolas Garcia Ferrari and **Pierre Richard Luxama Associated Press Writers** 

The new lawyer for 10 American Baptists charged with child kidnapping said Monday he believes they had paperwork to take 33 children out of the country after Haiti's earthquake.

AttorneyAviolFleurant's remarks came as investigators questioned the Baptist group's leader, Laura Silsby, who insisted she is innocent of any wrongdoing.

"I am trusting in God to reveal all truths and that we will be released and exonerated of charges,' Silsby, of Meridian told reporters as she left a court-house in Port-au-Prince.

'We are just waiting for the Haitian legal process to be completed

The rest of the group's members will be questioned this week over allegations they tried to take the children to the neighboring Dominican Republic without proper documents. The Americans said they were on a humanitarian mission to rescue orphans after Haiti's catastrophic Jan. 12 quake.

Their Dominican lawyer, Jorge Puello, told a news conference that the Haitian court was going to drop all charges against his clients Wednesday. Puello would not say where that information came from. Last week, he claimed nine of the 10 were about to be released.

"The judge will rule on

Wednesday on whether or not to take the case or free them, and we already have assurances that they will drop the case," Puello said.

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At least 20 of the 33 children had living parents. Some of those parents said they gave the kids to the group because the mis-sionaries promised to educate them at an orphanage in the Dominican Republic and said they would allow parents to visit.

"Many of the parents who had the opportunity to speak out declared, in good faith, to have given their children to the Americans," Fleurant said.

"I also believe, really believe — and I don't want to break the gag order from the court — that the Americans have a document, from somebody, an authorization to take the children with them."

It wasn't immediately clear who could have given the authorization.

Puello, retained by relatives of the 10 missionaries after their Feb. 1 arrest, said over the weekend that he fired their first Haitian lawyer — Edwin Coq after Coq allegedly tried to bribe the missionaries out of jail. He had hired Coq to represent the detainees at Haitian legal proceedings.

Coq denied the allegation. He said the \$60,000 he requested from the Americans' families was his fee.

Bernard Saint-Vil, the investigating magistrate,

is in charge of finding out what happened in late January, in the days leading up to the arrest of Silsby and the others at the Dominican border.

The Dominican consul in Haiti, Carlos Castillo, has said he warned Silsby that she lacked the re-

quired papers and risked being arrested at the border for the parents child trafficking.
The case has

tapped into fears in Haiti to speak out that traffickers would take ad- declared ... vantage of the chaos immediately after the quake to abduct children. Amid those

fears — and before the Bapand tists were detained — Prime Minister Jean-Max Bellerive

announced that all foreign adoptions would need his personal

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approval. At the same time, Bellerive has rushed to approve legal foreign adoptions that were already in the pipeline, said Jeanne Bernard Pierre, an adoptions official at the Haitian

Ministry of Social Affairs. Pierre did not have exact statistics. In terms of the United States, more than 650 orphans have gone to live there since the quake — compared to 330 for all of 2009 and 302 in 2008, U.S. Embassy spokeswoman Elizabeth É. Detmeister said.

Until Bellerive speeded up the process, it could take up to two years to complete all the formalities necessary for a foreign

adoption, Pierre said.

Every day, prospective parents crowd who had the outside the U.S. Embassy, waitopportunity ing to apply for visas for the children they want to adopt. last to have given year, Until France

was the country that adopted the their children <sup>^</sup>Haitian most children, Pierre said. She said French parents adopted nearly half of the 1,000 children taken Attorney in by foreigners in 2008. It

was the last official figure Pierre could remember. Most records are buried in the rubble of govern-ment buildings in Port-au-

Prince. Thousands more Haitian children, orphaned and not, leave the country illicitly each year, according to the U.N. Children's Fund. They are forced into domestic or agricultural labor, used as sex slaves, or sold on the clandestine market for adoption.

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said retirees were entitled to earn benefits under existing UI policy," Landeck said.

In the trial, Landeck used a video of a 2002 meeting as evidence. UI's legal counsel at the time, Georgia Yuan, drafted both sets of contracts. During the meeting, she was asked what would stop the university from taking away the benefits and said a contractual obligation would stop UI from taking them.

The 2005 task force determined that life insurance

coverage for retirees be reduced to \$10,000, and all retirees should pay a part of their medic premium. The contracts signed in 1999 and 2003 reflect the older retiree benefits package, which has UI paying medical premiums and a life insurance payout equal to the salary at the time of retirement. Under that plan, the payout was reduced to 75 percent of the salary at age 65 as the time of retirement, and 50 percent at age 70.

"The reduction in life insurance is a great savings to the university," Landeck

### Lawmaker: ban 'retarded,' 'lunatic'

**Associated Press** 

An Idaho legislator wants to get rid of words like "lunatic" and "retarded" from state laws, saying they're outdated and disrespectful.

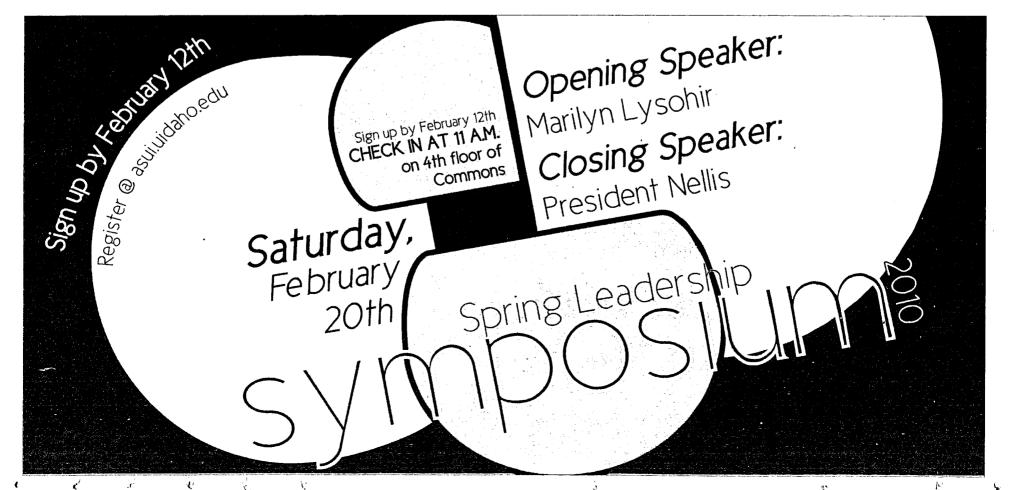
Boise Democrat Senator Les Bock said changing language in the state code will help educate the public — and send a message Idaho doesn't tolerate insulting language.

He said people with mental issues should be referred

to as "intellectually disabled," instead. He introduced legislation Monday amending every law he could find that uses words like "mentally deficient," "idiot" and "handicapped."

He told the Senate Judiciary and Rules committee he was reading a bill last year that included the words "mentally retarded."

He worked with advocacy groups for people with disabilities and state agencies over the summer to find and replace language they considered objectionable.



# OPINION

## It's time to move on

'Don't ask, don't tell' has no place in military

The colloquialism "don't ask, don't tell" has been in use since the early 1990s, when President Clinton's promise to allow citizens of all sexual orientations to serve in the military was not well received by Congress and a compromise was needed.

Though military rules prohibit openly gay, lesbian and bisexual individuals from serving in the armed forces, the policy allows them to serve assuming they keep quiet about their sexual orientation.

Since then, the policy has generally remained out of the public eye, until President Obama stated publically he would like it to go away. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates and Joint Chiefs Chairman Adm. Mike Mullen both voiced they would like it to change, stating that the sexual. orientation of service members should not be an issue. And they're all right.

It's no secret American society struck a progressive path long ago regarding minority rights issues. Slavery ended, then women got the right to vote, then segregation disappeared and now this is the civil rights issue confronting our generation. It's all too likely in 50 years, concepts such as "don't ask, don't tell" will be scoffed at much like we scoff at the notion of segregation.

The common argument for the policy has usually contended the military should be able to choose its own members, and like those with physical disabilities, homosexuals would hurt the armed

forces by lowering morale. Even with this dubious argument, both the civilian and enlisted leaders of the military feel it would not hurt to repeal it.

Let's consider exactly what the military stands to lose if this policy goes away. Could some members of the armed services be uncomfortable? Yeah, maybe. But it's not like the majority of gay, lesbian and bisexual members of the armed forces are going to do their best to make sure everyone who serves with them knows of their sexual preferences.

The fact of the matter is that soldiers are adults, and it is time to start acting as such. The discomfort of a few is no reason to oppress an entire group of people.

### editor's NOTE

The Argonaut takes seriously its role as a service to the University of Idaho community. We take pride in each edition being as accurate and fair as we can make it, and there are processes in place to help us achieve those goals. The process is imperfect and mistakes happen, each one reminding us of how careful we must be in order to maintain the trust of our readers. On Friday, we made a mistake bigger than most and transmitted erroneous and damaging information to the community. We take the mistakes seriously and have spent the past few days examining our process in order to safeguard against similar future mistakes.

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### Virtual invitation

It's the time of year when my mailbox begins to fill with white and cream

envelopes with my name and address written in calligraphy and gold-monogrammed initials on stickers sealing them shut. Wedding invitations usually begin to arrive in February for the summer wedding season. Couples want to make sure to give adequate time for guests to "save the date" and buy them a present from one of their registries.

I enjoy getting these invita-HARTY tions — it makes me feel important. I am happy to know I mean enough to someone they would want to share this special day with

me. Then again, a lot of times I apparently mean a lot to the bride or groom's

parents (i.e. former colleagues, fellow church members, friends of my parents, etc.), as I do not have any recollection of ever having a conversation with the ones who are actually getting married. But I love weddings, so if I am able, I attend. What's not to love? There is cake, dancing, food, beautiful flowers and if you're lucky, a drunken uncle who makes the party interesting.

This year, my mailbox has staved rather empty so far. Instead of the traditional

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### off the CUFF

Quick takes on life from our editors

#### Taking a page from 'The Hangover'

If Vegas were next to the ocean, you know they would have tried to throw an orca back into the water by pulling the emergency break in an SUV and slinging it off a dock in "The Hangover." Thanks Bridgestone, your play off the awesome movie just added to the sequel.

— Elizabeth

#### **Television**

I sure do miss having cable television sometimes. It was the only way I used to watch the occasional episode of "The Office" or "Lost." Even with the convenience of the Internet — specifically Hulu — I never seem to watch these shows

### 'Teenage Wasteland'

I love football, but my favorite part of the Super Bowl is the halftime show. Two years ago it was my ultimate favorite, Tom Petty, and this year was "The Who." As Bob Seger once said, "Today's music ain't got the same soul, I like that old time rock 'n' roll.'

– Jennifer

### IT debacle

I don't know why, but Information and Technology Services on campus had it out for me this weekend. When I sat down at my computer to finish up some homework and play some online games, the Internet connection decided to and die. And I don't do well when I don't get to play my video games.

### Big shoes to fill

I took over as copy editor this week because our previous editor has some massive, difficult classes this semester, and I'm hoping I can do her justice. I'm really glad I don't have to read pages and pages of Plato and Nietzsche like she does. Î never did like philosophy very much. Good luck, Erin.

Kelcie

#### Wow

By my count, Anheuser-Busch spent \$31 million just on actual ad space during the Super Bowl. And that's not counting any other advertizing. I think I need some Bud Light.

- Jeffrey

### Closed captioning

I was watching a copy of "Ocean's Twelve" from China the other day and turned on closed captioning. The dialogue didn't seem to match up perfectly — the captions included, "I'll send a baboon to the lab for testing," among other sillies. Turns out the captions were for a 1986 film called, "The Fly." Apparently in China, you get what you pay for.

Kelsey

### I need a hairless cat

I recently found an article about average citizens that, by various real-estate deals or inheritances, own old nuclear missile silos. Some have even fixed them up into homes or businesses. I don't know why I never knew about this, but now I need to have one. Bachelor pad, Batcave, giant photo studio, bunker launch my plans of world domination ... the possibilities are endless.

-- Iake

### mailBOX

Correspondence with our readers

#### **Consider Steel** House

To all female students who plan to renew their dorm contract next year or leave campus for an apartment, I urge you to consider Steel House.

Many people have heard that Steel House has been closed down or have never heard of us at all. We have moved to a fantastic loca-

tion (just north of Student Health) that gets you as close as possible to most buildings on campus: for example, it takes me less than 50 seconds (walking) to get from the back door of Engineering/Physics, and less than 40 seconds from the front door to Life Sciences South. For all you music majors, we are about 3 minutes from the LHSOM and Ridenbaugh. Check out a map of campus — we currently live in the beautiful Phi Kappa Tau house.

Steel House is not a so-

rority, though we live close to old Greek Row. Traits we have in common with sororities: we are a closeknit community that lives in a large house on campus with a sleeping porch, employs a cook, has regular house meetings and equally divides up chores. Each room is completely unique and customizable. Unlike sororities, we do not require you to pledge, participate in social events or attend a study table. Residents are allowed full

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### The necessary increase

Why Idaho should raise taxes instead of more cutting

I filed my taxes on Saturday. Thanks to Turbo Tax, I am expecting more back than I paid last year. Not just in income taxes, but payroll taxes too.

While I still paid local property taxes through my rent, I am getting enough extra back to pay back almost all the sales taxes I paid. That means while I enjoy the services they offer, I paid no taxes to the lieffrey state of Idaho or REZNICEK the United States. I did, however, support the Moscow

School District. Meanwhile, our state government is in a bud-getary nightmare. Nearly every state agency, including the University of Idaho, has had to trim their budgets back to accommodate shrinking tax revenues. Times are tough.

Many have pointed at Governor C. L. "Butch" Otter to fix this problem, and to be fair he has been the face of the holdbacks. It has been his unhappy task to announce the holdbacks as he tries to keep the state from

running out of money.

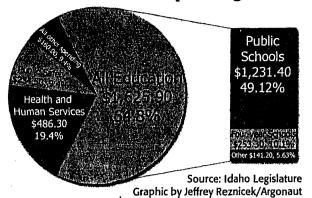
While Otter has so far reached that goal, he doesn't seem too concerned with the ramifications of the cuts. Not that he has a choice. The governor can't just raise taxes, but he can

Argonaut pressure the legislature to do so. I know raising taxes is a taboo in this state, but sometimes it is a necessary evil. The goal should always be to have a government that is small and efficient, and while there are still items in the state budget and some right here at UI that shouldn't be there, the state of Idaho ac-

tually runs a fairly efficient

government. The state's biggest

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priority, education, makes up more than 64 per-cent of the general fund spending. The other two big-ticket items, Health and Human Services and Public Safety, only take up 19.4 percent and 9.4 percent, respectively. Between all money spent by the state, including federal and dedicated funds, education is still the biggest item at about 39 percent.

We have a small government that mostly spends

money where it should go. Still, the recession has caused tax revenues to drop off, and the governor doesn't have enough money to pay the bills.

Let's give him more money. Let's pay for our small, efficient government. Quite simply, the Idaho Legislature needs to raise taxes and make sure all Idahoans are helping out. Even if that means I don't get that big of a refund.

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### Non-profit work not just religious missions

For the last couple years, I have found myself enjoying volunteering and non-profit work more and more. It started during the 2008

presidential blossomed from there, and now I am contemplating a career involving nonprofit organizations.

Since I'm graduating in a year, I've started looking into volunteering and internship

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opportunities with non-profit organizations, specifically those that help resettle refugees in cities like Spokane. I have discovered a theme in these organizations in that they are heavily tilted toward religious affiliation. I say affiliation, but it is also engrained into the fibers of their entire organization. On their applications they ask you to be committed to their values, which include dedication to

the mission of Jesus.
One of the applications for an organization called World Relief had an entire section on their application titled "Spiritual Assessment," asking about the applicant's present spiritual relationship with the Lord. They wanted the applicant to describe a situation where they had to be fully reliant on the Lord, and what areas they feel they could continue to grow spiritually. While Ì understand this particular organization is geared toward missions for church members, it is one of two refugeeoriented groups in the area, leaving those not affiliated with a church little to no options.

I am not against organized religion, nor do I hold anything against those who believe in God. That's not the reason things like this bother me. I come from a Seventh-day Adven-

tist and Catholic family, I went to church camp when I was young, and over the course of my life I decided it wasn't

for me. I'm not bothered by those who still believe in it, that's their choice as much as it was mine.

What does bother me is not only the fact that there should be more non-religious organizations, but also that the Argonaut message and perception given to those who want

to volunteer and aren't religious is basically one of exclusion. I feel a commitment to service and a dedication to helping people who are less fortunate than me, but I do not see my service as a service to God. Therefore, I cannot honestly say on an application that I fully agree with their mission and values, so I can't sign their forms. It is very disappointing to want so badly to be part of these organizations knowing I am just as passionate and committed as anyone else, but to feel like I have to convert to a certain religion in order to get there. It's sort of like joining the military but being forced to hide your sexual orientation in order to stay in the military. Changing a part of who you are should not be a requirement of

Regardless of whether or not the organizations are trying to target people of faith it is important to remem-ber that service is not just something people should do in the name of their commitment to Christianity, or what-ever their faith may be. Service should also be something people do in the name of the common good — and those who see it only in that light should not feel judged or excluded from opportunities because of it.

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### WSU protest a laughing matter

The students of Washington State University are mad about the fact they are going to have tuition increases next year. They are so mad they staged a good old-fashioned

walkout to express their feelings about the situation.

It was a walkout, that is for sure, but it was one of farcical proportions. The ones of students loitering outside the main drag of the WSU campus made it seem as if this was a social gathering and not a protest.
Students holding signs

while posing for what will HOLLIS surely become Facebook profile pictures only conveyed a message of immaturity and not one of activism. At least the students at the rally could be

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bothered to show up.
In fairness, I only have one class at WSU and am on the campus for two hours, but the general feeling around the school was one of apathy. It felt like the majority of students were already resigned to paying increased tuition and the protesters were a minority

either too stubborn or stupid to realize

the inevitable nature of the situation. Students at WSU have every right to be ticked off, as it seems the school's

finances have been handled by Michael Scott, six zebras and an infant. It is going to take more than a handful of students holding confusing signs to get it changed.

The real problem is that using the protest as a vehicle of change is no longer viable. It was perfect in the 1960s when students were not afraid to stand up and fight in their beliefs regardless of the likeli-

hood of victory.
Students in that time period Argonaut were fearless and acted as a collective, fighting for the greater good — they have been replaced by the pessimistic individual that personifies most present college students.

The sentiment of most of my peers seems to be: Why fight the fight if you

know you are going to lose? The answer, of course, is you fight to stand up for something you believe in. History is nothing but examples of people taking a stand. Some have gone well, others have not, but there was always willingness to fight for something they believed in.

In reality, one has few chances to be able to take a stand. The meager number of students who did participate at least had the courage to fight for their ideals. It will be a moment they can remember forever, even

when tuition is increased next fall.

The countless students who opted to participate in the walkout by sleeping in and playing Xbox all day will have a memory that will probably be forgotten by the time they realize how much they are paying for school next semester.

WSU students had a chance to fight the good fight last week but failed. Those who protested should be commended for their pride. They were undermined by those students who skipped class and did not participate in the rally. Then again, everything at WSU is in shambles, so why would the student protests be any different?

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access to the kitchen. Our members are also very

diverse in personality and field of study, which makes us more similar to the dorms. For more details on living at Steel House and to apply, check out http://www.uisteelhouse.org. If you still aren't impressed, consider our

rates. The dorms charge \$7,326 per double room for returning students and \$7,443 per double room for new students. Steel House rates (which include meals, utilities and wireless internet) for the 2010-2011 year are \$5,600 for a double and \$6,600 for a single, and you can paint your room if you like! We also offer scholarships. I hope to see some of you next year.

Lucille Shaw Junior, Biology

### VIRTUAL

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wedding invitation or announcement, I am receiving invites to weddings via Facebook. I turn on my computer, sign in to Facebook, and I have multiple event requests. "Susie Smith is getting married on June 5, 2010. RSVP now." Most of the time, there isn't even a personal message. I have a hard time

taking these seriously. Apparently, Facebook has a whole wedding application where the lucky couple can find photographers, florists, venues and even guests. I'm sure it won't be long before Web cams are introduced and guest won't even have to attend, they can simply watch

the wedding over the Internet. I can't speak for everyone, but I find the idea of Facebook wedding invitations a little tacky, not to mention lazy. Facebook invites are for local concerts, dinner parties, beer pong and breast cancer awareness meetings, not weddings.

I assume if I am invited to a wedding via Facebook this means I can also send the couple a gift in the same manner. Virtual greeting cards and flowers, animals for their Farmville farm or maybe some cigars or ammunition for use in their MafiaWars are just a few of the gifts available for the lovely couple. Here's an idea: Facebook should start a registry too — one-stop shopping for the social networking crowd.

Weddings can get very expensive, so I understand the need to save money, and, if you worry about the environment, the need to save trees. But sending out invitations for a wedding on Facebook, or any other social networking site for that matter, is taking the ease of technology too far. If you're going to spend the time and money on having a ceremony and not eloping, spend a few bucks and send out some invites. I'm all for putting wedding photos on Flickr so everyone can see them without the expense of sending them out, but save Facebook for constant mundane updates and for filling the empty space in your life, not for inviting family and friends to celebrate your wedding.

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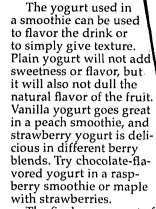
Delicious smoothies are cheap and easy to make

There are many food items we buy out of convenience that would be just as easy to make at home. Sandwiches can easily be made with store-bought ingredients, and there's no reason to buy a milkshake. Similarly, smoothies are tasty and nutritious drinks that can be made with frozen fruit, yogurt and other ingredients.

The only pricy part of smoothie-making is the one-time investment in a blender. However, blenders can also be

used for chopping, and they make great milk-shakes and blended coffee

drinks as well as smoothies. One can be bought online for as little as \$17 if you know where to look.





### Why bring back Leno?

### NBC needs to think more creatively about comedy hosts

NBC recently decided they didn't like comedy anymore and reneged on their contract with Conan O'Brien. They've apparently decided they like

making money-losing mistakes, so they're bringing back Jay Leno. But I figure if they were willing to take a risk on O'Brien in the first place, and with all the money they're losing anyway, why not spring for some truly exciting new host? It can't be worse than ADAMS-Jimmy Fallon.

Here then are my top five suggestions for a new "Tonight Show" host.

### 5. Kiefer Sutherland (as Jack Bau-

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WENGER

He's spent the past several years saving the country in 24 hours, and it's taken an emotional toll on him. So imagine the entertainment value of forcing him to have to go through that kind of rigor every single day, starting with the 23 hours leading up to the show and then the hour of the show. He'll be a wreck every single night, and he'll Taser Tom Cruise if he tries to jump up on the

couch. I imagine him trying his best to be light and warm, but all the while there will be this undercurrent in him that's about to explode. It will be awesome.

### 4. Oprah

Who does not like Oprah? I firmly believe if she decided to run for president, she'd win. She is the most powerful woman on the planet and a higher-visibility talk show is the logical next step in her domination of America. Plus, this would give her freedom to be comedic and a little less syrupy-saccharine. I'll bet she's got a tigress under that teddy bear skin

### 3. Craig Ferguson

waiting to pounce.

Just because no one would expect it. The thick-brogue "Late Late Show" host could easily step right over to NBC from CBS and do them a favor. He's such a ball of cheerfulness and positivity that even people who preferred Leno would be won over by his charm — and his accent.

### 2. Ellen DeGeneres

DeGeneres is practically chafing for a more late-night audience. She does great on

her morning show, but the freedom to do post-prime-time material would surely benefit her. She's always been a great comedienne, and her people skills and interviews have always been sweet and original. So why not let her make the jump to late night where she can stop holding back? America deserves it. Dory on late night would be awesome.

### 1. Johnny Knoxville

I'm serious. Knoxville is one of the most charismatic people on TV besides The Rock and Ryan Seacrest, and they're both busy with Disney movies and being a robot, respectively. So put Knoxville on late night and see what happens. Obviously, a lot of people would ask: "Will he be able to temper his 'lackass' antics for network television?" I think the answer is yes. Having shown he's willing to do anything, I have no doubt he could turn his creativity toward more familyfriendly viewing. Meanwhile, all of the "Jackass" crew would be on standby for whatever comedic ideas he might have, and interviews coming from someone not as Hollywood, like he is, would surely be interesting. Come

on, he'd have to be better

than Leno.

### your band**SUCKS**

# So how long has it been country rock?

One thing must be said about the mem-

bers of Lady Antebellum — they know exactly what they are doing. If the focus of their album is to be completely commercial and entirely bland they certainly have succeeded with their

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newest effort, Need You Now. As some may know, this trio was one of the biggest country groups to take the stage in 2008. However, the band's sophomore album leaves a lot to be desired. In all honesty, the harmonies heard in the first release were a lot better. It seems as if the two vocalists, Hillary Scott and Charles

Kelly, have lost their ability to sing well
with one another.
The title track, "Need You Now" will obviously help sell a lot of albums. Based on hurt

and heartbreak, this is

the only chance fans

get to see the band like it was in 2008, but after

track one it all goes downhill. Most of the tracks on this album are essentially driven by soft rock guitar riffs, but contain just enough steel guitar to keep them balancing the tight rope between being a rock band and a

Argonaut country group. If the songs

were just slightly sadder than they already are, some may speculate that Lady Antebellum could be the next Fleetwood Mac, but at their current level it seems as if the songs are just a dull attempt at following up a really great country album.

As the album progresses further, listeners hear the lyrics, "You wear your smile like a summer

sky, just shining down on me and you." I try not to hold strong opinions about bands — however, this made me throw up in my mouth a little. The lyrics aren't complex with this trio, and most of the album sounds like a cheesy love letter written at 3 a.m. and a Nicholas Sparks novel-into-film marathon.

As the album comes to an end, Kelly's tenor croons all too

> often, leaving his vocal counterpart Scott to give yawn-worthy trilling in the background. If the lyrics contained a bit more harmony and much better words, the album might have turned out to be a good piece of work.

Unfortunately, like most country acts at the moment, Lady Antebellum fails and doesn't look good while doing so.



"Need You Now" Lady **Antebellum** Jan. 26 2010

### Around the world

### Participants travel the world in one room

**Lauren Paterson** Argonaut

A Chinese dragon weaving through the crowds wasn't the only piece of international flare witnessed by those who attended Cruise the World.

More than 43 countries were represented Saturday in the Student Union Building ballroom at the multicultural festival.

Denise Kauffman, international friendship association coordinator, said students did an exceptional job this year of making it an interactive event.

"I saw students writing in languages different than their own, trying on clothes, practicing phras-es in languages they had never heard, even learning dances," Kauffman said.

Marialuisa Di Stefano said most people came by her table asking for tips on where to go in Italy.

"People want to know what they can see, what they can visit, such as the ancient ruins," Di Stefano said.

Adrian Crookston had been at the booth playing the accordion, and Di Stefano said it caused quite a

crowd.
"They loved watching him play," she said.

University of Idaho student Peter Vasilachi represented Moldova, a country near Romania

"I have had people ask me if it's in Africa," Vasilachi said.

Vasilachi said the food was a bit overwhelming when he was first trying to adjust to American living.

'I opened the menu and didn't know what to order at first," Vasilachi said. "I thought, what is this? But I got used to it, and now I get

fat when I go home."

Amid the booths of various countries there was a Moscow High School group raising money for Haiti. High school student Alexis Humphreys said they were

doing preity well.

"(We're) hoping to get a
lot of money to give to Haiti," Humphreys said.

Among one of the most visited booths at the event was Egypt, and Sherif El Badawy said most people came with a strong desire to visit.

"So many people want to visit Egypt," El Badawy

El Badawy said the risks of traveling to Egypt in light of all the world events were minimal and hyped by the media.

I was afraid of coming to America for the same reasons, thinking it was dangerous," El Badawy said. "But I came here and people were welcoming. Just as visitors going to Egypt — when they see you do not have an Egyptian passport, you will



Representatives of Thailand perform on the Student Union Building ballroom stage Saturday during the Cruise the World event. International student ambassadors representing more than 30 countries marked mock passports as they offered interactive learning opportunities, teaching campus and community members about their countries and cultures. There was live entertainment every 30 minutes on the stage and food from around the world available for purchase.

#### online **CONTENT**

To learn more about different cultures read the rest of the Cruise the World review online at ulargonaut.com.

### A very serious 'Star Wars' question

### George Lucas' temporal strategy creates debate for future generations

This is something that's been on my mind for a while now, ever since the reboot and the retcon came into fashion. For the uniniti-

ated (or the non-geeks), retcon means retroactive continuity. It's when the writers of a franchise decide to change something about a past storyline. It'd be like if we all agreed the South won the Civil War or something like that. That would affect everything in the present.

Another geekier example matt is when "Batman Begins' ADAMScame out and fans started over with the Batman fran-WENGER chise. They also changed his origin story a little bit. No biggie, but now it's a little different from when I learned about Batman from Michael Keaton and Tim Burton. Same with "Casino Royale" — more than 20 James Bond films worth of character development restarted in a single movie. I love what they did,

What do I show my kids first? This question pertains specifically to "Star Wars" more than anything else. I know you're all losing whatever respect you had for me quickly right now, but

but it raises a serious question:

beyond the geeky ramifications, there are serious literary considerations at stake. Up until recently, we all saw the "Star Wars" movies

the same way: it started with "A New Hope," "The Empire Strikes Back" and "Return of the Jedi," and then the prequels. And to us, the prequels were interesting in that it was only a question of how George Lucas was going to explain the few events we knew were going to happen. We knew Anakin would become Darth Vader, but we didn't know how until the prequels.

Argonaut That's a strangely temporal trick for Lucas to play: start us halfway through a space epic and then go back and give us all the exposition 20 years later. But in the future when I have kids, they don't have to do it the way I did. They have a choice of seeing it from the beginning and not having to wait until "Empire" to find out Vader is Luke's father. And now I'm wondering which way would be better, or is there a

better way at all? I think there's an argument for doing it either way, but I don't

want to let the old way win out just because it's what we're used to. The strongest argument in favor of seeing the prequels last is that there is a lot left unknown, and it makes what little story Lucas didn't mangle in the prequels so much more interesting. Plus, it can't be ignored that it would be weird to watch the prequels, then jump back in time - in terms of special effects — to watch the sequels.

But — and this is a big but would it be necessarily better to know what we know going into the prequels? If you saw the prequels first, then a majority of the sequels would become more character-driven. They're just cowboy movies in space until "Jedi," when everything makes sense and everyone knows who they are. If we already know what will happen and are just waiting for the characters to figure it out, then we're more invested in Luke, Leia, Obi-Wan and Vader's relationship.

It's only a matter of time before people forget there was "Star Trek" before the new Abrams version. I think it will be interesting to see how our perspectives of legacy fiction like this change over time.

OK, back to pretending I'm not

# ON THE SCENE

Zombies chased the vampires away from the No.1 spot on last week's top movie downloads on iTunes:

### 5. "The Twilight Saga: New Moon"

This swarthy vampire, werewolf and human love triangle thriller for teens is still holding a top five spot as fans waver between "Team Edward," "Team Jacob" or "Team Shut Up About It Already."

#### 4. "The Hurt Locker"

A bomb disposal squad tries to control their wild new sergeant among a city exploding in chaos in this action flick that is holding down the No. 4 spot.

#### 3. Michael Jackson's "This Is It"

This music documentary features an in-depth look into the prince of pop's preparation for his final curtain call.

### 2. "The Hangover"

There are obviously a good number of people who can relate to this movie, since it's hanging on to the No. 2 spot with its unrated version, full of more mishap footage of Zach Galifianakis, Ed Helms and Bradley Cooper.

### 1. "Zombieland"

The last human survivors struggle to trust each other in a world overrun by the living dead — this movie features a cameo of Bill Murray and tips on zombie safety for everyone, just in case.

-Lauren Paterson

tuned vocals and lyrics

about a "monster in my bed." The song is catchy and rhythmic, with an upbeat chorus and silky vocals. "Dance in the Dark" is a techno an-

them that would sound

at home at any rave. It

has a dark side, includ-

ing lyrics inspired by tragic deaths.
"Speechless" is a

1970s torch song in-

father and his heart

spired by Queen, writ-

ten about Lady Gaga's

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### You go, Gaga

On the surface, Lady Gaga is the essence of what is wrong with pop music — she is all about

her image and seems to be just another manufactured icon. Dig a little deeper, and she reveals herself to be a talented woman with a lot of heart.

**THOMAS** Her new album, The Fame Monster, is a sequel to her first album and explores the dark sides of

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her personality. Each song is inspired by a "monster of her personality. "Bad Romance,"

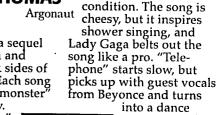
the lead single off The Fame Monster, is bombastic and danceable. The song is similar to "Poker Face," off her first album, in that both use a call-and-response form and employ nonsense syllables in their hooks. However, "Bad Romance" is different because it shows her talent. It doesn't have a rap

portion, one of the biggest flaws of "Poker Face," and it allows Lady Gaga to show her vocal range. The song is a hit for a reason.

Monster" begs for

routine, with robotic auto-

a drag queen lip-sync



processed vocals and electronic beats. "Alejandro" is the one low

The Fame Monster

Lady Gaga Nov. 23, 2009

point on The Fame Monster. The song feels forced, and its Latin beat does not mesh well with Lady Gaga's style. Lady Gaga is

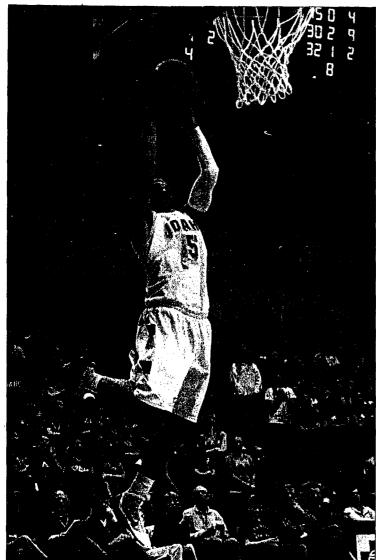
into a dance

epidemic with

all about the image, but behind the no-pants

and extravagant hair lurks a talented performer with songwriting chops. She is a true talent, and behind the image a down-to-earth woman afraid of certain aspects of her self shows through.

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File Photo by Nick Groff/Argonaut Vandal guard Steffan Johnson receives an alley-oop from teammate Mac Hopson Jan. 28 against the Fresno State Bulldogs in Cowan Spectrum. The Vandals have gone 2-1, with a blowout win in Boise against the Boise State Broncos, 79-55, since beating Fresno State.

### Vandals trounce **Broncos in Boise**

Pierce Beigh Argonaut

The outcome of the game was exactly what the Vandals wanted: a big win over a state rival. Not only did Idaho win the basketball game, Idaho outplayed and outhustled Boise State in the Taco Bell Arena.

The game was all Idaho. The Vandals knew what they had to do going into the hostile environment of Boise State and they executed well, ending in a 79-55 win over their rivals. Boise State was lacking the enthusiasm Idaho had, and it showed on the court with several Boise State turnovers and no completion.

With this win, Idaho is now 11-11 overall and 3-7 in WAC play. Boise State fell to 11-12 overall and 2-8 in the WAC.

The last visit between these two teams was at Idaho, resulting in an overtime win by Boise State. It was a basket by Broncos player Anthony Thomas that tied it all up and sent the game into overtime, ending in the Broncos favor. Idaho had a different plan going into the second meeting — shut down Thomas. In the previous meeting with the Broncos, Thomas had 17 points and was perhaps the main key

to the Broncos win. Down in Boise, the Vandals were able to keep Thomas scoreless the entire game. Great defense and smart coverage kept Thomas from penetrating the lane to the basket.

Idaho coach Don Verlin said the win "removed a huge softball" from his stomach.

"We just got hot," Verlin said. "... I looked up and we're up 20 and it was like, 'Oh my."

The Vandals also capitalized on Broncos turnovers giving them a large lead the entire game.

Senior Marvin Jefferson got into foul trouble early with two fouls in the first four minutes of play into the game. Senior Luciano de Souza came in for Jefferson and started scorching the net. De Souza went four for five from the 3-point line, giving Idaho a significant lead that didn't leave them throughout the game.

"After we lost that game at home, I said we weren't going to let that happen again," De Souza

The points from De Souza's game gave Idaho a double-digit lead that never went below 18 points in the second half.

"When your team is clicking, whether you're in or not, it just

see **REVENGE**, page 11.



File Photo by Ilya Pinchuk/Argonaut

Rachele Kloke takes a jump shot during the basketball game against Utah State Jan. 27. Kloke leads the

## Hard work pays off

Ilya Pinchuk Argonaut

The Idaho women's basketball team is full of explosive players, but none have come on as strong in the past three years as junior Rachele Kloke, who has doubled her season statistics from her freshman

Kloke, along with Shaena Kuenu and rinka Olorunnire, makes up the bulk of Idaho's offense on the court. She leads all Idaho players with 16.6 points per game, averaging just under 50 percent shooting from the field as well as leading the team in blocks this conference season.

But this wasn't always the case while Kloke had an outstanding high school career where she was a four-sport athlete, the adjustment to college basketball was a tough one to make.

"In high school, you can get away (with) just being athletic," Kloke said. "In college ball, there is a lot more work and time and thought that has to go into it."

Kloke began playing basketball at a young age and attributes get-ting involved in the sport to her brother Nathan.

"I looked up to my older brother and wanted to do everything he did," Kloke said. "Having a dad that is a coach and watching him coach Nathan was how I got involved in the sport.'

Kloke's father, Dennis Kloke, a college basketban piayer ioi Washington State University and a prominent coach in Kloke's community.

Under his coaching, Kloke had a successful high school career, capping off her senior year with a 23-point per game average, complimenting her 14 double-doubles. She was named All-state, All-league and All-area player in her

senior year.

Kloke got offers from several schools, including Seattle University and Western Washington, which were close to home, but a visit to Idaho sealed the deal for Kloke, who enjoyed not only Idaho's athletics but academics as well.

"I really liked the girls on the team and thought they were really cool," Kloke said. "But by far, the business program at Idaho — I just knew it was a fit for me.'

Kloke's production dropped significantly her first year in college as the adjustment from high school to college ball took its tool. Despite playing in 23 games and starting 16, Kloke averaged just er game. Adding to the troubles, Kloke missed five games with a minor knee injury in the middle of the season.

Determined to improve her game, Kloke spent the offseason communicating with her coaches and getting help from her father to get into the best basketball shape for her sophomore year.

"I would be nowhere without the extra time the coaches put in with me," Kloke said. "I spent a lot

of time shooting and working with my dad on my ball-handling." The effort paid dividends for Kloke, who had a breakout sophomore year in which she doubled,

see WORK, page 11

### Meet proves to be powerful

**Lisa Short** Argonaut

The first home meet for the Idaho track and field team resulted in strong performances and a fun meet for all Vandals. Coach Wayne Phipps said he thinks the team really enjoyed competing at home and there was great support.

That support pushed the Idaho athletes to high levels with multiple outstanding performances. The team did well, finishing with six event titles Friday night — only one behind Washington State.

Leading the team was senior Mykael Bothum, who won the shot put with a throw of 55-43/4. This throw broke not only her own school record, but moved Bothum up in the rankings to No. 4 in the NCAA. The throw was three-quarters of an inch off

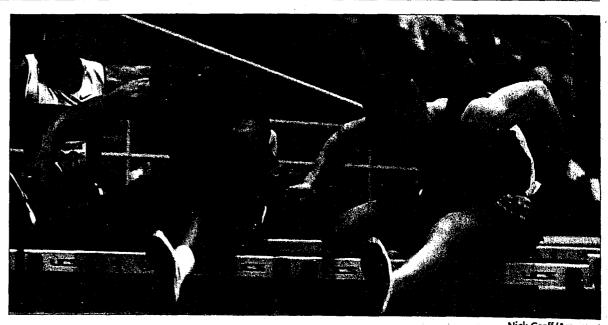
from an automatic NCAA standard, but it will probably secure her spot at nationals.

Bothum's feat is grand in nature, but the coaches and the team were not surprised. They have been working hard and seeing progress each week, but they expect that kind of outstanding performance from her, Phipps said.

Beside Bothum in the field was senior Ben Wood, who won the weight toss with a throw of 60-8 1/4. KC Dahlgren had another strong meet, competing in the pole vault neck-in-neck with WSU's Kendall Mays. Both cleared 13-4 1/4 to tie for No. 22 in t NCAA, and it was KC's best jump of the season, extending her lead in the WAC.

"I think it was nice too with Angela announcing," Phipps

see MEET, page 11



Nick Groff/Argonaut Vandal hurdlers Maurice Shaw, left, and Paul Dittmer compete in the 60-meter high-hurdles Friday evening in the Kibbe Dome at the Vandal Indoor meet. Dittmer won the event and led an Idaho sweep of the event with Shaw and Andrew Blaser behind him.

### online **CONTENT**

For a video of the meet during the weekend visit ulargonaut.com.

## Still hanging on

Ilya Pinchuk Argonaut

Idaho defeated Nevada on its home court last week becoming 61-53. the second team to defeat Nevada in conference play and proving it is much better than its 5-16 overall record.

Idaho travels this week to Fresno State to

face the only other team to beat Nevada in conference play. The Fresno State Bulldogs own a perfect 9-0 record in conference play and sit in sole possession of the No. 1 spot in the WAC

With the huge win over Nevada, Idaho leaped to No. 5 in the WAC. Idaho coach Jon Newlee said he was impressed with the way Idaho performed against Nevada, but was quick to acknowledge its weakness in allowing offensive rebounds and said the team would need a complete defensive effort to have a chance against Fresno State.

"They (Fresno) are loaded up offensively with tal-

ent," Newlee said.
The Bulldogs come into Wednesday night's game against Idaho riding an 11game winning streak. The lopsided 68-44 decision.

In contrast, Idaho enters the game with only one win in the last four games, but despite the record the Vandals look ready to start a winning streak their own. Newlee said the

team is playing its best basketball of Women's the season, and the losses came not from a lack of effort on the Vandals' part.

"All year, that heen "We are ball has been hanging on the rim and coming off," Newlee said, referencing the team's playing good ability to hang in with the best defense." the WAC but never get-ting the breaks

NEWLEE and closing out games. Idaho's past three losses

were decided by single digits, and in every game Idaho had a chance to put the game away but failed to do so.

Idaho's trio scoring threat of Rachele Kloke, Olorunnife and Yinka Shaena Kuehu look to continue their scoring ways, while freshman Kanisha Bello continues to impress

Bulldogs' last loss came with strong play on both on Jan. 30 to Stanford, in a sides of the ball, which has earned her an increase in minutes in the past four games. Bello made her first start for Idaho against LA Tech, and Newlee said he was impressed with the impact she had on

the team.
"She is a talented kid and she can play," Newlee said. "She plays with no fear - she has done a great job in the last couple of games."

The Bulldogs are loaded on offense, but Idaho's biggest concern will be

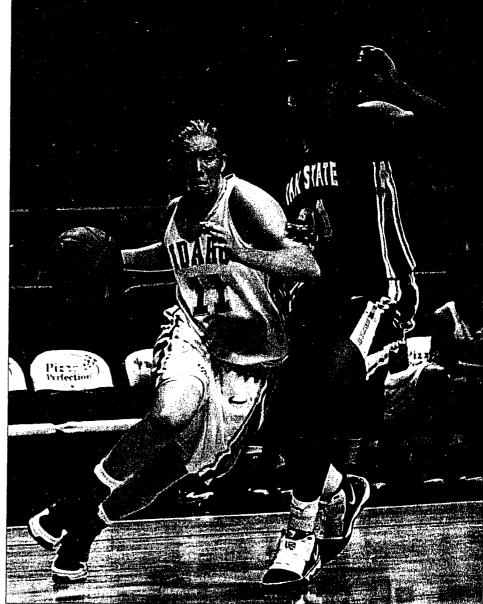
stopping junior Jaleesa Ross, who leads both Fresno State and the WAC with an average of 19 points per game. In addition, the speedy 5-foot-8 guard leads the WAC in steals per game. Ida-

Women's ho's top priorbasketball coach ity will be shut-

ting down Ross,

while at the same time keeping Fresno State's secondary scoring

"We are winning games by playing good defense," Newlee said. "We are not going to go there and get in a shootout and beat them - we have to rebound and defend in order to have a chance at winning.'



File Photo by Ilya Pinchuk/Argonaut Idaho's Bianca Cheever drives hard past Utah State's Amber White during the basketball game, Jan. 27. The Vandals will take on the Fresno State Bulldogs in

Fresno Wednesday.

### andals take on Nevada

Pierce Beigh Argonaut

The Idaho men's basketball team will take on WAC competitor Nevada Wednesday night in Cowan Spectrum. This game is one of the last three conference

home games the Vandalshavelefton their schedule.

Nevada is coming off a loss to the Utah State Aggies Saturday night in Utah, where the Aggies held the Wolfpack by 11 points, 76-65.

The loss brought Nevada's record to 13-9 and 5-4 in WAC play. Idaho's record, with its big win over Boise State, is 11-11 and 3-7 in WAC play. Nevada has had conference wins over New Mexico State, San Jose

wins have been within a 10-point margin. Idaho has three wins against Hawaii, Fresno State and Boise State. Idaho has not defeated the Wolfpack this year and hopes to carry their momentum from the Boise

State victory into Wednesday, Idaho coach Don Verlin said.

Previously in the year, Idaho fell to the Wolfpack in Nevada, 76-68. In that game, Nevada's Luke Luke Babbitt scored 19 points to seal the win over Idaho. In

Babbitt's last game against Utah State, he put up 20 points. Idaho will look defensively to shut him down and push him away from the basket.

Along with Babbitt, Nevada's Armon Johnson has State, Idaho, Boise State and Deen a key player for Ne-Hawaii. All of Nevada's vada. Johnson scored 19 points against Utah State and will be another player the Vandals will need to control.

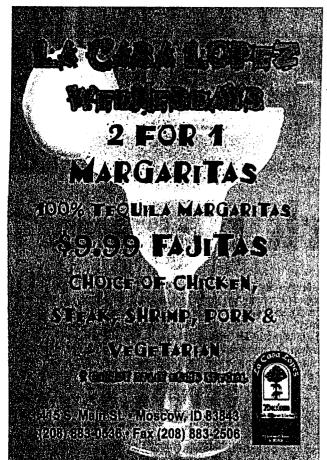
In the Vandals' last win against Boise State, the highlighted player of the game was senior Luciano de Souza, shooting four for five from the 3-point line to give Idaho its double digit lead, which carried them throughout

the game.
"The coaches told me to just bring all the energy that had," De Souza said.

He did just that and kept penetrating the basket from long range. Verlin said De Souza will be a large asset from beyond the key against Nevada.

For results on the Idaho/Nevada game visit uiargonaut.com







### Successful seniors lead meet

**Lisa Short Argonaut** 

The Idaho swimming and diving team showed improvements in its previous home meet. Idaho beat rival Washington State University 123-

108 at Saturday's home meet. Seniors

led the team in four of eight victories against the Cougars. Coach Tom Jager said he was proud to see his seniors swim so well.

"I always expect a lot out of my seniors," Jager said, "and when they step up and do well, the team responds. They finally get the taste of victory.

Senior Amanda Morrow won both "I always the 1-meter and diving expect a lot 3-meter events, and set a out of my school record in the 1-meter dive seniors, and with 272.90 points.
Senior Cortnee when they

Hanson swam a step up and step up and step up and step up and to be second in the second in the 1,000-freestyle to the team add to the team's strength.

Although Although a powerful senior core led the team, JAGER contributions by all the swimmers added up to the victory. The 400-

yard relay played a major role in setting the tone for the entire meet. The 400-relay team, in-

responds."

cluding Staci Stratton, Samantha Hammerly, Treasa Ring, and Alyson O'Brien, beat the Cougars by fourtenths of a second.

Freshman Kaela Pettitt won the 1,000-freestyle with a time of 10:27.59,

only two seconds off the school re-Freshman Kelsie Saxe also made an impact in the 200-meter individual medley with a second place finish.

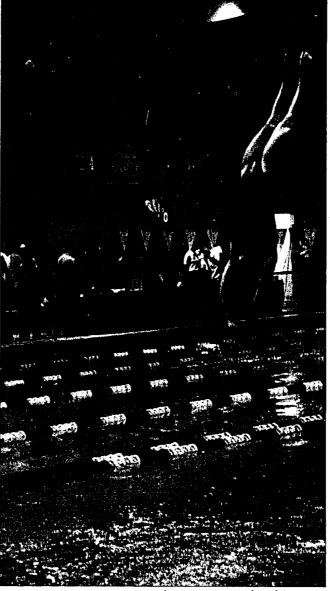
"It was a great end to the dual meet season and it was a fun victory," Jager said. "But we aren't done. They're still going to go in and want more.

Jager is talking about Idaho's next competi-

tion, the WAC Champion-ship, in San Antonio. He said he was really pleased with a great weekend but the team needs to calm down and get focused on the WAC.

Jager said he knew this was a good team but he wanted his athletes Swim coach prove it to themselves.

The players are proud of the big victory but as they focus on the next competition, they know the season ning both the 1-meter and the 3-meter events, while freshman is not over.



Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut University of Idaho senior Amanda Morrow jumps off the diving board during the swim meet against Washington State in the UI Swim Center Saturday. Morrow led the Vandal diving team win-Rachel Klancher finished second in both events.

SWINGING FOR A VICTORY



Kate Kucharzyk/Argonaut Silvia Irimescu serves the tennis ball during practice Wednesday afternoon. The University of Idaho women's tennis team defeated Eastern Washington and Gonzaga on Friday and improved their record to 3-1 this season.

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tripled, and even quadrupled her statistics from her freshman year. Under the guidance of Idaho

coach Jon Newlee, who took over the program that year, Kloke led the team in shooting. She clipped 42 percent of her shots en route to becoming Idaho's fourth-leading scorer, tallying nine points per game. She quadrupled her rebound total and tripled her scoring, steals and free throw totals, ranking second on the team in free-throw completion.

In her third year at Idaho, Kloke seems comfortable as Idaho's top scorer. Her size and speed have been giving is to opposing players, and her consistent jump shot has propelled her to the top of Idaho's scoring charts. Despite her quality play, Kloke said she still has room for

improvement. defense," 'Definitely Kloke said. "I really need to improve that."

One thing is certain — if Kloke continues her offseason improvement, opposing defenders better start worrying about Idaho next season.

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feels good," Jefferson said.
"This has been a long time coming for Luci, it looked like the basket was twice as wide when he shot — he couldn't miss."

win?" Verlin said. "Yes it was."

Idaho's next game is against Nevada Wednesday night in Cowan Spectrum.

### **MEET**

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said. "It kept people involved in the field events and it was nice for those

athletes to get that recognition."
On the track, junior Paul Dittmer took the men's 60-meter hurdles with a time of 7 minutes 94 seconds to tie for No. 2 in the WAC, only to beat that time Saturday and finish with 7 minutes 93 seconds to lead the WAC. Although he won both races, Dittmer said he "still needs to run faster." Juniors Maurice Shaw and Andrew Blaser followed Dittmer with personal best times of 8 minutes 13 seconds and 8 minutes 23

Sophomore Lauren Schaffer took the

a run of 2 minutes 11 events and it seconds. Junior Erica Digby ran a season's was nice for best mile time of 5 minutes 4 seconds thoe athletes that stands No. 3 in

On Saturday, Ida-recognition." ho put a strong field forward and yielded wayne some positive results consistently team leaders.

Senior Lucas

Pope continues to soar with another school record of 17-6 1/2 meters to win and move to a tie for No. 11 in the

women's 800-meter with a personal best time and best time in involved in the

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the performance of freshmen in the men's 800-meter. Junior Josh Dalton has continually dominated the men's Coach 800-meter and Phipps said

above that record.

he can see the leadership role Dalton takes on. It is a motivating factor for the younger athletes and the success they are seeing, he said.

NCAA. Since breaking the 25-

year record in the first meet,

Pope has cleared almost a foot

tributed to the successful

meet. Freshman Karlene Hur-

rel earned career bests and

second in both the 60-meter

and 200-meter dash. Phipps

said he was also pleased by

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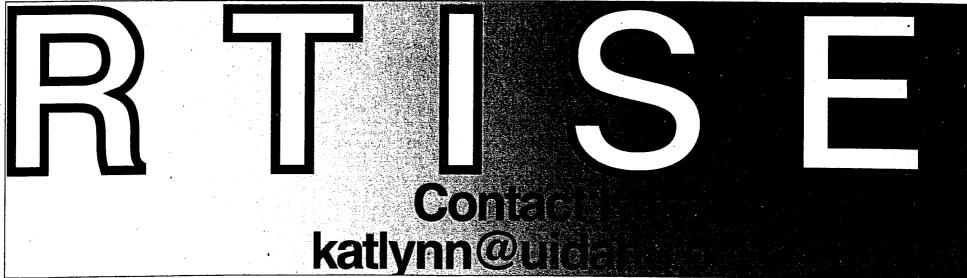


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### Men's Basketball Beats BSU

Looking to avenge an overtime loss two weeks ago, the Idaho men's basketball team stormed into Taco Bell Arena and never looked back, handing Boise State its second-worst loss in series history with a 79-55 road win on Saturday.

The Vandal men broke open an 8-8 tie early in the first half with a 14-0 run, keyed by senior Luciano de Souza's three 3-pointers, and cruised to the team's biggest win of the season. The victory puts Idaho at 11-11 overall and 3-7 in the Western Athletic Conference, while bumping BSU to 11-12 overall and 2-8 in WAC play.

De Souza connected on four of his six attempts from the 3-point line and all four free throws to give him a careerhigh-tying 16 points. Fellow seniors Kashif Watson and Mac Hopson contributed 14 and 11 points, respectively, while Hopson also added a team-high five assists. Sophomore Luiz Toledo, the WAC's most accurate shooter, hit five of his six attempts and scored 11 points, along with seven rebounds.



The Vandals went into the break with a 45-19 lead, their largest halftime lead since Nov. 28, 2008, when they took a 42-16 edge into the half against UC Irvine. The 26-point edge at the half is also the team's largest over a

WAC foe since joining the league in the 2005-06 season.

"I thought we did a good job of finishing it up and finding a way to win," Verlin said. "It's always good to win a game against your in-state rival on their floor by 25 - you don't do that very often.

Combined with last year's 56-54 win, Idaho has now won back-to-back road games at Boise State for the first time since the 1989 Big Sky Tournament Championship game and the team's 1990 Big Sky Conference opener. The 24-point win is the second-largest for Idaho in series history and the most for Idaho ever in a road game against BSU.

The Vandals will savor Saturday's victory, but Verlin said that for the team to keep its momentum, it must focus totally on tomorrow's upcoming home game against Nevada. That game, which tips off at 8:05 p.m. (PST) will be televised nationally on ESPN2.

### Vandals Defeat WSU in the Pool

The University of Idaho swimming and diving team defeated cross-state rival Washington State 123-108 Saturday in front of a loud home crowd. This was the Vandals' final home competition of the year, and they finished the year in strong fashion.

Senior Amanda Morrow turned in a stellar effort winning both the 1-meter and the 3-meter diving, while setting a school record in the 1-meter with a total of 272.90 points.

Freshman Rachel Klancher also had a strong performance finishing second in both diving events. The second event of the meet set the tone for Idaho as it won the 400-yard medley relay. The relay group composed of Staci Stratton, Samantha Hammerly, Treasa Ring, and Alyson

O'Brien beat the Cougars' by four-tenths of one second.
"Once we won the 400 yard relay we knew we were going to win the meet," Jager said.

The Vandals continued their winning ways by taking the top two in the grueling 1000 yard freestyle. Freshman Kaela Pettitt won the event in 10:27.59, just two

seconds off the school record. Senior Cortnee Hanson was right behind in second place. Hanson also paced the Vandals to victory in the 500-yard freestyle.

Idaho did well in the sprints too, as sophomore

Katie Hendricks won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.23 seconds. Freshman Kelsie Saxe put in another strong showing by finishing second in the 200 individual medley.

"We've never won our last duel, and we've never beaten a Pac-10 school," Jager said. "We're pretty jazzed and will be looking to get after the schools in the WAC now."

Idaho's next challenge will be at the Western Ath-

letic Conference Championships at San Antonio, Texas, Feb 24-27. The Vandals will look to build off the momentum created from this win.



Track & Field in the Dome
For the 35th year in a row, a grouping of some of the Northwest's top talent was in the Kibbie Dome for the Vandal Indoor, and the competition was as advertised, with some of the NCAA's top marks on Friday night.

While featured former Vandal Russ Winger was on hand to compete, it was Idaho women's thrower Mykael Bothum who stole the show. On her second attempt of the day, the senior All-American launched the shot 16.88m (55-4.75) to break her own school record and move her to No. 2 in the NCAA in the event.

Bothum's mark was just three-quarters of an inch away from achieving the NCAA automatic standard, but still likely punched her second-straight NCAA ticket with the toss. Her series on the day included three throws farther than 16 meters.



"It just felt really easy," Bothum said. "We've been working really hard in the weight room and in practices, so it's nice to see that it's starting to pay off for everybody. Bothum was one of six Idaho champions at the meet, which ranged from freshmen to senior and throws to sprints to jumps. Senior Ben Wood represented Vandal throws with a winning toss of 18.54m (60-10) in the weight throw, while sophomore Jeremy Klas cleared 5.12m (16-9.5) to lead a 1-2-3 Idaho finish in the pole vault and junior Paul Dittmer led an Idaho sweep in the 60m hurdles, as he cruised to a 8.06 in the event after running a 7.94 preliminary time this is tied as the Western Athletic Conference's best.

For the women, sophomore Lauren Schaffer seized control at the start of the women's 800m and never wavered in running a personal-best 2:11.77 - the best time in the conference by more than five seconds - while

time in the conference by more than five seconds - while true freshman Samatha Nielson busted out with a leap of 11.52m (37-9.5) in the women's triple jump.

"I was really excited for Lauren," Idaho co-head coach Wayne Phipps said. "She's such a great competitor and she just took it from the very beginning and ran an except in deep page 2011. great indoor personal best for her.

Senior K.C. Dahlgren finished second to Washington State's Kendall Mays based on attempts, but both vaulters cleared 4.07m (13-4.25) to move into a tie for 17th in the NCAA in the event. The jump is Dahlgren's best of the year and increases her WAC lead in the event to nearly a foot.

Other strong Idaho performances on the day came from juniors Maurice Shaw and Andrew Blaser, who ran personal-bests of 8.13 and 8.23, respectively, and finished second and third in the 60m hurdles. Sophomore Morgan Dunning cleared a personal-best 3.52m (11-6.5) in the women's pole vault to take fifth, while junior Erica Digby ran a season-best 5:04.31 in the women's mile to give her the conference's third-best time.

Vandal football player Princeton McCarty made an impression on the track, as he won the men's 60m dash with a time of 6.88, while fellow Idaho football player Justin Veltung took seventh in the event and ran a 7.01 in the preliminary round.

## Women's Tennis Victorious over Eastern Washington Colleges It was a fantastic Friday for the University of Idaho women's tennis team as the Vandals knocked off Eastern

Washington and Gonzaga. Idaho handled everything Eastern Washington threw at them to squeak out a 4-3 win.

Barbara Maciocha played a key role in victory beating Judy Leining in singles play 6-4, 6-1 and teamed up with Silvia Irimescu to notch a doubles victory.

The Vandals had no trouble with Gonzaga, dismissing the Bulldogs 6-1 in the evening match.

"I was very impressed with our team's performance in this match," Neill said. "It's always difficult playing the second match in a double header and Gonzaga is always a tough team, but we rose to the challenge."

Alexandra Ulesanu had a solid outing against

Gonzaga picking up a victory against Prue Teitzel.

"Alex also had a nice win," Neill said. "Her opponent was undefeated with a 5-0 record on the season."

The victories improve Idaho's record to 3-1 this season. The Vandals are back in action on Tuesday with



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