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An evening of food, culture, entertainment

Kaitlyn Krasselt Argonaut

Africa is home to nearly 15 percent of the world's population, and is one of the most culturally diverse continents in the world.

Students at the University of Idaho can experience that diversity at UI's Africa Night that will take place at 5 p.m. Saturday in the Student Union Building ballroom

"Africa Night is a night where different cultural entertainment from different parts of Africa are displayed," said Toluwani Adekunle, vice president of the African Students Association.

In addition to an allyou-can-eat dinner consisting of various African foods, Africa Night will be focused on entertainment. Performances will include tribal dances from various regions of Africa, tribal drumming and a fashion show displaying the differences among traditional African dress.

There are so many cultures that we cannot necessarily portray them all, so we divide it by region," Adekunle said.

There will be approximately 25 countries represented throughout the evening. Members of ASA agreed that the evening is a great way for people to understand what Africa is.

"Most people think Africa is this barren land with people starving, but that is not true. Africa is beautiful and diverse," said Olivia Balemba, a member of ASA.

This year's theme for the evening is "Here I Rise," meant to represent and acknowledge the fact that although there have been many struggles in all regions of Africa, people continue to keep their culture alive.

"It's basically a way to say 'You may hurt me, but I still get up every morning — I still rise," Balemba said.

Adekunle said the evening will not be a lecture series or an evening focused on problems in Africa, but a showcase of entertainment and culture. Performances will be done by students from different regions in Africa who attend UI.

"We have about 25 countries we're representing. It's a nice way for people to understand what Africa really is," Balemba said.

Balemba, who is performing in several dances throughout the evening, said some students spent the summer planning and that practicing for the event.

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MARCH AGAINST VIOLENCE



Zach Edwards | Argonaut

Members of Lamda Theta Alpha lead the silent march for the Take Back the Night event Thursday evening near Malcom Renfrew Hall. Take Back the Night was hosted by the Women's Center and is a movement to end violence of all kinds.

Accessible skin care

North Idaho Dermatology moves into Gritman Medical Center

Michelle Gregg Argonaut

Anyone who has ever had problems with acne or other skin-related issues can rest assured. North Idaho Dermatology (NID) now has an office in Moscow's Gritman Medical Center. The facility is open a few days each month to provide patients better access to its services.

Dr. Stephen D. Craig, founder of Coeur d' Alenebased NID, said coming to Moscow was a good idea.

"Idaho has the highest death-rate due to melanoma skin cancer in the entire country," Craig said. "Many of us practice unsafe tanning habits that affect college-aged students the most, and I want to offer my services to help

prevent that."

The office, located in Gritman's outpatient clinic at 700 S. Main St., opened in April 2011 and has had a lot of community support, Craig said.

It helps patients that live in this area, so they don't have to drive long distances for a 15 to 20 minute appointment, he said.

"We work with other hospitals and clinics, so they are able to come to us and provide their services," said Kelly O'Neill, community relations director for Gritman. "This gives people more access to the specific help they need, but without driving to Spokane or Coeur d' Alene to get it."



Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut

Barb Hagen assists Nancy Lyle Thursday at Gritman Medical Center. North Idaho Dermatology opened an office at Gritman in April 2011 and Dr. Stephen D. Craig travels

'From Russia with Love'

Washington Idaho Symphony begins 40th season

Jonathan Gradin Argonaut

Romantic, passionate music will be featured prominently in the Washington Idaho Symphony's 40th season premiere concert, "From Russia with Love."

The concert is set to begin at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Domey Auditorium of Pullman's Gladish Community Center.

The Washington Idaho Symphony was established in 1971 and is comprised of professional and semiprofessional musicians from Washington State University, University of Idaho and the surrounding community. According to its website, washingtonidahosymphony.org, its mission is "To bring live classical music ... while providing an outstanding opportunity for the region's most accomplished musicians to participate in challenging repertoire and performance."

The 2011-2012 season, "Postcards from the World," highlights music from Russia, Italy, Germany, the U.S. and Bohemia.

"I wanted to take the audience on a tour of great music from different countries," said Jeremy Briggs Roberts, music director and conductor since 2009. "Each concert contains music from each important musical center of the world. serving as windows into the culture of those areas."

General admission is \$20, and student tickets are available at the door for \$6 with a valid ID. A second performance will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday at Lewiston High School.

Featured will be Rachmaninoff's "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, Op. 43," with piano soloist and UI assistant professor of piano Rajung Yang, who is from Seoul, South Korea. Other works to be performed are Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet Overture" and Shostakovich's "Symphony No. 9 in E-Flat Major, Op. 70."

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Students volunteer for service

Joanna Wilson Argonaut

The University of Idaho Alternative Service Break coordinators selected teams for winter service trips to Quito, Ecuador and Costa Rica Wednesday.

"We are really looking for students who are just passionate for service, and really ready to take their community service to a whole different level," said Taylor Reed, ASB student intern. "Students who are just eager to know a different culture, and really eager to learn a lot, and hopefully bring that back to the university.'

ASB intern Karen Pohl said the trips emphasize social justice issues, such as poverty, education and environmental sustainability.

"We really focus on re-flection times," Pohl said. "Times we can dig deeper in to the experiences the student is having."

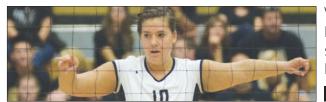
ASB is a division of the ASUI Center for Volunteerism and Social Action that focuses on planning and leading service projects.

Bruce Mann, volunteer center coordinator, said while the upcoming winter trips were planned before the fall semester, the student coordinators will be more involved with the planning process for the spring and winter 2012 trips.

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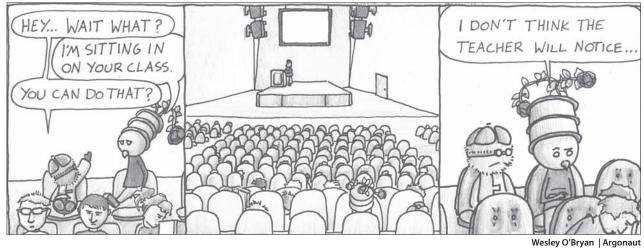
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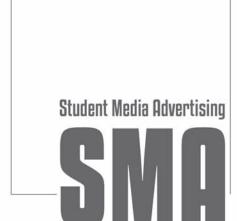
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Vicci White, career advising and professional development manager, gives a seminar to students Thursday afternoon in the Crest room of the Idaho Commons. The presentation "Interviewing: What to do before, during and after" provides tips on how to have a succesful job interview. White said she suggested doing research on a company after it has offered an interview and cautioned that "75 percent of employeers check social networking sites before making an offer."

A chance to meet a future employer

Molly Spencer Argonaut

Jessica Berwick said the Career Center is giving students the opportunity to network, build professional relationships and explore career opportunities at its Job and Internship Fair which runs Monday through Wednesday.

Employers will look for students who possess skills required for the jobs being offered. It's an opportunity for younger students to get an idea of what employers will be looking for down the road, said Berwick, manager of employer relations and communications.

"Employers will be recruiting for jobs and internships — some will be doing summer employment as well," Berwick said. "All students are welcome to attend — there is something for everyone."

Berwick said internships are for students on all levels of the job market because the experience from internships can be an asset that will set the student apart from other candidates when applying for jobs.

It's important for students to do their homework before attending the fair, Berwick said, which means coming prepared and with a company in mind that might be a good fit.

She said it is important students make a good impression and bring knowledge to the table.

There will also be organizations recruiting for full-time employment, Berwick said.

She said some employers will hire specific majors and others will hire any type of major.

Suzi Billington, director for academic success and access programs, said her role in the Job and Internship Fair is to support the event and make sure her staff has all the resources needed. She also helps administrators promote the events.

She said the fair is important for students looking to enter the currently tough job market.

"This is the opportunity for students to actually talk to, get facetime with people who are actually hiring, and that's the hardest thing for student to do on their own, Billington said.

Employers have told Billington they remember the persistent students who come back every semester.

Students who are more persistent are more likely to get the jobs being presented, she said.

"We want to be able to have all of our graduates have a great chance in the job of their dreams," Billington said. "In order to do that they need to do the steps ahead of time to get themselves there — to get the experiences that they need and that employers are looking for."

The Job and Internship Fair is a glimpse at "What am I going to do for the rest of my life?" Billington said.

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Fair will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Oct. 3 in the Student Union Building ballroom. The Corporate/ For-Profit Fair, will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. in the SUB ballroom.

Better informed, better opportunities

Michelle Gregg Argonaut

Being involved with ASUI is more than a resume boost. It's a chance for students to get involved with every part of the university, learn responsibility and help others.

Students and faculty who wanted to know more about ASUI were able to at the open house Sept. 28 in the ASUI office.

"Having an open house is a chance for students and faculty to take a tour of the ASUI office and see what we actually do," said Hannah Blankenship, director of communications for ASUI. "Most students don't understand how much of an influence ASUI has and how involved we are in every area of the university."

The ASUI office is on the third floor of the Idaho Commons above Einstein Bros. Bagels and open to students any time. It includes a common area with a TV, couches and tables, an area that clubs can reserve to work on projects and offices used by various ASUI officers and advisers.

"We offer students the opportunity to hear what's going on in our office, communicate any concerns they have and give us feedback on what we can improve on as a student body," Blankenship said.

ASUI positions vary from executive — the president and vice president to legislative, like senators. They provide programs such as Vandal Entertainment, Vandal Fitness Challenge, student clubs and more, Senator Hannah Davis said.

"One of our main goals is really striving to build communication between ASUI and the students,' Davis said. "I think that we are underutilized as a student body and could do much more if students were better informed about our services."

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Senators have five office hours every week that include finishing projects, looking at bills and helping around the office, Davis said. They also give informational ASUI reports to their assigned living groups throughout campus.

"Right now in ASUI, we are working on the Vandal Acts of Kindness project, which involves us giving out awards to students for being kind around campus," Davis said. "We are also preparing for the universitywide food drive and encouraging people to donate.'

Juan Corona, ASUI vice president, said the open house maintained steady traffic and he appreciated the support from faculty and staff.

It's good for students to see how their university student body is run, Corona said. The ASUI office is open to anyone at anytime. ASUI officers also hold weekly meetings at 7 p.m. Wednesdays, Corona said, if anyone wants to know more about what is happening.

"This is the second year that we have done the open house. It had better attendance this year, because the word is still getting out to students," Corona said. "Everyone who attended was able to see how ASUI is run, and what kind of resourses that we offer."





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One dance Balemba is participating in represents Afri-

"It goes along with the theme 'Here I Rise' and portrays bringing Africa's cultures together," Balemba said.

At the end of the evening, audience members will be invited to participate.

"They will learn dance moves and drum styles, and will have the opportunity to really get involved in the African culture," Balemba said. "Everyone that is there, they gonna feel like they're in Africa. It's going to be vibrant and beautiful. It's going to be a really good time.'

Africa Night is open to the public, as well as university students, faculty and staff. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

"Once you get a chance to experience another culture, you have to take advantage of that opportunity," Adekunle said. "You don't get to experience that stuff every day."

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"All three pieces represent love, whether physical, romantic or love for country," Roberts said. "The Shostakovich was written to celebrate the Russian victory over Nazi tyranny in 1945. In a way, it's one big party, a great celebration of victory ... love of country, love of peace, love of life."

The Rachmaninoff is a set of 24 variations on composer and violinist Niccoló Paganini's "Caprice No. 24 in A minor, Op. 1" for piano soloist and full orchestra.

"Rachmaninoff was a Russian composer who moved away from the Soviet Union when the revolution took place in 1917," Roberts said. "He composed in a very romantic, passionate later-19th-century style."

Yang said the Rachmaninoff piece is a crowd pleaser because the sound changes with each variation, and most people are familiar with the 18th variation. Roberts said the variation was featured in the 1980 romantic film "Somewhere in Time."

"This theme of Paganini is real famous," Yang said. "In piano literature, Brahms and Liszt composed a set of variations on this theme, but Rachmaninoff did uniquely for orchestra and piano ... he used (the theme) in a very different manner, so it's like a musical kaleidoscope."

This is Yang's first year collaborating with the symphony. Her first rehearsal on Sunday went well, she said, including a perfect run-through of the hardest variations.

"I honestly think this is one of the best regional orchestras I've played with," she said. "They were all very professional and friendly. I value the local enthusiasm."

Yang said the symphony is a great place for faculty, students and community members who love

classical music to get involved. Roberts echoed the sentiment, adding that about 50 percent of the orchestra members are from the two universities.

"We have an incredible group of people here," he said. "I can see a really rosy future for this orchestra ... the only professional orchestra within a twohour radius. It has a large mission to fill."

Visit washingtonidaho symphony.org for information, including concert times, dates and locations.

GRITMAN

FROM PAGE 1

J. Aaron Nicholes, chief operating officer of NID, said they are happy to be available to Moscow patients, and appreciate the referrals from other practices in the community.

'We decided to provide an office in Moscow because we felt like the demand was so great in the Moscow-Pullman area," Nicholes said.

NID provides a wide variety of skin care, including treatment of acne, medical skin conditions and skin cancers. They also offer cosmetic dermatology services, which accounts for about 15 percent of their work, he said.

We also accept most insurance companies, including group health, which isn't usually covered by most dermatologist companies," Nicholes said.

The NID staff travels to Moscow three or four days each month, and the staff on-hand rotates between practices, Nicho-

"It's not hard to get an appointment, we have openings," Nicholes said. "As we grow in patient numbers, we might look at establishing a more permanent setting."

He said they haven't reached out much to the college-aged

population in the area, but thinks students can benefit from dermatology services.

"We are really happy to be here, and have welcomed the great community support," Nicholes said. "If our patients are willing to drive to see us, we are willing to make it more accessible to use our

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social justice issues they want the students to learn about, Mann said. Then they contact United Planet, an international nonprofit organization that takes care of the international travel arrangements, and gives them participation criteria and a price range.

"We look for a commu-

make sure it is a mutually beneficial project."

Mann said they start with four or five options and then research the needs, accommodations and safety of the location. Cost is also a factor considered.

"We want to give students a deep international experience but not take away from other trips," Mann said. "Every dollar

good place."

Student fees fund ASB, with every UI student paying \$5. Most of that money covers about two-thirds of trip costs.

"All the students can apply, so it's ... a very fair system," Reed said. "We don't say 'Only this living group can apply,' or 'Only this class.""

> students Participating

upcoming winter trips.

"We've heard some students say 'This is coming from my pocket, like I've saved up for this. This is something I feel really strongly about, and I want to be responsible for it," Reed said. "I've heard of people fundraising. One of my friends says 'Well, I'm gonna ask my family. I'm gonna call up some rela-

nity need," Mann said. "We spent needs to be sent to a will pay \$1,200 each for the tives, and hopefully they'll break trip. help me out."

> For the first time this year, students may also apply for two need-based scholarships offered by the Student Engagement and Leadership Programs Office fund.

> Because the cost is often prohibitive, ASB is planning a domestic winter trip this year that will cost between \$400 and \$500, and at least one in-state spring

The trips will be locally oriented and within driving range, Pohl said.

"But far enough away to give people the chance to go and have the same team experience," Pohl said. "Not just 'Oh, I'll go home to-

Reed said they hope to have spring trip applications available by the end of the fall semester.



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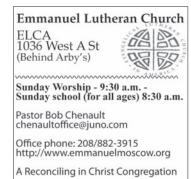


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FOOTBALL

'Close' to consistent



Nick Groff | Argonaut

Idaho quarterback Brian Reader throws a pass during the game Sept. 24 in the Kibbie Dome. Reader and the Vandals will travel to Charlottesville, Va., Saturday to play the Virginia Cavaliers. Virginia is the Vandals' second BCS opponent this season.

Excecution will be critical for success against Virginia

Nick Groff Argonaut

The Vandals might need to be better than "close" this weekend.

Defensive coordinator Mark Criner said the Vandal defense is almost where they need to be as the team trav-

els across the country for its matchup against ACC opponent Virginia at 12:30 Saturday in Charlottesville, Va. "We're close. All we've gotta do on Wandal"

defense is do the little things, the technique part better," we
Criner said. "We're
close on the defensive line.
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We're close at linebacker. We're close on the secondary. And we're a little bit inconsistent, we've just gotta take the little things ... and get better at it."

Defensive tackle Michael Cosgrove echoed Criner saying all the pieces of the defense work, just not at the came time ust

the same time yet.

"A lot of it is everyone being on the same page," Cosgrove said. "We've gotten a lot of pressure (on the quarterback) ... sometimes the guys will get to the quarterback but the pressure isn't there so the quarterback gets rid of the ball. Or you know, the coverage will be great, but the (defensive line) doesn't get there."

The Cavaliers will field a large, physical team much like that of Texas A&M, said Steve Axman, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. Unfortunately, for the Vandals, close will not be good enough against a Virginia defensive line that has recorded eight sacks already this season.

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defense.
They're
very strong
up front, got

Nation. big thick linebackers, they got some speed in the sec-

ondary," Axman said.
Axman said Idaho lineman Jordan Johnson is still day-to-day, but if he is able to return, the Vandals could

definitely use him.

"He's a nice thick body
that moves well and does
some good things," Axman
said. "When he comes back
that's going to help us an
awful lot."

Until then, Axman said the offense will attempt to throw the Virginia offense off by using multiple pass plays and a balanced passrun attack.

"We hope that our multiple formations and some of our pass patterns will give them some problems," Axman said. "Kama Bailey

... will take the brunt of the running carries and with Troy Vital backing up and carrying that goal line short yardage role."

Criner said the Cavalier offense is as balanced as it comes.

"They're about as 50-50 as you can get," Criner said.
"They'd like to run the football, they've got big offensive linemen, probably the biggest offensive linemen we're gonna end up seeing."

Virginia running backs will likely give the Vandals trouble as its two leading rushers, Kevin Park and Perry Jones, have a combined 534 yards and four touchdowns.

Criner said the defense cannot, and does not get frustrated at the lack of points the Idaho offense has managed this season. He said that will not change this weekend in Virginia.

"All you do is do what you can do. That's how we take the field," Criner said. "They can't get frustrated. You're a team. Everybody is in this together. You gotta keep on fighting. We've gotta hold our end of the bargain up too."

Idaho tight end Michael LaGrone said the team is still focused and working on finishing the game. He said last week the first half went well, but the team did not do what needed to happen to finish the game the way they hoped. Quarterback Brian Reader agreed with LaGrone.

"We're trying to get consistency with what we do," Reader said. "If we don't get it right, we do it over and over and over again until we get it right. So when it's game time, we execute when we need to."

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FOOTBALL

Scott receives national notoriety

Theo Lawson

As if the transition from the junior college level wasn't challenging enough, Idaho wide receiver Mike Scott has taken his Division I career to the next level, and last week became the most recent addition to the 2011 Biletnikoff Award watch list

A transfer from Foothill College in Los Altos Hills, Calif., Scott continues to exhibit his value to this year's Vandal team and the receiving corps in general.

Four games into the season, Scott leads the team with 26 receptions and 328 receiving yards. The junior's 12.6 yards per reception is second behind Armauni Johnson and he has tallied one touchdown reception.

The nomination was initially unnoticed by Scott, whose mother informed him.

"My mom sent me a text and said congratulations for being on the list and I read the name (Biletnikoff) and I was like maybe it's a typo and she didn't know what she was talking about and then one of the fans came up to me after the game and congratulated me," Scott said.

One of the most prestigious nominations a player
can receive, the Biletnikoff
Award is given to the nation's top receiver at the
end of every season. This
year's watch list includes
2010 Biletnikoff winner and
Heisman Trophy candidate
Justin Blackmon of Oklahoma State, Robert Woods
of USC and Jermaine Kearse
of Washington.

Scott is No. 19 in the FBS and second among WAC players for total receptions.



Stavan Dovine | Argonaut Idaho Junior Mike Scott recieves a catch during practice at the SprinTurf Wednesday afternoon. Scott has a long run of 51 yards and 14 pass reception for 188 yards. The Vandals will travel to Charlottesville, Va., as they take on Virginia Oct. 1.

The Palo Alto, Calif., native is one of three WAC players on this year's watch list.

Receivers coach and recruiting coordinator Luther Carr knew Scott could be a lethal weapon at the Division I level right off the bat.

"Playmaker," he said.
"He makes plays, catches
the ball well, tough, physi-

cal, runs well after the catch, things like that. We want to recruit guys that we think can start, we don't recruit guys just to be back-ups so our expectations for him were to come in here and compete for a position and he's done that."

SEE SCOTT, PAGE 8

BASKETBALL

Men anticipate rigorous schedule

Theo Lawson Argonaut

Coach Don Verlin announced the "toughest" Vandal men's basketball schedule yet in his four years at the University of Idaho Tuesday.

Fourteen WAC games, one non-conference game and a Sears BracketBuster will precede the 2012 WAC Tournament in Las Ore., for a showdown Vegas. with another Pac-12 op-

The Vandals open the regular season Nov. 12 at Long Beach State, a Big West title contender and host Palouse rival Washington State Dec. 7 in its first home game in the

Cowan Spectrum.

The next day Idaho
will travel to Corvallis,

with another Pac-12 opponent, Oregon State and its superstar guard Jared Cunningham. The Vandals will maintain their basketball rivalry with Boise State on New Year's Eve, when the two clash at a neutral site, the Idaho Center in Nampa.

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SOCCER

Freshmen making an impact

New memebers make the adjustment to college level soccer

Sean Kramer Argonaut

Physicality, speed of the game and mental road blocks — these factors, Idaho's more experienced freshmen soccer players said, have presented the biggest challenges to competing at the college level.

Most freshmen on the team didn't expect to make an immediate impact, but coach Pete Showler is an adamant believer in competition and opportunity, even for his freshman class.

"This (freshman) group has come in and worked hard," Showler said. "Some of them have got a good chance, some have more minutes than they were expecting but they have earned it."

Four freshmen have regularly garnered playing time for the Vandals since the season kicked off in late August, with two others seeing time sparingly. The challenges for freshman to break through into the line-up are seemingly universal.

"Most of it is speed of play," Showler said. "Some have had problems adjusting to the physical aspect, all of them have (eventually) adjusted to the speed of play."



Philip Wealth | Argomut Emily Ngan, freshman defender, fights with her teammate for the ball at practice Tuesday in the Kibbe Dome.

Freshman forward Katie Baran, who started in each Idaho's last five matches and has a goal on the season, echoes those sentiments.

"Every single player goes in hard and everybody works so hard," she said. "Being in for just ten minutes of the game is hard."

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Zach Edwards | Argonaut Junior setter Jennifer Feicht serves the ball against Hawaii Sept. 22 in Memorial Gym. Saturday the Vandals will travel to Louisiana to play La. Tech. In 2010 against La. Tech, Feicht had 14 digs and one block recorded.

VOLLEYBALL

Directing traffic on the court

Kevin Bingaman Argonaut

Junior setter Jennifer Feicht has been a key part of the Vandal volleyball team since her freshman year, and continues to play the difficult position at a high level. For Feicht, it's a matter of carrying on a family tradition.

Both of Feicht's parents played collegiate volleyball and she said her parents met when they played against each other in an adult league. Feicht said she used to play basketball, but once she got a taste of volleyball it became her passion.

As a setter, Feicht has many responsibilities. She's in charge of directing traffic on the court, whether calling plays or placing the ball for a hit, Feicht is in charge.

"My main responsibility is to give our hitters a good chance at a kill, and better the ball if the pass is not there," Feicht said. "Another one of my main responsibilities is to make sure everyone knows what they're hitting, make sure they're in the right rotation. Basically, if I had to make an analogy for it, it would be like a quarterback on a football team.'

Feicht also said a setter has to learn the strengths and weaknesses of every player on the team so she can call the best play for any given situation.

Feicht went to Woodbridge High School in Irvine, Calif., Pre-game ritual: Feicht puts her shoes, socks, braces and pads on in the same order every time.

Favorite movie: It's a tie between "Pride and

Prejudice" and "A Knights Tale." Favorite food: her father's Greek lamb

Favorite artist: Dierks Bentley

where she led the Warriors to three consecutive league titles. She also played volleyball for the Saddleback Valley club and helped the team finish third at the Reno Festival in 2008.

In her freshman season at Idaho, Feicht earned a starting role toward the end of the season. She said it was a tough transition for her to make so quickly.

"The first game I played in, I was really nervous," Feicht said. "I feel like everyone who comes in right out of high school is going to be nervous. It's just a different intensity of a game. It's a lot quicker."

Feicht is not the only talented setter on roster for Idaho. Junior Ryann Carter has pushed for playing time. The two setters have shared time in a number of matches and are in constant competition for the starting role. Feicht said the competition makes both of them better players and makes the team better as a whole.

We both put a lot of pressure on each other," Feicht said. "We both know what our job is and we basically fight to the death because we both want to play, but when we step off the court, we're really good friends."

Feicht's road to becoming a Vandal was an interesting one. Feicht said she received e-mails from both Idaho and Idaho State, but she mistakenly thought they were the same school. Feicht said she had no real interest in coming to Idaho, but that changed when she agreed to come for a visit.

"I came on my visit and I fell in love with it," Feicht said. "I loved the school. It was so pretty. I'd never seen anything like it. The people were all really nice and the team seemed to just gel, and that was something I was looking for."

Feicht has already racked up three double-doubles this season and she continues to be the "quarterback" for the Vandal volleyball team. Feicht is majoring in early childhood development and said she wants to either teach kindergarten or run a daycare in the future.

Men's team finds new star in Perevoshchikov

Charles Crowley Argonaut

Dmitry Perevoshchikov decisively won both of the tournaments he played this season, proving his worth as an addition to the Vandal men's tennis team.

Perevoshchikov transferred to the University of Idaho as a sophomore from Izheusk, Russia where he said he has played tennis since he was 6 years old. Perevoshchikov said he feels right at home in Idaho.

"I really like it here, it's a really good town, and I actually like small towns," Perevoshchikov said.

Perevoshchikov said that he has had a lot of experience playing with people from other countries which ington Fall Invitational, Perevosh- two Spain Future Tournaments even out of the court, he helps chikov said.

made the transfer easier for him. He said that the tennis team helped too.

"All of the members of the team befriended me right away so it wasn't a problem," Perevoshchikov said.

Jeff Beaman, Idaho's director of tennis, said Perevoshchikov fit in well with the team. Beaman said that it has been great to watch him play and improve. 'He is just such a solid play-

er," Beaman said. "Once he got his transfer complete, he hit the ground running and he just keeps getting better every day.

In both the Campus Showdown and the Gonzaga-Eastern Washchikov's final match was against a fellow Vandal. He claimed the title against Alan Shin at the Campus Showdown in a one-set match 6-1 and then beat Marius Cirstea in the Fall Invitational final 6-2, 6-2. It was just another day in the office for Perevoshchikov.

"One thing I learned when I was in Spain is when you are playing a match on the court, there are no friends," Perevoshchikov said.

Perevoshchikov played in Russia through high school, then spent a few years in Spain playing on the ITF circuit. He made it to the semi-finals and quarter-finals in and has several wins over ranked opponents in his career.

In Spain, tennis is mostly played on red clay courts which is a total different game than the hard courts of collegiate competition. Perevoshchikov said it was quite the change for him.

'For me it was really difficult in the beginning because I used to play on really fast courts so when I came here it was different," Perevoshchikov said.

Perevoshchikov said past experiences have helped him fit in with the team, but Beaman's coaching made the transition even easier.

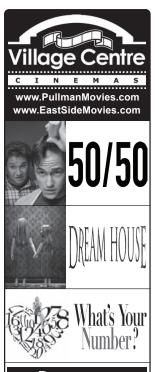
"He helps me with everything,

with anything and he is a really cool guy," Perevoshchikov said.

Off the court, Perevoshchikov said he likes to spend time with friends and playing soccer when he has the time.

Perevoshchikov's next appearance will be in the Boise State Fall Tournament where more teams, more players from each team and the BSU home court advantage await him. The biggest tournament he's faced thus far doesn't shake the Russian-born tennis star.

"I'm already having a great year, and the team and the coaches are helping me a lot and making me get even better,"



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GOLF

Bossio leads Vandals, finishes second

Kevin Bingaman Argonaut

Vandal golfer Jarred Bossio led the Vandals with a sec-

ond place finish this week at the Boise State University Dash Thomas Memorial in Eagle, Idaho which helped propel the Vandals to a sec-

ond place team finish. Idaho looked shaky at its last tournament in which the team took fifth. Idaho coach John Means said he

team recovered. "It was much better," Means said. "What I expected to see at the Palouse, I got in Boise. We played

is happy with the way the

liked we practiced." Bossio has been on a roll as of late. He came into this tournament fresh off a firstplace finish two weeks ago at the Palouse Collegiate tournament and continued

blazed through the final round of the tournament, shooting a 66 to bring his score to a 203 and tie San Jose State's Jay Meyers. Bossio and Meyers were just three strokes back from Concordia's Jesse Heinly, who won the tournament with a 200. Means said Bossio's confidence is a big part of his success

"He's confident," Means said. "If you're confident in any sport, you're going to make things happen."

Vandals Justin Kadin and Gordon Webb joined Bossio

to impress this week. Bossio in the top-ten, tying for ninth with 210. Bossio and Kadin each had 16 birdies in the tournament, tying for the most. Idaho led par-3 scoring in the tournament, and had the second highest number of birdies with a 59.

San Jose State won the tournament, shooting a staggering 827. Charleston Southern finished behind Idaho at third with an 849.

The Vandals finished second at a number of tournaments last year, and this week just adds to the list. Despite the high finish, Idaho has not been able to break through and win a tournament. Means said that is due largely to inconsistent play throughout the team.

"What we haven't been able to do, is have all five players play at the top of their game," Means said. "Two or three will, but the other two won't and it's not always the same people."

The Vandals will be back in action Oct. 3 and 4 when they travel to Manhattan, Kan., to participate in the Jim Colbert Invitational. Means said his focus for the rest of the fall is getting the Vandals closer to being a championship team.

"This fall I want to see us every tournament getting closer to being a great team, and I think we took a big step this week," Means said.



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Steven Devine | Argonaut

Sophomore Alejandra Lozano returns a serve during practice at the tennis courts behind Memorial Gym. In spring 2011, Lozano posted an 8-4 singles record at the No. 5 and 6 spots. The Vandals will be attending the EWU-Gonzaga Invitational this weekend in Cheney.

Women look to improve

Charles Crowley Argonaut

After a great showing at the Cougar Classic, the Vandal women's tennis team is headed to the EWU-Gonzaga Invitational, a tournament that coach Daniel Pollock said will be a bit tougher.

"I just got the draws through this morning and WSU is sending their No. 4 through 8 players who are all very tough competitors and had good records last year against the powerful Pac-12 teams," Pollock said.

Pollock said after a couple days off from practice, the Vandals are feeling fresh but have some things to work on the next couple days.

"One will be pressuring our opponents earlier on in points in doubles and not allowing them to settle into a rhythm," Pollock said. "The other will be creating and taking opportunities to attack in singles without trying to do too much, too early, in points."

Pollock said both of these for the semester. He said he does not let his players forget there is plenty of room for improvement.

"I will be trying to send the message loud and clear that we need to keep improving and we aren't where we need to be yet," Pollock said.



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Daniel Pollock, Women's tennis coach at the Cougar Classic, the Vandals are sure to come in with their heads up. Pollock said that if they show up and are focused, he doesn't see why they can't have another great weekend.

"If they're able to transfer things are going to be a theme loud and clear that the positive elements of last week's performances over to this week, while learning from some of the mistakes they made, then it will be a great weekend," Pollock said.

> The EWU-Gonzaga Invitational will be held Friday through Sunday in Cheney, Wash., with the top players advancing through

After the great performances last week to the finals on Sunday.

CROSS COUNTRY

Vandals compete in Dellinger Invite this weekend

Idaho cross-country will head to Springfield, Ore., for the Bill Dellinger Invitational on Sept. 21.

Hosted by the Oregon, the Dellinger Invitational will feature nationally ranked crosscountry teams, No. 2 Wisconsin and No. 8 Oregon for men and No. 17 Oregon for women. The meet will also feature multiple regionally ranked teams.

The invitational will be held at the Springfield Country Club

5000 meter race for the women and an 8000 meter for the men. This will be the teams' first race this season at said distances and it can be expected that both will be in midseason form, with only one meet remaining before the WAC Championships on Oct. 29.

This meet comes at a pivotal time for the Vandals, who just jumped in the West Region rankings to No. 13 for women and 12 for men. The West Region, which is ranked by the

in Oregon, 20 minutes outside U.S. Track & Field and Cross includes the Pac-12, Big West, WAC, WCC and Big Sky athletic conferences. This jump comes after the University of Idaho cross-country's performance at the Sundodger Invitational on Sept. 17 in Seattle. The women's team finished second behind No. 11 Washington Huskies team, and the men's team placed four runners in the top nine overall, finishing seven spots behind Washington, No. 6 in the West Region.

At the Sundodger, UI of Eugene and will feature a Country Coaches Association, sophomore Hannah Kiser finished first among college level competitors, posting a school record 6000 meter time of 20:58.43 and junior Barry Britt took third in the men's race

with a time of 24:14.36. The Vandals hope to keep things going as they face one of their toughest challenges of the season this weekend in Springfield. The women's 5000 meter will begin at 10:30 a.m., and the men's will follow at 11:15 a.m.

No. 12 Florida Gators. Florida comes into the game under new head coach Will Argonaut Muschamp and new offensive

GREENWAY'S GAME OF THE WEEK

No. 3 Alabama

at No. 12 Florida

Alabama, No. 3, will travel to Gainesville, Florida to take on the

coordinator Charlie Weis. A win against Alabama, would regain national supremacy for the Gators and likely earn them a spot in the top 10. Meanwhile, Alabama is looking to keep its national title hopes alive and keep pace with LSU for the top spot in the SEC

The Florida Gators looked flawless in their first four games, averaging 40 points per game, while only giving up nine. Offensively, Florida is led by two seniors, quarterback John Brantley and running back Chris Rainey. Rainey has rushed for more than 100 yards in each of his last three games, the Gators will need his contribution again Saturday night. Brantley has thrown for more than 750 yards and four touchdowns

Defensively, Florida must control the line of scrimmage and get pressure on young Alabama quarterback A.J. McCarron. If the Gator defense can force turnovers, Florida will be in good position to win the game.

The Alabama Crimson Tide is coming off a 38-14 victory at home against Arkansas. The Alabama defense is No. 2 in scoring, giving up only eight points per game. If Alabama is going to win this game the defense must shut down Charlie Weis' offense, and that isn't going to

On the offensive side of the ball, the Tide must be as efficient as it was last week against Arkansas. The key for Alabama on offense is keeping sophomore quarterback A.J. Mc-Carron comfortable in the pocket.

If the Gators get a lot of pressure on McCarron it's lights out for Alabama. If Alabama running back Trent Richardson can pull off a 100yard rushing game, Alabama will be in good shape. If the Florida defense can keep Richardson in check, this game will get interesting.

My call: Florida 20, Alabama 17. Florida's defense will be the difference in this one. Playing for a home crowd, Florida's defense will rise to the challenge and create a couple turnovers. McCarron will struggle all day and Florida's offense will take advantage of McCarron's mistakes and take it home with a game-winning field goal.



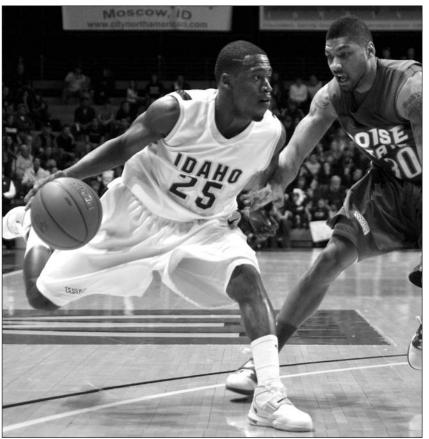
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File Photo by Nick Groff | Argonaut Vandal guard Deremy Geiger attempts to drive past Boise State guard Westly Perryman during the first half of the game Jan. 21 in the Cowan Spectrum.

SCHEDULE

"We've got a really good preseason, then we finish the preseason at Wright State and Wisconsin-Green Bay, which are both very good teams... that finish towards the top of their conference every year," Verlin said.

Idaho will host a pair of preseason exhibition games against NAIA opponent Evergreen State and Division III opponent Willamette on Oct. 28 and Nov. 5 in Memorial Gym.

Additional preseason home games will feature Concordia Portland, Montana State, Eastern Washington and Cal State Bakersfield.

Senior guard Landon Tatum thinks the Vandals will stack up well in this year's Western Athletic Conference.

"I think we're going to be able to catch some people off guard. I think our team chemistry is starting off really well right now," Tatum said. "Having some of our guys back and then I think just having new guys who want to get going

and have their first taste of Division I is going to make it even better because they're going to want to succeed.'

The Vandals' newest acquisitions will make their WAC debut Jan. 5 when they host Nevada in the Cowan Spectrum. Fresno State will be in Moscow two days later for a Saturday afternoon tipoff.

Verlin said the team has to account for the inexperience of the six new faces on this year's squad.

"As the year goes on this team has to get better day in and day out," Verlin said. "There's some guys who are going to have to play a lot of minutes that to this point haven't played Division I basketball so if we work hard and continue to get better every day I think we can compete right at the top of the league."

Idaho will host four-time WAC champion Utah State on Jan. 21. Stew Morrill and a hungry Aggie team will seek revenge on the Vandals, who upset USU and ended a 17game winning streak, crushing the Aggies' hopes of an undefeated conference record.

The game will prove to be significant for Verlin, who coached under Morrill in Logan, and senior Deremy Geiger, a former Aggie point guard.

"That'll be huge. I think the WAC is very good this year with Nevada and New Mexico State returning a lot and Utah State's won the league the last three or four years in a row," Verlin said. "I think that's a huge game for us, you know we'd like to get them down there once and this may be a good year to do it."

Four community college transfers will make the Division I transition this winter and Tatum, who transferred from South Plains College two years ago, is well aware of the transfers' playing abil-

"I'm looking at Daz Starke or Wendell Faines down low at the post, helping Kyle Barone, maybe getting another scorer down there, just another power presence inside will really help us in the rebounding and even blocking shots," Tatum said. "They're a real physical group."

SCOTT

Before Idaho, New Mexico State was the only Division I program recruiting Scott and was willing to offer him a walkon spot. A flight to Las Cruces, N.M., had been scheduled and Scott was prepared to finalize things with the Aggies when Idaho called him. After a stressful day and a half, Scott called NMSU to inform them

Scott's 2010-2011 teammates signed letters of intent to play for FBS programs, including Boise State, Oregon State, Utah State and San Jose State.

ference was really good so obviously that was good preparation going against those players in practice and games," Scott said. "We helped each other because we knew where we stood and where we could be at the next level, so we just fed off of each other and got each other better."

At Palo Alto High, Scott faced off against Reader's Palma High School (Salinas) in the Central Coast Section semifinals. Palo Alto came out on top of a 41-38 quadruple overtime thriller.

Scott said tension arose when the two first met.

"There was a little bit of animosity at

"He's a character, he keeps everybody loose, you'll hear him on the football field keeping everyone loose so that's a good quality," Carr said. "He's always smiling and he practices hard so that's a good deal."

Orioles celebrate 4-3 win over Red Sox

David Ginsburg Assoicated Press

BALTIMORE — The Baltimore Orioles didn't have much to celebrate this season, so they took extra pleasure in putting a rousing finish on an otherwise lackluster year.

The Orioles use a two-run ninth inning to beat Boston 4-3 on Wednesday night, and in the process they bounced the Red Sox out of playoff contention.

"End of season like this, to make Boston go home sad, crying, I'll take it all day," said Robert Andino, who got the game-winning hit off Red Sox closer Jonathan Papelbon.

Papelbon (4-1) struck out the first two batters before giving up a double to Chris Davis. Nolan Reimold followed with a double to score pinch-runner Kyle Hudson, and Andino completed the comeback with a single to left that a sliding Carl Crawford couldn't glove.

"To walk off, everybody wants to walk off," Andino said. "It's priceless man, you don't have any words for it. Just enjoy it, and there's no tomorrow, so next year."

The same can be said for the Red Sox. Baltimore finished 69-93, but went 5-2 against Boston down the stretch.

"It was exciting. We battled to the end and we came out on top this time," Reimold said. "We weren't playing for the playoffs, but we were playing for pride, and we showed it tonight."

Boston held a nine-game lead in the AL wild-card race after Sept. 3, but a 7-19 September swoon left them tied with Tampa Bay entering the final day of the regular season.

Only minutes after this game ended, the Rays completed their comeback from a 7-0 deficit with an 8-7 win over the New York Yankees in 12 innings.

Boston became the first team to miss the postseason after leading by as many as nine games for a playoff spot entering September, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

"We'll go down in history as one of the worst collapses in history, so it definitely doesn't feel good to be part of that," Crawford said. "We had high expectations, and to fall short the way we did is definitely disappointing for us.'

Boston's 7-20 record for the month is its worst September since an identical mark in 1952.

"It's just shocking. We should be playing a one-game playoff right now," starter Jon Lester said. "It's just one of those things. It wasn't meant to be. It wasn't our year."

Even if Tampa Bay lost, the Red Sox faced the prospect of a quick turnaround following a long night at Camden Yards that included a rain delay of 1 hour, 26 minutes in the middle of the seventh inning.

When the rain came, Tampa Bay trailed 7-0. By the time play resumed, the Rays and Yankees were tied at 7 heading into the 10th inning.

Dustin Pedroia homered for the Red Sox, who went through the entire month of September without winning consecutive games.

Pitching on three days' rest, Lester limited the last-place Orioles to two runs and four hits over six gritty innings. But it wasn't enough to prevent the Red Sox from absorbing one final blow.

"We're not very happy right now," manager Terry Francona said. "We needed to take care of business and we didn't."

Boston had several chances to pad a 3-2 lead it took in the fifth inning but was never able to complete the task.

After Pedroia hit a solo homer off Alfredo Simon in the fifth, the Orioles got the potential tying run to third base in the bottom half and in the sixth before Lester worked out of trouble.

In the seventh, Boston's David Ortiz was thrown out trying to stretch a single, and with two outs rookie catcher Ryan Lavanway bounced into a fielder's choice. Lavanway, who homered twice in an 8-7 win Tuesday, went 0 for 5 and stranded nine runners.

The Red Sox blew another chance to increase the lead in the eighth when Marco Scutaro took off from first base on a double by Crawford. But Scutaro stutterstepped before getting to third and was out at the plate.

In the ninth, Lavanway grounded into a double play with one out and the bases loaded. It was the third time he came to the plate following an intentional walk to Adrian Gonzalez.

About 10 minutes later, Boston's season was done.

The Red Sox went up 1-0 in the third when Mike Aviles walked, took second on a single by Jacoby Ellsbury and scored on a single by Pedroia. Ellsbury's single extended his hitting streak against Baltimore to 36 games, dating to April 2009.

J.J. Hardy hit a two-run homer in the bottom half, only minutes after the scoreboard showed the Yankees increased their lead over Tampa Bay to 5-0. Hardy's 30th homer followed a leadoff walk to Davis.

Boston pulled even in the fourth when Scutaro doubled, advanced on a groundout and scored on a balk.

he would be competing against them in the fall wearing black and gold. Although Scott's competition at Foothill College doesn't match up with what he's seen and will see from programs like Texas A&M and Virginia, he had the opportunity to play with and compete against a variety of players who were recruited to play Division I football. Six of

"My JC was really good and my con-

With only two months of Division I

football under his belt, adapting to the changes has come natural to Scott. In addition, he's built strong relationships with his teammates and especially quarterback Brian Reader.

first when we found out who we were," Scott said. "Then again it was all love and it feels good to be on the same team as the guy who I went up against in high school."

Biletnikoff or not, Carr says Scott's role on and off the field is instrumental to the team's success and well-being.

SOCCER

A rigorous pre-conference schedule, as well as unexpected injuries, have led to some of the freshman minutes.

A sudden injury to Idaho's starting goalkeeper five matches including a against Seattle University thrust Marissa Fehrman into action.

half, there was no time to think, you just gotta do it," she said.

For defenders Emily Ngan and Lilly Archer it was competition that gave them the opportunity to play early.

"I expected that this would be a learning year ... watch the players playing my position to learn," Ngan said.

Instead, Ngan was able to play in the Vandals' first start against Seattle University.

"Coming on to the "Going in during that field I give it my all, take it one game at a time,"

she said. Her minutes trailed off as the season progressed due to increased competition at her position, Showler said.

"Those girls weren't happy about not starting so they worked harder," he

Showler said he has played most of the freshman, but players like Nikkie Adams and Annie Millard only saw playing time

sparingly. "That's not to say the other freshman aren't (competing),' Showler said. "The other freshmen are chomping at the bit and biting at the heels and want to be out there. When the opportunity arises it will be

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Reader said there isn't anything special the Vandal offense needs to do to get a win on the Atlantic coast. He said, simply, the offense needs to be on the same page and execute when it is most

given to them."

The game will be broadcast on ESPN3.com, a website available on college campuses.





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Dress for success in workplace and on campus

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Open your eyes, see the world

don't embody every person in Idaho, there is some truth behind these stereotypes.

College is full of unlimited opportunities. It's a unique environment for students to meet people from different backgrounds, acquire the knowledge necessary to attain their dream jobs and live independently. The University of Idaho is also a melting pot of cultures from countries all around the globe, and students should participate in events that portray lifestyles completely different from their own.

Africa Night features African cuisine, performances of traditional dances from various regions in Africa and a fashion show displaying traditional forms of African dress. Approximately 25 countries will be represented during the event Saturday that will consume the Student Union Building ballroom.

Other UI events intended to educate students about assorted cultures include Cruise the World, Japan Festival, Taste of Nepal and Taiwanese Night Market. These activities include food, dancing and fashion that most students have never been exposed to before.

As Americans, we tend to think our country is the center of the universe. We forget about the diversity of beliefs, clothing styles and taste in food that exists in the world. The definition of manners, treatment of women and styles of dance vary dramatically depending on which culture you were raised in. Open your eyes.

Maybe you don't have the freedom to travel right now. Or maybe you simply don't have the financial means. Whatever the reason, these are simply excuses to not experience other countries when events like Africa Night are taking place at your own university.

This Saturday, maybe you will go out to the bar for a few drinks with friends or stay in your apartment to watch Netflix or play your Xbox 360. Or maybe you will attend Africa Night and engage with international students to learn about their culture and share a few interesting facts about your own.

It's your choice.

Britt Kiser Argonaut

Picture this: The CEO of a Fortune 500 company ditches the suit and tie - or pencil skirt and blazer and arrives to work in an old baggy T-shirt, coupled with that infamous favorite pair of sweatpants and beyond-broken-in Reeboks that haven't been on shelves in years. Imagine a bank teller, car salesman, lawyer or professor doing the same.

Would each of them lose credibility and respect? Yes.

Unfortunately, Mom was right on this one — it is crucial to dress for success.

Make a lasting impression

Everybody wants to be remembered. In order to make a good impression at a job interview or when meeting your significant other's parents — whatever the case may be __ it's important to appear polished and put together. People are more apt to remember somebody who takes pride in their personal appearance.

Improve self-confidence

When a person looks great, they feel great too. A person's confidence is affected by the image they project to others. Someone who is wellgroomed and nicely dressed will always appear more confident than someone who's not, even if that's not necessarily the case. It's the "fake it 'til you make it" approach to improving your self-confidence.

Get better service

As cliché as it sounds, a person whose appearance is put together is perceived to have greater purchasing power than someone who's not. This will naturally attract the attention of a waiter, flight attendant, etc.

The bottom line is that it's always better to be overdressed than underdressed. This is not a shallow matter centered on material possessions or

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Flat tax plans hurt American society

Illustration by Eli Holland | Argonaut

Republican presidential candidate Herman Cain has a catchy idea for reforming the American tax system. He calls it the

9-9-9 plan. It entails a nationwide 9 percent income tax, a 9 percent corporate tax and a 9 percent sales tax. It's gotten a lot of attention for being simple, and on the surface seemingly fair. After all, everyone will pay the same tax rates nationwide, right?

Not exactly. Flat taxes and variants thereof have long been popular among American conservatives. To many people,

the American tax system makes no sense. A simple solution seems attractive. Why shouldn't everyone pay the same tax rate? It sounds great, until you adjust the plan for reality.

The problem with a flat tax rate, in a nutshell: The poor pay more. It may seem counterintuitive. After all, if the rich and

poor pay the same percentage in taxes, the rich should pay more and they do, in raw numbers. But they can also afford to pay more. Higher taxes are less of a burden when you can survive on a tenth of your income. That 9 percent for the rich is coming out of surplus money. But for the American poor, that 9 percent may not be

money they can afford to pay. Americans on minimum wage

or near the poverty line need 100 percent of their income to survive. And for some, even that is not enough. Cain's plan shifts the tax burden even more heavily onto the poorest Americans. Right now, they pay lower

taxes or receive a refund from the government so they can survive. The 9-9-9 plan would result in a tax increase for the poor.

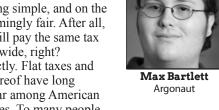
It also means less income tax for the rich, and a much lower corporate tax rate. We shouldn't be lowering taxes on corporations to improve the economy. We should be closing loopholes so that our government gets the money it is owed. Some major companies pay no taxes at all. Exxon Mobil paid nothing in 2009 and 2010, while actually receiving a subsidy from the government. While the rest of Americans were paying taxes, Exxon Mobile was getting government funds. While the rest of us struggled through the recession, they posted record profits.

A flat sales tax is even worse. Sales taxes hurt the working class: They must pay more for food, medicine and basic

consumer goods. And they give up a much higher percentage of their income to these taxes than the rich. Sales taxes favor the rich while punishing those who can least afford to pay them.

America needs progressive taxation. A progressive tax means the poor and working class, who can't afford to give up their income, pay less. The rich, who have received so much from our society, pay more. This narrows the gap in incomes between the richest and poorest Americans. And that's good for our society. Less poverty and a lower income gap mean a higher standard of living, a healthier and more educated population, and less crime. The way to measure our society's health is by the status of our poorest members.

When the American poor are successful, we all are.



Facebook Q&A

Are politicians more focused on getting re-elected than solving the issues at hand?



"Politicians only want to have a reputation and only want a salary for saying how great they are. They need to just learn how to focus on issues rather than a mirror."

Anthony Outman Posted Sept. 27

"Any political science student should be able to answer this. Politicians are focused on short-term goals and rewards that can be given back to their constituents for re-election.





"Politicians are, yes, men. They will say whatever you want to hear to get themselves elected. Few and far between are those politicians that actually want to do good in their communities and change the status quo."

Tina Trana Posted Sept. 27

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OUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

Thank you

I'm happy that Moscow is so pedestrian and bicycle friendly. If drivers on Third Street didn't stop it would take me an hour to get to campus. What I don't understand is that I have to wait longer to cross on A Street. Weird. – Elizabeth

Of all the university departments, financial aid sends by far the best emails.

Financial aid

Charitable ... or

Paris Hilton was in India this week and saw a poor woman carrying her baby in the street so she gave her \$100, and a total of \$2000 because she was moved by the poverty she saw, which she later tweeted — sweet right? Turns out she was originally there to open new Paris Hilton stores.

– Rhiannon

Prepare yourselves

Blot has been sent to the presses and should be on stands next week. Keep an eye out for it and get pumped.

#WOTD

Every day, Katie Couric tweets her word of the day. Wednesday's word was "Logomachy, noun. A dispute about words." We have a lot of logomachies up here in the Arg office.

A little advice

Words from the most inspiring Theodore (Roosevelt) in the world:

"Speak softly and carry a big stick." — Theodore

October can only mean one thing: Pumpkin pie for breakfast, lunch

Deliciousness

and dinner.

- Amrah

Better than a candle

I want a Scentsy party. — Jacob

- Madison Kudos to the Rays

As much as the Sox gave it to them, the Rays came out Wednesday night, down by 7, and earned their spot.

— Jake

Love is never selfish

When her brother needed a kidney transplant, Kari Roberts was told she couldn't be a donor because she was

overweight. Three years and 135 pounds later, doctors say Roberts is the perfect match to donate a kidney. Her dedication to losing weight in order to save her brother's life is a perfect example of the unconditional love between siblings.

— Elisa

Highlights and

Isn't it weird how the sun lightens your hair, but darkens your skin?

-Vicky

Letting go

If a person desires to succeed in the present or future, let go of the past. Don't forget the past, but learn from it and take the knowledge gained and use it advantageously. Dwelling on shoulda, coulda, woulda will only end in frustration and treading just above water. Make the most of the past and learn from it.

- Nick

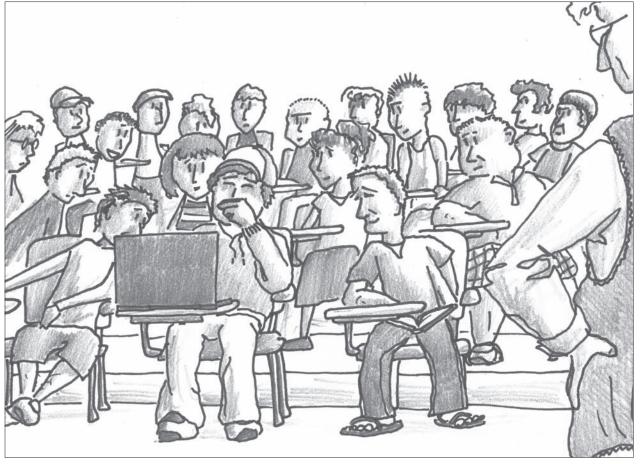


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Be respectful

Technological distractions hinder classroom learning

Between laptops and fidgeting students, the classroom is quickly becoming one of the worst environments in which to learn. If the electronic distractions don't drive you crazy, watch-

ing peoples' quirks will.

In one class I decided to count how many different people were messing around on their laptops, or other electronic devices, or doing anything else that was a distraction from the lecture.

Almost everyone did something distraction worthy, which made it entirely too easy to tune out the professor.

With new technology becoming more readily available for consumers, students' attention spans are dwindling. One student cleaned his presumably new iPad for a solid three minutes, and the device was not even turned on. Some people surf the Internet during most of the lecture. Technology makes it easy to not

pay attention.

Katy Sword

Even if laptop screens are not visible, chatting or surfing on the

web is still distracting. The constant clacking of the keyboard is almost as bad, if not worse, than an open screen because it takes so much effort to drown out the sound of the keys. The same can be said of cell phones. Texting may be quieter than a laptop keyboard, but once it's noticed it's impossible to ignore.

Even without technology present, people's little quirks can be just as distracting. Women, or men with longer hair, who absentmindedly play with their hair and tie it in knots or fiddle with a specific strand are just as annoying as the clicking of laptop keys.

Maybe it's my fault because I want to be distracted from the lecture, but my peers make it easy. Despite how focused and into the

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lecture I am, once hair twirling or key clacking catches my attention all concentration ceases to exist. This does not mean people need to sit completely still during class, but everyone should realize what they are doing could be making it impossible for someone else to focus.

It's common courtesy. Before pulling out your cell phone, instant messaging your friend or playing with your hair in class, think about how your actions might affect other students. Besides, if you aren't focusing on the lecture, maybe you should just stay home.

There's an app for that

Need a metronome to stay on the beat? Want your boyfriend to better understand you? With the advances in technology, there's now an

es in technology, there's now an application for everything — including an application for parents who want to figure out if their son is gay.

Rhiannon Rinas Argonaut

This inappropriate Android app
was created by French
developer "Emmene Moi."
Representatives said the
app was designed to be
playful and humorous,
and that it isn't based on
any scientific research. It's
supposed to help mothers
accept their son's homo-

sexuality if that is the case. However, the app isn't being perceived in that manner.

Mike Thompson, acting president of Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation said, "Socially responsible companies should have standards that prevent such offensive and derogatory content. The 'Is My Son Gay?' app promotes inaccurate stereotypes about gay people and should be removed immediately."

The app, which is priced at \$2.68 has users answer 20 questions about their son including, but not limited to: Does he dress well and pay close attention to his outfits and brands? Does he love football? Before he was born, did you want him to be a girl? Does he remain in the bathroom for long periods of time? Does he have a piercing in his tongue, nose or ear? Is his father very authoritarian? Is his father absent?

After the questions are

answered and if the app determines that the son is gay it displays a message which

reads, "No need to look the other way! He is gay!

ACCEPT IT!"

Another possible response from the app is: "Your son is a normal young man: modern and concerned about taking care of himself assum-

ing some feminine habits while maintaining his attraction to girls. However, he may have already had some homosexual experiences with his best friend. These things happen. It is more and more usual in these times to maximize pleasures without taboo."

If the app deduces that the son is straight it replies, "You do not have to worry — your son is not gay. So there are chances for you to be a grandmother with all the joys it brings."

This isn't the first offensive app to hit Android
or Apple markets. Apple
recently dropped the "Jew
Or Not Jew?" celebrity
identifier application, which
was also created by a French
company. Apple also pulled
the "Gay Cure" app that
used Biblical teachings to
help "cure" gay men. In
March, Android was criticized for not dropping the
virtual dog fighting game
"Dog Wars."

These applications promote the use of offensive stereotypes and don't take into consideration characteristics of individuals. A person's sexual orientation or religious belief is a personal matter that no series of questions can accurately pinpoint.

Maybe someday there will be an app to determine if someone is homophobic.

DRESS

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outward appearances, but about being taken more seriously in today's society. Dressing for success does not entail running out to buy Nordstrom's latest fall collection, but instead taking pride in personal appearance and hygiene. This does not mean tromping around in high heels or a suit in an effort to portray yourself as someone you're not. Ladies, try trading your plain v-neck for a blouse. Men, the next time you go to throw on a T-shirt, grab a nice button-up instead.

Dressing professionally is not just for adults in the workplace, but for students on campus as well. College is, after all, the preparation stage for the "real world."

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