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## 'THE THUNDER ROLLS, AND THE LIGHTNING STRIKES'



Zach Edwards | Argonaut

Bolts of lightning could be seen in the early night sky above Theophilus Tower Sunday as a lightning storm moved over the Palouse. Several brush fires were sparked in the surrounding area by lightning strikes, according to the Moscow Police Department.

## University officials confirm complaints, contact with MPD from Benoit

Staff Report  
Argonaut

University of Idaho officials and the Moscow Police Department were aware of Katy Benoit's problems with former assistant professor of psychology Ernesto A. Bustamante. Benoit first made contact with UI officials June 10 and filed an official complaint against Bustamante June 12, according to a statement released by the university Friday.

UI directly informed MPD regarding Benoit's complaint following the June 10 meeting. UI met with Benoit several times during the summer, most recently Aug. 22, the day Benoit was killed, to inform her that Bustamante's last day of employment was Aug. 19.

Bustamante also filed a complaint against Benoit with MPD regarding false accusations and defamation of character July 8, according to a press release issued Friday by MPD. The press release also indicated that Bustamante was found in his hotel room with six guns and several types of prescription medication with his name on them.

According to a press release issued Monday, UI filed an action for declaratory relief with the Latah County District Court to seek a ruling on whether Bustamante's records can be released. This comes after UI President Duane Nellis asked university counsel to seek a court ruling Friday. Bustamante is the lone suspect in the Aug. 22 shooting and is reported to have committed suicide when located by police early in the morning of Aug. 23 in a Moscow hotel.

Benoit's family issued a public plea Aug. 24 asking the university to be more forthcoming with information about its role prior to the shooting. The university statement indicated that the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) does not extend beyond death — making Benoit's records open — but that Bustamante's right to privacy in his personnel records does, indeed, extend beyond his life.

"Our hearts and prayers go out to the family of Katy Benoit," Nellis said. "We understand their desire to have a full accounting of the circumstances that led to Katy's death. I intend to do everything I can to answer their questions."

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## Megaload protests in Moscow prompt six arrests

Environmental organizers also arrested while monitoring loads

Anja Sundali  
Argonaut

Idaho State Police arrested six people early Friday morning who were blocking the road as the first full-sized Imperial Oil megaload drove north on U.S. Highway 95 through Moscow. Those arrested were charged with assembling to disturb the peace and refusal to disperse.

The arrests occurred at a megaload protest that started Thursday evening at Second and Washington streets along US-95.

Capt. Lonnie Richardson of ISP, Region 2, said the following individuals were arrested during the protest: Brett Haverstick, Mitchell Day, Vincent Murray, David Willard, Gregory Freistadt and William French. French was also reported to be charged by Latah County with malicious injury to property after he broke out a county vehicle window,

Richardson said.

"They were sitting down in the U.S. highway, and refused to move," Richardson said. "That's a violation of law. You can't obstruct any vehicle movement on a state highway."

Richardson also said the protesters on the road were asked to disperse and given several warnings, including being escorted off the highway, before they were arrested.

"We gave them ample opportunity to not go to jail," he said.

Several of the arrested individuals were uncooperative, Richardson said, and quietly refused to stand up and walk off the highway.

"Some walked over (to the sidewalk) with an escort, others had to be lifted up and taken over," Richardson said. ISP made the arrests, Rich-

ardson said, because they were the lead agency escorting the megaloads. Moscow Police Department assisted ISP and transported the six individuals to the jail in the Latah County Courthouse.

"They were legal to be there for sure: First amendment rights. People have the right to assemble," Richardson said. "...But they can't interfere with traffic, and that's what they chose to do."

The protest, which started at 9 p.m. at PieHole Pizza on Second Street in Moscow, was organized by environmental group Wild Idaho Rising Tide.

Helen Yost, a member of Wild Idaho Rising Tide, said the initial meeting started with just over a dozen people and grew to as many

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Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

Idaho State Police arrest a protester Aug. 25 as the 413,600 pound megaload passes through Moscow. Six people were arrested during the event.

## Teams connect with fans

Vandal Spirit Fridays Kick-Off focuses on community

Joanna Wilson  
Argonaut

University of Idaho athlete Lauren Schaffer said the Vandal Spirit Fridays Kick-off Aug. 26 was about connecting the community with the teams.

"(We) let the community know about the sports that not everyone comes to watch," Schaffer said. "And just kind of see the other student athletes who work hard every day."

The third annual Vandal Spirit

Fridays Kick-off started at 5:30 p.m. in the Palouse Empire Mall parking lot.

The marching band and the cheer squad opened the evening with the Vandal Fight Song.

While attendees dressed in Vandal colors strolled through the booths of food and merchandise, most gathered around children's stations set up by Idaho athletic teams.

Schaffer, a member of the track and field team, helped with

a four square game chalked onto the asphalt.

One of Schaffer's teammates and three small children bounced a soft rubber ball between their squares.

"I love how we got set up working with the kids," Schaffer said. "Because they're just enjoying it — get the kids doing sports and just being active."

Moscow resident Summer Cowen said she brought her

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## Expanding employment opportunities

Michelle Gregg  
Argonaut

An amendment to change the University of Idaho's clinical faculty ranking system was unanimously approved at the State Board of Education meeting Aug. 11.

Chief planning and policy officer, Tracie Bent, said the amendment allows the clinical faculty who didn't attain a terminal degree to have more opportunities for employment.

"It focuses on the clinical employees who have recent professional experience in their subject of instruction," she said.

Kenton Bird, director of the School of Journalism and Mass Media, started the process for the amendment change in October 2010.

"The beauty of this amendment is that it's at the disposal of each department or college; it doesn't force anyone to change," Bird said.

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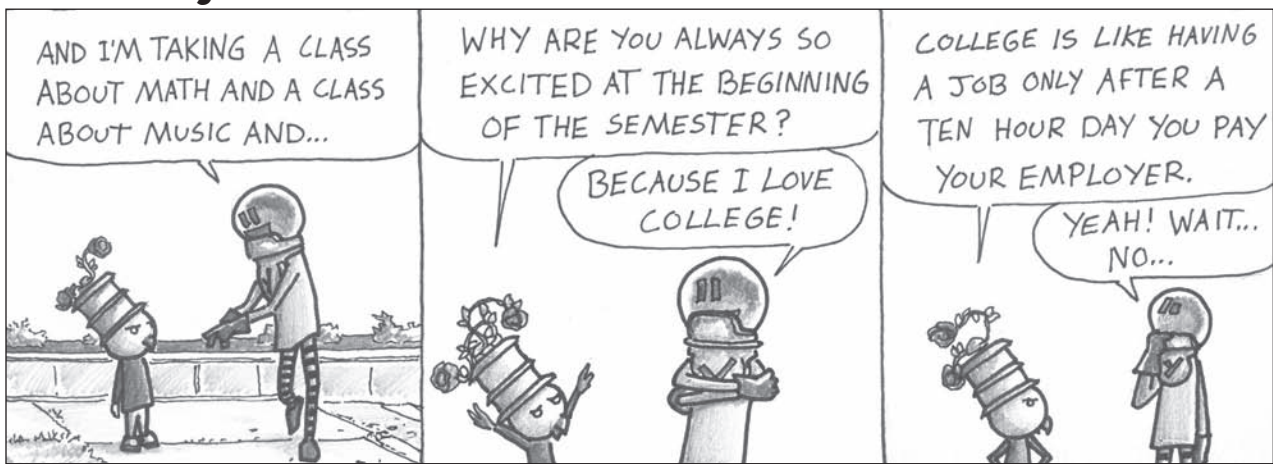
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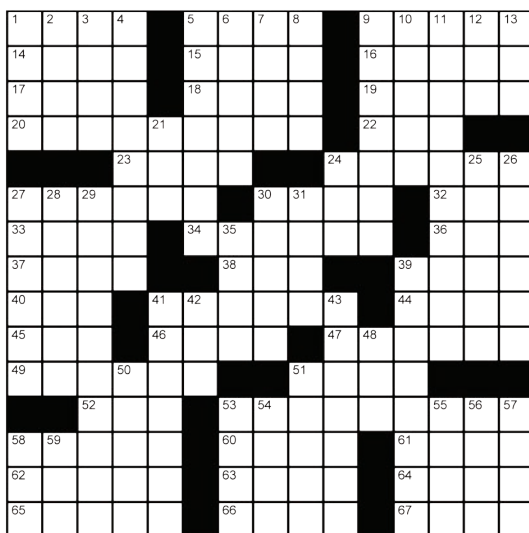


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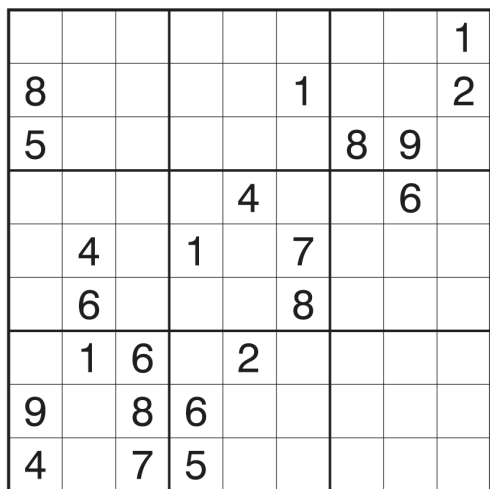
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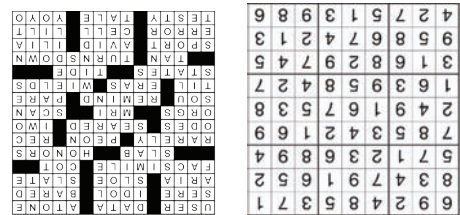
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# New OMA director looks to make improvements

Ruiz plans to assess the effectiveness of current UI multicultural programs

**Elisa Eiguren**  
Argonaut

Eddy A. Ruiz said his new role as the director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs is one of those “check the box” jobs.

“I always wanted to be the director of a multicultural program,” Ruiz said.

Prior to being hired at the University of Idaho, Ruiz was employed as the director of student success and innovative education at the University of Maine at Presque Isle. Ruiz also served as

a service learning coordinator at the University of California, Los Angeles and a counselor in the TRIO program at Louisiana State University.

“Most of the work experience has been working with access and equity and issues of race and racism,” he said. “One thing that’s exciting about the OMA is that the students who are involved are students of all different ethnicities.”

Ruiz said one goal he hopes to accomplish as the new OMA director is to evaluate the effectiveness of the OMA’s current programs. The programs, especially the mentor-mentee program, will be assessed to determine how they benefit first-year students and Ruiz will be looking for ways to better address diversity issues and ensure that the programs have educational value.



**Eddy Ruiz**

“The evaluation assessment will allow us to make informed decisions based on empirical evidence,” he said. “It’s about tailoring the programs... we can’t have a one-size-fits-all.”

In his role as director, Ruiz said he plans to help build alliances among students of different ethnicities and help bring them out of their

comfort zone.

“I hope that they will realize that we have different histories and cultures, but we also share similarities too,” Ruiz said. “We will be working across racial and economic lines.”

Although he has several goals in mind, Ruiz said enacting change right away is not always a good thing and he will spread his agenda out slowly during the first six months of his employment.



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**Eddy Ruiz, OMA director**

It’s a program with a strong base.”

Ruiz arrived in Moscow on Aug. 7 with his wife of 17 years, Shila, and his 4-year-old son Maximus. Ruiz and his family live in the Living Learning Community and Ruiz said they are enjoying being immersed in the college environment. Ruiz

said his academics have prepared him for his role as the OMA director.

Ruiz earned his bachelor’s degree from the University of California, Berkeley and an M.A. in 2003 from the University of Oklahoma. He also earned a master’s in higher education and organizational change from UCLA in 2006. As a first-generation Latino college student, Ruiz said his academic success is a nice legacy to leave behind for his family.

Heather Gasser, director of the UI Women’s Center, said she is excited to work with Ruiz and that the continued partnership between the OMA and the Women’s Center will proceed to benefit students.

Gasser said she and Ruiz will collaborate throughout the year and attempt to build a mentoring culture. Through their partnership, Gasser said she and Ruiz hope to educate people that a student identity has many facets and is not limited to gender and race.

Gasser said Ruiz’s skills and knowledge that he acquired from his previous experiences will also be useful in improving the Women’s Center and the OMA as well as the many other programs they are a part of.

“The level of passion and enthusiasm that he has ... it will really benefit the UI,” Gasser said.

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## Free-cycling event promotes global, campus citizenship

Laura Kross  
Argonaut

University of Idaho students attended the second annual Free-cycle event Friday Aug. 26 on the Theophilus Tower lawn to see if they could find any useful dorm items for free.

UI freshman and seniors alike browsed through tables piled with clothes, hangers, dorm decorations and other items to find what they needed.

The event was set up by former students of two CORE classes under the instruction of Robert Goodrich, lecturer in UI's geology department.

Free-cycling, as defined by Goodrich's students, "is a form of recycling that passes along reusable items to anyone who may have use of them. Things like cell phones, shoes, clothes, electronics, and sporting goods are collected in bins all over campus, placed in a designated area, and left up for grabs on a first-come-first-served basis."

"One of the overriding goals (of the event) was citizenship, global citizenship, and then also campus citizenship and making the University of Idaho a better place," Goodrich said. "That was an overarching goal."

All of the material was collected during the last two weeks of the spring 2011 semester, Goodrich said. Students set up collection bins and left them out in the dorms and a couple of the Greek houses.

"We mainly targeted the dorms, although we were able to include a few of the (Greek) houses this year," Goodrich said. "But our main purpose was to first give, or make the material available, to the incoming students especially in the dorms and to the freshman in particular."

Alyssa Schaffer, a sophomore who attended the event, donated some of her used items to the project at the end of the spring 2011 semester.

"I put some of my stuff out in the baskets last year, so it would be kind of funny to see something that I put out," Schaffer said.

Goodrich said one of the reasons the free-cycle program was created was so



## One student's trash...

Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut  
Victoria Lock, left, a fine arts major and Cassie Johnson, right, theater arts major, peruse the goods at the free-cycle event Friday on the Theophilus Tower lawn.

students could recover clothes and other items and put them to good use.

The event also prevented reusable dorm items from ending up in the dumpsters that the University Housing provides at the end of the school year, Goodrich said.

The first free-cycle event was held on the first Friday of the fall 2010 semester.

"We ended up with so much good stuff last year, it was just a fantastic event overall," Goodrich said. "Of all of the hundreds of bags and boxes that we made available last year, I ended up with two small bags of garbage, things like mismatched shoes and what not to deal with at the end. It was all given away."

The success of the 2010 free-cycle event encouraged Goodrich to organize the project for another year.

"We gave away a ton of stuff this time last year and it worked out so well that I had my students from this past year continue with the program, which I would actually like to keep running if I can accomplish it because housing is extremely interested and they were particularly supportive, being they didn't have to deal with bags and bags of material being thrown out," Goodrich said.

Goodrich also said that the free-cycling program was initially created because it tied in with both of the core classes that were involved.

"Since the environment and everything from the top down, from the international level down to the local level, is fair game for both of these classes, it made a natural fit," Goodrich said. "The students loved it."

However, because of the elimination of the Department of CORE studies, there are no new core students in the fall 2011 semester to continue the project, Goodrich said.

"I had my CORE classes from the previous year organize and put it together," Go-

odrich said. "I have to give nearly all the credit to my students. It was my idea, but I turned over the logistics, the organization, the fieldwork, the advertising, you name it. My students were primarily the ones who were responsible and got the job done."

Former CORE student Jessica Gifford said she enjoyed her work with the free-cycle program, but knew that this may be the last time the event would be held.

"We (the CORE classes) went in knowing that this was going to be our last, so we wanted to make it our biggest and best," Gifford said.

This much was clear, especially since there were nearly twice as much material to give away at the Friday event than at the fall 2010 free-cycle.

Gifford also said that free-cycling emphasizes recycling and reusing and how they can be more convenient.

"It doesn't cost any money. It's easy to set up and not a strenuous ordeal," Gifford said. "It's a good way of showing that the environment and being convenient can go together."



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Jessica Gifford,  
Former CORE student

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# 'Turning of the Wheel' brings unity, communication to campus

**Ashley Centers**  
Argonaut

With well-known Native American couple Tom and Susan Yellowtail as his inspiration, University of Idaho distinguished humanities professor Rodney Frey created a series of events that address what Frey calls the "five c's": community, civility, communication, creativity and collaboration.

"The idea of the wagon wheel is very ancient with the indigenous people," Frey said. "And Tom Yellowtail saw the world as one big wagon wheel with each spoke a different, distinct culture but each spoke, each culture has to work together to make the wheel turn. If one spoke doesn't work the whole wheel will fall apart."

The anthropology professor is only the second person to be granted the 18-month position as a distinguished humanities professor at UI. As a requirement of the position Frey said he was told to pick a topic that interests

him and would have some sort of positive impact in the humanities field, on UI students and on the community and then prepare a related keynote address and class.

Frey will give the keynote address at the first event in the "Turning of the Wheel: The Interplay Between Our Diversity and Universality" series on Sept. 12, in Moscow. As part of the symposium, 34 events with as many different members from the UI community will be held during the 2012 academic year. A related class will be available to students in the spring.

"This project will serve as a showcase for university talent," Kathy Aiken, dean of the College of Letters,

Arts and Social Sciences said, "I think it will provide a much-deserved spotlight on humanities scholars and their work."



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**Rodney Frey**

director of the Women's Center Heather Shea Gasser; Don Burnett, dean of the College of Law; Bill Smith, director of the Martin Institute and International Studies Program and others.

"I wanted a cross-section of people to participate," Frey said. "Coming into this

there were a lot of people that I didn't know but wanted to get to know and a few people that I did. I think this will be a great way to bring our community even closer and show my respect for a bunch of other people."

Frey said he had the option and budget available to bring in people from all across the country to speak on one or many different topics. Instead he chose to make this symposium both very interdisciplinary and localized by asking his colleagues from several different departments at UI to be a part of the series.

"I don't want any of this to be formal," Frey said. "I want the faculty to connect with everyone. I want everybody to show the rest of the world what they're passionate about and have some fun doing it."

Gasser said she is giving a lecture on a variety of topics related to feminism. She said that the entire symposium is designed to look at

a variety of disciplines through a unique lens and engage people in a discussion about what is universal and what isn't and why it matters.

"Hopefully through these events we can come together as a community," Gasser said. "In my lecture I want us to think about what happens as a community when feminism and social justice are applied to leadership."

Gasser is excited to see Frey's program come to fruition. She said anytime you bring people together around a common goal they will leave with new knowledge and a wider understanding of the world.

Frey said he hopes to see the discussion about diversity and universality continue between students and faculty and out in the community after the program ends in May.

## Police Log

### Wednesday, Aug. 24

**1:20 a.m.** – Male subject found intoxicated and face down in the doorway of Cactus Computer on South Main Street.

**11:48 a.m.** – Police and ambulance respond to a bicycle accident on Line Street. Patient transported to Gritman.

**12:10 p.m.** – There was a report of an injured raccoon in front of St. Mary's convent on Monroe Street.

**11:46 p.m.** – Police, EMS and fire responded to an intoxicated female at Delta Chi. Subject transported to Gritman.

### Thursday, Aug. 25

**7:52 p.m.** – There was a report of an intoxicated person on Elm Street outside of the Campus Christian Center

**9:02 p.m.** – There was a report of a marijuana smell on the 200 block of Taylor Avenue.

### Friday, Aug. 26

**9:46 a.m.** – There was a report of a burglary at Eastside Cinemas.

**8:05 p.m.** – Someone reported that there was a male in his underwear on Styner Avenue.

### Saturday, Aug. 27

**1:35 a.m.** – Someone reported that a subject would not leave CJ's.

**11:22 a.m.** – Report of malicious mischief at Moscow Junior High School.

**2:44 p.m.** – Report of indecent exposure at Winco.

### Sunday, Aug. 28

**12:12 a.m.** – Report of controlled substance abuse at Wallace Complex on Sixth Street.

**4:03 p.m.** – Someone reported fruit being shot at cars on 700 block of Elm Street.

**6:52 p.m.** – Someone reported loose horses on the road near north Polk Street and Rodeo Drive.

**7:45 p.m.** – Someone reported a brush fire north of Applebee's restaurant.

**8:17 p.m.** – A wildland fire was reported near Tolo Triangle.

## EXPANDING

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"So the departments and colleges that use knowledge provided in the classroom don't have to alter their employment qualifications."

Previously, UI's policy on employment tenure-track appointments required a doctorate in the professor's subject, Bird said.

"This amendment gives departments or colleges who have positions that need to be filled the freedom to select out of a bigger pool of applicants, enabling them to look for someone with a lot of professional and/or recent experience," Bird said.

Bent said that, although some subjects might not apply to the benefits of the changing the faculty ranking, faculty in the Lionel Hampton School of Music, theater department, JAMM and possible other departments, would profit from being able to hire employees that had recently been in the professional workplace.

"This will help maintain quality faculty throughout the University of Idaho," she said.

With the opportunity to go straight from their field to teaching, the clinical staff is in the position to expand an outreach to UI and to the community, Bird said.

"The university has been very protective of the faculty with terminal degrees. The nature of this change will produce a positive effect on those departments and colleges with rapid changes in their professional field," Bird said. "This doesn't replace those employees with long time academic careers at UI - it allows balance with employees who can teach what they have been recently doing."

Bird said each department that utilizes the change will come up with their own qualifications of the teaching positions needing to be filled; each department will include performance reviews based on their teaching.

Bird said in the JAMM department clinical employees must have 10 years of professional experience and a masters degree, and terminal faculty must have a Ph.D. and two years of professional experience.

Bent said, she thinks this will produce a positive change, because it expands the terms and conditions of those clinical faculty with real world experience.

"The change allows a positive balance between scholarly employees with a terminal degree, and the practical experience from someone who has recently been in the professional field," Bird said.

## SPIRIT

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daughter to give her a chance to interact with the athletes.

"There are a lot of programs where they give her school t-shirts and they get to go into the game free if they wear their shirt for spirit, so I think it's really, really great," Cowen said. "I think they work well with the community and the community appreciates the college."

Rob Spear, UI athletic director, said in a speech at the kick off that people were at the heart of Vandal pride.

"We need your support," Spear said. "When we get together and become one, great things happen."

Spear said the university has been in Moscow for 122 years.

"It's been a core of this community - it's going to continue to be a core of this community," Spear said. "I want people to know our student-athletes and identify with them and meet them, and come out to our games."

Spear introduced the men's and women's basketball teams, the tennis teams, the track and

field team, golf team, and the swim and dive team, then called Robb Akey to the stage.

"I want your help now," Akey said. "Can y'all help me out with a little something? All y'all gonna be there and bring everybody you know Thursday night, right?"

Akey said the pre-game tailgating is an important part of building the Vandal community.

"At four o'clock, everybody's going to be tailgating out there on the west end of the dome, right? You're going to see the motorcade come in and here come your Vandals," Akey said. "We're gonna

have a rally in the Vandal alley. A chance to see your players ... get a chance to throw them a high-five and wish them a great game. Your presence there is greatly appreciated."

President Duane Nellis also thanked the Moscow community for its support of the university. Schaffer said the students' support is important to all the athletes.

"Just come out and support sports they haven't been to before," Schaffer said. "Just check it out or experience something new or cheer on the rest of the athletes at U of I."

## ARRESTED

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as 150 or 200 by the time the 413,600-pound megaload drove past the corner of Second and Washington streets just after midnight.

"We were pretty amazed that people felt so moved to take the spontaneous actions that they did and sit down in front of the megaloads and stop them," Yost said.

This was the largest megaload protest in the Moscow area so far, Yost said. She attributed the large turnout to the fact that this

was a much larger load being transported and students being back in town.

"This was sort of a perfect storm for us," Yost said.

After the megaloads passed through Moscow, Yost and a fellow member followed the load north to monitor the transportation of the oil refinery equipment. Yost said she and the occupants of the car she was riding in were arrested just after midnight Saturday, Aug. 27.

Yost said the car was parked in an emergency lane near mile marker 421

on U.S. 95 waiting for the megaloads to pass when a cop stopped and cited them for not wearing seatbelts. When occupants of the car refused to give their names, Yost said, the police officer arrested them for obstructing and delaying an officer.

Lt. Chris Schenck of the Idaho State Police in region 1 said those arrested were not involved in an active protest, but confirmed the charges filed were for not using a seatbelt and for obstructing and delaying an officer. Obstructing an officer is a misdemeanor,

Schenck said.

"Neither of the occupants were wearing their seatbelts and refused to give identification," Schenck said. "They were...in violation of Idaho code at that point and so they have to give identification."

Yost said she and the other occupants of the car were taken to Kootenai County jail where she said they were never read their Miranda rights, offered a lawyer or a phone call.

"We absolutely plan on contesting all charges," Yost said.

## BENOIT

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A tragedy has occurred and we all want answers."

The university statement said UI informed Benoit that her complaint had been sent to Bustamante July 6. Along with the complaint, a letter was sent to Bustamante informing him of potential university policy violations. Benoit was told that Bustamante had been instructed not to contact her, and that

she was to immediately inform the university if she heard from Bustamante, according to the statement.

The university threat assessment team met July 14 and determined that Benoit's situation was "high-risk" and recommended that she stay somewhere other than her current residence. The university told Benoit that they would interview Bustamante July 19, according to the statement.

The university contacted Benoit once more on July 22 before their final meeting Aug. 22, according to the statement. The university again encouraged Benoit to maintain safety precautions including contacting MPD, and also enquired about where she would be staying before school started.

In their final meeting, Benoit was told by the university to "remain vigilant" and to seek help from po-

lice, support services on campus and others if she felt any safety concerns, and to remain in contact with university representatives, according to the statement.

Nellis has also requested an independent review of the institutional policies and procedures to "ensure that the University of Idaho maintains the highest safety and security standards," according to the release.

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# SPORTS



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VANDALNATION

## Re-match in the Dome

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Vandals, Falcons meet a year after the H-Bowl

Nick Groff  
Argonaut

The 2011 Vandal football campaign will start almost exactly as the 2009 campaign ended — with a matchup against Mid-American Conference foe, the Bowling Green State Falcons

The season opener against the Falcons, set for 6 p.m. Thursday in the newly-remodeled Kibbie Dome, gives the Vandals another chance to prove they are a more prepared team, and coach Robb Akey said he is excited to get the chance.

"Everybody wants to win your opening game, so that, I think, just adds to the excitement of what this game is going to be," Akey said. "They are a football team that is improved from where they were. They had a lot of youth on their team last year, and that youth got to play a lot."

The youth and inexperience in its previous season held Bowling Green to two wins, but Akey said he is expecting an improved team on both sides of the ball.

"They've got another receiver that gets the ball an awful lot and he's faster than the last one," Akey said, referring to former Falcon and NCAA single-season receptions all-time leader Freddie Barnes.

Akey said the Vandals are ready to play against a team other than themselves and most of the players that dealt with injuries through the summer and fall will be available to play in the first game.

Akey said receiver Justin Veltung, who is battling turf toe, is likely

miss the first game and receiver Preston Davis, who recently suffered a foot injury, will also not be available for Thursday's game.

Akey said the team has multiple personnel units, depth and is overall a faster squad than in the past.

"I think this football team is faster," Akey said. "We're a faster football team, as a team."

He also said he likes the way the team's chemistry is working and the that truth will be exposed in the first game.

### Vandal schedule quick hit

Even though the Vandals are not scheduled to make long trips within their WAC schedule, the

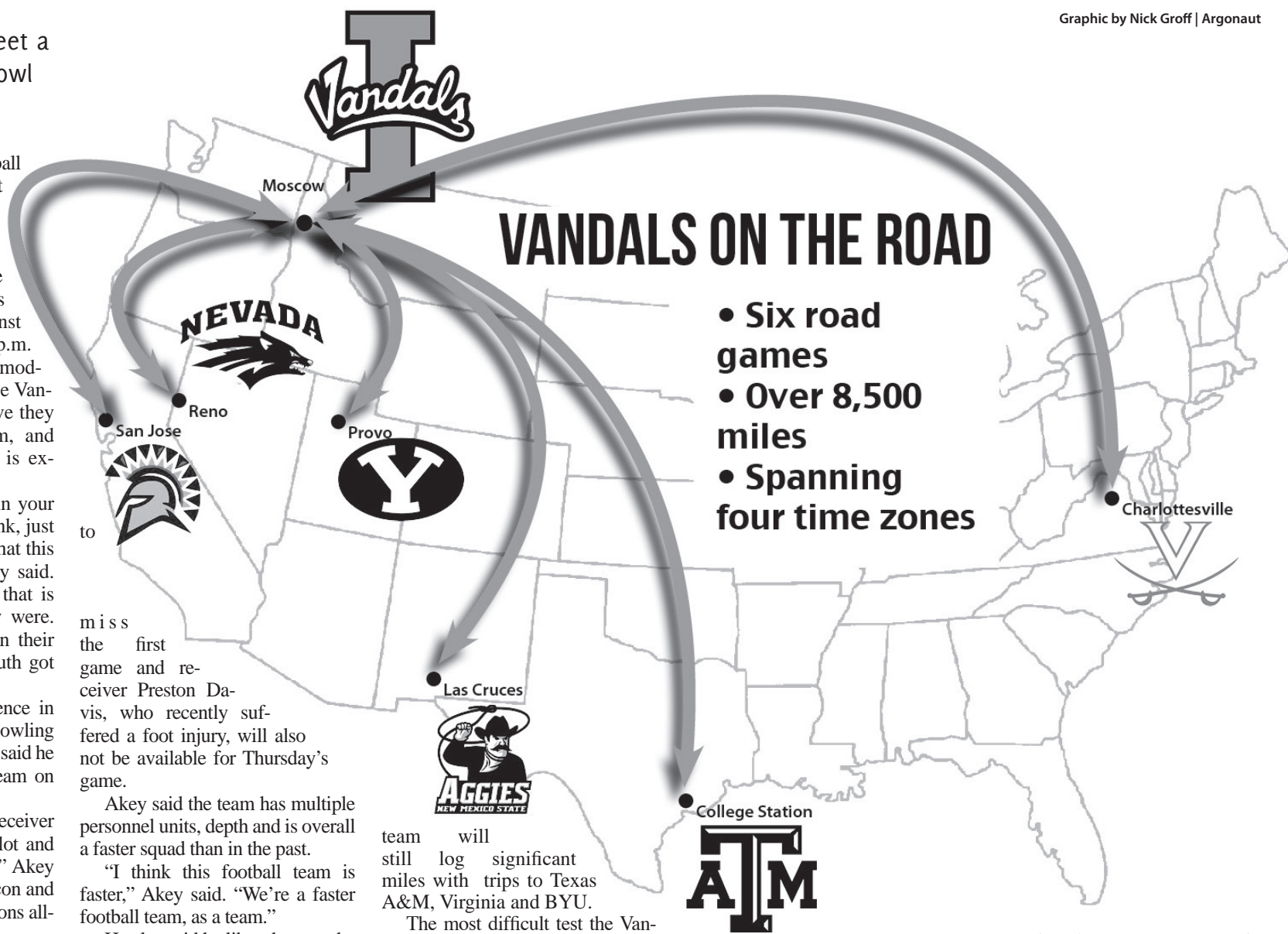
team will still log significant miles with trips to Texas A&M, Virginia and BYU.

The most difficult test the Vandals will face comes in week three when they head to College Station, Texas, to play No. 8 Texas A&M.

The Vandals are not likely more than a blip on the Aggies' radar as they take on all ranked Oklahoma State, Arkansas, Missouri and Oklahoma later in the season.

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## Volleyball stumbles in opening tournament

Kevin Bingaman  
Argonaut

The Vandal volleyball team got its season off to a good start after defeating Butler in the first round of the Shamrock Invitational Tournament at Notre Dame, but stumbled the rest of the weekend with losses to Notre Dame and Eastern Michigan.

Sophomore Allison Walker was the big player for the Vandals. Walker posted a double-double in each of the three matches Idaho played last weekend, earning all-tournament team honors.

Idaho kicked off the tournament with a 3-2 win over Butler Friday. The Vandals came out of the gates quickly, gaining a 2-0 lead, but had trouble closing out. Butler pushed Idaho to a deciding game five, which Idaho took 15-11. Coach Debbie Buchanan said her team needs to focus throughout the match and not get lazy.

"When you're on the road this is what's going to make us tough," Buchanan said. "You

have to fight for it and the kids really did. They came out and started communicating more and started playing at a higher level. We just have to understand that volleyball is not a perfect game. You can drop a couple points and start to hang your head a little bit and it can slip out of your fingers. We're not mature enough yet to just flip a switch and flip it back on."

The Vandals were back in action Saturday when they battled host Notre Dame, 3-1. After falling in the first game, Idaho came back and won the second, but that would be it for the Vandals as they lost the next two games and the match. The Vandals gave up too many big runs, which Buchanan said was the difference in this one.

"I think the biggest thing is we've got to reduce the runs," Buchanan said. "We're right there with every team, we just have to stay consistent. In game four, we gave up a run of eight points in a row. It's hard to beat any team when you give up eight points in a row. Part of



Zach Edwards | Argonaut

Senior outside hitter Alicia Milo makes a pass during a team practice early last week. Last weekend at a tournament held at Notre Dame the Vandals went 1-2 beating the Butler Bulldogs and losing to the Notre Dame Fighting Irish and Eastern Michigan Eagles.

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## Robinson leads defense through actions

Theo Lawson  
Argonaut

Idaho senior linebacker Tre'Shawn Robinson displayed both leadership and work ethic during a game last season and as a result, earned a round-trip visit to the emergency room.

"He had about 22 tackles and I mean he literally played until he dropped," said Mark Criner, linebackers coach and defensive coordinator. "We had to take him into the hospital and it was kind of a scary deal for a little bit."

Robinson, has been voted Idaho's defensive captain by his teammates, a testament to his work ethic and his "lead by example" personality.

After a breakout junior season that saw the Upland, Calif. native lead the team in unassisted tackles, Robinson has been hum-

bled by the opportunity to captain his band of brothers.

"It means a lot that some of the guys are looking up to me," Robinson said. "They can come up to me and ask any question they need, and if they need anything from me, if they need a ride anywhere or a question about the defense or offense or special teams they know they can come to me."

Adapting to a defense without JoJo Dickson, Shiloh Keo and Aaron Lavarias, three graduates who were instrumental to the Vandals' defensive success last season, won't prove to be an easy task for Robinson and company.

Only two days remain until Idaho opens its 2011 campaign and Robinson's confi-

dence has risen to an all-time high. With a Boise State free WAC, Robinson has set the bar high for what he expects to be a victorious senior season.

"I hope were going to be WAC champions," he said. "I feel like we're all going to do really well this year, and me, I'm just part of the defense. If I do good then everyone else does good and vice versa."

Criner described Robinson as someone who was "one shell of a guy" when he came to Moscow in 2008. Since then, the 5-foot-11-inch, 250-pound defensive rock has bloomed into one of the Vandals' most dedicated and passionate players.



Tre'Shawn Robinson

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Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut

Emily Ngan plays defense in last weeks game against Seattle University.

## Women's soccer loses two straight

Charles Crowley  
Argonaut

After two draws to start the season, the Vandal women's soccer team came up short on their most recent games, losing both hard-fought battles by just one goal.

Coach Pete Showler said the women are playing strong and they know exactly what they've got to do to win. He said it showed in the second half of Sunday's match.

"If we put two halves together like the second half today, we'll be golden," Showler said.

In Friday's game against Seattle University, the Vandals put together several good drives but just could not get one to go in. Seattle's Megan Daniels found the top corner of the goal at in the 32 minute for the only score of the game.

Chelsea Small had a look early in the game but could not find the goal and both Jill Flockhart and Bailey Hewitt had looks in the box, but could not bury either. Though Seattle had fewer chances, Showler said they made the best of them.

"This game is about chances — we didn't take ours, and they took theirs," Showler said.

In the second half Idaho goalie Liz Boyden had a hard collision with a Seattle

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# New club swings for the fences



Zach Edwards | Argonaut

Connor Warner, a freshman in electrical engineering, lays down a bunt Sunday morning during open tryouts for the club baseball team at Guy Wicks Field. He has played since he was five-years-old.

**Sean Kramer**  
Argonaut

Defunct for the last four years, Idaho's baseball club is finally being revived under the watch of sophomore Anthony Strunk.

Strunk, who's been attending UI on and off since 2008, began his efforts to revive the club last spring. He was able to round up enough players to compete in a couple of games and tournaments, including several matches against established clubs like Eastern Washington University.

"Baseball is a fun game and it's an awesome sport," Strunk said. "It's sad that the university doesn't actually have a team and we have to have a club team."

This year Strunk said he'd like the club to be more organized and to have more of a commitment from the players. He said problems from last year included communication and guys not showing up on a consistent basis. Organiza-

tion and communication among players and coaches are an emphasis for this year, Strunk said. He told players during the first tryout that not showing up for practice means they won't play in games.

"It's unlimited," Strunk said of what he thinks the club can accomplish. "Right now we're trying to be recognized...we want people to realize that the University of Idaho does have a club baseball team and that they're actually competitive and that they're a force to be reckoned with."

Baseball clubs have been off and on at Idaho throughout the last decade with recent attempts failing to stick around longer than a year.

"I think it's a big thing," Skylar Neugebauer, the sophomore team captain, said of the importance of having baseball on campus. "I hope we bring back that interest in baseball and get people out here to watch us

play, and people that want to play come out too."

About ten students rolled out of bed early for the inaugural tryout and practice Saturday morning at Guy Wicks field. Strunk said he believes this is just the beginning as he's had more than 20 students inquire about the club since last spring.

Strunk was optimistic after the first showing of the year for the club. "I think it's definitely heading in the direction we wanted, we just need to build a strong foundation," he said. "Not only do we want to be a club team, we also want to get involved in the community and show people that we're serious about this and that we're a good group of guys. The guys that I saw come out today, they fit that role and I'm pretty excited about it."

The baseball club will have open practices to any students who want to try out.

## Volleyball names new director of operations

**Kevin Bingaman**  
Argonaut

Kara Kiefer jumped the state border, leaving Washington State after two seasons to become Idaho's new director of operations for Vandal volleyball.

Kiefer was an assistant coach at Washington State, and spent last year as the director of volleyball operations. Kiefer also has experience as a player; experience coach Debbie Buchanan said will be valuable.

"She's played the game," Buchanan said. "She's very professional, very loyal—all of those things that you want in a program."

As director of operations, Kiefer will be responsible for travel planning, organizing camps, keeping equipment up to date and assisting with academics.

Kiefer began her college career at North Idaho College, where she helped

her team win a Scenic West Conference championship in 2004, and was named tournament MVP. That same year, her team took tenth in the national tournament and Kiefer was named NIC's Athlete of the Year.

Kiefer also played at Tennessee State and helped the Tigers earn an Ohio Valley Conference championship in 2005. Kiefer has experience in almost every aspect of volleyball and said she's looking forward to furthering that experience.

"I really like it here," Kiefer said. "I like the structure, working with a new staff and learning a different part of the game. I get to build on my experience. It's also nice being close to home, that's another perk to it."

Kiefer has a bachelor's degree from Tennessee State in elementary education and is working on her master's degree from WSU.



Steven Devine | Argonaut

Renovations continue on the Dan O'Brien track next to the Kibbie Dome in preparation for the 2012 WAC outdoor track and field championships. Changes include a new track surface, new concrete bases for track and field and improved bleachers.

## Dan O'Brien complex gets new look

**Theo Lawson**  
Argonaut

Come late September, the University of Idaho athletic department will experience its second facility renovation of the fall, this time in the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex.

The renovations have been in the making for quite some time but Director of Track and Field Wayne Phipps expects completion in the near future.

"It's been in the process for a long time, there was extensive amounts of research and background that went into it," Phipps said. "Natural design and drainage and a bunch of stuff that's way over my head, the landscape architecture and the engineering side of it."

Construction of the new complex began last school year with plans of completion prior to the winter, when progress could potentially be halted due to poor weather conditions.

The new "state of the art" track and field complex will include a polyurethane synthetic track surface, which has become common at most of the nation's premier complexes.

The renovated facility will feature a natural grass field, rather than synthetic artificial turf. Phipps said natural grass would be a "better scenario" in terms of throws and other events that will take place on the field.

"From the actual performance standpoint we won't have the elaborate stands or anything like that, but from the competition standpoint it's going to be one of the best facilities in the nation," Phipps said. "The way it was designed, the number of competition areas that we have down there, the surface that we're getting puts us in a situation where we'd be one of the best track and field facilities in the nation."

A portable bleacher system, similar to the one at Guy Wicks soccer field, will be installed and for larger-scale

events, such as the 2012 Outdoor Western Athletic Conference Championships, extra bleachers will be brought in as necessary.

Phipps is confident that, like the renovation of the Kibbie Dome, the Dan O'Brien remodel will benefit the track and field program as a whole.

"Having a new facility from a training standpoint is going to be amazing, injury prevention and then from a performance standpoint, being able to host meets and then being able to host the WAC Championships brings a lot of positive attention to our program," he said.

Phipps hopes the new facility will help the athletes from a motivational standpoint.

"You'd like to say that something like that isn't what they would need to get motivated but I think just having that, everybody's really excited about it, so I really do think it'll be a motivating factor for them," he said.

## Schaub recovers from pick to lead Texans

**Janie McCauley**  
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — One early mistake did nothing to rattle Matt Schaub.

Schaub stepped back to pass on the first play of the game and threw right to 49ers linebacker Ahmad Brooks a few yards away. After that rare blunder, Houston's reliable quarterback was spot-on.

Schaub recovered after the early interception, leading the Texans on scoring drives in each of their next three series in a 30-7 exhibition rout of the rebuilding San Francisco 49ers on Saturday night.

"We had a lot of early mistakes and turnovers but guys bounced back and made plays," Schaub said. "I think that shows the maturity of our team that those mistakes aren't going to linger."

Troy Nolan made two interceptions for new defensive coordinator Wade Phillips, returning the first pick

73 yards for a touchdown to give the Texans 24 straight first-half points after they fell behind 7-0.

Schaub enhanced an already impressive preseason, going 16 for 24 for 180 yards and a touchdown for the unbeaten Texans (3-0). So far, Houston looks very much like an AFC contender, although the Texans had to remove 2010 NFL rushing leader Arian Foster when his troublesome hamstring began bothering him again late in the first quarter.

Coach Gary Kubiak is optimistic Foster will be ready for the opener Sept. 11 against the defending AFC South champion Indianapolis Colts.

"We don't think it's anything worse than what we were dealing with before," Kubiak said of Foster, who sat out the first preseason game.

San Francisco quarterback Alex Smith wound up 2 for 6 for 17 yards, just 4 more yards in the air than he lost in two sacks.

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# Vidano, Torres join men's tennis

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Cesar Torres and Clint Vidano join the men's tennis team, filling out the roster and bringing new talent to Idaho.

Torres comes to Idaho from Lima, Peru where he was ranked No. 1 in every national junior category and as high as No. 211 in the world by the International Tennis Federation. Coach Jeff Beaman has high hopes for Torres.

"Cesar (Torres) should be able to win some big matches right from the start for the team," Beaman said. "He has many wins over some of the best junior players in the world."

Every team likes to get a good strong athlete, but in college sports a top priority for athletes has to be their academics and for Torres, they definitely have been. He graduated early from high school and is studying engineering.

"It's great to get a really strong student as well," Beaman said.

While Torres comes from Peru, Vidano is a more local recruit, coming out of Wenatchee, Wash. and joining the Vandals as a walk-on. Beaman kept his eye on Vidano throughout his high school years and liked what he saw.

"Clint (Vidano) really impressed me during his senior

year of high school," Beaman said. "He played in several USTA campus challenges that guys from Idaho were taking part in, and in these showed that he can compete at a high level," Beaman said.

Beaman said that he thinks Vidano will continue to develop in singles and in doubles and that he could see some time in the line-up as a freshman.

"He is going to be a great local addition," Beaman said. Torres and Vidano join Dmitry Perevoshchikov and Cristobal Salazar as the new faces on the team, finishing up a roster Beaman said reaches new heights.

"This year's roster is as deep and as talented as Idaho has been since I took over the team," Beaman said.

Beaman said it's impossible to predict what will happen with injuries and other issues that may arise so having a lot of depth is great.

"We lost some great players, we added some players who are just as strong," Beaman said. "The guys who are returning got better over the summer, so I think things are looking very promising," Beaman said.

The new recruits, as well as the rest of the Vandal men's tennis team will get their chance to shine together as a team for the first time in late September.



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Junior forward Megan Lopez walks to the sideline during a break in play during a match with Seattle University.

## College star O'Brien joins soccer staff

Theo Lawson  
Argonaut

With an established college career and experience at the semi-professional level, Ashley O'Brien joins the Idaho soccer team as the newest and final addition to the 2011 coaching staff.

Coach Pete Showler announced O'Brien's arrival last week and is confident the ex-University of San Francisco defender will have an immediate impact.

"She understands what the players needs are, having been a player more recently and that's valuable for us," Showler said. "Also in terms of recruiting and her personality, and all of the positive aspects she brings, just fantastic."

Showler came across O'Brien after a former USF coach and friend noticed the job opening and hastily recommended his former player, who was considering a community college job in San Francisco at the time.

"I put out the job through the D-1 list server; it goes out to 383 Division I college coaches and one of my friends who I know from the Bay Area put me in touch with her," Showler said. "Once she came up and worked camp with us, we were

able to see what she was capable of and it was just onwards and upwards from there."

O'Brien's four years of college experience were split between USF and UConn, schools from two of the nation's premier soccer conferences.

At UConn, she received her undergraduate degree in business and earned 2008 Big East All-Tournament team honors. The same year, O'Brien made 21 appearances for the Huskies and recorded two assists.

The Road Brook, Conn. native transferred to USF as a junior and saw immediate success. During her two seasons at USF, O'Brien made 37 appearances, started in 36 games, earned All-West Coast Conference honors and was a National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-West region second team selection. She graduated from USF earlier this year with a master's degree in sports management.

O'Brien hopes that her playing experience will translate to her newly acquired coaching position.

"I definitely think having that experience helps with the players because you know what they're going through, if they have an injury or the balance between athletics and academics, all that kind of stuff," she said.

Prior to accepting the Idaho job,

O'Brien gained some valuable semi-professional experience playing summer-league soccer for the Bay Area Breeze, a Women's Premier Soccer League team based in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Showler has further expressed his confidence in O'Brien by giving her other responsibilities within the program, which include travel coordination and recruiting, among other things.

In terms of soccer and her role on the field, O'Brien hopes to share her passion and knowledge of the game with the team, which she believes could be in the running for a Western Athletic Conference title and NCAA Tournament bid sometime in the near future.

"I just love playing and I just want to get the girls to be passionate about what they're doing," O'Brien said. "This is a really good group of girls and they're all into everything and they understand the fitness and nutrition, all the building blocks, so just to integrate that into their lives."

O'Brien rounds out Showler's fall staff, which also includes goalkeeper coach Grant Williams and former Vandal Jenny Springer, who serves as a volunteer assistant.

## Center-mids hold it together

Kevin Bingaman  
Argonaut

The Vandal soccer team has had success in recent years, posting a record of 14-7 last season, thanks in part to the play of juniors Amber Pimley and Megan Lopez, the backbone of the team.

Lopez and Pimley are central midfielders, which means they are involved in almost every aspect of the game. They jump start the offensive attack and are the first line of defense. They're responsible for finding outlets, setting up plays and distributing the ball.

Idaho plays a heavily possession-based game, which makes these two even more important. Idaho coach Peter Showler said Lopez and Pimley are invaluable to the team's success.

"The midfield is the engine of the team," Showler said. "They go all day. At this level of the game a midfielder can run six to seven miles in a game, and imagine most of that's sprints. They're invaluable to the team and both have a great, great passion for the game and understand the game and it shows when they play."

Both Lopez and Pimley helped their southern California high school and club soccer teams win league titles.

Lopez attended Rancho Buena Vista High School in southern California where she played field hockey, track and soccer. Lopez said soccer was the sport she and her family attached themselves to and she never second-guessed her decision to make it her focus.

Pimley attended Adolfo Camarillo High School, and was selected as a member of the Mexican U20 national team in 2009.

Chemistry is vital for Lopez and Pimley as they have to work together throughout any game. Lopez is more of an offensive-based center-mid while Pimley is more defensive. Lopez said their chemistry has grown over the past two seasons, through many ups and downs.

"We've been playing together the past two seasons and I think over that time we've learned how each other plays and learned to work off each other," Lopez said. "We've learned each other's strengths and sometimes what we need to compensate for. I feel

like we've grown together ... we've experienced a lot of the same stuff and learned what needs to be done between us."

Pimley said the two of them have learned to communicate very well, and it's not always verbal.

"We communicate really well," Pimley said. "It may not be super loud but we understand each other so we don't get confused. We're really good friends too, so that helps."

The center-mids will get a few goals and assists here and there, but their biggest contribution is the way they set things up and run plays. They may not always be the center of attention, but they're what make the team run.

"Our team knows how much we contribute, so that's good enough for both of us," Pimley said.

Lopez and Pimley bring opposite approaches to the game, something Showler said helps the two of them work together.

"Both are very different players," Showler said. "Megan's your creative, clever, tricky, show a little bit of magic and pull something out of your hat type player and Amber is so smooth, calm and collective on the ball. They both complement each other because they vary in style and it's helped the team immensely."

Lopez and Pimley bring more to the table than just their performances on the field as both have been Academic All-WAC honorees every year at Idaho. Showler said they're great team players and he's lucky to have them on his roster.

"They have a top-notch attitude and are always chomping at the bit to get on the pitch and express themselves," Showler said. "We're very fortunate to have two high-quality midfielders like them at Idaho."

Having two center-mids like Lopez and Pimley are vital to Idaho's success. Both have had a large role on the team since freshman year and will undoubtedly play huge roles in the next two.

"The center-mid is the lynchpin of everything because they're pivotal to everything that goes on," Showler said. "Those two are setting the standards and they're very, very high standards."

## Washington State football will improve this season

There is no doubt that this is the last chance for Washington State coach Paul Wulff to turn things around in Pullman. In Wulff's four seasons, Washington State is a dismal 5-32. Most of the 32 losses haven't been close.

Last year the Cougars showed some promise late in the season when they began competing with teams like UCLA, Arizona, Washington and actually won a Pac 10 game at Oregon State late in the year. Although they fin-

ished last in the conference, they showed promise late in the season. If the Cougars start this season like they finished last season, Washington State could make a run at a bowl this season.

The Cougars open up Sept. 3 at home against Idaho State before taking on UNLV and San Diego State in their final non-conference games of the season. The Cougars open up conference play Oct. 1 at Colorado. Unlike past seasons, the Cougars do not play any

ranked teams in their non-conference schedule, which should make a six-win season a possibility.

Washington State returns quarterback Jeff Tuel, who threw for more than 2,700 yards last season. Last year's freshman wide receiver Marquess Wilson, who had 55 receptions, more than 1,000 yards receiving and six scores, is back for a second year.

Anything less than a bowl game for the Cougars this season would be a disappointment. With Tuel, Wilson and Jared Karstetter all coming back the Cougars could average more than 30 points

per game this season. A more experienced offense will allow Wulff to open up the play book this season and shy away from conservative play calling. Washington State has enough talent on the offensive side of the football to rank in the top 20 in most offensive categories. The Cougars will surprise many people around the country this season. With a lighter schedule, and starters on both sides of the ball coming back, the Cougars will win at least seven — maybe eight games this season.



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## DOWN N' OUT



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Coach Peter Showler holds senior goalkeeper Liz Boyden's hand as members of the Vandal training staff tend to her right leg, which she injured after a collision with an opposing player early in the second half of play during Friday's match against Seattle University.

## ROBINSON

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Robinson had always hoped to earn a leadership role within the team but the high-school-to-college transition was something he noted was a big change.

"I had always wanted to, but I was just going with the flow and you've got to know your place," he said. "Coming from high school to college, it's totally different. You come in here thinking you're the best player because everyone comes from school thinking they're the best player. Coming in though, that (being captain) was always my goal and that's what I strived to be."

On the field Robinson remains one of the key components to Idaho's defensive line.

"Tremendous drive, he's very physical, he runs downhill and plugs his gaps," said Criner. "And he plays with a passion, it's contagious. He is our quarterback on the defensive front, he sets everything and he's sharp about it. He does a good job studying when he's not in school--football studying."

Regardless of his career choice, Criner believes Robinson's future holds promise.

"He's a sharp, intelligent kid," Criner said. "I think Tre'Shawn would be successful in whatever he does."

## SOCCER

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player and left the game. Idaho sent in freshman Marissa Fehrman, who blocked two goal attempts, keeping Seattle scoreless while she was in. Showler said he was impressed.

"The first touch Marissa got was a shot, she handled it well and her confidence built from there," Showler said.

Showler said he hopes the best for Boyden and that though he had not heard back from the doctors yet, all the players and staff hope for her speedy recovery.

The Vandals had to get over the loss quickly and prepare to travel, because the next day they were on the road to Portland, Ore. to play PSU. There, they suffered their first road loss of the season by the score of 2-1.

All three goals in the game were scored in the

first half. Chelsea Small scored her 23rd goal for Idaho, bringing her one goal away from tying Idaho's all-time record.

Melissa Trammell and Amanda Dutra scored the goals for Portland; both were headers that Showler said were near impossible for Idaho goalie Marissa Fehrman to get to.

"She couldn't have done anything about either of the goals, but she commanded her area well, made some great saves and handled the situation well," Showler said.

The Vandals host the Governor's Cup next weekend, an annual match they have won for two consecutive years and hope to make a third. "We're excited for this weekend hosting the Governor's Cup and we're eager to get that first 'W' and then hopefully a second one," Showler said.

## VOLLEYBALL

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that is passing and serving errors that we're making, that's what we have to get better at."

Walker led the team with 23 kills in the match, while junior Alicia Milo had 15. Buchanan said she liked some of what she saw from her team, but said there's still a lot that needs improved on.

"We definitely did some great things," Buchanan said. "If you look at the stat sheet we're right there in every category. In crunch time we're just giving up too many points."

Idaho wrapped up the

tournament with a 3-0 loss to Eastern Michigan Sunday morning after keeping it close in every set, Idaho was unable to get over the hump.

"The team we played today was scrappy," Buchanan said. "They're a good team and they're going to have a good season."

Walker and Milo once again led the Vandals, each posting a double-double.

The Vandals will try to shake off the rough start as they hit the road again this weekend to play in the Kansas State Volleyball tournament where they will take on BYU, Kansas State and Georgia Southern.

# Bucs beat Dolphins 17-13 with late touchdown drive

Fred Goodall  
AP Sports Writer

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) Raheem Morris joked that maybe it's time he stop harping about how the Tampa Bay Buccaneers need to play better early in games.

Josh Freeman directed a touchdown drive just before halftime and third-string quarterback Rudy Carpenter capped a fourth-quarter scoring drive with a 7-yard TD pass to Nathan Overbay with 3:11 remaining, giving the Bucs a 17-13 preseason victory over the Miami Dolphins on Saturday night.

"I'm going to stop talking about starting faster and enjoy the way these guys finish," Morris said.

Freeman missed several open receivers and nearly had a couple passes intercepted, but left on a high note after ending his night with a six-play, 54-yard march that made it 10-10.

The third-year pro probably will not play much, if at all, Thursday night in the preseason finale at Houston. That's OK as far as Freeman is concerned.

After all, he's seen extensive play this month after barely playing in the preseason a year ago, when he injured the thumb on his throwing hand in the first exhibition.

"He's way ahead of where he was at this time last year," Morris said.

"I think we're right where we need to be," Freeman added, assessing the progress of the offense. "I missed a couple of throws. ... That comes with getting more and more game reps and getting in more of a rhythm, but that's nothing I'm really concerned about."

The Bucs (2-1) overcame 15 penalties for 135 yards in a performance not nearly as crisp as they'd hoped for coming off last week's sloppy, lopsided loss to New England.

Brandon Marshall scored on a 60-yard reception from Chad Henne and

Dan Carpenter kicked field goals of 21 and 47 yards for the Dolphins (2-1), who were penalized 11 times for 76 yards themselves.

"We were getting in our own way," Miami tight end Anthony Fasano said.

The Bucs learned before the game that cornerback Aqib Talib won't be suspended for any of the season for his arrest in connection with an off-season shooting in Texas.

The fourth-year pro is facing a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Police in the Dallas suburb of Garland say they believe the 25-year-old player and his mother shot at a man in March. Talib's trial is set for March 2012, and the NFL could revisit the matter pending the outcome of the case.

"We discussed Aqib's situation and they informed us he will not be suspended for the 2011 football season," Dominik said. "Certainly we and the National Football League will continue to track the case, and we will proceed accordingly however that pans out."

Talib sat out Saturday night because of a hamstring injury that also sidelined him the first two weeks of the preseason. He led the Bucs with six interceptions in 2010, despite being suspended without pay for the season opener for violating the league's personal conduct policy, and four other games after suffering a season-ending hip injury.

Freeman and the rest of Tampa Bay's starters were hoping to atone for a poor performance against New England. The first-team offense gained 34 yards in a little less than a half, and Tom Brady made it look easy by scoring on four of the Patriots' first five possessions to build a 28-0 lead.

With the exception of a couple of early third-down completions and a short throw to LeGarrette Blount that

the second-year running back turned into a 52-yard gain to set up a field goal, Freeman had little to show before getting his team into the end zone in the final minute of the opening half.

The third-year quarterback set up Earnest Graham's 2-yard TD run with a 15-yard completion to his fullback and a 17-yard scramble to the Miami 2.

Freeman finished 12 of 23 for 149 yards and hasn't turned over the ball this preseason. He did have two potential interceptions dropped and had one pick nullified by a penalty.

Henne played into the third quarter and was sacked three times. He went 10 of 13 for 175 yards and one touchdown, connecting with Marshall on a sideline throw that was defended well by Bucs cornerback E.J. Biggers, starting in place of Talib.

Marshall made the catch inside the Tampa Bay 35, managed to stay in bounds before cutting back toward the middle past safety Cody Grimm. He and stiff-armed linebacker Quincy Black to remain on his feet and get into the end zone for a 7-0 lead.

"That's definitely a confidence booster out there ... That we can put the ball up and let him go get it and make some big plays out there," Henne said. "That's what he is. Give him the ball, give him a shot where he can make a big play down the field."

Marshall's second-quarter fumble, forced by Biggers at the end of a 30-yard catch and run, led to Tampa Bay's touchdown just before the half.

Miami coach Tony Sparano said the Dolphins self-destructed offensively after Marshall's early touchdown.

"Not a little bit, a lot," the coach said. "There were penalties, minus plays, and a couple of rushing attempts that put us behind the sticks."

The good thing, Sparano said he told his team: "It's fixable."

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## Transparency is crucial

When tragedy devastates a community, people look for guidance, answers and reassurance from the person in charge.

That person should be President M. Duane Nellis, in the case of the death of Katy Benoit.

In the week following the Aug. 22 shooting, Nellis and the University of Idaho came forth with information concerning the details of Benoit's complaint against former assistant professor Ernesto A. Bustamante, citing student privacy laws as the reason for the delay.

The university sent out a press release Friday that contained a detailed timeline of all communication between Benoit and UI beginning the date she first approached the university for help June 10. President Nellis has also asked the university's general counsel to officially file a court order to start the process of releasing Bustamante's personnel records — documents that are protected even after death by Idaho's public records law.

In addition, Nellis has ordered an independent review of UI's policies as they pertain to safety and security. He said in the press conference Friday that

he expected more information to be available this week.

The statement issued was a detailed and transparent answer to the Benoit family's call for the university to be more forthcoming with information, but it was late. Even though Nellis may only have had minimal information immediately after Benoit's death, he should have addressed the public with what he knew.

President Nellis is the authoritative figure both students and faculty look to for guidance during a tragedy like Benoit's death. However, Nellis did not address the public until four days after the shooting occurred. Dean of Students Bruce Pitman was the university representative who first addressed the public about Benoit's death in a press conference Aug. 23. Pitman is a trusted authority who has a close relationship with students, and his presence at the press conference was appropriate and understandable. But he needed to be joined by Nellis.

The press conference Nellis spoke

at Friday was hastily organized, and it's abruptness made it difficult for people to attend. Oddly enough, it could have been a response to an editorial in the Moscow-Pullman Daily News that mentioned Nellis not formally addressing the public.

During the conference, Nellis briefly addressed the points that had already been made available in the statement issued earlier and answered a few questions, but did not provide any additional information.

In general, Nellis is an open president — one who is involved in the lives of students and events on campus. We hope that Nellis will continue to fulfill his role as president and be the authority who addresses the public.

We hope the university will continue to be forthcoming with information regarding Benoit and Bustamante. The transparency between the university and the public can only help the reputation of UI to create a stronger bond of trust between administration and students.

In the end, the truth is all we want. — EE



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## National tragedies sting less

The world no longer matters when a tragedy hits you at home.

When the Egyptians first protested their government in February, several students supported their cause. Groups were formed, protests and marches were organized, money was collected and for one of the first times in the academic year apathy disappeared at the University of Idaho.

This support was not just for the Egyptians, but also for revolutionaries in every other country that followed their example in standing up against their government to have more of a say as to what happened in their country. The last major country to pull in a lot of support and recognition was Libya.

It's six months later and the tragedy has again reached a climax. Moammar Gadhafi's power has slipped and

his location is currently unknown. The breaking point resulted from the arrest of two of Gadhafi's sons, Saif al-Islam and Saadi, Aug. 20 and the next day a third son had been arrested.

After the initial 12 hours of intense fighting, 1,300 people lost their lives and 5,000 people were wounded. The fighting continued during the last week and the citizens of Libya are making great strides, but that's not what we're talking about at UI.

If Libya's great strides would have happened a week before, campus might have reacted the same as they did in February. Facebook might have been populated with posts and groups to support Libyans.

Instead, our community was shaken by the homicide shooting that occurred Aug. 22, and the suicide that followed. The concern was to learn as much as

possible about why this happened, when, where and if the rest of the community was in danger. Students cared more to hear from President M. Duane Nellis than President Barack Obama.

None of this is bad, in any sense of the word. It just emphasizes the shocked statement many people mumble in disbelief after a tragedy like this happens at home — "I never thought it could happen in Moscow."

When our focus is no longer on national tragedies because of something big in Moscow, the shift can be a reality check in the truest sense of the word. The realization that tragedy can hit our small town is blinding and gut-wrenching.

The feeling eliminates any question as to why we care so much about the national issues. It's because we can't feel those issues — they don't cut as deep or sting for as long as those at home.



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## Universities need to take student safety concerns seriously

Student safety on university campuses depends on students having access to information. They need to know whether their campuses are safe and what risks they face — both when attending school and in determining what school to attend. When a school fails to properly report a rape or sexual assault, they put students in danger.

Washington State University apparently disagrees. A spokesman for the university said, "... it's a reach to say that because we reported seven and not eight rape cases, somehow this puts our students and employees at risk." It is this attitude that resulted in the school being fined more than \$82,000 for failing to disclose sexual assaults on campus and make public the school's policies for reporting sexual assaults. The university is appealing the U.S. Department of Education's decision.

The University of Idaho is not facing any such fines, but they are also failing to keep students safe. Like WSU, UI does not make its sexual assault policies clear. The UI Student Handbook simply reprints the Idaho state laws regarding rape, and tells students to contact the

police in the event of an assault. Contacting police is good advice, but the handbook does not make it clear how, or even if, students can file a complaint or press charges through the university.

More disturbingly, the handbook reveals a campus culture that puts students at risk. The "Sexual Assault Risk Reduction Strategies" printed in the book are victim-blaming. The second strategy reads as follows: "If you choose to drink alcohol, getting drunk and passing out means you have no control of what others might choose to do to you."

The other strategies also place responsibility for assault on those who are attacked, not their attackers. The statistics contained in the handbook about assault and alcohol are most likely accurate. Certainly a situation that involves alcohol is a higher-risk situation than one that doesn't, but the student handbook should be detailing the university's policies and procedures for sexual assault cases, it is not the place to tell students how their assaults could have been prevented. The handbook seems well-intentioned, but this is not

an appropriate way for the university to address the issue.

The handbook does not explain to students how they can file complaints against other students or faculty. It does not make clear the policy for sanctions or how the university will protect students. How many students have failed to report attacks or threats because they did not feel that the university could, or would, do anything?

Universities are not giving students the information they need to be safe. They are not addressing student concerns in the way they need to be addressed. And they are not creating a campus culture that allows students to come forward with their concerns. UI's handbook makes it seem as if the university doesn't want to be involved in sexual assault cases and offers little to no support.

If UI will not take responsibility for what happens on its campus, it is up to the students to hold them responsible. We must make it clear that we will no longer ignore or excuse the university's regressive sexual violence policies. It's time for the university to stop protecting itself, and start protecting its students.

## OFF THE CUFF

### Bowling blue

I really dislike that the first football game of the season for the last two years has been on a night I have to work. Pouting won't change it, but I think I might still do it for a little while. Let's get 'em again, Vandals.

— Elizabeth

### Facebook privacy

I'm glad Facebook is offering more privacy options, but the problem isn't more options, it's consistency. If I have to reeducate myself on how something works every six months, then it's not being presented appropriately.

— Loren

### So thankful

I'm grateful that my friends and family in New York are safe and sound, but my heart goes out to those who were not as fortunate.

— Anja

### No worries

Can't make it to the game Thursday night? Listen to the best play-by-play duo in the world on KUOI 89.3 FM or online at kuoi.org.

— Madison

### You won't regret it, I promise

"A ship in the harbor is safe, but that's not why ships are built." With that, I challenge you all to step out of your comfort zone this week. Do something new and different.

— Britt

### Dying of heat

I feel like a Hershey bar once the roasted marshmallow gets squished on it.

— Rhiannon

### What's going on

I'm three weeks behind on the Colbert Report ... Sure hope I haven't missed anything.

— Jake

### Home sweet home

Crime, protest and lightning ... feels like I'm back home in the Bay Area.

— Theo

### Go team

I can't say how impressed I am with the Photo Bureau staff so far this semester. You all rock.

— Amrah

### Everything in perspective

Everyone has been complaining about the heat lately, but I'm thankful to live in an area that is generally unaffected by natural disasters. Keep those who are affected by Hurricane Irene in your thoughts this week.

— Elisa

### Just one

My thunder and lightning quota for the summer has finally been met. Thanks, Moscow.

— Vicky

## ✉ Mail Box

Boise State University would like to express its deepest sympathies for the recent tragedy that stunned your campus community and the entire state. Each day our universities team with thousands of students pursuing their dreams and aspirations, and now we share your shock and great sadness at the loss of such a young, promising life before the fulfillment of her journey. May your Vandal spirit stay strong as you grieve and cope during this sorrowful time.

Sincerely,  
Students, Faculty and Staff  
Boise State University

# Communal madness, communal happiness

As the light faded in Denver, Colo., about 250 Piney Creek community



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members were escorted around the block by limousine. Forty bottles of champagne kept the celebrity-dressed guests entertained until they arrived at the red carpet a few minutes later, where they were awaited by screaming "paparazzi." The band "Kiss" arrived by helicopter, "Lady Gaga" was lifted on a barbecue grill flanked by half-naked men (and later on layers of raw meat, which is a dressmaking feat I can now add to my resume). Everyone was invited, and both children and adults had spent months preparing dances, songs and acts. The night was opened by "Michael Jackson" and a plethora of color, sound and merriment echoed throughout the neighborhood until the early hours of the morning.

Many would look at this community event and speak only of the excessive extravagance that seems unnecessary while many are struggling. They would scoff at the 65 life-size inflatable Oscars given out to all the performing children. But after experiencing the delight of every single person and seeing a suburban neighborhood so abounding in

friendship and camaraderie, I can only speak of the lessons we must all learn from this incredible act of generosity in the name of pure fun.

The existence of a sense of community has disappeared drastically during the last 50 years. People live organized and busy lives, and home has become a place to return from life to eat, sleep and work—just so it can be done all over again the next day. I am ashamed to say that after almost a year in my studio apartment downtown, I know a grand total of one and a half of my neighbors. While at the home of my good friends in Denver there were usually about 20 kids running around, bouncing on the trampoline and swimming together, we keep our doors shut and locked. Most of us live our lives with walls between us.

During a rehearsal, the woman who devised the entire event that brought the community together was interrupted by a small, disheveled-looking boy. Despite having a thousand things to do and "Bad Romance" moves to learn, she stopped in her tracks and took his concerns very seriously. Little Joey was able to find his mother, and the show went on.

Having strong com-

munities and relationships requires having time for people, no matter who they are. Of course, this is indicative of people's priorities and their lack of time for others shows how much a person values humanity. The human experience is about people and the task of exploring and discovering who we are, which will never be found in money or societal success.

To frame this in a morbid way, think about the legacy of people after they die (one of the only things we are all going to do). The value and legacy of a life lived is only to be found in the connections with people and the impact they had during their life. The value of a life is determined only by the value that other people assign it. Your TV will not remember you, nor will your homework or your clothes. Even your job will not miss you - it will simply be another position open for another being. It is only the people whom you meant anything to that matter in the end.

Despite the collective hangover that infected the community on Sunday morning, neighbors wandered over to the scene of the party all day to lend a hand in cleaning up. They brought flowers and orange juice, and came to say hi and hang out.

Coming together in this way transformed this community from one of cars



Community members in Piney Creek, Colo., dress as celebrities during a mock Oscars event. This event brings the community together and creates a sense of friendship.

driving home from work into garages into a community of hundreds of smiling faces, of

lasting friendships and working together in synergy to create a happy, more diverse

environment for their children to grow and thrive in.



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## Handwriting versus typing

Cursive writing provides children with developmental benefits

Cursive writing was used by our Founding Fathers to write the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. But handwriting is now being phased out and replaced with teaching students in public schools typing and other digital skills.

The Common Core State

Standards have been implemented by 40 states, and one component of the curriculum includes teaching students to type instead of writing in cursive.

A part of the Common Core curriculum's mission statement reads, "The standards are designed to be robust and relevant to the real world, reflecting the knowledge and skills that our young people need for success in college and careers." Although children today are growing up in a highly digitalized environment, the value and benefits of cursive writing should not be forfeit in their education.

An article in the Wall Street Journal cited a study from Indiana University that described how handwriting engages the brain in learning. Researchers used an MRI machine to study brain activity in children before and after they received instruction in learning letters. The study concluded that children who practiced writing letters by hand showed more advanced neural activity than those who didn't.

A second study in the Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience examined memory recognition in adults. Some of the adults wrote characters by hand and others typed characters on a keyboard. They were then asked to differentiate between the characters and a mirror image of the characters. The adults who wrote by hand had

longer-lasting recognition of the characters proper format, which suggests that

handwriting helps people identify graphic shapes.

Besides fine motor development in children, handwriting is also a way for students to express themselves. A CNN article cited second-grade teacher Anthony McGrann as an advocate for why cursive should continue to be taught in schools. McGrann said cursive writing helps students who have struggle to convey their thoughts to others.

"... some students have more ideas in their heads than they can (print) on paper," McGrann said. "If you integrate penmanship with other literacy activities, the formation of letters really does make a difference in the way kids retain information."

Handwriting can also be a form of self-expression, and many people add flourishes or mix cursive and printing to create a unique signature. Students may no longer be able to read historical documents if cursive ceases to be included in school curriculums.

The Common Core curriculum aims to educate students in a way that will best prepare them for college and the work force, but the instant gratification of technology may not necessarily be what is best in educating students — especially when considering the developmental benefits of cursive writing.



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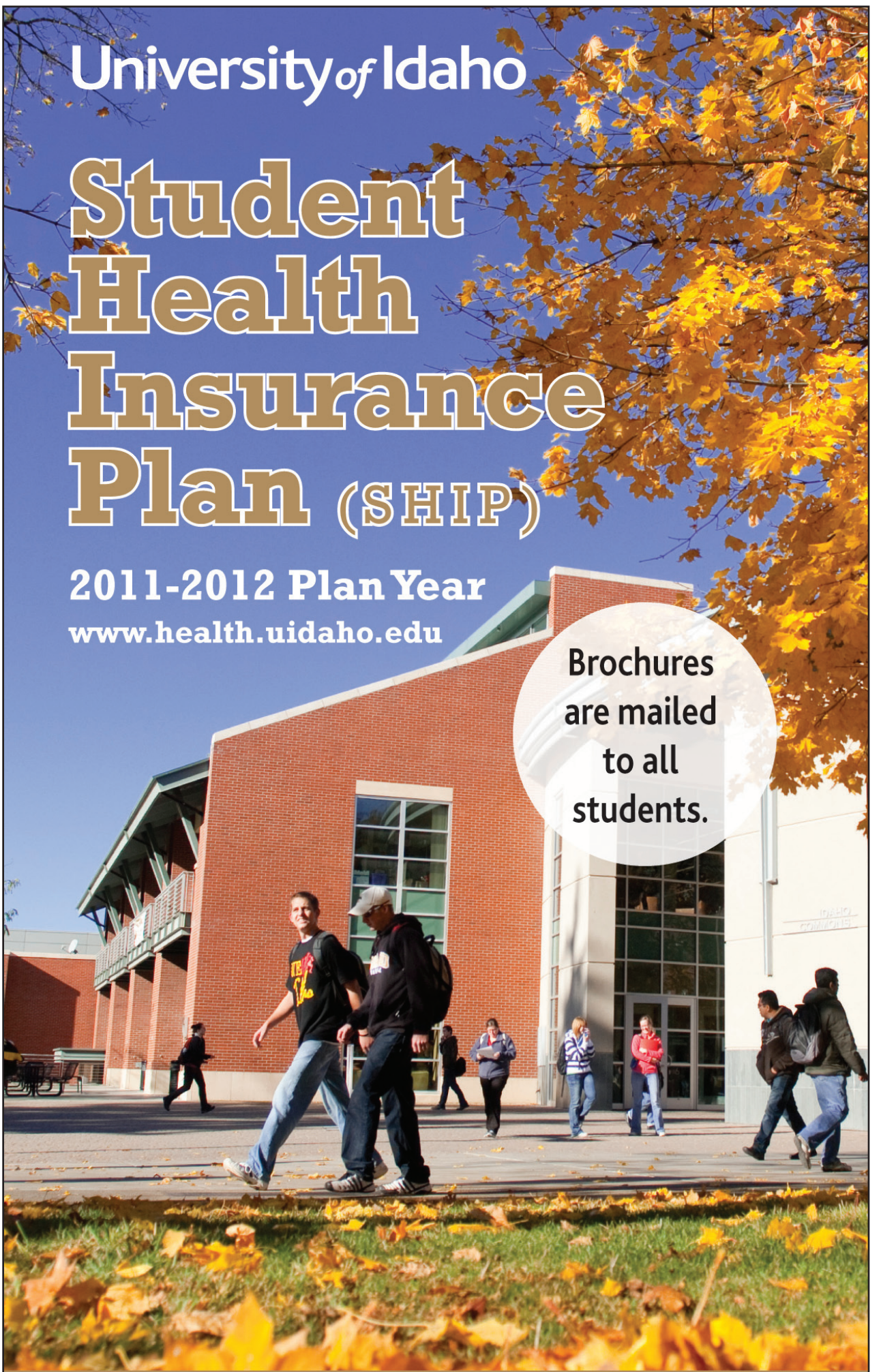
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