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FLAGS FLY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED



Nick Groff | Argonaut

A member of the University of Idaho Army ROTC prepares to rappel from the east end of the Kibbie Dome before Saturday's football game against the University of North Dakota. The game was part of Military Appreciation Day.

Bridging the gap

ASUI to host Student Leadership Tour

Britt Kiser
Argonaut

This year, ASUI plans to reach out to student organizations for feedback on decisions that will affect campus through its first Student Leadership Tour.

Joe Black, ASUI presidential policy adviser, said the tour, scheduled to run Sept. 12 through Dec. 2, is for all interested student clubs and organizations. Black said ASUI President Samantha Perez and two other ASUI representatives will attend each organization's meeting and participate as a member.

"We're trying to reconnect with all of our organizations and all of our students," Black said.

He said Perez will also take time in each club meeting to ask questions and collect feedback from members on specific campus issues and programs ASUI provides.

"We want them to know that we're really interested in what they have to say ... In the past, ASUI has kind of seemed disconnected from its students," Black said. "We really want to branch out and provide programs that people actually want, opposed to what we think they want."

Black said ASUI's goal is to make itself more open and available, so students feel they can approach members of ASUI with projects or ideas.

"We're here to work for them, not over them," Black said.

Students will benefit from the leadership tour because it's a good

way for their voices to be heard, Black said.

"It's so much more personal than sending us an email, or participating in a poll," he said. "The students who are involved in these organizations are actually going to have face time with us."

Black said the idea for a student leadership tour first came to him as a student lobbyist in Boise last semester, when he noticed ASUI seemed more disconnected than ever. He said he realized when issues came up, like guns on campus, there wasn't a set mechanism within ASUI to collect student feedback.

Black said he wanted to do the leadership tour because he wanted to provide Perez with student input regarding how they live and the way their education is provided to them. He said this was because

many of the decisions she makes are on the state level at the legislature and will affect them.

"So I really wanted to provide some sort of actual program that was specifically for gathering information," Black said.

He said this year ASUI's overall push is to act in the interest of the students.

Any and all organizations — as long as they're made up solely of fee-paying students and undergraduates — are invited to get involved with the tour, Black said. In order to do so, the organization's



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Joe Black, ASUI presidential policy adviser

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Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut

University of Idaho housing residents went to neighborhoods in Moscow Saturday to collect non-perishable items for local food banks. The students collected 2,915 items in the Meals for Moscow events.

Meals for Moscow collects nearly 3,000 items

Caitlin Stagg
Argonaut

University of Idaho housing residents collected 2,915 items during Meals for Moscow, a food drive for the Moscow and Trinity Food Banks.

"I hope that this event teaches students to help others and learn to appreciate helping others," said Luci Sanchez, student coordinator of Meals for Moscow.

More than 160 student volunteers collected food around Moscow for four hours Saturday and donated

their findings to the two food banks.

The food banks in Moscow have seen depleted stock recently because for the past five years the number of people going to the food bank has increased constantly. This food drive was an effort to help restock from the shortage.

The Moscow Food Bank is a distribution hub that supplies food to soup kitchens, pantries and shelters. The Trinity Food Bank is a

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Zombies to flood campus

Students prep for 10-day invasion starting Thursday

Dylan Brown
Argonaut

The infection arrives at the University of Idaho Sept. 15: The onslaught of the horde is imminent.

More than 300 UI "humans" will have to remain vigilant, keeping a constant weathered eye out for brain eaters during the 10-day invasion that will be InterVarsity Christian Fellowship's "Humans vs. Zombies" — a campus-wide game of moderated tag.

Jacob Bow, InterVarsity's central organizer for the first game, said the local chapter of the national Christian group tried a similar role-playing game a few years ago.

"After that people were excited about it," Bow said. "They wanted to do it again and so someone mentioned Humans vs. Zombies. I went out and I looked it up and said, 'Why not?'"

Humans vs. Zombies was invented in 2005 by students at Goucher College in Baltimore, Md., and has spread to more than 650 colleges and universities around the world since.

In the game, every player but one starts as a human. Armed with Nerf guns, socks and other soft objects, the humans have to not only survive being chased by a horde of zombies, but also complete the tasks given to them by a scientist trying desperately to find a cure for the virus creating the undead scourge. The scientist is UI's addition to the game.

The player chosen to be the "original zombie" then begins his hunt for humans, anyone on campus wearing a bandanna on their arm or leg.

As he tags them, they too become zombies and their bandannas be-

come headbands. Every zombie must feed — make a tag — every 48 hours or starve to death and be out of the game.

The humans have only two defenses against these insatiable creatures: Their weapons and safe zones. Safe zones include all buildings, classes, parking lots and sports practices, but everywhere else on campus is fair game, Bow said.

Students living off campus can play as well, so long as they make an appearance on campus every 24 hours.

With such a large Nerf-laden event spanning 10 days, Bow said he was pleased with the university and Moscow Police Department's response to the "end of the world."

"When we were first starting to organize, I kind of thought that we'd run into all sorts of resistance, but everyone has been really excited about it," Bow said. "We have had just all sorts of support — from the university, from student organizations, from the Moscow Police Department."

Bow and John Paradis, who works with InterVarsity through UI's campus ministry, worked throughout the summer advertising and making sure they were going through the proper channels. InterVarsity has visited every residence hall and Greek

house, and tabled at Bob's Place, the Idaho Commons and Palousafest since school started.

"At this point we have done about everything we can to make sure that every person on campus knows about the game," Paradis said.

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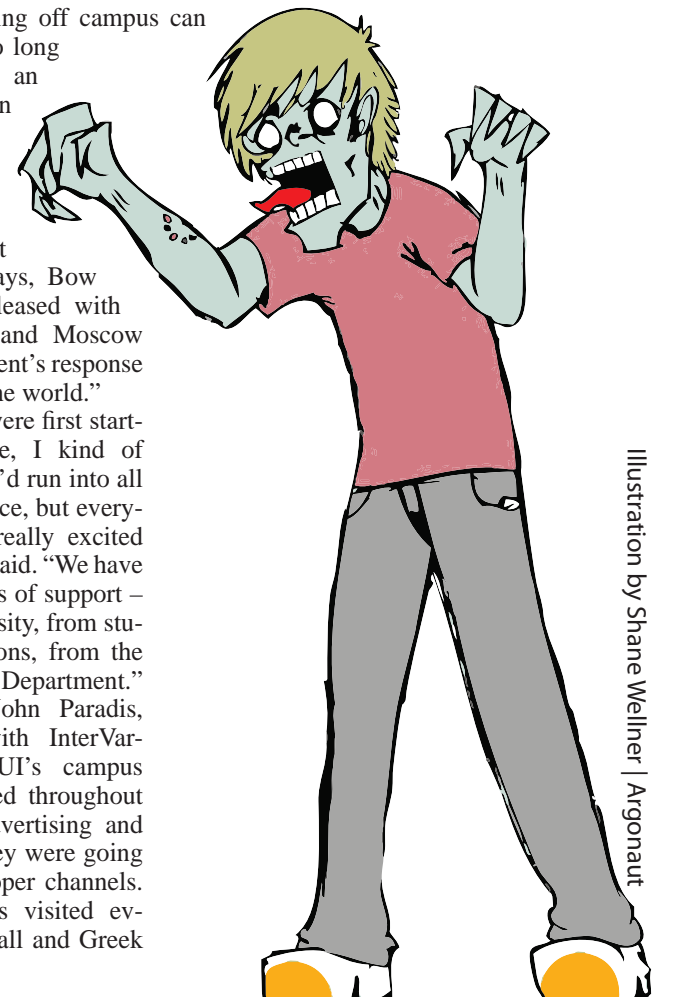


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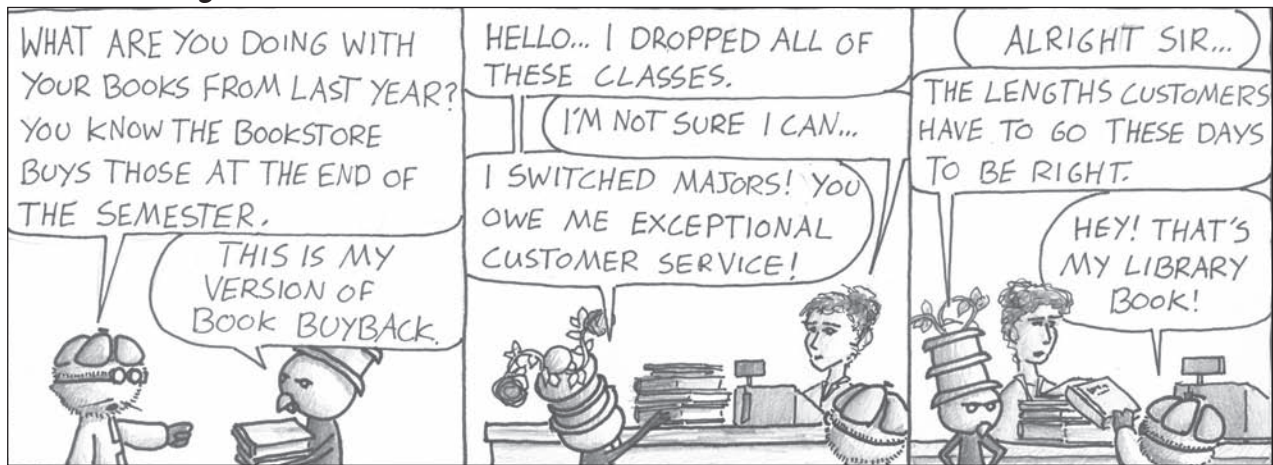
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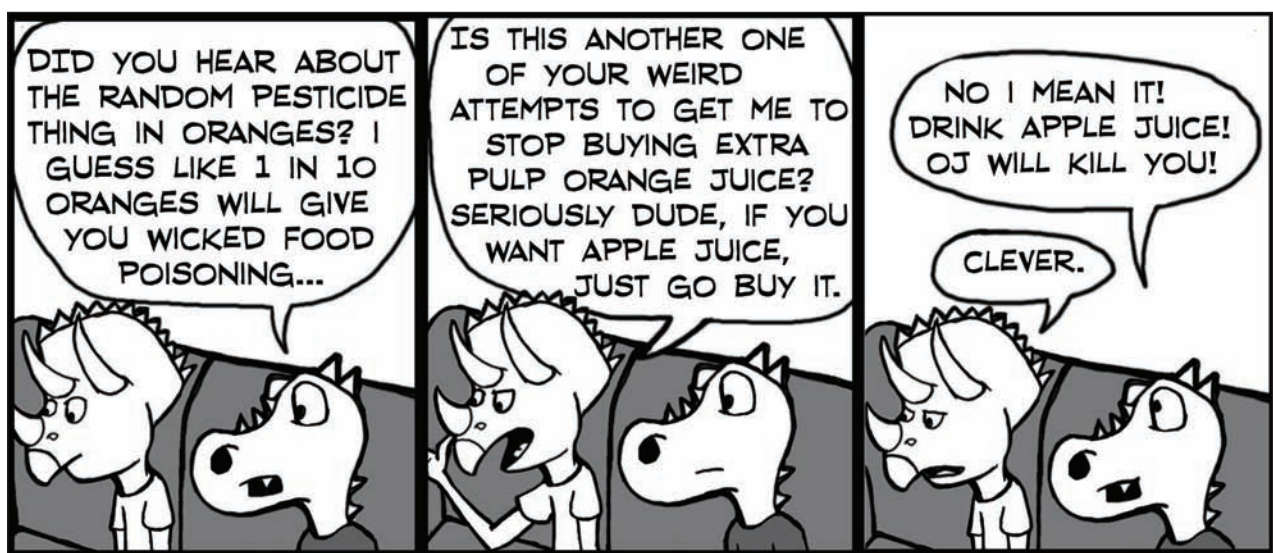
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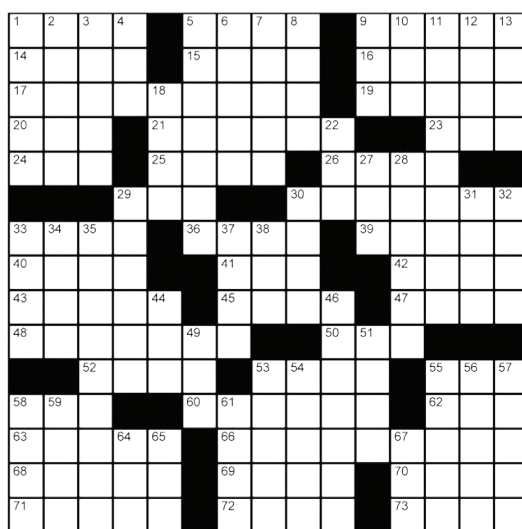


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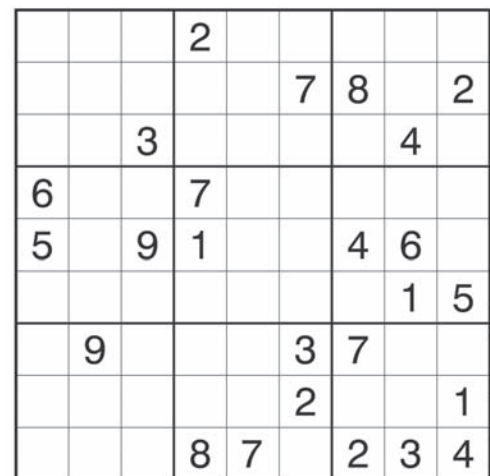


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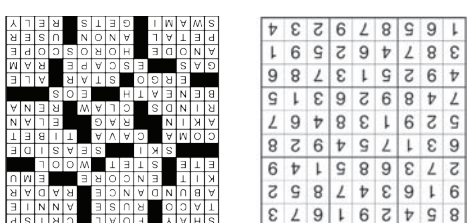
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Gilbert bounds through the water during "Howling for Hamilton" Sunday at the Hamilton-Lowe Aquatic Center. The center was closed to swimmers for the day, and only dogs were allowed in the water.

Looking at Sustainability through a different lens

Molly Spencer
Argonaut

Matt Dolkas broke the mold for what is traditionally considered a grant-worthy sustainability project at the University of Idaho Sustainability Center, said Wieteke Holthuijzen, project coordinator for the Sustainability Center.

Many sustainability grants are awarded based on a physical project, Holthuijzen said, but Dolkas received a \$1,500 grant in fall 2010 for a photo book called "Finding the Palouse Prairie."

"Matt's grant last year was really interesting in the fact that it was creative. A lot of times when we get grants it's more a hands-on thing, like you're building something, you're setting up a community garden, you're installing dual-flush toilets," Holthuijzen said.

Dolkas' photo book will be focused on sustainability issues on the Palouse and regarding the environment.

"I think Matt Dolkas' grant was really unique in that sense because he's making a whole photo book about the Palouse area — the amount of environmental degradation that has occurred — he's trying to

create awareness about it, but through a very, kind of, positive way," Holthuijzen said.

Dolkas said he's creating a "coffee table" photo book about the Palouse prairie.

"It's said to be one of the most endangered eco-regions in the country. So the entire native habitat around here is endangered," Dolkas said. "The idea behind the book is to show people what the Palouse prairie is and give conservationists a tool to help to get support to help protect what's left of the prairie."

Dolkas said along with his book he is creating a website to publicize the book and draw more attention to the Palouse.

"So last fall I heard about the sustainability grant program and started thinking, 'Oh man, I could definitely use some money somehow.' And I came up with this idea to have a gallery at the (Idaho) Commons," Dolkas said.

Shortly after hearing about the program, Dolkas said he wrote a grant asking for money to print images for the project to put in the Reflections Gallery in the Commons.

"What I was going to do is use the images to show at the (Idaho) Commons to help educate the community about the Palouse and the area that's around here," he said.

After he displays the images in the Commons, Dolkas said he plans to sell them at a silent auction and use the money generated by the sale of the prints to distribute his book.

Dolkas has the gallery space from Sept. 16 to Nov. 28, and he said the book will be finished in November.

"It's cool to have the support of the Sustainability Center and have the funding options available. Otherwise projects like mine or others' are just not possible," he said.



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Wieteke Holthuijzen,
Project coordinator

More info

"Finding the Palouse Prairie" will be on display Sept. 16 to Nov. 28 in the Reflections Gallery located in the Idaho Commons.

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president can email Black at jblack@uidaho.edu with a brief description of the club and its meeting times. Kellie Koester, a consul for UI's mock trial team, said the team is excited to have Perez and other ASUI representatives attend their meeting and see what they're all about.

"It's an awesome opportunity for ASUI to kind of bridge the gap between student organizations and the actual ASUI," Koester said.

Koester said the leadership tour will help the university become much more cohesive.

"It's always good for the students to be connected with their student government," Koester said.

MEALS

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non-profit organization run by Trinity Baptist Church in Moscow. Volunteers are welcome at both.

Meals for Moscow was promoted around campus in the weeks prior through fliers distributed around town, an announcement at the Chamber of Commerce meeting and word-of-mouth by UI resident assistants who also had students sign up for the event.

"I think it is essential that students serve our community," Sanchez said.

Kelsi Nagle, recruitment coordinator for UI housing, helped plan this event in two short weeks.

"I think it was very

successful," Nagle said. "One of the most successful philanthropies we have done."

Nagle said UI housing residents participate in a few similar events each semester that are open to all students.

There will be another food drive Oct. 1 at the Farmers Market. Another event that the residence halls participate in annually is the Paint the Palouse project in the spring open to all students. Paint the Palouse is a nationally known program that is sponsored by University Housing every year. Students go around the Moscow community and paint the homes of residents who are physically or financially unable to do so themselves.

ZOMBIES

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While Paradis said there has been a disconnect between the number of people interested and the number actually registered, the number excited about playing has been positive and Bow agreed.

"We had no idea what to expect — we've been really happy with how it's been received," Bow said.

InterVarsity is working in conjunction with a broadcast media class to capture the game on film to provide a reference for people interested in playing in what Paradis said he hopes is a continuing tradition.

"If this game goes off well, we are going to do another one," Paradis said. Prospective humans

can check the website, Vandals.hvzsource.com, or Facebook page to brush up on the rules. Orientation sessions will be held for all players at 7 p.m. Sept. 12 to 14 in the Agriculture and Life Sciences building room 106.

"I will say that it's going to be pretty tough for the humans to win — (they) are going to have to be organized and quick on their toes. They are going to have to work together," Paradis said.

While InterVarsity's primary objective is to have some fun, Paradis said there are some life skills to be gained from Humans vs. Zombies.

"It's the best training for the zombie holocaust," Paradis said, "when it really gets here."

Police log

Sept. 7

12:25 p.m. Moscow Fire and law responded to a fire alarm at the Wallace Complex on West Sixth Street. The alarm was set off by construction dust.

4:17 p.m. There was a call for a wanted man. An officer arrested a male on a warrant on Deakin Avenue.

6:20 p.m. There was a report of a hit and run accident on East Eighth Street.

Sept. 8

12:30 a.m. Moscow Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at Sigma Alpha Epsilon on Deakin Avenue. They found that the alarm was activated by cooking smoke.

10:36 a.m. There was a report of a traffic accident with injuries on West Third Street and South Lily Street.

Sept. 9

12:22 a.m. An officer responded to a report of a vehicle being keyed on South Mountain View Road.

Sept. 10

12:41 a.m. Officers were called for a hit and run on Sweet Avenue at Kappa Delta. The officer arrested a male for a DUI and leaving the scene of an accident.

2:38 a.m. Officers assisted Latah County Sheriff's deputy with a rollover accident on Mill Road and Len-ville Road.

9:19 p.m. A female was cited and released for an alcohol offense on South Main Street at the Sunset Mart.

Sept. 11

10:26 a.m. Moscow Law and Ambulance responded to a fall on North Main Street at the Hillcrest Motel. The patient was transported to Gritman Medical Center.

1:54 p.m. Moscow Ambulance responded to a patient having an asthma attack on South Blaine Street.

'Coyote' continues to teach

Jonathan Gradin
Argonaut

More than 100 students, faculty and community members gathered at Shattuck Arboretum Amphitheater Wednesday evening for a rendition of "According to Coyote," a collection of Native American tales sponsored by the University of Idaho American Indian Studies Program.

Built in to the hillside and surrounded by mature conifers, the Shattuck Amphitheater set the stage for the narrative play, which was written and premiered in 1987 by University of Washington alumnus and Nez Perce tribe member John Kauffman. Although Kauffman died in 1990, his sister Carlotta has continued his legacy and gave this performance.

Jan Johnson, acting coordinator of American Indian Studies and assistant English professor, urged audience members to laugh, get involved with the stories and enjoy themselves.

Many students were attending as part of Native American studies courses, such as Native American Literature and History of Plateau Indians.

"I don't have any expectations," junior Erin Tennesen said. "I find if you have expectations, you don't get as much out."

Compiled from stories heard in Washington and Idaho, mainly by Plains and Nez Perce tribal members, "According to Coyote" centers around Coyote, a sly and tricky character. The play incorporates various stories of origins, such as Crater Lake's formation when Coyote fell from the heavens after a love affair with a star.

"I went to a show like this when I was five," Diana Rice, a senior English major, said. "I want to see if I remember these stories."

Kauffman said afterward that the stories used the sly, tricky nature of Coyote to illustrate right actions and the consequence of immoral behavior.

"They were a lot of very old stories," Kauffman said. "These stories were told to teach lessons, about self-discipline and care for the family, community and tribe."



Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Carlotta Kauffman performs an animated storytelling of "According to Coyote," a series of Nez Perce tribal oral stories, at the Shattuck Amphitheater Wednesday evening, a free event open to the public. The stories were written by Kauffman's brother, John.

Laughter could be heard as Kauffman pranced around the stage, an intensely humorous gleam in her eyes, reciting tales of Coyote — an archetypal figure of guidance, who was told by the Great Spirit that "When you die you will always come back" — stealing fire from the Skookums to benefit the animal people in a fable of the origin and means of tamed fires. Another tale was of Coyote meeting with, and subsequently losing forever, his dead wife, thus illustrating the principle that life cannot come back, and finally the Crater Lake origin myth.

"Audiences react differently to the stories, depending on how much they know about Native American culture or history," Kauffman

said. "I also get a really good response from school tours. The small children are able to communicate with the stories well, because they are more lighthearted."

At the program's conclusion, the semicircular amphitheater erupted in applause, with many audience members standing.

"I thought it was really great, really interesting," Rachel Midence, a virtual technology and computer science student, said. "I remember my elementary school doing this a lot, so the story's really familiar. I thought she was a great actor."

Kauffman's performance and onstage antics were enhanced by background music and sound effects throughout, and several young children giggled at

the depictions of the animal people and Coyote.

One moment emphasized the mythological founding of the "New People," — human Native American tribes — from the blood of the monster Kamia, which Coyote slew in a courageous act. In the story, he announced, "From the blood I make the Nez Perce. You will be my children and life in this valley — you are the New People."

Though the ending was sad — Coyote was tricked into falling to Earth by friends of the Sky Chief, and was reduced from a kingly position to a slinky creature — Kauffman ended on a lighthearted note: "I've heard he's in L.A., in movies and TV as Wile E. Coyote."

Changes in an ecosystem

Commission on Ecosystem Management focuses on helping communities adapt

Michelle Gregg
Argonaut

Members of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature discussed how different communities around the world adapt to changes within an ecosystem, and the McCall area was chosen as an example of the transition.

"We looked at the question of how communities are handling the changes that are happening within their ecosystems. The McCall area has many of the problems that many other communities have with the ecosystems changing, and how they are coming to grips with these changes," said Steve Edwards, Commission on Ecosystem Management chair of the North American, Caribbean region.

The workshop, Commission on Ecosystem Management, was held Sept. 10 at the McCall Outdoor School of Science in conjunction with IUCN's annual business meeting that was held all day Sept. 8 in the Teaching and Learning Center on the University of Idaho campus.

IUCN is a large international orga-

nization, based in Gland, Switzerland, that helps the world find solutions to its most pressing environmental challenges. CEM is one of six commissions in the IUCN program, and focuses specifically on helping improve ecosystem management changes and how communities deal with those problems.

The meeting is held annually and rotates location among its 14 regions — this year's being North America. The commission discussed regional reports, assessment of the issues at hand and some of the plans in preparing for the 2012 World Conservation Congress in Jeju, South Korea, Edwards said. Speakers included CEM chair Piet Wit, deputy chair Angela Andrade and Edwards, the North America, English and Spanish Speaking regional chair.

UI President M. Duane Nellis addressed the commission regarding the importance and seriousness of the ecological changes being made around the world, said Michael Jennings, research faculty associate professor in the department of geology and CEM member.

"This is tremendous international exposure for the University of Idaho," Jennings said.

The McCall area was chosen for the outdoor workshop because it is a good example of a community in transition, which allowed them compare it to similar communities around the world, Jennings said.

"Another important topic discussed, was how to put special efforts towards 'red ecosystems,' which are ecosystems on the verge of collapse," Jennings said. "The things that need to be done and ways to help those ideas get achieved."

Many of the communities' demographics are shifting — there is a lot of change and CEM helps address the framework, Jennings said.

"A lot of the ecosystems around the world are very similar, despite the cultural and language differences," Jennings said. "It is the people living in small communities that are dealing with these ecosystem changes, and the idea is to isolate actions and indicate changes in these environments and the economy."

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Vandals build momentum



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University of North Dakota defensive backs Erik Mersereau, left, and Chris Hall tackle Vandal wide receiver Armauni Johnson during the second half of play Saturday afternoon in the Kibbie Dome. Johnson led the receiving core catching seven passes for 95 yards and one touchdown in the 44-14 Vandal win.



Nick Groff | Argonaut
Vandal quarterback Brian Reader winds up for a pass during the game Saturday afternoon against the University of North Dakota Fighting Sioux. Reader improved on his performance from his first game, completing almost 73 percent of his passes for three touchdowns and no interceptions in the 44-14 win.

Idaho beats the North Dakota Fighting Sioux after defeat against Bowling Green

Nick Groff
Argonaut

Momentum gained by the Vandals' scoring drive near the end of the second quarter carried through half time, the third quarter and as the final seconds ticked off the clock in the fourth quarter.

The Vandals handled the University of North Dakota Fighting Sioux by more than three touchdowns for the second year in a row, winning 44-14, Saturday in the Kibbie Dome.

Senior quarterback Brian Reader and his offense started slow, but never looked back after the unit started clicking.

"We just got back into that rhythm that you see when we're more successful on offense," Reader said. "Movin' the ball, movin' the ball. We were in that same hole against Bowling Green and we finally came out of it."

Reader went 24 of 33, passing for 262 yards and three touchdowns and spreading the ball to seven Vandal receivers. Senior wide receiver Armauni Johnson led the pack with 95 yards, followed by junior Mike Scott with

92 yards, both with a touchdown. "First half it wasn't moving as quick as we thought it was," Scott said. "We just came out like a train — no brakes — and kept moving second half."

The Vandals need to have the same, "no brakes" mentality in their next match-up against Big 12 powerhouse Texas A&M. The Aggies are No. 9 in the country.

"This would be the best non-conference team that we've played since I've been here," coach Robb Akey said. "They were probably the best team in the Big 12 at the end of the season. They were the hottest team, I would say that."

Akey said even though the score showed what people expected by the end of the game, there were a few disappointments.

"Obviously I'm very disappointed ... I thought our coverage was not as good as it needed to be," Akey said. "Certainly the punt-return for a touchdown ... we can't let that happen again."



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Brian Reader,
Quarterback

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Tony Marcolina | Argonaut
Sophomore Allison Walker spikes the ball during practice early Monday morning at Memorial Gym. The team will be playing at 7p.m. Wednesday Portland.

Volleyball starts to shine

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

The Vandal volleyball team is starting to come together after winning two of three games at the Montana Invitational.

The Vandals (4-5) hadn't been able to put it all together in their previous two tournaments, having gone 1-2 in each, but coach Debbie Buchanan said her team is getting stronger and the Vandals proved it this weekend.

Idaho started the tournament defeating Cal. State Fullerton in straight sets Friday morning. Buchanan

said she liked how her team responded in the match.

"The first two games we showed a lot of control, and I think the biggest challenge for our team is after you win the first two, can you come back and play great in that third one?" Buchanan said. "We were a little sloppier in game three, we were creating some little errors, and finally I said 'Hey, you have to work really hard to finish out a match in three. That takes a lot. Right now we've got to pick it up.' And I thought the girls really responded to that."

Junior setter Ryann Carter continued to start for Idaho, pulling off a double-double.

"She did a nice job," Buchanan said. "She's thinking about what we're trying to do. I thought she set a great match. I thought we did so many things great."

Idaho was not able to repeat the good performance Friday afternoon, as they fell to South Dakota in a 3-1 loss. After losing the first set, the Vandals stormed back to

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Women's soccer salvage win in Montana Nike Cup

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

It could have been a great weekend or a step backward for the Vandal women's soccer team, instead it was just satisfactory as they salvaged a split in two matches in the Montana Nike Cup.

A week after their sweep of regional rivals, the Vandals took on two opponents that were less familiar in Utah Valley and North Dakota State with mixed results.

"Three wins out of four gets us back on track," coach Pete Showler said. "The girls have shown they can battle down and play good soccer."

The Vandals (3-3-2) dropped a difficult 1-0 decision to Utah Valley Friday, but rebounded on Sunday 3-2 to beat North Dakota State.

Getting blanked by Utah Valley was disappointing considering the offensive momentum the Vandals came into the tournament with, having scored seven goals in their two prior matches, Showler said. Giving up only one goal still accomplished Showler's aims coming into the tournament. "Individually we need



File Photo by Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut
Chelsea Small chases the ball Aug. 26 at Guy Wicks Field. Idaho beat North Dakota State, but lost to Utah Valley Friday and Sunday, respectively, at the Montana Nike Cup last week in Missoula.

to defend better," he said. "Defending as a unit and defending as a team we've become much better at."

Utah Valley plays a three forward formation along with a high line, which Showler believed



The girls have shown they can battle down and play good soccer.

Pete Showler, Coach

would put a lot of pressure on the Idaho backs, but they failed to find the holes in Utah Valley's defense.

"Our defense showed up and the offense didn't,"

Showler said. "We didn't connect when we needed to, and we couldn't have finished a sandwich today. No matter what we did today, we couldn't get the ball into the back

of the net."

The Vandals made a better showing against North Dakota State Sunday holding off a late rally for a 3-2 victory.

Junior Chelsea Small netted two goals, including a clinching third goal bringing her season total to six.

Freshman Katie Baran got the scoring started when she took a cross and sent it home for her first career goal. Less than a minute later Baran assisted in Small's fifth goal of the season as the Vandals took a commanding 2-0 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The Bison, NCAA Tournament participants last season, drew to within a goal early in the second half, but Small responded

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WAC

WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

weekend round-up

Theo Lawson
Argonaut

Oregon 69, Nevada 20

Darron Thomas and the Ducks flew high over the Wolf Pack defense, and the junior quarterback threw for 295 yards, while tying the school record for touchdowns in a game at six. Wolf Pack quarterbacks Tyler Lantrip and Cody Fajardo combined for three interceptions. Ducks freshman DeAnthony Thomas made up for two fumbles in last week's loss to LSU by rushing for 81 yards on eight carries and receiving for 93 yards on two receptions and two touchdowns.



New Mexico State 28, Minnesota 21

The Aggies upset the Golden Gophers in a game that saw NMSU up by two touchdowns on two occasions. In terms of total offensive yards, the Aggies tallied just two more than the Gophers and each forced two turnovers. Andrew Manley's 288 passing yards and three touchdown passes made the difference in this one, despite his two interceptions. NMSU will take advantage of their momentum going into three winnable games against UTEP, San Jose State and New Mexico.



Washington 40, Hawaii 32

Hawaii's slow start led to three unanswered touchdowns from UW, two of those coming from Keith Price and wide receiver Jermaine Kearse. Hawaii received a late second quarter boost from Richard Torres' 99-yard interception return but Price took over once again, connecting with Devin Aguilar to put UW up by two touchdowns. Price finished with 315 passing yards, four touchdowns and one interception.



Nebraska 42, Fresno State 29

The Bulldogs took a three-point lead going into half-time and added to it with an early third quarter field goal. Cornhusker quarterback Taylor Martinez led the game in rushing touchdowns with two but the sophomore's passing touchdown to Quincy Enunwa would give the hosts the lead and Nebraska wouldn't look back from there. Fresno State staged a late comeback effort that saw them down by two, but a 100-yard kickoff return sealed the deal for the No. 10 Cornhuskers. With tough battles against Cal and Nebraska, the Bulldogs look for a much easier contest against North Dakota next weekend.



Louisiana Tech 48, Central Arkansas 42

La. Tech was less than impressive against their Southland Conference opponents but came away with the win in overtime for the Bulldogs' second win of the season. Down 42-35 late in the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs relied on their ground game and a rushing touchdown from Ray Holley, followed by one from Lennon Creer in overtime. The Bulldogs survived a career night from Bears quarterback Nathan Dick, who completed 29 passes and amassed 370 yards while throwing for four touchdowns.



Utah State 54, Weber State 17

After a four-point loss to last year's national champion Auburn Tigers, the Aggies achieved the revenge they were seeking, against in-state rival Weber State. Robert Turbin led an upbeat Aggie squad with 180 rushing yards on 18 carries and two touchdowns. The Wildcats posted a second quarter threat to the hosts when a touchdown pass and field goal gave Weber State a seven-point lead. Turbin's 14-yard touchdown run set the game at a 17-17 deadlock but Utah State stormed out in the second half to shut the Wildcats out and score five unanswered touchdowns.



UCLA 27, San Jose State 17

The Spartans had Bruins fans worried heading into the fourth quarter, when San Jose State's Brandon Rutley ran for a 65-yard touchdown, tying the game at 17-17 late in the third. UCLA held their own in the fourth, scoring twice to help the Bruins to their first 2011 victory. SJSU, still winless, couldn't find an offensive rhythm and quarterback Dasmen Stewart was 15 for 31 with 111 yards and one interception. Derrick Coleman and Jonathan Franklin combined for two rushing touchdowns and over 200 rushing yards for the Bruins, ultimately making the difference in this one.



From boarding school to Idaho

Jake Dyer
Argonaut

Excellence for Teo Poplawski started years before she ever came to the University of Idaho to play for the women's golf team.

Poplawski grew up in Wiliston, Vt., where she said her father introduced her to the game of golf at an early age.

"I started playing golf when I was about 7 years old and my dad started having me playing in a local junior clinic once a week," Poplawski said.

Poplawski continued to play and said as she got older she began to realize what kind of opportunities she would have if she began to take golf more seriously.

Near the end of her sophomore year, Poplawski and her parents came to a decision that would change her life.

"When I was a sophomore in high school, my parents and I decided that I was going to go to a boarding school in South Carolina and that's where I really learned how to play golf," Poplawski said.

She spent her junior and senior year in a boarding school where, according to her, she spent about 60 percent of her time playing golf and the other 40 percent working on her studies. Her studies would come easy to her however, and she graduated early in December of her senior year, giving her the opportunity to devote herself completely to golf that spring.

That boarding school in South Carolina was where Lisa Johnson, the UI women's golf coach, found Poplawski and convinced her to golf in Moscow.

Moving to Moscow meant another

move away from her family, but this time it called for a 3,000-mile, 42-hour drive.

According to Poplawski, showing up at UI was a little daunting at first, because the boarding school she attended was small in comparison, but when she arrived as a freshman there were four other freshmen coming in.

"When I was a freshman there were four other girls who were freshmen...we were really lucky to have each other and all experiencing the same thing, so that was a great opportunity to have," Poplawski said.

Her freshman year, Poplawski competed in nine tournaments, finishing sixth at the Anteatr Invitational.

Poplawski's sophomore season saw even more improvement, including tying a school record 65 at the Ptarmigan Ram Fall Classic, and finishing in fifth place

at two separate tournaments. This past season Poplawski improved further and earned first-team all-WAC honors. Poplawski said making it to regionals last spring was her greatest accomplishment on a golf course.

Poplawski said she is really pleased with how her golf game has improved since coming to Moscow, and a lot of it is thanks to her coach.

"I couldn't imagine that I could really have this much talent, and really play as consistently well as I did last year, and I plan to play this year," Poplawski said. "She (Johnson) has made me extremely mentally tough, she really has helped me overcoming bad shots."

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Teo Poplawski,
Women's golf team

Richardson's last go round

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

Stefan Richardson has been a constant on the Idaho men's golf team for the past three years, and now the senior captain is preparing for his last season as a Vandal.

Richardson is the leader of the men's golf team, and is a huge part of the team's past success. He earned second-team All-WAC honors last season and finished in the top 10 five times. Richardson said his time at Idaho has gone quicker than he ever expected.

"It's definitely different," Richardson said. "It's weird thinking this is the last time you're going to be suiting up as a Vandal. I never thought this moment would come this fast."

Last year the Vandal men's golf team shot up in the rankings and finished near the top of most of their tournaments. Richardson said he wants the team to continue in that direction, and he's going

to try to lead by example.

"I'm just trying to help set a standard for the team and not let a terrible score be OK," Richardson said. "We want the team to go forward. We moved up like 50 spots in the rankings last year. We don't

want to go back to where we were, we want to keep going forward and get to regionals and make it to nationals."

Richardson has a list of high finishes on his resume, including a second-place finish at the Duck Invitational Tournament in Oregon his sophomore year.

"Finishing second at Oregon's tournament my sophomore year was pretty exciting, going down the wire knowing I'm at the top of the lead," Richardson said.

Richardson said this year he'd like to win a tournament. He said he's finished about everywhere but first and he'd like to do that once before he graduates.

Richardson said he hopes he can help with the golf team next year, but right now just wants to focus on winning a WAC championship.

I couldn't have asked to have been coached by anyone better. I'm just unlucky to have only had him for two years.

Stefan Richardson,
Men's golf team

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Senior wingman Ryan Huppert chases after a Washington State University player in Saturday's game at the Washington State South Fairway Intramural Playfield. **Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut**

Vandals stay physical in friendly match

Jake Dyer
Argonaut

The University of Idaho men's rugby club opened its season with a friendly match Saturday in Pullman.

The 10 a.m. game against Washington State's club team was unscored since competitive play doesn't begin until spring.

One of the highlights for the Vandals came in the form of Ty Medley, as he got in the WSU's goal three times. Medley said he could not take all the credit as the scores were a team effort.

"I feel like it was good, but a lot of it was set up with our cohesion, the first one there was set up by Koop, you rely on your team to put you in the gaps and you score, and that's what rugby is, it's a team thing," Medley said.

Idaho scored four goals in the first two halves — the teams played a third half so the newest players could into the game and acquire some experience. During the first two halves, Idaho kept Washington State out of the goal, but WSU scored three times against less ex-

perienced Vandals in the third half. The Idaho rugby club converted on two of their scores with Philip Vrontamitis going two of three. Washington State failed to convert on any of its three scores.

According to Vrontamitis, the Vandals were more physical than WSU and were able to play together because their roster changed very little since last season.

"We have the same team from last year, we did really well last year — going all the way to the championships down in Utah, so I feel like our cohesion was there from the get-go," Vrontamitis said.

Even with the match being a friendly, it got rather physical at times, and Idaho its fair share of injuries.

Kenny Koopman, captain of the club, said injuries are just part of the game and the team will have time to heal.

"Every game people are going to get knocked around, couple scratches here and there, but we have two weeks until the next game and that is plenty of time to heal up."

In two weeks the men's rugby club will host an alumni match in Moscow.

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Philip Vrontamitis,
Men's rugby team

Campus challenge productive for Vandal tennis

Charles Crowley
Argonaut

The Vandal men's and women's tennis teams made good use of the USTA/ITA Campus Showdown Saturday.

Women's coach Dustin Pollock said the showdown, held at the University of Idaho, is a good chance for both Vandal teams to get some playing time in before competitive play begins in the spring.

"We kind of worked on what we have worked on the last couple days in practice," Pollock said.

He said it was nice to see all of the players make it through the first round unscathed and that they were not expecting everyone to come out and be at their peak already.

"This is the opening day of the season and if you're peaking now,

then by January, you're not going to be at your best," Pollock said.

Vandal tennis player Victoria Lozano, the No. 1 seed in the tournament said this is the type of practice the teams need.



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Dustin Pollock,
Women's tennis coach

"The best way to improve is by playing matches," Lozano said. "Besides the technical part, playing matches is very important and this is good practice to get better."

The Vandals competed in 16-player brackets and played each opponent just one set. The pool consisted of every eligible Vandal player as well as some top players from Lewis-Clark State College. Lozano made it to the final match in her bracket but lost 5-7 against the No.1 seed from LCSC, Dominika Jasova.

"In the final, I felt I rushed a little but that was it and overall I'm feel-

ing good," Lozano said.

Pollock said he had seen Jasova play before so he knew what Lozano was up against.

"She is a really strong player and we know that, she's big, strong, serves hard and hits the ball hard," Pollock said.

Lozano played a set against her twin sister Alejandra Lozano earlier in the tournament, which she said is always awkward and uncomfortable.

"It's my sister and I don't want to make her feel bad and vice versa, but it's fine," Lozano said.

Though the Lozano twins were the only siblings to compete against each other, the men's bracket pitted Vandal against Vandal. Sophomore Dmitry Pervoshchikov, playing his first year at the University of Idaho, won the tournament and he said he didn't mind playing against teammates.

"It's just a tournament," Pervoshchikov said.

Pervoshchikov won his final match 6-1 against teammate, Alan Shin, but he said the match definitely did not look like a 6-1 game from his perspective.

He said the campus showdown was a perfect chance for some practice and that he is excited to be playing every weekend during the fall season.

This won't be the only singles tournament the team will play this fall, but Pollock said he considers this another success and looks forward to hosting it again.

"It's always nice to kick off with something on our campus just to get the year started and to get some match play under the belt before we go off and we play tournaments elsewhere," Pollock said.

The next competition for the men will be Sept. 23 to 25 against Gonzaga and Eastern Washington in Spokane. That same weekend, the women will be at the WSU Cougar Classic in Pullman.

Captain Cameron takes flight

He defied the odds, silenced the critics and set the bar higher than it was prior to his record-breaking performance Sunday.

Ladies and gentlemen, Cameron Newton is back in business, this time sporting the flashy black and turquoise of the Carolina Panthers.

Almost eight months after Newton single-handedly led the Auburn Tigers to the BCS National Championship, the Panthers' new number one began his NFL career in the same stadium he ended his college career.

Newton's 422 total yards set a new record for most yards by an NFL rookie's debut, but Captain Cameron and the Panthers couldn't pull out the win. Newton's debut was definitely, one for the ages.

But, the No. 1 draft pick will be the first to tell you that Sunday's game was a mistake, unfortunate and unsatisfying.

"The last time I lost a

game was Navarro Junior College. What do you want me to say, it feels great? It is not a comfortable feeling for me," Newton told ESPN.

Is Newton to blame for the loss? Absolutely not. The College Park, Ga. native contributed to all three of Carolina's touchdowns, passing for two and rushing for one. Carolina's defense and special teams blew a 21-14 third quarter lead, allowing a 70-yard touchdown pass followed by an 89-yard punt return.

A breakout junior season at Auburn raised countless questions from college football analysts curious as to who this JUCO superstar was. Newton answered most questions during the Tigers' undefeated run, but after declaring for the draft, it seemed unlikely his style would succeed against the league's elite defenses.

After beating out Jimmy Clausen for the starting job, time would tell how Newton would handle the

pressure of being the NFL's most hyped rookie. NFL coaches were forced to consider the Heisman winner's flaming ego, a characteristic that the majority of successful quarterbacks, Drew Brees, Peyton Manning, and Aaron Rodgers to name a few, have never been acquainted with.

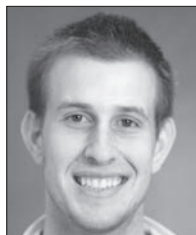
Week one proved many wrong, but should Newton's success be measured against an unimpressive Cardinals squad, who had the league's fourth-worst defense in 2010? A week from now, Carolina gets the Super Bowl Champion Green Bay Packers, who allowed the fifth-least yards

last season.

The Panthers have the utmost confidence in Newton's abilities.

"He was everything everybody didn't expect him to be," Carolina wide receiver Steve Smith told ESPN. "He was on point, he made some great runs, he made some great reads, made some fantastic throws. He made some throws out there that honestly, as a receiver, it made it easy to catch them."

A natural athlete, Newton's success has been inevitable from the start. Whether he's capable of 400-plus yards every Sunday is another question.



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MAKING A BREAK FOR IT



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University of Idaho freshman Cameron McKernan intercepts the ball and runs it for a touchdown during the game against University of North Dakota Saturday in the Kibbie Dome. The Vandals went on to win the game 44-14.

MOMENTUM

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Coaches said they were satisfied with the way Idaho's offense looked coming out of fall camp. The ball was spread to four running backs, netting 87 rushing yards on the shoulders of transfer Ryan Bass. Bass tallied 42 yards and averaged almost five yards per carry.

Tre'Shawn Robinson said on the defensive side of the ball, the game plan does not change before heading to College Station, Texas.

"We still gotta play our game. We gotta go in there and do what we know how to do," Robinson said.

"We've got to get pressure on the quarterback."

Akey said the trip to Kyle Field is a great opportunity for the team, especially for players who are Texas natives.

"I know our Texas players are excited about it. Hell, our whole football team is fired up about it," Akey said. "Every guy on the team loves to get the opportunity to play back at home in front of fans and friends."

Akey said the crowd noise is something the team will replicate this week during practice. He also said the more big plays the team makes, the more it will "hush up" the Aggie crowd.

Wide receiver Justin Vel-

ington is expected to continue to increase his role on the offense as his toe heals, according to Akey. Offensive lineman Jordan Johnson, whose condition was questionable last week, did not play Saturday but is expected to have a good chance of returning to the field this weekend.

Akey said the opportunity is there for the taking.

"We're the only ones that are gonna believe we've got the opportunity, but we're the only ones that get to play wearing the white uniforms so that's really all that matters," Akey said. The Vandals hit the road to take on the No. 9 Aggies at 4 p.m. Sept. 17 in College Station.

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with her sixth goal of the season. The Bison answered in the 71st minute but couldn't notch a third goal.

"The nice thing is we were two-nil up and we were controlling the game," Showler said. "When they scored, our heads didn't drop. We came right back at them and scored again."

The Vandals have a week to recuperate before they take on the Washington State Cougars in a Palouse border war. That game will kick off a four-game week for Idaho.

VOLLEYBALL

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tie the match, but the rest of the match would belong to South Dakota as they rolled Idaho in the next two sets to take the match. Buchanan said her team just couldn't get going.

"We just didn't respond," Buchanan said. "We didn't come out like we did this morning. We just made too many errors. I think that's kind of the theme for us right now, when we can reduce the errors, we're winning those games and that's something we need to keep working on."

The Vandals were able to shake off the loss Saturday evening when they took Montana in a 3-0 sweep. The Vandals played well all match long, led by senior Alicia Milo who had a double-double in the match and was named to the all-tournament team.

Idaho will be back in action Thursday when they travel to the University of Portland.

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OUR VIEW

Time to fix a broken relationship

Vandal football games bring the university together as students, faculty, alumni and athletes to focus on a common goal — winning. But student attendance is dwindling and the lack of school spirit is disheartening.

During the past year, students at the University of Idaho and the Vandal football team have been spending less time together, and by the looks of Saturday the relationship is continuing its downward spiral.

It is not solely the team's or fans' fault, but ultimately most of the responsibility falls on the shoulders of Vandal fans. Students make up the main portion of the crowd, and pay substantial sums of money for access to athletic events, like football games, whether they want to or not. The athletes are also our peers who trained all year to put their best effort on the field, and having fans there to support them is as important to the momentum of a game as a crucial touchdown.

Sure, the football team is currently playing at a level where a Division II team is a struggle to beat at home. A mix of poor performances on the part of the players and terrible marketing campaigns like "throwing the V" are two areas that need fixed if attendance numbers are expected to increase.

Coming into last year's season, expectations were high for a Vandal team that had just come off a thrilling Roady's Humanitarian Bowl victory. Three months later, Idaho fans were left with a 6-7 record and no bowl game.

This season, the football team started off on an even worse note than the disappointment that was the 2010 season, and lost to a team that finished 2-10 the previous year. If the football team can't put a quality team out on the field consistently, they can't expect fans to show up.

Once again, expectations were high for Vandal football this year, as they should be. This is a football team with a lot of athletes who comprise an exciting offense and a fast defense. The only way fans can expect the team to come out and play to the best of its ability is by getting behind their team and letting players know they still care about the Vandals.

The players aren't just playing for themselves. The purpose of a game is to entertain fans and give them something to cheer about. It's about displaying Vandal pride, because when the football team wins, it's a win for the university.

—MM



SPEAK OUT

Did you go to the football game Saturday? Why or why not?



"No, I did not. I went whitewater rafting with Cru (Campus Crusade for Christ). I had the week-end off for a change ... I wish I would have gone."

Gena Cook
Biology junior



"No, I didn't. I like supporting my football team, but when they don't do well I'm not motivated to watch them."

Russel Walgamott
Emergency medicine junior



"No, I did not. It was my girlfriend's birthday and she's a (WSU) Cougar so that's not gonna happen."

Jamie Kimbrough
Electrical engineering freshman

"No, I didn't. My roommate went, but I had already made other plans. I don't think I even knew about it until the day before. But I did pay attention to what happened."



Amber Longstreet
Recreational psychology junior



"No, I didn't go. I kind of lost the whole little Vandal pride I had when they lost the first game. I love the school, but ..."

Cynthia Garcia
International studies junior

"No, I kinda slept through that. It was a rough night. But I'm glad we won finally. Hopefully it wasn't our one win for the season."



Joshua Nicholson
Mechanical engineering freshman



Did you go to the football game? Why or why not? Follow us on Twitter @ ArgOpinion to post your answer.

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Eat, pray, love, get lost

Traveling for the purpose of enlightenment is a myth

With a \$200,000 book advance, author Elizabeth Gilbert traveled around the world in an attempt to find herself, God and the happiness that was non-existent in her comfortable, western life. "I have become a prayer," she wrote from an ashram in India.

Gilbert is not the only person to use travel as a means to find happiness and satisfaction in life.

"There are hundreds of those here," said a Japanese woman living in Southeast Asia.

Hundreds of white, Western travelers wander around developing nations in an attempt to find themselves. An Indian man said he almost prefers the old colonials with pith helmets trampling around because at least they're honest about their dealings, compared to modern travelers who write books about finding spiritual enlightenment in the "brown countries." These days it's not gold, cotton and spices that travelers are looking for, but they use the word "journey".

Accompanying this soul-searching journey is usually some sort of "woe is them" description of poverty in an area. In the book and

movie "Eat Pray Love," this was the description of Indian and Balinese people. These images of poverty are nothing new and there is a tendency to portray non-Western cultures in discriminatory terms. It can be seen in the New York Times — and Oprah — endorsed mass consumerist literature. "Three Cups of Tea" is another

well-known example.

After personally encountering a large number of middle-aged white women in tie-dye and Harem pants walking around

Kathmandu's tourist area in Thamel, Nepal, it simply became humorous. During the time I spent in Kathmandu suburbs and the villages of the Annapurnas, I didn't see a single eat-pray-lover outside the tourist areas. In addition, I never saw one of them interact with a local Nepali person in any sort of reciprocal way. It was as if their land and culture was simply a means to an end, to find this elusive "self."

When traveling, you do not find yourself. You lose yourself. In each new place that you form connections

with, you lose a part of the "self" you were at home. Your idea of who you are is challenged to the core. Anyone who thinks they are going to find themselves in a new place is disillusioned. The whole idea of finding yourself is what many philosophers call the "ego," and egos feed on security and stability, which are the very things you give up to go out and explore.



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But at least Gilbert had the skills and determination to get out and do something. Good for her. Too many people are happy to sit back and criticize these "travelers" from the comfort of their armchairs. The fact that millions feed on these soul searching, self-glorifying books says more about the readers than it does the writer.

After a week trekking in the mountains, I was on the Tibetan border with my Nepali friend Tara. We were eating dinner when a blonde woman sat down opposite of us, and promptly pulled out a slick, new copy of "Eat Pray Love" and put it on the table between us. Avoiding stifled giggles, I looked up and gave her a welcoming smile. After all, we are all on a journey.

OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

I wonder

If The Argonaut were the newsroom on Gilmore Girls, who would be Paris?

—Jake

'Nuff said

Bannock is amazing.

—Jens

Gleekin' out

I'm so stoked for "Glee" to come back. I've been watching the old seasons again because I'm way excited. It's hilarious and a great way to take a break from school and work. Sue Sylvester, you crack me up.

—Elizabeth

Remember Flubber

Sometimes I wish I could pull a Weebo and just power down instead of bouncing around all crazy like Flubber.

—Rhianonn

Phew

I'm relieved that ESPN now has British commentators doing MLS games. It's been a long time coming.

—Theo

Team bonding

Two of the many things I learned from our Argonaut retreat this weekend. First, I'm 99 percent positive that Vicky is related to Vanilla Ice. Second, thanks to Jens, I have a new favorite food: bannock.

—Britt

She's gangsta

If you ever want to hip hop and don't-stop-a-rockin', listen to Vicy Hart drop a dope beat.

—Madison

ME 313 students

"Remember to cross your ts and dot your xs during Wednesday's test."

—Amrah

Made a fool

To all the students (including myself) who didn't go to the football game Saturday or left at halftime, we missed out. The Vandals showed up to play and won 44-14. I'm not missing another game this season. Go Vandals.

—Elisa

Quit your whining

Why does everybody I talk to complain about the warm weather? Have they not endured enough winters in Moscow?

—Jacob

We were promised a jet pack

And time travel, and teleportation and vacations on the moon. Come on 2011, quit slacking.

—Vicky

Moving on isn't easy

Spending time with family, friends can provide distraction from broken heart



Elizabeth Rudd
Argonaut

There's no easy way to break someone's heart and there's no easy way to mend that broken heart. The only thing to do is face the next day, take the next step.

Eventually each moment will get easier, but not before it gets harder. It might seem like there will be no getting through. The hurt can derail an entire day and make it hard to get back on track.

But in time both parties will heal and the pain will go away.

Until that happens, it's important not to neglect the other positive aspects of life. Friends, family, school and other activities will help ease the pressure that is bulging in your chest. Distractions in appropriate amounts will help relieve the weight that is crushing down on you.

Spend time with your closest friends, talk about how you're feeling and embrace their support in coping with the pain. It's the first step in allowing the situation to become real. It's not something that can be ignored — the pressure will only build to an unhealthy point that will ultimately cause a person to break.

Family is a safety net many people fall on. Don't be afraid to use it. Your mom, dad or both will always be there when you need them, and they typically know what will make you feel better. Siblings are another shoulder to lean on — they are built-in best friends.

School and work can be difficult to focus on, it's true, but it's also something that can easily be a positive distraction from the thoughts that continue to play on repeat. They are two areas that can't be neglected because falling behind in these will ultimately only add to the perceived mess of life.

Take time to sit by yourself, listen to music and absorb and relate to the lyrics. Remember the good times, acknowledge the bad, but don't let it consume you. The only way to get on with life is to accept the past while taking a step forward. It's important to focus on the parts of life that are still there, still constant.

Distractions like talking to friends and family or concentrating on school are a positive way to keep focus and get your life back on track. Talking will help balance out the compartmentalization that comes with distractions. At the beginning of each day, taking the next step is all that it takes to get through.

The things you can get in the mail

Canadian radio station advertises contest for mail-order brides

There are all sorts of things we can get in the mail: Presents, textbooks, letters, bills and if you're lucky, a wife.

Mail order brides aren't a new phenomenon to hit countries like the U.S., UK, South Korea or Germany. The concept has been around since the 18th century, but now there is a new method for obtaining a potential bride.

Canadian radio station, The Bear 100.3 FM in Edmonton, Alberta, is advertising its newest contest, "Win a Wife." One lucky man will

win "potential holy matrimony with a hot foreign chick," including an all expense paid trip to Russia with 13 nights in a hotel and \$500 to select and meet his future bride.

This is sleazy matchmaking.

The Bear's brand director defended the station's decision to run the contest by saying it's no different than reality TV shows like "The Bachelor."

But it is different.

Mail order brides are women who meet their spouses through catalogues, agencies or advertisements. It's a multi-million dollar industry that makes its money hooking up women from developing countries, with men in developed countries.

OK, it has some similarities to online dating, but in the case of the

"Win a Wife" contest, the man won't even have spoken to his future bride before meeting her. How are you supposed to decide if you want to spend the rest of your life with someone in 13 days, if this contest is truly about finding love and not just about sex.

Ordering brides through the mail has been called modern-day sex slavery and in a way, it is. Some of these women could be coerced into being a mail order bride.

It seems that mail order spouses are a way to transport people out of developing countries and into established ones. It also seems that it's just a way for older men to meet young, foreign women without having to put effort into wooing a woman.

Mail ordered brides is a trend of exploiting young women that should be stopped not encouraged by radio contests.



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