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HONORING OUR PROTECTORS

Anja Sundali
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On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, on the eleventh year of the new millennium, veterans at the University of Idaho and across America will gather in spirit to honor those who have served in the U.S. military.

Although only one day a year is taken to recognize U.S. veterans, veterans at UI have resources at their fingertips year round.

The UI Veteran's Resource Center officially opened its new offices in the Idaho Commons room 305 in September, a space Dan Button, veterans adviser, said is a great central location for them.

"This way we're also close to the offices for the Writing Center and Disability Support services, so we can help our veterans utilize those resources," Button said.

Sgt. Beau Tanner, president of Veterans at the University of Idaho, said the Veteran's Resource Center is there to advocate for veterans and provide them with support, resources and advising. However, the most important aspect of the center, Tanner said, is the social community.

"Veterans are most likely to share

thoughts and concerns with other veterans, and more likely to talk to other veterans for help, because they've had similar experiences," Button said. "This way they have a dedicated place on campus where they can come together."

Tanner said UI tracks a lot of demographics on campus, but not veterans.

"We don't know all the veterans here, but we know they're in every college on campus, from students up to the president's office," he said.

Another main goal of the center is to help veterans transition from a military to civilian lifestyle.

"Combat is infinitely less stressful than college," Tanner said. "Nothing prepares you for college. A lot of veterans find themselves on their own at college, in a relatively structure less lifestyle compared to the military."

Button, who is also the non-traditional student services coordinator, said most college veterans are back at school for the first time in at least four years. In the case of multiple tours, some are even in their 30s.

"It's a culture shock, an age shock,"

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Alex Aguirre | Argonaut

American flags and bows adorn the final resting place of Jaroslav (Art) Tobiska Thursday in the Moscow Cemetery. The flags were placed there by family for Veterans Day to honor Tobiska, who served in the U.S. Army Air Forces during WWII from 1941 - 1945.

Connecting vets with time and literature

Lindsey Treffry
Argonaut

Military members of ancient Greece and modern times intersected through Greek classics at a unique veterans appreciation reading Tuesday.

"The timeless experience of war and its aftermath: Classics meets with Veterans" was led by University of Idaho assistant professor of classics Rosanna Lauriola, and showcased readings of Greek poems by stu-

dents in the classics department. There was also a panel discussion featuring local experts such as professors, veterans and counselors.

"War is a reality here in America," Lauriola said. "It makes sense here that classics is used for this exact reason."

In organizing the event Lauriola followed in the steps of Jonathan Shay, a psychiatrist

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Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

Senior Kirsten Brandt reads select passages from two tragedies by Sophocles — Ajax and Philoctetes — during the Veterans and Classics Seminar Tuesday in the Student Union Building ballroom.

Veterans Day Calendar

Veterans Breakfast

7 a.m. to 9 a.m. at Bob's Place in the Wallace Residence Center. Service men and women who bring a donation of canned food will receive a free breakfast at Bob's Place.

Wreath laying ceremony

11:11 a.m. on the front steps of Memorial Gym. Members from all military branches and the university will gather to honor service men and women with a moment of silence, a reading of "In Flanders Fields," a playing of "Taps" and other traditions.

Fallen comrade table

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Idaho Commons food court. Tables honoring fallen soldiers will be guarded by UI ROTC volunteers, with a Fallen Comrade Ceremony at noon.



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Idaho residents Linwood Laughey and Borg Hendrickson answer questions from the audience after a screening of "Fighting Goliath: Megaloads and the Power of Protest" Wednesday in the Agricultural Science Building.

'Fighting Goliath' to maintain open government

Britt Kiser
Argonaut

Open government and access to records is important for all citizens — including students, said Steve Smith, University of Idaho School of Journalism and Mass Media lecturer.

Wednesday's symposium, titled "Open Access: Citizens, Media and Government," cen-

tered on this theme.

Betsy Russell, Boise bureau chief for the Spokesman-Review, said America's democratic form of government would not work without openness in government.

"When we elect people to office, we need to know if the way

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Consensual relationship policy clarified

Elisa Eiguren
Argonaut

The University of Idaho Faculty Senate voted unanimously to approve revisions to the university's consensual relationship policy Tuesday.

The policy formerly said consensual relation-

ships between UI employees and students or other employees are unwise. Carmen Suarez, director of Human Rights Access and Inclusion, said the intent of the revisions was to make it clear that a

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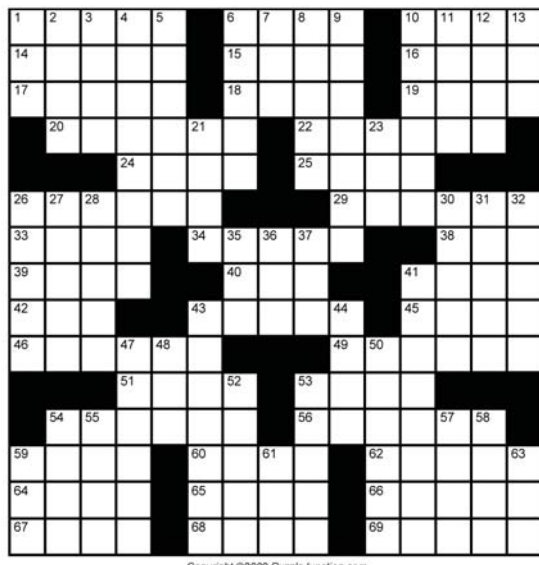
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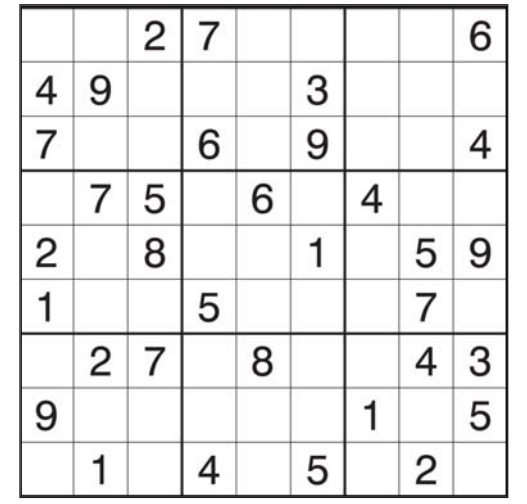
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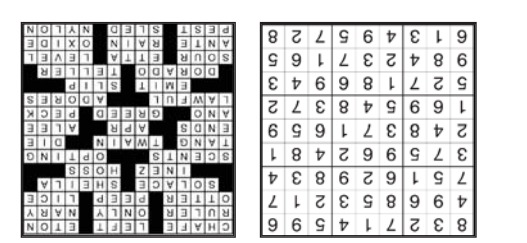


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More than music

Second 'Turning of the Wheel' presentation explores Ghanaian culture

Kaitlyn Krasselt
Argonaut

Music, stories and dance are cultural staples that create a unique way of life, and make up societal structures, according to Barry Bilderback's presentation Tuesday.

Bilderback, assistant professor in the Lionel Hampton School of Music, gave the second presentation in the "Turning of the Wheel: a Humanities Exploration" series, titled "The Unique vs. The Universal." The presentation covered the organization of traditional music and dance in Ghanaian culture at the Prichard Art Gallery.

Bilderback first traveled to Ghana as a professor at Linfield College in Oregon to explore his interest in music.

"While I was there though, I realized it was much more than music," Bilderback said. "It's a whole way of life and tradition."

Bilderback's presentation included footage of the student groups he traveled with participating in traditional Ghanaian song and dance. One group was even asked to perform for National Ghanaian Television.

"This is living proof some of us were in Ghana," Bilderback said.

The World Beat music group assisted

Bilderback in his presentation, performing a traditional Ghanaian drum song and dance to demonstrate the structure and layered style of Ghanaian music.

Bilderback and the group taught the audience a traditional "circle dance" which included chanting, clapping and teamwork as the audience joined hands to move around the room.

Bilderback traveled to Ghana three times with students since bringing his international studies course, "Africa's Calling: Culture in Ghana," to the University of Idaho. He hopes to return this summer with another group of students.

"If it happens, it'll be the fifth consecutive summer," Bilderback said. "My hope is that we will be able to do this every summer."

Rodney Frey, this year's distinguished humanities professor in the College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences, chose the theme for the "Turning of the Wheel" series.

"I chose to focus on the relationship between the unique and the universal in our lives and how that affects our capacities for communication, collaboration, and creativity," Frey said.

The "distinguished humanities professor" title is bestowed by CLASS to rec-



Zach Edwards | Argonaut

Members of World Beat Ensemble perform traditional Ghanaian music and dance as part of the "Turning of the Wheel" lecture series Thursday in the Prichard Art Gallery. Assistant music professor Barry Bilderback gave a presentation on traditional music and dance and their role in culture and society.

ognize the importance of and increase awareness and appreciation for humanities in the university.

Frey said he was incredibly pleased with the turnout and Bilderback's presentation.

"You just never know what to expect," Frey said. "Sometimes six people will show up, and other times 90. It all just depends. I

thought it was an excellent presentation of Ghanaian culture."

"Turning of the Wheel" presentations will continue throughout the remainder of the school year.

For a schedule of all upcoming presentations visit www.webpages.uidaho.edu/humanities.

From rancher to leader

UI student takes on national leadership role

Jonathan Gradin
Argonaut

Taking the lead as an agricultural ambassador, sophomore Seth Pratt of Blackfoot, Idaho, is the first National FFA Organization (formerly the Future Farmers of America) national officer from the University of Idaho in more than 20 years.



Seth Pratt

As Western Region Vice President, Pratt will tour farms and visit FFA chapters across the nation encouraging FFA agricultural members to pursue leadership.

"I think this is great recognition for Seth, and for the state of Idaho, and for the Idaho FFA program," said John Folz, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences associate dean and director of academic programs. "I think it's a bit of a testament to Seth's preparation and hard work, and his willingness to try again, because he interviewed last semester and was not selected."

Pratt — an agricultural science, communication and leadership major — comes from a cattle ranching background. His great-great-grandfather established Pratt Ranch in 1904. In high school he bought five cattle as part of his Supervised Agriculture Experience.

"Right now I have 19 head I believe, not counting some first-calf heifers that don't have calves yet," Pratt said. "You grow them over time, and then you keep track of the skills that you develop as you learn about agriculture in your SAE, which is outside of the classroom."

Pratt joined his high school FFA chapter in 2005 as a freshman. It had five members when he joined, but he doubled the membership by bringing friends with him. When he left high school, the chapter had more than 40 members.

"I graduated from high school and had the opportunity to spend the whole year as a state officer," Pratt said. "There's (86) chapters all over the state of Idaho ... my team visited 84 of them."

Pratt said this position allowed him to interact with national officers, who encouraged him to run for national office. He ran in 2010 but didn't make the cut. Undeterred, he came to UI for a year then tried again.

"Being one of the six national officers opens up tons of career opportunities for you to work in the agricultural industry," said James Connors, department chair of Agriculture and Extension Education. "He'll meet people in every state he visits."

The National FFA Organization is open to members 21 and younger. Connors said most members are in high school, but UI has an active on-campus chapter. Although the organization was founded primarily for farmers, Folz said in recent years the emphasis has expanded to focus on leadership and life skills.

"It's a great youth organization that teaches young people to be self-reliant and good leaders," Folz said. "I mean, they have contests on parliamentary procedure, how to run meetings, then they've got all the (agricul-

ture) stuff."

Pratt said he doesn't want to forget the roots of traditional agriculture production.

"Production agriculture is only 2 percent of the American people ... but 15 percent of all the jobs in America are agricultural," Pratt said. "I think that FFA needs to stay really agriculturally-focused."

The last time Idaho had a national officer was in 1988-89 and 1989-90, when brothers Jeff and Casey Isom held office. Connors said Idaho has about 4,000 FFA members, so it is harder to compete with heavily populated states such as Ohio and California.

Pratt's career goal is to work for an agriculture company for several years before returning to ranch life.

"After (business), I'd like to go home and raise cows and raise a family," Pratt said. "I'm so grateful for my childhood, so I want to give the same to my kids."

Alex, I'll take Runsvold for \$1,000

Madison McCord
Argonaut

After winning four nights in a row on the game show Jeopardy! this July, earning him \$153,800, Mark Runsvold is back going for a Daily Double.

Runsvold, a University of Idaho student is one of 15 previous Jeopardy! winners competing in the Tournament of Champions. After winning his quarter-finals match-up, Runsvold is on to the

semi-finals, which airs at 7 p.m. tonight on KHQ channel 6. After being behind most of his first game, which aired Tuesday, Runsvold won in Final Jeopardy!

In his semi-finals game, Runsvold will face-off against this season's second-highest scorer, Roger Craig, who won six games totaling \$230,200. The third contestant is Joon Pahk, who spent seven days in the winner's circle totaling \$201,000 in winnings.



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Women in the wilderness

New outdoor program geared toward female-only participation

Katy Sword
Argonaut

The Women's Outdoor Program has had a slow six years since its inception, but new coordinator TJ Beezley hopes to see an increase in participation soon.

"We've had an informational meeting and done some activities at the pool," Beezley said. "We tried to go to the ropes course at Paradise Ridge, but we didn't have enough interest. It's hard because everyone is so busy."

The Women's Outdoor Program focuses on getting women active and outdoors while eliminating intimidation that can result from co-ed activities.

"People want to get into activities but if they've never done it before, there's a lot of intimidation there," Beezley said. "Hav-

ing women only eliminates that. It has a different dynamic than a co-ed group."

Heather Gasser, Women's Center director, said the Women's Center fully supports the Women's Outdoor Program and does what it can to help increase awareness and involvement.

"I feel it's really important to create empowering opportunities for women to participate in activities that are usually only available for men," Gasser said. "The Women's Center is really interested in continuing to support those goals to create empowering opportunities for women."

Beezley said they have about 40 or 50 people interested in the program so far.

"When it comes down to attending the programs everyone has such busy sched-

ules," Beezley said. "Hopefully people will have more of a chance to participate with more activities."

Danielle Lawson, a movement sciences graduate student attended kayak activities and the planning meeting.

"It was awesome because we were able to have a kayak instructor, who was also a woman, help us," Lawson said. "With the help of TJ and the instructor we were able to roll our kayaks underwater, which was really intimidating."

Lawson said the women-only environment was beneficial for learning purposes.

"It's easier to learn in a less competitive environment," Lawson said. "Without guys there it was easier to relax and learn."

Participation fees vary with each activity.

"I'm trying to make it as affordable as possible, I know everyone is on a budget," Beezley said.

Next semester Beezley said she is planning larger trips including snow shoeing.

She also said activities will be on the Outdoor Program's schedule, which will increase advertising and, hopefully, attendance.

"Right now I'm trying to figure out activities and what time frame works for everyone, because there's lots of interest," Beezley said. "So it's what needs to be done so people can participate."

The Women's Outdoor Program is hosting a day hike up Moscow Mountain Nov. 13. For more information on how to participate, contact Beezley at gold0730@vandals.uidaho.edu.

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consensual relationship, when one person is in a position of authority or influence over the other, is not allowed.

Suarez said she and UI Senior Associate General Counsel Hoey Graham started working on revising the policy last spring and during the summer. Graham and Suarez looked at consensual relationship policies at universities around the country.

"We developed a more progressive policy that forbid consensual relationships and provided conflict management for relationships that already existed," Suarez said.

As a result of the revisions, Suarez said the university will be able react more efficiently in managing consensual relationships as they are now officially forbidden. At the same time, Suarez said she recognizes that sometimes relationships develop when one person is in a position of authority over another.

"We have to acknowledge that situations do arise," Suarez said. "It could be an existing relationship, a couple in the same department, and one of us gets promoted."

If such a situation occurs,

the person with the authority must immediately disclose the relationship so the situation can be managed by the university. The solution could be as simple as changing who someone reports to so their significant other isn't in a position of authority over them.

Paul Joyce, UI Faculty Senate Chair, said the revisions to the policy consisted of adding a few sentences to ensure the meaning of the policy was clear to everyone. Although the revision was initially scheduled to be put to vote Nov. 1, Joyce said it was delayed to allow more time to agree on the particular wording of the revisions.

"The senate is a very deliberative body and this is an important policy, so if it takes a couple of meetings to figure it out, then that's the way it is," Joyce said.

Suarez said the revising process has been gratifying as each constituency group at UI provided input, and the new policy is a shared document that is the result of a collective effort.

"Each of our government groups, we have come together as a community to do something that expresses our values," Suarez said.

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who served in the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Boston. Lauriola said Shay discovered that Homer, author of "The Iliad" and "The Odyssey," presented ideas and stories that resonated with Vietnam veterans. From this stemmed the Philoctetes Project and The Theater of War, where ancient Greek plays are staged for military audiences and their families.

"There was this new perspective I wanted to consume while rereading (Greek passages)," Lauriola said.

From her rereading of tragedies, Lauriola chose "Ajax" and "Philoctetes," written by Sophocles in 440 B.C. to represent the relationship between Greek military and that of present day.

In "Ajax," former warrior Ajax

suffers from infection, depression and insanity. The panel compared his suffering to post traumatic stress disorder, a disorder that was undiagnosed in ancient times, but was recognizable in the reading.

"Because of the culture of ancient Greeks — this 'shame culture' — there is an outward approval for self-worth," said Tristan Markert, a classics minor. "They had to live up to a standard and if not properly honored ... it tended towards heroes taking drastic measures to restore their honor."

Markert also read the chorus of "Ajax," where Ajax's wife Techmessa joins him.

"She had a hard time understanding and Ajax wasn't communicating," Markert said. "They feel isolated so they draw back on themselves."

Markert said this compares to the aftermath of war in modern day too.

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Tanner said. "It's a whole new way of addressing people, the way people conduct themselves, the subject matter people talk about."

Lance Cpl. Philomena Sulzen said having people at the center she can relate to is one of the reasons she came to UI.

"At the end of the day my civilian friends can only understand a part of that. It's nice to have someone who

thoroughly understands you — it makes the transition a lot easier," Sulzen said.

Button, Tanner and Sulzen all said the community on campus is one of the most welcoming and supportive to veterans that they've seen.

Tanner attended a national conference in June and talked with other student veterans groups about their campuses, and said he was amazed at how many had negative experiences and trouble finding support.

"Spouses and families of warriors don't feel that they're given the chance to understand," Markert said.

The panel discussed the nature of PTSD as well as suicide rates in relation to Ajax's thoughts and feelings. One panelist member said according to Inside Higher Ed, nearly half of student veterans said they have experienced suicidal thoughts, while 20 percent said they have planned a suicide.

The event was sponsored by the UI Office of the Dean of Students, with the help of Daniel Button, veterans' adviser and James Foster, professor of biological sciences.

Lauriola said she hopes to make this event a tradition, but said future events may feature different literature references.

"(War) is an ongoing problem that is not limited to our date and time," Markert said. "It's universal and has been going on for over 2,000 years."

"This university has gone above and beyond to be helpful and responsive to the needs of veterans," Tanner said. "We're so grateful for that."

During his 15 months as veterans adviser, Button said he's had a nominal amount of complaints from UI veterans.

"Veterans are uniformly humble about their service and grateful to be home safe and here under the GI Bill," Button said. "This community is really looking out for them."

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they're representing us is what we want," Russell said. "We can't honestly and effectively do that unless we know what's going on in our government, and

that's what openness in government is all about."

She said representatives who forget about the interests of their constituents turn democracy into oligarchy.

The symposium included a documentary film titled "Fighting Goliath: Megaloads and the Power of Protest" created by JAMM seniors, Hans Guske and Ilya Pinchuck.

The film followed Idaho residents Borg Hendrickson and Linwood Laughy in their battle to stop the Idaho Transportation Department from moving oversized oil refinery equipment up Highway 12 from the Port of Lewiston to Billings, Mont., and hold the state government accountable for

informing the public of the project's details.

Guske, film director and editor, said a misconception is that the documentary is specifically about megaloads.

"(The film) is not about megaloads coming through town," Guske said. "We tried to make it as objective as possible while focusing on the fact that ITD was not following its own regulations as far as public information and permitting over-legal size loads."

In the documentary, Hendrickson and Laughy said they found many inconsistencies in ITD's regulations. For example, ITD said the megaloads were supposed to be required to pull over every 15 minutes to let traf-

fic pass. Hendrickson said there weren't enough pull-outs along Highway 12.

A panel discussion, titled "In the Sunshine: Holding Government Accountable," followed the documentary and centered on the issue of public access. Panel participants included Hendrickson, Laughy, Russell and William Spence, reporter for the Lewiston Tribune. Smith served as the panel's moderator.

The panel focused on laws that promote access to government documents, such as the Freedom of Information Act on the federal level, and the Idaho Open Meeting and Idaho Public Records laws at the state level.

Russell said the Idaho

Open Meeting Law states that whenever a governing agency is holding a meeting, the public is allowed to be there.

"It is still a law that states very clearly that every public record in this state is open unless a specific exemption says it's not," Russell said. "There are actually a number of states that have far more exemptions than we do."

Smith said the government is less and less open due to these exemptions.

"They (exemptions) provide government officials, elected politicians and bureaucrats a place to go when they want to withhold information," Smith said. "Some of it's driven by privacy concerns, and some of it's

driven by just the self-interest of the government."

Last in the series of events was a lecture by Russell titled "Open Government: Why it Matters."

Russell focused on the aforementioned Idaho state laws that guarantee an open government. She cited specific local examples where citizens used these laws to hold government officials liable.

Russell talked about the action UI took to release former assistant professor Ernesto Bustamante's personnel records.

"Now, there is an exemption for personnel records of a state employee or public official — or a former state employee or public official, unless that official signs a release," Russell said. "But in this case, if the former employee is dead and can't sign a release, does the exemption apply? Should it end at death? Should it last forever, since no one can sign a release?"

In conjunction with statewide media organizations, UI took the issue to court, Russell said.

During the day, students also had the opportunity to "exercise their write," by typing messages and questions to people of authority using typewriters.

Smith said the symposium served as an important reminder to all citizens.

"I think citizens require a constant reminder — and students are citizens — that we travel on the edge of the knife blade in terms of access issues," Smith said. "You have to be constantly vigilant, constantly aware, in order to advocate for the kind of openness that we require in a democratic system. And students are in as strong of a position to advocate as anybody else."

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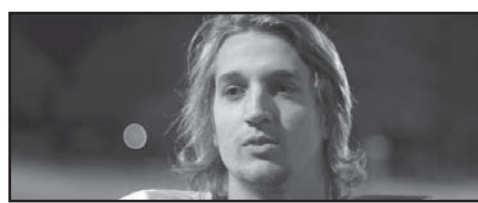


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Getting to know Taylor Davis

Hometown: Anthem, Ariz.
High school: Boulder Creek High School, Northwest Region Offensive Player of the Year, All-State selection
Recruited to Idaho by: Offensive coordinator and quarterback coach Steve Axman
2009: Redshirt
2010: Member of travel squad as

back-up quarterback
2011: 21-41 passing, 1-1 as starter, 1 TD, 2 INT
Height: 6'3"
Weight: 233 pounds
Role Model: His parents. His father grew up as an athlete and taught Davis about athletics.
Pro athlete to model after: Green Bay Packers QB Aaron Rodgers
Favorite food: Chinese
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VANDALNATION

Idaho yearning for more next season

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

On the pitch, the Idaho soccer program laid claim to its most successful season to date. A second consecutive conference tournament appearance and an appearance in the WAC semi-finals are unprecedented achievements for the Vandals.

Still, the team returned to Moscow having not reached its ultimate goal. "It's never satisfactory unless you win (the WAC)," coach Pete Showler said. "The girls aren't happy and we as a staff aren't happy. We wanted to go there and win it all, that was our goal for the season. We fell short."

With a taste of success comes the hunger for even more.

Last season the Vandals qualified for the conference tournament for the first time ever, which was a landmark achievement. Idaho was ousted in the first match by Fresno State. It was a trip home that then sophomore Chelsea Small said was not fun.

"Last year we were really excited but really nervous and didn't know what to think coming out for it," she said. "We didn't really understand how important each game was."

It was Idaho's first qualification for the conference tournament in program history. So in year two, expectations were a little higher with a veteran team.

The change of mentality paid off. The Vandals overcame an early goal deficit in their opening round match against San Jose State and pulled off a 2-1 victory.

Only to be cut down the next day. One step closer to playing in the NCAA tournament, but a goal that will have to wait until next season to be fulfilled.

"We lost to the eventual conference champions (in Utah State), and they're in the big dance. We wish them the best of luck, but we want that to be us," Showler said.

Adverse situations

At one point this season the team was 1-5, and the Vandals had scored just three goals. Their opponents, on the other hand, put away 13 on Idaho. To make matters worse, two of those losses put Idaho in a 0-2 hole in conference play.

The mentality during practice for a crucial home match against Hawaii had the players echoing one key sentiment: Goals needed to be scored by any means necessary.

The response was a 4-2 drubbing of Hawaii at Guy Wicks Field.

"We got more consistency. We had the same starting lineup for a while. That breeds a lot of confidence. That breeds a lot of competition," Showler said. "It all blended together very well. We finished strong. Not as strongly as we would have hoped."

The Vandals lost twice more to conference opponents the rest of the season, both times to eventual WAC champions Utah State.

When asked what the most adverse situation his team dealt with this season, it took Showler a fraction of a second to bring up goalkeepers.

"Losing the two goalkeepers so early with such injuries. You don't expect to lose two keepers in a season," he said. "That certainly brings different challenges."

The Vandals did not even make it through 10 matches before they were down to their third-string goalkeeper.

Liz Boyden, the lauded senior from Spokane suffered a season-ending leg injury in a home match against Seattle University during the home opener. Freshman Marissa Fehrman filled in, and lasted seven games before a knee injury derailed her season. Junior Caroline Towles finished the rest the season for Idaho, the first action of her career.

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To Provo with momentum



Nick Groff | Argonaut

Idaho running back Kama Bailey runs the ball during practice Wednesday on the SprinTurf. Bailey and the Vandals travel to Provo to face the Brigham Young Cougars at 6:15 p.m. Saturday. The game will be televised on ESPN2.

Nick Groff
Argonaut

For the first time in two months, the Vandals head into their next match-up following a win.

Idaho travels to Provo, Utah, to face-off in LaVelle Edwards Stadium against independent opponent Brigham Young University at 6:15 Saturday. The game will be televised on ESPN2.

Idaho coach Robb Akey said the team practiced outside all week with crowd noise in preparation for the hostile environment and cold weather that await. He also announced Taylor Davis would play quarterback this weekend.

Davis said preparation and competition between himself and Brian Reader has been no different this week.

"Both me and him still look at it as a battle," Davis said. "Without a battle, you can't be great. So nothing has really changed."

Davis gave credit to the offensive line for their performance that allowed for a breakout performance of running back Kama Bailey against San Jose State.

"Our offensive line ... they killed it," Davis said. "It got a little (pressure) off my back and that made me be able to throw the ball. It felt good."

Davis was sacked five times by the Spartans, and protecting him against the large, physical Cougar defense might prove a daunting test for the Vandal front line.

"The front three — just the three guys on the line — weigh about a 1,000 pounds," Bailey said. "It's going to be hard for our guys to push them, but I know they can do it."

Bailey said he was excited going into the game after the team's performance in the previous week, and said he would do whatever the coaches needed for the team to be successful.

"We got three guys that's going to be healthy back there," Bailey said. "The coaches going to be rotating us, it's going to be nice to have fresh legs back there."

Bailey also said he will be prepared to catch the ball if need be, but is excited to be one of the punt-return options for Saturday's contest.

"I'm gonna be there in punt returns," Bailey said. "It's gonna be on ESPN(2) you know, we'll have more of a passion to make plays out there. It's going to be exciting and I can't wait."

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WAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Third time's a charm

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

A Vandal is volleyball's WAC Player of the Week for the second consecutive week, and this time it's senior outside hitter Alicia Milo.

This marks the first time she has received the honor in her four years at Idaho. Milo was happy with the award, but more excited about the team's wins.

"It feels good," Milo said. "We played a really hard match at Utah (State) and we had a great comeback."

Milo received the honor for her performance against Utah State Saturday in which her career-high 28 kills propelled Idaho out of a huge deficit to win the match. Milo also had 27 digs in the match, claiming her sixth double-double of the season. Milo said she didn't realize the night she was having until it was over.

"I was apparently on fire," Milo said. "I didn't even know I had that many kills until the very end. Playing overtime just really gets to you."

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SPIKE IT RIGHT



Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Alex Sele spikes a ball Nov. 8 at practice in Memorial Gym. The Vandals were in Fresno, Calif. Thursday to compete against the Bulldogs. Idaho won 3-1 in its second to last regular season game. Allison Walker led the way for the Vandals with 17 kills and 14 digs. They will go on to the WAC tournament that starts Nov. 21. For the complete story, visit vandalnation.wordpress.com.

Men's tennis finishes season with some regrets

Charles Crowley
Argonaut

As of Nov. 7 the Vandal men's tennis season ended, and Idaho Director of Tennis Jeff Beaman is left with mixed emotions.

"We had some really strong results and at times we had results that I would have liked to see people do a little better but it was a great learning experience for the team," Beaman said.

Beaman said the main goals of the fall season were to figure out doubles pairings and find out

what needs to improve.

"We definitely know with every guy what they need to focus on in terms of conditioning and in terms of playing," Beaman said.

He said it won't be easy to determine the lineup next spring.

"You feel that Marius (Cirstea) is somewhere up at the top of the lineup, but then any guy on the team could be somewhere in that top six or out of it, so it's going to be tough," Beaman said.

Filip Fichtel, who red-shirted

for the Vandals last season, said the team did not play to its full potential this fall.

"There were some good results, like Marius and (Andrew) Dobbs winning regionals but besides that overall I think we could have done better," Fichtel said.

The Vandals will have individual workouts until winter break and Beaman knows there is a lot of work to do.

"We're going to hit the conditioning hard to use this last

little bit of time to get ready for the team part of the season in the spring," Beaman said.

Looking back at this time last year, Beaman said this season was similar in some ways. He said the team's appearance at doubles nationals this year is huge, but last season's big wins took players deeper into regional play.

He said the team's depth is great because if they do suffer injuries it will not be so detrimental where as last year it would have been crushing to

lose Lachlan Reed or Cirstea.

The Vandals added some new faces this season and Beaman said he was pleased that they all came in and played at a high level. He said team cohesion made the season more successful all around.

"The thing that makes it great to coach this team is they get along, they work hard together," Beaman said. "We're not dealing with any prima donnas, were not dealing with tough personalities, they are just a great group."



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Idaho freshman Tayler Weiks moves through her fellow teammates as she shoots the ball during practice Tuesday in Memorial Gym. Weiks helped lead her high school team to fifth place in Washington's 2A State Tournament with a final record of 22-5 in league play. The Vandals play their first regular season game at 2 p.m. Saturday in Memorial Gym.

Idaho faces Corban in opener

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

The Vandal women's basketball team open the regular season against Corban University at 2 p.m. Saturday in Memorial Gym.

The Vandals are coming off a victorious exhibition game against Warner Pacific that ended 70-45 in their favor. Two freshmen, Stacey Barr and Krissy Karr lead the Vandals in scoring. Idaho coach Jon Newlee said it was an impressive debut for the newcomers.

Newlee said the team is polishing every aspect of the game.

"We've been working on our offense this week, trying to get it a little more smooth flowing," Newlee said. "We're working on our rebounding and working on our communication."

The Vandals start the season against a talented Corban University team. The Warriors are led by NAIA Division II All-American Katie Steigleman, who scored 19 of the team's 46 points against Gonzaga Nov.

5. Newlee said Steigleman is a legitimate threat his team has to pay attention to.

"They're talented and they're picked to win their league out there, I do know that," Newlee said. "We're going to have to come with a better effort and we're going to have to execute better than what we did on Saturday."

The Vandals struggled to rebound against Warner Pacific and the taller Warrior team will pose a greater challenge. Newlee said the speed of the Vandal

guards will hopefully counteract Corban's superior height.

"They got some size," Newlee said. "We're going to try to use our speed and we'll work on our inside."

He said he expects to see a lot of man defense, which means his team will have to be physical.

"From what I hear they play mostly man, so we're going to have to set hard screens, make good cuts and shoot the ball better from three," Newlee said.

49ers pose tough challenge

Theo Lawson
Argonaut

The Idaho men's basketball team won both of their exhibition games by overwhelming margins but will be the underdogs against Long Beach State Saturday.

The 49er team returns four 2010-2011 All-Big West honorees, all of whom were starters on last year's squad. Long Beach State received Top 25 votes in the AP and ESPN/USA Today Coaches preseason polls.

Coach Don Verlin confirmed that Deremy Geiger, Stephen Madison, Kyle Barone and Landon Tatum will start Saturday. Verlin has yet to confirm who will fulfill the power forward position, which has been sophomore Joe Kammerer's thus far.

The Vandals must take notice of 49er senior guard Casper Ware, who was named the Big West Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year last season. Long Beach State also returns senior forward T.J. Robinson, a

6-foot-8-inch forward who averaged 13.6 points per game last season and had 344 rebounds.

The teams met toward the conclusion of the 2009-2010 season for an ESPN BracketBusters match-up in Moscow. The 49ers came out on top 77-66 and the Vandal defense had no answer for then sophomore Robinson, who dropped 22 points and grabbed 15 rebounds. Ware, also a sophomore at the time added 20 points.

Idaho junior center Kyle Barone dominated the rebounding scene against Evergreen State and Willamette but the 49ers averaged 37 rebounds per game last season, and this Vandal team has not had the opportunity to face a physically dominant opponent.

Idaho shot poorly from the perimeter in the 2010 match-up, converting only three baskets from behind the arc. The Vandals look promising from the three-point line after two games, having tallied 15 total threes.

Verlin may look to freshmen Connor Hill and Matt Borton to lead the three-point efforts, as the two have combined for nine threes and 33 points in the exhibition wins.

Barone, a preseason All-WAC second team honoree, is expected to lead the Vandals. The junior utilized his 6-foot-10-inch frame to grab 28 rebounds and 27 points against Evergreen and Willamette but will be challenged by Robinson who dominated a match-up with ex-Vandal center Marvin Jefferson two years ago.

In addition, Long Beach State is riding a nine-game winning streak at Walter Pyramid, its home arena, and won 11 of the final 13 games last season.

Idaho has the benefit of playing the 49ers in their regular season opener, which also serves as the 49ers' Homecoming game, because of the school's lack of a football program.

Tipoff is at 2:05 p.m. and can be seen online at BigWest.org/TV or heard on the Vandal Radio Network.



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Deremy Geiger sinks a three point shot Nov. 8 at practice in preparation for the team's first regular season game against Long Beach State Saturday in Long Beach.

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Women's doubles team dominates showdown

Charles Crowley
Argonaut

The Vandal women's tennis team took the top three spots Saturday at the Lewis-Clark State College Campus Showdown.

The only losses suffered by Vandal pairings over the weekend were dished out by other Vandals. Coach Daniel Pollock said the teams had only been playing together for two weeks before the end of the fall season.

"They practiced together for about two weeks in the final two weeks of actual practice and this was their first competition together and I couldn't have asked for more," Pollock said.

Freshman Sophie Vickers and sophomore Almudena Sanz took first place, defeating sophomores Vicky Lozano and Beatriz Flores 8-3 in the final match. Lozano and Flores beat Molly Knox and Vicky's sister Alejandra Lozano to get to that final match. Meanwhile, Knox and A. Lozano beat Gonzaga's top pairing 8-6 for third place.

Pollock said the Vandals faced stiff competition at the tournament.

"It wasn't easy, they all had their top girls in there that we have seen all season and knew they could play," Pollock said.

Vickers said she and Sanz were surprised to win the whole thing considering the minimal time they had played as a pairing.

"We definitely weren't standouts to win," Vickers said. "The other schools had some top teams there and obviously beating Betty (Flores) and Vicky (Lozano) in the finals was a huge win for us."

Vickers said the only obstacle the pairing faced was the language barrier.

"We just clicked really well out there on the court and we both enjoyed it which just helped us a lot and made us play better and we had a lot more confidence," Vickers said.

Vickers said coaching played a role in the team's success.

"Getting first, second and third I think is a great reflection of the pro-

gram and of the team and especially of Dan," Vickers said. "He has done great work with us this semester and its showing in our results."

Vickers said her first season as a Vandal is progressing well.

"The training has been great and at the tournaments as a team I think we have had some really good results and I just enjoy the whole atmosphere here and enjoy being a Vandal," Vickers said.

As the fall season ends and the team moves to individual workouts while waiting for the spring season, Pollock said he has seen more ups than downs.

"There are a lot of good things that came out of it and there are still things to work on for the spring but I'm real happy moving forward," Pollock said. "Looking at the schedule, it looks like things could play out well for us as long as we don't have any injuries and keep the same attitudes that we have right now, we should be good to go."



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Freshman Sophie Vickers returns the ball during individual practice Monday at the Physical Education Building courts. The team has finished for the season, but are still holding one-on-one practices.

CROSS COUNTRY

Vandals have high hopes for regionals

Stephan Wiebe
Argonaut

Hopes run high among the Vandal men's and women's cross-country teams as the annual chance to qualify for the NCAA Championships draws near.

Idaho will compete against about 30 other universities from Washington, Oregon, California, Colorado and Idaho in the NCAA West Region Championships to be held Saturday in Palo Alto, Calif.

Expectations are high for the Vandals this year as both the women and men will be fielding full teams. The women's team has not had an NCAA Championship

qualifier since 2004, and the men's team hasn't been represented for more than 60 years.

"We are hoping to get some sort of representative at the National Championship," Idaho coach Wayne Phipps said. "Whether that's a team or individual, we definitely are shooting to have somebody represent us at the cross-country nationals."

The regional race features 27 men's teams and 34 women's. The field includes more than 300 runners, and only the top two teams in each region are guaranteed to qualify for nationals. Several individual runners get a chance to

qualify if they finish high enough in the race.

"The West Region has always been the top region in the nation so it's a tough one to qualify out of automatically," Phipps said. "You can finish in the top seven or eight as a team and still have a chance to go (to nationals) because you are running typically against nine or 10 teams that are ranked nationally."

Phipps said it can be tough coming into regionals after the runners spend so much energy in the WAC Championships, where the women placed first and the men took third.

"We definitely peaked for

conference," Phipps said. "(Practicing) is just a matter of holding on to that peak and finding a balance between maintaining fitness and staying rested for (the Regional Championships)."

On the women's side, the Vandals look to sophomore Hannah Kiser to lead the chase, and Barry Britt and Markus Geiger on the men's side. Britt was an all-region runner last year after placing 24th in the 2010 West Region Championships, just four places out of qualifying for nationals.

Phipps said athletes sometimes struggle to accurately determine the level of their competition, but as a

coach it is his job to understand that.

"As a coach, you have to be really aware of what other teams are doing and what individuals are doing," Phipps said. "It's difficult for an athlete to see where they are."

Heading into regionals Phipps is evaluating the competition to figure out which teams the Vandals should run with to give them the best chance to qualify.

"Times kind of get thrown out the window a little bit (at regionals)," Phipps said. "It's just a matter of matching up with teams that we feel are going to be potential last teams to make it into the national meet."

YEARNING

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One of the more bizarre scenarios for Idaho occurred later in the season when Towles was shown a red card against La. Tech. The ejection from the match left the Vandals with no keepers on roster, forcing forward Morgan Porter into action as, essentially, a fourth-string keeper.

Porter had seen no action at the position since high school, but days earlier joked with coaches about attending camps where she received instruction from Hope Solo earlier in her soccer career.

Showler said that left him with no doubts about making the decision to put her in. Porter preserved the shut out against La. Tech, but surrendered three goals to Utah State during her only start of the season.

Getting back on the pitch in 2012

When the Vandals get back into action next fall, they will do so with every player who logged minutes during the conference tournament. They will also have a full compliment of goalkeepers, including Boyden off of a medical redshirt.

So where does Showler believe the strength of his

team lies?

"Strength is going to be depth of quality," he said. "This program each year has gone from strength to strength. We've bettered ourselves every year."

The Vandals will have an experience-laden team.

Up to eight Seniors will vie for starting positions next fall. Among them are leading goal scorer Chelsea Small, captain defender Lauren Layton and midfielder Jill Flockhart. The second leading goal scorer, Bailey Hewitt, also returns as a junior.

Impact freshmen from 2011 Lilly Archer and Katie Baran will be in the mix, along with forward Nikki Adams and defender Emily Ngan who saw increased action during the conference tournament run.

As for the goals for the program on the pitch, that also remains constant. Representing the school and conference in the NCAA tournament is one that Showler said the program holds dearly. So while taking steps in the right direction is something to be proud of, they aren't quite there yet.

"We don't look at what happened yesterday," he said. "We look at how we can be better tomorrow."

MOMENTUM

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Linebacker-turned-running back Corey Toomer said he is also willing and ready to do whatever it takes to get a win this weekend. Toomer played against San Jose State as a short-yardage running back and provided some size and strength at the position.

"I'm becoming a short yardage back," Toomer said. "They get me over there (running back practice) every now and then ... so we just work on the plays we need to work on, as me being the running back."

Toomer agreed with Bailey regarding the physicality and speed of the Cougars.

"They're a good team and we're going to contain the quarterback and we're gonna do it to the best of our abilities," Toomer said.

BYU is 6-3 on the season with its only losses coming from Texas, Utah and Texas

Christian. Quarterback Riley Nelson, who replaced Jake Heaps in the fifth game of the season, has already racked up more than 1,000 passing yards, 12 touchdowns and a completion percentage of nearly 60 percent.

Toomer said even if the Vandals get in a hole like they did against San Jose State, they just need to stick to their game plan to overcome deficits.

"We stay positive throughout everything we do," Toomer said. "We always start fast or sometimes we start fast, but we always finish strong regardless of what happens."

Using the momentum gained from the most recent win will carry the team to Utah, Toomer said.

"We're so anxious to get this next win now. It carried over. We're gonna have a good game," Toomer said.

SWAPPING SKIS



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Josh Hightower inspects a pair of Dynastar skis at the 35th Annual Outdoor Equipment Sale and Ski Swap Thursday in the Student Recreation Center. The event was sponsored by Outdoor Programs and the University of Idaho ski team.



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Alicia Milo spikes the ball at practice Nov. 8. Milo was recently named the WAC volleyball Player of the Week. Milo was the third Vandal to receive the award this season.

MILO

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The Vandals conclude the regular season with two

road matches, stopping first at Fresno State Thursday and then Nevada Saturday. The WAC tournament begins Nov. 21 in Las Vegas.

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OURVIEW

## Dropping the ball

Penn State officials let secret lie for a decade

Football is not the be all, end all — humanity is.

The recent report of sexual abuse of children by former Penn State defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky has only made the point truer.

Sandusky is accused of sexually assaulting eight male children between 1994 and 2002. Sandusky coached at Penn State from 1969-99 before retiring. During that time, four of the incidents are believed to have taken place.

The seventh incident, which took place in 2002, was reportedly witnessed by Mike McQueary, a graduate assistant with the program at the time. McQueary said he reported to coach Joe Paterno that he had seen Sandusky sexually assault a

10-year-old boy in the locker room showers.

Paterno testified to the grand jury that he relayed this information to Athletic Director Tim Curley, according to the grand jury report.



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Approximately a week and a half later Curley met with Vice President for Finance and Business Gary Schultz and the graduate student. Curley testified that he told Penn State President Graham Spanier about the grad assistants' report in 2002, according to the same grand jury report.

Nobody called the police or did anything to protect the child.

There are few acts in life more disgusting than sexual

assaults on children, but by not reporting the incident to police, all involved managed to be even more disgusting.

It's difficult to comprehend how these men have slept at night knowing they did nothing. These men represent a university, and continued to do so for a decade after the incident McQueary said he witnessed.

Universities are supposed to be a safe place for students, faculty, staff and the community. They are supposed to be open and honest — not deceitful and shady. Nothing about this episode shines a positive light on Penn State or universities in general.

In the past few years, universities have become more and more tight-lipped, allowing only certain people — who have been highly scripted by cheap public relations hacks — to relay indirect, vague and shallow mes-

sages to students and the university community as a whole.

It would have taken only one person to report Sandusky to the police and resolve what evolved into a 10-year lie. Instead a man accused of child molestation and the men who knew about it have walked around unpunished while those children were left confused, hurt and potentially permanently scarred.

The alleged victims were stripped of their innocence and childhood, and will never get it back. The blame might ultimately fall on Sandusky — that's for a court to decide. But if McQueary witnessed it and Penn State officials knew about it they are guilty of allowing a culture of exploitation to exist on their campus.

Some argue that these men should have been allowed to keep their jobs or resign at the end of the

season, specifically Paterno. That is ridiculous. These men should be punished, and it should be more severe than losing a job — regardless of how many games a coach has won.

Football is not important in the slightest when sexual abuse of children — or any abuse — is involved. In fact, the clear lack of judgment and basic humanity from the university leadership when it comes to football should be cause enough for Penn State's Board of Trustees to consider shutting the entire program down for a period of time.

If the allegations are proven true, Paterno, Spanier, McQueary, Curley, Schultz and anyone else who thinks they should have been able to keep their jobs should revisit the definition of humanity. They clearly do not understand what it means.

— ER

### OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

#### Big weekend ...

... For Idaho athletics. Football and both basketball teams in action Saturday. Make sure to listen to KUOI 89.3 at 2 p.m. Saturday to hear the women's game. Go Vandals.

—Madison

#### Remember our soldiers

No matter what your beliefs or political views are, we can all join together despite our differences to honor our brothers and sisters who have and are currently serving in the U.S. Military.

—Anja

#### Today, I am thankful for ...

... coffee, especially the seasoned, flavored mochas. I'm officially an addict.

—Britt

#### John Lennon

"Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans."

—Rhiannon

#### Music to a 3-year-old

I was driving around the other day with the radio on, and my son started to sing, "I'm sexy and I know it."

—Jake

#### Penn State

Read Our View.

—Elizabeth

#### M&Ms

I attended a sexual health open forum today and we used M&Ms to represent STIs. Brown is Chlamydia. I will never look at M&Ms the same again.

—Jens

#### It's unfortunate ...

... that the Gauss-Johnson computer lab isn't open 24 hours. It's sad to see a crowd of engineers, myself included, kicked out at 10:30 p.m. with two hours of computing left to do and nowhere else to go to access similar software.

—Amrah

#### I'll be quacking

Oregon vs. Stanford this weekend. Let's go, Ducks.

—Theo

#### Dark at 5 p.m.

This daylight savings thing is terrible. Does anyone even wake up early enough for it to matter anymore?

—Jacob

#### Such a nerd

Is it sad that the main reason I am looking forward to Thanksgiving break is because it will be an opportunity to catch up on homework? I seriously need to get a life.

—Elisa

#### 11/11

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—Vicky



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## Rural poverty is a hidden issue

When most people think of poverty and homelessness, they think of shabbily dressed people living under overpasses and panhandling for money. While urban poverty often takes that form, rural poverty is much different.

Rural poverty is a hidden problem because we don't see homelessness in the same sense that we do in large cities. It is more common in rural areas for people to live in cars and

substandard housing.

There are resources available in the Moscow area to those in need.



Eric Czirr  
Argonaut

Food banks, food stamps and Sojourners Alliance are a few. Unfortunately, in light of the recent recession, the state of Idaho cut its funding for these resources, so food stamp benefits aren't cutting it for some people. Food banks have also seen a decrease in charitable

giving from corporate donors and are left trying to provide for a need

that is larger than what they have to give. Sojourners Alliance provides transitional housing — shelters that individuals or families can live in for a period of 90 days to two years. Sojourners can house 12 single males, four females and two families. All of the facilities are full. Sojourners might be able to give hotel vouchers, but often they must refer elsewhere. The needs of poverty are bigger than what is provided.

There is no emergency housing in Moscow. Emergency housing is shelter for less than 90 days. The

closest emergency shelters are in Coeur d'Alene and Spokane. So if you were looking for a short-term place to stay, you might be able to find yourself a bus ticket to Spokane. Uprooting those in need and sending them elsewhere for help isn't what a community should be doing.

The poverty rate in Seattle is roughly 11 percent. In Moscow it is north of 20 percent. That means if you were to walk around downtown Moscow, one of every five people you see, statistically speaking, is in poverty.

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## Work against white privilege, not black history

At some point, everyone's heard the argument: "If there's a Black History Month, why isn't there a White History Month?" It's a common sentiment, especially among those concerned with "political correctness," a term which has long been misused. Such a statement brings up some fundamental questions of fairness and equality, but not the ones the person asking may intend.



Max Bartlett  
Argonaut

The question should not be why we have Black History Month, or Gay Pride parades, and not their majority counterparts — but why don't majorities need them?

The answer comes down to privilege: White privilege, or male privilege, or straight privilege. Members of societal majorities receive special benefits simply for being members of those majorities. Unlike, say, affirmative

action or special holidays, many of these benefits are not codified into law. Many people may not even realize the advantages they have.

White families in the U.S., for example, enjoy far greater median income than black families. A 2004 Brookings Institution survey of household incomes showed that the median income for black families was 58 percent that of whites. The gap has actually widened since 1974 when black median income was 64 percent that of white income.

Additionally, white

children are likely to make more than their parents, while black children are likely to make less. So white privilege is not just greater income, but greater class mobility and opportunity to improve economic situation.

Male privilege is also a major factor in our society. On average, women make about three quarters what men make for the same jobs. Women also don't rise as high in the workforce — the infamous "glass ceiling." In 2009, there were only 12 women CEOs of Fortune 500 companies.

Privilege can be tough to identify, and difficult to accept. Most members of majorities don't want to believe they may have achieved success because being white or male gave them an advantage, and this has led to many refusing to accept the idea of privilege. But it doesn't mean that. Majority privilege represents an advantage that isn't often recognized. It is not the sole factor for one's success, any more than affirmative action would be for minorities.

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# Finally a break, but is it really?

How to catch some fun and still get enough done during break

Thanksgiving break is quickly approaching, and we are all looking forward to time with family, good food, much needed rest and miscellaneous activities such as hanging out with friends and watching movies.

We get a whole week free of daily assignments, waking up on cold mornings to go to class and our ridiculously busy schedules. Instead of waking up to the unpleasant sound

of an alarm clock, we can spend all morning sitting in front of the television, eating cereal and doing nothing. Thanksgiving break should be a time for relaxation, but is it really?

The date Nov. 19 is marked on my calendar and I am counting down. The days during Thanksgiving break are filled with fun things to do and nothing school related. But the weeks afterward

are filled with plans to get final projects and papers done. Seeing this burst my bubble of joy because I knew that after the break, it's back to work.

Everyone wants to have a good time during Thanksgiving break. You might want to travel, visit friends and family or even stay in Moscow and just have fun. But it could be impossible to have fun when there is a whole list of things to do suddenly creeping up on you.

Thanksgiving break is a time to relax, but it's also a time to try to get ahead with school work and get some things out of the way so you have enough time to study for finals.

Now, although this doesn't sound too exciting it shouldn't ruin your anticipation and plans for the break. This is what I had to make myself realize and trust me,

it wasn't fun.

So how do you make sure you get enough homework done during the break, but are still able to relax and have fun? The answer is simple. If you are leaving Moscow for the break, remember to leave some space in your bag for school books. If you are staying in Moscow, do not put those books away just yet because the semester is not over. In fact, the work always seems to start in full force just when the semester is wrapping up and we can't wait for it to be done.

It is important to know how to get that pile of homework done without ruining your break. The first step is to know the amount of schoolwork you have to get done, and then figure out the number of hours you will need to accomplish it. Plan your schedule for Thanksgiving break in the way that suits you best and you will be able to have fun and also get a lot of homework done at the same time.



**Toluwani Adekunle**  
Argonaut

## Don't believe everything you read

Children and mules are the same, according to a Tennessee preacher. Or at least they should be treated as such.

After the media frenzy surrounding a Texas judge whipping his daughter, people began looking into this issue and found three child deaths had been reported due to the practices described in the book "To Train Up a Child," written by Michael Pearl, the same preacher who likens children to mules.

In this book, emphasis is placed on the importance of training children through abuse and beatings. Parents are instructed to begin abuse as early as six months of age to discourage bad behavior, and are provided descriptions on which kind of pipe makes the best whipping tool. The winner is a quarter-inch flexible plumbing line — because it can be rolled up and carried around in your pocket.

While everything about Pearl and his book is mortifying, the fact that people follow his advice is almost worse.

If one person has severely misguided beliefs, they can be written off and children can be kept away from them. But Pearl has followers. More than 670,000 copies of his book have been

sold, and are especially popular among Christian homeschooling families, according to the New York Times.



**Katy Sword**  
Argonaut

It is common knowledge that physical and mental abuse is detrimental to a child's welfare, but some people put too much faith into what they read.

While the irony in this statement is clear, people need to realize

that just because something is in print or online does not mean it's true. With today's technology anyone can put anything online, and self-publishing has become easier. Those who follow a religion may be used to accepting what their leaders say as fact without questioning it. But there are times when questioning is necessary. If people had questioned the morality of Pearl's book, there would be significantly fewer children whose parents are abusing them because a book told them it was OK, and at least three children would still be alive.

The issue at hand should be one that everyone understands, but some seem to have missed this life lesson.

Don't believe everything you read, and don't follow someone blindly, for they can lead you down a path that is far less than righteous.

## PRIVILEGE

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But it does mean the playing field isn't level. Even without laws ensuring that majorities have an advantage, even with laws trying to fight discrimination. It means a disparity exists in economic, social and political power in this country. There is no White History Month because white people already have so many advantages in society. There is no Straight Pride parade because straight people in this country have not faced the kinds of discrimination and violence the gay community has.

We give special recognition to minority achievements in order to, in some small way, help level the playing field. On the surface it may seem unfair, but examining the underlying power disparities in America soon reveals that our society is unfair in the other direction. Fighting Black History Month or Gay Pride doesn't help create equality. It just reinforces existing structures of power and privilege.

## POVERTY

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Even though the poverty rate is staggeringly high, the physical amount of people in poverty in Moscow is less than that of Seattle. This also means there are less people to get on board to find practical solutions to the issue of poverty.

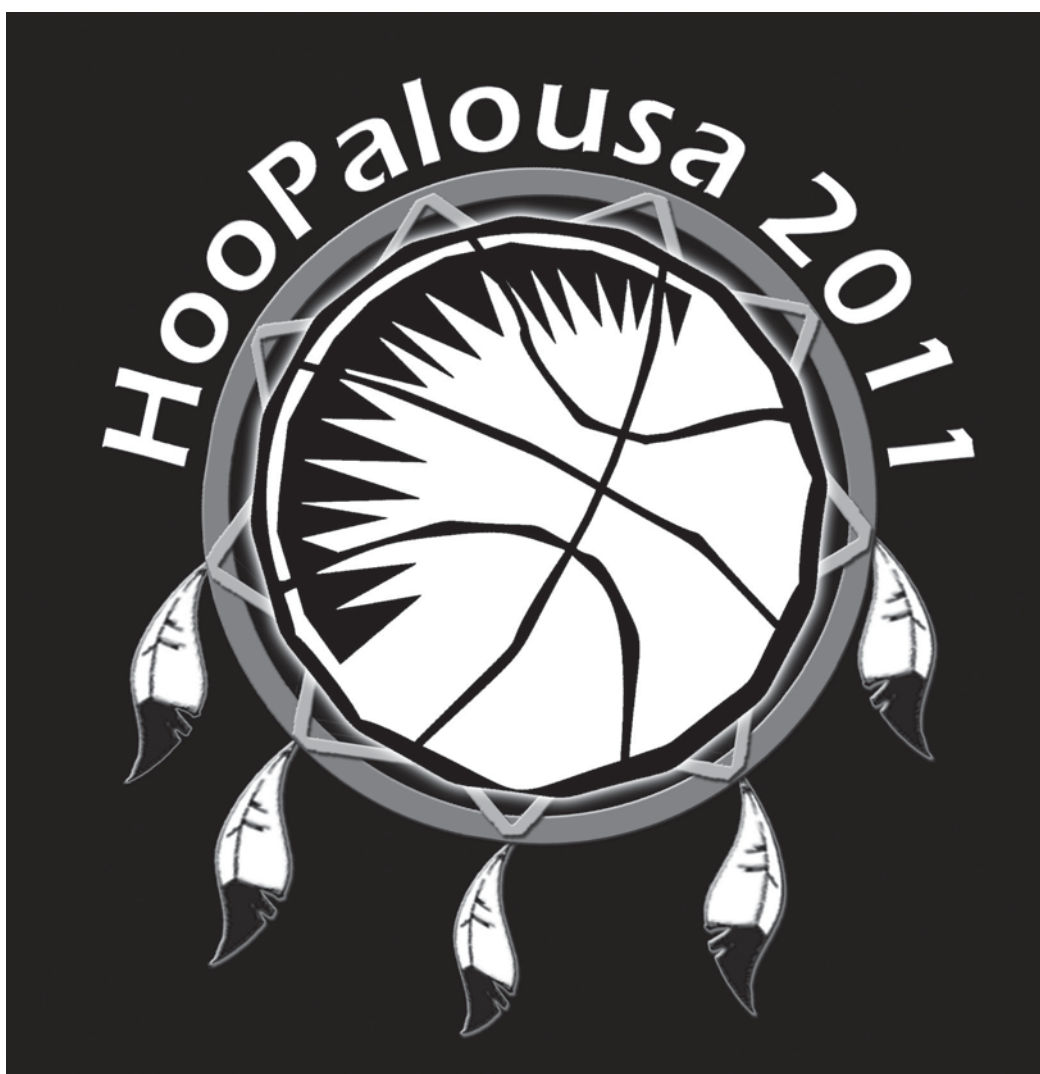
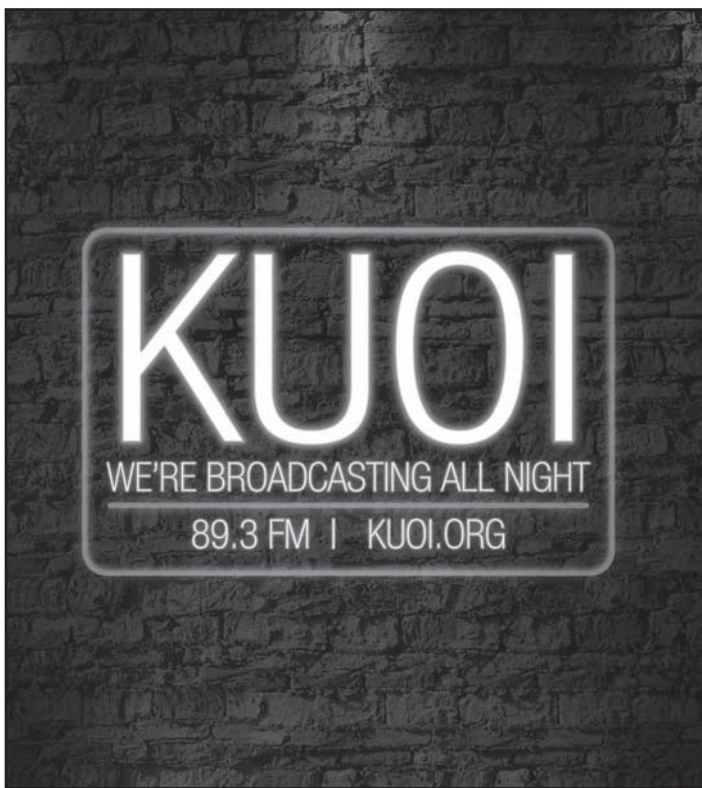
As a college student you might not think of yourself as a member of the community of Moscow. This is a myth. While you might not have the long-standing reputation other members of the community have, you are still here for at least four years and, if you are an Idaho resident, might even be

registered to vote here.

Right now, along with the ever-present need for food items, there is a need for hygiene items like shampoo, soap, deodorant and toothpaste — items that cannot be purchased with food stamps. There is also a need for food and donations at food banks in the area.

"Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, 'Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?" James 2:15-16 (NIV).

Let's stop pretending poverty in Moscow isn't a problem.



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