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JAZZ FEST

Mentors and masters

World renowned Paquito D’Rivera and Anat Cohen open Jazz Fest

Kaitlyn Krasselt
Argonaut

Jazz musicians Paquito D’Rivera and Anat Cohen will ignite the 2012 Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival with a performance at 8 p.m. tonight in the Student Union Building ballroom.

“Our theme this year is ‘Mentors and Masters: Partners Shaping Tomorrow,’ and we try to reflect that in our programming,” said James Brownson, director of development and marketing for Jazz Fest.

D’Rivera has performed at the University of Idaho in the past, and Brownson said he is excited to

have him back.

D’Rivera, who Brownson said is “one of the true great saxophonists and clarinetists in the jazz world today,” will perform with Anat Cohen, who Brownson, an “up-and-coming player.”

D’Rivera won nine Grammy awards for his contributions to Latin and classic jazz. D’Rivera is from Havana, Cuba, and currently lives in New York City. He has been performing since age 10, and is known for mixing various music styles to create new sounds. D’Rivera has recorded more than 30 solo albums and is recognized as a founding member of the United Nation Orchestra. D’Rivera received a Lifetime Achievement Award from Carnegie

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Jazz times three

Traditional performances to split into three separate acts

Amy Asanuma
Argonaut

Three jazz groups will perform Thursday night as part of the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival, and a new format might make it possible to hear them all without missing a beat.

“We tried out this new method last year and received positive feedback,” said James Brownson, director of development and marketing for Jazz Fest.

Instead of performing in the Kibbie Dome, Brownson said recitals are split into three acts in the Administration Building Auditorium, Student Union Building ballroom and the Haddock Performance Hall in the Lionel Hampton School of Music Building.

“Each act plays two staggered sets,” Brownson said. “This allows people to see most if not all three of the performances.”

The Ray Brown Tribute trio features Jazz Fest’s Artistic Director John Clayton on bass, alongside Karriem Riggins on drums and Larry Fuller on the keys. All three performers were once a part of Brown’s jazz trio. The Ray Brown Tribute will play

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“Swing out, Blow Out”

Paquito D’Rivera and Anat Cohen with All-Star Quartet featuring Josh Nelson, Bell Williams, Graham Dechter and Kevin Kanner with Lionel Hampton School of Music Jazz Band 1.

-When: 8 p.m. today

-Where: Student Union Building Ballroom

Prepare to walk

Traffic increases, parking decreases for Jazz Fest

Michelle Gregg
Argonaut

The annual Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival is here, and streets and parking around the Student Union Building and the Kibbie Dome will be restricted Wednesday through Friday.

Rebecca Couch, University of Idaho Parking and Transportation Services information specialist, said Moscow and the university will experience traffic increases from buses, cars and pedestrians.

Parking around the SUB will be limited during the festival, and access to the U.S. Post Office and VandalStore will only be available from the back entrances on Railroad Street.

Deakin Avenue, which runs in front of the SUB,

More info

For a complete list of street and parking restrictions or bus loading zones, visit <http://bit.ly/w9bLG8>.

is changing to a one-way street going south, from Sixth Street to University Avenue between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m., and might be closed entirely to allow buses to unload.

Moscow Valley Transit bus stop, on Deakin Avenue, will be temporarily relocated to Railroad Street.

Parking around the Kibbie Dome will change to accommodate festival performers, and parking in some areas

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Go to Thursday’s concerts

-The Ray Brown Tribute trio: 7:30 and 9 p.m. in the SUB ballroom.
-Arts and Crafts: 8:30 and 10 p.m. in the Admin. Building Auditorium.
-All-Star Quartet with vocalists Sara Gazarek and Carmen Bradford: 8 and 9:30 p.m. in the Haddock Performance Hall.



illustration by Lindsey Treffry

To see additional multimedia coverage from the 2012 Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival visit uiargonaut.com and Argonaut on Facebook.

Perez’s petition gains following

Kaitlyn Krasselt
Argonaut

A petition started by ASUI President Samantha Perez has received more than 3,000 signatures in response to the Idaho State Board of Education’s decision to remove the term “flagship” from the University of Idaho’s mission statement.

Perez said she started the petition Saturday after she saw the outcry from upset UI students, faculty, staff and alumni.

“I decided to start an online petition so that people had a way to share their thoughts and show their support for our institution,” Perez said.

She said the ASUI Senate also mailed each SBOE member a letter explaining its disappointment and disapproval of the board’s decision.

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Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Elicia Hunt, freshman in microbiology, works out at the Student Recreation Center Tuesday. The SRC is celebrating its 10th anniversary with an open house held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. today. The open house will give students, faculty and community members free access to the SRC’s equipment and services and will supply free food and prizes.

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A look back

Student Recreation Center celebrates 10th anniversary

Jake Dyer
Argonaut

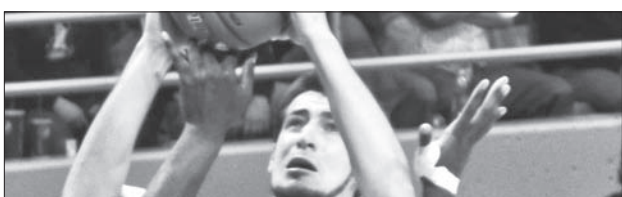
Today marks the 10th anniversary of the opening of the Student Recreation Center and the culmination of student support that allowed the building to be constructed.

The SRC will hold a two-hour celebration from 3 to 5 p.m. today in commemoration. Kristin Strong, the event and marketing coordinator for Campus Recreation, said the event is about celebrating 10 years at the University of Idaho and bringing students together.

“It’s our way of celebrating what the SRC was built for — to bring people here to get active ... to have some type of recreation,” Strong said.

The SRC has seen close to 3 million visitors since its opening a decade ago, according to Brian Mahoney, operations supervisor of campus recreation.

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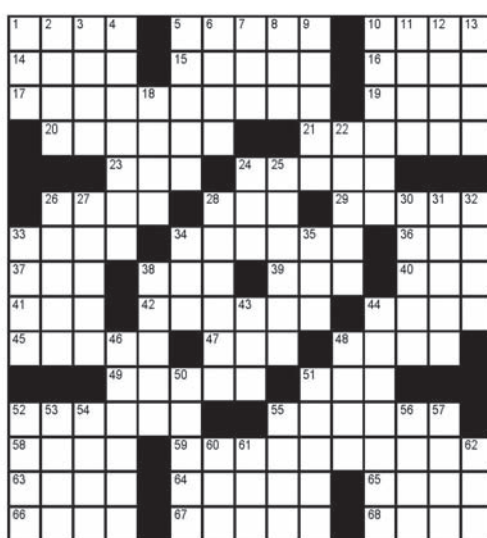
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Sally Machlis, right, with the help of Don Johnson and Stacy Isenbarger, hangs her artwork for display in the Reflections Gallery in the Idaho Commons. The work is a collaboration between Machlis, a fine artist, and graphic designer Delphine Keim, and attempts to express people's narratives of being on the road with multimedia. Keim said she hopes people will bring their own stories to mind when viewing the work. The exhibit "Road Stories" opened Monday and will be on display until March 3. A reception will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. today in the gallery.

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Paul presents presidential platform

Katy Sword
Argonaut

Christine Paulsen said she attended Friday's rally in the Student Union Building ballroom to support Ron Paul and the youth of America.

"I think it's great so many young people (are) here today," Paulsen said. "It gives me — as a baby boomer — hope for the future generation."

Ethan McManus, 15, from Deary, Idaho, said he volunteered for the event because Paul always votes for the Constitution.

Valerie Johnson, from Lewiston, said she is a fan because Paul seems to support liberty.

Paulsen, McManus and Johnson, along with more than 1,000 others, attended the impromptu rally by Republican presidential candidate Ron Paul.

Paul added the University of Idaho to his Pacific Northwest tour at the last minute, arriving Friday to a large crowd.

Phil Howard, UI senior, is the president of the Youth for Ron Paul 2012 on campus.

Howard said the event was successful, considering how little time the group had to prepare for the candidate's arrival.

"It went really well considering we had two days to get ready and promote," Howard said. "Unfortunately we had more people than expected. It's a good problem, but unfortunately there were some who couldn't get in."

Howard said there were about 900 reserved places, but with the 1,000 capacity

in the SUB ballroom, about 900 had to be turned away.

Howard said without the 45 area volunteers, the event would not have been possible.

Upon arrival, Paul was met with cheers, clapping and excitement.

"We are blessed to live in a country based on liberty and love of mankind," Paul said as an introduction to his speech focusing on liberty, freedom and governmental issues.

Paul asked the audience how the nation, got into its current situation.

"The government is doing what it is not supposed to be doing," Paul said. "We didn't get into this problem overnight."

Paul proposed the government ceases spending.

"They say it will be passed onto the next generation, but I say aren't each of us suffering, causing equal undermining of the Constitution?" Paul said.

Paul also said that as president he would never go to war without a declaration. He said he would bring the troops currently deported home "as quickly as we can get ships over there."

Paul continued discussing entitlement rights.

"Entitlements are not rights, even if we send the IRS to get it for us," Paul said, referring to personal property.

Paul moved on to income tax, stating he believes income tax and the Federal Reserve should be repealed.

"Income taxes are based on the assumption that everything you earn belongs to the government. Therefore they control your property, they control your lives, and it undermines the economy," Paul said. "There is no reason to



Nick Groff | Argonaut

Republican nominee for the 2012 presidential election Ron Paul signs autographs and takes pictures with supporters in the north parking lot outside the Student Union Building Friday. Paul's appearance drew a capacity, standing-room-only crowd and many people were turned away due to space limitations.

give up defense of this if you believe in people."

Although Paul said he promotes drastic change, he said the country does not have to start from scratch.

"Failure is all around us," Paul said. "This is obviously the time we have to challenge the status quo."

This thought brought Paul to the recent Stop Online Piracy Act (SOPA).

"They heard your voices, and withdrew the bill from the House and Senate," Paul said. "We still have enough freedom in (our) country to have influence over the government. There is nothing unpatriotic about challenging the government when the gov-

ernment is wrong."

Paul addressed budget cuts, stating he would cut \$1 trillion in the first year. He also said he would repeal the Patriot Act and restore the Fourth Amendment.

Paul closed with the idea of freedom. He said legalizing freedom of choice doesn't mean agreeing with what someone does, but that it's how to restore liberty.

"If I could have freedom and less prosperity, I would take my freedom," Paul said. "The wonderful thing is we don't need to choose."

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For additional multimedia coverage of Ron Paul's visit, check out uiargonaut.com and Argonaut on Facebook. uiargonaut.com

Campus conversations stimulate dialogue

Katy Sword
Argonaut

The University of Idaho Women's Center campus conversations program provides a monthly outlet for students and community members to discuss controversial issues.

"We thought maybe we can get the community together to open up dialogue and increase understanding about issues that matter," said Heather Gasser, Women's Center director.

Gasser, along with Denise Carl and Bruce Mann, developed the program during spring 2011 after hearing about a fraternity party.

"It started as a catalyst with the Beta White Trash Party," said Carl, student engagement coordinator. "I happened to see the party and was attending a conference the next day where we were asked what is the social change you will make on campus?"

Carl said Gasser and herself discussed the implications of such a party, and came up with the idea for campus conversations. She said the first session occurred the next week.

"The three of us decided to continue it as a monthly thing," Carl said.

The next conversation did not occur until the following semester, when the group hosted four sessions on varying topics.

"There are often things on campus where we wonder how people can have a face to face conversation that evokes a lot of emotion," Carl said.

Gasser said the conversations have no real format apart from a few basic rules.

"It is open to everyone to find (an) area of mutual respect and understand-

ing," Gasser said.

Carl said it can also tie into leadership training.

"It can help everyone develop communication skills and engage in challenging dialogue," Carl said. "People in general are going to discuss controversial subjects, so if they can practice and develop opinions it can be helpful."

Although the events are monthly, Gasser said topics are not arranged in advance.

"We don't plan in advance because we want to be responsive to what's happening on campus," Gasser said. "We might say this month is religion, but it might not be relevant at the time."

Gasser said topics are generally decided a week and a half in advance based on what's buzzing on campus or social media sites.

"... We welcome ideas but we intentionally don't plan them so the commentary is relevant," Gasser said.

Gasser said the most recent conversation about rape on campus was successful.

"Last week we had 20 or so show up, so it broke down into three groups of six or seven at round tables," Gasser said.

Gasser said the attendance varies, and although a larger audience would always be nice, the events have been beneficial.

"Each topic draws different crowds based on personal perspective," Gasser said.

Gasser said the next conversation is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. March 8 in the Horizon Room on the fourth floor of the Commons. Anyone seeking more information can go to the group's Facebook page.

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Idaho Legislature shifts priority to higher education

Kaitlyn Krasselt
Argonaut

The Idaho Legislature is looking to invest more dollars in higher education, said ASUI student lobbyist Bruno Bennett.

"I think for higher education and the University of Idaho, it's extremely positive," Bennett said. "Idaho's economy is looking up compared to recent years, and it looks like our top priorities are going to be funded for the most part."

Bennett said the university's top priorities are CEC (Change in Employee Compensation) funding and Enrollment Workload Adjustment.

Bennett said CEC funding is important for employee retention, and in recent years employees have begun to look for work in other places. Bennett said UI faculty and staff have not received funding for several years.

"The governor proposed a temporary 3 percent increase, and you can call that a 3 percent bonus, really," Bennett said. "Personally, I'm pretty certain it will be a lesser percent than 3 percent, but an ongoing (one)."

The increase would be a one-time increase to faculty and staff salaries

that would last for one year, after which the state legislature would have to vote to renew it or salaries would be reduced back to their original rates.

"They don't want to reduce faculty and staff salaries the following year because it will look like a cut, and no one wants to see that," Bennett said. "I'm sure students have noticed that faculty and staff have left and I think a key reason for that is lack of funds."

Bennett said in addition to CEC funding, legislators have shown concern for increasing tuition at all of Idaho's higher education institutions.

"Though it's highly doubtful anything will be done this year, I think in future years there's going to be something done because tuition over the last decade has increased much faster than inflation," Bennett said.

Bennett said he thinks the state board will look for ways to stop increasing tuition rates and make education more affordable for students seeking

education in Idaho.

"Whether through scholarships or some sort of collaboration through the state board, something will be done. But it won't be this year," Bennett said.

Bennett said Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter proposed an 8.1 percent increase for education funding in Idaho.

"It'll overall be a \$17 million increase for the university," Bennett said. "That isn't what's going to happen, that is

the governor's budget proposal, which is a recommendation, to the legislature. The legislature kind of gives a bucket of money to the State Board of Education, but there are some stipulations with that, like CEC and things like that."

ASUI president Samantha Perez said she is glad to see the state legislature looking to invest in higher education.

"I just know the governor is proposing to reinvest dollars in higher education," Perez said. "It's just exciting to see new money being reinvested in the students."

It's just exciting to see new money being reinvested in the students.

Samantha Perez,
ASUI president

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Hall in 1991 for his contributions to Latin music. He has published two books, "My Sax Life," about his life in the jazz world, and a novel called "Oh, La Habana." He is the recipient of the National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Masters Award 2005 and the National Medal of the Arts 2005, as well as the Living Jazz Legend Award from the Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C. in 2007.

Cohen, one of the primary voices of her generation on both the tenor saxophone and clarinet, was born in Tel Aviv, Israel, and has been studying and playing jazz music since age 12. Cohen entered the Thelma Yelin High School for the Arts at age 16. After graduating she discharged her mandatory Israeli military service duty from 1993 to 1995, playing tenor saxophone in the Israeli Air Force band. Cohen now lives in New York City where she performs and explores a number of different jazz styles.

"She's a younger player," Brownson said. "She can

play anything from Benny Goodman to Jon Coltray and anything in between." Brownson said he has seen both artists perform before but is excited to have them as a duet.

"I've never seen them together and it's going to be a great combination," Brownson said.

Both artists will hold workshops throughout the week as part of the festival.

Tonight's performance is open to the public for \$20 and \$7 for students. Tickets can be purchased through the Vandal Ticket Office or at the door.

"You can fly to New York City for \$1,000 to see the kind of caliber of artist that we have here, or you can come to the SUB ballroom," Brownson said. "Once a year this happens here at the University of Idaho and there's nothing like it in the region and very seldom do you see something like this happen nationwide. It really is something special, even if you don't love jazz you've got to come out and see it."

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at 7:30 and 9 p.m. in the SUB ballroom.

Grammy-nominated drummer Matt Wilson leads Arts and Crafts with trumpet player Terrell Stafford, organist Larry Goldings and bassist Martin Wind. The band will perform at 8:30 and 10 p.m. in the Administration Building Auditorium.

Lastly, vocalists Sara Gazarek and Carmen Bradford will perform with the All-Star Quartet, featuring Josh Nelson, Kevin Kanner, Graham Dechter and Ben Williams. The show will be at 8 and 9:30 p.m. in the Haddock Performance Hall.

"Overall, I think this night portrays the theme of 'Mentors and Masters' very well," Brownson said. "Clayton was a student under Brown and is dedicating a performance along with past members to Brown. Gazarek has studied under Bradford and now is singing with her."

Performances will take place from 8 to 10 p.m., Brownson said, and a shuttle will be provided for transport from venue to venue.

In addition to Thursday's shows, each group will host a workshop that is free to the public.

Riggins and Fuller will host a workshop titled "Ray Brown Memories and Magic"

with Bob Athayde. The two plan to expand on their experiences with Brown while Athayde facilitates the workshop at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Administration Building Auditorium.

Wilson will introduce his "Jazz Superhero: The Allower" at 10 a.m. Saturday in the NuArt Theatre. He will share the Allower and help others incorporate it into music. In addition, Arts and Crafts will offer new music with an original style at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Administration Auditorium.

Like Wilson, Gazarek will host two workshops. Her first, "Singing Ballads" will be held at 11:30 a.m. Thursday in Haddock Performance Hall. Gazarek's other workshop will teach methods for singing with a solo piano at 10 a.m. Friday in the Administration Building Auditorium. Bradford will teach "Sing and Swing" from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Friday in the SUB Borah Theatre. She will work on pre-selected pieces with interested students.

"The educational component is exemplified by these workshops," Brownson said. "They really add to the greatness of the festival."

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LOOK

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Construction of the \$16.3 million, 85,563-square-foot facility began Nov. 10, 2000 and the SRC opened Feb. 20, 2002 thanks to a significant amount of support from the student body.

According to Associate Director of Campus Recreation Gordon Gresch, from Nov. 3 to 5, a staggering 35 percent of the student body voted on the referendum and 67 percent cast ballots in favor of the construction.

It was the largest percentage won by a student referendum at UI, thanks in large part to the fact that it was a student-driven initiative, Gresch said.

Gregory Tatham, assistant vice provost for student affairs, said the student body came out in such large numbers because of the dire conditions of the recreation facilities on campus at the time.

"We were operating campus rec out of Memorial Gym and with space limitations, gym limitations, the weight room, the availability of space for wellness classes — it was just lacking in facilities and we were sharing with athletics and other entities," Tatham said.

Tatham said it was the largest referendum passed for a recreation center in the United States.

The building went up, but there were obstacles along the way — primarily in funding.

"If we were going to identify one frustration it was that we were cutting so much of the building that I don't think people realized it — it soon became called phase two, but it really was everything we couldn't afford," Gresch said.

In lieu of a shrinking budget first went the pool, then the extra gyms, a weight room and finally the student health center portion, according to Tatham.

Despite funding issues, the building was finished and Gresch said he was pleased with the outcome but there was no manual to run the place. Over time, Gresch said they have adjusted to the challenges running the facility has brought and feel they have stayed competitive with other recreation centers across the nation.

Tatham said he sees a possible problem in the near future as the center will eventually have to consider an expansion to accommodate UI's growing student body.

"If you have ever been here from 3 in the afternoon until 9 o'clock at night and seen how crowded this place is — we definitely need to have phase two fairly soon," Tatham said.

Today will be more about looking back than looking forward though, as the SRC will have a slide show with pictures and facts about the center. There will also be Vandal Massage, food and prizes that include a punch pass, personal training, rental gift card, clothing, a gift certificate from the book store and sweat towels to the first 200 people.

Looking back at the SRC's decade of existence, Tatham said he is proud of the level of quality found in people at the university.

"One thing I am very proud of is the quality of our student staff — we hire close to 200 students a year ... they do an outstanding job for us," Tatham said.

Gresch said he thinks about how cutting-edge the university was to only be behind Washington State by one year and ahead of a large portion of the United States — showing how desperately the building was needed.

Gresch said he and others jokingly refer to the SRC as the Disneyland of Campus — because it's a fun place to be and even better to be a part of. He said it symbolizes not only the university, but the state as a whole.

"If you look at our rec center it is not by coincidence that it has peaks and ridges and ... Earth tones," Gresch said. "The atrium concrete is the forest floor, the pillars with the wood coming out of them is the trees of Idaho, the climbing wall is the mountains up against the back drops of our mountains ... the carpet was blue ... those are the waters of Idaho."

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PETITION

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"I think a lot of faculty, staff, alumni and friends have all contacted the State Board and I think it's been in the media enough that I think they are now realizing the magnitude of their decision and how upset we were," Perez said. "I'm hoping the petition will just kind of top it all off and they'll realize how many people this is affecting and how dissatisfied with the State Board people are and they will reverse their decision."

Perez said although the petition does not mean the SBOE will overturn its decision she hopes it will have an impact.

"However many we get, I'll send (it) to the State Board and just write them a letter and tell them 'This many people want you to overturn your decision, it's really important to us,'" Perez said. "I think it's really important that they do listen to us."

Chris Murray, vice president for University Advancement, said he was unsurprised by the response from UI students and alumni.

"Our alumni, who are very passionate and well-connected and successful leaders, are expressing themselves and their disappointment," Murray said. "I think it's a great way for students to express how they feel and express their own disappointment."

Murray said removing the term "flagship" from the mission statement will not change the fact that UI is Idaho's flagship university.

"The University of Idaho is the flagship research university for the state of Idaho. That won't change with an edit from a governing board. We are who we are," Murray said. "The fact remains that the University

of Idaho is the state's flagship research university. It's not debatable and I think that's part of the reaction that's coming forward is that the mission statement doesn't really reflect, accurately, who we are."

Perez said she believes the decision made by the SBOE was political and not intended to benefit students.

"Other universities complained about it so they took it out and I don't think that's right, and I don't think they're representing the University of Idaho well. I think they're punishing us," Perez said. "We are the undisputed leader in the state of Idaho. We do the most research. We have the highest graduation rates. We do the most service for our community. We have the highest economic impact. We were the first university in the state. We've not only been deemed the flagship, but I feel like we've earned it. We are the leader."

Perez said UI and the SBOE need to focus on what is important. She said each institution in the state should focus on providing quality education and employment opportunities to Idaho.

"I think that each institution has their own unique mission and role that they need to serve in the state and I think that we serve different audiences," Perez said. "I think that we're all important to the economy and important to the state, but the board needs to stop comparing us. They need to just let us be different because we are."

Perez said she doesn't think the current structure of the SBOE — which serves as the Board of Regents for UI and the Board of Trustees for state-sponsored public four-year colleges and universities — is beneficial to any of the institutions in Idaho.

the festival.

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Five straight



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Vandal forward Djim Bandomel dunks the ball during the first half against Portland State Saturday in Cowan Spectrum. The Vandals came out on top with a 77-68 win against the Vikings. The men will play Utah State in Logan Friday.

Vandals beat Portland State in senior night match up

Theo Lawson
Argonaut

Landon Tatum, Deremy Geiger and Djim Bandomel were honored prior to tipoff, but the efforts of junior Kyle Barone and sophomore Stephen Madison helped send Idaho's upperclassmen out on top after the Vandals' 77-68 Sears Bracket-Busters victory against Portland State Saturday in Cowan Spectrum.

Idaho's three seniors saw their Cowan Spectrum careers conclude victoriously, but more importantly Idaho's win streak reached five games and regardless of results in their final three contests, the Vandals will finish the season with a win percentage above .500.

A 9-0 run set the tone for a contest that was primarily dominated by the Vandals, with the exception of Portland State's late attempt at a comeback. Idaho's lead peaked at 19 points, but the Vikings put the brakes on the Vandal lead and cut it to six with less than 10 minutes to play.

That was as close as Portland State got, and a Geiger three relieved any stress built during the Vikings' 9-2 run.

"That was a huge play in the game," Tatum said. "They had all the momentum on their side. A 3-pointer in any game can just be a dagger ... I think that just really helped us out."



When you shoot almost 70 percent in the first half, you hold them to 30 percent — I thought we were efficient offensively as we've been in a long time.

Don Verlin, Coach



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Vandal lacrosse forwards practice passing drills Feb. 15 on the SprinTurf. Idaho lacrosse split its roadtrip to California losing to UC Davis and beating San Jose State.

Vandal LAX splits road trip

Nick Groff
Argonaut

The goal was to sweep the road-trip — that didn't happen — but the next best thing did for Idaho lacrosse Saturday and Sunday in California.

Idaho (1-1, 0-0 PNCLL) expected its first contest against the Aggies of UC Davis (2-2, 0-1 WCLL) to be the more difficult of the weekend's matchups, and it proved true as the Vandals dropped at 16-9 decision Saturday. But Idaho wasted no time recovering and demoralized San Jose State (0-1, 0-1 WCLL) 16-2 Sunday.

Coach John Andrysiak said the loss was largely a result of unforced errors committed by his squad he chalks up to inexperience and a lack of focus.

"There were a lot of unforced errors. ... not catching the ball, not scooping and picking up the ball. Just dropping passes," Andrysiak said. "... there's nine guys out of the 22 guys that played this weekend that had never started, or played lacrosse, or college lacrosse game."

He said the seven-point loss to UC Davis isn't a terrible loss and when a team loses by 10 or more, major issues need cleaned up. Sophomore midfielder Colin Cain was as optimistic as Andrysiak regarding the UC Davis loss and said a lot of the problem came from first-game jitters.

"Unfortunately it took us a whole half or so to get those (jitters) out," Cain said. "But like I said, we settled down ... and we started playing and started producing like we know we can."

Idaho came within four points of the Aggies in the second half, but was not able to finish a comeback. Junior defender Eric Larsen said the loss was a team loss where both sides of the ball didn't possess or play clean lacrosse. Larsen agreed with Andrysiak and said first-game kinks need to be ironed out. The pair believes Sunday's beatdown of the Spartans is a step in the right direction.

"We were all there that day, like everything was working," Larsen said. "Our defense was on. Offense, I mean they got so many shots off. It was insane. To score 16 points, it was just an overall a great day."

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Small meet, large results

Vandals compete well with limited squad in the Vandal Collegiate

Stephan Wiebe
Argonaut

Competing without a full team, Vandal track and field came out big in the Vandal Collegiate Friday and Saturday in the Kibbie Dome. Twenty career bests were set in a weekend where many athletes needed good times and marks going into the WAC Indoor Championships Feb. 23 to 25 in Boise. It was the first Vandal Collegiate since 2010.

"I don't think I leave the meet feeling wanted for anything (more)," said Idaho Director of Track and Field Wayne Phipps. "I thought we got in some good competition, competed really well and put up some really good marks."

One area the Vandals excelled in was men's pole vault. Senior Jeremy Klas won the event in a jump off with Robbie Haynie from Eastern Oregon, clearing 17-7.75 feet (5.38m). Idaho sophomore Dylan Watts placed third with a 5-inch personal record of 16-06.75 feet.

"I guess I was waiting for a PR (personal record) like this because in practice I had been vaulting really well and then in meets the nerves would get me," Watts said. "Today it just kind of came together I guess."

Watts said Vandal pole vaulters could "potentially sweep the top three or four spots in the WAC Championships."

The Vandals also did well in throwing events. Junior Kristine Leonard was the top collegiate finisher in the women's weight throw with a toss of 55-10.5 feet (17.03m). She had some poor attempts to start the meet, but pulled through on her final toss to achieve a personal record. She broke her previous personal best by nearly four feet.

"I've been working on a few things in practice that I knew would help me throw farther, just nothing had really clicked yet," Leonard said. "I think that being here at home and being

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Jeremy Klas completes a vault Saturday in the Kibbie Dome at the Vandal Collegiate. Klas won the men's pole vault with a vault of 17-7.75 feet. The WAC Indoor Track and Field Championships are Feb. 23-25 in Boise.

Athletes of the Weekend



Almundena Sanz



Krissy Karr



Kyle Barone

Almundena Sanz

Sophomore women's tennis player Almundena Sanz was named WAC Verizon Player of the Week after achieving a combined 5-1 for singles and doubles against Colorado State, Northern Colorado and Wyoming last weekend.

Sanz, a first-year U.S.

tennis player and Spain native, went 3-0 at the No. 2 singles spot and had two victories against Colorado State and Northern Colorado with partner Sophie Vickers and another against Wyoming with Vicky Lozano.

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Everything is bigger for Idaho swim and dive

Lone Star state bound for WAC Championships

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

Everything is bigger in Texas, and the saying will hold true for Idaho swim and dive as the team travels to San Antonio to compete on its largest stage yet in the WAC Championship meet.

The Vandals left Moscow Monday to prepare for the three-day event that begins today at the Palo Alto Natatorium.

Idaho has been off since Feb. 4, after consecutive meets against Pac-12 opponents Oregon State and Washington State. Coach Mark Sowa said his team is upbeat about the trajectory of the season heading toward the conference championship. Idaho drew against OSU and defeated WSU the following week.

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Katie Hendricks warms up by swimming the free style Thursday at practice in the UI Swim Center. The Idaho swim and dive team will be in San Antonio Feb. 22-25 for the WAC Championships.

Aww shucks

Vandals fall to Nebraska Cornhuskers

Madison McCord
Argonaut

In some situations, two out of three is bad.

The University of Idaho men's tennis team found this out the hard way, falling 7-0 to No. 73 Drake University Saturday, and 6-1 to No. 38 University of Nebraska Sunday.

The Vandals were able to pull out one victory on their heartland swing though, handling Creighton University 4-3.

The No. 66 Vandal loss to the Cornhuskers was the squad's third straight, all to ranked opponents after getting shut out the week before by No. 45 Boise State.

Idaho Director of Tennis Jeff Beaman said the team was down after piling up losses, but knew it was all against quality teams.

"You hate to lose, but they're all great teams,"

Beaman said. "I was really disappointed about some results, but that's the game of tennis. You never like to lose, and a loss to some good teams I don't like but I can accept. The way our guys played in the first two this weekend and the level they played at just wasn't where it needed to be."

The Vandals opened against the Drake Bulldogs in Lincoln, Neb., but were unable to get a point off the team ranked seven spots below them. Idaho lost all six singles matches against Drake, as well as the doubles point, even though Cirstobal Salzar and Jose Bendeck won the No. 2 doubles match 8-7.

"As far as doubles go, we're almost at the point where we've worked with every different pairing, and we're still not winning the doubles point," Beaman said. "It's to the point where I'm

just pulling names out of a hat for the guys to play together."

Idaho senior, Alan Shin, proved to be the team's sole bright spot in Lincoln, winning his No. 5 singles match Sunday against the Cornhuskers' Erick Sock 6-3, 6-4. The Vandals couldn't follow Shin's lead, losing the other five singles points and getting swept in the doubles matches.

"I met with Alan in person a little while ago and since then we've worked on some stuff on how he competed and how to get to the level we need him to be at," Beaman said. "He has improved over the last few weeks tremendously though."

The score line was not indicative of the match quality, as two of the five Idaho singles losses went into a third set. No. 1 Marius Cirstea won his first set against

Christopher Aumueller, but couldn't hold off the Husker, falling 6-4, 5-7, 10-6. No. 6 Andrew Dobbs also lost in three sets 6-2, 2-6, 7-5.

After the first two losses Idaho traveled to Omaha where its fighting spirit prevailed, beating the Creighton Bluejays 4-3 after trailing 3-1.

Idaho lost its third straight doubles point, even with an 8-5 win at the No. 1 spot from Marius Cirstea and Abid Akbar. Creighton then won the No. 1 and No. 4 singles matches, before Idaho clawed back and got the win. Of Idaho's four wins, two came by way of three-set matches, including a 1-6, 7-6, 6-1 win for No. 2 Abid Akbar.

"Winning against (Creighton) was a big step for us, we needed a win and to break out of that streak," Beaman said. "...The guys



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Junior Marius Cirstea returns the ball to Abid Akbar during practice Feb. 15 during practice in the Kibbie Dome. Idaho broke its three-game losing-streak with a win against Creighton University Monday.

that pulled through were mentally tired and it would have been easy to give up, but they wanted to get out of this losing streak."

The Vandals return to action at 9 a.m. March 3 against Eastern Wash-

ington in Lewiston. They will also play Lewis-Clark State College at 2 p.m. the same day in Lewiston.

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Vandal guard Keri Arendse makes a pass during practice Feb. 14 in Cowan Spectrum. Idaho beat Nevada on the road 87-86 in overtime Saturday. The Vandals will play at Utah State Feb. 25 before finishing the regular season with two home games March 1 and 3 against San Jose State and Hawaii, respectively.

Karr shoots Idaho to victory

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

Idaho was down by two when sophomore Alyssa Charlston drove the lane as time ticked off the clock. She dished the rock to freshman Krissy Karr who drained a 3-pointer with two seconds remaining and a 1-point advantage to seal the 87-86 overtime victory against Nevada in Reno Saturday.

The win snapped a two-game losing streak for the Vandals (9-18, 4-7 WAC) who are now a San Jose State loss away from jumping into No. 5 in the conference. Idaho also avenged its previous loss to the Wolf Pack earlier in the year. For Nevada (5-20, 1-9 WAC) the nightmare season continues. The Wolf Pack are far behind the competition and in last place.

Idaho coach Jon Newlee said it was a battle all the way through and he's proud of the way his team pushed to the end.

"What a special win here," Newlee said. "I'm just so proud of my team right now. What a great job by everybody — total team effort tonight."

Nevada started the game on fire and was quickly up 8-0, but the Vandals fired back to take the lead with 10 minutes to go in the half. The teams exchanged blows for the rest of the half with the lead changing multiple times. Nevada's Arielle Wideman buried a three as time expired to give the Wolf Pack a 38-34 half-time lead.

The Wolf Pack came out of the locker room much like they did in the first half

and quickly established a lead. Nevada raised the lead to 11, but once again the Vandals answered with a run of their own. Neither team was able to pull away down the stretch, setting up an exciting finish.

With the score tied at 71, the Vandals had a chance to win the game as time expired, but couldn't finish a layup, sending the game to overtime.

As in the two previous periods, Nevada started strong with a 10-2 run, but the Vandals countered yet again. Karr hit a three to tie the

game 84-84 with 15 seconds left, but a foul sent Nevada's Kate Kevorken to the charity strip where she made both attempts.

With time quickly expiring, Idaho got the ball back to Charlston who found Karr open. Karr connected on the three, giving Idaho a one-point lead with two seconds on the clock. Nevada's Amanda Johnson's hail-

Mary attempt was off the mark, netting Idaho the win.

"I was pretty excited," Karr said. "I didn't know if it was going in or not when it left my hand, so to see it go in was pretty exciting for me."

To make it an even more special night for Karr, her parents were in attendance.

"It was pretty awesome," Karr said. "The first thing I did when I got out of the locker room was run out to them and they were pretty proud of me."

Newlee said his team executed during pivotal moments.

"That was unbelievable," Newlee said. "So many twists and turns down the stretch. We ran the end-game plays to perfection. Down the stretch with no timeouts they know what we want. Alyssa made a great pass. I told Krissy strongly at halftime that she needed to be taking her shots and I'm glad she listened. What a couple of clutch shots from a freshman."

Charlston and senior Keri Arendse both finished the game with 21 points. Nevada's Kayla Williams led all scorers with 23.

Next up for Idaho will be a trip Saturday to Logan, Utah, to face Utah State. The Aggies are No. 2 in the conference and beat the Vandals 78-70 in the Cowan Spectrum earlier this year. The Vandals will then finish out the regular season with a two-game home-stand.

Idaho has shown itself to be a resilient squad all season and was able to come back three times against Nevada. Charlston said the team stays positive even when things aren't going well.

"I think it's exciting how many times we've surprised ourselves this year," Charlston said. "...I think the fact that we're young helps us be so resilient and so believing. Anything can happen and we're very positive."

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Women 7-4 after successful weekend

Idaho beat Colorado State, Northern Colorado, but lost to Wyoming

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Moscow is not exactly at sea level, but 2,500 feet is nothing compared to the altitudes where the Vandal women's tennis team competed Friday and Saturday, winning two in Colorado and losing one in Wyoming.

Colorado State, Idaho's first stop, sits at about twice the altitude of Moscow. The Vandals beat the Rams 5-2 and Idaho coach Daniel Pollock said it was a great win on the road.

"Playing at that altitude, in their home facility, with a lot of people watching is definitely a good win for us and I was very happy to get a win there," Pollock said.

Thin air allowed the ball to move much faster and Idaho adjusted well, sweeping the three doubles matches and losing at No. 3 and No. 6 spots in singles.

The Vandals didn't travel far for their Saturday match against Northern Colorado, another mile-high match up. Pollock said Northern Colorado looked exactly how he expected, fast and in Idaho's face, but the Vandals did not play how Pollock hoped.

"We did not play good doubles and I was disappointed with the girls and kind of challenged them to go out and get some pride back in singles," Pollock said.

Idaho dropped the doubles point but won four out of six singles matches to win 4-3. Pollock said the score was too close for comfort, but Idaho dug deep to get the win. He said freshman Sophie Vickers contributed greatly to the victory and not only against Northern Colorado.

"Sophie had a great first two days," Pollock said. "She is really solid, for a freshman she is kind of taking a leadership role in doubles and she just kind of quietly gets stuff done for us in singles too."

Almudena Sanz finished 5-1 for Idaho with her only loss coming in doubles against the No. 1 doubles team in the region — University of Wyoming. Wyoming was Idaho's third and toughest match of the weekend, and Idaho's only loss.

Idaho attempted to keep the winning streak alive, but understood it was an under-

dog heading into the match. Wyoming is another 2,000 feet higher elevation at 7,000 feet, and ranked No. 63 in the nation. Sophomore Bety Flores said Idaho did well to only lose 5-2.

"I think it was pretty high up here and it was a long weekend so that affected us a little bit too," Flores said.

She said the Vandals were a little intimidated facing such stiff competition, but next time Idaho might be able to beat Wyoming. Pollock said he was pleased with how the Vandals played in Wyoming after their nail biter against the Rams.

"Almu (Sanz) won at singles at No. 2 and Bety won, so picking up wins at 7,000 feet against a team that is used to playing there and is extremely good is very promising," Pollock said.

He said it took the Vandals a while to acclimate to the elevation in Colorado and Wyoming.

"We had to change the way we play," Pollock said. "I knew that going in and we have been hammering that into the girls all week but when they got here I



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Sophomore Vicky Lozano returns the ball to Almudena Sanz during practice Wednesday in the Kibbie Dome. Idaho lost to Wyoming, but beat Colorado State and Northern Colorado Feb. 17 to 19.

think they finally saw why."

He said high altitude is a different ball game and adjustments were crucial to the two wins Idaho netted.

"We beat the teams that

I really wanted to beat and that's really all you can ask," Pollock said.

He said his team is a bit beaten up and not feeling well, so it will take this

week to rest and get healthy before facing BYU Saturday in Pullman.

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No. 25 Virginia escapes Virginia Tech

Associated Press

Mike Scott scored 20 points and Sammy Zeglinski had 13, all in the second half, and No. 25 Virginia hung on to beat Virginia Tech 61-59 on Tuesday night.

For the second game in a row, the Cavaliers (21-6, 8-5 Atlantic Coast Conference) held an opponent scoreless for more than eight minutes in the second half to rally. They did it to Maryland for 8:18 on Saturday, and to the Hokies for 8:25 — starting at the 13-minute mark.

Virginia Tech (15-13, 4-9), which came in having played three consecutive games decided by a point, led 49-44 after Erick Green's floater with 13 minutes to play. When Robert Brown finally broke the drought with two free throws with 4:35 left, the Cavaliers had built a 56-51 lead.

Green led the Hokies with 19 points, all but two in the second half.

As the Hokies went cold, Virginia got hot behind Zeglinski. With the crowd jeering his every move, he scored seven points in a 14-0 burst, including a 3-pointer and a steal and a layup.

But the Hokies, who won 47-45 on Jan. 22 at Virginia, weren't finished.

Green made three of four free throws and Dorenzo Hudson one of two to pull the Hokies within 59-55, and they also fouled out Zeglinski and Virginia defensive specialist Jontel Evans.

Paul Jespersion, inserted

into the lineup when Zeglinski fouled out, then collected a rebound and put it in for the Cavaliers, giving them a 61-55 lead with 43 seconds to play.

Green was fouled while scoring and made the free throw to make it a three-point game with 38 seconds to go. Virginia's Akil Mitchell missed the front end of a one-and-one two seconds later.

Green's floater came up short, and he made only one of two free throws with 26 seconds to go, but the

Hokies again fouled Mitchell, and he again missed the front end of a one-and-one.

Cadarian Raines gathered in the rebound in a pile, and the Hokies called a timeout.

With 17.6 seconds left, they were working the ball around for a good shot when Malcolm Brogdon got his arm on a pass and stole it. He missed the free throw with 1.9 seconds to go, but Hudson's desperate heave after getting the rebound was off.

Evans also scored 13 for Virginia.

Hudson had nine for

the Hokies.

Scott, who scored an ACC career-best 25 points in Virginia's victory against Maryland on Saturday, has had to assume an even greater role in the Cavaliers' offense since starting swingman Joe Harris broke a bone in his left hand more than a week ago.

Harris has continued to play, but with heavy padding on his non-shooting hand that hampers his shot.

Early, both teams shot well.

The Hokies used a 16-6 run that featured four 3-pointers to open a 29-21 lead. Marquis Rankin hit twice from long range and Dorian Finney-Smith and Hudson also connected. The Hokies made six of their first eight from behind the arc, matching their season average for 3-pointers.

Virginia shot 68.4 percent in the half, led by Scott's 7 for 10, and trailed 35-32 at halftime. The Cavaliers made only two 3-pointers, the second by Scott, who had 15 at the half.

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GET OUT THERE

Presidents' Day shoot

Amidst flurries of snow and frigid temperatures, the diehard archers of Idaho descended onto Spring Valley Reservoir for the annual Presidents Day shoot, sponsored by Ee-da-how Bow hunters of Lewiston.

I was happy to be one of these half-crazy, all-the-way-determined archers braving the fresh powder to knock the rust off my shot.

As my alarm screeched into my ear at 8 o'clock Sunday morning I was greeted by a white blanket of nonsense covering not only my home and yard, but my ghetto truck that now needed warm up for at least half an hour before two-wheel-drive hot-rodding out the unplowed highway to Troy.

After picking up my counterpart Eric Grubaugh, we piled enough equipment — bows, arrows, stupid expensive release aids, targets — into the rig to easily cover the retail of our ride. Basically anything a small army would need for a full assault.

We rallied Tokyo Drift style 20 minutes later into the parking lot of Spring Valley Reservoir. It was packed. Domestic, full-size four-wheel-drives were jammed into every available parking spot and vacant snow bank. It was a bit of an unwelcome sight for a '91 Nissan billowing smoke from the tailpipe, sliding through the iced slush as the muffler popped and crackled. We spun a donut around a brand-new, bright red F-350 while the old man gearing up on its tailgate yelled some sort of obscenity as we got my old beater sideways.

One lesson I would like to express to all Idaho residents — if there is

snow, play in it. Most people from Idaho will understand, and there were a few smiles and thumbs-up for my "uncivil" behavior, but I caution you to be careful. While most Idahoans will appreciate a good snow rally, there are very few that will still think you're cool after you smash into their truck.

After jammung the front end of the Nissan into a 3-foot snow bank, my buddy and I set up for the competition. While most archers can simply pick up a bow and be ready to shoot, some of this equipment takes preparation.

After getting sights and stabilizers attached in the right order, not to mention shot-gunning an energy drink, we trudged through the still falling snow to the registration area.

Eighteen dollars later, 15 for entry and three for mulligan shots at a buck a piece, we hit the practice range.

The wind was still blowing an annoying amount of snow into my face. After only three arrows we decided that warming up on the course would be the best plan of attack. We thought it best to get through the course while we were still strong of will.

Ee-da-how understands how to set up a challenging course and this year was no exception. Of 40 targets on the range more than half seemed to cater to the advanced archer.

Through the first 20 targets Groobz (Eric) and I were stellar. Miniature black bears, elk, mountain lions and one enormous bull frog were laid down to pin-point arrow placement.

At the break my scorecard read 25 points lost. Honestly not the best

display of my shooting ability, but the opportunity to take hardware home with me was still a reality.

Then the second range happened. The wear and tear of a more than three-mile walk through fresh snow was like wearing ankle weights. My legs were aching, exhaustion started to set in and my back gave me hints about how much it hates me. Even my trigger finger was starting to get out of line.

After nailing the first few targets of the second range, things started falling apart. Ten-point shots became eight-point shots. The white fuzz of the fresh snow began to make 30-yard attempts look more like 50 yards.

As we gimped our way to the finish line my score card was a mere shadow of the promise it held at the break. Earning 338 points of the 400 possible, while not pathetic, certainly wasn't a "professional" performance.

Disregarding my personal failure, the Presidents Day shoot was a success. As the first shoot of the year this is always a battle with the elements. Blankets of snow can make it almost impossible to estimate range, and less-than-tropical temperatures can make even the most determined shooters head for the truck. Even with these setbacks there are always enough shooters to make for a solid competition, and if you weren't brave enough to battle the elements this year, you can mark your calendar for next Presidents Day. But I warn you to dress warm and be ready to have yourself a wild winter adventure.

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SWIM

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"Competition prepares us," Sowa said. "Good competition prepares us to race better competition. It's why we try to race Pac-12 opponents because it brings out the best in us. ... We are confident going in to this (Championship meet) that we can do something special."

The meet will determine a conference champion, as well as individual swimmers and divers who will represent Idaho at the NCAA Zone diving championship March 8 in Colorado Springs, and the NCAA Championship meet March 15 in Auburn,

Ala.

Sowa said he expects his team to continue to compete and perform well.

"Expectations are to swim fast and dive well, beyond that the last chapter has not been written yet," Sowa said. "It's always fun to discover what we're capable of doing."

Sowa said at this point in the season his team has learned everything necessary and that it is all about execution at this point.

"The work has been done. We aren't going to re-invent the wheel going in to this. Now we just have to put it all together and perform," Sowa said.

"Making sure we execute our skills better — starts, breakouts, turns, finishes. Getting technically better, executing race plans better — things we started talking about since day one."

The trek to Texas won't be the first for the team this season — Idaho participated in the University of Houston Cougar Classic Invitational in November to prepare for this trip. Sowa called the earlier meet a trial run.

"We are not going in to this not having done something like this before," Sowa said.

Sowa said Idaho will have the opportunity to get as many as five or

six participants into the NCAA Championship meet depending on its performances at the WAC Championship.

"That's why we do this stuff," Sowa said. "Any time you have a best performance, break a school record, chance to compete is a chance to discover the unknown and we're looking forward to discovering what that unknown is."

The Championship meet will stream live at WAC.tv with coverage starting today with the 200 medley and the 800 freestyle.

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MEET

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more comfortable with the surroundings was able to let me think of my technique a little bit better and how to make things happen."

On the men's side, sophomore Kyle Rothwell won the weight throw with a toss of 58-11.5 feet — a career best for him and No. 2 in the WAC.

"It's wonderful (having all these personal records) going into championship week because that brings

confidence to the kids," Idaho throwing coach Julie Taylor said. "They know that when they go down to Boise that they are throwing at their best and having their best performances."

Senior Rendel Jones was another first-place finisher for the Vandal men with a triple jump of 44-7 feet (13.59m). Ben Ayesu-Attah was the top collegiate finisher in the 400 meter with a personal best time of 48.75 seconds. Nike's Jeshua Anderson, a Washington State graduate, won the event.

Despite holding out some of their best distance runners, the Vandals also placed well in distance events. Junior Liga Velvere placed first in the women's 800 meter in 2:08.46 minutes.

"We didn't compete everybody but I thought that the people that did compete, competed very well," Phipps said. "We had a number of season bests and I think that helps a lot confidence-wise going into conference."

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FIVE

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The Vandals were on cruise control from there out, winning the battle of free throws that started early and forced Idaho to shoot 14 from the stripe within the final two minutes. Geiger and Tatum shot all but two of those, and along with Barone, converted 12 of 14 down the stretch.

"We played very well in the first half," Idaho coach Don Verlin said. "When you shoot almost 70 percent in the first half, you hold them to 30 percent — I thought we were as efficient offensively as we've been in a long time. I was hoping we could put back-to-back defensive halves together. We didn't defend it quite as well as we needed to."

It was a game of career bests for the Vandals as Tatum and Madison posted their first ever double-doubles, Tatum with 10 points and 10 assists, the assists tie his career-high. Madison pulled down a game-high 11 rebounds and tallied 15 points.

Barone's 25 points are a career-high, and 19 were

scored in the first half. The junior was two rebounds shy of what would've been his ninth double-double this season. His 10-11 shooting mark ties the best shooting percentage in Idaho single-game history.

Collectively, the Vandals shot 67.9 percent from the field, the best they have all season against a Division I opponent. They're also 11-0 this season when shooting 50 percent or better.

Verlin is now a perfect 4-0 on senior night.

"What a great crowd for our seniors tonight," Verlin said. "I was extremely excited with the attendance we had tonight, and what a great way to send off three wonderful guys. I couldn't be happier for our seniors."

Idaho has a week to rest and prepare for a crucial WAC match-up Friday against Verlin's former Utah State Aggies. The conference's traditional powerhouse has experienced somewhat of an off season and sits behind Hawaii in the WAC standings at 14-14, 5-6. Utah State has lost eight of its last 13.

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ATHLETES

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"When we recruited her we were hoping she was going to have a huge impact on the middle of the lineup," women's tennis coach Daniel Pollock said. "Obviously with a few sicknesses and injuries and health issues she's moved up, but she has stepped up and played really big for a first-year player, and that bodes really well for next year."

Kyle Barone

His contribution to Idaho men's basketball five-game winning streak has landed junior center Kyle Barone another recognition as the WAC Verizon Player of the Week for the second week in a row.

Barone led the Vandals to a 77-68 win in the Sears ESPN BracketBusters game with 25 points on 10-11 shooting, a career best. Barone also accumulated eight rebounds, two assists, one steal and one block with 5-5 from the free throw line.

Barone's 10-11 is a Vandal best tied at third place for single-game shooting performance.

Krissy Karr

In the last 15 seconds of the women's basketball game against Nevada in Reno, Krissy Karr sank two 3-pointers including an overtime buzzer-beater that carried the Vandals to an 87-86 win Saturday.

Karr, a freshman point guard, tied the game at 84-84 with her first 3-point shot, and sealed the victory with another leaving the Wolf Pack with two seconds left in the game. Karr went 4-6 in 3-point shots during the game.

"That was unbelievable," Idaho women's basketball coach Jon Newlee said. "So many twists and turns down the stretch. We ran the end game plays to perfection. Down the stretch with no timeouts they know what we want. Alyssa made a great pass. I told Krissy strongly at halftime that she needed to be taking her shots and I'm glad she listened. What a couple of clutch shots from a freshman."

LAX

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Andrysiak was pleased with the way his team executed, but not just because the Vandals lit up the scoreboard.

"We ran our offense like we were supposed to," Andrysiak said. "The ball wasn't on the ground a lot and we possessed the ball ... that's huge when you're trying to win a game because if you can possess the ball it takes the chance for the other team to hold it out of the equation and it really gave us an opportunity to work on the things that we needed to work on."

Senior attackman John Kopke owned the front lines, tallying 10 points off six goals and four assists against San Jose State. Andrysiak said Kopke's play is about all a coach can ask

for in any given game.

"He was a facilitator and a scorer and you can't ask for anything more as a coach," Andrysiak said. "You want a guy to be even between assists and goals and I mean that's about as close as you're going to get."

Other Vandals in the stat book were Colton Raichl with nine points off eight goals and one assist, Trystan Chambers and Patrick Tunison, each with four points off three goals and one assist, and goalie Blake Uphus allowed 17 goals with 14 saves.

Idaho will have nearly two weeks to fine-tune.

The Vandals travel to the Rose City to face Portland State March 3 and Oregon State March 4 in Corvallis.

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OUR VIEW

Fight for our flagship

Imagine 10,000 Vandals standing together as one.

That is ASUI President Samantha Perez's goal. Perez started an online petition in hopes of re-hoisting the sails of the flagship university in Idaho after the Idaho State Board of Education unanimously voted to remove the term "flagship" from the University of Idaho's mission statement.

The discussion is not if UI is the flagship university in Idaho — it is. The discussion is why we are not allowed to say that in our mission statement.

The proposal to remove flagship was spearheaded by a board member who is a

Boise State University alumnus and does not have the best interest of all state institutions in mind.

Something needs to be done to reverse the politically driven decision, but will the petition be effective?

The petition has already received more than 3,200 signatures. It is a statement to the SBOE that Vandals will not stand aside during a petty debate to remove a term the institution has earned since it was established under the provisions in the Morrill Act of 1862.

But what happens when 10,000 signatures is reached? Will the SBOE reconsider its decision? It's unlikely.

But SBOE members need to pay attention.

The message behind the petition isn't that if we sign, they will change their decision.

This is only a stepping stone. Another petition, a letter to the SBOE or Facebook group opposing the decision are all ways to reinforce the message that the University of Idaho is the flagship institution of a state younger than UI itself. Better yet, the SBOE will be on our campus in April and students can publicly voice their opposition to the decision.

The petition started by Perez is not the battle, but the ammunition we will use in proving through determination that we are, and always will be, the flagship of Idaho.

—MM

Mail Box

UI is Idaho's flagship university

The State Board of Education has determined the University of Idaho's mission statement cannot designate it as our "flagship" university. Those of us who love this university and respect its history know that the State Board's unwillingness to recognize the obvious does not change anything.

UI was formed by the territorial legislature in 1889. The state's sole university for decades, UI sets the standard for higher education in Idaho. It is Idaho's land-grant university and has the state's only public law school. It draws the attendance of National Merit Scholars who recognize and appreciate strong academic programs at UI.

Flagship designation or not, UI will remain an example for all higher education programs in the state. The university has persevered and excelled in the face of drastic cuts from the state legislature. There is no doubt that

a lot of financial support has been taken from the university prior to this decision by the board. Do such choices reflect the vision of the SBOE or the elected leaders of our state? We work for and expect wiser choices. We honor the leadership demonstrated on the Palouse.

What problem is solved by denying our university this designation? Members of the State Board of Education claim a need to "promote collegial relationships between institutions." "Collegial relationships" are not nurtured through a failure to recognize specific strengths of our schools. The fact that UI is the oldest university in the state cannot be changed, nor should its leadership role fail to be recognized.

The University of Idaho is Idaho's flagship university.

Sincerely,
Sen. Dan Schmidt,
Rep. Shirley Ringo
Moscow

UI deserves status as flagship

We are and will always be the flagship.

The Idaho State Board of Education voted to remove the word "flagship" from our mission statement Feb. 16. Along with many University of Idaho students, faculty, staff, friends, parents and alumni, I am extremely disappointed in the board's decision and believe it should be reversed.

A mission statement defines what an organization is and explains its purpose. Since UI was created in 1889 as the first higher-education institution in Idaho, we were deemed the flagship university. Flagship has many meanings, including leader. Our purpose is to lead the state in research and education. With more than \$100 mil-

lion in research expenditures, UI does more than 70 percent of the research in Idaho. We have the highest graduation rates of any of Idaho's higher-education institutions (nearly twice that of other public institutions), the most National Merit Scholars enrolled, and our students complete more than 150,000 hours of community service annually.

Other institutions in Idaho should look to us as the leader in higher education simply because we are the leader in higher education.

As a student, I am particularly disheartened by the SBOE's lack of leadership. Its members, like others in the

state, should be proud of UI and its accomplishments. The vote Thursday was one of many examples that show the board is swayed more by politics than facts. In the future, the SBOE should stop wasting time and taxpayer dollars debating mission statements, and instead consider real issues that affect all of Idaho's students.

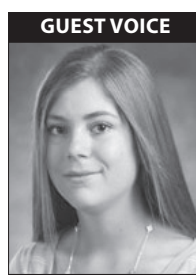
I invite you to join me and more than 2,000 others in challenging the SBOE's decision by signing our petition at change.org.



Our purpose is to lead the state in research and education.

Vandals know UI remains Idaho's flagship institution, despite the SBOE's politically charged message last week.

We are and will continue to be the undisputed leader for higher education in the state of Idaho.



Samantha Perez
ASUI president

OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

All that jazz

I love the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival. I think it is a blast, and do not care that it creates additional inconveniences for five days. Everyone should try to go to at least one event during their time at the University of Idaho — it's worth it.

—Elizabeth

Willy Wonka

"A little nonsense now and then is relished by the wisest men."

—Rhiannon

Presidential perks

It's OK to take a personal day every once in a while — forget the alarm, lounge around, watch hours of mindless TV, skip the gym and whatever you do, don't shower or even put jeans on for that matter. If that's what you did this President's Day, don't worry, you're not alone. I think it's what George Washington would've wanted us to do.

—Britt

My baby's on its way

The first issue of Blot in 2012 has been sent to Spokane and is being printed as we speak. Get ready for March 5 because it's going to be legendary.

—Madison

Vandal Nation in Vegas

I'm escaping the depressing weather in Idaho for bright lights, strippers and cocaine in Las Vegas. Going to destroy the casino buffets and report the WAC tourney like it's never been done before.

—Theo

TOP for three

Tower of Power, tightest horn section of all-time, means I have rekindled my love affair with Jazz Fest. Also, Middleton High 3-peat. Love you, little sister.

—Dylan

Weekend Wins

This weekend I went climbing, snow-shoed

seven miles and most important, I beat every level on A-Breaker.

—Jens

All I want for spring break ...

... is 20 wins or more. An early birthday present of an invite to the NIT or Christmas in March — the Big Dance.

—Nick

All grown up

Funny how you end up liking food you hated as a kid that your mom/dad made you eat anyway. Yay for OJ with pulp.

—Amrah

It's a comfort thing

Some people suck their thumbs. I take 45-minute showers.

—Elisa

Catch-up

The long weekend was great for coloring and sleep. Homework, not so much.

—Vicky

Health hypocrisy

House birth control hearing excludes women

The House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform held a hearing on birth control without any women last week. It sounds like a joke — sadly, it isn't.

The hearing was on a portion of the Affordable Care Act, a federal statute designed to reform private health care. One provision of the act would require health insurance providers to cover birth control and contraceptive options for women. It would also prohibit insurers from charging higher premiums based on gender.

These provisions of the Affordable Care Act would go into effect by 2014, and directly affect women's health care options. But Chairman Darrell Issa apparently does not feel their input is important. During the hearing, no women were called to testify.

These provisions have come under fire recently from the religious right. Some feel requiring insurers to cover birth control and contraception is a violation of religious liberties. That's why Congress held the hearings: To take a look at the provisions and make sure they didn't infringe on anyone's religious freedoms. And that's fine. But religious freedoms aren't the only freedoms at issue here.

This is about women's rights to make medical decisions and control their own bodies. So it might have been important to have some women at the Congressional hearing on a law that affects a woman's access to birth control options. Five men were invited to testify about the ways a "man's conscience" should guide the birth control requirements.

This hearing encapsulates perfectly the way the right views women's rights. They don't think women should have any input at all. Apparently Republicans think a woman's right to make health care decisions should be

determined entirely by men. Perhaps they think men know better. Maybe they think women just can't be trusted to make their own choices. And so women are excluded from the debate.

It's tough to believe this is happening in 2012. It sounds like something from the 1930s. Is this how far right America has moved in the past few decades? Have we gone back to the days of men making personal health decisions for women? Time and again American conservatives have proven they don't believe women should have the right to make their own choices.

From proposed abortion laws that would charge a woman with murder if she has a miscarriage to attempts to tell women what birth control they can have access to, it's clear the right only cares about control — this from a political ideology that pretends to be concerned with "big government" infringing on civil rights. Here we have the government making health care decisions for women with no input at all from women. Is this small government? No, this is big government intruding on Americans' most personal decisions, and it's led by Republicans.

These provisions of the Affordable Care Act should be allowed to go forward. Women need to have access to birth control options. The law wouldn't require anyone to use contraception. The only religious liberty it would supposedly infringe upon is the right for conservative religious leaders to control people's personal decisions.

We need to make it clear to Congress we won't tolerate this regression of basic civil rights. Congressional Republicans should be condemned for their hypocrisy. We should never see headlines like "Women excluded from women's rights debate."

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When enough is enough

Practicing moderation will help develop a balanced lifestyle

One mistake people make in life is not knowing when it's time to stop. There are activities we love and some we don't care for. Whether it's homework, hanging out with friends, partying or reading a book, there comes a time when we have to take a break.

The value of the saying, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" cannot really be appreciated until one gets to college and observes the different ways people live. Some people study constantly, almost never taking a break, and feel guilty when they do. The library is their second home and you can almost bet your last penny on finding them there.

And then there are individuals who don't deem it necessary to study. After all, college is an opportunity to meet as many people as possible. They take advantage of that opportunity and choose to do something fun instead of prioritizing studying.

It's OK to have fun, but not at the expense of something more important.

It's fine to study hard, but not in exchange for your well-being. The spectrum has two extremes, and we have to prioritize appropriately to live a well-balanced life.

The rule applies to outside of school as well. We shouldn't overeat just because we love food or read a novel late into the night instead of getting eight

hours of sleep.

Maybe you're addicted to watching reality TV, spending too much time on Facebook or working out more often than necessary — none of these are bad in moderation.

Learning to take a break and just walk away when you have had enough is not easy. It takes practice.

Applying the principle of moderation in trivial things, such as signing off Facebook when it's time to do homework, will help you discipline yourself and make you a successful person in life.

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Productive hibernation

Taking a break from the outside world can work wonders for mental health

Sometimes we need days when we know the world outside will hum along just fine without us.

Those days we can retreat into hibernation, away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. But it can seem hard to enjoy the simple delights of a cold day when you have a mountain of textbooks staring ominously at you. So here are a few ideas to make hibernation the highlight of your week, while still being productive.

When I tell people to curl up with a good book, the predictive response is "I'd love to, I just don't have the time." A trick we can use to solve this problem is to create

enjoyable reading environments. Choose the readings you have to do for your favorite classes and books within your major or line of work. Run a hot bubble bath, light candles, pour yourself a cup of tea or glass of wine, and soak while you read. You may even find it gives you a new appreciation for your discipline.

Another trick is to revert back to childhood and dig out all your sheets, chairs and pillows to build a study fort. Make sure to stock it with plenty of books, a lamp and snacks (maybe even stuffed toys). Hide from distractions in the fort and emerge an hour later with your mind full of new knowledge.

Knowing how to bake

treats is a skill that is going to be equally valuable for your future and is also a break from hard work. You never know when you may need to win someone over with a dessert. Try conjuring up an apple pie, coconut-apricot muffins or peanut butter cookies — anything that could melt someone's heart later on. Make sure to sample the mixture, of course, to avoid a possible disaster.

Back to academics: Do you secretly yearn to be a poet? Get all the facts for your next test, and then log on to rhymingdictionary.com and write your very own rhyming study guide. I did this once for a World Prehistory test and it seems that what rhymes ... sticks around at test times.

To feel even more productive another personal favorite is sitting down next to the heater and writing

lists. Write a list of 10 things you are thankful for, 10 friends you would like to be in contact with, 10 things you want to do this week or 10 wishes you would ask a genie for. You can write shopping lists, lists of the assignments you have to do or places you want to go.

When Monday morning comes around, the fort walls have come down and the peanut butter cookies have all mysteriously disappeared, but you will emerge a new person.

You'll waltz into your next test with poetry in your mind and a song in your heart, and into the supermarket knowing exactly what to buy. You'll smile already looking forward to the next time you can enjoy the small delights of a bath or baking, guilt free.

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