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DELICATE DINING



Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Omayra Rivera, graduate student in microbiology, practices proper manners at the Dine With Style Etiquette Dinner, held by the University of Idaho Career Center. Attendees learned to use different dining styles while participating in a multi-course meal.

Honoring an entrepreneur

Alumnus connects laboratory to marketplace with three companies

Joanna Wilson
Argonaut

John Shovic, a 1989 University of Idaho graduate in electrical and computer engineering, has started six companies throughout his career, three based around technology developed at UI.



John Shovic

Shortly after he earned his doctorate, Shovic co-founded Advanced Hardware Architectures with the university.

"This start up was a spin-off of a technology developed for NASA," said Shovic, the chief technology officer of InstiComm, LLC, based in Coeur d'Alene. "(AHA) builds advanced data compression error correction computer chips. It corrects errors in communications caused by noise and bad signals and things like that."

Shovic said CD readers use this kind of technology with music disks.

"Scratch it, and yet still play it," Shovic said. "That's because there's a code that corrects the errors caused by the scratch."

Because of his work to move technology from the lab to the marketplace, the UI Office of Technology Transfer presented the Outstanding Alumni Innovator award to Shovic March 22.

Gene Merrell, UI associate vice president for economic development, said the OAI award, along with others offered by the office, encourage faculty and students to convert data from a paper to a product.

"It's about working with this office to get the new stuff out," Merrell said. "If a faculty member in the course of their research thinks they have come up with some new technology that might have commercial application — they would call us."

The office works with researchers to develop a clear picture of what the technology is, how it would be made into a product and who the customer will be.

"And if it sounds like the technology is developed far enough, then we'll ask them to complete a form that we use to guide our market assessment," Merrell said. "Are there customers? Is the product going to be better, faster, cheaper, than what's already out there? Is it competitive?"

The office also checks patent literature to ensure the product has not already been invented elsewhere. If it is open, the office will start the patent process.

"All of that is important in finding that company to — we call it — licensing," Merrell said. "They buy the rights to the technology to risk that investment, and then we'll try to identify an existing company that could take the existing technology to market, or typically for those that have a much higher risk, we might start a new company."

Forty percent of the net licensing income goes to the inventor, 40 percent goes to the university, 10 percent goes to the college the inventor is a part of and 10 percent goes to the department.

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Clubs vie for ASUI dollars

Kaitlyn Krasselt
Argonaut

The ASUI Activities Board has approximately \$24,000 left to allocate to ASUI recognized clubs and organizations this year.

ASUI Activities Board Chair Marissa Moreschini said the activities board began the school year with a budget of \$71,900.

"There are over 210 ASUI recognized organizations, so there are a lot and there are constantly more popping up," Moreschini said. "We do have quite a bit of money left, so

it would be awesome if a lot of clubs applied for it."

Moreschini said the activities board is able to fund various club sponsored activities such as speakers, events like the Migrant Workers Awareness week and conferences.

"It's pretty much to help clubs fulfill their constitution and to fill their club goals. That's what we are there for," Moreschini said.

In order to be eligible for activities board funding, club representatives must attend a training session prior to a funding hearing.

"It's kind of a crazy process," Moreschini said. "First a club or organization has to go to a training meeting where they go and learn how to fill out an application and they learn if they are even able to receive funding."

Moreschini said the activities board is bound by a set of bylaws and is unable to fund certain things such as food, reources the university is able to provide and give-away items for events.

In case of an emergency

Second Annual Palouse Emergency Preparedness Fair to take place

Jacob Dyer
Argonaut

More than a dozen organizations are scheduled to participate in the Palouse Emergency Preparedness Fair, which is designed to answer attendees questions about emergency situations.

The fair runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 21 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on A Street in Moscow.

"It is sort of like a one-stop shopping center in terms of emergency preparedness," said Calvin George, event director.

In the past, people may have found it easy to push emergency preparedness to the bottom of their priority lists, George said, but as the Palouse continues to expand as a community, it is more important to be prepared.

About 800 to 900 community members attended the event's debut in 2011 and he expects to see those numbers increase for the second installation.

Brett Udy, director of public affairs for the Moscow university stake of the church, said this is not a church activity regardless of where it is taking place — the church is involved with the event.

Udy said the church has been practicing emergency preparedness for years and that a member came up with the idea of involving the community.

"It's great seeing everyone coming together in the interest of our community as a whole — and that's what I think this says about this community," Udy said. "We care about each other and ... these organizations want to help those who want to learn more about being prepared for an emergency."

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Amie-June Brumble | Courtesy

The University of Idaho Taylor Wilderness Research Center houses laboratories, classrooms and conference rooms 70 miles northeast of Cascade and is only accessible by airplane or a 35-mile hike.

Beyond books

Kasen Christensen
Argonaut

In the heart of one of the largest wilderness areas in the contiguous United States, the University of Idaho operates the Taylor Wilderness Research Station.

Taylor is only accessible by airplane, or a 35-mile hike. It's about 70 miles northeast of Cascade. The university has used Taylor for wilderness research since 1970.

During fall 2012, students will

have the opportunity to split a semester between Taylor and the McCall Field Campus.

Amie-June Brumble, one of Taylor's managers, said the area was first settled in 1911. "Cougar Dave" Lewis filed a homestead claim for it 10 years later. Brumble said the cabin Lewis built is still there, the oldest cabin on Big Creek. Lewis sold the ranch in 1935 to Jess Taylor, the station's namesake.

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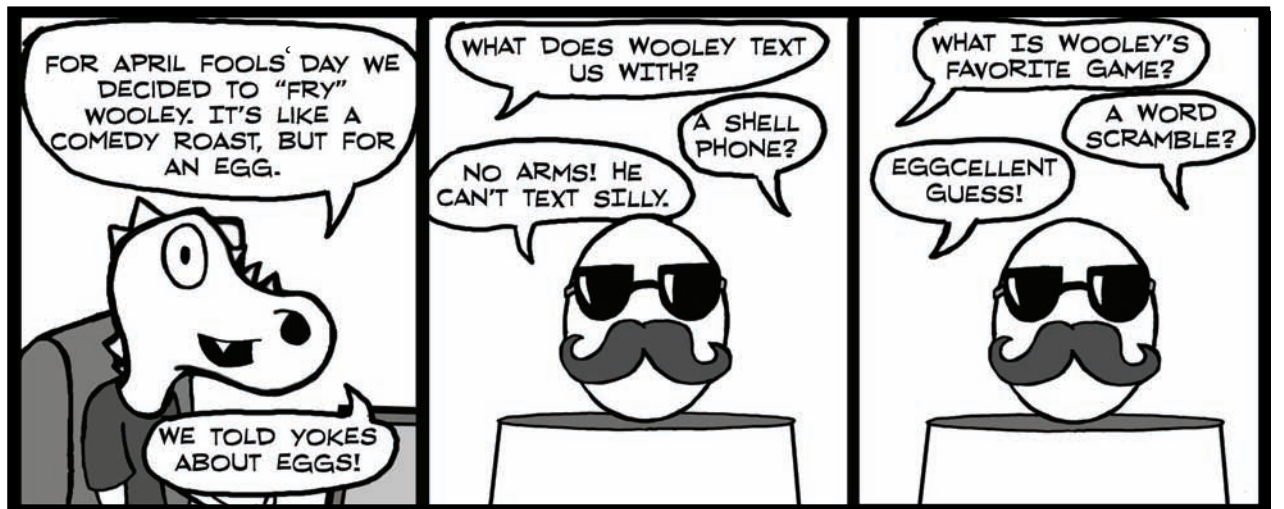
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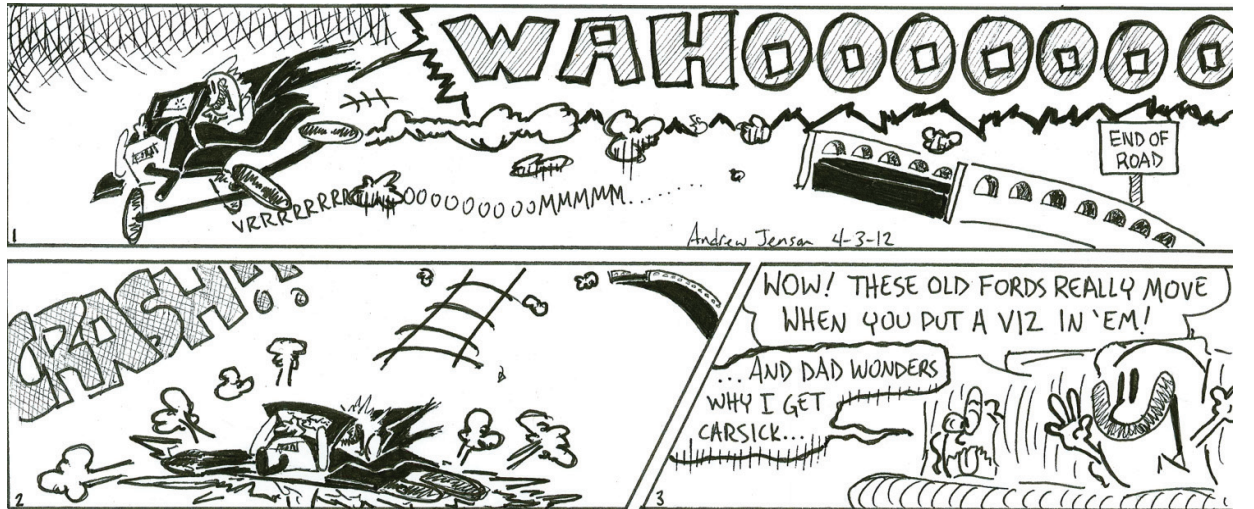
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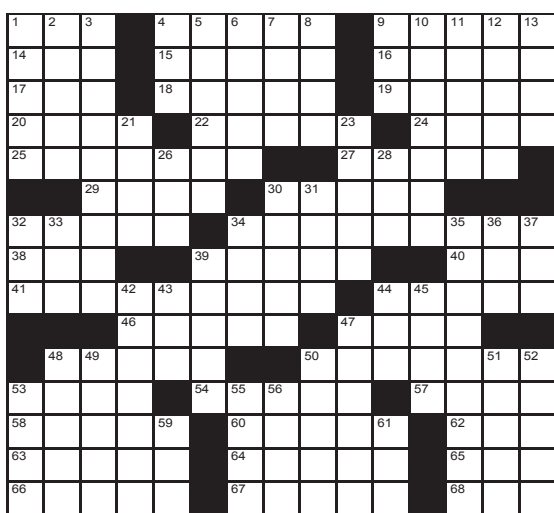


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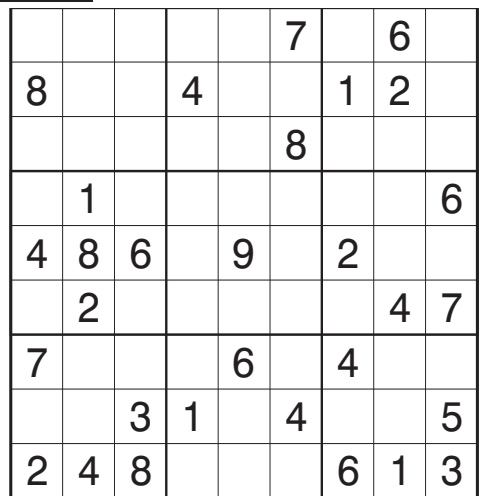


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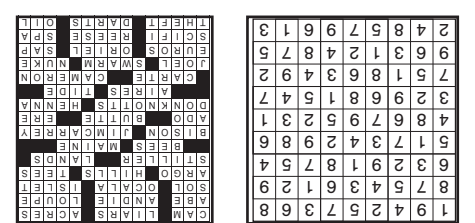
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MONDAY EVENING BRO-B-Q



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Freshman Rick Leathers, left, Wesley Jordan, Alex Taylor, Steven Sainsbury and Kayden Scott, take advantage of the fair weather with a tailgate barbecue Monday evening in the parking lot near Wallace Residence Center. The break in inclement weather allowed Moscow residents to participate in outdoor activities.

UI Opera strikes chords

Becky Davis
Argonaut

The University of Idaho Opera is preparing for its first performance of the year — “The Tender Land” by American composer Aaron Copeland.

The story takes place on a farm in the Midwest during the 1930s and tells the love story of Laurie Moss, a recent graduate, who meets a farm worker named Martin.

Caitlin Blankenship, a fifth-year senior, plays Laurie and said she is a fun, easily-relatable character.

“Laurie has this interesting progression throughout the show,” Blankenship said. “In the first act she’s this angst-y teenager, and by the second act she falls

in love and it’s like it spring-boarded her into adulthood.”

Jason Dyer, who plays Martin, said the show features a wide range of music that is accessible to everybody.

“There’s some really upbeat, fun music and then there’s really slow, beautiful duets, especially between Martin and Laurie,” Dyer said.

Kyle Ferrill is the musical and stage director for the show and joined the Lionel Hampton School of Music faculty last fall.

“We’ve been looking to grow our classical vocal offerings not only in quantity but in quality,” Ferrill said. “That’s one thing that I see my role here at the University of Idaho being.”

Blankenship said this will be her first opera performance and she is looking forward to opening night.

“It’s a cool opportunity and I’m really excited to have a chance at something like this,” she said.

Ferrill said a lot of people are hesitant to give opera a chance, but “The Tender Land” is a great introduction to opera in general because the story is so relatable.

“I think what the audience can come away with is they can relate to every single character,” Ferrill said, “The themes (for opera) are so universal that you can say ‘wow this was written in 1831 but it happened to me yesterday.’”

“The Tender Land” shows at 7:30 p.m.

More info

UI Opera’s “The Tender Land”
7:30 p.m. April 14 and 3 p.m. April 15
Administration Auditorium
Tickets at the door: \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors.

April 14 and 3 p.m. April 15 in the Administration Auditorium. Admission is \$3 for students and seniors and \$5 for adults. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

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Oakland college shooting leaves seven dead

Terry Collins
Associated Press

A gunman opened fire Monday at a Christian university in California, killing at least seven people, wounding three more and setting off an intense, chaotic manhunt that ended with his capture at a nearby shopping center, authorities said.

The gunfire erupted around midmorning at Oikos University. Heavily armed officers swarmed the school in a large industrial park near the Oakland airport and, for at least an hour, believed the gunman could still be inside.

Tashi Wangchuk, whose wife attended the school and witnessed the shooting, said he was told by police that the gunman first shot a woman at the front desk, then continued shooting randomly in classrooms.

Wangchuk said his wife, Dechen Wangzom, was in her vocational nursing class when she heard gunshots. She locked the door and turned off the lights, Wangchuk said he was told by his wife, who was still being questioned by police Monday afternoon.

The gunman “banged on the door several times and started shooting outside and left,” he said. Wangchuk said no one was hurt inside his wife’s classroom, but

that the gunman shot out the glass in the door. He said she did not know the man.

“She’s a hero,” he said.

Television footage showed bloodied victims on stretchers being loaded into ambulances. Several bodies covered in sheets were laid out on a patch of grass at the school. One body was loaded into a van.

Police spokeswoman Cynthia Perkins said seven people were dead. She did not release any other details about the victims.

Myung Soon Ma, the school’s secretary, said she could not provide any details about what happened at the small private school, which serves the Korean community with courses from theology to Asian medicine.

“I feel really sad, so I cannot talk right now,” she said, speaking from her home.

Police believe the shooter acted alone, though they have not discussed a possible motive.

Those connected to the school, including the founder and several students, described the gunman as a former nursing student, though there were conflicting reports about his current status.

Officer Johnna Watson said the suspect is an Asian male in his 40s

and was taken into custody at a shopping center in the neighboring city of Alameda.

Watson said most of the wounded or dead were shot inside the building. The industrial park in which the school is located also includes the county food bank and a local Girl Scouts headquarters.

“It’s a very fluid situation,” Watson said, declining to discuss details of the arrest or a possible motive.

The suspect was detained at a Safeway supermarket about three miles from the university, about an hour after the shooting.

A security guard at the supermarket approached the man because he was acting suspiciously, KGO-TV reported. The man told the guard that he needed to talk to police because he shot people, and the guard called authorities.

Lisa Resler said she was buying fruit at Safeway with her 4-year-old daughter when she saw the man she later learned was the suspect walk toward the store exit.

“He was just in the store looking like somebody who was going to pick a deli sandwich up or something,” she said.

When she left the store, she said, she saw him standing on the

sidewalk next to two police cars. She said she saw an officer kick his legs apart and pat him down for weapons but said they didn’t appear to find anything.

The officers then placed him in handcuffs.

“He didn’t look like he had a sign of relief on him. He didn’t look like he had much of any emotion on his face,” she said. “From what I could see he was completely cooperative with police. He wasn’t saying a word.”

Pastor Jong Kim, who founded the school about 10 years ago, told the Oakland Tribune that he did not know if the shooter was expelled or dropped out.

Kim said he heard about 30 rapid-fire gunshots in the building. “I stayed in my office,” he said.

Deborah Lee, who was in an English language class, said she heard five to six gunshots at first. “The teacher said, ‘Run, and we run,’” she said. “I was OK, because I know God protects me. I’m not afraid of him.”

Angie Johnson told the San Francisco Chronicle that she saw a young woman leave the building with blood coming from her arm and crying: “I’ve been shot. I’ve been shot.”

The injured woman said the shooter was a man in her nursing class who got up and shot one person at point-blank range in the chest before spraying the room with bullets, Johnson said.

“She said he looked crazy all the time,” she said the victim told her, “but they never knew how far he would go.”

According to its website, Oikos University also offers studies in music and nursing. A telephone message left on the university’s main voicemail was not immediately returned.

Jerry Sung, the university’s accountant, said the school offers courses in both Korean and English to less than 100 students. He said the campus consisted of one building. Sung said many of its students went on to work in nursing and ministry.

“The founder felt there was a need for theology and nursing courses for Korean-Americans who were newer to the community,” Sung said. “He felt they would feel more comfortable if they had Korean-American professors.”

Associated Press writers Garance Burke and Marcus Wohlsen in San Francisco as well as Paul Elias in Oakland contributed to this report.



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Police Log

Tuesday, March 27

5:47 a.m. Kappa Alpha Theta: Reporting person said there is a white car sitting in the Student Union Building parking lot that she always sees when she goes to work in the morning. She said someone is probably in the vehicle.

11:24 a.m. 1600 Blk Ridgeview Drive: Caller said a moose is sleeping in her backyard under a crab apple tree. An officer responded and said it is another young moose. Local farm and game was contacted.

11:28 p.m. 600 Blk South Harrison Street: Caller reported a suicidal roommate with a gun in the bathroom. An officer responded, and the subject was taken to Gritman Medical Center.

Wednesday, March 28

8:27 a.m. 2400 Blk Clearview Avenue: Caller said the moose is back.

9:18 a.m. Student Recreation Center: Caller said there were people dressed in black. A report was filed.

Thursday, March 29

1:21 p.m. 1600 Blk Ridgeview Drive: Stray moose reported.

Friday, March 30

10:43 p.m. Student Health: Caller reported a vehicle break-in. A report was filed.

Saturday, March 31

5:45 p.m. Michaels: A 911 call was placed from a pay phone. An officer responded but no report was filed.

11:23 p.m. Beta Theta Pi: An officer responded for an alcohol offense. A report was filed.

Sunday, April 1

4:23 p.m. Lambda Chi: Caller reported a vehicle break-in. A report was filed.

5:39 p.m. Menard Law Building: Caller reported a vehicle break-in. A report was filed.

7:11 p.m. 1400 Blk West A Street: Caller reported a vehicle break-in. A report was filed.

PREPARED

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Udy said church members are taught to store food reserves and save money in case the "bread winner" loses their job, and with these kinds of preparedness in mind the fair came into being.

This year's fair will have the Moscow Police and Fire Department, Idaho Food Bank, Whitman County Department of Emergency Management, Latah County Disaster Services and more.

Coordinator for Latah County Disaster Services Sandy Rollins said the event is important because it is an opportunity for families to realize what needs to happen in an emergency.

"The state isn't going to come in and assist immediately so we are pretty much on our own — we got to have families realize that they need to be sustained for at least 96 hours," Rollins said.

Rollins and Disaster Services will be at the event to promote the Community Response Team, a team of first responders in case emergencies like the recent floods occur. The local team is comprised of 21 members — one of the three largest in Idaho — and there are still individuals on the waiting list.

Rollins will also teach people how to make a 96-hour emergency backpack that consists of safety goggles, gloves, flashlights and first aid kits.

The free event will include displays, demonstrations and booths that teach people how to deal with food, money, pets and fitness in case of an emergency. Anyone attending is encouraged to bring canned and packaged food items for an Idaho Food Bank food drive, and there will also be door prizes.

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DOLLARS

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"The clubs and organizations have to attend one training meeting per fiscal year, so if they attend it once they're good for the whole year," Moreschini said.

Once a club or organization has attended a training meeting it can apply to receive up to \$2,000 in funding. Applications, which include the submission of a W9 and a club bank account statement, are submitted online through org-sync and must be submitted two business days before a hearing.

"Then we hold a hearing where the clubs come and advocate for themselves and why they should receive this funding," Moreschini said. "And if the board has any questions about their application, because

at times the applications are a little unclear, they come up at the hearing. Usually the board allocates more money than they don't. We don't turn down money hardly at all."

The final training to be eligible for funding for the 2011-2012 fiscal year will be held at 6 p.m. April 10 in the Crest Room of the Idaho Commons.

"Every year a club is allowed to receive up to \$2,000 from activities board, but at the end of the year at our very last hearing, which is coming up this month, a club can apply to receive more money," Moreschini said.

Moreschini said the last hearing of the year is one where clubs who have fulfilled their maximum funding from the Activities Board can apply to receive any left-over funds.

BOOKS

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In 1970, Taylor sold the ranch to UI under the advice of Maurice Hornocker, a UI graduate student studying cougars in the region.

Mikaela Campbell, a sophomore fishery resources and ecology and conservation biology double major, spent two months at the station during summer 2011.

She said she had the opportunity to participate in research activities, including work with plant communities and invasive species.

Campbell said she was able to partake of the wilderness around Taylor, alongside several other students.

"We got to watch baby deer from our front porch," Campbell said.

She also said they hiked and went tubing in Big Creek. The hiking helped them appreciate how long it takes to walk places, Campbell said.

"It really becomes a family out there," Campbell said.

Taylor is home to five cabins. Some of which are living quarters for the station's managers and visitors, and others that serve as laboratories, classrooms and conference rooms.

Brumble said the lab started as a cabin eight miles upstream from Taylor. In the late 1980s, the U.S. Forest Service decided to burn the cabin and other structures around it.

Following a plan by Taylor's managers at the time, the cabin was disassembled, moved by mule to an airstrip, airlifted to Taylor and reassembled.

Brumble and her husband, Tyler Morrison, have managed Taylor for three years. They were interns at Taylor during their undergraduate years.

Brumble said they coordinate projects and visitors, oversee the safety of visitors and conduct research.

Taylor has a small hydroelectric facility and gets some power from solar panels, Brumble said. The College of Engineering designed and built the power system.

"All of our electric power is produced on site," Brumble said. Campbell said the power

system showcases interdisciplinary opportunities at Taylor.

Brumble said only students and researchers can use Taylor facilities, but hikers may be granted a private tour.

Likewise, the airstrip can only be used by authorized personnel.

"Hunters can't fly in and out of Taylor," Brumble said.

Taylor offers annual summer internships and undergraduate research and scholarship program.

Each year, Taylor produces a summary of all of its activities. It outlines the annual projects, including findings.

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HONORING

FROM PAGE 1

Merrell said the office deals with a range of technologies from the university.

"We've done some educational tools," Merrell said. "(From) somewhat higher tech, like new plant varieties, to very high tech, where it's nano-based activities."

Shovic said his favorite start-up company from UI research is Blue Water Technologies, because it is so environmentally friendly.

"That is in the waste water treatment area," Shovic said. "Basically removing various contaminants from waste water before it's put back out into the environment, like phosphorus and stuff like that."

Merrell said Plumber, Idaho, recently installed a BWT system.

"In Plumber, the size of the plant restricted the ability of Plumber and that region to grow their economy," Merrell said. "They had no more capacity. So by improving the removal of waste products, they were able to expand the capacity of the plant to meet the demands of the region."

Shovic said starting a business around a new technology requires an interdisciplinary team.

"You don't want just engineers running a company," Shovic said. "And you don't want just businessmen running a company."

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Measures fail in Idaho legislature

Boise, Idaho (AP) — The 2012 Idaho Legislature was as much about what went splat as it was about what became law.

Hardly anybody would have predicted that conservative House Republicans would reject mandatory ultrasound exams for abortion-seekers, after the Senate backed it on a nearly party-line vote. But that's what happened.

Supporters including Sen. Chuck Winder, R-Boise, have pledged to bring the bill back for 2013, in a bid to help persuade women not to terminate their pregnancies.

If it passes the next time around, would Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter sign it?

"No comment," Otter told reporters Friday. Democrats say they aren't taking any chances. They'll be pushing a constitutional amendment, aiming for the 2014 ballot, to protect what they call citizens' rights to refuse government-mandated medical procedures.

"Experience shows that not all Idaho legislators have the same perception of personal freedom," said House Minority Leader John Rusche, D-Lewiston.

And to start the session, lawmakers predicted debate over establishing a state-run insurance exchange would figure into the session-ending calculus. But that issue never got a hearing — despite lobbying from powerful insurers like Blue Cross of Idaho, which saw it as a way of keeping federal regulators out of the state.

Conservatives who saw the measure as big government concluded that even a version that

shunned \$20 million in federal aid available to help set it up was too intertwined with President Barack Obama's health care overhaul.

"Obviously there is a sense of disappointment, especially given how much work I put into it," said Rep. Fred Wood, R-Burley, a physician who spent hours drafting the measure to no avail. "It was a good bill."

Other big failures of the session — depending on perspective, of course — were efforts by House Speaker Lawrence Denney and Republican Party Chairman Norm Semanko to oust redistricting committee members Dolores Crow and Randy Hansen for not being loyal enough. Hansen and Crow have seemingly decent GOP credentials, having both served as Republican state lawmakers, but Denney concluded they sided with Democratic redistricters.

Denney's and Semanko's efforts, roundly criticized by GOP stalwarts including former Gov. Phil Batt, got plowed over by the Idaho Supreme Court. The redistricting commission — and its final plan — stood.

Another of the 2012 Legislature's casualties was Sen. John McGee, the erstwhile majority caucus chairman. Already in hot water after an ill-fated drunken driving incident on Father's Day, the Caldwell Republican quit the Senate on Feb. 22 rather than face an ethics investigation into a young female Senate employee's claim that he sexually harassed her. McGee also quit as Canyon County Republican Party chairman.



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Senior running back Ryan Bass stiff-arms a defender Saturday in the Kibbie Dome. The Vandals held their first scrimmage of the season Saturday and coach Robb Akey said he was impressed with his squad despite a limited offensive showing.

Hold the line

In the wake of the dismal 2011 season, three candidates go head-to-head-to-head to fill gaps in Idaho's defensive line

Theo Lawson
Argonaut

After recording just 17 sacks and ranking last in pass efficiency during the 2011 WAC season, the Idaho defensive line will take measures to enhance itself prior to the fall campaign. However, the departure of defensive end Charles Smith has left a hole on the line and initiated a position battle between three familiar and worthy candidates.

Junior Vince Keener and sophomores Maxx Forde and Marius Burgsmueller earned valuable field experience last season. Though Keener is the veteran of the three, Forde saw

the most action last season and Burgsmueller has no shortage of potential.

All three come from different backgrounds and employ different tools on the field, part of the reason this specific position battle stands out to defensive line coach Eti Ena.

"All three of them are showing some good things, I mean there's a lot of on-the-field play from last season," Ena said. "The most experience is going to go to Keener and Maxx ... Marius is a new guy that's coming along to get in that mix, he doesn't necessarily have the field time, but he does have the physical tools and is something we can get to come along

and add to that group."

Burgsmueller hails from Dortmund, Germany, and was introduced to football at age 13. He spent a year in the German military, a few years later walked on at Idaho thanks to a recommendation from former Vandal and NFL offensive lineman Patrick Venzke.

Playing 11 games as Idaho's long snapper last season, Burgsmueller has the physical tools to compete for the defensive end role.

"His strength is drive, he wants it bad," Ena said.

Forde, who redshirted in 2010, was Smith's primary back-up during the 2011 season. The



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former Washington Associated Press 4A all-state team honoree saw action in all 12 games and completed 15 tackles.

The sophomore noted the work ethic of his two competitors brings out the intensity of the position battle. However, the year of experience could give him a slight advantage.

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He's back

Idaho's leading tackler returns after year-long injury

Kevin Bingaman
Argonaut

Linebacker Rob Siavii had everything going for him heading into his senior year at Idaho, but it all came crashing down last spring when he tore his ACL and was forced to redshirt. Now, after a year of healing, he's back and ready to lead the Vandals' defense on the field once again.

Siavii has played a large role in the Vandals' defense since coming to Idaho in 2008. He played in every game for Idaho in his first three years, and was Idaho's leading tackler in 2010 with 117 tackles.

Idaho coach Robb Akey said having Siavii back this season is huge.

"There was a guy who was a starter, who made a ton of plays for us, who has been a successful player," Akey said. "Getting him back, I've been very excited about it. He has an opportunity to be a senior playmaker and hopefully a senior leader."

An ACL injury is serious for any athlete, especially those in physical sports like football. There's never a guarantee of being able to come back from the injury and there's never a guarantee the leg will ever be 100 percent again.

"It was real scary for me," Siavii said. "As soon as this happened, in my head, I just thought my football career was over."

Not only was Siavii's football career in question, but he had to endure a season of watching his team play without him. He said it was frustrating to be on the sideline and it affected him deeply.

"I'd wake up thinking about it," Siavii said. "I'd go to sleep thinking about it. It was just real scary for me to be on the sideline. I'd see all my teammates having fun without me and that was kind of depressing."

Siavii said he was inspired by former Vandals JoJo Dickson and Tre Shawn Robinson, who both came back from injuries in the past. He used their support to stay positive through the rehabilitation



Rob Siavii



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Midfield/defender Erica Hart strips the ball Sunday against Washington State in the Kibbie Dome. Goals were hard to come by for the Vandals, who lost 3-0.

Plowed under

Inclement weather sets stage for another defeat from the Evergreen state

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

Soccer teams from the state of Washington remain impenetrable fortresses for Idaho.

The Vandals only put two goals in the back of the net during four games against foes from the Evergreen state last season. In three games against Washington foes this spring, the Vandals have been blanked.

Idaho took on Washington State and Central Washington in an all-afternoon double header Sunday, dropping to WSU 3-0 and drawing scoreless with Central.

"It was a rude awakening," Idaho coach Pete Showler said. "We can't let teams push us around. We can't let teams beat us to the ball and we've got to defend individually better. We learn a lot from these spring games."

Attacking midfielder Jill Flockhart,

who had been a focal point of Idaho's new 4-3-3 formation and the attack in the previous spring matches, sat out Sunday's games.

Inclement weather forced the first kick of the WSU match into the friendly confines of the Kibbie Dome, where the Cougs got to the attack early and often, netting a goal off a corner kick minutes in to game action.

Washington State crashed the midfield throughout the match and prevented Idaho from getting into an offensive rhythm, forcing the Vandals to bring numbers back in the defensive.

"We weren't sure what (Idaho) was going to come out in," Washington State coach Keidane McAlpine said. "We just talked about ... making them play into some areas that we wanted to make them play into. It actually was pretty effective today."

Washington State's Jocelyn Jeffers all but put the game away in the second half when she sliced through a wide-open Idaho defense and shot a rocket outside

Levenseller confirmed to coaching staff

Theo Lawson
Argonaut

The news has been long-awaited, but Mike Levenseller has been announced as Idaho's receivers coach and passing game coordinator. The announcement

came Monday, months after the former Washington State wide receiver was expected to take the vacant offensive coordinator position, left by Steve Axman.

Levenseller most recently worked under former Washington State coach Paul Wulff as the Cougars' receivers coach.

Idaho coach Robb Akey's relationship with Levenseller dates back to 1999, when Akey was hired to the Washington State staff. Akey said he thinks highly of Levenseller, a former sixth-round NFL draft pick.

"We've won a lot of games together," Akey said. "We couldn't get a better hire than we were able to get with Mike Levenseller. I'm really fired up to have him join our football staff."

Levenseller's hire precedes that of another ex-Cougar, Jason Gesser, who was recently named the Vandals' offensive coordinator.

A Tacoma, Wash., native, Levenseller has been one of the Palouse's most familiar coaching faces since Washington State brought him on as a receivers coach in 1992. Levenseller helped the Cougars finish in the top 20 nationally in total offense during his first two years as the offensive coordinator.

"He is one of the best receivers coaches in the country," Akey said. "He's a great teacher. He's a great technician. He is exactly what we need for our wide receiver outfit."

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From Mexico to Idaho, feeling at home

Charles Crowley
Argonaut

She may have started playing tennis at 4 years old, but Guzman, Mexico's Beatrice (Bety) Flores said that wasn't her first time on the court.

"Actually my mom was eight months pregnant with me and she won a doubles tournament so I think that was my start with tennis," Flores said.

Flores, the youngest of five children and the only daughter, said her mother was an excellent tennis player and always encouraged the children to play.

At 10, Flores met Alejandra and Vicky Lozano.

"I think the first time we met was in a tennis tournament in Guadalajara and then we became really close friends," Flores said. "I used to travel with them to many national tournaments and it was a good experience because they were like my sisters at that age."

Nearly a decade later, Alejandra Lozano was recruited to Idaho, then Vicky Lozano, and Flores was left in Mexico. Alejandra Lozano wanted to fix that.

"I knew Bety and knew she wanted to

play tennis and traveling and playing professional tournaments is really expensive so I knew college tennis was a good opportunity for her," Lozano said.

After seven members graduated last year Alejandra Lozano knew scholarships were available and the first person she thought of was Flores.



Bety Flores

Lozano approached first-year coach Daniel Pollock about Flores and he said he was willing to take another look at Flores.

"The first time she was looking to come here, I think the results were not as good as when I started looking at her," Pollock said. "She put in a lot of time and

effort into getting fitter and to getting better that year."

He said he watched videos, saw Flores had a good base to start, and it was a bonus that she was a friend of the Lozano sisters.

"She had good results and I knew from talking to her on the phone that she was a great kid and was going to be a good fit," Pollock said.

He said Flores fit in well and not just with the Lozanos, but with the whole team. Her close relationship with the Lozanos was evident and the bond helped with her transition.

"It's nice having a couple friends around — it helps you settle down and not feel quite as homesick. That's a big issue that every international student has to overcome," Pollock said.

Flores attended English classes growing up but said she learned most of her English while attending Instituto Cambridge, an English school her brother Nacho Gonzalez started in 2006.

She said her English wasn't great when she got to Idaho and the Lozanos helped her adjust to a new language and culture.

"It was a big challenge, but then I realized that here is where I want to be and with my friends because they are awesome," Flores said.

Alejandra Lozano said she could tell it was hard at first for Flores.

"She is doing amazing, she is playing better than I have ever seen her play," Lozano said.

Pollock said Flores needs to improve her quickness on the court and strengthen her serve, but she brings a lot of intensity to the

court and hits the ball as well as anyone on the team.

"She brings an attitude that she will never say die and never let one ball past her," Pollock said. "She will give everything she's got every point of the match."



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Daniel Pollock,
Tennis coach

He said with Flores' hard work, how well she takes coaching and the intensity she has, he sees no reason why the rest won't fall into place for Flores. Flores finished 4-5 in singles and 4-4 in doubles in the fall season and has been playing well at the No. 6 spot in the spring season. Pollock said there is no reason she can't move to the middle of the line-up soon.

Flores said she knows she has a lot to work on, but said due to a good program and coach she is improving already.

"I'm really motivated about my tennis because I feel like here I can improve a lot so I'm going to keep working hard both with the team and individually with Dan and doing what he tells me," Flores said.

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Bottom of line-up wins match

Idaho women's tennis comes back from 3-1, beats Pilots

Charles Crowley
Argonaut

Sometimes players at the bottom of the lineup don't get much recognition. But against the Portland Pilots (4-10) Sunday, Idaho women's tennis (14-5, 0-1 WAC) fell behind 3-1 and the bottom of the line-up mounted a comeback 4-3 victory.

"They all did really good jobs in doubles," Idaho coach Daniel Pollock said. "In singles, our top players had tough match-ups, and they tried a couple of things that just didn't go our way but they battled."

The comeback would not have been possible if Idaho hadn't gained the first point of the match with doubles victories. Pollock said the Pilots spread their top three players across all the doubles teams and played well all the way down.

"So we played really well in doubles, one of our best doubles performances of the season, to take the doubles point which proved crucial in the end," Pollock said.

Sophomore Alejandra Lozano echoed Pollock.

"The girls that me and Bety (Flores) played were really good and hit the ball really hard and so we lost that match but the other girls played really good and won the point so that was good," Lozano said.

Entering singles play up 1-0, Idaho realized the match was far from over. Pollock said Portland was tough at the top of its lineup, but faded toward the bottom.

"We lost the top three and were down 3-1 and then Sophie (Vickers) came back after losing the first set and then Ale(jandra) and Bety put the finishing touches to the comeback," Pollock said.

After losing the first set 6-4, Vickers took the next two 6-1, 6-3, to win the match. Lozano and Flores beat their opponents in two straight sets with identical scores, 6-2, 6-2.

Lozano said she didn't feel well, and worried it would affect her play.

"Dan told me to play free and to just hit the ball how I know so I just played my game and it worked," Lozano said.

Pollock said it wasn't easy for the lower-seeded players to get a win against competition Idaho expects to beat.

"Especially when we were down 3-1 and there is a lot of pressure on us but they all stepped up, met the challenge and played really well," Pollock said.

Alejandra Lozano said the opponents Vicky Lozano, Molly Knox and Almudena Sanz played in singles were tough, so the doubles point was important to win.

Pollock said the Vandals rarely play in tennis-specific facilities and said the Pilots were actually pretty at home in this facility.

"Honestly playing in an indoor club is more like the surroundings they are more used to than were used to so it was pretty even (and) they looked right at home," Pollock said.

If the weather holds, Idaho will play at home Friday against Weber State. Pollock said he is confident of success at home, but has doubts about the two that follow.

"We just have to hope to stay healthy and just keep getting sharper and sharper," Pollock said. "We have had several weeks off so I think we can only get better again in our match play after this week."

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Adapting to Division 1

Idaho men's club rugby takes on powerhouse teams

Katie Winzeler
Argonaut

Only three games remain of the 2012 season for University of Idaho men's club rugby (2-3).

In the club's first season as a recognized Division I club sport at Idaho — up from Division II — it came up against powerhouses like British Columbia, Central Washington, and conference leader Oregon State.

Flanker and club president Zack Hood said the team has done well with a tough schedule, but its record is a far cry from previous years.

"We're used to being a powerhouse team, but we just don't have the numbers that we need," Hood said.

The team's next match is against Central Washington and Hood said players are working hard to figure out how to win.

"It's going to be a fight," he said.

The team travels to Ellensburg, Wash., for a 3:30 p.m. kick Saturday.

The club finishes its season with two games at home. The first is against Washington at 1 p.m. April 14 and the final match is against Oregon April 21.

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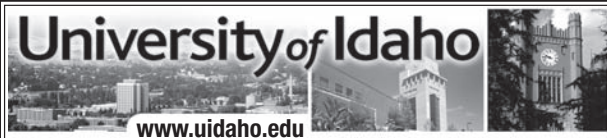


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Splitting up for meets

Idaho track and field competed in Spokane, Austin

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Most of the Idaho track and field team competed in the Sam Adams Classic in Spokane, while a few ran at the Texas Relays in Austin during the weekend. Neither meet was scored but the Vandals had several top performances.

Vandal track and field competed in Spokane for the second consecutive week where the team posted 19 career best performances at the Sam Adams Classic, hosted by Whitworth.

On the men's side, freshman Ben Ayesu-Attah won two sprinting events for the Vandals. He posted top times in the 200-meter in 22.24 seconds and the 400-meter in 48.59. Sophomore Andrew Bloom finished right behind Ayesu-Attah in each event posting career best times in both.

Sophomore Dylan Watts capitalized in the pole vault with the absence of all-American vaulter, Jeremy Klas, who competed in Texas. Watts took first in the men's pole vault with a jump of 15-9 feet. Not only was Watt's vault a career best, but it put him at No. 9 in Idaho history in the men's pole vault.

In the throwing events, sophomore Kyle Rothwell won the hammer throw by more than 21 feet with his career-best mark of 186-06. Sophomore Andrey Levkiv's 54-01.75 in the shot put was also a career best and placed him second in the event.

Every first and second place finish in the Sam Adams Classic for the Vandal men came from an underclassman.

On the women's side, freshman Allee Cooper and sophomore Mercedes Blackwood finished first and second in the women's 100-meter with 12.74 and 12.86 — the only racers to finish in less than 13 seconds.

Senior Emma Goode placed second in the 200-meter in 26.05 and sophomore Kelly Jacka placed second in the 400-meter in 58.15 to round out a strong sprinter showing for the Vandal women. Goode and Jacka



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The Idaho Vandal track and field practices outdoors March 28 at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex.

showed their versatility as each competed in the race the other normally competes in.

In the distance events, senior Maggie Miller placed second in the 800-meter in 2:20.11 while freshman Abby Larson placed first out of two runners in the 10,000-meter in 40:13.26.

Sophomore Cait Rowland swept the women's hurdle events with victories in the 100-meter hurdles, at 15.17 seconds and 400-meter hurdles at 1:05.77 minutes, while freshman Johanna Hockett placed second in 100-meter hurdles with a time of 15.68.

Hockett also contributed a first place finish in the discus with a career best throw of 155-08 as well as a second place finish in the shot put with a mark of 44-10.75.

Junior Sarah Nutsch placed first in the hammer throw with a toss of 163-00, more than eight feet further than the next competitor.

Senior Morgan Dunning rounded out the top finishes for the Vandal women with 10-06.00 in the pole vault.

The handful of Vandals that trav-

elled to Austin for the prestigious Texas Relays also showed up big for the Idaho.

Senior Andrew Blaser took ninth in the men's decathlon with 7,035 — eight points shy of his career best. Blaser finished ninth in the 23-man-field that featured several all-Americans.

"Being my first big multi-event and being able to hang with some of the big dogs in the country was a really good experience," Blaser said after the event. "It's really important to see that level of competition, because a lot of those guys will make it into nationals and I want to be there with them."

Sophomore Ugis Svazs set a career best in the men's javelin with a throw of 213-09 while senior Jeremy Klas cleared 17-0.75 in the men's pole vault moving him to No. 1 in the WAC.

Two women's throwers also competed for the Vandals with senior Gabby Midles throwing 165-0 in hammer and junior Kristine Leonard tossing 143-1 in the discus.

Vandal track and field will be split again with members competing in Palo Alto, Calif., for the Stanford Invitational while the rest of the team will compete in Spokane for the WAR V Dual Meet.

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McNabb tries to stay relevant

Two years ago, quarterback Donovan McNabb was one of the top QBs in the NFL, but he's fallen from the mountain after two miserable seasons. Now the unsigned free agent is criticizing one of his former coaches and creating a difficult atmosphere for a top draft choice. McNabb's outburst is fueled by an old grudge and his attempt to maintain relevancy in a league that is quickly forgetting him.

After 10 years with the Philadelphia Eagles, McNabb found himself in a Washington Redskins uniform for coach Mike Shanahan and Shanahan's son, Kyle, who is the offensive coordinator in Washington. While the matchup looked good on paper, it was a failure in reality. Before the season ended, Shanahan benched McNabb. The next season McNabb went to Minnesota, but only lasted a few games before he was released.

The six-time Pro-Bowler is now without a team and it's questionable if any team will be interested in the aging quarterback anytime soon. Everyone knows McNabb didn't enjoy his time in Washington, but it appears he's not letting it go.

Now it appears the Redskins are gearing up to take Robert Griffin III in the first round of the NFL draft, but McNabb said he doesn't like the fit. Recently on ESPN's "First Take" McNabb said he thought RG3 and Shanahan would be a bad matchup because Shanahan didn't tailor the offense to suit him and fears he won't do the same for Griffin.

This isn't about Griffin, rather about McNabb holding a grudge. McNabb is still angry about the way his time with the Redskins went and is using the opportunity to criticize his old coach. As David Woods from Manolith, a men's lifestyle blog, said, McNabb's failure in Washington was about him, not

the coaching. "He conveniently left out the part of the story where he was benched for not knowing the plays and/or being out of shape. He also didn't mention the fact that he was released by Washington prior to the 2011 season and then totally sucked for the Vikings, under completely different coaches."

McNabb's comments were out of line. Not only does he make himself look like a bitter old man, he's dirtying the waters for Griffin. The Heisman Trophy winner has continually shocked the sports world with his athleticism and ability to make plays. The Redskin fan base is excited at the prospect of getting him, as it should be.

McNabb's comments create an atmosphere of conflict, weeks before Griffin is even drafted. Now if Griffin does go to Washington, people will scrutinize Shanahan and Griffin's relationship even more.

If Griffin goes to Washington, next season will be vital to him and Shanahan. After two seasons in Washington, Shanahan hasn't been impressive, but now he has a chance to revamp the team with an exciting new quarterback.

John Atchison from Yahoo sports pointed out that McNabb's negativity has nothing to do with Griffin, even though he'll feel the effects of it.

"Was he there to give his objective opinion on an emerging young talent? Heck no, he was there to grind an axe, which he even admitted to when questioned. No, the real reason McNabb came on the show was to try to make himself relevant."

It's sad to see a once-great athlete resorting to cheap insults at a young player's expense. McNabb needs to let this go because he's just making himself look bitter, which isn't attractive to teams that may sign him. If McNabb wants to find any sort of success in the future, he needs to put the past behind him and focus on what made him successful in the first place: hard work and dedication.

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LINE

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"I know I've made a lot of gains in the weight room, understanding the defense and everything so I'm just a year older, wiser and ready to go," Forde said.

Forde's best assets, according to Ena, are his "drive and smarts." But the Woodinville, Wash., native hopes to improve multiple aspects of his game to better prepare for the fall.

"Well, I mentioned pad level, get off, those are two key things for a defensive lineman. I need to work on my pass-rush a little bit, I know that's something that we as a unit didn't get as many sacks as we wanted to, so that's something I want to improve on," Forde said.

The position battle between quarterbacks Taylor Davis and Dominique Blackman has lit up spring practice thus far but Keener said the defensive end battle is "the biggest position battle on the field right now."

After redshirting in 2009, Keener has experienced limited reserve action in 2010 and 2011. Last season, the 6-foot-4-inch junior saw field time in nine games, recording six tackles.

Keener's work in the weight room during the off-season will be a major factor come fall.

"Giving 110 percent effort out there, conditioning, get your heart rate up," Keener said. "All that plays a big factor so you can go the distance in the fourth quarter, you've got to have the strength and the conditioning for that."

Ena said Keener's strengths apply specifically to the defensive end position.

"Vince Keener is tools, he's got speed and agility that you want in that position," Ena said.

Though he didn't state when he would name the defensive end starter, Ena set a few general goals for the line as a whole.

"Some of the objectives that we've set for ourselves is one in the run game we want to dominate the line of scrimmage," he said. "In the pass game we want to be more reckless in our pass rush."

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LEVENSELLER

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At Washington State, Levenseller was a two-time all-Pacific 8 choice, an Associated Press all-West Coast first-team selection and an honorable mention all-American by the AP.

Out of college, Levenseller was drafted by the Oakland Raiders in 1978 and spent time with Buffalo, Tampa Bay and Cincinnati during his three-year NFL stint.

Akey has yet to announce the team's running backs coach, who is currently with the team as a consultant. The announcement, according to Akey, will follow that of the receivers coach.

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BACK

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process and is now back on the field with his team for spring practice.

Defensive coordinator Mark Criner said having a veteran like Siavii is invaluable and he's been pleasantly surprised with Siavii's movement so early in the year.

"Robert comes in with number one, a lot of experience and number two, knowing the defense," Criner said. "... In my opinion, he's coming back in better conditioning with that knee. He's coming back and planting off of it at a full speed level more so than I ever expected."

Siavii is trying to get back to his old form, but is also stepping into a new role — leadership. The coaching staff is looking to the fifth-year senior to be a leader on the defense, a role Akey said he's growing into.

"I think we're going to see him grow," Akey said. "I think as we were getting things going, he was making sure he was going to be able to be him. I think we're going to see more of the leadership come about and the wheels are looking pretty good now."

While Siavii is not known as a vocal player, he does try to lead by example. Siavii said his time off was helpful for him in developing his leadership skills. During his injury he said he never missed a practice or a meeting, and Criner said he's a player who is more than willing to help teach the younger players on the team.

Defensive end Maxx Forde said Siavii is a positive influence on the team and leads their actions.

"He's one of our emotional leaders and he's able to match that with a high level of play on the field," Forde said. "... When the team's facing adversity, he'll be vocal and get the team past that adversity."

Last year the Vandal defense showed improvement throughout the season, and Siavii will undoubtedly try to keep it going in his return.

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Sports Briefs

Men's tennis

It has been nearly a month since Idaho men's tennis won a match, but Saturday and Sunday the seven-match losing streak was snapped when the Vandals beat UT-Arlington and New Mexico State in dominating fashion, 6-1 and 5-2, respectively.

"It's great for our guys to get off the losing streak and get a conference win," Idaho Director of Tennis Jeff Beaman said. "Hopefully we can take this confidence forward as we continue the season."

Idaho is now 10-13 on the season and 1-2 in WAC play. The Vandals play 4:30 p.m. Friday, on the courts behind Memorial Gym against Northern Arizona.

"We're looking forward to returning home and playing a match on our home court next week," Beaman said.

Idaho club lacrosse

The University of Idaho Vandal club lacrosse team made the trip north to Canada to play Simon Fraser Saturday, but returned to the lower 48 with a 24-6 loss. Idaho (1-2 PNCLL, 3-6) fell to third in its division, but finishes the remainder of its schedule on the Palouse.

Kyle Morse led all Idaho scorers with three goals, followed by Patrick Tunison with two and Ryan McMillen with one. Deric Wilson added one assist for the Vandals.

Idaho makes the cross-border trip to play fourth-place Washington State (1-2 PNCLL, 4-5) at 1 p.m. April 14 before finishing the season at home against Boise State and Washington.

Cheer and Joe Vandal tryouts

The University of Idaho cheer and dance teams are holding open workshops and tryouts for both teams and the position of Joe Vandal.

The open sessions are from 6 to 9 p.m. March 23, 30 and April 6 in Memorial Gym. The tryout sessions are from 6 to 9 p.m. April 12 and 13 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 14 in Memorial Gym.

For more information or questions contact Sharon Meador, UI spirit squad coach at smeador@uidaho.edu.

Scholarship rules change

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

The stipulations surrounding student-athlete scholarships are as complicated as they are fluid. Recent NCAA legislation, passed via an institutional vote, allowed schools to offer up to four-year binding scholarship offers, as opposed to the one-year renewable scholarships that have become the norm.

Proponents of the change believe four-year scholarships provide student-athletes assurance of financial aid regardless of on-field performance, as long as academic and off-the-field activities meet expectations.

Student-athletes at the University of Idaho responded to the change positively.

"We were definitely in favor of it," Calleigh Brown said.

Brown is the president of the Student-Athlete Council on campus, which sends representatives from each of the university's programs to discuss academic and athletic issues.

She said most UI athletes found out about the scholarship legislation either through other athletes or from the conference's SAC, which sends athletes from every school in the WAC.

"We were asked how we felt about it earlier in the year ... I don't think it's a secret to athletes (that) we were in favor of it," Brown said. "It's hard having that pressure and that question of if you're going to lose your scholarship based on how you perform."

Brown said the athletic department never explicitly approached athletes about the legislation and the only time scholarships are discussed is when they are up for review.

"You don't even talk (about) them with your coach, unless you are initially being recruited," Brown said. "It's a difficult matter in general, not just with this four-year. We sometimes don't even know how much we're going to get until we get renewal."

Compliance Director John Wallace said many student-athletes come to campus and assume their scholarship will be good for four years, disregarding that the athletic department holds the right to review all scholarship awards at the end of the academic year.

"No coach could go in to a student-athlete's home and say 'I promise I can have your son or daughter on scholarship for four years,'" he said. "It is at the discretion of the athletic department whether a scholarship is going to be renewed, increased or decreased."

The athletic department has flexibility whether a scholarship could be increased or decreased under the one-year scholarship system.

Wallace said it is customary for the athletic department to renew awards as long as athletes hold up their end of the bargain in the classroom and community.

"There's a sentiment among coaches that if they recruit somebody, if they miss on them, that that's on the coach, not on the student-athlete," Wallace said. "So why punish the student-athlete the coach missed on?"

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PLOWED

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the 18-yard box that grazed the crossbar and went in.

The Vandals made marginal pushes forward but never found sustainable goal scoring opportunities.

"Once we got the ball it was harder to find passes. Because there was a girl on every single player," midfielder Katie Baran said. "We needed to find space and it was harder because the outside mids weren't getting wide."

The hope is that the experience against a team as good defensively as Washington State will work out the kinks against Idaho's other opposition.

"Because the team that we are playing against is relatively good, I feel like it forced us to play defensively a lot," midfielder Megan Lopez said. "It will prepare us for those teams we'll be able to utilize our offense against more."

Jeffers put the final nail in the coffin, scoring off a corner to give Washington State the 3-0 lead.

The Vandal offense stagnated against Central Washington. Hail flurries and high wind affected the scoreless draw on the SprinTurf.

Despite 270 minutes of scoreless offense in the last three matches, Showler isn't worried.

"We're trying different things," he said. "I'm not concerned about that many minutes without a goal by any means. Mixing 20 players together — it just brings different things."

The Vandals take a weekend off of competition before they travel to Couer D'Alene to take on North Idaho College.

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OUR VIEW

Following an example

Understanding governmental processes and operations is the most crucial trait of any candidate running for office.

A candidate's platform is his or her best outlet for demonstrating this knowledge. The purpose of a presidential and vice presidential platform is to inform voters of what the candidates would like to accomplish if voted into office, their views and values, and their plan to carry out the presented ideas.

It is equally important for voters to understand the governmental processes and operations, and the issues candidates present in their platforms.

The 2012-2013 ASUI President and Vice Presidential election is no different. In many ways, whomever is elected will impact the pockets and lives of University of Idaho students more than whomever wins the U.S. presidential election in November.

We have seen this year, through Samantha

Perez's audit of the dedicated student fee and proposed zero percent increase, that ASUI presidents can make a positive impact on the financial state of the students they represent.

Perez and Vice President Juan Corona ran unopposed on a platform of increased visibility and accessibility of ASUI. Their goal has always been to educate and make students aware that their voices are heard.

Perez and Corona listened to the student body and enacted a positive change to reflect students' sentiments — in this case, by not increasing the dedicated student fee. While some still disagree, remodeling the ASUI office — which involved a minimal dollar amount in the overall budget — has created a more accessible space and is already being used more often than prior to the redesign.

These examples show how Perez and Corona held true to their platform and demonstrated their understanding of how the university oper-

ates, the complexity of its budget and the process required to accomplish their initial goals.

No one is perfect, but the decisions Perez and Corona made this year are exemplary for next year's candidates of realistic ASUI president and vice presidential action.

As of right now, the platforms for next year's candidates lack perspective. It is the responsibility of voters to hold them accountable. This year has shown students what to expect from their ASUI president and vice president and it is with this example in mind that votes should be cast.

Generally, ASUI elections feature a clear front-runner who will become the next president, but this year it's anybody's race. The candidates who show they have the competitive drive to inform voters and the integrity and courage to follow through once elected will determine the outcome.

— ER

OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

'The Last Lecture'

If you have 10 minutes to spare for the shortened version, or an hour and a half for the whole thing, YouTube Randy Pausch's "The Last Lecture." You'll be glad you did, I guarantee it.

— Britt

Food stamps

Need is increasing in America for help with the basics, but somehow the first thing on the chopping block is social services. Why do the poor have to have their budgets cut first?

— Dylan

The right choice

I love journalism. The more I do it, the more I love it. It's a great feeling to be leaving college completely happy and excited to be a professional in the field you studied.

— Elizabeth

Three months

This semester has been a wild and crazy ride, but I'm determined to finish it out strong — stronger than ever. Cheers for finding an unexpected piece of sunshine where I never thought to look.

— Chloe

Big day

Congratulations to my beautiful cousin Bobbi and her new husband Kevin. Who would have thought a wedding in a punk rock bar would have been so fun?

— Madison

Movie weekend

"21 Jump Street," "Sherlock Holmes" and "The Hunger Games" this weekend. Safe to say I had my share of popcorn. On a scale of 1 to 10 I give them a 6, 8 and 7.

— Theo

Intramurals

Even though it hurts, it's sure fun to play soccer again. Hoping for a win Wednesday.

— Nick

Ready, go

Seattle and back in less than 24 hours. After almost three years of being in the Northwest, I'm glad I finally made it there. I need to revisit in the summer. It's more enjoyable then, I'd imagine.

— Amrah

Squidward

It's not easy being a Squidward, but somebody's gotta do it.

— Jens

Keep in mind ...

... the victims and their families of the college shooting at Oikos University in California. What's wrong with our society that makes people believe killing others is the answer?

— Elisa

Alarm clock

The song you wake up to is the most control you have in the direction of the day. Choose wisely.

— Vicky

Regardless...

...of who you are, you are loved.

— Eric

Mail Box

Support Goytowski, Lowe

I wanted to write to The Argonaut in support of Zack Goytowski and Bethany Lowe for ASUI President and Vice President.

We have three qualified tickets running for these positions, but I believe only Zack and Bethany are worthy of your vote.

I think that this tickets' support of proportional voting based on colleges, instead of Greek and non-Greek, is a plan that includes more students in the collegiate legislative process. I also support the tickets' position of taking away the salaries of the ASUI senators and making our budget more interactive with the students who fund it. Transparency is more than a word with them, it is a way of governing. I think it's time we have a ticket that represents the spectrum of ASUI students, and I am glad this ticket brings Greeks on campus and non-Greeks off campus together. I hope you check them out. They are worthy of your vote. Zack and Bethany for ASUI.

—Amos Rothstein, UI junior



Perry portrays inner strength

Katy Perry has been known to sing about superficial ideas and trends, which are typically accompanied by silly, over-the-top videos, like "California Gurls" and "Last Friday Night." But in her recent album and videos, Perry has shifted her focus from the carefree and juvenile to messages of empowerment, courage and inner-strength.

But some don't see Perry's latest intent.

Her "Part of Me" video has become a topic of scrutiny for feminist writer Naomi Wolf, who claims it is propaganda for the U.S. Marine Corps. In the video, Perry discovers her boyfriend isn't as devoted to her as he should be, and to show him what he's missing she chops off her hair, joins the Marines and proves to him and herself that he will never take her strength.

The video is the complete opposite of what the Christian-singer-gone-pop-star has done in the past, and demonstrates female strength and equality — the foundation of nearly all femi-

nist beliefs. It is strange that a feminist would not recognize this message, but instead focus on the branch of military Perry chose to work with for the video.



Elizabeth Rudd
Argonaut

In an interview, Perry said she chose the Marines because it comes to mind as the strongest branch if she were to join the service, emphasizing the song's point that a woman does not need to be held back or supported by a man. Wolf, who said she was a supporter of Perry prior to the "Part of Me" video, asks how much the Marines paid Perry to use them and claims it is a promotion of violence.

No violent acts are committed in the video. It shows the training members of the Marine Corps go through, and the idea is introduced by a bumper sticker that reads, "All women are created equal, then some become Marines." While Perry chose the Marines, she could have used any branch of the military and the message would have been the same — women are strong.

Wolf is so opposed to this particular video that she has suggested fans boycott Perry's music, but many of Perry's prior videos could be considered far more demeaning to women.

In "California Gurls," Perry is dressed like a hot piece of candy in a game that Snoop Dogg is playing. In "Last Friday Night," she is transformed from a nerdy girl with a headset to a hot '80s diva so she can attend a party with the song's strongest message being that she blacked out from drinking.

It seems these videos would cause feminists to be far more alarmed by Perry's portrayals than one that demonstrates so strongly the feminist stance — women can do what they want without conforming to the ideas of a male-dominant society.

Perry's transformation from the instant sensation of a girl who kissed another girl to the woman who stands up for herself and addresses political issues many singers shy away from is something to be admired, not boycotted.

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Writing real fairy tales: Happily ever whenever

Ours is one of the only societies in the world in which we marry for love. And even in our own culture, it is only in recent history that the idea of basing long-term commitment on such a fragile, emotional concept seems at all sane.

"All we need is love," right? Well, in the Middle Ages the French defined love as a "derangement of the mind" and in China, excessive love between husband and wife was seen as a threat to extended families. In Africa, the Fulbe of Cameroon do not see love as a legitimate emotion, especially within marriage. Fulbe women "vehemently

deny emotional attachment to a husband," said Stephanie Coontz, Evergreen State College faculty member and author.



Bethany Lowe
Argonaut

I always believed love was a concept that had a maximum expiration date of seven years. That was it. And don't ask me why. After seven years this nebulous concept would disintegrate, and people would need to move on. This belief wasn't simply a stage: It was my entire life of seeing relationship after relationship fail.

If love is just a concept, how does marriage ever last in Western society, I asked.

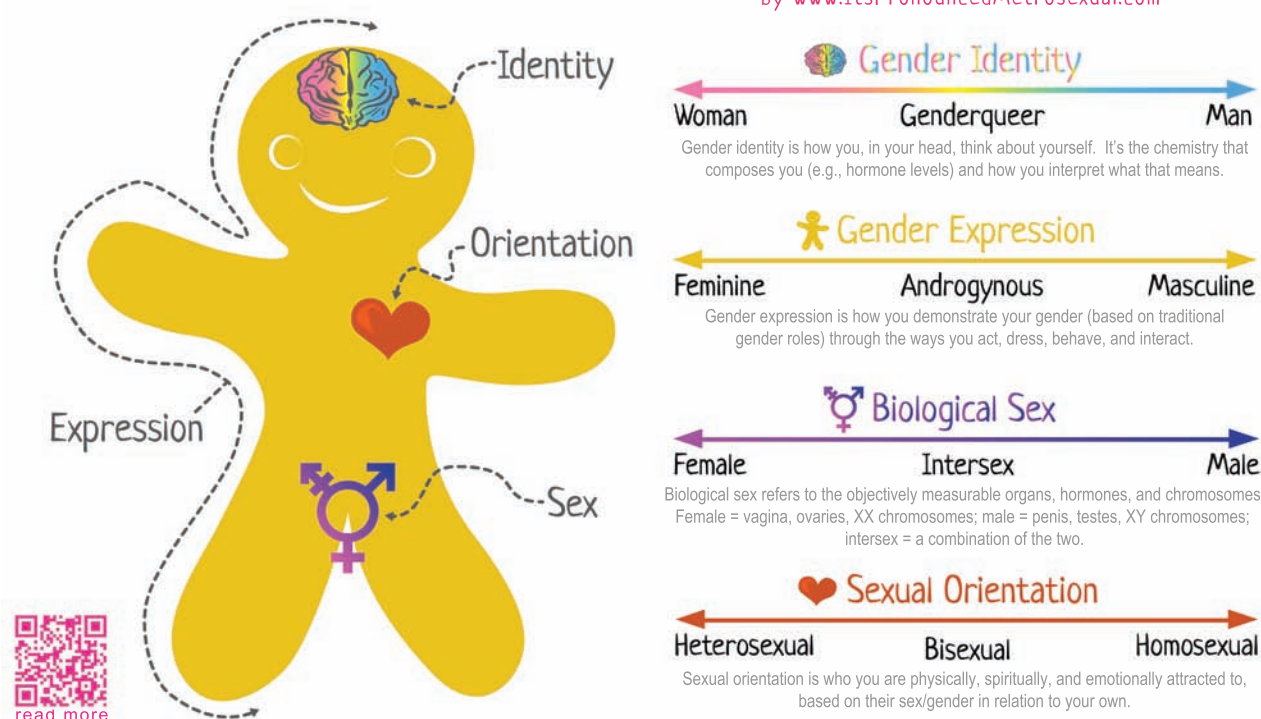
The question is now closer to home.

After years of disbelief, I have now been faced with having to explain how I can be sure of a long-term commitment to a loved one. Aside from him being the kindest, most intelligent and dynamic person I have ever met, and despite that "deep knowing," words of explanation have escaped me.

For years and years I have been an observer. OK, a cynic. I observed intently each relationship I saw, scrutinizing why it should or should not exist. Most often, of course, it was the latter. So much I saw through my

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nificant, number of people are born with variations which may be subtle and unnoticed until puberty, or significant and obvious at birth. People who are intersex have characteristics of each sex in various degrees.

Gender identity

This is inside our heads. It's how we see ourselves. Child development specialists believe children develop this sense of identity somewhere between 18 months and 3 years old. They may not be fully aware of their inner beliefs and perceptions, but they are determined early and not subject to change. Most develop an identity that matches their biological sex, but some develop a gender identity of neither or both sexes. For transgender people, their identity does not match their body.

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Sexual orientation

This is the potential to be erotically and romantically attracted to others. You may be attracted to the same gender, both genders, the other gender or no genders. There is broad agreement among experts that sexual orientation is not chosen or learned but is basically "hardwired" in the brain. Some people feel a lack of sexual attraction to anyone and define asexuality as a sexual orientation. Things can get complicated when sexual behavior doesn't match sexual orientation. People may have sexual relationships with someone they're not attracted to for a variety of reasons, including the desire for a perceived traditional family and concerns

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of discrimination and religious ostracism.

Gender expression

This is our outward expressions of femininity or masculinity. This is highly influenced by culture and subject to change. Clothing, hairstyle and manner of speaking and walking give clues to how we see ourselves.

Life might be less complicated if we all fit neatly into tidy little boxes and matched simple descriptions. But it would also be infinitely less interesting.

HAPPILY

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young, cynical eyes hurt me to the core. I saw people losing themselves and their dreams or caught in repetitive cycles or compromising themselves for the sake of another.

So far this doesn't sound too positive, right? Well, if someone spends years scrutinizing relationships, she learns what she wants and doesn't want. She learns to be careful, and about the nature of different forms of love. I have seen very few relationships that made me smile inside and out. But I have observed exactly how such relationships operate and why they exist. And if someone spends years also scrutinizing herself, she knows exactly whether she sees these seeming rarities in her own life.

They say love is blind. I go into this with eyes wide open.

Along with scrutiny came expectation. A long-term relationship to me was certainly not the norm or expectation. I was willing to go an entire lifetime without it. I had always viewed marriage as an outdated and unnecessary legality. My own mother waited 43 years until she found the person she wanted to be with forever.

Again, this doesn't sound encouraging.

But I ask, do you have any friends who have expectations of the "love and live happily ever after" dream? I'm sure you do. Sometimes they do find "the one." But most of the time, I'm sure you've had to comfort them through various heartbreaks, and your tissue stash is probably low.

"Expectation is the root of all heartache," William Shakespeare said. Freed of it, decisions can be logical, meditated and rational. I am not in a relationship for the sake of being with someone. I am in it because it is brilliant, challenging, inspiring, supportive and draws me closer each day to my own dreams — dreams that are now shared with a best friend.

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