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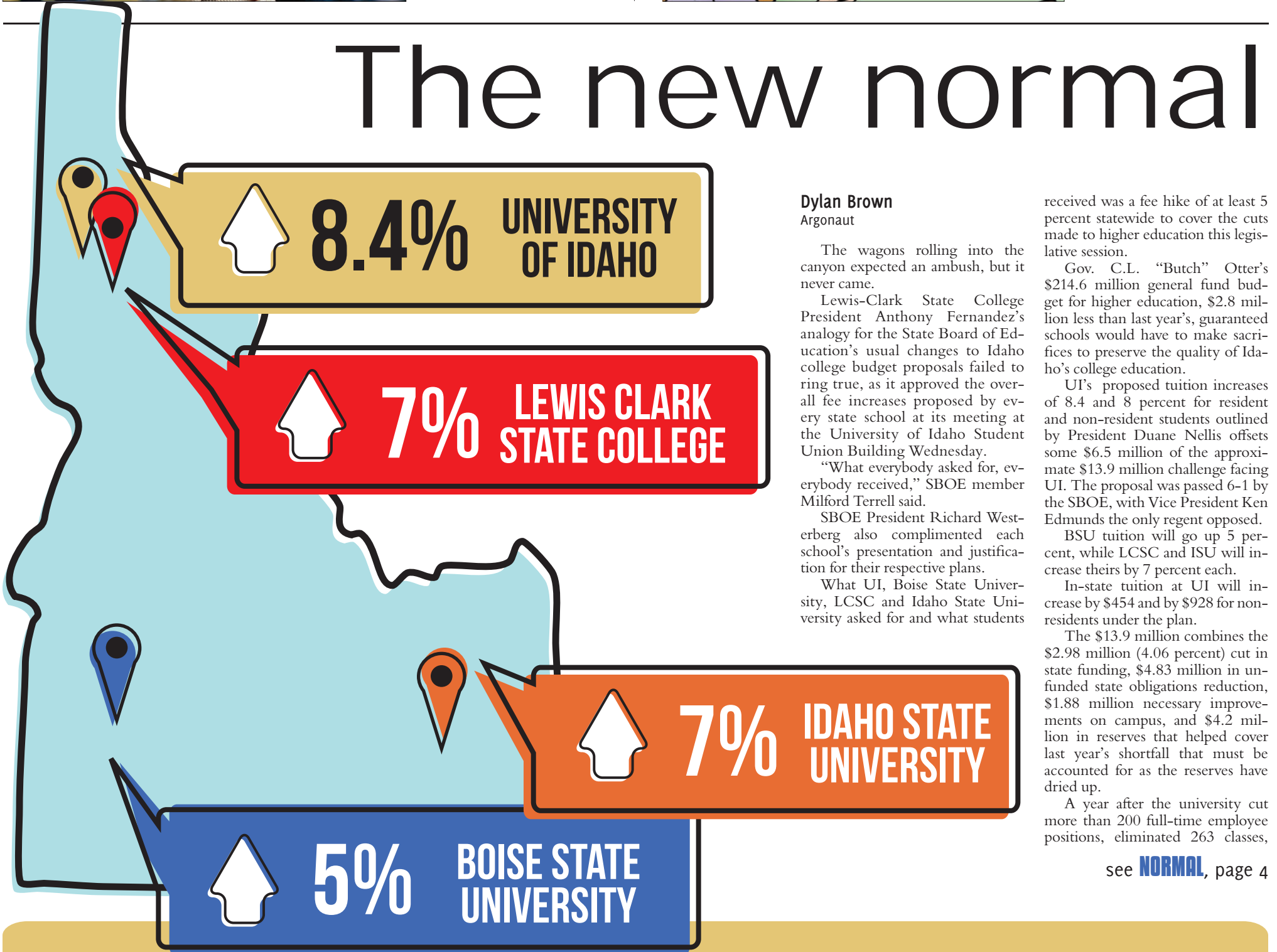
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The new normal



Dylan Brown
Argonaut

The wagons rolling into the canyon expected an ambush, but it never came.

Lewis-Clark State College President Anthony Fernandez's analogy for the State Board of Education's usual changes to Idaho college budget proposals failed to ring true, as it approved the overall fee increases proposed by every state school at its meeting at the University of Idaho Student Union Building Wednesday.

"What everybody asked for, everybody received," SBOE member Milford Terrell said.

SBOE President Richard Westberg also complimented each school's presentation and justification for their respective plans.

What UI, Boise State University, LCSC and Idaho State University asked for and what students

received was a fee hike of at least 5 percent statewide to cover the cuts made to higher education this legislative session.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's \$214.6 million general fund budget for higher education, \$2.8 million less than last year's, guaranteed schools would have to make sacrifices to preserve the quality of Idaho's college education.

UI's proposed tuition increases of 8.4 and 8 percent for resident and non-resident students outlined by President Duane Nellis offsets some \$6.5 million of the approximate \$13.9 million challenge facing UI. The proposal was passed 6-1 by the SBOE, with Vice President Ken Edmunds the only regent opposed.

BSU tuition will go up 5 percent, while LCSC and ISU will increase theirs by 7 percent each.

In-state tuition at UI will increase by \$454 and by \$928 for non-residents under the plan.

The \$13.9 million combines the \$2.98 million (4.06 percent) cut in state funding, \$4.83 million in unfunded state obligations reduction, \$1.88 million necessary improvements on campus, and \$4.2 million in reserves that helped cover last year's shortfall that must be accounted for as the reserves have dried up.

A year after the university cut more than 200 full-time employee positions, eliminated 263 classes,

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FY 2011 42.3%

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TOTAL BUDGET SHORTFALL



\$13,896,100

Illustration by Loren Morris

A life-sized demonstration

Kelli Hadley
Argonaut

A 250-foot-long, 25-foot-wide obstacle stood in the way of University of Idaho students getting to get to their classes Wednesday afternoon.

The UI Environmental Science Club, Oxfam America joined with Friends of the Clearwater and Wild Idaho Rising Tide to demonstrate to students the effect the megaloads traveling through Moscow will have on the community. The megaloads, which are being used to carry thousands of tons of Exxon-Mobile oil refinery equipment, are scheduled to travel on Highway 12 through Moscow to get to their final destination — Alberta, Canada.

Protestors on UI's campus held long ropes knotted together at each end to signify how large the megaloads will be, and moved slowly as a unit around campus, forcing students to move around or through the obstacle.

Danielle Merriman, one of the protestors, said the demonstration gives a visual reality to the situation, making it easier for students to understand its impact on

the community.

"This is showing the actual size of the megaloads," Merriman said. "People hear about the megaloads and they don't understand how huge they are, and this is the actual outline ... plus ours are just made of rope, so they can bend and turn and go around corners — the real megaloads cannot. They go about 4 mph, they shut down the roads at night and let them go through, but if there's an emergency, it's extremely difficult for other vehicles to make their way through."

Merriman said there has been concern because the highway is not structurally safe for the megaloads to travel through, especially after a test-megaload hit a wire in Orofino, cutting off the electricity to 1,300 homes.

"They've been doing a lot of infrastructure to try to make them fit but if they fall into the Lachsa, there's no crane that can get them out and they have to wait until the water goes down ... then it's a huge operation to try to get them out of the river," Merriman said. "And

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New information opens up about Johnson's past

Staff Report
Argonaut

University of Idaho men's basketball player Steffan Johnson has been named as one of three men involved in the May 2008 sexual assault of a University of the Pacific student, the school Johnson attended before transferring to UI on a full-ride scholarship.

In an episode of "60 Minutes," which aired April 17, former UP student athlete Beckett Brennan named Johnson as one of the men who she said sexually assaulted her.

Johnson, who was expelled from UP one month after the incident, was then recruited by basketball

coach Don Verlin to play at the UI.

At the time of his recruitment, Johnson had not been officially named as one of the students accused in the case, but had been removed from the 2008-09 team roster along with the two other players who were suspended from school and the team after the incident. Johnson had been connected with the incident in various media reports.

During the "60 Minutes" segment, Brennan's father Barry questioned Verlin and UI's decision to bring in Johnson.

"Unbelievable to sit there and say 'Oh, wow, ok, well, we can use a guy like that,'" Barry said in an in-

terview for the program. "... How in the hell do you end up at another university within three months?"

Brennan never brought legal charges against Johnson and the two other men, but did bring her case in front of UP's Judiciary Committee. The board was made up of three students, one faculty member and one administrator, and spent 25 hours deliberating, Brennan said. Johnson, who claimed he was not present during the sexual misconduct, was the only of the three men to be expelled.

He was never charged with a crime in the court system.

UI released a statement after the piece aired, in which they stated they were aware of Johnson's past.

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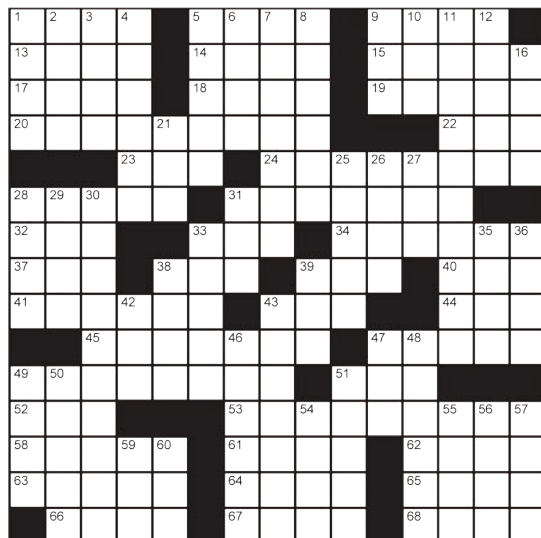
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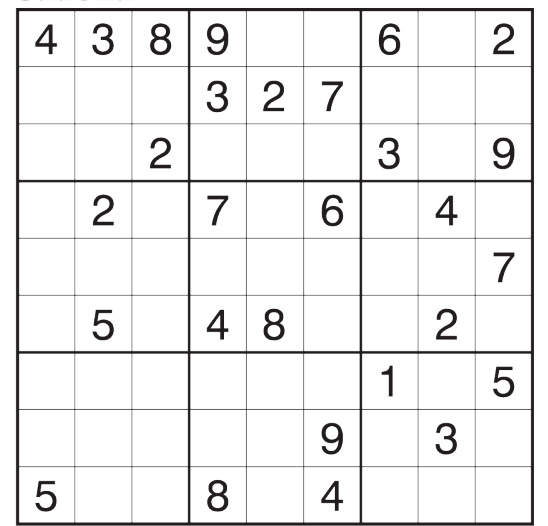
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- Be indisposed
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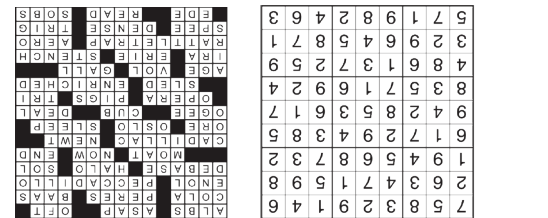


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 - Wood sorrel
 - Opera star
 - Red Sea peninsula
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 - Used to be
 - Insurgent
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 - Collector's goal
 - Kin's partner
 - Mars (Prefix)
 - Past times
 - Filmmaker Spike
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 - Christmas song
 - Flower holder
 - A few
 - Pizza order
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 - Parisian way
 - Exit
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Jackie Reynolds of the Feminist Alliance leads participants of the Take Back the Night event in anti-violence against women chants as they march through campus Thursday evening.

'Sustained excellence'

Banquet honors faculty achievements

Anja Sundali
Argonaut

A new rank was given to three University of Idaho professors at the annual Faculty Excellence Awards Monday night.

Each year, this event honors and awards those professors at UI who excel in teaching, advising, mentoring, outreach, research or creativity. For the first time a new award, the University Distinguished Professor award, was created to honor a few outstanding faculty members.

President Duane Nellis gave the University Distinguished Professor rank to Daniel Bukvich, Michael Scott and Jeanne Shreeve.

"In recognition of our most remarkable contributors we've created the University Distinguished Professor rank to honor up to three individual faculty members each year," Nellis said. "The rank will be bestowed each year in recognition of sustained excellence as judged by peers and scholarly, creative and artistic achievement"

Awardees will maintain this rank throughout their career at UI, and upon retirement will receive the rank of University Distinguished Professor Emeritus, along with a five-year stipend to use for research, student support and professional activities.

The first of the inaugural distinguished professors was Bukvich of the Lionel Hampton School of Music. Bukvich, who has been at UI for 34 years, is a renowned composer, conductor, teacher and performer.

"He inspires our students in a way that is simply stunning," Nellis said.

Some of Bukvich's productions include the "University of Idaho Jazz Choirs Holiday Concert" and the percussion ensemble and music in "Dancers Drummers Dreamers," which he founded alongside Diane Walker 20 years ago. Bukvich thanked his mentors and "protectors" in his acceptance speech.

"It's humbling and embarrassing to receive this award because I walk by people daily who are much more deserving than I," Bukvich said.

Scott, professor in the Fish and Wildlife Resources department, was the second teacher to receive the honorary rank.

"(Scott) sought cross-disciplinary opportunities before the term was in vogue, working to ensure that connections were made," Nellis said. "He mentored junior faculty and graduate researchers that went on to become global leaders in the field of natural resources."

Scott, who has worked at UI since 1986, is best known for his development of Gap Analysis, a conservation tool that maps the distribution of endangered species. Gap Analysis is now used around the world. This and many other achievements led to more than 20 different national and international awards for Scott.

Scott said without working alongside others and developing relationships with other scholars and professors, Gap Analysis would not have come to be.

"In honoring me, I think

you're really honoring my relationships because what I've been able to achieve over the 40 years of my career is about relationships," Scott said.

The final honoree of the University Distinguished Professor rank was Shreeve, a professor of chemistry at UI for 50 years. Shreeve's mentor and former boss, the 100-year-old Malcolm Renfrew, was in attendance to celebrate Shreeve's accomplishments.

"(Shreeve) truly is a legend here at the University of Idaho," Nellis said. "She is a pioneer in many respects — as a woman in science, as a researcher of exceptional note and as a champion of the University of Idaho."

Shreeve's resume at UI is vast and diverse. She has authored nearly 500 peer-reviewed papers in a variety of chemical journals, has led the way in the field of fluorine chemistry, and still advises many distinguished students. Shreeve, like Scott and Bukvich, thanked her mentors and others who have helped her along the way.

"I am the first to acknowledge that it has taken a huge village of wonderful coworkers to get me here tonight," Shreeve said.

Other awards were given throughout the night to 18 other professors and graduate students in a variety of categories.

"Each of these people honored tonight represents the best of what is a 21st century research land-grant institution at the University of Idaho," Nellis said. "Our faculty of researchers, innovators, and creative minds is what attracts Idaho's best and brightest students to come here to study. Our faculty excellence is recognized and honored nationally and internationally, and they serve our university with selfless distinction."

It started with a nightmare

One mother turns a nighttime tale into a book

Brittany Kiser
Argonaut

Since graduating from the University of Idaho, Alison Kartevold has gone on to become an Emmy Award-winning news reporter and journalist for networks including NBC, ABC and CBS. The alumnae will return to campus Wednesday to discuss her book, the writing process and how her daughters contributed to her first novel.

Kartevold will sign copies of her new novel, "KenKarta: Battle of the Onoxmon," from 3:30 to 5 p.m. April 28 at the UI Bookstore.

"At the bookstore, I'll be talking mainly about the process of writing the book — I'll do a reading of the book, and talk about how that came to be," Kartevold said. "One of the interesting things about the story is that, because of the way it was developed a lot of the characters have alter egos — I call them — here on Earth, because my kids wanted them to be after family members."

Kartevold said she will also attend a communications and a public relations class Wednesday,

as well as the senior dinner that evening.

Kartevold said in the public relations class Wednesday, she will talk about how to manage the media during a crisis. She said for the communications class, she plans to slant it more toward the journalistic experience versus the public relations side.

Kartevold said the inspiration for "KenKarta: Battle of the Onoxmon, her first middle-grade novel, came from her two daughters.

"I wrote this book for, and with, my daughters. If it wasn't for them, it would not have happened," she said.

Kartevold said "KenKarta: Battle of the Onoxmon" first began as a fairytale she told one of her daughters in the middle of the night, after she had woken from a bad dream.

"She said, 'Oh I like that one, can we write it down?' and it grew from there — it elaborated, and ended up being a novel," Kartevold said.

"They would give me ideas as far as creatures, and things they wanted to see happen . . . then it was

my job to weave that into one storyline. So it was a very fun experience to do that with them."

Kartevold said the process it took to write the book was a long one.

"I didn't sit down to just write a book all at once, so I think that's why it extended the time period out longer," Kartevold said.

She said the time it took from when she first started writing it down to the time it's going to be nationally distributed in May is almost five years.

Kartevold said her favorite portion of the process was the actual writing.

"It was so fun and so refreshing to not be bound by other people's expectations, or the facts in the story I'm covering," Kartevold said. "I could kind of just let my imagination go and come up with all of this kind of crazy stuff. It's really been (since) high school and college since I've written fiction."

Kartevold said her greatest learning curve in the novel-writing process was figuring out the book industry.



Alison Kartevold

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and saved \$1.2 million through the state's only university furlough days, UI proposed \$1.8 million be cut internally in 2011. UI Planning and Budget Executive Director Keith Ickes said every college proposed cuts as part of the formulation, but it won't be easy.

"We've run out of spots to trim fat," Ickes said. "Now we are on to muscle."

Ickes predicted, at most, 12 position cuts this upcoming year unless colleges can find the savings elsewhere. Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said he has seen an erosion in the talent pool as faculty salaries have stagnated in light of recent state cuts. In fact, salaries are down and this worries Nellis. UI's top wheat breeder, Robert Zemetra, is heading to Oregon State University and a \$30,000 rise.

"We are losing faculty to other institutions — without an increase in revenue," Nellis said.

To remedy the lack of state revenue, Ickes said UI has put itself ahead of its peers in generating revenue through private donors, \$21 million in the past three years. With any economic recovery, Ickes and Pitman hoped this number would continue to grow.

Programs are not on the chopping block however, Ickes said.

"We won't make cuts to try and solve that problem," he said.

Nellis concurred. "I am proud of what we represent and we would like to preserve what we have at our institution," Nellis said. But with the budget, "We have to do business differently."

Ickes described the situation as O cubed D: "Own Our Own Destiny."

"We can't legislate, we can't control the Board," Ickes said, but "there are some things we can do."

Aside from increasing private donations, the university saved money by improving energy efficiency and restructuring the Colleges of Education, Art and Architecture and Natural Resources.

UI students, faculty and staff can expect general school upkeep to continue to stagnate as \$6.5 million from tuition and \$1.8 million from internal cuts still leaves some \$5.6 million the school will have to balance out.

Even with the crunch, Ickes is confident the budget is normalizing.

"This feels like a time of some stability," he said. "I think it's the turning point for the university."

UI has also overhauled its recruiting, and Nellis is optimistic about reaching his 2020 goal of 16,000 students. Nellis said this year's applications and admissions look positive.

Edmunds appreciated the efforts of UI administration, but said doesn't know if increasing enrollment is the right answer.

"I would rather see our universities be more focused and have higher quality," he said. "I have no problem with the (2011) proposal — not UI, not any — mine is an ideological argument."

The Pell Grant cuts and the consistent tuition increases don't bode well for improving Idaho's "abominable" number of college attendees and dismal retention rates, Edmunds said. Idaho's relatively low per capita income has benefitted from the affordability of the state's higher education. Edmunds said he worries the state may lose that without more money allocated to higher education.

"I know we're a phenomenal value," he said. "I don't think we catch-

up by pushing through growth."

Ickes maintains growth as the way forward, putting the highest efficiency of the university around Nellis's 16,000 mark. The increase would be spread to the five satellite campuses, not just Moscow.

Nellis touted Idaho's ranking as the 52nd out of some 4,000 public schools nationwide in terms of return on investment.

In-state tuition for 2012 tuition is set at \$5,856, nearly \$2,000 cheaper than most other states, which charge \$7,816 on average for in-state students. For non-residents, those numbers are \$18,376 versus \$19,915.

Nellis praised the affordability and value of UI, and said this year's tuition increase is in no way trying to gouge UI's students coming from a state with such a low per capita income.

Terrell emphasized, however, that simply increasing tuition every year is not a long-term solution.

"If we just increase student fees," Terrell said, "we are pricing ourselves out of the market."

With higher education only 8.3 percent of Otter's budget, down from its peak at 14.9 percent in 1990, state funds to UI alone have dwindled from 73 percent of the university's budget in 2001 to 53.2 percent in 2011. Tuition is up 24.4 percent from 2009 moving into this upcoming 2011 fiscal year. Terrell isn't satisfied with this solution.

"We cannot keep taxing the students," he said. "The kids are making up the difference."

As economic recovery has been sluggish, the legislature's lean higher education budget is looking like the "new normal," the board said.

"The money will not come back," Ickes said.

Idaho students paid \$146 million

in tuition last year, and as Pell Grants and Perkins Loans take a hit on the federal level, administrators in Moscow worry that increasing the average \$21,000 in debt UI students leave college with will exclude lower-income students wanting to pursue a higher education.

While "economic rebound would put more money in the pot," Pitman said higher education must once again become a priority if the U.S. truly wants to be competitive globally.

Capping state funds, Ickes said, doesn't make us competitive. The legislature hasn't seemed willing and there would have to be "a major sea change," as he called it, to raise taxes at the state level.

"That image is not on the horizon," Ickes said. "I thought today was very positive, but we recognize there are more questions to come."

ASUI's response to tuition increase

Newly elected 2011-12 ASUI President Samantha Perez and outgoing president Stephen Parrott said UI students were firmly behind the tuition hike.

"I had no major objections during my campaign," Perez said. "All of them have seemed to be in favor of the 8.4 percent increase."

Parrott, who will intern with Idaho Sen. Jim Risch next year, said students are willing to make the changes if it means preserving UI's quality of education.

"If we weren't increasing (fees), I don't think we would be benefitting students," he said.

Perez plans to re-evaluate the student activity fee for 2012, which Parrott listed as an overall \$520 per student with a \$5.26 increase for the next fiscal year.

The fee pays for everything from intercollegiate athletics to the Women's Center, and Parrott said the ASUI Activities Board will examine every line item to ensure their allocated money, which is determined by ASUI, is being used for what it was proposed — providing necessary resources to students.

"The goal is we go to every single organization and flat-out ask them," Parrott said.

Athletics receive \$160 of the fee. The money allows students items like free tickets to sporting events and using the Swim Center. Perez said she plans on analyzing this portion of the fee along with every line item next year.

Replenishing the reserves

Losing a fifth of the state's contribution in two years led to drastic action at the UI, including the use of \$4.2 million in reserve money to help cover the shortfall.

With the one-time reserves nearly exhausted, UI will have to cover the shortfall another way in fiscal year 2011.

"We are planning to fully eliminate the need to use reserves," Ickes said.

As the university moves forward cautiously and conservatively, Nellis said, a portion of the reserves, \$2.5 million, will be added back this year.

The reserves will primarily be covered by the \$1.8 million cut internally from UI's colleges, faculty and staff, but \$700,000 will still need to be covered.

"I am confident we can cover it," Ickes said.

Confident as a re-worked arrangement with federal government will potentially reduce the overhead costs of research, saving approximately \$1 million, if finalized.

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there are a number of them that are actually going through downtown Moscow, down Washington Street — in total there are 200 of them trying to make their way up to Alberta, Canada."

In addition to the concern about the size of the megaloads, Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter recently signed a bill saying anyone who wants to sue Exxon-Mobile for damages caused by the megaloads will be charged a 5 percent fee of the

load's insured value. Merriman said it's an issue that directly affects those living in the path of the megaloads, and those who are concerned should join the efforts to change it.

"They (the community) should be aware of this. Just because it's going to Alberta doesn't mean it's not affecting our community," Merriman said. "They're going through Moscow, they're gonna go up Highway 12 ... it's not an international issue, it's an issue here, locally, and people need to be aware about what's going on and talk about it."

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Brian Reader drops back during quarterback drills March 24 on the SprinTurf. The Vandals finish their spring practice with the Silver and Gold scrimmage at 10 a.m. Saturday on the SprinTurf.

Silver and Gold

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

Spring football is drawing to a close, but one last order of business remains: the annual Silver and Gold game.

The game is set for 10 a.m. Saturday on the SprinTurf, and will be the final scrimmage of the spring. Idaho coach Robb Akey said he's been impressed with his team so far, but knows there is a lot that still needs to get done.

"I think we've improved at a number of positions and I've learned that I have reason to expect

a lot of good things out of this football team, but I also know that we got work to do," Akey said. "In the grand scheme of things we should be that way at this point in time. We shouldn't be a finished product at the end of spring."

Since it is the last practice of spring camp, many players will try to prove they belong on the field. Akey said he'll also be keeping an eye on who's playing all-out.

"What I want to see is who's going to come out and fly around," Akey said. "Who's going to come out and make plays? Who's going to show up

in a live atmosphere? That's what I'm looking to see."

Akey said he's been impressed with the way the defense has performed this spring. The defense has been taking it to the offense in every scrimmage. As happy as Akey is with the defense, he said the offense needs to put it in gear and that's what he's going to be looking for in the Silver and Gold game, and into the fall.

"We got to have a great sense of urgency to have a great summer, a great fall camp and that's when we'll build our team to be ready for that Bowling Green game," Akey said.

Walking on: For the love of the game

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

Football at the college level is ultra-competitive. Schools compete to recruit the top athletes, and then the athletes have to compete for a spot on the team once practice begins. It's easy to focus on the big-name scholarship athletes, but there are those who don't get a scholarship and still do whatever it takes to stay on the team. Walk-ons are a vital part of a football team, and the road they travel is often a difficult one.

John McKinley and Tyler Brooks are both seniors who walked on to the Vandal football team. They both had an opportunity to play elsewhere, but wanted to take the chance of playing division I at Idaho.

"You have an opportunity to play Division I or Division I AA, and I wanted an opportunity up here," McKinley said.

Walking on is tough because a player has to constantly prove themselves to coaches so they don't get cut. Brooks said it takes a lot of determination to stay the course as a walk-on.

"It's pretty rough," Brooks said. "You definitely have to pay your dues. It's kind of an uphill battle, but if you make it to the top it's real rewarding."

Despite not getting recruited or receiving a scholarship offer, walk-ons are a valuable part of the Vandal foot-

ball team. They push the scholarship players to improve their game and often fill holes on the team. Sometimes they outplay the scholarship athletes and land starting roles. Idaho coach Robb Akey said he doesn't see the difference between walk-ons and scholarship players, and that they're all part of the Vandal family.

"Some of them get school paid for in different fashions, but we got a football team here," Akey said. "... We only have the opportunity to put so many of them on scholarships, so obviously we need to build our team with guys that are making a commitment, a sacrifice to be able to play college football while they go to school, and I have great respect for those guys because it's tough enough as it is."

Brooks and McKinley weathered the storm of walking on, and now will be playing in their last season. Both have made an impact on special teams in the past and both said when they got here, all the players treated them as equals but they still had to compete hard.

"I didn't really see a difference except on the field — you have to work harder than everyone else to make a name for yourself because you don't have a name when you get there," McKinley said.

One of the hardest parts of being a walk-on is finances. Walk-ons are expected to do everything scholarship

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Competition at 'El Classico'

As a die-hard Boston Red Sox fan, it is my life goal to make sure the New York Yankees become the laughing stock of the MLB. There have been so many memorable moments during the span of what is arguably the biggest sporting rivalry in the U.S. — but it is not the biggest in the world.

Take the anger, passion and pure hatred of the opposing side that you may experience on a Saturday night in Fenway Park and multiply it by 100. Welcome to the world of Spanish soccer and the bitter rivalry between Real Madrid and FC Barcelona, also known as "El Classico."

In a normal year, fans of the two squads only get a chance to put their passion on full display twice. The two match-ups (one in Madrid and one in Barcelona) are scheduled into the league play, but this year the two sides will hit the pitch a total of five times.

Three of the matches have already been played, with each team

earning one victory and a draw as the outcome of the third match, but although the record looks as though the teams are evenly matched, the scoreline begs to differ.

At La Liga match at Camp Nou in Barca during the first match of the year, back in November 2010, the home side dominated Cristiano Ronaldo and Madrid, beating them 5-0.

The next game didn't take place until five months later, when the two sides met up April 16 in Madrid for the second of their league matches. That encounter ended in a 1-1 draw.

The latest of the matches took place Wednesday, when the two teams met in their only game of the season that would determine a trophy winner. The Copa Del Ray final ended in a 0-0 draw, but in the 13th minute of extra time, Ronaldo put a header in the back of the net and gave

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Madison McCord
Argonaut



Steven Devine | Argonaut

Rodeo season is here and many students participate in the various events throughout the season. This horse, vigorously, will be in the barrel racing competition this weekend at the Central Washington University Rodeo tonight, Saturday and Sunday.

Eight seconds not long enough

Kristen Whitney
Argonaut

Rodeo is a chance for man and beast to bond in what many call a lifestyle more than a sport. As coach for the University of Idaho rodeo club and a Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association card holder, Sylvan La Cross said rodeo is a lifestyle because of how much time and money it takes, but a sport because of the amount of skill involved.

"We're exerting almost as much force and energy in bareback riding stuff as somebody does during a regular eight-hour day," La Cross said. "I mean it's eight seconds of all-out, your muscle against a horse."

La Cross grew up riding steers, bulls and bareback horses. He now fights bulls professionally and has for five years. Growing up riding is a common theme among rodeo competitors and college can serve as a stepping stone into professional competitions.

Rodeo club president Jamie Hedlund said college level rodeo can be a big miss of talents.

"It's a nice transition phase," Hedlund said. "It kind of weeds out the weaker link."

Lindsey Stephens, club treasurer, said rodeo is set apart from other intercollegiate sports because professional level athletes are able to compete.

"It's a little daunting because they're pro and you're not. But that's the kind of sport rodeo is, it's anyone's game. You don't get flit up on how

More Info:

The rodeo club will be in action Friday, April 29, through Sunday, May 1, at the Palouse Empire Fairgrounds in Colfax, Wash. Performance times are Friday and Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. and admission is free

much your horse is worth or how well you do, everyone gets merged together," Stephens said.

Recognized by the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association as a university team in the Northwest region, the UI club competes against school like Central Washington University, Treasure Valley Community College and Walla Walla Community College.

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How it's done

Setting it up

Vicky Hart
Argonaut

Ryan Carter has held almost every position on the volleyball court, but she has deemed setting to be the most difficult.

"Setting is hard," the 5-foot-7-inch sophomore said Tuesday evening, as her teammates took down the volleyball net in Memorial Gym.

Carter has been setting since her junior year of high school and transferred to Idaho at the beginning of this year from Washington.

"I started playing when I was 9 years old and fell in love," Carter said. "I quit everything else I was doing to just play volleyball."

Devotion to the sport has made Carter an expert on setting technique and she has the stats to go with her skill, racking up 191 assists last season.

She said a common misconception is how setters hold the ball. Most people think they clutch it with their fingertips, but Carter said setters catch and cradle the ball before releasing it.

"It's more of a ball shape in your hands and you kind of make a triangle with your fingers," she said.

In an ideal situation, setters have the second touch on a ball. A passer digs the ball and it arcs high above the court, descending right above the setter on the right side, a little ways off the net. Then the setter's job is to flick it to a waiting middle or outside hitter in one of many locations and heights.

Carter walked through the process of setting after a pass.

"You're waiting for it to get into your hands," Carter said. "You make that ball shape and you want to bring (your hands) up above your head so that ... the ball would hit you straight on the forehead."

After catching the ball, Carter said setters straighten their arms and flick their fingers forward for a clean release.

"You follow through with it just like Superman would," Carter said.

Sometimes, though, the release isn't so clean and a setter mishandles the ball in the instant of contact.

"There's a call that refs make called a double and that is when you double-touch the ball and it looks really ugly," Carter said.

A double-touch is just one of many ways a set can get off-kilter. Carter compared the position to a quarterback in football because the success or failure of a play depends on the setter's ability to handle the ball and execute plays.

"You can set it too inside or not perfect to the hitter, you can have a miscommunication with your hitter and set the wrong thing and then everything goes wrong," Carter said. "The most common thing that goes wrong is that you set it too far or not far enough."

Like football, specific plays



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Vandal volleyball setter Ryan Carter sets the ball for her teammates in Memorial Gym last fall.

have names that setters and hitters use to communicate. If they misunderstand each other, the whole possession can fall apart.

"Every set to every hitter has a different name," Carter said. "So say someone's coming in for a six, and you set a nine, that's not good because there's not going to be anyone there."

To protect against these mix-ups, Idaho's setters put in an extra half hour of practice every day in setter tutors.

"We basically just get balls tossed to us in various situations and set them to different spots on the courts," Carter said. "We're setting probably 100 balls before practice even starts."

Although this practice is beneficial, Carter said games are much less predictable than practice and pose a greater chal-

lenge for setters.

"When the coach tosses you a ball ... you kind of know where it's going to go, but when a player is passing it, hopefully it goes right to you, but it can kind of go all over the place," Carter said.

A setter usually chases the ball to wherever it hovers over the court and does her best to arc it smoothly toward a waiting teammate. Setters function in the middle of the court, at the center of every play and under the most varied circumstances, which Carter said makes the job challenging.

"There are so many different things you have to think about, so many different things you have to do, you have a million responsibilities," Carter said. "It's a tough skill but it's fun. It's actually my favorite."

Could a Vandal Bowling club be in the future?

Jacob Dyer
Argonaut

A new club could be on the horizon at the University of Idaho as Ian Kelsey and Brady McNall are currently trying to get a bowling club approved.

Gordon Gresch, the associate director of campus recreation, said this wouldn't

be the first time the University of Idaho had a bowling club, as about 10 years ago there was a bowling alley on campus, before the Student Union Building was renovated. When it disappeared, so did the club.

Kelsey and McNall have been working to resurrect the club and are nearing time for their fate to be decided. Gresch said they are taking care of preliminary requirements.

"They are in what we would call the 'recruiting and paper work' stage, which is the busy work, but it's the required paperwork. So we have official documentation of their club, then with that paperwork they go and present to the sport club council," Gresch said.

It all started for Kelsey and McNall as they were playing in a league over at Zeppoz in Pullman. They have been playing there for the past year, and Kelsey said they have slowly gotten better over that span of time. They noticed there were

also students from Washington State University in the league, and after speaking with them they discovered they had a bowling club on their campus.

"The WSU kids are doing it and are significantly better than us, and we find out that they have a club that has 30 people on it and they get to come in and get a whole

section of the bowling alley to themselves to practice for a few hours, a couple of days a week," Kelsey said.

Kelsey and McNall have already been involved in UI clubs in the past, so they decided to speak with Gresch and see if the idea was

possible. When they discovered that it was, they created a Facebook page, "Vandal Bowlers", and started the paper work process to create the club.

If they are approved by the sport club council next week, they hope to have at least 20 UI students join. McNall said that part of the reason they wanted to create the club is because of all the UI students they run into at the leagues.

"There was actually one team last year who used to wear their marching band shirts when they came to play," McNall said.

Kelsey said part of he and McNall's job at this point is to make sure they can have a regular scheduled time to

practice and then to decide which tournaments they will be participating in.

"We want to get two times a week for practice times. We are going to try and get everyone who is a part of it set up with a league, just so that they can compete a little bit, and then we are going to take, depending on the tournament size, four or five of our bests to tournaments all over the Northwest," Kelsey said.

McNall said there will be rules and guidelines for entry into the club. Students must be full time and there will also be grade regulations. There is also an issue of certification.

"Bowling clubs have to be USBC certified, so basically each member of the team has to be a member of the USBC, and then on top of that membership, become a collegiate member," McNall said.

McNall said the fee is \$35 a year for the certification and they foresee having to have some additional club fees to help pay for things like tournaments and trips.

If things go as planned they hope to be able to have their top four men and women compete at every tournament they go to. Tournaments they are looking at now range from Seattle to Las Vegas.

"We hope in the next few years to be actually able to get a place in Nationals. As long as you compete in two or three collegiate tournaments you can then go to Nationals in Texas and hopefully be able to compete," McNall said.

Fab five of the NFL Draft

The 2011 NFL Draft is approaching faster than Mark Ingram's 40-yard dash, and rumors surrounding the lingering NFL lockout have been temporarily disregarded with increasing anticipation of Thursday's events. ESPN has titled 2011 the Year of the Quarterback and many would agree that this label could also apply to next week's draft, which will feature the 2010 Heisman Award winner and four other premier college prospects. As the Carolina Panthers debate their first pick, countless others will scope out an opportunity to land one of the Fab Five.

Cam Newton- Auburn

Most expect the Panthers to take advantage of the golden opportunity knocking on their door — Cam Newton. The 2010 Heisman winner and 2011 national champion was hands-down the best college quarterback in 2010. Coming out of practically nowhere to steal the spotlight, Newton led the Tigers to an undefeated 13-0 season and proved himself as a multidimensional quarterback, throwing for 2,854 yards and 30 touchdowns while rushing for 1,473 and 20 touchdowns. Analysts question Newton's style, which many find similar to that of University of Texas legend and current Tennessee Titan Vince Young. Young has experienced a mediocre NFL career that has been plagued by consistent injuries. As a panelist at the MIT Sports Analytic conference in March, New York Giant defensive end Justin Tuck spoke of Newton, "Would I take him No. 1? Absolutely not. If he comes into the league doing what he did in college, he won't be in this league for very long." After allegations were made regarding the recruiting of Newton, NFL coaches have been forced to revisit his morals while recent interviews have raised questions about his attitude.

Blaine Gabbert- Missouri

At Mizzou, Gabbert was the centerpiece of a spread offense that helped lead the Tigers to a commanding 6-2 record in the Big 12. Spread offense doesn't exist in the NFL — Young and San Francisco's Alex Smith have both struggled adjusting to new formations. His passer rating of 127.03 was 69th in the NCAA but scouts have been drooling over his 6'5", 240-lb. frame. While he may not have Newton's agility, Gabbert racked up 232 rushing yards and five touchdowns, including 70-plus yard games against Nebraska and Kansas State. NFL Network's Charles Davis and NFL.com's Pat Kirwan and Steve Wyche all expect the Arizona Cardinals to draft Gabbert with the fifth pick of the first round. With the retirement of Kurt Warner and the release of Matt Leinart, Arizona has been stuck with 27-year-old Derek Anderson, who has accounted for only 19 touchdowns in his last 30 games. The question is whether or not Gabbert will be able to adjust fast enough to make an immediate impact.

Ryan Mallett- Arkansas

Mallett has been the center of draft

controversy and has seen his draft stock rise and plummet in a span of two days. Analysts and scouts have considered his inability to be mobile in the pocket and are

reconsidering after learning about his character off the football field. Accusations that link Mallett with being hungover during a visit with the Carolina Panthers may or may not be true, but teams may play it safe and choose one of the other three quarterbacks who haven't raised a red flag thus far. Nevertheless, Mallett's arm is unmatched and the 6'7", 238-lb. Texarkana, Arkansas-native led the Razorbacks to a 6-2 SEC record, with losses to Auburn and Alabama.

His passer rating of 163.7 and 32 touchdowns both ranked seventh in the NCAA but his immobility resulted in -1.7 rushing yards and only four touchdowns. Mallett has proved himself on numerous occasions but may be one of the biggest risks of this year's draft.

Jake Locker- Washington

This time last year, Jake Locker may have been the expected first pick of the 2010 Draft. Locker opted for another year and a diploma from Washington but jeopardized his draft stock in the process. After suffering a broken rib mid-season, he was forced to miss the game at No. 1 Oregon and despite a win in the Holiday Bowl, Locker only managed to complete five passes for 56 yards. At 6'3", 231 lbs., Locker possesses a strong arm that is complimented with an aggressive running game but questions loom about his accuracy. Seattle may favor the Ferndale, Wash. native with the 25th pick of the first round but it may be a while before Locker sees any action. He has been labeled as a bigger, taller, right-handed version of Steve Young and is very mobile in the pocket with the ability to roll out and pick up large chunks of yardage. Locker's strong arm has led to numerous overthrown passes but his inaccuracy and inclination to injury have proven to be his only real weakness.

Andy Dalton- TCU

Possibly the most underrated quarterback of the 2011 Draft, Andy Dalton has taken scrutiny from an NFL coach for his red hair. After leading the Horned Frogs to an undefeated 2010 season and Rose Bowl victory over Wisconsin, it seems unlikely that hair color will be much of an issue. Dalton's size, 6'2", 215 lbs., may take its toll but has shown consistency at TCU, passing for 10,314 yards in four years, adding 71 touchdowns and only throwing six interceptions in 2010. His quarterback rating of 166.5 ranked fifth in the NCAA and he has compiled 44 wins in four years as TCU's starter, including three bowl victories. Dalton's competition in the Mountain West Conference doesn't compare to that of the other four and TCU's spread offense system may play a part in his NFL development. Dalton isn't expected to appear in the first round of the draft but his experience and victorious college career may be beneficial if and when he acquires a starting spot.



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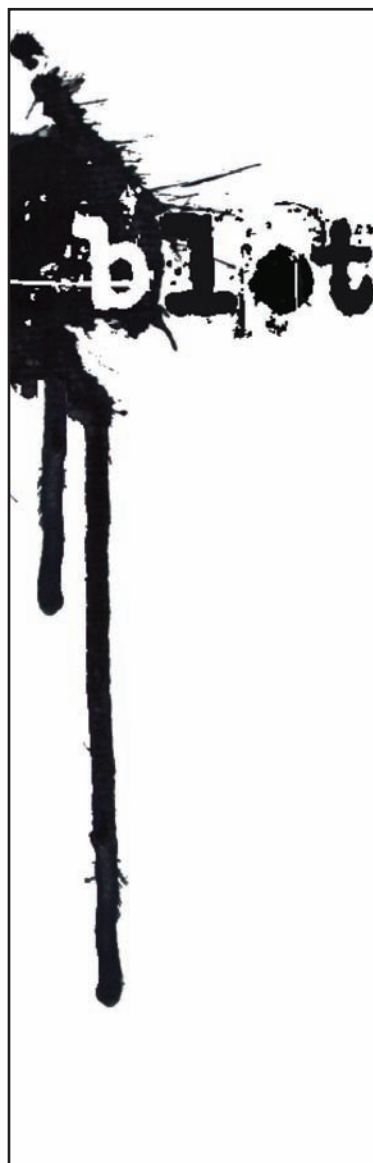
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Victoria Lozano returns a ball during a doubles match against the Eastern Washington Eagles Tuesday afternoon on the courts behind Memorial Gym. The Vandals won the match in the cold Tuesday weather 6-1.

Another win for women's tennis

Kelli Hadley
Argonaut

Earlier this season the Vandal women's tennis team dominated Eastern Washington 7-0. It brought the same fire Tuesday, beating them 6-1 on the University of Idaho home courts.

Idaho won five singles matches Tuesday at the No. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 spots, with the only loss coming from EWU player Ryann Warner 6-1, 6-1 over senior Silvia Irimescu. The Vandals also snagged the doubles point with all three doubles wins by the teams of freshman Victoria Lozano and sophomore Lauren Simpson, senior Yvette Ly and junior Molly Knox, and senior Barbara Maciocha and senior

Natalie Kirch. Idaho coach Tyler Neill said being able to play on the home courts was a bonus in the victory.

"This was a good win for us," Neill said. "It was nice to play in front of our home crowd and play a good match."

Neill said the whole team played smart and consistent tennis, but that Simpson in particular was a strong competitor, having won her No. 2 spot singles match at 6-1.

"Throughout we played smart and consistent tennis, which is exactly what I was hoping for," Neill said. "I thought Lauren was particularly impressive today. She played smart tennis throughout her match and she never let her opponent get into the match."

With the win, the Vandals

advance to 16-6 on the season and remain at 4-3 in WAC play. They will play their last home game of the season April 23 against Lewis-Clark State College, and will then make the trip to Boise for the WAC Tournament April 29-May 1.

After the match against LCSC April 23, a tennis clinic fundraiser will be held on the outdoor tennis courts by Memorial Gym from 3-5 p.m. The clinic, put on by the Vandal women's tennis team, will have a \$25 fee to pay beforehand, which will go to the tennis team budget. There will also be a raffle with prizes at the end of the clinic — first place is a tennis racquet, and other prizes include grips, balls and strings.

Excessive celebration penalty must go

The NCAA has tried to eliminate celebrations after a score in college football. In past years if the official thought a player had celebrated too much, they were given a 15-yard penalty on the extra point or the kickoff, whichever the opponent chose. Next season though, the NCAA has made it so the penalty will be enforced from where the celebration took place. Meaning, if a player high steps into the end zone he will be penalized 15 yards from where the infraction took place. So if he started high stepping at the 10-yard line, the team will be penalized 15 yards and backed up to the 25. This is a catastrophe of a rule—the NCAA needs to allow the kids to have fun.



Mike Greenway
Argonaut

The NCAA is so worried about sportsmanship because they're afraid that if they don't control the celebrating, fights will break out. They're afraid that a team may feel disrespected by the celebration and retaliate by fighting. There are other ways of combating the respect issue other than penalizing a team for celebrating a touchdown. There is a difference between celebrating and taunting.

Three years ago the University of Washing-

ton trailed BYU 28-21 late in the 4th quarter. Washington quarterback Jake Locker scored a touchdown with less than a minute remaining. Out of excitement he threw the ball up in the air and was penalized for excessive celebration, and the 15-yard penalty was enforced on the extra point. The kicker missed the extra point due to the penalty and the Huskies ended up losing 28-27. Locker wasn't taunting anyone, he was just excited that he scored the potential tying score for his team, and out of excitement he threw the ball in the air. This was a despicable call, but the NCAA said the officials were just following the rules. If the officials were just following the rules, then the rules must be changed.

The excessive celebration penalty in college football is excessive in itself. Taunting, on the other hand, should be penalized. Dancing in the end zone or throwing the ball up in the air is celebrating, not taunting. Taunting would be pointing at the defender as you walk into the end zone. When a player scores a touchdown, he should be able to celebrate any way he wants as long as he is not doing anything disrespectful to the other team.

South Korea's Han leads China Open

CHENGDU, China (AP) — South Korea's Han Chang-won shot an 8-under 64 on Thursday to take a one-stroke lead in the suspended first round of the China Open.

Han had six birdies in a front-nine 30 on the Luxehills International Country Club course.

Northern Ireland's Gareth Maybin, England's James Morrison, Wales' Bradley Dredge and Denmark's Soren Kjeldsen opened with 65s in the event sanctioned by the European Tour, China Golf Association and OneAsia Tour. South Africa's Keith Horne also was 7 under with four

holes play.

Heavy morning mist delayed the start an hour and 24 players were unable to finish before dark.

Defending champion Y.E. Yang and Chinese star Liang Wen-chong opened with 68s, and three-time major champion Pdraig Harrington had a 71.

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athletes do, but still have to pay for school somehow. Brooks said this had been a big struggle in the past.

"I can't think of a time when me or my family hasn't struggled financially," Brooks said. "Sometimes it's hard to get motivated when you're waking up for meetings and workouts at six in the morning... You're not getting paid for it but you do it because you love football."

Even with doing everything that scholarship athletes are doing, walk-ons still live with the fear of getting cut. Akey said he hates cutting players, but in the end he has to field the best possible team.

"Probably the hardest thing a coach has to do is cut somebody," Akey said. "We can only report to camp in the fall with 105 total guys, so you try to get the most out of everyone that you can and you try to get the most talent on your football team that you're able to."

With the Silver and Gold game this Saturday, now's the time when players have to make an impact. More cuts are sure to be on the way, so every player has to prove that they belong on the field.

"It's been worth it," Brooks said. "If it wasn't worth it I wouldn't be here. I've had a lot of moments when I've struggled but I love football, I love our coaching staff. I got 95 brothers who would be there for me any night anytime. The unity of the group makes it worth it."

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As a club, they come together for practice, fundraising, travel and competition. Stephens said fundraising is especially important because rodeo can be a costly sport. The costs of diesel for her truck, entry fees, stable fees for the horses and feed add up quickly.

Hedlund said having the right connections is also important to being successful in the sport.

"I could show up with a \$30,000 barrel horse that I borrowed from someone and win. And it's because of the people you know you can get better resources," Hedlund said.

She said the same is applicable to having an adequate practice area because not everyone has an arena in their backyard.

At the college level there are different events for men and women to compete in. For women there is goat tying, break-away roping, barrel racing and team roping. For men the events are saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, calf tie-down, team roping and steer wrestling. Hedlund competes in barrel racing and goat tying.

Both are timed events with the fastest time winning. For barrel racing Hedlund must maneuver her horse around four barrels in a clover shape as fast as possible without knocking over any barrels. The goat tying event requires the rider to race from one end of the arena to the other where they then dismount and flank or tie up, the goat. Males also do this with a calf, and they must lasso the calf while still on their horse.

The relationship between the rider and horse is critical in timed events where they work more as a team than man over animal.

"You invest so much in that animal, and they are your teammate. You have to have a really good relationship with the horse and you have to trust them... and they have to trust you," Hedlund said.

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Real Madrid their first win of the season over Barca and the Copa Del Ray crown.

The final two matches are the biggest for both sides as they face off in the semi-finals of the UEFA Champions League. The teams will play one fixture on each other's home pitch and the aggregate score will determine who will move on to face the winner of the games between FC Schalke '04 and Manchester United.

Barcelona has tried to be the best team of the two all year, but no matter which side you support, getting to see five matches in one season is a treat that everyone should wish for annually.

Braves lose to Dodgers on Kemp's 12th-inning HR

LOS ANGELES (AP) — For the second straight series, Matt Kemp helped the Los Angeles Dodgers win the finale with a game-ending home run. This time, the Atlanta Braves were the victims.

Christian Martinez surrendered the deciding hit on an 0-2 pitch, three innings after Casey Blake tied it in the bottom of the ninth with an RBI single on an 0-2 delivery from Craig Kimbrel.

The result: The Braves lost 5-3 Thursday, dropping a chance to split the four-game set.

"You can't make mistakes 0-2, and we did today," manager Fredi Gonzalez said. "Anytime you do that late in the game, you're asking for trouble."

Both teams were down to their final strike much earlier.

David Ross hit a two-out, two-run single in the top of the ninth to put the

Braves ahead 3-2. They rallied with two hits and a walk against Clayton Kershaw, who had held them to just two hits through the first eight.

"It was great to see our guys do that," Gonzalez said. "In all this, you almost forget Kershaw's performance."

"The way he was pitching, for us to scratch out a couple of runs off him when he was in line for the 'W,' we feel good. In fact, I told the guys that when they came in here."

Andre Ethier, who extended his career-best hitting streak to 18 games with infield single in the third inning, doubled with one out in the Dodgers 12th against Martinez (0-1). Kemp sent a drive over the fence in left-center for his fourth homer of the season.

On Sunday, Kemp hit a two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth to beat St. Louis 2-1.

"Matty's awesome," Kershaw said. "I told him what an incredible job he did and thanks for picking me up. In that situation, where both bullpens are getting eaten up, for Matty to pull it out like that with an 0-2 count, it was an awesome at-bat."

Matt Guerrier (1-0) pitched two innings for his first NL victory after seven seasons with Minnesota.

Chipper Jones started the Braves' ninth-inning rally with a two-out single and Dan Uggla followed with a single. When the throw went to third, Uggla hustled to second and made a headfirst slide to barely beat the throw.

After rookie Freddie Freeman walked on a full-count, the 23-year-old Kershaw got a visit from rookie manager Don Mattingly. Kershaw was allowed to stay in and Ross singled on an 0-2 pitch to put Atlanta in front.

"I love the fact that Donnie had enough confidence to keep me out there," Kershaw said. "I want the ball in that situation so that win or lose, it would be in my hands. You know, 27 outs are hard to get, so I learned my lesson today."

In the Dodgers ninth, Jamey Carroll drew a lead-off walk from Kimbrel and advanced on a wild pitch. Blake's clutch hit saddled Kimbrel with his first blown save in five chances.

"I tried to go with a fast-ball away, and it just would up over the plate," Kimbrel said. "I didn't get the pitch where I wanted to and he made me pay."

Kershaw faced the minimum 12 batters through the first four innings. He retired his first 10, then gave up a single to Alex Gonzalez in the fourth before picking him off.

In the fifth, Freeman opened the scoring with a

home run to right field on a 2-2 pitch.

Juan Uribe tied it with a leadoff homer in the sixth against Jair Jurrjens, his first with the Dodgers after hitting a career-high 24 last season for the World Series champion San Francisco Giants. The 11-year veteran had four RBIs in Wednesday game, after driving in only three runs in his first 60 at-bats of the season.

Blake put the Dodgers ahead 2-1 in the seventh, connecting against Scott Linebrink for his first home run of the season.

Jurrjens allowed a run and seven hits over six innings and struck out six.

"You know that when you face the ace on the other team, you need to limit the runs," Jurrjens said. "Kershaw is a good pitcher, a strikeout pitcher and a dominant pitcher. And he showed that today until the ninth."

Willis' birdie run brings him Heritage lead

Pete Iacobelli
AP Sports Writer

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — Garrett Willis couldn't give up on "Old Faithful," no matter how many flashy, new belly putters he tested out this week.

Willis entered The Heritage seeking answers to his poor putting and had planned to park his longtime, Scotty Cameron model. As he walked to the range Thursday morning, though Willis just couldn't go through with it and asked his caddy to "go back to my car and get 'Old Faithful.'"

Good thing he did. Willis had a run of six straight birdies on the front nine on the way to a 7-under 64 and a one-shot lead in the suspended first round of The Heritage.

"Obviously, very excited about putting this well, and having a chance to making the cut for a change," Willis said.

He held a one-stroke edge over Arjun Atwal, Matt Bettencourt, Chad Campbell and Tim Herron and was two shots in front of Mark Wilson, Camilo Villegas and 2009 Heritage winner Brian Gay.

Luke Donald, No. 3 in the world, led a group at 67 in a round slowed by a rain delay of 2 hours, 16 minutes. Because of the delay, 18 players were unable to finish before dark.

Donald could move to No. 1 with a win.

That might be a tall order if Willis' maintains the putting touch he showed in the first round.

Willis' only PGA Tour victory came at the Touchstone Energy Tucson Open in 2001, also his first start on the PGA Tour. It has been a struggle for Willis to keep his pro career going at times. He fell to 228th on the PGA Tour money list in 2005 and regained his playing privileges in 2009 with a 12th-place finish on the Nationwide Tour money list.

The putting problems surfaced this season as Willis has made only two cuts in eight tournaments, shooting 78-78 last week for an early exit in the Texas Open. He's 177th in the tour's putting rankings and got fed up giving away strokes on the green.

"We can't make them all. I'm fully aware of that," he said. "But for some reason some of these guys do week in and week out."

Willis was on a full-out search for a winning replacement putter this week. He brought four putters with him, had three more made at Harbour Town and had his father ship in three more. Willis was ready to go with a belly putter he used in Tuesday's practice round and in warmups before his starting time. Suddenly, Wil-

lis' resolve disappeared and "Old Faithful" was back.

"I can't pull the trigger," he said.

Willis wasn't so confident in his last-second choice after missing a simple 12-footer for birdie on the first hole. His game — and attitude — changed for good on the next hole when Willis made an 8-foot birdie putt to start his run. "I said, 'Wow, maybe I can make a putt,'" Willis recalled.

Willis one-putted the next five holes, all for birdies, to move in front. Willis' approach shots didn't hurt, either — all his birdie putts were inside 15-feet. When bogeys on the ninth and 11th holes dropped him back, Willis returned the top thanks to his putter with birdies on the 15th and 16th holes, the last a tricky 15-footer.

"I made putts today that I normally don't make," he said.

Willis had only broken 70 four times in 12 previous rounds at Hilton Head. His low round was a 68 in 2001, Willis' first time playing Harbour Town.

Donald, who won the Match Play Championship in February, is the highest ranked player in the field. He did little to hurt his chance for No. 1, rallying from a sluggish start with three birdies over his final six holes.

"A lot of people are telling me

about" number one, Donald said. "So it's hard to put out of your brain. But that would be awesome."

Defending champion Jim Furyk and reigning U.S. Open champion Graeme McDowell, fifth in the world, were in a pack at 68.

Ernie Els, 15th in the rankings, had a difficult start on a course he traditionally plays well with seven top 10s in 11 appearances. Els switched to a belly putter for the first round and struggled to a 75. Els also incurred a two-stroke penalty on his nex-to-last hole, the eighth, for testing the playing surface by raking a bunker of his footprints before his shot.

All but one of the eight top finishers teed off in the afternoon when the storm blew through Harbour Town and delayed the round. Bill Haas looked like he might chase down Willis with a tap-in birdie on No. 5 once play resumed to move a shot off the lead. But Haas followed with two bogeys and a triple bogey to fall back.

In all, seven of the world's top 20 players teed off in what could be the final Heritage. The tournament, a PGA Tour fixture since 1969, is searching for a title sponsor, something both the tour and event organizers called essential for keeping the springtime tradition on the golf schedule.



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Less money, mo' problems

The State Board of Education has played a game of chicken with Idaho's public universities in past years. The University of Idaho would ask for a student fee increase that was lower than the school actually needed, and the Board would knock it down further. The SBOE had the students in mind, and wanted to do the best for us. We shouldn't have to pay too much.

That changed Wednesday. This year, the Board accepted UI's 8.4 percent overall student

fee increase proposal for resident students without shooting it down. Not only did it accept UI's proposal, but it accepted Boise State University's 5 percent and Lewis Clark State College and Idaho State University's 7 percent increase.

The SBOE has become aware of what is obvious — the financial burden for education has shifted to students. The state won't take care of UI anymore.

When tax revenues decrease, education is the

first budget item cut in Idaho. The economic recession has drained Idaho's budget, and UI is feeling the pinch.

We're consolidating departments. Teachers are losing their jobs. Popular majors are being cut. Students are getting less.

But we are paying more.

Ponying up more money for less schooling is not the ideal situation. However, if we want to keep any sort of educational value here, we're

going to have to spend more money.

The burden is on us. The Board has realized that, and something had to change.

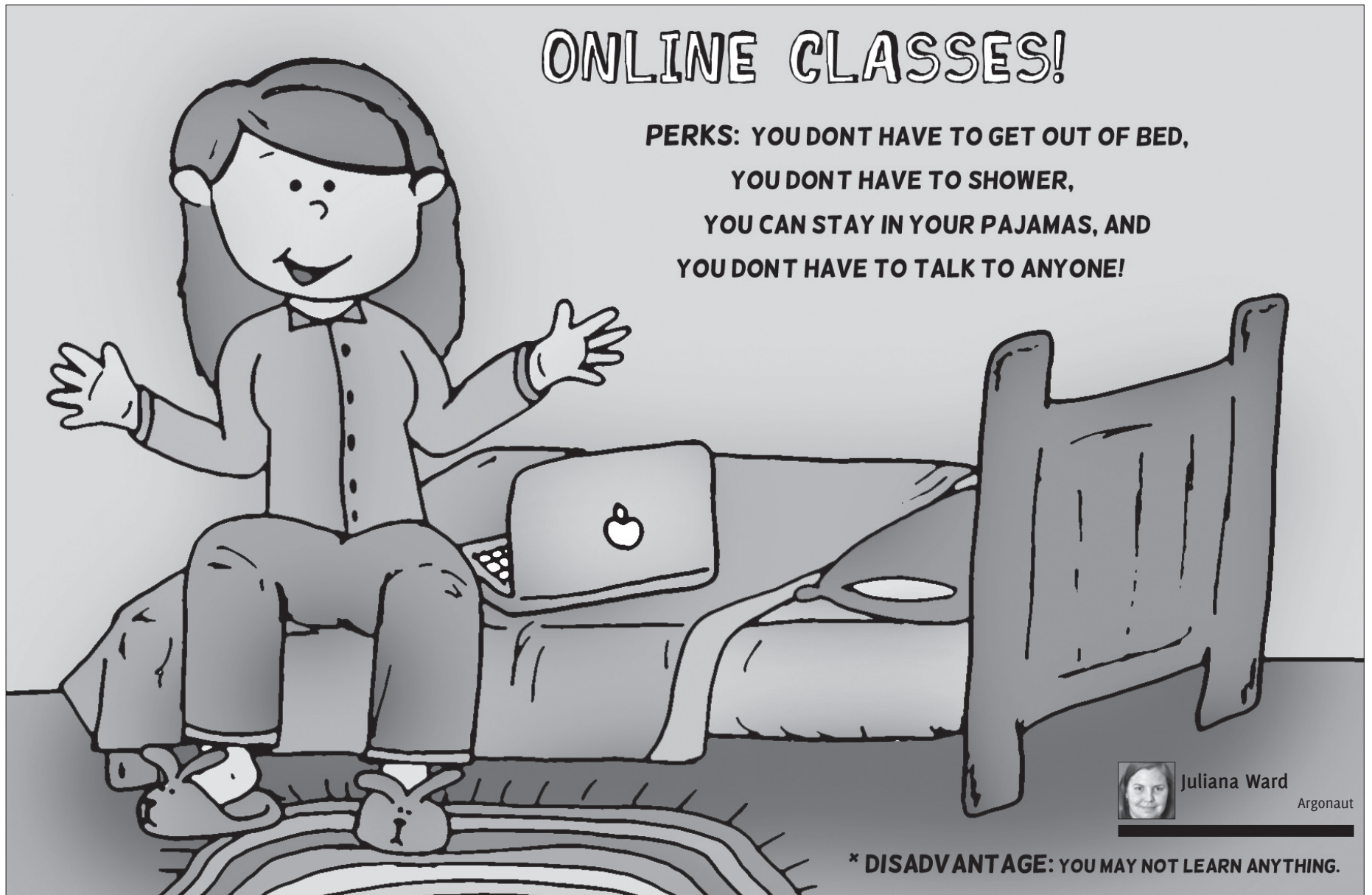
UI needs more money from the state. As a flagship public institution, we deserve better.

Without the support of our state, UI will continue to lose faculty. If we want to keep any semblance of prestige, students need to cough it up.

It shouldn't be this way — but it is.

— CT

Education



Juliana Ward
Argonaut

Luna has done enough Online hurts education

Idaho's Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna was re-elected this past November by a 20-point margin. Since then, he has introduced three new bills that have voters wondering if they made a mistake.

The first two parts of the bill were designed to phase out tenure for new teachers and limit the teacher union's collective bargaining rights. The bill also introduced a merit-pay system for teachers.

The third and final bill increased the minimum teachers' pay by \$345 to \$30,000 a year.

According to the Idaho Statesman, the bills cut \$47 million from the education

budget. Republican lawmakers said this was the best they could do. They were originally

going to cut \$62 million from the education budget. The bill introduced online classes, and by year 2016 would have required all high school students to take four online classes. This bill also proposed to increase student-to-teacher ratios, potentially eliminating 770 teaching positions statewide.

Luckily for Idaho the most damaging portions of the bills, like required online classes and the loss of more than 700 teaching positions, were edited out. But policies like these are dam-

aging to Idaho's education system. Not everyone lives to be a farmer or rancher in Idaho. This isn't 1950, and the state lawmakers must realize that. Luna was elected to be the state superintendent of education — he has become the state's superintendent of defunding education. If Luna is not going to support the interests of the educators in the state of Idaho, then he has no business holding the education position.

The most hurtful part of the bill is the online requirement. Some kids need to be in a classroom with a teacher in order to be successful. This online requirement would hurt some students' chances of graduating high school.

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Online classes are all the rage for Idaho, specifically for Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna.

At the State Board of Education meeting Wednesday, Luna again pushed for an emphasis on required online classes. Within weeks of having his "Students Come First" plan pushed through the Idaho Legislature, which originally stipulated each high school student be required to complete eight online credits, Luna is pushing the idea on college students. Lucky for high school students, the requirement was knocked down to four and then to none, but

despite the shutdown Luna will not back down.

Why is there such a push for online

classes? Do legislatures really believe the lack of face-to-face education is the best option for people who are paying to be taught, let alone the developing minds of Idaho's youth?

Online classes take away a valuable aspect of education — socialization. This does not mean sitting in class and having girl talk with your neighbor, or bro-

time with the boys, but rather the ability to interact in and with society. To be productive and successful in the workforce, students need to both obtain the written knowledge and under-

stand how to communicate in person. The interaction between teacher and student and among peers develops that exact skill. It is a skill that cannot possibly be formulated with an online class.

Classroom time is not just about the socialization, it is also about a verbal explanation of the written knowledge students are trying to obtain. It is an opportunity for teachers to explain a concept in different ways so everyone in the class can understand. It is an opportunity for students to ask questions and have one-on-one time if they are struggling. This kind of learning cannot be substituted with a screen, verbal recordings and quizzes on Blackboard.

Sure, online classes have

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Off the Cuff

Quick takes on life from our editors

Dinner

The best part of having a pet rabbit is cutting your losses and having a good dinner.

— Jens

Graphing solves everything

If only I could make a scatterplot of this week and my happiness. Starts off really low after a bad soccer loss, then gets really high after a win, higher after getting into every class I wanted, and finally drops when I find out that next year there will be an 8 percent tuition increase for me.

— Madison

Simple smiles

My baby cousin is the most adorable little girl ever. I love her to pieces. She was pretty excited to see me Wednesday and it made my night, which is why I will choose to ignore that it is probably because she is almost two and easily entertained. Her smiling made me smile. The simple things in life don't get much better.

— Elizabeth

Choice words

A friend of mine saw Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tom Luna, Thursday. He said he wanted to walk up to him, shake his hand and say, "Hi Mr. Luna. Thanks for f---ing up my dreams."

— Nick

Long drive? Not a problem

I live in Lewiston and commute to Moscow for school and work, which means I'm in my car for 45 minutes at a time twice a day. This also means I get to listen to more than one song at a time when I'm driving. I'm rediscovering all these indie albums I loved in high school. Yelling along to *Fever to Tell* and *In the Aeroplane Over the Sea* makes gas prices a bit more bearable.

— Chava

Weather

Words cannot accurately describe how much I hate walking in the freaking wind, which makes it like 10 degrees colder than it actually is. Mother Nature, we are fighting.

— Kelcie

This one's for you

Missing: One "super tall" best friend. Needed for coffee, laughs and a chat. The contribution of amazing music at the much-needed hangout time is good for bonus points. Your fat cat Grendel is allowed. Excuses and frowny faces are not.

— Tanya

The big 21

Tuesday I turn 21. Big deal.

— Loren

Nostalgia

I'm going to miss my Arg friends. You guys have made this year more than bearable.

— Kelli

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Correspondence with our readers

Dear communities of WSU and UI,

As financial decisions are being made, please consider what our campuses would be like without the familiar Wheatland Express commuter bus arriving every hour to transport many of us to our jobs and home communities. The vision of this potential loss of service is sad. This bus allows us to enjoy less congested roadways, eases parking on campus, saves gasoline and gives riders a bit of time to relax and socialize. The "Bus Family" that exists on the commuter bus is quite lively. As the commuter lumbers along every day, the bus company's professional drivers provide reliable and safe passage to many of us — some without cars, some without means to have a car, with required insurance, parking permits and gasoline expenses. Without this bus service, some of us will find our lives to be much more complicated. The snow will still fly and the Palouse weather will still be ours to deal with. It would be wonderful to keep this service alive. If funding continues, the little bus that could might still be an oasis of transportation, camaraderie and safety. These qualities offer something to our campus experience that cannot be measured only in dollars. Keep the commuter bus, and keep progress moving between campuses.

Annette Klover
Community member

Not impressed

I was watching "60 Minutes," and was outraged by what I heard. A girl was raped by three men, and one of those men was accepted to the University of Idaho after he was expelled from the University of the Pacific on a full-ride scholarship as a UI basketball player. I was shocked to know that the money raised for athletes would go to someone like this. It's like we chose a good team over the safety of our campus, and over morals. I feel like it should be brought to attention.

Camille Gomez
Sophomore, psychology

Dear Dr. Nellis,

Having viewed 60 Minutes last night, I can only say that you President Duane Nellis and your institution should be ashamed of your basketball coach and the culture you and he are helping foster in higher education. All of the rationalizations in the world cannot excuse the callousness and debasement this signing signifies to the victim and anyone else who values basic decency. Embarrassing. The University of the Pacific is hardly a beacon of rectitude in this situation, yet you willingly took the very worst of the perpetrators and allowed him don a University of Idaho jersey. I'm sure you have made your alumni proud.

Griff Doyle

FinePRINT

Information overload

On the first day of orientation, my torts professor said that while in law school, when we seek help from our professors, we won't be given the answer directly, but instead what they think we need to figure out our own answer.

I took this to mean, "We're not going to answer your question. We're just going to frustrate you until you leave our office and go figure it out on your own." Her comments didn't seem very helpful at the time.

But eight months later, I see it's the "teaching you to fish versus giving you the fish" analogy in action.

Sometimes you really do have to figure things out on your own to fully understand them. As the same professor would explain a week later in class, law school is about teaching students to think like lawyers, not about teaching the law. Once you are capable of figuring out where to look and what to look for, you can find the answer to most questions on your own.

I've recently discovered the answer to a question that had been bothering me for almost a year. I have asked a lot of people why after paying three years of tuition to go to law school, it is highly recommended that I then give about \$2,200 to a private company to prepare me to pass the bar exam.

Nobody could give me a solid answer that made any sort of sense, but fortunately, I've spent the past eight months learning how to find the answers to my own questions.

I found my answer while sitting in my contracts class.

My professor was explaining something I'm sure was

important and all I could think was, "My brain is so full. How am I going to remember all this information and whatever else my professors plan to teach me for the next three weeks?"

Then I remembered that after I'm done with this year, I have two more years of information to be crammed into my head.

I'm not sure how it's all going to fit in there. I can barely remember what I learned last semester — how am I going to remember it all two years from now to pass the bar? And what

am I going to have to forget to accommodate all the new information coming my way?

No wonder Albert Einstein has a reputation for being forgetful. His brain was so full of advance knowledge he didn't have space to remember such trivial things, such as where he left his keys or umbrella.

I happily paid the deposit earlier this week for a bar review course. I'm going to learn so much the next two years that I'm not going to be able to remember it all on my own. Paying someone to refresh it all for me seems like a solid decision.

While \$2,200 is a lot of money, I know it's money well spent. To help recover some of that cost, I plan to take advantage of all the promotional lunches and items the company gives out (as well as its main competitor) to attract law students like myself.

I have no idea how many pizza slices or water bottles it takes to get to \$2,200, but I plan to find out.

After all, law school is about finding things out myself.

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ONLINE

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forums for teacher and student interaction. There is a place for comments, questions and feedback. The problem lies in translation. One student might not understand what the teacher has written in response to a specific ques-

tion, which leaves that student either confused or asking the same question several times. To compensate for the confusion and complication of not actually speaking to the students, teachers have two options: Dumb down the classes, making them essentially pointless, or not care. Neither option helps the student.

Online classes limit the learning opportunity for students and should not be

forced. Students should not feel pressured into compromising their education and institutions should not be forced to make it a requirement. If Idaho legislatures do not remember what it was like to socialize and develop communication skills in high school and college, then maybe they should try going back so they can.

Education should be more than just a "click" away.

LUNA

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Another damaging part of the bill is the increase of student-to-teacher ratios. It makes the classroom less organized and a difficult place to learn, not to mention it would have

cut 770 teaching jobs. This bill should be renamed No Teacher Left Standing.

Every time there is a budget crisis in Idaho, education gets cut. Cutting education is not the solution. Luna should have stood up to Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and said no more cuts, but instead he in-

sisted on the cuts and failed Idaho once again. Idaho can no longer afford the policies of Luna, and it is time Idahoans stand up for education and throw him out.

In order for Luna to be recalled, there must be 158,000 signatures from Idahoans asking for his recall. If that num-

ber is reached, then there will be an election on Aug. 30 to have him removed from office. In order for Luna to be recalled, 268,000 Idahoans must vote him out. If that number is not reached, Luna will stay in office until 2014. If you support education in the state of Idaho, vote to recall Luna.

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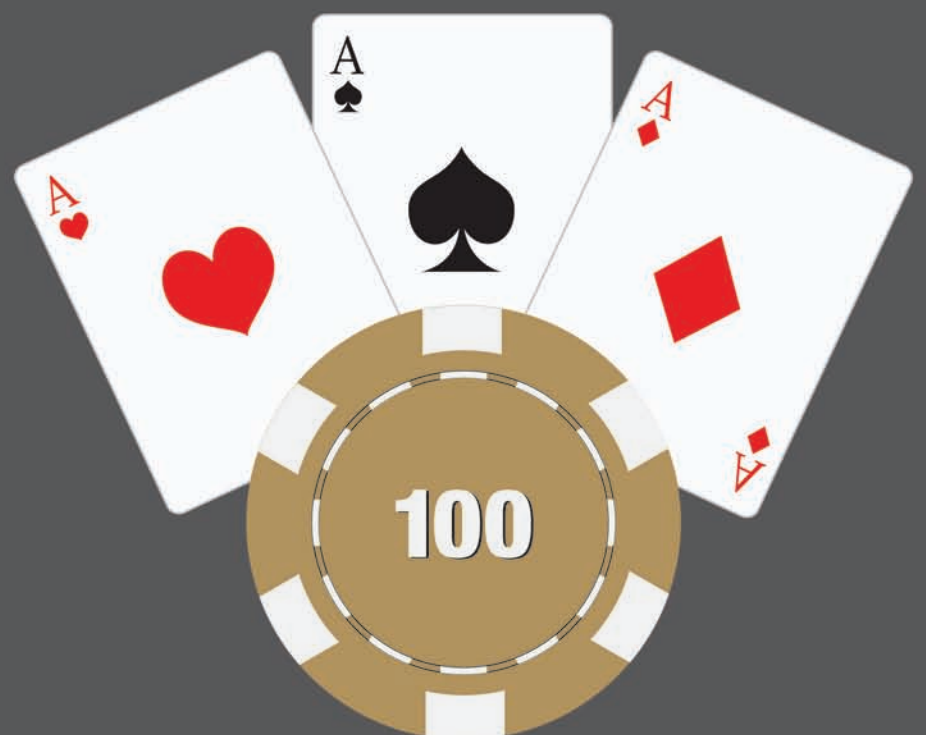
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