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## Student dies in car accident Elizabeth Rudd

Argonaut

A University of Idaho freshman and member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority died Nov. 20 from injuries sustained in a car accident the day before when traveling south of Smith's Ferry in Idaho.

Sarah Asmus, 18, was the passenger in a 2006 Toyota Camry driven by UI student and Kappa Alpha Theta sister Katherine Bulcher, 19. Asmus and Bulcher were traveling southbound on slush-covered roads when Bulcher lost control of the vehicle, fishtailed and crossed the centerline into oncoming traffic.

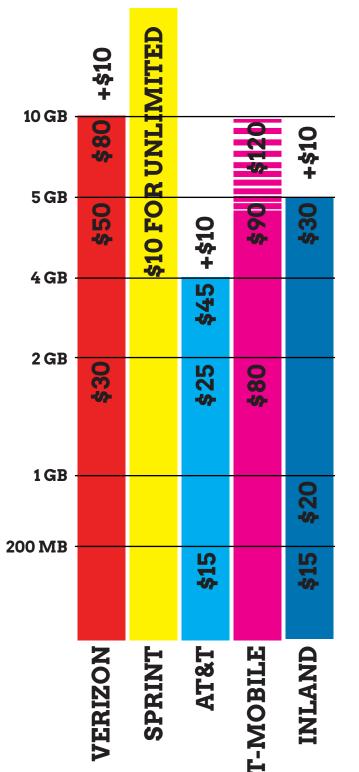
The Camry collided with an oncoming truck driven by a 62-year-old Boise resident who attempted to avoid Bulcher by moving to the right, according to the Idaho State Patrol report. Occupants of both vehicles were taken to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise

Asmus, a biology major, died at the hospital as a result of her injuries and Bulcher, an elementary education major, is still in recovery at the hospital in Boise. UI Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said he was told the two were part of a three - or four-car caravan traveling home together because they wanted to make the trip safely. He said he spoke with one person who witnessed the accident and she said a nurse and EMT were present and able to give aid almost immediately.

Pitman said he spoke with Bulcher's parents and they expect her to make a full recovery. He said she is walking and regaining her memory, and that he was told Bulcher said to her doctor Monday that "she's a Vandal."

A candlelight vigil in memory of

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## Tuesday, November 29, 2011

## KNOW YOUR **DATA USE**

#### Katy Sword Argonaut

Thirty eight percent of cell phone users have smartphones, according to a study published in August by emarketer.com, and the number is predicted to increase to 58 percent by 2015.

The rapidly increasing number of smartphone users has led cell phone companies to either continue offering unlimited data usage or regulate it for smartphone users. This split has led to varying plan options from each company, and caused users to question what they are paying for in their plan.

Most companies require an add-on to the standard cell phone plan for data usage. These plans allow users to surf the Internet, sync with email accounts and download applications.

Applications draw significantly more power than phone calls and texting, and can drain the phone's battery life if users forget to "kill" these applications. Eliminating them from the operating screen doesn't necessarily stop these programs from continuing to run in

the background. Smartphone users may need to download a task killer or learn the key combination that closes applications.

Forgetting, or not knowing how, to close these applications can increase data usage. There has been some confusion with user about where data usuage comes from and why they have been charged. Some refer to it as "Pantom Data" but there has been no report of being charged for "Phantom Data," according to cell phone company representatives. These extra charges can be explained by applications running in the background when users forget to "kill" them.

Applications also automatically update or open if users do not change manufacturer settings. Facebook applications are notorious for this, and may open and update every half hour if users do not change the settings.

Other than potential data use extremes that all cell phone companies share, each opted for a different method of organizing and offering data plans.

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## Private donors increase margin of excellence

#### **Britt Kiser** Argonaut

The average performance rates of the University of Idaho Foundation Inc. in the past three years national institutional foundations

into a pool called the Consolidated Investment Trust, and money managers invest them in domestic stocks, international stocks, etc. The return on that pool in the most places it in the top 5 percent of recent fiscal year was 20.4 percent. When somebody makes a gift to UI it goes through the University of Idaho Foundation first, which serves as the not-for-profit arm of the university, said Chris Murray, vice president of University Advancement.

foundation), they would take it and send it to the university and put it directly in that account."

Murray said individual donors have the ability to decide where their money is allocated.

"You can say 'I want it to



said Nancy McDaniel, executive director of the foundation.

The purpose of the foundation is to secure, manage and distribute private support to enhance growth and development at the University of Idaho, McDaniel said.

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"So let's say you wanted to give 25 dollars to scholarships for needy kids in Idaho," Murray said. "You would send the money to (the the dean of the College of Education ... or to scholarships ... or to a new science complex," Murray said. "You get to decide."

He said the foundation places the gifts into the right "bucket" for the university.

"(The foundation) provides that

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Luci Sanchez | Argonaut

Monica Reyna, left, Nylah Holt and Sierra Prindle chose to represent the lower class population by eating a rice dish as they sit on cardboard boxes at the Fifth Annual Oxfam Hunger Banquet Nov. 16 in the Student Union Building Hunger and class

Oxfam Hunger Banquet highlights class divide, world hunger

#### Amy Asanuma Ārgonaut

Student Union The Building ballroom housed a living depiction of the class divide in society Nov. 16.

The Fifth Annual Oxfam Hunger Banquet drew an array of University of Idaho students eager to learn about ongoing hunger crises in the world.

Upon arriving, all attendees were given a ticket describing where they would sit for the night. The room was divided into three groups - high, middle and low class. The high class received a multicourse meal, the middle received beans and rice, and the low class received rice.

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Steven Devine | Argonaut

University of Idaho marketing senior Hayden Anderl, left, and foreign languages senior Adriana Serna discuss the promotional strategy they developed for their Business 420 class Monday.

## Promoting paintball

Marketing students advertise local course

Lindsey Treffry Argonaut

As part of the University of Idaho Business 420 class - Promotional Strategy - four students have created a strategic marketing plan to promote and market Mule Shoe Paintball Park, a 10-acre course near Orofino.

'We're trying to raise awareness and get the business above ground," said Hayden Anderl, senior marketing major.

Anderl is one of the students working on the Mule Shoe project under the eve of professor Michael Ahlstrom. rounds, rental included Mule Shoe was used as a project for the class in a previous semester and Anderl said Ahlstrom had asked for volunteers to take on the challenge.





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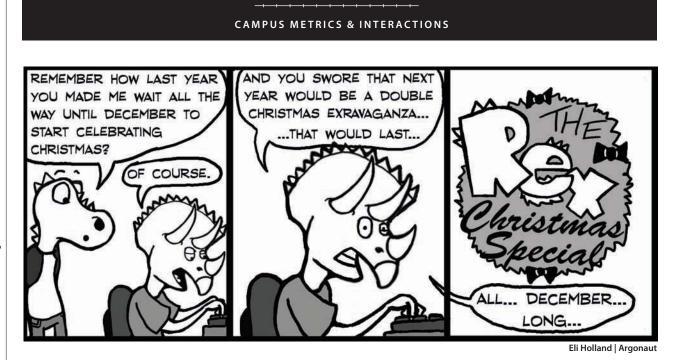
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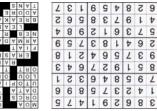
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#### **Vicky Hart**

## Honoring leadership

Longtime leader inducted into 4-H Hall of Fame

#### **Joanna Wilson** Argonaut

Myrn Gosse of New Plymouth, Idaho, has led her Rawhide 4-H group for almost 40 years, and was inducted into the Idaho 4-H Hall of Fame in November.

"Our oldest daughter was in 4-H when the old leader quit," Gosse said. "My husband said 'if you want her to be in 4-H, you start it.' I had children who were interested in horses, sewing, livestock — we did it all."

That was in the early 1970s, when her daughter was around 10 or 11. Although she planned to hand the group off after her own children left the program, Gosse said she couldn't disappoint members of Rawhide.

"I couldn't look at all those little faces and say, 'Sorry, I'm not doing it anymore," Gosse said. "My claim to fame is I can't turn a little face down."

Idaho 4-H, part of University of Idaho Extension, is part of a national youth program that works with children from kindergarten through 12th grade to teach them about science, agriculture, citizenship and the arts through hands-on activities and projects.

Maureen Toomey, extension associate of youth development, said Idaho 4-H will celebrate its centennial birthday in 2012.

Selected honorees are inducted into the hall of fame every three years, Toomey said. Fifteen people were chosen in 2005, and eight in 2008. This year the club will induct seven individuals and one couple, Toomey said.

Toomey said inductees are nominated by peers, extension faculty, or 4-H staff.

"They must have made significant contributions to 4-H and be role models in citizenship, leadership, career accomplishments and have good character," Toomey said.

Inductees can be volunteers, faculty and staff who have



Mary Jean Craig | Courtesy

Idaho 4-H Hall of Fame inductees are recognized for their service to the 4-H program in Idaho at the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Nov. 6 in Boise. Idaho 4-H is part of a national youth program geared toward hands on education.

been retired for at least three years. Toomey said the group receives letters of nomination describing the accomplishments of nominees, and a committee decides the honorees.

Arlinda Nauman, the Idaho 4-H director, said inductees are often chosen based on their length of service.

"In some cases the breadth — how many roles they filled in the 4-H program — is one way we honor their participation," Nauman said. "They receive a plaque, and then they receive a glass plate etched with Idaho 4-H Hall of Fame members."

Gosse's club emphasizes horsemanship, but includes a wide variety of other opportunities for the 40 children who are involved.

"One thing I was really proud of (establishing) is the Idaho Horsemanship Award. That was one of my major goals," Gosse said. "You have to be at least 14, pass a written test with a certain score, do an oral presentation, a demonstration. And then you do a performance test, in which you are allowed two mistakes. Not a lot of kids pass that — only one or two a year."

Gosse said she is mentoring a girl right now who has a good chance of passing.

"You have to be an excellent horseman. The test is tough," Gosse said. "I know I couldn't pass. It covers all phases and history of the equine field."

## MOSS-Idaho hosts North Pole trek, first responder courses

#### Jonathan Gradin Argonaut

As colder weather sets in outdoor enthusiasts are trading hiking boots for snowshoes. This year the University of Idaho McCall Outdoor Science School is hosting a free snowshoe orientation activity for all ages called "Trek to the North Pole."

On Dec. 10 participants will follow maps and clues to the "North Pole" to find Santa, using provided snowshoes. Afterward, they can enjoy hot chocolate and photos with St. Nick.

"It's a partnership with the local hospital here in McCall," said MOSS-Idaho registrar Sacha Jackson.

MOSS-Idaho instructor Gary Thompson is coordinating this year's event, and said pre-registration is free but required.

"We tried to come up with a community-based event that would be attractive to families and would be affordable — i.e. free — and would incorporate compo-



Gary Thompson | Courtesy

College of Natural Resources graduate student Sabrina Freedman helps a younger participant with his snow shoes during "Trek to the North Pole," an event for children and parents who would like to find Santa. The event is Dec. 10

New Planned Parenthood CEO to focus on preventive services

> Katy Sword Argonaut

After four months of searching, Planned Parenthood of Greater Washington and North Idaho has a new CEO.

Karl Eastlund took over as the interim CEO in June, but was appointed to the official CEO role Nov. 1.

The process began after the previous CEO, Anna Frank, stepped down June 3, said Gina Popovic, executive vice president of PPGWNI. mittee to more closely examine the organization as a whole.

"I think all CEO searches provide a time for the organization to be reflective about what strategic processes are," Popovic said. "The process of reflection takes time."

Eastlund said the process was educational for him, and allowed him to learn more about the position and regulations.

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nents of healthy and active lifestyles,' Thompson said

Thompson said the idea was suggested by McCall resident and three-time Olympian Lyle Nelson. Since the hospital and MOSS-Idaho don't have the individual resources to organize this event, the decision was made to make it a collaborative effort.

MOSS-Idaho is a UI extension program that provides science education and hands-on activities to elementary and high-school students, Thompson said. UI grad students teach the courses to gain real-world skills and provide economical instruction to students.

"It's a unique program," Thompson said. "I think there's only five or six similar programs in the United States."

During this event, MOSS-Idaho is hosting a three-day Wilderness First Responder re-certification course sponsored by the National Outdoor Leadership School's Wilderness Medicine Institute. Running Dec. 9 to 11, this course teaches and refreshes essential skills for treating injuries and emergencies in the wild.

"A Wilderness First Responder certification takes a First Responder certification to the next level," Jackson, a certified WFR, said. "Wilderness is defined as anything farther than two hours from definitive care. This is a valuable certification for anyone in Ponderosa State Park and sponsored by St. Lukes Hospital and University of Idaho's McCall Outdoor Science School.

who works or plays in the outdoors."

The organization has offered certification courses since 1990, said Shana Tarter, a WMI spokesperson.

"Our basic mission is to help people have the skills and confidence to respond to emergencies in remote settings," she said. "The nice thing about the re-certification course is that it's almost exclusively scenario-based, which we can use as a platform to update people on current techniques."

For students or community members who plan to work in an outdoor environment, the certification facilitates many job opportunities.

"Many outdoor industry jobs require a WFR to be employed," Jackson said. "For example, wilderness therapy, whitewater rafting companies, outdoor leadership, summer camps."

As this is a re-certification course, students must have a current WFR certificate or be in the one-year grace period following the expiration date. Fees are \$255 for tuition or \$345 for tuition, room and board.

The class is from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Subjects include adult and child CPR, shock treatment, cold injuries, and search and rescue basics.

#### More info

To register for "Trek to the North Pole" contact St. Luke's McCall Hospital at (208) 634-4061 ext. 180. To register for the WFR recertification class, call (888) 634-3918.

Those interested in first-time WFR certification can register for the 10-day full course held March 9 to 18, 2012. The firsttime certification course offers 80 hours of intensive instruction outside and in the classroom, which meets national requirements established by WMI's Medical Advisory Panel.

"Our longer programs, like our 10-day Wilderness First Responder or our monthlong Wilderness EMT, are geared toward outdoor professionals who are likely going to be put into positions where they might be with someone who's sick or injured for days," Tarter said. "Fifty percent of the information is delivered in a lecture-style format, and 50 percent of our experience is delivered through skills practice and scenario-based learning." tors appointed Eastlund and began the search for a permanent replacement.

Popovic said the search committee included board members and community members because they wanted the committee to be representative of the community.

"The search committee did several interviews and it became clear (Eastlund) was the right choice to bridge the past and the future," Popovic said.

Popovic said the search was trying, but allowed time for members of the comfor the next five years at the board meeting," Eastlund said. Eastlund said he plans to expand all of PPGWNI's efforts, but he also wants to focus on preventive

services and talking to people about these services. "So much of what we do is preventative healthcare, and

tive healthcare, and we need to make sure the public understands that," Eastlund said.

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## **Bards on the boards**

HooPalousa brings writers and players together for a cause

#### Summer Christiansen Argonaut

University of Idaho English professors, professional basketball players and published authors faced off on the Memorial Gym basketball court Nov. 15 as a diverse community gathered in support of the new American Indian Graduate Fellowship in Creative Writing at UI to have "serious fun for a serious cause."

The Spokane Dirty Realists included Seattle author Sherman Alexie, Spokane poet Shann Ray Ferch, former Gonzaga basketball player David Pendergraft and Washington State University journalism professor Ben Shors. The visiting team played a tight game against the Moscow SuperSonnets. The home team featured English professors David Thacker and David Sigler, basketball player Jonathan Takes Enemy and Moscow High School basketball player Hunter Levy.

"I can't believe how many people donated their time and effort to be a part of this event," said Kim Barnes, professor of English at the University of Idaho and event organizer.

Barnes said her novel writing class in the MFA program gave her the idea to bring writers and basketball players together.

"I work really hard to get estab-

lished, published authors to talk to these students, not just about craft, but about the process of writing a 300page novel," Barnes said.

Jess Walter, National Book Award finalist from Spokane, brought up the idea of playing basketball with other writers who had traveled to Moscow to talk at the MFA class.

Barnes said Walter had brought up the idea of Sherman Alexie coming and playing basketball with them.

"I knew Sherman Alexie since he was a student at Washington State University," Barnes said. "But Alexie doesn't just go anywhere, he's in demand like crazy. But Walter said he would come for basketball."

Barnes said she wondered what she could do with this many famous writers at the University of Idaho playing basketball.

"We'd been looking for ways to extend our opportunities to diverse communities," Barnes sad. "Tribal communities are so rich with story telling tradition and Alexie is always saying we need more native writers in creative writing programs because their stories are so important."

Barnes said Alexie has been quoted saying he belongs to tribe of bookworms and basketball players. When she proposed the idea of having a basketball game to support the new American Indian Graduate Fellowship in Creative Writing at the University of Idaho to Alexie, everyone was onboard.

"We knew that with Sherman's support and his positive energy and desire to bring Native American forces together, that it would generate a great deal of excitement and help us," Barnes said.

David Sigler, University of Idaho assistant professor in English, played for the SuperSonnets. Sigler said Barnes asked him to play because he played basketball in college.

"I had a great time playing," Sigler said. "It was thrilling to be playing basketball against writers such as Sherman Alexie and Shann Ray."

The Spokane Dirty Realists won 107-77. At the end of the game Chief Allan, chairman of the Coeur d'Alene tribe, donated \$1,000 to the fellowship. Pendergraft was named most valuable player and Barnes was given a basketball signed by all the players.

"It was an event that did exactly what we wanted it to do," Barnes said. "It brought communities together from both inside and outside the academy, bringing them together in a spirit of celebration of goodwill and generosity."



Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut

Joel Moffett and David Pendergraft go head-to-head in HooPalousa Nov. 15 in Memorial Gym. Pendergraft played for the Gonzaga Bulldogs.

### **Police Log**

#### Nov. 22

12:01 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic dispute and determined the dispute was not physical. Male subject left for the evening. 3:10 p.m. Law, fire and EMS responded to an unconscious person on West Sixth Street. Patient signed a refusal.

#### Nov. 23

1:38 a.m. Officers responded to a noise complaint in the trailer park of a subject supposedly hitting and throwing apples at his neighbor's trailers. 7:24 a.m. Report of possible gunshots at Northwood Drive and Styner Avenue.

11:36 a.m. A trespassing complaint reported against people living in a bus in the Safeway parking lot.

4:24 p.m. Officers arrested a male for drugs.

sponded to a non-injury traffic accident at South Main Street. 11:10 p.m. Officers responded to a report of false identification at CJ's.

#### Nov. 26

2:54 a.m. Report of possible gunshots at Veatch Street.

4:58 a.m. Officers responded to a trespassing complaint and arrested a male. 7:18 p.m. Male arrested for a DUI at Sunset Mart 8:36 p.m. Female arrested for simple battery 10:31 p.m. Officers responded to a hit and run at Sunset Mart

#### Nov. 27

12:25 a.m. Officers responded to report of drugs at the Corner Club 12:28 p.m. Break-in reported at Sigma Chi fraternity. 12:33 p.m. Report of tires slashed at North Polk Street. 5:11 p.m. Break-in reported at Sigma Chi fraternity. 8:45 p.m. Report of an injured raccoon on Troy Road.

## Parking changes may eliminate large blue lot

#### **Michelle Gregg** Argonaut

Blue parking pass holders at the University of Idaho might have a harder time finding parking in the 2012-2013 school year if Parking and Transportation Services (PTS) proposed changes are passed.

The proposed changes include transitioning the overnight parking lot near Sweet Avenue from a designated blue lot (60) to a more commuter-accessible red lot, Rebecca Couch, parking and transportation information specialist said.

The proposal also creates more purple parking spaces. Red lot 6 (on College Avenue) and a portion of green lot 111 (behind Mary E. Forney Hall) would be converted to purple and create an additional 94 purple spaces.

A \$5 price increase to the red parking pass and a \$10 increase to residential parking passes (purple, silver, green) would result from proposed changes. "The blue overnight lot 60 has a lot of debt attached to it still and needs to create more revenue," Couch said. "We wanted to discontinue the overnight parking within the lot because in the winter, those cars that are parked overnight cause trouble for snow removal." A large portion of the area will become an Intermodal Transit Center (ITC), Couch said, and construction efforts will takeover much of the space begin-



A parking lot near The Perch is seen from a Cessna 172 Oct. 8 University of Idaho Parking and Transportation Services has proposed changes to parking allocation.

to satisfy those against the

#### ning next summer.

The ITC will take up approximately 100 spaces in lot 60 and will be located on the corner of Sweet and Railroad avenues. Construction is scheduled to begin next summer if the

proposed lot changes. Director of Parking and Transportation Services Carl Root said he and others created specific objectives

within the proposal. "We want to continue to Amrah Camerah | Argonaut

#### More info

The final public comment meeting will be at 10 a.m. Nov. 30 in the Student Union Building. Comments can also be emailed to inputparking@uidaho.edu or mailed to Parking and Transportation Services c/o 12/13 proposals PO Box 1180 until Dec. 7.

#### Nov. 24

5:01 a.m. Officer responded to a possible vehicle prowl. 8:30 a.m. Report of drugs found at East Third Street.

10:16 p.m. Warning issued for a noise complaint of loud stomping at North Almon Street.

#### Nov. 25

8:00 a.m. Report of someone living in a bus in the Corner Club parking lot. 11:18 a.m. Officer re-

#### Nov. 28

1:18 a.m. Officers responded to report of a citizen dispute. 1:56 a.m. Male arrested for DUI at White Avenue. 2:33 a.m. Male arrested for obstructing a public

servant at White Avenue.

proposal is accepted.

Couch said the department has received a significant amount of feedback from the lot change proposal.

"There have been a lot of comments from people that do not want the blue lot to be changed." Couch said. "Most of the feedback has come from university employees who work around or at the Student Union Building. They feel like there needs to be an accessible lot to the east side of campus," she said.

Couch said PTS has listened to the comments and will discuss other options

improve pricing between the gold, red and residential parking passes, which is why we had the slight price increase," Root said. "We also need to increase revenue within PTS to add bike racks around campus and to maintain the various parking lots."

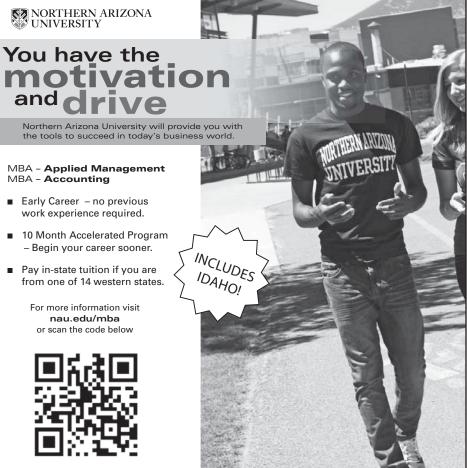
Root said current revenue makes it difficult to maintain lots and parking facilities campus-wide. Changing the blue 60 overnight lot to a red commuter lot will increase revenue, and allow space for construction of the ITC center, which is predicted to start

#### next summer.

"We learn what people like and don't like about certain areas of parking with these proposals and we like to try and meet the needs of everyone who has some-thing to say," Root said.

Root said final decisions will be made by the end of December 2011 or early January 2012.





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Asmus is planned for 7 p.m. Friday at St. Augustine's Catholic Center, and a memorial service was held Wednesday in her hometown of Blackfoot, Idaho.

Pitman said members of his staff were notified of the accident the day it happened and Matt Kurz, Greek adviser, called him Nov. 20 to let him know Asmus had died. Pitman said he spoke with her father a few hours later and was in communication with the family up to the funeral.

"I flew down for the funeral and so we spoke a few times between Sunday and Wednesday," Pitman said.

Pitman said Asmus' family was warm, generous and willing to talk about their daughter with those who attended the funeral and others in general.

"They were caring very deeply for Sarah's friends ... that they were getting the support they needed," Pitman said.

He said he thought the compassion they showed helped the others heal. He said Asmus' older sister, Rachel, spoke at the funeral on behalf of her parents Kurt and Elaine and the family, and was "remarkably composed and generous in her comments."

Kurt Asmus is a member of the Blackfoot Police Department, Pitman said, and law enforcement officers participated and helped with the service, which he said was beautiful.

"Uniformed officers were ev-

erywhere," he said. "It was very, very impressive."

About 20 members of Asmus' sorority also attended the funeral in Blackfoot and her family treated them as family, Pitman said. He said members of his staff, the UI Counseling and Testing Center and Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae also visited the sorority Sunday to talk about support services available and the grieving process.

Pitman said they felt it was important to meet with the sorority before the school week began because members are experiencing different stages of the grieving process.

"These women already had a week to grieve and be with their families and be cared for by their mothers and fathers," Pitman said.

He said Kappa Alpha Theta also held a private memorial Monday, in addition to the vigil that is planned for the end of the week.

"We encourage students to go to the University of Idaho Counseling and Testing Center or if they're part of a faith community seek support in that community and to participate in the candlelight experience," Pitman said.

He said he thinks the vigils have meaning and are an opportunity for healing. He also said students might find it helpful to write notes of condolence for the family because they can help both sides.

Pitman said his staff is always working with other faculty to identify students impacted by the incident they may not otherwise know about.

#### HUNGER FROM PAGE 1

The UI International Affairs and Oxfam clubs teamed up to put on the banquet.

"We want to help on the local level as well as the national level. It is incredible that the local level has poverty that we as students do not even realize," said Ana Reed, co-chair of the Oxfam Club.

To draw attention to the event, group members planned a "flash fast" at 11 a.m. the same day in the Idaho Commons. Participants held up signs in the food court with facts about world hunger and invited students to come to the Hunger Banquet in the evening.

At the start of the event freshman Alex Winslow and junior Andy Reed opened with a speech on world hunger. The speakers read reallife stories of individuals who live in other countries. Winslow and Reed depicted their characters' eating habits and economic situation.

"Hunger's roots lie in inequality and power," Winslow said.

Winslow explained that most people suffer from hunger because of their culture and family. Individuals cannot pick what family they are born into, Winslow said. Reed spoke of the division of the room. He explained that 15 percent of society is high class 35 percent is middle class, and 50 percent is low class. This caste system was reflected by the students on the cardboard on the ground, those in chairs, and those at decorated round tables.

"Ultimately, power is man-made," Reed said. "We have enough food to feed everyone in the entire world easily. Unfortunately in these times, some people do not know where there next meal will be."

After students received their corresponding dinners, the speakers opened the floor to any individuals who wished to share their experiences.

"I used to work at a construction site," said Kyle Nelson, a UI student. "There was a line of people at a local food pantry blocking the road. It was encouraging to see organizations helping out."

Other students shared stories from around the world.

"I went to Honduras and visited an orphanage. It was the most meaningful part of my trip to see children safe and fed," said Thomas Lansing, UI senior.

All of the proceeds collected from the night will be donated to Oxfam America.

#### PAINTBALL

FROM PAGE 1

"It sounded fun," said Adriana Serna, marketing major. "It was something that was possible."

Other Mule Shoe group members include Kari Eggert and Collette Kirby.

As part of the final third of the class, Ahlstrom assigned 10 projects to 10 separate groups. He required them to make a strategic marketing plan, analyze businesses and use promotional tools.

"Fundamentally, what we're looking at is how the word gets out," Ahlstrom said. "(The purpose of) promotion is to educate, inform, build awareness and persuade."

DATA FROM PAGE 1

#### Verizon

Verizon allows users to pick an add-on plan with a set amount of data based on what users think they will use.

"There's several different plans to choose from based on how much you need to Ahlstrom said he gives his students six promotional tools to use and choose from when approaching the business. These tools are broadcasting, public relations, personal selling, sales promotion, interactive or online and direct marketing.

Anderl and his group chose print advertising and online marketing to market Mule Shoe. The group re-made the business' Facebook page and built a website, free of charge, through a newly made Gmail account. Anderl and Serna said they learned how to create a strategic marketing plan while featuring Mule Shoe.

"It's easy in your head to say 'I'm going to make flyers or a Facebook,' but this (plan) is what you'd give to a major

#### **T-Mobile**

T-Mobile offers three unlimited plans which offer 2, 5 or 10 GB of data per month. Because these plans are "unlimited" but come with a data limit, T-Mobile slows down the browsing speed for the rest of the billing cycle.

"So when you go over, if you are on 4G it goes to tions and streaming music and video, data usage can quickly rise.

"Usually users use more data if their applications don't close," Odenborg said. "It can add up quickly."

#### Inland Cellular

The only local cell phone provider in Moscow, Inland Cellular, places more focus on the customer, said Dar-

company," he said.

Anderl said marketing challenges included the distance of the park — Mule Shoe is an hour and a half away. But he said the location was also an asset because snow rarely settles in the park and the location overlooks a valley.

Ahlstrom said the project gets students "out in front of the firing squad" and pushes them to market by creating and sustaining demand both profitably and honorably.

Other projects include marketing plans for businesses like Columbia paint, Hyperspud Sports and Barber Pole Putters.

"If we do a good job at this, we should get to the point where (Mule Shoe) is always getting new people," Anderl said.

#### FOUNDATION FROM PAGE 1

financial fuel for the university to really continue to move forward and deliver on its promise of a great university for our students," Murray said.

A person can make a gift to the university in two ways — a donation to be put to use immediately, or an endowment that begins at \$25 thousand.

Murray said endowments are gifts put into the foundation, and invested into the stock market. Instead of spending the entire donation, the foundation gives 4 percent of the gift each year.

Murray said the 4 percent is collected interest so the \$25 thousand corpus — or portion that isn't touched — can grow from inflation or rising costs.

"So what happens is, say I give a \$25 thousand endowment," Murray said. "The next year, it grows a little bit, and pretty soon it's \$50 thousand, or \$75 thousand — that's really the power of endowments. They're very important dollars to the university as it moves itself forward."

Murray and McDaniel call private support the "margin of excellence."

"Those monies are added to all our other money — student tuition, (money) from the state and money we generate ourselves — and really allow us to do some of the things that we otherwise would not be able to do," Murray said. "That could be renovating a building. That could be establishing a faculty fellowship so we could keep a great teacher."

McDaniel said the majority of private donors are Idaho alumni, but also include corporations, foundations, parents of students, etc.

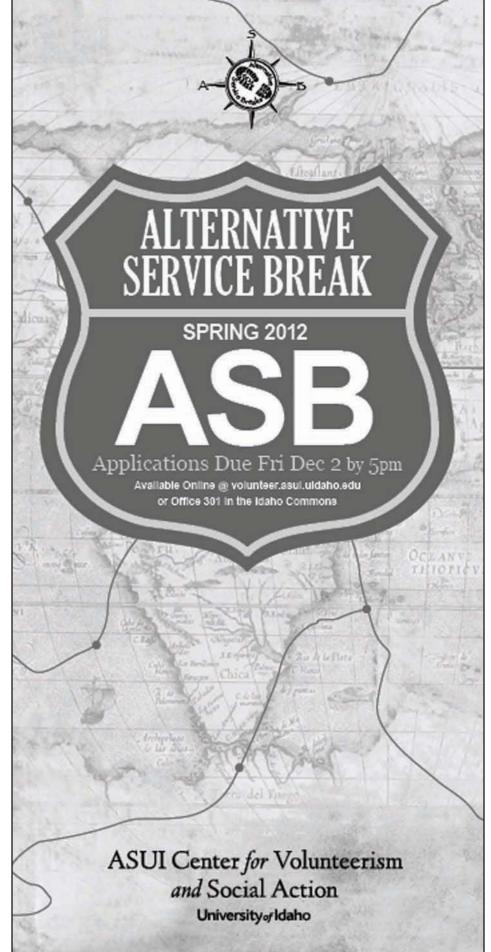
Murray said the university needs to get better at instilling a sense of giving back in its graduating students.

"As our students graduate, when they get that phone call — which they will as an alumnus — to make a \$10 gift, then hopefully they'll do so," he said. "It's really fulfilling that circle of philanthropy, where they've been bettered off — whether that's been by a faculty member they had, a building they were in or a scholarship they received."

Murray said it's crucial that students give back, regardless of the dollar amount, because private dollars are essential to the unique and transformational student experience the university provides.

Providing that experience is only possible and increasingly possible in the future — with private support, as state aid is continually dwindling, he said.

"Those private dollars are going to be so important as we move the university forward, for things like retaining great faculty, scholarship dollars to allow students to come here who otherwise may not be able to, and fixing our buildings so they can be the platforms for teaching and research that we need," Murray said. "All those things can be bettered with private support."



use," said Mike Miller, a Verizon wireless consultant. "A regular smartphone is \$30 (in addition to the base plan) for 2 GB of data which is usually enough if you are just going on the Internet or checking your email. If you go over, you just pay for it it isn't stopped and you pay \$10 per GB after that."

Ninety percent of Verizon customers do not go over the 2-GB limit, Miller said. The average customer uses about 1 GB of data a month, but it can vary.

"If I were using Slacker or Pandora on my phone it would use a lot more," Miller said.

To help smartphone users, there is now a program they can download to check their usage, or they can just go online, Miller said.

#### AT&T

Users have three data levels to choose from, ranging from 200 MB to 4 GB, for an additional fee. As users get closer to the limit they receive notifications of their usage, one at 65 percent, 90 percent and finally 100 percent asking if they would like to increase their data by 1 GB for the month for an additional \$10. If users exceed the limit and continue to use data they are upgraded and charged the extra fee.

Anne Marshall, an AT&T representative, said the plans were determined through research.

"This is a highly competitive market in an industry that is continuously evolving so it's possible that data plans could change in the future," Marshall said. 3G, 3G goes to 2G," said Kendra Altman, a T-Mobile representative. "It depends on how much you go over."

T-Mobile decided to offer plans this way to save customers money.

T-Mobile users are the only group to exceed the average data usage. Most companies reported an average of 1 GB use per month, but T-Mobile reports an average of 5 GB.

To help eliminate excessive use, using Wi-Fi has been suggested because surfing the Internet or streaming video is not powered by the cell phone company, and does not count toward the user's data limit.

#### Sprint

Sprint offers a unique array of data services.

"When Sprint was deciding to do a cap on the data or do the premium data add-on they did a study," said Ross Odenborg, a Sprint representative. "What they got out of it was that customers would rather pay the extra \$10 than have a cap. It's hard to go over 2 GB, but when you do it costs a lot of money, so you don't have to worry about going over."

Sprint offers data addons for all cell phone users, including the unlimited data plan. However, smartphone users pay a \$10 fee in addition to whichever plan they have because they use more data than a non-smartphone, but pay the same price for their plan.

The average cell phone user may not need large data packages, but with faster browsing speeds, hundreds of thousands of applicaren Malm, the regional supervisor.

Inland Cellular has three options for smartphones a 200 MB plan, 1 GB plan or 5 GB plan are offered as add-ons to the existing plan, and cost \$10 for each additional GB used past the limit selected by the user. These plans are, however, only for Android phones, because Blackberry phones run on different software. Inland Cellular offers two options for Blackberry users starting at \$30.

Inland Cellular is similar to AT&T in that they notify customers going over their usage, although they report their averages are around 1 GB, similar to other companies.

"Our company prints overage reports and we get in touch with each individual customer, and go over it," Malm said. "If they are going over it means they are in the wrong plan and we work to get them in the right plan."

Inland Cellular also followed a similar decisionmaking process when it came to implementing smartphone-specific plans.

"The big thing is we like to offer flexibility in our plans," Malm said.

Overall, smartphone users have additional fees to look forward to if they want to continue making the most of the advantages of their cell phones.

Each company has individual appeals to each user, but one fact remains consistent with each company — to avoid overages, "kill" apps and use Wi-Fi whenever possible.

## SPORTS Geiger's 23 propel Vandals to victory

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Zach Edwards | Argonaut Korey Toomer, listed on the roster as a linebacker, runs the ball during the football game against Utah State Nov. 19 in the Kibbie Dome. The Vandals lost the final home game of the season in double overtime, 49-42. Idaho ends the regular season Dec.3 against Nevada.

## Break and bye much needed Nick Groff

Argonaut

The good news is the Vandals didn't lose Saturday — but they didn't win, either.

Idaho coach Robb Akey said the team was able to take advantage of its bye week and enjoy Thanksgiving with family and friends, which was much needed after a painful 42-49 double-overtime loss Nov. 19 against Utah State.

"This is the first time we've had that break," Akey said. "Most of them went home, saw their families. There were a few of them still in town, even some of the ones that stayed in town went off and joined some of the families, teammates and that kinda thing.'

Akey said he had a few players at his house for Thanksgiving dinner and the time away from football helped heal injuries across the Vandal squad.

"We got some bodies feeling

Brian graded out terday, and had better in practices in the previous week and that's what got him the opportunity to start that game. Robb Akey, Coach

#### Theo Lawson Argonaut

The Idaho men's basketball team utilized an early lead to come out on the winning side of a 76-67 contest with Big Sky opponent Montana State Saturday in Memorial Gym.

The win sets the Vandals one game above .500 and gives them their first pair of consecutive wins this season.

The Vandals jumped out to an early lead in the first half and led by as many as 20, thanks in large part to the Idaho starting five, who contributed to all but five of the teams' 32 first-half points.

"I thought we played really well for about 17 minutes, then we played ok the rest of the way," coach Don Verlin said. "If you're going to be a good team, you've got to take care of your home court and I thought our guys came out like they wanted to, at least in the first half.'

During those 17 minutes, Idaho stretched its lead to 32-12 and had little trouble penetrating the paint as Deremy Geiger led all scorers at halftime.

The Bobcats clawed their way back into the game with 3:35 remaining in the half after a 3-pointer from Jeff Budinich sparked a 10-0 run that would see the visitors trailing by 10 at the half.

Montana State came out of the gates hot and closed Idaho's lead to just eight points following a lay-up, but senior center Kyle Barone made the most of a three-point play to earn the Vandals' first points in more than six minutes.

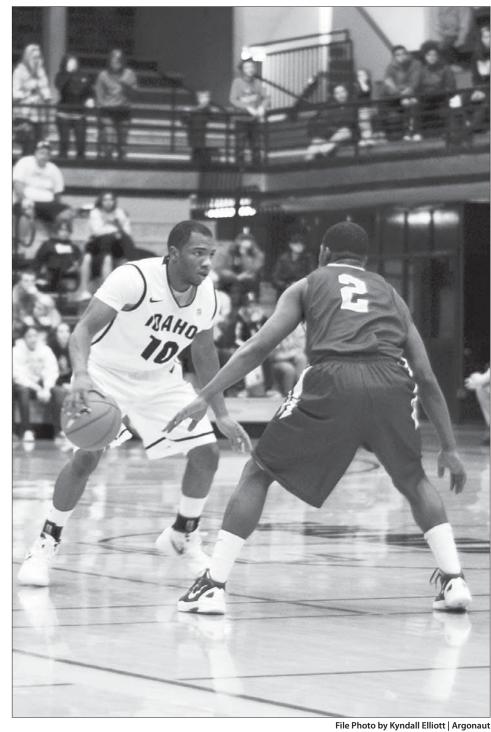
Geiger made his presence known in the second half, almost doubling his point tally for the first half with 15. He left the game leading all scorers with 23 points, four assists and two rebounds.

"I thought our two senior guards played very well tonight," Verlin said of Geiger and Landon Tatum. "They controlled the tempo of the game and had very good defensive pressure, and it didn't show in the stats, but I thought Kyle Barone had a really good game, too."

SEE VICTORY, PAGE 9

Landon Tatum protects the ball against Willamette's guard Terrell Malley Nov. 5 in Memorial Gym. The Idaho men's latest victory was against Montana State Oct. 26, 76-67.

Idaho snaps losing streak





healthier any-

way," Akey said.

"We got them all

and play this last

opportunity we

have to all play together."



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File photo by Kyndall Elliott | Argonaut Idaho punter Bobby Cowan runs drills at practice earlier this fall in the Kibbie Dome. Cowan failed to make top three in the Ray Guy award list this season, although he was second in most punts, punting yards and third in best average yards per punt in the nation.

## Cowan left off Ray Guy list

#### Madison McCord Argonaut

Even though Bobby Cowan has the second-most punts, punting yards and third-best punting average in the nation, it was not good enough to be named a finalist for the Ray Guy award.

University of Idaho punter Bobby Cowan, who has been at or near the top of every major punting statistical category this season, was not one of three finalists for the Ray Guy award announced Nov. 21 at the ESPN headquarters in Bristol, Conn. The award is given out annually to the best punter in the nation, and this year's finalists are all currently behind Cowan in major categories.

#### Kevin Bingaman Argonaut

The Idaho women's basketball team snapped a fourgame losing streak Saturday with its defeat of Morehead State 71-45 at the New Mexico Thanksgiving Tournament.

The Vandals (2-4) came into the night having lost every game since their opening day victory against Corban University. Idaho coach Jon Newlee said his team looked the best they had all season.

"It really was the complete package tonight," Newlee said. "It certainly was the best effort of the year without a doubt. Nobody wanted to leave here 0-2.'

The Vandals started on a 10-2 run and ended the first half on a 12-2 run to take a commanding 37-25 lead into the locker room. Defensively Idaho held the Eagles to 23 percent shooting and caused 15 turnovers. Newlee said it was all about execution.

"Our players implemented the game plan defensively to perfection," Newlee said. "They did a fantastic job of playing it exactly the way we wanted them to and our defense set up our offense."

Contributions from a variety of players were key to Idaho's success. Freshman Stacey Barr once again led the vandals with 18 points while senior Ganeaya Rogers added 14. Sophomore Alyssa Charlston also had 12. Nine different Vandals scored in the game.

"Stacey knocked down some 3s early, Keri (Arendse) got off to a big start and it kind of opened everything up," Newlee said.





Zach Edwards | Argonaut

Senior Adrie Shiels attempts a shot over a Gonzaga defender during the basketball game Nov. 17 in Memorial Gym. The Vandals lost to the Bulldogs 91-42. Idaho takes on the Washington Huskies in Memorial Gym.

"And we handled their pressure. We made better decisions and took better shots than yesterday and all-in-all a great job on both sides."

The one sore spot for the Vandals was the 19 times they turned over the ball. The Vandals look to take the momentum of this win into Wednes-

day's game at 5:30 p.m. in Memorial Gym when PAC 12 foe the University of Washington comes to town.

The Huskies own a 5-1 series record over the Vandals. dals. Washington enters the match with a record of 3-2 and is coming off a loss to San Diego State.

Idaho will pre-

pare this week for the Wolf Pack of Nevada, a team the Vandals (2-9, 1-5 WAC) have not beaten under Akey. Kickoff is set for 1:05 p.m. Saturday in Reno.

Akey said quarterbacks Brian Reader and Taylor Davis will compete for the start in Reno, but at this time Reader will lead the Vandal offense. He said Reader started against Utah State because he showed the best opportunity to win the game - not because it was senior night.

"Brian graded out better in practices in the previous week and that's what got him the opportunity to start that game," Akey said.

Reader gave his best performance of the season, throwing for 275 yards and completing 27 of 39 attempts with only one interception against the Aggies.

"He (Reader) played a good game. We were more productive on offense," Akey said. "He needs to perform well during practice this week. Taylor needs to perform well this week. ... Your back-up is one play away from needing to go in."

Even in the ninth loss of the season, there were a lot of positives. Three Vandals had double-digit tackles, with senior Tre'Shawn Robinson leading the crew with 20 total tackles and a forced fumble. On the opposite side of the ball, running back Kama Bailey rushed for 110 yards and linebacker and short-yardage running back Korey Toomer made it into the end zone three times.

"He (Toomer) did alright didn't he?" Akey said of the redshirt senior's performance against the Aggies. "That's like hitting three home runs in a baseball game. Korey's done a great job for us this year."

The Wolf Pack are likely not as strong as in recent years with the departure of standout dual-threat quarterback Colin Kaepernick, but are 6-5 overall and employ a run offense that ranks ninth in the country.

"I think they're a good football team no question about that," Akey said. "But I also think that if we go play well, I expect to have the opportunity to win that game. This is the last chance for these seniors to play football."

## WAC round-up: Week 13

Theo Lawson Argonaut

#### La. Tech 44, New **Mexico State 0**

The Bulldogs clinched the WAC and an automatic bowl berth with their defeat of the Aggies in the regular season finale in Ruston, La. The La. Tech shutout



saw the host score all 44 points prior to the fourth quarter. The win caps the end of a regular season seven-game winning streak that started on Oct. 8. Six of those wins came against WAC opponents. La. Tech will likely face Mountain West champion, TCU in the Poinsettia Bowl. Against New Mexico State, La. Tech utilized a red hot rushing game led by Hunter Lee, who ran for 148 yards and three touchdowns. Aggie freshman quarterback Travaughn Colwell threw three interceptions, one of which was returned 45 yards for a Bulldog touchdown.



#### Utah State 21, Nevada 17

Utah State became bowl eligible after its fourth consecutive win in a nail biter that came down to a Robert Turbin touchdown reception

as time expired in the third quarter. The Wolf Pack retained a three-point lead heading into halftime, and Utah State's offense waited until late in the third quarter to initiate a comeback. Matt Austin and Aggie quarterback Adam Kennedy connected for a 21-yard touchdown with less than two minutes remaining to give Utah State its first lead of the game. Nevada answered immediately when Wolf Pack quarterback Cody Lantrip found receiver Rishard Matthews down field for a 76-yard touchdown throw that put the visitors back on top with 1:23 left in the third. This lead didn't last as Utah State receiver and back-up quaterback Stanley Morrison came through when he hooked-up with Turbin for a 34-yard touchdown. This proved to be the decider as neither team scored during the fourth quarter.

#### San Jose State 27, Fresno State 24

Both teams' dismal WAC marks didn't ruin the battle of the 152nd rivalry between the in-state foes. The host Bulldogs started out with all of the momen-



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tum, earning an early 10-0 lead following a field goal and Robbie Rouse rushing touchdown. The Spartans charged back with a field goal and rushing touchdown of their own to tie it at 10-10, but Rouse punched one more before halftime to help Fresno State regain the lead. The third quarter favored the visiting Spartans, who converted a field goal and took back the lead through Matt Faulkner's 38-yard touchdown pass to Jabari Carr. Faulkner found receiver Noel Grigsby early in the fourth to extend San Jose's lead to 10. Fresno State attempted a comeback of its own as Bulldog quarterback Derek Carr made things interesting late in the fourth when he closed the gap to three after Fresno State's first passing touchdown of the game. It proved to be too little too late for the Bulldogs though as both teams finish the season with 3-4 WAC records.



without Moniz. Against the Conference-USA opponent, Graves accounted for two of Hawaii's three first half touchdowns and the hosts led 21-14 heading into the third quarter. Graves found Trevor Davis early in the third for his third touchdown of the game but Tulane forced a safety and Orleans Darkwa ran in a 2-yard touchdown to close the Warriors' lead to five. Hawaii running back Joey Iosefa clinched the win midway through the fourth quarter with a one-yard touchdown run and the Warriors finish the season .500 despite major injury setbacks.

## The fan's love-hate relationship with Tarvaris Jackson

The record should speak for itself. In 10 games starting for the Seattle Seahawks, Tarvaris Jackson

is 4-6. He has tossed more interceptions (12) than touchdowns (9). His quarterback rating is a mediocre 72.8, for those following at home that puts him at No. 28 in the NFL.

The final straw hit fans Sunday against Washington, when the man we not-so-affectionately refer to as T-Jack, fell flat on his face in the fourth quarter, allowing Seattle to blow a 10-point lead to the less-than-great Washington Redskins, losing 23-17.

The fact of the matter is, Tarvaris Jackson is not very good. So why is he even in Seattle in the first place? Why did Seattle let Matt Hasselbeck walk?

Titans primed to make the AFC playoffs.

Pete Carroll spews his "Win Forever" rhetoric to

the fan base so often that fans sometimes buy into it more than necessary. Make no mistake - the Seahawks want to win as many games as they can in the short term. But also make no

mistake about the fact that the Seahawks, boasting the third-youngest roster in the NFL, are in full rebuild mode. It would not behoove the rebuilding Seahawks to make a \$7-million-a-year commitment to a 35-year old Hasselbeck, stick him behind an offensive line starting two rookies and expect him to somehow defy his recent injury history and make it through a 16-game season.

Enter Tarvaris Jackson

stop-gap option, and that is what fans need to remember. Jackson is frustrating to watch on the field but a player like that is as good as it will get for Seattle in 2011. Despite the mind-numbingly frustrating decisions he makes sometimes, he gives Seattle a decent shot at being competitive in 2011, while giving the team flexibility to make a change at the quarterback position in the very near future — without the huge financial commitment.

There is little doubt that Jackson is an ideal physical specimen. His arm is as NFL caliber as it gets. His accuracy isn't even that bad. It's easy to see why the Minnesota Vikings dipped into the second round to get him. They figured if they could mold him, he would be franchise material. But, therein lays the issue -Jackson can't be molded. He is a quarterback fit for a system that allows him

to sit in the pocket, but when things break down he has no answers.

The Redskins destroyed Jackson when they sent all-out blitzes his way late in the fourth quarter when it was all but certain that Seattle would pass.

This can't really be held against Jackson. He is a mediocre to average NFL quarterback. So are a ton of other starters that other struggling teams are playing.

But, he is Seattle's mediocre starting quarterback. Jackson is a likable player and he certainly can't be faulted for a lack of effort. He's played through a torn pectoral muscle the last three weeks and has helped lead Seattle to favorable results against the likes of Baltimore and St. Louis.

Love him or hate him. He is the Seahawks quarterback and that won't change anytime soon.





Argonaut

With an injury to standout starting quarterback Bryant Moniz, the Warriors employed a two-quarterback system with David Graves and Shane

Hawaii 35, Tulane 23

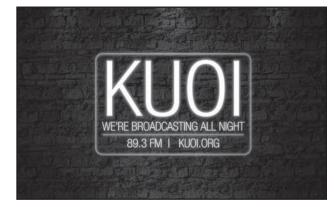
Austin and barely came out of their sea-

son finale with a victory. With the win,

Hawaii is now bowl eligible but will be

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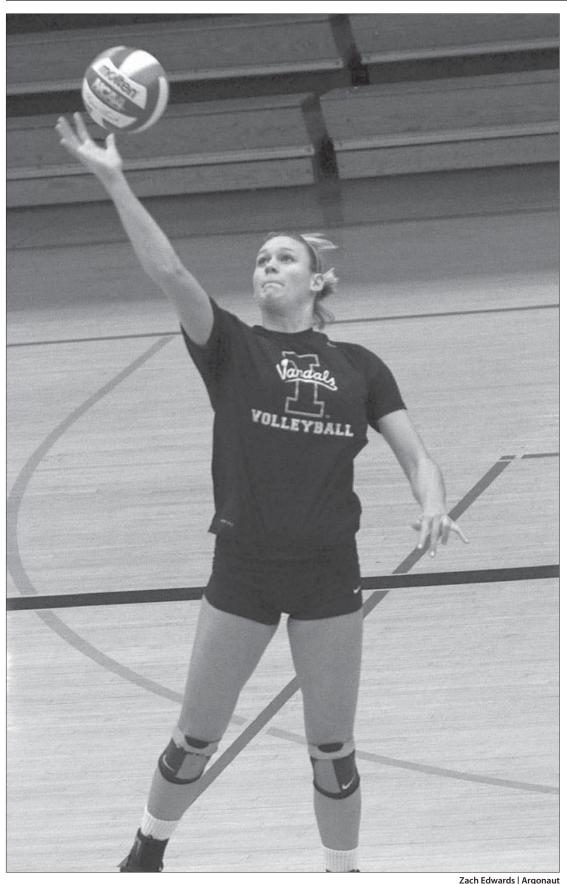


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Outside hitter Allison Walker participates in a drill at practice Nov. 16 in Memorial Gym. Walker tallied 18 kills, 6 digs and one block in the semi-final loss to New Mexico State and was named to the WAC All-Tournament team.



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## **Not enough**

Volleyball falls short in WAC tournament, loses in semi-finals

#### Kevin Bingaman Argonaut

The Vandal volleyball team entered the WAC tournament with momentum, but came to a halt as Idaho fell to New Mexico State in straight sets in the semifinal match Nov. 22.

Idaho came into the tournament having won 10 of its last 12 matches, including a five-match

win streak to end the regular season, which gave the Vandals the second seed.

The strong finish did not translate into a tournament victory, and the Vandals were one match short of their first-ever WAC Championship appearance. Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said it was a tough loss to swallow.

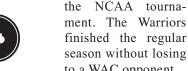
"I thought that we were ready, the kids were locked in, they were ready to compete," Buchanan said. "The difference is they're probably a little bit more experienced than we are, with the number of seniors that they have and the type of matches that they've

been in so far in their careers, and that's something that in our program we need to strive to."

The Vandals fell in three sets by the scores 25-22, 25-22 and 25-16. The Vandals and New Mexico State both claimed victory at home this season, splitting the series.

"Before we even went out there today we talked about the execution of the game," Buchanan said. "It's two great teams that were getting ready to play and whichever team executed the game at the highest level was going to win."

New Mexico State faced Hawaii in the championship, and Hawaii showed its dominance in a 3-0 rout of the Aggies, claiming its 11th WAC championship and earning an automatic bid to



The difference is they're probably a little bit more experienced than we are, with the number of seniors that they have and the type of matches that

they've been in so far in their careers, and that's something that in our program we need to strive to.

Debbie Buchanan, Coach

> She said they practiced at 6 a.m., three days a week and she never heard a complaint from any of her players.

> Sophomore Allison Walker was named to the all-tournament team for her 18-kill performance in the semi-final match, capping off a year where she was named the conference player of the week three times.

The Vandals lose seniors Cassie Hamilton, Alicia Milo and Rylee Walker who graduate during the offseason.

## Wells carries Cardinals past Rams 23-20

**R.B. FALLSTROM AP Sports Writer** 

ST. LOUIS (AP) No way Patrick Peterson thought he'd get another chance to return a punt for the Cardinals against St. Louis. Peterson tied the NFL record with his fourth punt return for a touchdown this season, three weeks after his 99-yarder in overtime beat the Rams, and Arizona won its seventh in a row in St. Louis with a 23-20 victory Sunday. "I was actually very, very surprised," Peterson said. "I just told the guys to be patient, that we'd get one sooner or later." Teammate Beanie Wells was seeking redemption, not a franchise record, after his fumble led to the Rams tying the score. He set the mark for the Cardinals with 228 yards rushing on 27 carries, including gains of 71 and 53 yards. The latter set up Jay Feely's go-ahead 22-yard field goal with 4:12 remaining on the possession after his turnover. Wells aggravated a lingering right knee injury on the fumble but couldn't

wait to get back out there. He set the record with a 14yard gain to the Rams 34 on the game's next to last play, capping his third career 100-yard performance and

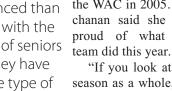
88-yard punt return for a touchdown in the first for the Rams (2-9) only three days after he re-signed with the team.

Peterson was untouched

to a WAC opponent. The Vandals finished 16-12 and the highest since joining the WAC in 2005. Buchanan said she was proud of what her

"If you look at our season as a whole, we definitely got better as the season went on," she said. "That's what you want, you want to peak towards the end

and our team did that." Buchanan said her team had high expectations coming into this year and worked toward early goals.



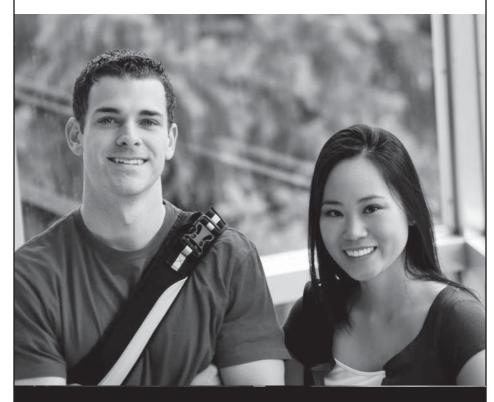
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the Cardinals' third win in four weeks.

"I knew the team needed me, Äî I was the one who put us in that situation in the first place when I lost the ball," Wells said.

Rookie Sam Acho also had a career day on defense with two sacks and a fumble recovery.

That was enough for Arizona (4-7) to overcome another awful outing by John Skelton, who was 12 for 23 for 114 yards with two interceptions. Skelton had a passer rating of 30, one week after going just 6 for 19 for 99 vards with no touchdowns and three interceptions.

"It was obvious they were going to try and stop us from throwing the football, which was a surprise to me," coach Ken Whisenhunt said.

Brandon Lloyd's 16yard TD catch from Sam Bradford tied it at 20 midway through the fourth quarter. Nick Miller had an on an 80-yard return in the third quarter, dodging just a few tacklers before finding clear sailing to put Arizona up 20-10.

Sunday's game is the first in NFL history in which each team had returned a punt 80 yards or more for a touchdown.

St. Louis coach Steve Spagnuolo had vowed that the rookie would not beat the Rams again.

Except for that one costly exception, Donnie Jones did a good job of directional punting.

"I mishit it down the middle of the field," Jones said. "So I'll take the blame on that one."

Peterson is the fourth player with four punt returns in a season and the first in NFL history with four returns of 80-plus yards. The cornerback from LSU was the fifth pick in the draft.

Wells was an even bigger factor, eclipsing the previous franchise mark of 214 yards by LeShon Johnson in 1996 at New Orleans. In the earlier meeting against the Rams, Wells had just 20 yards on 10 carries.

The Rams are the worst in the NFL against the run. But they'd been much improved in four games since surrendering 253 yards to the Cowboys' DeMarco Murray, holding two opponents to fewer than 100 yards.

"Very, very disappointing," defensive end Chris Long said. "We showed we could shut that team down in the running game."

#### **VICTORY** FROM PAGE 6

Barone managed just 11 points but his assistance on the boards was crucial, grabbing nine rebounds. Tatum seemed rather quiet with 11 points but the senior was the only player, on either side, to shoot 100 percent from the field going 4-4.

The Bobcats kept scratching but the Vandals' starting five ended up with 62 of the team's 76 points. Stephen Madison and Djim Bandoumel rounded it out with eight and nine points, respectively.

"We had some guys step off the bench and scrap like crazy," Verlin said. "I'm starting to figure out who I want to play and how I want to do it, and I like the direction we're going."

Matt Borton and Mansa Habeeb led the bench with four points each while Borton, a redshirt freshman, grabbed six rebounds during 19 minutes of play.

Memorial Gym will be the site of Idaho's next match-up, a Wednesday night contest with another Big Sky opponent, Eastern Washington. The Eagles are coming off a big win against Hawaii and most recently, a 79-59 rout of UC Davis.

Tipoff on Wednesday night will be at 8:05 p.m. after the women's game against the University of Washington.

#### COWAN FROM PAGE 6

The WAC is still represented in the finals by Ryan Allen from La. Tech. The other two finalists are Steven Clark from Auburn and Jackson Rice from Oregon. Allen leads the other two finalists in total number of punts, total punting yardage, punting average per game, longest punt of the season, punts inside the 20, punts inside the 10 and 50-plus-yard punts.

Cowan was one of four Vandals placed on award watch lists during the season. Kicker Trey Farquhar and wide receiver Mike Scott's award finalist announcements were made on the same day as Cowan's, with all three players missing the final cut. The only UI player still on an award watch list is wide receiver Justin Veltung, who is on the Paul Hornung award watch list for the most versatile player in the nation. The finalists for that award will be announced in early December. All four Vandals who were nominated for awards are currently juniors and will return next year.

## Seattle can't hold lead in 23-17 loss

#### Tim Booth AP Sports Writer

Seattle (AP) Twelve minutes away from becoming relevant in a rebuilding season, the Seattle Seahawks reverted to their losing ways.

Now any thoughts the Seahawks might have held about getting back into the fringes of the NFC playoff picture are likely gone after a fourth-quarter meltdown.

"I don't know what we've got to do better," Seattle QB Tarvaris Jackson said. "I feel like we had the game, all we had to do was finish it and we didn't finish it."

Washington QB Rex Grossman hit Anthony Armstrong on a 50-yard touchdown midway through the fourth quarter and the Redskins went on to stun the Seahawks 23-17 on Sunday.

Seattle led 17-7 early in the fourth quarter, then watched the lead whittled away in a hurry by Grossman, who was brilliant early, shaky in the middle and then great again in the closing minutes.

Washington (4-7) snapped its six-game losing streak, its longest since dropping the first seven

games of the 1998 season. And while Grossman

was making throws, the Seahawks offense disappeared in the closing minutes. The quarter actually started well for Seattle with Jackson finding Golden Tate on a 15-yard TD pass with 12:45 left to give Seattle its 10-point advantage.

Nothing good happened for Seattle from there.

Seattle ran 13 offensive plays on its final four possessions. No play went for more than 11 yards and Seattle (4-7) failed to pick up any first downs.

Along with the offensive struggles, the defense was hurt by the Redskins for big plays.

Roy Helu ran for a 28-yard touchdown by hurdling Seattle defensive back Roy Lewis and breaking the tackle of Kam Chancellor. Brandon Browner was beat again on Grossman's deep touchdown throw to Armstrong that came on thirdand-19 and following an intentional grounding call.

"We just didn't finish the game," running back Leon Washington said. "You have to play four quarters and when you commit a lot of penalties, don't make

plays when you have to, that's what happens."

The Seahawks racked up nine more penalties and were forced to take two timeouts due to substitution problems that continue to plague the team. The Seahawks have had eight or more penalties in nine of their 11 games this season.

"The things that we have chosen to do to make the points haven't hit home," coach Pete Carroll said. "That's what I told them. I'm not getting it done."

"If the same guys keep making mistakes, you have to put other guys in. We'll have to look at that."

Carroll has made a point the past two weeks to point out every penalty racked up in the team's Monday meetings. It's been a lengthy list with Seattle picking up 13 penalties in each of the previous two games, but the message doesn't appear to be getting through to his players.

"It just comes back to discipline. We've just got to be more disciplined," Chancellor said. "We got to start at practice. We get penalties in practice and it shows in the game. So we just got to start at practice and be penalty-free in practice so it can carry over to the game."

Jackson was 14 of 30 for 144 yards and was intercepted in the final minute by DeAngelo Hall. The late rally by Washington to snap its longest skid since 1998 ruined another stellar day from Marshawn Lynch, who rushed for 111 yards and caught a 20-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter.

But Lynch and his teammates were left watching the Seahawks miss a chance for their first three-game win streak under Carroll. Now comes a quick turnaround and a game on Thursday night against Philadelphia.

"You had an opportunity to take another step and I feel like we let it slip today," said Seattle DE Red Bryant, who had a blocked field goal and extra point. "That's just a sign of a young team in terms of you have to take advantage of your opportunities."

Grossman threw a 2-yard touchdown pass to Fred Davis as part of Washington's nearly perfect first quarter, threw a pair of interceptions in the second and third quarters, then led two touchdown drives in the fourth after Seattle took a 10-point lead. He finished 26 of 35 for 314 yards and was 7 of 9 passing in the fourth quarter.

"We have a great bunch of guys, our locker room has a lot of character and a lot of team chemistry, a lot of good people, hard worker, tough great football players that believe in one another, and after a losing streak like this we stepped up and made plays that we needed to make," Grossman said. "It's a tough place to play out here in Seattle, it's very loud, it's been a long trip. (It's) pretty rewarding to win especially the way we did.'

Washington also got a spark from Helu, who had the first 100-yard game of his career, running for 108 yards on 23 carries and a memorable first NFL touchdown run.

"That was one of the most impressive runs I'd ever seen, to be able to hurdle somebody and keep moving, it was awesome," Grossman said. "That was the play that really got us going there in the fourth quarter and got us the win."

Rivers: season 'just snowballed out of control'

#### Bernie Wilson

AP Sports Writer

San Diego (AP), The San Diego Chargers were effectively pushed over the brink on Sunday.

Really, though, it's been coming since they blew an 11-point halftime lead to the New York Jets on Oct. 23.

Matt Prater kicked a 37-yard field goal with 29 seconds left in overtime to lift Tim Tebow and the Denver Broncos to a 16-13 victory over the Chargers, who've lost six straight games for the first time in 10 years.

The Chargers (4-7) are on their longest streak since ending 2001 with nine straight defeats and are last in the AFC West, three games behind Oakland with five to play.

The loss will no doubt keep fans calling for

with 2:31 left in overtime.

Novak made a 53-yarder in the first quarter, a career best, and was wide right on a 48-yard try early in the fourth quarter.

Tebow had a 12-yard gain and Willis McGahee ran 24 yards up the middle to set up Prater's winning kick, which was right down the middle.

Tebow, the talk of the NFL because he runs the read option and often struggles while passing, carried 22 times for 67 yards ,Äî the most carries by a quarterback in a game since at 1950, according to STATS LLC.

He also threw for one touchdown and finished with a better rating than Rivers, 95.4 to 77.1. Rivers was pressured all day by Elvis Dumervil, who had two sacks, and rookie Von Miller, who had one.

The Broncos (6-5) won their fourth

,Åî which the Chargers unsuccessfully challenged ,Åî and a 23-yarder to Dante Rosario. The Broncos had to settle for Prater's 24-yard field goal that tied it at 13 with 1:34 to go.

Referee Jeff Triplette confused the crowd and TV viewers by saying each team would get a possession in OT. He then corrected himself, saying it would be sudden-death.

The Broncos won it on their third possession in OT.

McGahee ran 23 times for 117 yards. A week after having a critical fumble in a loss at Chicago, San Diego's Mathews ran 22 times for a careerhigh 137 yards.

Rivers was 19 of 36 for 188 yards. Tebow was 9 of 18 for 143 yards.

The Chargers took a 10-0 lead midway through the second quarter when Rivers hit Antonio Gates on a 6-yard scoring pass in the back of the end zone to cap a 15-play, 91-yard drive. On San Diego's first drive, Novak kicked a career-best 53yard field goal. The Broncos forced a Chargers punt and started a drive with 1:27 left before halftime at the San Diego 46. Tebow threw a 20-yard pass to Daniel Fells, who fumbled near a swarm of defenders. Somehow, Denver tackle Orlando Franklin recovered at the 24. After a 1-yard gain by Tebow and a penalty against cornerback Quentin Jammer, Decker slipped behind the coverage and Tebow hit him for an 18-yard TD to pull to 10-7. The Chargers had to settle for Novak's 25-yard field goal early in the third quarter. Denver had a long drive later in the quarter before Prater kicked a 41-yard field goal to pull to 13-10.

#### BREAK FROM PAGE 6

Akey said some of the seniors might have the opportunity to play after college, but that is something that is never guaranteed. He said the mindset this week is to remember that it might be the last time some of the guys will ever play football, and for those that do get to come back, it's a long time until spring practice begins.

"Hopefully that will add a little fuel to our fire," Akey said. "If we're capable of being in a doubleovertime with Utah State ... if you're that close to beating Utah State, who just beat them (Nevada), if you play better than them, you're going to give yourself an opportunity to win the game."

Akey said he wants his players to get the most they can out of their last time on the field together.

"We've got one last opportunity to smile coming off the field again," Akey said. "Let's go have a great time in this game that we love and feel good about it. Hoot 'n' holler and see how many plays we can make." team president Dean Spanos to fire coach Norv Turner and general manager A.J. Smith, especially if the Bolts miss the playoffs for the second straight season.

The losing streak followed a 4-1 start, the best in Turner's five seasons as head coach.

"We're 4-1 and 21-10 at the half, and we let that one slip away," quarterback Philip Rivers said, referring to the 27-21 loss at the Jets.

"It's just snowballed out of control," Rivers added. "We know what this game would do from a morale standpoint, from a keeping us in the hunt standpoint. This game was huge."

The Broncos narrowly avoided the first NFL tie since Cincinnati and Philadelphia ended dead-locked at 13 on Nov. 16, 2008.

Tebow, now 5-1 as the Broncos' starter, led Denver from its 43 after San Diego's Nick Novak was wide right on a 53-yard field goal attempt straight game and remained in second place in the AFC West.

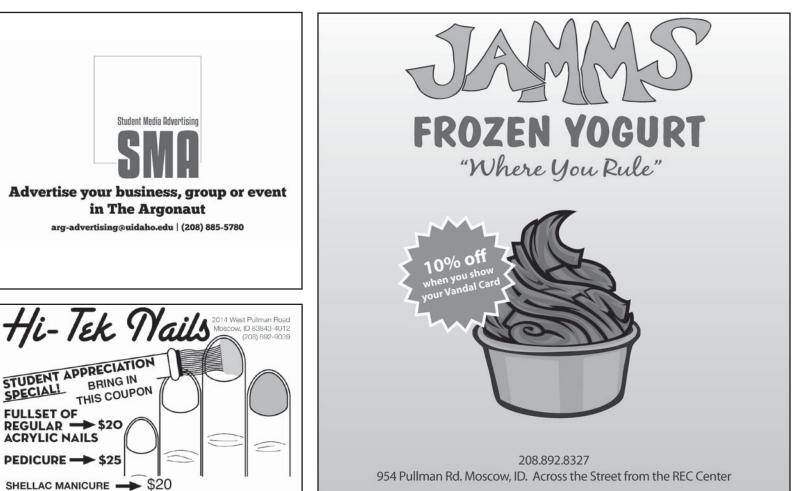
Tebow's first start was also an overtime win, 18-15 at Miami on Oct. 23.

Ryan Mathews, who was having the best game of his two-year career, was on the sideline for the crucial possession when Novak missed. Fullback Mike Tolbert was thrown for a 4-yard loss the play before Novak missed.

Turner didn't have an explanation for what happened.

"He came out and I don't know why he came out," Turner said. "We're in the middle of the drive. I assumed when he came out that he came out for a play and then he didn't go back in."

Tebow got a final chance to try to win it in regulation after the Broncos forced the Chargers to punt. Starting on his own 26, Tebow kept the drive going with a 39-yard completion to Eric Decker



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## OUR VIEW In a second

OPINION

Life changes fast – care for those around you

An accident is just that, an accident. And the one that occurred Nov. 19 took the life of a girl who was more than a University of Idaho student, but a part of its family.

Sarah Asmus, 18, a freshman from Blackfoot, Idaho, was a passenger in a car driven by fellow UI student Katherine Bulcher when their vehicle slid on the slush-covered road and was struck by a truck traveling in the opposite direction. Both were taken to the hospital where Asmus died the next day from her injuries.

Bulcher and Asmus were both wearing seat belts and there was no alcohol involved. These girls did nothing wrong — some accidents just can't be prevented.

Asmus, a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta

sorority along with Bulcher, is not the first UI student to die this year. It is important to remember that the people we have chosen to surround ourselves with during college are more than classmates. They become our best friends, spouses and family members.

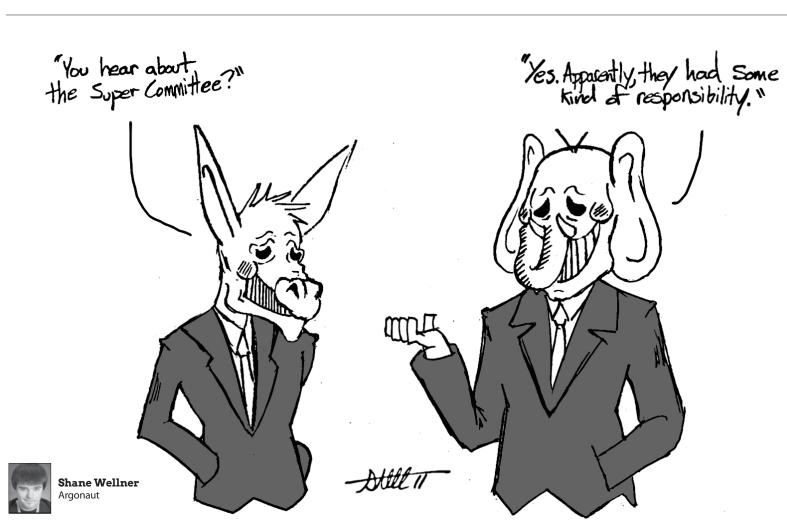
Accidents like this prove that sometimes unexpected misfortunes happen to undeserving people and that we're all human. In this time, we must look around and appreciate the people who help us get through today, because no one is guaranteed a tomorrow.

As with every tragedy, there will be a time for mourning. The UI Counseling and Testing Center is open and available for all students who need to speak with someone about this situation or any

other. The worst way to cope during a time like this is to hide emotions.

In her short time at UI, Asmus put herself in a situation that surrounded her with new friends and experiences. She made the decision to dive headfirst into the world that is college life, which will make this loss even harder for her friends, family and sisters.

UI tells every new student that it has "A Legacy of Leading," but after an accident like this we are reminded that our school also has a legacy of learning and loving. Take this time to join your fellow students in remembering the life of Asmus, and you will see the tight-knit community that makes us all Vandals.



### **Mail Box**

Preventive care matters for women

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OUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM **OUR EDITORS** 

#### Sleeping

There is something truly fantastic about sleeping in until noon 10 days in a row.

— Jens

#### Top Ramen

Don't you hate when you pour out too much water from your Top Ramen and then you are stuck with noodles and overpowering powder? — Jake

#### Lesson from break:

-MM

Never underestimate what a 9 and an 11-yearold can re-teach you. I'm pretty sure they're still better at chopping wood than me and one of them can't even lift the maul... — Elizabeth

#### A lot to learn

I thought it was funny when the little kid at the Nike store asked his dad how much a piece of Michael Jordan's hair would cost.

— Theo

#### Huh...

As usual, break went by way too fast. I have so much to be thankful for, but also a lot to gripe about. Gripe No. 1: How is Bobby Cowan not a Ray Guy Award finalist? — Madison

#### Advent

Happy New Year. — Vicky

#### Say aye

All in favor of a sixweek winter break, read this Off the Cuff.

A recent decision by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to require new insurance plans to cover birth control with no co-pays is currently being attacked.

House Republicans are pushing to undermine this preventive care provision by allowing Catholic hospitals and schools to be exempt, even though these organizations employ and serve individuals of different faiths and backgrounds — many of whom use

birth control. This would mean millions of workers and their families would lose access to affordable birth control, and so would students at some faith-based universities.

As a college student, I worry about the cost of living, the cost of books and the increased cost of the University of Idaho's tuition, so the HHS decision is important to me even though I have a job. For students and young adults, every dollar counts. I want

to plan a family, but only after I've graduated and am financially stable.

I believe that using birth control is an individual choice and an individual right. It's also important in terms of keeping people healthy. The school you attend or the employer you work for should not dictate whether or not you have access to birth control.

The reality is that women of all faiths -SEE MAILBOX, PAGE 11

### MADD Idaho supports impaired driving emphasis

With the holidays approaching fast, it's anticipated that area law enforcement agencies will emphasize impaired driving patrols. MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) Idaho supports law enforcement efforts to identify and remove impaired drivers from

the roads. Too many North Idaho residents are victims of impaired driving crashes. North Idaho's 10 counties had 437 impaired driving crashes, 333 injuries and 21 deaths in 2010.

Winter driving conditions and holiday celebrations often lead to increased impaired driving and impaired driving crashes. November marks the fifth anniversary of MADD's Campaign to Eliminate Drunk Driving. The campaign's three components are: Support high visibility law enforcement to catch impaired drivers and discourage others from driving impaired. Require all convicted drunk drivers to use ignition interlock breathalyzers (ignition interlocks require DUI offenders to prove they're sober before their cars will start). Make



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cars the cure by developing automatic passive alcohol detection devices for new cars to prevent cars from operating by detecting drivers at or above the legal limit of .08 blood alcohol content.

MADD's 5th Anniversary Report to the Nation rates Idaho three out of five stars on implementation of proven drunk driving countermeasures. Idaho employs Administrative License Revocation, no refusal BAC testing and enhanced penalties for DUI child endangerment, but prohibits sobriety checkpoints and doesn't require ignition interlock devices for all convicted DUI offenders. Access the full report at madd.

org/blog/report-to-the-nation.html.

To help further MADD Idaho's efforts to eliminate drunk driving, assist DUI crash victims and support law enforcement in targeting impaired driving email carolyn.mattoon@madd.org or call 208.660.6390.

-Carolyn F. Mattoon, Victim Advocate, Mothers Against Drunk Driving of Hayden

the light

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Laughter can make any day brighter. It can be that little

bit of something needed to make

a person feel better, relieve stress or just be a distraction. Laughter feels great and relieves the pressure of a long

day or week. In the past

few weeks, University of Idaho students have been exposed to the typical stresses that come with the end of the semester, and a lot more. Three UI students have been killed in two separate car accidents in the past two weeks, and five others have been injured.

The loss of three students comes toward the end of a semester that began with a homicidesuicide where another student was killed. It's been a rough semester for UI, and even though we would like to say everything will be fine and it won't happen again we can't predict the future.

Which is why it's important to embrace the moments that make us laugh. A single moment that can make us smile is exactly what gets us through all of the darkness in life. Laughter

simply makes the light shine brighter. Whether it's from

> joking around with friends or watching "Friends" reruns, laughter is a medicine that cannot be

bought. It's

important to

**Elizabeth Rudd** make time for comic relief,

> and movies and TV shows are a great way to fit laughter into your day.

We can't always plan on being funny or seeing something random throughout our day that will make us laugh, but we can still find time to put in our favorite comedy.

Laughter is the light in the darkness, and after a semester that's been filled with sadness it's important to find that light and hang on.

#### More info

For more structured laughter, check out UI Laughter Club at 8 a.m. Mondays and Fridays in the Idaho Commons Horizon room, or at 12:30 Wednesdays outside the Art and Architecture Building.

#### Day two back in class:

Is it winter break vet? -Rhiannon

#### Stay strong

My heart goes out to the women of Kappa Alpha Theta. — Britt

#### I have to come back?

During the break I house/dog sat for some friends in an amazing house. I could definitely get used to my own hot tub every night. — Jacob

#### No complaints here

I mapped a route home from campus traversing the least amount of uphill and downhill slopes in preparation for snowy weather, but with the recent climate change I won't even need it. -Amrah

**Open your eyes** 

My nephew is 2 and he marvels at everything in the world around him — the plate of food in front of him during dinner, the softness of a cat's fur and the pictures and words in a book. I wish I could still appreciate everything the way he does and marvel in the everyday occurrences that are taken for granted. - Elisa

## GRAFFITI Art or vandalism?

Graffiti is an act of vandalism, but has become recognized as a legitimate art form by many people. Street artist Banksy

has been made famous by his highly recognizable political pieces, which now sell second-hand for upward of \$300,000.

Banksy's pieces critique consumerism, materialism, property rights, torture and a plethora of other political issues. As an artist Bansky is set apart by a unique mindset — he is not out to make money, but to make a statement and that is the difference between art and vandalism.

We've all seen the statements written on bathroom stalls and carved into lecture hall desks. However, these statements don't tell us anything worth knowing. It makes no real world difference if the person who sat at my desk before me wants me to call his ex-girlfriend's phone number for a "good time." It also has no real world impact if you carve Greek letters into a desk, to which someone will undoubtedly add "is gay" or "sucks." But what this does achieve is that it costs the university you are attending money.

It was pretty cool in the sixth grade to "tag" or write a funny joke above the urinal like, "why are you reading this when the joke is in your hand." But by now – when you are in college — you should have outgrown this phase.



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Of course, there is the always creative and popular F word that for some reason vandals cannot resist writing on bathroom stalls. No one thinks you are cool because

you choose to write swear words on bathroom stalls.

Or perhaps you are just super bored in your chemistry lecture and happen to have a paperclip and a hankering to carve your BFF's initials into the desk you are sitting at. Chances are he or she will never know you

did it. So just bring a doodle sheet and pen next time.

Graffiti artists like Banksy often face harassment and scrutiny from police because of the nature of their artwork. People who are actually trying to make a statement about the world and how we should change it are finding it harder to get their message out because of juveniles who rack up maintenance costs for schools and businesses, which in turn makes police crackdown on graffiti and vandals.

You might think it is cool to carve your Greek letters on everything or write some witty joke on the bathroom stall door, but it's just vandalism - not art. So if you don't have an artistic statement to make, save the tag line and leave graffiti to the professionals.



#### Do you think graffiti is an art form or just vandalism?

"It depends on the intention behind the action. I think a lot of malicious vandals are extremely artistic, if only their abilities were used for good instead of evil. If you look at graffiti you can easily notice a lot of artistic talent within, unfortunately it is within gang signs and profanity on the side of buildings and train cars. It would be great for those doing it to realize that they truly are talented and harness that energy toward finding their own niche in the world of art, rather

"If it's on their own property then it can be called art. Now if some people go and do it on somebody else's property without permission then that indeed is vandalism. It's the difference between deciding to paint your house neon green ... and painting your neighbor's house green while they're away."

#### Name: Shannon Kelly Date posted: Nov. 28

"I think that it is vandalism if it's on someone's property, such as a storefront or highway overpass. But I've seen alleyways set aside just for people to practice graffiti. In that case, with the owner(s) allowing people to graffiti their walls, it could be considered a form of art, perhaps even a modern-day form of calligraphy."





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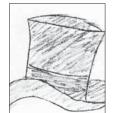
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yes, even Catholics—use birth control and would benefit from access to birth control with no co-pays. 99 percent of sexuallyexperienced women in the U.S. use birth control at some point in their lives, including 98 percent of sexually-experienced Catholic women, according to the Guttmacher Institute. Birth control is an essential part of women's preventive health care.

The House Republicans are wrong on this issue. Instead of focusing on jobs and the economy, they are spending their time trying to take affordable birth control away from women.

It comes down to this: The HHS decision will have a real and positive impact on millions of people struggling to make ends meet. All students should be able to benefit from the new health care reform law - even students at religious institutions. —Megan Nolan sociology, psychology





than causing harm.

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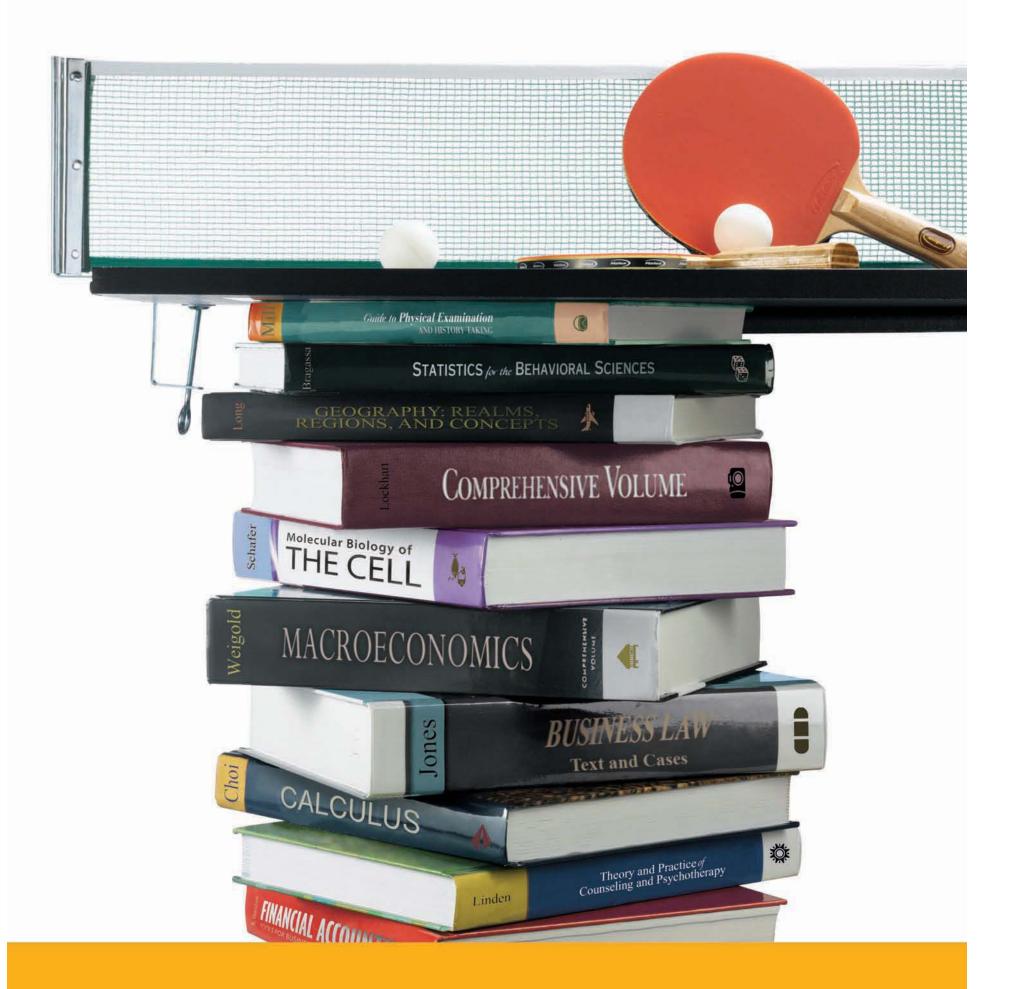
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