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GRADUATION

## Stroll across stage Diploma dollars

UI's 1,356 graduates plan to walk next Saturday

**Katy Sword**  
Argonaut

At 9 a.m. May 12, bagpipes will fill the air and the University of Idaho's 116th graduating class will follow the procession down University Avenue to the Kibbie Dome, where the two-and-a-half-hour ceremony will commence.

The ceremony will start at 9:30 a.m. with a live stream available online for those unable to attend.

Dave Putensen, assistant registrar, said 1,356 students are expected to attend, up from 1,119 at last year's

commencement ceremony.

He said the event does not use a reservation system, but he estimates about 6,800 guests will attend.

"For planning purposes we use a 5 to 1 ratio," Putensen said. "Although it really depends on who brings large families and who doesn't."

Immediately following the ceremony, each college will host a celebration reception. Locations are available on the university's commencement website.

Graduating seniors also have the opportunity to donate to the senior gift.

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Commencement

1,356 students to attend graduation

220 masters and specialist degrees

36 doctoral degrees

1,110 undergraduate degrees

**Kaitlyn Krasselt**  
Argonaut

The graduation ceremony May 12 on the University of Idaho campus will be the last in a series of six commencement ceremonies this year.

"They're very big signature events for the university that are very important to a lot of people," said Nancy Krogh, UI registrar. "They highlight what the university achieves for the state and for the country and for the world ... it's a place to showcase what the university is all about. Obviously it's also very important to the graduates — it's a celebration of a lot of work and their academic achievement at the university."

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Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Childish Gambino performs for students Wednesday in the Kibbie Dome. The concert was free for students and was part of 2012 Finals Fest hosted by Vandal Entertainment. Approximately 3,500 attendees filled the Kibbie Dome floor, and ASUI Vandal Entertainment paid \$35,000 to bring Gambino to the University of Idaho.

## Behind scenes of university events

**Kaitlyn Krasselt**  
Argonaut

The University of Idaho provides a number of free and low-cost events for students, faculty, staff and community members that are rare in other areas, but many students do not always take advantage of these opportunities.

The cost to host these events varies, but it is rare for UI's Moscow campus to go a week without an event produced by one of the university's departments or ASUI's Vandal Entertainment. Additionally, spaces on campus such as the Kibbie Dome and Student Union Building ballroom allow UI to generate revenue by renting them for events unrelated to the university.

University groups host the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival, Palousafest, Finals Fest, various cul-

tural events, the Borah Symposium and a variety of Vandal Entertainment events such as comedians, musicians, movies and magic acts.

Many of these events are hosted in the ASUI Kibbie Dome. Tyson Drew, Kibbie Dome manager for University Support Services, said the Dome comes with a number of fees but student groups are never charged a base facility fee for use of the Dome.

"Because we receive student fees we don't charge student groups a facility rental," Drew said. "For example for Finals Fest we're not charging Vandal Entertainment a facility fee for the concert but we will pass through our expenses to them, so whatever our labor is and our CMS charges are ... we'll pass that on."

On-campus student groups pay \$100 per hour or \$2,000 for full-day

use of the Dome. The price jumps to \$200 per hour or \$3,000 for the day for off-campus groups.

Drew said University Support Services negotiates with groups for the cost of their event and said events such as the second Ron Paul speech are good money-makers for the university.

Drew said University Support Services hires out for services such as crowd management and lighting and passes those expenses on to the group hosting the event.

Events such as Wednesday's Final's Fest performance with rap artist Childish Gambino are hosted by Vandal Entertainment and take up a large portion of their \$250,000 budget that is made up entirely of student fees.

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## State of salaries

As economy recovers, salaries raise, but competitiveness continues to lag

**Dylan Brown**  
**Amy Asanuma**  
Argonaut

The nationwide economy has put many of Idaho's budget items on the chopping block during the past few years. With many Idahoans out of work, the salaries of top-paid state employees come under direct scrutiny.

Guessing Idaho's governor is the state's highest paid employee is 262 times wrong. While it seems logical that the most powerful man in the state would be the highest paid, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's \$115,348 publically funded salary does not even put him among the top 10 at either of the state's two largest universities.

All of the top 10 highest paid public employees work in higher education, and seven of them are involved in the Boise State athletics program. The highest paid employee at the University of Idaho is President M. Duane Nellis, whose \$335,004 salary puts him fourth in the state.

Salaries at the top end are visible reminders of how lucrative higher education can be. UI faculty, including full, associate and assistant professors, earn an average \$67,050 salary in 2012, according to a study done by the higher-education newspaper The Chronicle.

For college students and many across the state, this sounds like a lot, but Executive Director of Planning and Budget Keith

### UI top 10 salaries

- Duane Nellis** President \$335,004.80
- Doug Baker** Provost and executive vice president \$209,622.40
- Donald Burnett** Dean of College of Law \$207,937.60
- John McIver** Vice president, Research and Economic Development Professor \$201,011.20
- Lloyd Mues** Vice president of Finance and Administration \$197,766.40
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- Christopher Murray** Vice president, University Advancement \$185,598.40
- Robert Smith** Associate vice president and chief executive for Idaho Falls Center \$184,974.40
- Robert Spear** Director of Athletics \$169,998.40

\*fiscal year 2011

Ickes said salaries at UI are slipping relative to the national norms.

"A number of those top 10 salaries were set a number of years ago," Ickes said. "If we were to go out today and have to hire for some of those positions today we might see higher salaries."

The Chronicle Study found that full professor salaries have risen \$26,200 since 2000 — \$10,000

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## Briefs

### UI student death

University of Idaho student Kayla Houska died of unknown causes Wednesday evening.

Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said Houska, a 29-year-old journalism student, had chronic health problems that

likely caused her death.

"An autopsy will be performed tomorrow (Friday)," Pitman said. "At this point, we don't know the exact cause."

A memorial service will be held Tuesday morning at Short's Funeral Chapel in Moscow. The time has not been determined.

Pitman said the UI Counseling and Testing Center is offer-

ing grief counseling for anybody who needs it and are reaching out to those closest to Houska.

### Bookstore theft

The Moscow Police Department received a report of a man stealing books from the University of Idaho VandalStore May 2.

He was taken into custody for grand theft, Lt. Dave Lehmitz of

the MPD said.

The thief was suspected of stealing books for at least a couple months. Lehmitz said the suspect may have put the books up for sale as well.

"The case is still ongoing," Lehmitz said.

The MPD said they have suspicions of other suspects involved in the thefts.

### Renaissance Fair

The 39th annual Moscow Renaissance Fair is set to take place Saturday and Sunday at East City Park in Moscow. The two-day celebration of spring includes food, crafts for all ages and live entertainment.

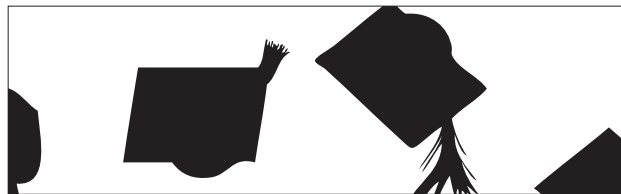
The main stage will host performances starting at 10 a.m. and the parade will begin at 3 p.m. Admission is free.

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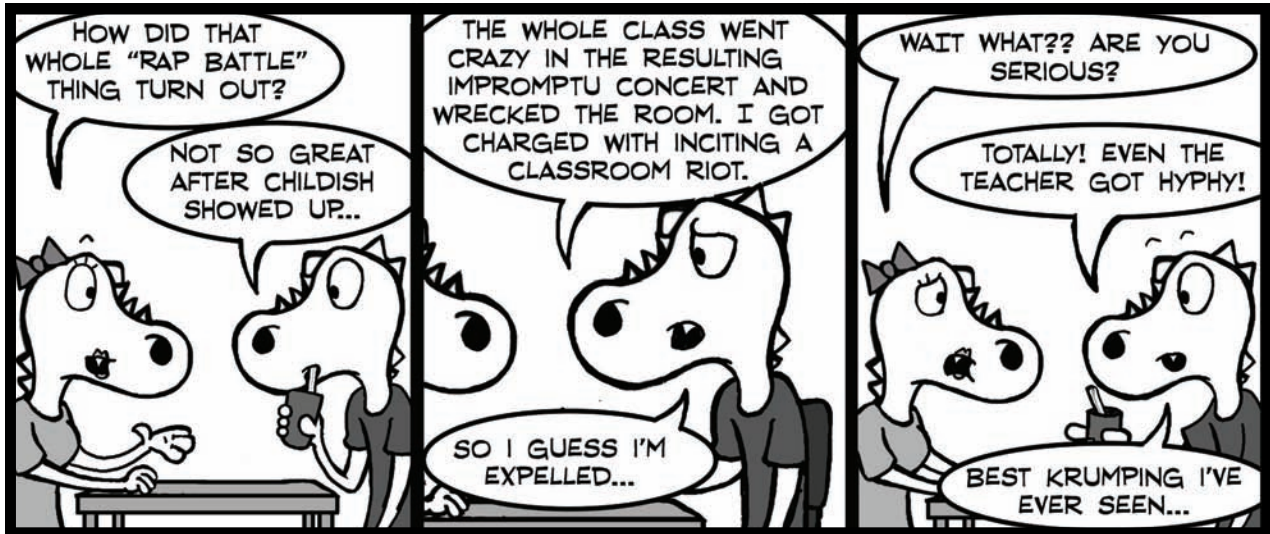
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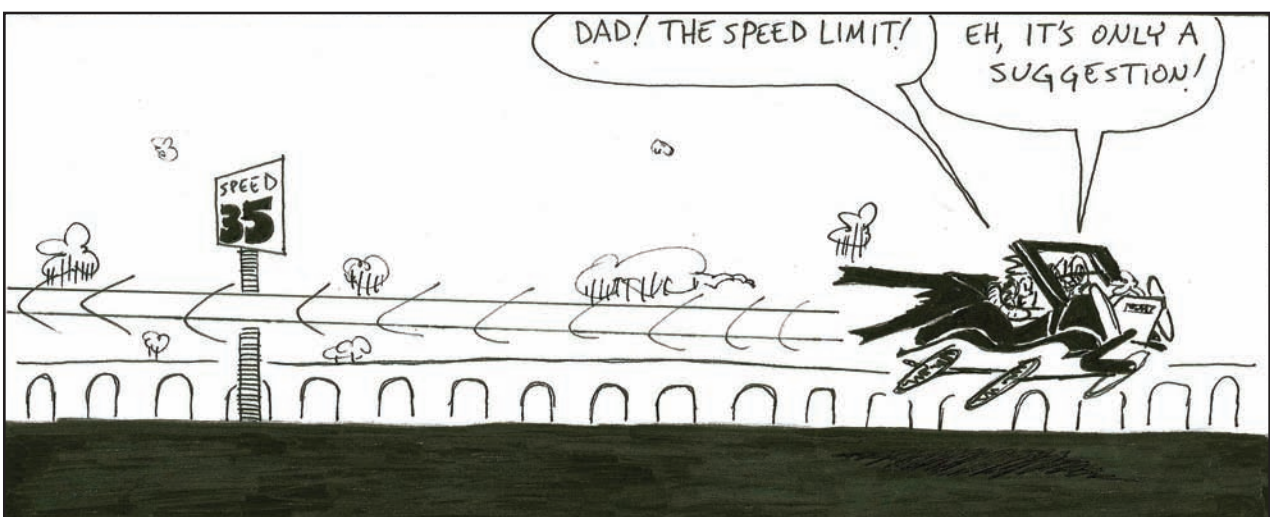
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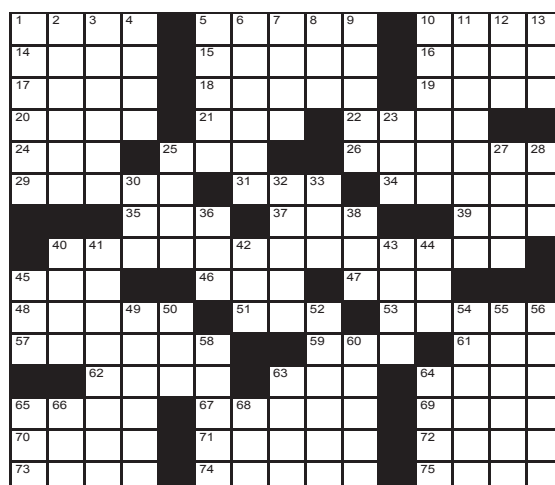


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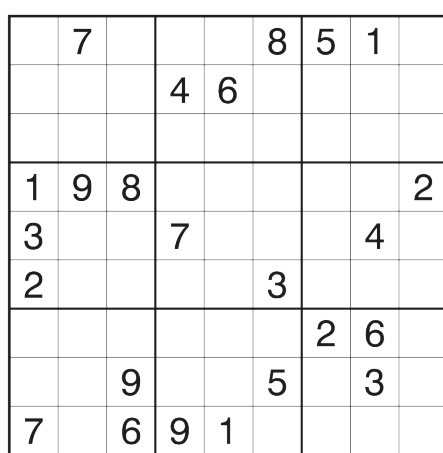
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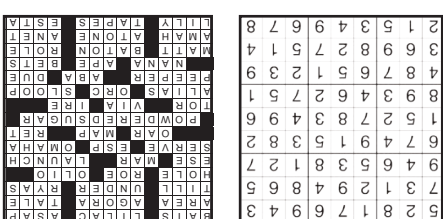
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# Campus fraternity commemorates student's impact

**Amy Asanuma**  
Argonaut

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is changing its traditional end-of-the-year concert to a Never Forget You (NFY) event in honor of Karen Pohl.

Pohl passed away unexpectedly at the beginning of April due to a stroke.

"Many of the boys from SAE worked alongside Karen in the Alternate Spring Break this year and felt the need to assist her family in paying for her medical bills," said Taylor Reed, ASUI Volunteerism and Social Action Coordinator. "The idea initially came up as soon as she was in the hospital. Now, it's just been a race against time."

The concert will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the SAE house and feature

UI band Folkestra covering "Hang on Karen," a song written when Pohl entered the hospital by her favorite band, The Brothers Comatose. Along with Folkestra, Dontay Reynolds of the band Something Else and The Good Husbands will perform.

"We want students to know that this is a community-wide event. It's a chance to celebrate Karen's life. We hope to have the stage be like an open microphone opportunity for anyone to share a story about her," said Michael Cullen, NFY organizer.

SAE has gathered local shops to sponsor the

concert and many donated gift cards and gift baskets to be raffled off at the event.

In addition to live music, SAE plans to hold a volleyball tournament, hot dog and pie eating contests and a tug-of-war.

"We are in the process of creating special bracelets in Karen's memory," Cullen said. "Anyone who donates will receive one. As for those who are financially unable to provide a donation, we hosted a function where students came and assisted with making bracelets."

TOMS shoes will also be sponsoring the event. With the sorority Delta Gamma's help, TOMS donated merchandise to sell at the event.

"Our last step is to hopefully get sponsorship from ASUI," Cullen said.

The fraternity made shirts to sell at the concert for \$14, and tank tops for \$12. Proceeds will go to Pohl's family.

"We really just want to get the entire community involved," SAE member Mikal Wright said. "The support we have received is overwhelming. Many Moscow businesses have put up the posters for NFY, so Karen's beautiful face is everywhere."

SAE will have a booth in the Idaho Commons from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Fridays to promote NFY.

"NFY is by no means a grieving ceremony," Wright said. "It's like an exclamation mark for the end of this year."

Amy Asanuma can be reached at [arg-news@uidaho.edu](mailto:arg-news@uidaho.edu)



We want students to know that this is a community-wide event. It's a chance to celebrate Karen's life.

**Michael Cullen, NFY organizer**

## Support from locals seen as key to capturing Kony

**David Rising**  
Associated Press

Ade Sunday isn't sure about the calls to kill or capture Lord's Resistance Army leader Joseph Kony. Though the elusive warlord abducted her when she was 13 and forced her to be one of his dozens of "wives," the 25-year-old says he's also the father of her two children.

"I don't see Kony as a bad person," she said. "Everything done in the bush is blamed on Kony, but to me he's not a bad person."

Forces now hunting for Kony in the Central African Republic, South Sudan and Congo are unlikely to find much sympathy for him as they might in Gulu in northern Uganda — 20 kilometers (some 12 miles) from where he was born — but some locals there have other concerns that complicate the military mission.

With more than 3,000 children abducted by the LRA since 2008, according to the U.N. and Human Rights Watch, families worry that troops hunting Kony will not be able to distinguish between regular LRA fighters and their abducted children.

"They will tell you they would really like Joseph Kony to be captured and maybe killed, and the LRA disbanded, but our children that are in the bush — how can they be separated from the rebels?" said Tatiana Viviane, who works with a Central African Republic organization focused on helping the country's young people.

They also fear reprisal attacks if they are thought to be helping the authorities find Kony — depriving military leaders of information that could be key to catching him.

"My sense is that in this particular mission, human intelligence is probably going to be the key," said Gen. Carter Ham, who heads the U.S. military's Africa Command. "That goes a little bit back to ... how do you get confidence amongst the local populace so that they're first of all willing, and second have the means to report to local authorities?"

Kony inspires conflicted thoughts among some people in northern Uganda who remember the early days of his insurgency, which started as a popular struggle against the southern-dominated government of President Yoweri Museveni.

Angelo Izama, who runs a

Kampala-based think tank on regional security called Fanaka Kwawote, said Kony is a sympathetic figure among some Ugandans who see his rebellion as a valid response to the "perceived injustices against the north."

"Some people felt that he was a criminal and yet his criminality was in the service of a different type of justice," he said.

The LRA has been out of northern Uganda since 2006 and is now terrorizing an area the size of California spanning the Central African Republic, South Sudan and Congo.

Though numbering 150 to 300 fighters — compared to several thousand in years past — LRA attacks in the Central African Republic and Congo have been on the rise in the first quarter of 2012, according to the U.N., with 53 attacks and 90 abductions of children and adults. None were reported in South Sudan.

The guerrilla group takes boys to force into combat, and girls and young women like Sunday to serve as "wives" to Kony and others.

Kony is known for his brutal tactics, like cutting the lips off women who sound the alarm that his forces are coming, and ordering abducted children to kill their parents or other relatives so that they are afraid to return home for fear they will be shunned.

Sunday said she was taken from her bed by LRA fighters in the middle of the night, then spirited off to neighboring Congo for 10 years.

She said she had a son with Kony seven years ago. Betty was just a baby in 2010 when authorities in Congo attacked the LRA camp she was in. She was caught in the crossfire and shot in the leg as she went to grab the child.

Left behind by the LRA, she and her two children were picked up by the troops that attacked the camp and brought back to Uganda.

Sunday said she thought Kony was in the Darfur region of Sudan but today she doesn't know where he is — and is skeptical that he can be captured or killed.

"He should surrender through peace talks," she said. "He can only come back through peace talks."

But with the atrocities committed by Kony and his fighters, peace talks are not up for discussion — with the focus on killing

or capturing him.

"It is in Uganda's interest that the LRA menace is concluded once and for all, because Joseph Kony, as he has done before, has the ability to rejuvenate when he has a chance," said Ugandan Army spokesman Col. Felix Kulayigye.

"If you want permanent peace in this region, you must apprehend Kony or kill him."

A YouTube video released in March by the U.S. advocacy group Invisible Children, which has now had more than 88 million views, focused on the abductions and violence, spreading the message that Kony can still be caught despite the challenges.

The video helped raise awareness of the situation, but U.S. President Barack Obama had sent about 100 U.S. special forces soldiers late last year to help regional governments eliminate the LRA. There are now American advisers in Uganda and the three countries

where the LRA is now operating.

Their official role is to help those countries with intelligence and advise them on issues like logistics and communications as they seek to overcome all the difficulties of the mission.

But the strategy also calls for better protection for civilians, efforts to increase defections from the LRA and humanitarian assistance for those displaced by the violence.

Even though Kony's forces are small in number they remain widely feared for their brutality. One or two fighters can cause panic to a town of thousands, and even rumors of the LRA in the area often causes entire villages to flee.

In the southeastern region of the Central African Republic where Kony himself is believed to be hiding, the populations of larger towns have doubled in recent years as people have fled the countryside for safety in

numbers.

Overall some 455,000 civilians live either as internally displaced people or refugees in the LRA-affected areas, according to the U.N.'s humanitarian coordination office.

"Fear is the common word across the board," said Jean-Sebastien Munie, head of the agency's office in the Central African Republic. "And fears can last for years — while violence can last for only a second."

Helping restore a feeling of safety to those people is critical, said Rear Adm. Brian Losey, the head of the U.S. Special Operations Command Africa.

"Regardless of what we feel, it's a very real thing for them," he said, adding that the hundreds of thousands of displaced people are contributing to "greater levels of instability and insecurity."

"Restoring a sense of protection to civilians and security and stability in the areas is

utterly vital."

Authorities are also increasing informational campaigns, trying to convince LRA fighters to come out of the bush and surrender.

Though the violence is now over in northern Uganda, in Gulu, Sunday still struggles to make a living.

She uses facilities at a European Union and Uganda-funded center set up to help those who have left or fled the LRA for her baking, but said her cupcakes generate enough only to pay for rent and food.

She has a hard time walking to market to sell her baked goods because of her injury, and dreams of earning enough to buy a bicycle.

But despite her ambivalence about the efforts to kill or capture Kony, she said she's happy to be free from captivity in the bush.

"My life is better here," she said.

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# UI students, NASA see future of flywheel

Joanna Wilson  
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Ten University of Idaho students worked with the College of Engineering and NASA to develop an efficient energy storage system for their senior design project and presented their work Wednesday.

Joe Law, a UI professor and the principal investigator, said the project started when NASA requested research proposals for technology that would aid future lunar colonization.

"We looked at it and said, 'Energy is essential. Other things you may or may not need for life support,'" Law said. "It was something that really resonated with the people at (NASA Glenn Research Center) because they looked at it and said 'this is what we're working on — we like where you're headed.'"

UI was one of five universities chosen by the NASA Ralph Steckler Research and Technology Grant program, which awarded UI \$70,000 to develop a reliable, efficient flywheel.

Law said the heavy integration of students into the process caught NASA's attention.

"A lot of the teams didn't understand that there was an educational focus as well as the technical," Law said. "Our students ... were excited about the program."

## The flywheel

A flywheel is a mechanical energy storage device that converts electrical energy into a spinning wheel, and then back into electrical when it's needed. For lunar colonization, the day and night cycles, which produce a 354-hour night,

require that solar energy gathered during the day can be stored for the night.

Juliet Petersen, a UI senior in electrical engineering, focused on the physical design of the device — where the wires would be, how many and the energy flow, she said.

The 2010-2011 team worked on lowering energy loss but the machine that was unable to produce accurate results.

"So what we're doing is building a more efficient flywheel that's tailored for testing their system, in a way they couldn't on other machines," Petersen said.

Energy can be lost through friction and wind resistance, but also through magnetism because a magnetic field starts the wheel rotating.

"What you end up doing is, normally, the crystals in the iron are all scattered — they've got little crystals that face all kinds of different ways," Petersen said. "But when you rotate the machine in one direction, the crystals in the iron all get oriented in one direction."

When the magnetic field is turned off and the flywheel is left to spin, the aligned crystals turn the wheel into a magnet.

"If you think about trying to spin a magnet," Petersen said. "If you had a magnet here and a magnet here — it's gonna have a preference of locking in one position."

Their design will continue to send electrical signals to balance the magnetic field and keep the wheel spinning evenly. Peterson said the bursts take less energy than would be wasted by magnetic field.

To reduce friction,



Juliet Peterson, electrical engineer on the senior design team for the Flywheel Energy Storage for Lunar Colonization project, presents at the NASA and University of Idaho Ralph C. Steckler Space Grant Space Colonization Research presentation Wednesday in the Teaching and Learning Center.

Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

graduate students Kysen Palmer and Chris Mirabzadeh worked on a magnetic levitation system that would allow the wheel to freely spin in a vacuum.

They used a combination of a magnet and a "high-heat" superconductor the temperature of liquid nitrogen, -321 Fahrenheit, to float the wheel in place.

Mirabzadeh, a physics major, said the chilled superconductor is chilled repels all magnetic fields.

"It's completely exclusive — it wants them all away and defects inside the superconductor grab field lines and create that pinning effect," Mirabzadeh said.

Mirabzadeh used a bowl of liquid nitrogen, a small magnetic disk and a disk of

the carbonate superconductor to show the process in action.

The silvery disk of the magnet floated an inch above the dark base, and when Mirabzadeh lifted it into the air with tongs, the superconductor followed it up — still about an inch below the magnet.

Kevin Ramus was involved with the electrical systems and sensors to keep the wheel spinning around the center without contacting it — with about a millimeter of room on either side.

"My job was to look at the design of the machine and say 'how're we going to make it work,'" Ramus said. "When a current passes through these (wires), it hops from this

metal (center) to the rotor."

Sensors and electric pulses keep the wheel centered.

"So we could adjust the energy levels in here to pull it back," Ramus said.

Ramus said the team had to learn what a flywheel was coming into the project.

"No one had any clue what a flywheel was — how the inside-out machine was going to work, how we were levitating it — it was a steep learning curve," Ramus said. "Once we got our heads wrapped around it, we stated making decisions on the dimensions and how are things going together."

Petersen said the experience of starting from scratch helped her grow as an engineer.

"For the first time ever,

we're having to come up with our own specifications," Petersen said.

"Before, they just told us 'design something,' or do this homework problem: X, X, X, Y. One unknown, one equation. But now we're trying to figure out our specifications and do the design and prove a concept all in one."

Ramus said he is coming back as a graduate student to keep working on the project.

"I started working on it and I was really excited about what I was doing," Ramus said. "Whenever I start something, I want to see it happen."

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# Restoring native land

Native Hawaiian Ecology and Culture course members spent week-long trip restoring Hawaiian species, learning culture



Anthony Davis | Courtesy

Kenneth Pete and Heath Hewitt plant trees as part of their one-week service learning trip to Hawaii. The trip was part of the Native Hawaiian Culture and Ecology course at the University of Idaho.

**Lindsey Treffry**  
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Brandon Guzman stood above the clouds, 8,000 feet above sea level, planting trees and gathering seeds to restore a native bird population on the mountainside of Mauna Kea in Hawaii.

"We couldn't see anything below us, just white clouds," Guzman said.

He was one of the few University of Idaho students that planted more than 50 trees at the Hakalau Forest National Wildlife Refuge in less than a day's work, as part of a UI Native Hawaiian Ecology and Culture course.

The first-ever spring course, led by Anthony Davis, Jeremiah Pinto and Arthur Taylor, was offered to Native American students who traveled to Hawaii as part of an ecological restoration service-learning project during spring break.

Their projects were centered on ecological restoration and cultural immersion, as course instructor and Native American Tribal Liaison Arthur Taylor said 90 percent of Hawaii has been invaded by non-native species.

"We went all the way around the entire big island, and had big stops every day, and met different people every day," Guzman said. "We actually got to meet other Native Hawaiians and just hearing their different philosophies on their culture and how they treat their environment was the most influential."

Projects included three days of tree restoration at a tree nursery, a greenhouse and the Hakalau Refuge.

Taylor said they also assisted in Makali'i production of a double-hulled canoe.

"An integral part of (the Hawaiian) culture is their life on water, with their use of stars, sun and moon," Taylor said. "We helped them prepare the canoe for its next journey."

Taylor said the canoes can hold 15 people and some have sailed to Tahiti and even Easter Island from Hawaii.

The students also visited a Native Hawaiian immersion school that focused on agricultural farming as well as tra-

ditional plant, vegetable and fruit production.

Guzman said the school taught Native culture and language at the elementary level, while Taylor said English classes were not introduced until the fifth or sixth grade level.

"It was an eye-opener for sure," Guzman said. "Our tribes on the mainland don't have schools like that, that are preserving their culture. I was wanting to come back and to get back involved more with our own cultures."

Upon return from the one-week trip, students did just that.

Guzman said each student was responsible for journaling a designated day of the trip, which is planned to be compiled in a comprehensive journal. Presentations about the course also concluded last week.

Taylor said the presentations were crucial, as funding for the course is not set for next Spring, although Taylor said he hopes the course will continue.

"We were trying to garner support of community members, civic leaders, administrators, families and tribal communities," Taylor said.

Guzman presented the course accomplishments and cultural lessons to the Idaho State Board of Education April 18 in Moscow, while other students' presentations were made to UI Provost Doug Baker, students and surrounding Native communities last week.

"Students really have a sense of ownership in the projects we accomplished while we were there," Taylor said. "Some students want to go back and check on the trees we planted, and plant new ones."

He said the trip created a bond with Hawaiian Natives and within the student group.

"We ate together, traveled together and worked together hand-in-hand to learn about a different culture, to gain a new experiences and learn how to apply ourselves as Native people within a global society," Taylor said.

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# Leave the books, hit the river

**Kasen Christensen**  
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With the advent of summer, the University of Idaho Outdoor Program shifts its focus from white powder to whitewater.

Steve Mims, director of the rental shop in the Student Recreation Center, said he supplies equipment to individuals and groups.

"We serve the entire community," Mims said.

People from all over the country, and Mims said even somebody from Australia, signed up to rent rafts, kayaks and other supplies.

"We've got one of the largest inventories of whitewater equipment in the country," Mims said.

The inventory gets plenty of use because Idaho has the most runnable rivers in the country.

Mike Beiser, coordinator of the SRC's outdoor program, said there are many rivers close to the Palouse, including the Clearwater River.

He said sections of the river are mild enough to tube, though others are more difficult.

Mims said the rental center helps tailor gear to the needs of the community. He said sometimes experienced rafters call and give detailed descriptions of what they need.

Other times, Mims said rafters are more vague. His experience can help determine what they need.

"Usually, we can spot people who need help," Mims said.

He said his staff can also point out stretches of river appropriate for various skill levels.

Beiser said different rivers have different time frames. For instance, the Palouse River's rafting season is almost over.

Other rivers have seasons that go into October, according to Beiser. UI's whitewater classes end Oct. 12.

The Salmon River hits its peak in

July, according to Beiser, though some experienced rafters run it earlier.

"We're very fortunate to have the Salmon River in Idaho," Beiser said.

He said it's the longest free-flowing river in Idaho, meaning it runs through the whole state without dams.

Mims said the Lower Salmon, around Riggins, is one of the best non-lottery-permitted rivers in the lower 48 states.

Mark Nickodemus, who works at the SRC, said one of the nice things about the Salmon River's undammed status is the sandbars that populate its sides.

These provide excellent camping spaces, according to Nickodemus.

Susanne Endsley, a BLM public affairs specialist, said they are particularly wary of underage drinking at camping sites this year.

"We're not going to tolerate that because it's illegal," Endsley said.

An assault on an Idaho County Sheriff's officer last year was the last straw, Endsley said.

She said those caught violating alcohol laws will lose their alcohol and could face charges.

Apart from whitewater supplies, the SRC has all sorts of outdoor equipment available, from backpacks and tents to lanterns and stoves.

"We rent out anything you could possibly need," Nickodemus said.

Beiser said outdoor programs slow down during the summer, but a special sailing clinic at Lake Coeur d'Alene, two kayaking clinics, a whitewater rafting trip and a mountaineering trip are offered in summer months. Beiser also said the climbing wall will be open throughout the summer, though with limited hours.

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# Bronzed NJ mom: daughter's sunburn not from salon

**David Porter**  
Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — A deeply tanned New Jersey mother accused of causing skin burns to her young daughter by taking her into a tanning booth pleaded not guilty Wednesday to a child endangerment charge, and the tanning salon's owner appeared to corroborate her story.

Patricia Krentcil faces a second-degree child endangerment charge. Through her attorney, she pleaded not guilty in Newark Municipal Court on Wednesday morning. Krentcil is free on \$2,500 cash bond.

Before Wednesday's court hearing, Krentcil, whose skin has a deep bronze color from regular visits to the tanning salon, called the accusation a lie.

"It's all made up," she said.

She told The Associated Press her daughter, who was 5 at the time of the alleged incident in mid-April and has since turned 6, got sunburned by being outside on an unseasonably warm day. She said her daughter, however, had mentioned to school officials when she complained of itching that

she had been to a tanning salon with her mother.

Krentcil had told various TV stations her daughter was in the room at the salon but not in the stand-up tanning booth.

The owner of City Tropics Salon in Nutley, who only identified himself as Anthony, said employees who were there on the day in question told him the girl remained outside with her father and brother and didn't go into the tanning booth while Krentcil was inside.

He said a sign is posted in the salon that refers to New Jersey state law barring anyone under 14 from using a tanning salon.

"I would never harm a child," he said. "I have seven kids of my own. It's just ridiculous."

Krentcil's attorney, John Caruso, said outside court that she will be exonerated, because the evidence will show the child never entered the booth.

"Forget about the presumption of innocence; my client is 150 percent innocent," Caruso said. "She loves that child more than her whole life. She would never, ever allow her child to go inside a tanning bed."

Police in Nutley told The Nutley Sun newspaper they were called to the child's school April 24 because the kindergartner was in pain from a "pretty severe sunburn."

The child is still living at home with her mother, Caruso told Municipal Court Judge Roslyn Holmes-Grant, though he said the state's child welfare agency is monitoring the family.

Krentcil said she loves tanning and has visited salons for many years but would not do anything to jeopardize her daughter's health.

"Never in my life would I endanger my child by putting her in a tanning booth. I'm not dumb," she said before her scheduled hearing. Outside court, she called herself "a wonderful mother."

According to court records, Krentcil was found guilty of theft by deception in Camden County in 2000 and ordered to pay more than \$4,000 in restitution. She also has had more than a dozen civil judgments and liens filed against her in New Jersey and Illinois, where she lived in the 1990s.

Krentcil remained free on a \$2,500 cash bond. She is scheduled to make her next court appearance June 4.

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Ricky Scuderi | Argonaut

Rachel Schiell makes a double-shot mocha Thursday at Retro Espresso. Scheell works with her mom and stand-owner, Gina Cretser, and cousin Jade Cretser-Evans while carrying a full-time course load at the University of Idaho.

# Making money retro-style

Espresso stand serves organic treats under new ownership

**Molly Spencer**  
Argonaut

Life as a single parent of four children, University of Idaho student and business owner demands that Gina Cretser is organized.

Dawn Abbott previously owned Retro Espresso, the coffee stand at the end of South Main Street before Cretser took over April 21.

"It's a challenge," Cretser said. "But it's a positive challenge."

When Cretser returned to school as a non-traditional student majoring in exercise science, she said she wanted a better way to earn money in Moscow.

Owning a coffee shop was nothing new for her. She used to own an espresso stand in Garden Valley, Idaho.

Abbott gave her retro shop to Cretser and moved to Lewiston where she opened a coffee house called The Blue Lantern.

"I was talking to Dawn and I loved her products and her mindset and she was moving on, it was a good opportunity," Cretser said.

Retro Espresso offers solely organic products to customers, varying from local espresso

products, to hot, iced and chai teas, filled croissants, bagels, brownies and breakfast bars. The coffee house is open at 6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and 7:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Cretser's business partner, Barry Johnson, received his commission at UI from the ROTC program three years ago and is currently serving in Afghanistan.

"I have lived all over the U.S. and around the world and there isn't a place more friendly or beautiful than the Palouse," Johnson said. "This is home for me and Retro Espresso shop is a great way to be part of Moscow's community while continuing to serve with one last tour in Afghanistan before moving home for good."

Cretser said the business has been busy and better than she expected with the help of her daughter Rachel Cretser and niece Jade Cretser, both UI students.

She said her favorite part about Retro Espresso has been the "amazing" customers.

"Everybody has given me really good input on the business that Dawn started," she said.

*Molly Spencer can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu*

# Student survey could ban campus smoking

**Katy Sword**  
Argonaut

Pending the results of a survey, the University of Idaho could make the switch to a smoke-free campus.

Savannah Bettis interned at the Lewis-

ton Health Department and helped produce a survey asking students faculty and staff their opinions about smoking on campus.

"Does the school want a smoke-free campus?" she said. "If so there are a lot of different options. Now we have the 25-foot

rule but the thing is it's hard to enforce. A lot of schools have banned smoking because it's so hard to enforce areas."

Bettis said responses so far have been largely in favor of banning smoking on campus.

"Lots of responses are saying they have smoke blowing in from windows or have to walk through a cloud of smoke to get to work," Bettis said. "A lot of people replied that they have submitted to facilities saying it was an unsafe environment because they are breathing second-hand smoke all day."

Bettis said Boise State University recently banned smoking from its campus, but now has an issue at the outer rims where people smoke in large groups.

"For us that would be Paradise Creek and the bike path," Bettis said, adding that

there has already been an increase of people smoking along the path.

Bettis said the survey does not have a specific end date because of the low response rate.

"The survey was supposed to go out in the weekly email by Samantha Perez but she forgot to include it," Bettis said. "The staff received it in an email so most of the responses have been from them."

The survey will be open at least until the end of May because Bettis said she hopes more people will respond before the results are compiled and potentially used to propose a new campus policy.

The survey can be found at [surveymonkey.com/s/5QS6MFS](http://surveymonkey.com/s/5QS6MFS)

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# 'Tragedy tomorrow, comedy tonight'

Emily Aizawa  
Argonaut

The University of Idaho Department of Theatre Arts is showing the musical comedy "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" tonight, Saturday and Sunday at Hartung Theater.

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" was written by Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart in 1962 with music by composer Stephen Sondheim.

Pseudolus is a crafty, lazy, cheating slave who discovered that his master's son fell in love with the girl next door. Pseudolus promises the master's son to exchange his freedom with the help of winning her heart. He creates a plan that is so extreme that, though they may not know it, the whole neighborhood plays a part.

David Lee-Painter, a UI theater professor, said the faculty decided on this play based on their shared love of its composer, Stephen Sondheim.

"It is fitting, it is silly, funny and everyone really likes the challenges that are presented," he said. "It is such a complicated play in how it is put together, that everyone involved had to say yes at every turn. Everyone worked really hard to make it look easy — so far so good."

Lee-Painter said he always strives to create a memory for and entertain the audience but he is also in for the students involved.

Kristin Glaeser, a junior theater arts major, plays the role of Philia. She said Lee-



Erik Jansen, playing Senex, displays a bust of his wife during the Thursday showing of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" in the Hartung Theater. The final two showings of the University of Idaho Department of Theatre Arts comedic production will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday in the Hartung Theater.

Painter is wonderful and always promotes the notion of bringing everything to the table, leaving nothing behind and that everyone involved knows he how much he cares.

Glaeser said her favorite thing about her character is that she doesn't often get to play a character that doesn't

know anything else about the world other than how to be pretty. She said it is a straight-forward role that requires Glaeser to make everyone like her while remaining ignorant of the chaos around her.

Glaeser said her favorite part about being in the show is how uplifting it is, the

cast and how excited and willing they are to be there every night. Glaeser said she enjoys the opportunity to explore how different humans interact and then acting that out on stage.

"It gives people the chance to not be themselves," she said. "They can escape into a comedy, sym-

## More info

The last two showings of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" are at 7:30 p.m. today and Saturday in the Hartung Theater. For even more information visit [uitheatre.com](http://uitheatre.com) or [facebook.com/uitheatre](https://www.facebook.com/uitheatre).

pathize with the character, or reflect on their own lives — it's just fascinating."

Emily Aizawa  
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# Dancers embrace improvisation

Final piece directed by students

**Becky Davis**  
Argonaut

The Dance Composition II course put on its final showing of "Crossing Borders," which is composed of pieces choreographed by students.

Karissa Jacobs, a dance major, said every student in the course will perform in the final showing based on their previous pieces.

"We chose something that sparked our interest through the semester that we wanted to continue working on for this final project," Jacobs said.

Belle Baggs, instructor of the course, said she encourages her students to explore a genre of dance that they are interested in for the final showing.

"What this class is all about is kind of getting

out of your own comfort zone and getting out of your own box of what you already know about dance choreography and take that extra step across the border," Baggs said.

It's kind of a great way to build a community because you're forced to expand and let yourself go...

**Morgan Trewin, Dance Composition II student**

Students are not required to have music in their performance and many pieces are performed to speeches, an auditory book or even silence.

Morgan Trewin, a dancer in the class, said it has been a useful experience for her because it gives students a chance to re-choreograph a previous piece.

"It's kind of a great way to build a community because you're forced to expand and let yourself go," Trewin said. "Everybody starts to understand their own style."

This is Baggs' first year at the University of Idaho and she said she is really proud of what her students have accomplished.

"I feel like the students have been quite open in this class to embracing new forms of movement and to embracing improvisation," Baggs said. "I think through that openness they've grown a lot."

Jacobs said every dancer's performance will be different, based on the project they choose, but every piece will have a modern element to it.

"We've all worked really hard on these pieces and put a lot of time in rehearsals," Jacobs said. "I think it will be fun."

Baggs said "Crossing Borders" appeals to a wide audience and anybody interested in looking at a different perspective of a performance.

"It's really based on improvisation," Baggs said. "It's exciting to see."

*Becky Davis can be reached at [arg-news@uidaho.edu](mailto:arg-news@uidaho.edu)*

## Two escape injury when plane crashes into lake

Associated Press

Two people escaped injury when a float plane crashed into Hayden Lake on Thursday morning.

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office says a flying instructor and a student were aboard the single-engine plane, and they were immediately rescued by fishermen on the lake.

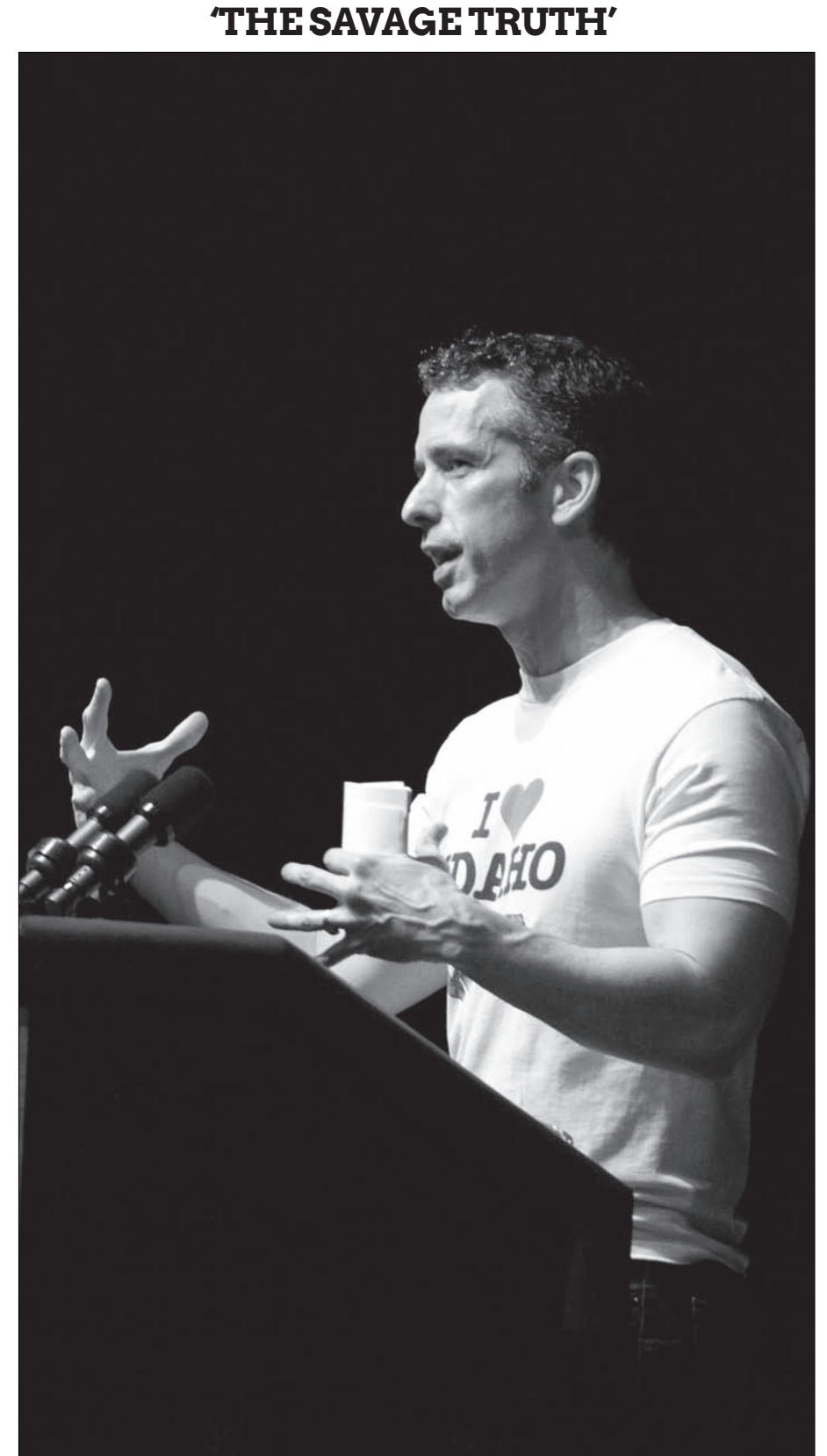
The sheriff's office says the plane flipped while trying to land on the surface of the lake after the occupants forgot to pull up the aircraft's wheels.

The student pilot and owner of the plane was 61-year-old Michael Bell of Spokane. The instructor was identified as 62-year-old Michael Kinkaid of Coeur d'Alene.

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Philip Vukelich | Argonaut


Dan Savage, American author, media pundit, journalist, newspaper editor and author of relationship and sex advice column "Savage Love," speaks Thursday in the Kibbe Dome. Savage visited the University of Idaho campus as part of Finals Fest 2012.

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**Lee VanGundy**  
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"I have come that they may have life, and may have it in all its fullness."  
John 10:10b (REB)

# Police believe neo-Nazi killed four, himself in Ariz.

Amanda Lee Myers  
Associated Press

Many considered Jason Todd Ready to be the most high-profile neo-Nazi in Arizona. He led groups of heavily armed civilians into the desert to look for illegal immigrants as he repeatedly tried to win public office.

But Ready's beliefs and actions got so extreme, including statements that land mines would be a good way to stop border crossers, that the state's most conservative politicians distanced themselves from him.

Unwelcome among Republicans, Ready ran in January for sheriff as a Democrat. He continued to lead immigration patrols and posted Facebook updates, but there was little to suggest his personal life was in turmoil.

On Wednesday, police said, Ready, a burly 39-year-old who went by "JT," shot and killed four people, including a 16-month-old girl, in the Phoenix suburb of Gilbert where he lived. He then turned the gun on himself.

The dead included Lisa Lynn Mederos, 47, who is believed to be Ready's girlfriend; her daughter Amber Nieve Mederos, 23; and Amber's boyfriend, Jim Franklin Hiott, 24. The child was found alive but was pronounced dead at a hospital.

A teenager in the house heard arguing followed by gunshots, Gilbert police Sgt. Bill Balafas said. She came out of a back room, found the bodies and called 911.

Balafas said the evidence suggests a domestic dispute, but that investigators aren't sure what triggered it.

Officers had been called to the home previously for domestic disputes, Balafas said. He had no details of those calls or if they involved Ready and said the reports on the disputes would not be released for days.

The killings and Ready's involvement stunned members of his group, the U.S. Border Guard.

"Our sympathies go out to all of his family and friends during this time of un-

believable grief and pain," according to a statement posted on its website. "God bless you, J.T. You will be fiercely missed."

Harry Hughes, a regional director for the National Socialist Movement who went out on patrols with Ready, said the shooting was "completely out of character" for Ready.

"And I'm going to not speculate or make any conclusions. I'm going to let the investigation go take its course," Hughes said. "But I have a real hard time believing that JT Ready could actually shoot and kill a child."

Anti-hate groups such as the Southern Poverty Law Center have for years tracked Ready. "JT Ready was a violent thug who typifies the very worst element in the American nativist movement," said the SPLC's Mark Potok.

According to an SPLC profile on its website, Ready was court-martialed twice in 1996 while serving in the U.S. Marine Corps, the first time after being gone for eight days without permission.

The center said Ready was demoted to private after the absence, jailed for three months and that, later that year, was court-martialed again for conspiracy, assault and wrongful solicitation and advice. He was found guilty, spent six months in detention and was discharged for bad conduct, the center said.

The Marine Corps was trying to confirm the center's information.

Ready's ex-wife, Arline Lindgren, knew that he had started associating with white supremacist groups when they were married in the late 1990s, her brother, Adam Lindgren, said. The couple divorced in 2003.

Lindgren said he got into a few argu-

ments with Ready but that they were never violent. He said Ready had a temper, but "not a violent temper, that I was aware of." He said he never saw Ready be violent toward anybody.

Ready was "very, very opinionated. He would argue with you until ... well, just keep arguing with you," he said.

Ready was a member of the Detroit-based National Socialist Movement, whose members promote white separatism, dress like Nazis and display swastikas. It believes only non-Jewish, white heterosexuals should be American citizens and that everyone who isn't white should leave the country "peacefully or by force."

Ready first tried to get into politics in 2004, when he unsuccessfully ran for a seat in the Arizona House. In 2006, he lost a run for Mesa city council but was later elected as a Republican precinct committeeman.

He didn't run for reelection in 2008 after three Republican congressmen wrote a letter to a GOP county chairman asking for his removal because of his neo-Nazi ties. They said Ready was sullying the party's image. They said he was a featured speaker at a neo-Nazi conference in Omaha, Neb., in September 2007 and distributed racist and anti-Semitic literature at a GOP meeting.

Trying to distance himself from the movement, Ready told The Arizona Republic in 2010 that he left the group. Potok said the move was "merely for cosmetic reasons."

Ready was also running his desert operations targeting illegal immigrants, one of which was featured on the National Socialist Movement's website as recently as January. Some of the photos on the website match ones posted to his Facebook page.



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## VANDALS 'DROP IT LIKE THE NASDAQ'



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Students dance during Childish Gambino concert Wednesday's as part of Finals Fest 2012. Approximately 3,500 attendees filled the Kibbie Dome floor.

## SALARIES

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behind the average national increase.

"Our salaries are reasonable for the region we are in. I don't know if we've ever been truly competitive on salaries," Ickes said.

UI is not competing with the likes of Harvard and Yale for employees, or even institutions like the University of Michigan or the University of Washington. The economics simply do not match up, Ickes said. UI cannot compete with huge universities in urban centers.

Instead, Ickes said, UI competes on a salary basis with regional state universities in Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota. The geographic isolation of institutions like UI makes recruiting distinguished faculty difficult.

"We are not necessarily the most promising market," Ickes said. "(But) there are a lot of benefits to having a young family and growing up in Moscow. We have to compensate for the fact that we are somewhat remote. We have to be able to attract people to come here and stay here."

A second recent factor limiting the potential employee pool was the four-year freeze on hiring and salary increases that was lifted during this year's legislative session thanks to a slight recovery in Idaho's economy. Prior to this year's decision to mandate a 2 percent raise to all public employees, Ickes said there was simmering discontent.

The legislature, which has slashed education budgets of late, fell short on funding the raise for UI faculty and staff. The eventual deal left UI covering half of the compulsory bill through one part of this year's 6.1 percent increase in tuition at UI.

In less sparse economic times, said Doug Baker, UI provost and executive vice president, salaries and raises were "market based."

"Different disciplines have different supply and demand characteristics," Baker said.

Once on the payroll, raises are generally based on merit or progression from associate to full professor. Achieving tenure, Baker said, also ensures a pay increase.

While salary can dominate thinking, Ickes argued UI's total compensation package significantly improves Idaho's competitiveness. The packages including medical and life insurance, workman's compensation and other amenities.

Ickes said Washington State University's salaries may be \$8,000 to \$9,000 higher, "but if you look at total compensation, they were only \$1,400 ahead of us."

Salary also depends on the responsibilities faculty take on in addition to teaching, which can bump up a salary significantly. John McIver, vice president of research and economic development, is no exception to this.

"I have no complaints about my salary," McIver said.

As the fifth highest paid position at UI,

the McIver is responsible for leading three units in decision-making — the Office of Sponsored Programs, Office of Research Assurances and Office of Technology Transfer and Economic Development.

"All three directors of each office must report to me," McIver said. "The Office of Sponsored Programs accepts awards on the University's behalf, the Office of Research Assurances practices biosafety and appropriate conduct of research on their subjects, while the Office of Technology Transfer deals with copyright of protecting intellectual property."

McIver has held his position for nearly four years, directly overlapping the freeze, and will receive his first raise this year.

Baker said as the economy slowly recovers, he hopes this year's pay raise will be more than an anomaly and the upward trend will continue.

But Idaho is "still lagging behind" according to Ickes.

"We are getting very uncompetitive, we are starting to lose key, bright faculty," Baker said.

UI has recently lost a pair of its brightest scientists, biology professor Erica Bree Rosenblum and wheat breeder Robert Zemetra.

As UI is in danger of losing more of its rising research stars, Ickes said he has relayed the message to Gov. Otter and the legislature.

"If the people of Idaho want their sons and daughters to have a very good educa-



### Statewide top 10 salaries

<b>Chris Petersen</b> Football coach, Boise State University, \$1,170,499.20
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tion, then you have to pay a competitive price for your faculty members," Ickes said.

Baker hopes UI can continue to move toward its mission as a land-grant, research institution.

"That's our hope," Baker said. "We need to convince the governor and legislature."

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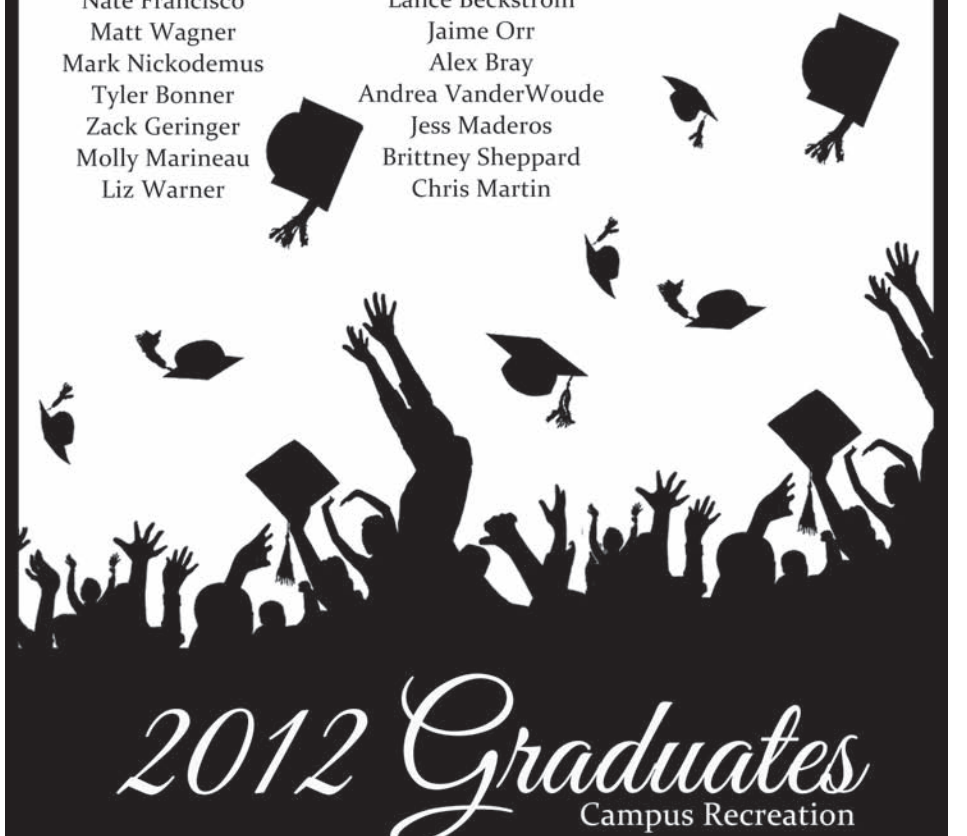
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# SPORTS



The newly renovated Dan O'Brien Track and Field complex will host the WAC Championships starting May 8. Page B6

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## WACocalypse

Western Athletic Conference, Idaho football future bleak

Sean Kramer  
Argonaut

The writing is on the wall for the WAC.

Unless the conference finds at least six new members in the next year, the conference will play just one more season of Division I football.

In the last week it has been reported that San Jose State and Utah State will defect in to the Mountain West, Texas State and Texas-Arlington, non-football, will join the Sun Belt, while Texas-San Antonio and La. Tech will join Conference-USA.

All moves are expected to become official today with changes not slated to take place until 2013-2014.

Interim WAC Commissioner Jeff Hurd issued a statement Monday that the conference has "confidence that the WAC will maintain its more than 50-year history as a preeminent Division I conference."

The conference will still welcome Texas State and Texas-San Antonio this season, with Seattle, Denver and Texas-Arlington as non-football playing members.

The Vandals are on the outside looking in along with New Mexico State with no conference home for the 2013-14 season and beyond. Seattle, Denver and Boise State, non-football, are the only other schools committed to the WAC for 2013 and beyond for the Olympic sports.

Athletic Director Rob Spear declined comment, but the athletic department issued a statement to the media on the matter Tuesday.

In the statement, Idaho decried its peer institutions for their financially driven motives.

"We are disappointed in the recent changes that are driven not by tradition, academic quality, competitiveness, or the student experience, but by money," the statement said. "As we anticipate future conference movement, we continue to believe strongly that athletes are students first and the experience for them and our fans is first and foremost. We will continue to work diligently to most strongly position the University of Idaho."

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## Idaho holds cup lead

Theo Lawson  
Argonaut

For the first time in its WAC history, Idaho will have a shot at winning the Commissioner's Cup, an annual award given to the WAC school that "performs the best in each of the conference's 19 men's and women's championships."

Idaho has taken the Commissioner's Cup lead thanks to second-place finishes in women's golf and men's tennis and still

awaits the results of men's golf and men's and women's outdoor track and field. All WAC schools are eligible to receive points from men's golf, seven in women's outdoor track and field, four in men's outdoor track and field, seven in softball and six in baseball.

The Commissioner's Cup considers all 19 WAC sports and utilizes a point system that gives schools

points based on where they finish in regular season competition and postseason competition. Athletic Director Rob Spear values the Commissioner's Cup and said the recognition is essential for an athletic department.

"I think it is a good benchmark that measures the quality of your athletic programs," Spear said. "We have never placed higher than fifth before. We are on track for our best finish ever."

Because WAC schools compete in anywhere from 14 to 17 of the 19 sports, a school like San Jose State might be at a disadvantage because it misses out on points in five sports.

Although Fresno State competes in all but two sports, it trails Idaho by three points. Idaho should be optimistic about its current 59.25 points as it could come out on top of men's and women's track and field. The men claimed maximum points after winning the indoor track and field season while the women were able to claim six with a second-place finish.

Fresno State still has five opportunities to surpass Idaho and jump into first place as it competes in the five remaining sports. Still, Spear declared Idaho's dominance at the moment.

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As of today you could say we have the best overall athletic program in the WAC.

Rob Spear,  
Athletic Director



Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Austin Volking, freshman defender, runs through drills at club lacrosse practice Thursday on the SprinTurf.

## Control the pace

Kevin Bingaman  
Argonaut

It's off to Seattle for the Idaho club lacrosse team Saturday where the Vandals will face Oregon in the PNCLL Final Four.

The Vandals came into last Saturday's contest against Washington needing a win to keep their season alive and were able to pull out a one-goal victory due to a last-second save by Idaho goalie Blake Uphus.

Idaho freshman Colton Raichl said it's been an exciting few days.

"Everyone's excited and everyone was super excited when we beat U-Dub over the weekend and found out we were going to the Final Four, so everyone just wants to keep on winning," Raichl said.

While the Vandals are thrilled to be back at the Final Four, they have a tough opponent in Oregon. Idaho played in Oregon last fall in a

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### COMMENTARY

## Athletes of the year

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### Kayla Mortellaro, women's golf

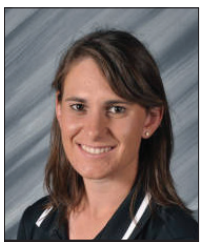
Mortellaro has earned her spot as the best golfer in the WAC for three years and the best women's golfer in Idaho history. The three-time WAC Player of the Year won two consecutive WAC Tournaments and after her most recent tournament title in her home state of Arizona, Mortellaro qualified for her fourth NCAA Regional qualifier May 10 at the Colorado National Golf Club in Erie, Colo. This spring, Mortellaro earned numerous top-five finishes and won two individual titles — one at the WAC Championships and one at the Dr. Donnis Thompson Invitational, where she also won her first ever collegiate title during the 2008-2009 season.

### Hannah Kiser, cross-country/track and field

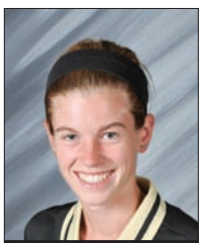
As a sophomore, Kiser made huge strides during cross-country, indoor and outdoor track and field. The Wenatchee, Wash., native helped the cross-country team clinch its second consecutive WAC Championship and ran the second-fastest individual time.

After a remarkable fall season that saw Kiser earn the top collegiate time at four races, she qualified for the NCAA West Regional Championships. An No. 18 finish at the regional race helped her qualify for her first career NCAA Championships meet, which also made her the first Vandal woman to qualify since 2004. Her 85th place finish at the national tournament was the second best in Idaho history.

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Kayla Mortellaro



Hannah Kiser



Andrew Blaser

## Mortellaro set for regionals

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As the conclusion of her collegiate career approaches, the most successful women's golfer in Idaho history prepares for her final appearance in the NCAA West Regional qualifiers. Senior Kayla Mortellaro is coming off her second consecutive WAC Tournament title and will have one last chance at the NCAA Championships when she competes in the regional qualifiers May 10 in Erie, Colo.

Mortellaro will be one of six individuals competing in the regional tournament hosted at the Colorado National Golf Club. An East Regional will be hosted at Penn

State while a Central Regional will be hosted at Ohio State.

Based on her No. 29 national ranking, Mortellaro received an at-large bid to her fourth consecutive regional event and in order to qualify for the NCAA National Championships, she'll have to be one of the top two individual finishers in the West Regional. Six individual qualifiers and 24 teams make up each regional tournament.

Though the field will be much more competitive, Mortellaro won't prepare for the regionals any differently, despite a significant change in elevation.



Kayla Mortellaro

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File Photo by Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

Idaho's Almudena Sanz serves the ball during a doubles match with Vicky Lozano against Nevada April 11 on the Memorial Gym tennis courts. The women beat Nevada 4-3.

# Breaking expectations

Idaho women's tennis wraps up spring season 4-2 in the WAC, 19-8 overall

**Charles Crowley**  
Argonaut

Youthful players and their new coach overcame the odds this season as the Vandal women's tennis team finished 19-8 overall and 4-2 in the WAC.

"On paper this team was never meant to be this good but they get along well together, they try their butts off on the court and they leave everything on the court every time they play," Idaho coach Daniel Pollock said.

The Vandals only had two seniors on the team and the rest were basically freshmen. Pollock imagined his first year with Idaho would be a building year but it became much more than that.

"It's been a really fun group of kids to work with and they have done a great job this year," Pollock said. "They have worked really, really hard and I think our results on the court are reflective of the work that was put in."

Sophomore Vicky Lozano, Idaho's No. 1 player, said the team cannot take all the credit.

"This means that everything Dan (Pollock) has done with organization and with all our practices and everything, he has done a very good job," Lozano said.

Pollock's direction, coupled with hard work through the season earned Lozano a first-team all-WAC selection. Idaho's No. 2, Almudena Sanz earned a second-team all-WAC selection.

"They have had great seasons and it was nice to see them recognized for that at the awards banquet," Vickers said.

Lozano and Sanz also earned a first-team selection as a doubles pairing.

"I think Almu and me fit very well in doubles, we like to be aggressive and I think our game compliments each other very well on the court," Lozano said.

With Lozano and Sanz at the top of the lineup, the Vandals won their first WAC Tournament match since 2007 and advanced to the semi-finals where they came within one set of reaching the finals. Idaho's youngest player, freshman Sophie Vickers, said getting so close to the final is a great sign for the program.

"Nobody would have expected that at the beginning of the season so I think we should all be really proud," Vickers said. "We are looking forward to next season and seeing how well we can do."

Lozano said exceptional tournament performance motivated Idaho to beat these teams next year.

"It reflects that we have been doing the right things and working hard and we are at the same level as these players," Lozano said.

Pollock said the tournament was a great learning experience for the Vandals.

The Vandals have had a full year in Pollock's system and he said they now know what is expected of them and how he coaches. He also has seen the other teams a bit

more, which will make it easier to prepare for next season.

Pollock said there are matches he would like to take back, but the season had more ups than downs.

"If they can keep that energy, keep that attitude and keep that work ethic going forward and we can add some more pieces to the puzzle, then for sure we can achieve the same if not significantly more next year," Pollock said.

Idaho already signed four-star recruit Rita Bermudez — the No. 71 women's tennis recruit in the nation according to tennisrecruiting.net — to a National Letter of Intent for the fall season and more recruiting is in the works.

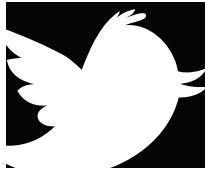
"We are bringing in some strong pieces to add to the puzzle with some strong girls coming in," Pollock said.

"The girls that are coming for next semester are really good so we are expecting to be even better next year with more strength and mentally more prepared as a team," Lozano said.

The team was young with a new coach, but it didn't show. It had a decent record, won several player of the week awards and finished strong.

"Next year, especially with the motivation of being so close this year, we should be definitely a contender next year for the WAC," Pollock said.

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# Moore not ready for NFL

Former Boise State quarterback Kellen Moore was not drafted last week for good reason

He racked up the most wins of any college quarterback, but never heard his name called on draft day. As odd as that may sound it was reality for former Boise State quarterback Kellen Moore who went undrafted last week. While he undoubtedly had one of the best careers in NCAA history, there's a reason he wasn't drafted.



Kevin Bingaman  
Argonaut

Moore wasn't drafted, but has a shot at an NFL roster after he signed with Detroit as a free agent.

As a Vandal, it's hard to give any Bronco a compliment, but I have to admit Moore was a great college quarterback. In his career he boasted

a 50-3 record and passed for more than 14,000 yards. While those numbers may seem draft-worthy, his body type is an issue.

Moore is an intelligent and accurate quarterback, but his arm lacks power. In the NFL a quarterback has to be able to throw a good, deep ball with velocity and fit it into tight places without being picked off. Moore's arm simply doesn't have that kind of velocity.

Daryle W. Hier of Yahoo Sports agrees that Moore's arm makes his NFL future questionable.

"First off, the left-hander doesn't have a strong arm which is a liability that squashes most college football quarterbacks' chances at the pros —

mainly due to the fact in the NFL, the ball has to be zipped into a tiny spot on the field," Hier said.

Another issue with Moore is his height. Moore stands just under 6-foot, which will make it difficult for him to see over the offensive line. NFL quarterbacks are typically 6-foot-3 or taller, and as Bleacher Report's Scott Bischoff points out, Moore's height creates a variety of problems.

"Having seen him at the Senior Bowl, it is hard to believe that he could be close

to that weight," Bischoff said.

"He has a very weak body type and does not look athletic in any area of his body. He is short and this will lead to footballs getting battered down at the line of scrimmage. There is some concern about how his body would hold up against the bigger bodies in the NFL."

While many would be quick to point out that Saints quarterback Drew Brees is also short, Brees has the advantage of an NFL-caliber arm.

It doesn't make sense on paper that Moore wasn't drafted and Idaho's Nathan Enderle was a year ago. While it's true Enderle doesn't have the accuracy and ability to read defenses like Moore has, he had the physical attributes. Enderle is tall and has a cannon of an arm, which is what NFL coaches look for in a quarterback. Physicality can't be coached.

Moore's NFL future is unknown, but it's hard to rule him out. He may become an underdog success story, but I wouldn't count on it. He simply doesn't have the physical qualities of an NFL quarterback and will most likely spend his career as a backup or make the move to the arena league or the CFL.

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## ATHLETES

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ment was the second best in Idaho history.

Kiser had no problem translating her success from the trail to the track and was named the WAC Track Performer of the Year after contributing to her team's second-place finish at the WAC Indoor Track and Field Championship meet in Nampa. Kiser broke the WAC Championship meet record in the 3,000-meter and was the anchor leg of the

record-breaking distance medley team. At the NCAA Indoor Championships, Kiser was named an All-American after finishing No. 13 in the 3,000-meter race.

### Andrew Blaser, track and field

Blaser might have been worthy of athlete of the year based solely on his performance at the Texas Relays, but the senior multi-event athlete deserves praise for his accomplishments during indoor and outdoor track and

field seasons.

During his final indoor season, Blaser had a monster role in Idaho's indoor track and field title as the senior claimed three of eight individual titles en route to earning WAC Men's Field Performer of the Year and the WAC High Point Award. At the WAC meet, Blaser was victorious in the heptathlon and high jump, while his first-place finish in the 60-meter hurdles was a career-best. He further contributed with third-place finishes in both the long jump and pole vault.

Approximately one month later, Blaser proved his worth in the decathlon on the national stage at the highly touted Texas Relays. The Louisville transfer competed in a field of 22 other athletes, seven of which were All-Americans. Blaser finished ninth in the event with a final score of 7,035 — eight points away from his career-best. The Meridian native's score is a WAC-best and places him No. 12 nationally among collegiate decathletes.

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# Vandals finish fourth in WAC Tournament

**Charles Crowley**  
Argonaut

Before the WAC Championship the Idaho men's golf team knew winning the whole tournament was possible.

"Every team in the field we have beaten before so all things being equal, we thought we had a chance if everyone played well," coach John Means said.

It's hard to tell what a tournament will bring and after three days of golf in various conditions, the Vandals couldn't quite pull it off and finished fourth at the Rio Del Secco Golf Club.

The Vandals did not make it easy for the other teams as Vandal freshman Sean McMullen came out of the gate on fire.

"Day one, it was all about McMullen," Means said. "Sean was getting the ball close and hitting some great putts."

Means said the course was set up to score the first day with easier hole location and no wind. Eight golfers finished under

par on day one, but McMullen shot a seven-under 65, just one shot off the course record set by none other than Tiger Woods.

McMullen shot a great round and tied the Vandals for first with San Jose State. Senior Jarred Bossio finished the day tied for fourth, but others didn't play so well.

"The other two seniors didn't play well and if they played their normal game the first round, we'd have a huge lead instead of being tied," Means said.

On the second day, pin placement was tougher, the wind picked up and it was a different result for McMullen.

"When you shoot a 65 and you're a freshman and you don't have a lot of experience, it's very tough to come back the next day and play at that level — I have only seen it done two times in my entire life," Means said.

Idaho needed help from seniors to keep the team score low but Means said it was not to be found. He said the team did not play

well the second day but was still feeling all right sitting nine strokes off the lead on a difficult course.

"One of the most difficult I have ever seen. You can make up nine strokes on one hole. We actually felt pretty good," Means said.

The third day featured 25-mph winds but Means said the Vandals played well considering the conditions.

"They made the golf course so hard the last round that unless you just blew up, you weren't going to catch anybody cause you couldn't make any birdies," Means said.

Not being able to gain any ground, Idaho finished the day at 302 and finished 892 on the tournament. San Jose State took first with an 876, New Mexico State took second at 882 and Fresno State took third at 886.

They didn't win the WAC Tournament, but the Vandals did make breakthroughs this season. For the first time in Idaho history, the team won two tournaments in one year. Also, McMullen and Bossio were

recognized for their seasons.

McMullen was named freshman of the year by WAC coaches and Bossio was named to the first-team all-WAC.

"McMullen is a hard worker and I think he is going to have a great future here," Means said. "He has got a little learning to do but he did a great job and I'm very, very proud of him."

He said Bossio should get an invitation to the NCAA Championship, but their goal was to get the whole team there this year. He said it's a bit of a let-down, especially when the team has three seniors.

"They got one out of two — they won two times — but there was some sadness and some disappointment about not being able to make it any further," Means said. "Aside from Jarred, that's it for those guys, it's the last time they will tee up in Vandal uniform and it's kind of a little bittersweet."

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# Crossing the finish line

Last meet of regular season first on new track

**Stephan Wiebe**  
Argonaut

For the first time in 2012 the Idaho track and field team is competing at home. The Vandals debut the newly-renovated Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex with the Vandal Jamboree today and Saturday. Eastern Washington, Lewis-Clark State, Washington State and Whitworth will travel to Moscow for the meet.

"At this time of year, for just about everybody it's the weekend before conference (championships)," Idaho Director of Track and Field Wayne Phipps said. "A lot of schools will be resting a lot of people and ourselves included. But there's still a number of people who are trying to get conference-qualifying performances or NCAA-qualifying performances."

In addition to finishing the season strong, the primary goal for the Vandals is to stay healthy for the WAC Championships.

"It isn't a good time ... to get hurt," sophomore Andrew Bloom said. "(We need to) take it easy and get ready for next week."

Competing at home for the regular season finale offers a host of benefits for the Vandals. The athletes are excited to compete on the

new track in front of a home crowd. They also benefit from being able to spend more time in the classroom.

"I think from an academic standpoint it's really important (to be competing at home)," Phipps said. "When they're preparing for finals the last thing you want to do is be on the road."

In addition to the Vandal Jamboree, some of Idaho's distance runners are travelling to Eugene for the Oregon Twilight. The distance group has struggled with sickness for much of the outdoor season so several of the top Vandal runners still need NCAA-qualifying times. One runner travelling to Oregon is back-to-back WAC Track Athlete of the Week Stephane Colle.

"At the beginning of the outdoor season a lot of people were sick, including me," Colle said. "But I feel that everybody has kind of recuperated from the sickness and they just got back on training ... I think it's still going to be pretty good for the distance (this weekend)."

Vandal star Hannah Kiser will also make the trip to Eugene. The



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**Wayne Phipps, Idaho Director of Track and Field**

standout runner has only been able to compete in one race so far this season. Kiser and sophomore Alycia Butterworth posted career-best times at last year's Oregon Twilight and hope to do the same this year.

The Oregon Twilight and the Vandal Jamboree are the last meets before the WAC Championship, which will also take place at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex the following week.

"This is the very first meet on here. Everyone was very excited for the first practice on here so even more so excited for competing. This is the very first competition on this track. I think everyone is excited about it. And we're excited to see this facility put to full use," Phipps said.

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Thrower Andrey Levkiv practices the shot put at practice Wednesday at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex.

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# Home track and field advantage

WAC Championship will be held in Moscow for first time ever



Ricky Scuderi | Argonaut

Senior Stephane Colle practices at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field complex Thursday. The team is preparing for the Vandal Jamboree Today and Saturday and the WAC Championships starting May 8.

## Stephan Wiebe Argonaut

With just one weekend left in the regular season, the Vandal track and field team will compete in the WAC Championships in Moscow starting Tuesday at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex.

"I'm stoked, I like being on the new track," sophomore Andrew Bloom said. "We're the only ones who have actually seen it so far."

The track is new, but the Vandals are familiar with success. The Idaho men's team won the WAC Indoor Championship and the women's team placed second earlier this year. The Vandals have also seen numerous breaks into the Idaho all-time top-10 record books this season. They had five new entries last week at the Duane Hartman Invitational alone.

"I think it was a really good season," Bloom said. "I'd say (our confidence is) pretty high. Having so many records is always a plus and then having a WAC Athlete of the Week every week is also really awesome."

Bloom and freshman Ben Ayesu-Attah are the primary sprinters for the Vandal men. Throughout much of the outdoor season, their primary competition has been themselves. The duo often finishes first and second in the 400-meter and they have a good shot at

placing in the WAC Championship.

"We both pull on each other's energy," Bloom said. "It's awesome to have him right there. At (the 400-meter) we have definitely a good chance of getting hopefully top three."

In the distance races, senior Stephane Colle has had a stand-out year for the Vandals. Colle has been named the WAC Track Athlete of the Week for two consecutive weeks. He has also burst into the Idaho all-time top 10 in the 1,500-meter and 5,000-meter so far this season.

"I guess it means that all the hard work I've put in this year is coming along and I'm running consistently running good times," Colle said of his accomplishments. "It's just a good build up for the first round of NCAA and the WAC Championship at home this year."

On the women's side, a solid group of distance runners are the strength of the track squad. Distance runner's Hannah Kiser, Erica Digby, Lauren Schaffer, Anna Kalbrener and steeplechasers Alycia But-

terworth and Holly Stanton are all-time Idaho top-10 runners in their events.

Even with all the success this year, there has been a dark side to the Vandals' season. Illness has prevented many of the runners from competing throughout the year.

"I don't think we're as prepared as we would have liked to have been," Butterworth said. "I don't think we're as strong as we hoped coming into outdoor (because of illness) but we'll still post some really good times at WAC."

The Idaho men's and women's track and field teams

excited to compete in the WAC Championships in Moscow on the refurbished Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex and hope to repeat the success they had during the indoor championship.

"Once you've won, it's easier to kind of keep winning a little bit," Idaho Director of Track and Field Wayne Phipps said. "They kind of know what it takes to win now (after winning indoors)."

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# Track set to open new facility

**Kevin Bingaman**  
Argonaut

The Idaho track and field program has been revamped and the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex underwent a massive renovation, just in time for Idaho to host the WAC Outdoor Championships.

It was a long time coming, but it's finally here. The complex is outfitted with the latest technology and set to officially open with a rededication ceremony Monday in which former Vandal and Olympic gold medalist Dan O'Brien will be an on-hand participant.

Idaho senior distance runner Erica Digby said she and the team are excited to reveal the new facility.

"I think it definitely makes a big difference," Digby said. "Just the fact that we're excited about it, I think it's spreading everywhere."

Improvements include a state-of-the-art track surface and Digby said in the little bit she's already run on it, she can tell the difference.

"It's a big improvement," Digby said. "Even just training on it you can tell it's a lot better quality."

The old track surface was hard, making it hard on runners and their injuries. Idaho Director of Track and Field Wayne Phipps said it's an improvement in all areas.

"This track has a great combination of having force reduction so that it's softer and a lot less chance of injury," Phipps said. "Also, the performance characteristics of it allow for faster times."

Additional safety nets allow throwing events to go on all day, and new jumping pits allow jumpers to leap in any direction, making wind a nonfactor.

Senior pole vaulter Jeremy Klas said the additions make a huge difference in practice.

"It's awesome, especially for pole vault, because now we can vault in any direction," Klas said. "We have eight different pole vault boxes, so no matter what direction the wind is blowing, we can make



Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

The remodel of the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex has been completed, and included new bleachers, state-of-the-art synthetic track surface and other additional amenities.

sure it's favorable for us."

Vandal throwers are glad to be rid of drainage issues in the infield. For years, water settled on the surface of the field and created swamp-like conditions for the throwers.

Phipps said his athletes' attitude toward the facility has changed dramatically from a year ago.

"They've loved it," Phipps said. "I think the last couple years a lot

of people were dreading coming to practice a little bit because they knew the track was hard and the throwers were walking through a foot of mud to retrieve their implements."

The new facility will see its first action Friday when Idaho hosts the Vandal Jamboree. It will then host the WAC Outdoor Championships starting Tuesday.

Phipps said the new facility means Idaho will host more meets, which benefits the program

as a whole.

"It does a lot for us," Phipps said. "From a recruiting standpoint, we can show them a brand new facility that can rival any track that's out there right now, so it does a lot for us from that standpoint and just being proud to host meets when people come in."

In just a year the Dan O'Brien track and field complex has transformed from an out-of-date track to a premier facility. Klas

said the transformation shows how important track is at the University of Idaho.

"I think if anything it helps everyone stay injury free, just because it's so much softer that it was last year," Klas said. "Anyone coming in who sees our facility will say 'Oh wow, they take track and field pretty seriously around here.'"

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**CUP**

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"As of today you could say we have the best overall athletic program in the WAC," he said.

Finishing at the top of the Commissioner's Cup gives a school bragging rights until the next winner is announced but women's tennis coach Daniel Pollock believes it can also serve as a recruiting tool.

"Anything will help you for recruiting so anything to show success it's always helpful and I think it just shows that recruits are coming into a department that's well renowned," Pollock said.

As a coach of a smaller "Olympic" sport, Pollock also sees the cup standings as something that can help reflect a program's success in sports that don't receive as much attention in the media.

"I think it shows the overall success of all the sports programs, the well known sports programs and not-so well known sports programs," Pollock said. "On average we're doing really, really well as a department."

Idaho's current point total of 59.25 is a culmination of its success in 13 sports played thus far. It received the maximum amount of points in women's cross-country and men's indoor track and field as a result of the WAC titles it won at each.

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**WAC**

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With the future of the WAC looking bleaker by the day Idaho is now left with three options, some more realistic than the others.

It could join the Sun Belt as a football-only member. But Idaho would need to get an invite first, as well as find a home for all other sports, not an easy task.

Idaho could go independent. The struggle would be finding consistent scheduling partners, a bowl tie-in and consistent television revenue.

Idaho could return to its old home the Big Sky in D-IAA, or FCS. Idaho would have to weigh the cut in expenses to the cut in revenue, at least at first.

Spear said he would address concerns of Idaho's future plans in a teleconference with media members when conference shifts become final.

New Mexico State could be one step closer to securing its FBS future with Jon Wilner of the San Jose Mercury News reporting that the Sun Belt could have interest in them for all sports. New Mexico State fields competitive basketball and baseball programs and its proximity to the Texas border means the alignment makes geographical sense.

Sun Belt Commissioner and former WAC Commissioner Karl Benson ushered Idaho and New Mexico State into the WAC from the Sun Belt in 2005.

Benson called news of Sun Belt interest in New Mexico State "premature" in a recent statement.

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**PACE**

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scrimmage, and lost to the Ducks by a wide margin.

"We played them in the fall, so we kind of know what they're coming with," Raichl said. "We hung with them for a while, then we kind of let them get away. If we focus and play our game we can definitely stay with them."

The Vandals will have a big disadvantage in numbers against the Ducks. Oregon has 14 more players on the roster than Idaho, making conditioning a key factor for Idaho.

Idaho coach John Andrysiak said he expects Oregon to try to use its numbers to wear Idaho out.

"We're a little smaller so we're going to have to possess the ball and take care of the ball if we're going to take it to

them," Andrysiak said. "I'm expecting them to try to run it a lot ... but I think with our work this week in practice we're going to be able to put a game plan together that fits out style and makes them play our kind of ball."

The Ducks can sub players in and out quicker, keeping players fresh while the Vandals will have to deal with fatigue late in the game. Andrysiak said the Vandals have to slow the game down and control the pace.

"From an offensive standpoint to playing tough defense, clearing the ball in our transition game and just slowing it down, really controlling the tempo of the game will be huge for us," Andrysiak said.

One of the keys to Idaho's victory over Washington last week was resilience. The Vandals led before the half and fell behind in the third, but bounced back to claim the victory.

Idaho senior John Kopke said Idaho has to have the same mentality against Oregon.

"Staying positive in the game, if we go down by a few just staying with the game plan," Kopke said. "Conditioning plays a big part in that, just staying fit in the fourth quarter and working hard in the later part of the game when they can have fresh legs."

For four seniors on Idaho's roster, this has the potential to be the last game of their careers. Raichl said this year's seniors have been solid leaders and the whole team wants to get a win for them.

"The seniors have been great," Raichl said. "It was fun to just get them a win and they just keep saying to hold our heads up high and saying they don't want to lose. Hopefully we can do that for them."

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**MORTELLARO**

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While Moscow is situated at 2,579 feet, Erie is substantially higher at 5,130 feet. Mortellaro is new to the course she'll be competing on, but Idaho coach Lisa Johnson has researched the same course that men's golfer Jarred Bossio played on during last season's regional event.

"It is at altitude so the ball will fly farther," Johnson said. "I'm not sure if the course is running out, playing fast or if it's wet. I do know that ball striking is one of Kayla's strengths so playing a longer course fits into her strengths as a solid ball striker."

Mortellaro isn't the only WAC golfer represented in the West Region, and the senior will have another chance to compete with New Mexico State's Demi Mak, who she outlasted in a playoff round at the WAC Tournament last week.

While Mortellaro benefited from team support during the conference tournament, she'll be alone with Johnson at the regional event.

Although she doesn't believe it will put her at a disadvantage, Mortellaro describes the loneliness as something that is "kind of boring."

"You don't really get to interact with the teams too much because they're doing

their thing and you're pretty much just with your individuals," Mortellaro said. "When I was at regionals my freshman year, they only took three individuals per region and they were off doing their thing so I was stuck with the coaches."

However, Mortellaro will have the opportunity to interact with Mak and four other individual qualifiers traveling to Erie from North Dakota State, Mississippi State, BYU and Colorado State.

Johnson claims it's rare to come across a player as talented as Mortellaro and if the senior sticks to the game plan, she's capable of winning any event.

"Her teammates have witnessed every day a professional caliber player," Johnson said. "I believe that every time Kayla steps on the golf course, she's good enough to win... The winning and losing in golf is somewhat out of a player's control. All Kayla can do is play as well as she can."

And if Mortellaro plays as well as she can Thursday, she sets herself up with an opportunity to play in her first ever championship finals, which take place May 22 to 25 at the Vanderbilt Legends Club in Franklin, Tenn.

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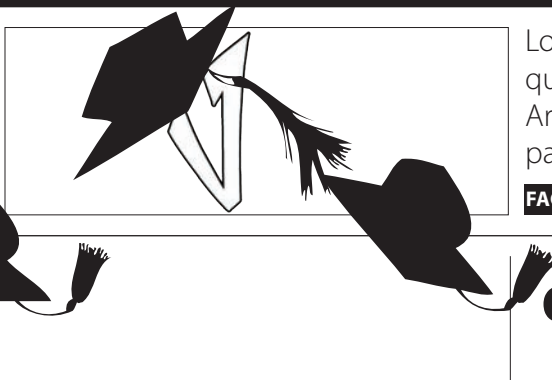
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## OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

### It's been fun

I loved spending the last four years at the University of Idaho, but it wouldn't have been the same if it weren't for Student Media. I have learned and experienced so much in the three and a half years I have been a member of the many staffs on the third floor of the Student Union Building. Nothing can replace our endless stories and inside jokes. I have met most of my closest friends here and had the privilege to work with some of the best professional staff on this campus. I also had two incredible people to look to for overall guidance and advice — words cannot describe my appreciation. Thanks Shawn and Marlene, you are the best.

— Elizabeth

### Buena suerte ...

... To all my friends during finals week. I hope you all study hard, play hard and are ready to have the greatest summer of your lives. And to The Argonaut staff, enjoy your vacation because I intend to work you to the bone when school starts again.

— Elisa

### No better ending

Childish Gambino, golf tournament and get-togethers are the perfect ending to what has been a great year. Thanks to everyone for making it so memorable.

— Madison

### Phew

Here's to the hardest part of this job. #OTC

— Vicky

### Thank you

To all the seniors I've met and learned from during my time at The Argonaut. You've all helped to make this the best student newspaper in the state and I appreciate all the time and effort you've put in. You will all be missed.

— Theo

### Here's to

A new chapter, for all of us. Jens and Elizabeth — good luck in the real world, you guys are going to be great and I can't wait to see where life takes you. Madison — holla, holla. Elisa — you'll own Minnesota this summer and the newsroom next year. Nick — I'll be praying for you. Vicky — I'm glad I finally found my long lost twin. Amrah — try not to get deported. Theodore — I hope you finally discover what a carb is #Arubody. Dylan — I'll see you in Europe. Thanks to all of you for making it an incredible year.

— Britt

### What's next?

Who knows, I don't. Getting through the day is a difficult enough task. The future is completely unknown.

— Nick

### Random Facts

If you want to learn random facts about bands offer to drive them to and from the airport. People think there are a lot of bears in the Moscow area, you learn what band members are allergic to and who snores while sleeping in a van.

— Jens

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## OUR VIEW

# A moment like this

With every ending there is a new beginning. For some of us, the bittersweet transition between the two will take place in a matter of days.

As we sit through spring commencement, supporting our friends or eagerly anticipating our diplomas, we will most likely be reminded of this message. Although cliché, it is an important message simply because it is true — we will all have new opportunities, adventures, friends and everything else that goes along with moving through life.

But the message should not scare you. For many students, the idea of moving on

from college or staying behind without some of our best friends is frightening to the point of intense anxiety that ultimately results in failing to enjoy the last few days of college. Life will happen whether you are ready or not.

So don't freak out.

Those of us who are graduating might not have the perfect job, or any job, lined up at the moment, but if we have accomplished the task of earning a degree, our chances for hooking a job are at least improved. It's unlikely that it will be a dream job or even a job that has to do with our degree, but moving up from one seemingly insignificant job to the next is what makes

a successful career so rewarding.

Take time to reflect — life is inevitable and stressing will only cause the last few days here to be miserable. This is a time to celebrate a feat that has cost thousands of dollars, a slew of sleepless nights and endless cups of caffeine. We have worked too hard to not enjoy it.

Life will beat us up and tear us down, so take advantage of the feeling of being on top of the world after four or five, or more, long years — we deserve it.

— ER



## We lost, now let's learn

### Middle East quagmires lesson for US government

The first decade of the 21st century will be marked by our two failed wars.

Iraq and Afghanistan failed, in fact, for similar reasons: We went in without a clear goal for victory or conditions for leaving the country, and found ourselves drawn into a protracted conflict with a nebulous, ill-defined enemy that cost trillions of dollars and thousands of lives. Even more, they have cost America its standing with the rest of the world. These wars will be remembered for torture in prisons like Guantanamo Bay and Abu Ghraib, and for the deaths of civilians in wars with no clear enemy.

And what have we achieved? In Iraq, an uncertain peace and a "democracy" bearing more similarity to an Iranian-style theocracy than a true democracy — already Iraqi women have fewer rights than they did under Hussein. In Afghanistan, stability and democracy for urban regions, but many rural areas remain vulnerable to Taliban control. We have damaged our relationship with Pakistan and left ourselves without the resources to combat possibly greater threats in the region, such as Iran.

The blame for both can be given to the Bush administration, whose belief in the absolute power of the American military left us trapped in an unwinnable situation. But the Bush administration does not bear all the responsibility.

President Barack Obama has kept Guantanamo Bay open and expanded the use of prisons for enemy combatants in places like Bagram Prison in Afghanistan.

President Obama may have drawn down

the war in Iraq, but he has remained too long in the Afghan quagmire.

We, the American people, also bear some responsibility for these wars. Support for the war in Afghanistan was overwhelming in the wake of Sept. 11 and support for Iraq quite strong. It isn't the first time America has supported a failed war: Support for the Vietnam conflict was equally strong.

The lesson to be learned from these conflicts is not isolationism. We should not cut ourselves off from the rest of the world. But it is proof that overwhelming military might is not enough to win any conflict. The face of warfare has changed. America has the greatest military in the world, but that may not mean what it used to. We need to start pursuing non-military solutions to our conflicts. We need to fight ignorance and fear not with our own fear and violence, but with diplomacy and education.

Our strength has failed us. After decades of being the world's military superpower, we need to realize strength alone will not carry us in modern-day conflicts. There are other ways to fight and protect ourselves. Violence begets violence. Every civilian killed in drone strikes creates more terrorists. Every enemy combatant tortured in American prisons creates more terrorists.

We cannot win the War on Terror with might alone. America needs to turn those trillions of dollars toward fighting the poverty, fear, ignorance and desperation that are the root causes of terrorism. It's time to find a new way to fight.

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## Mail Box

### Failure to communicate

Andrew Jenson failed to recognize the vast majority of scientific knowledge about climate change by relying on rhetoric and religious beliefs to make his point that humans cannot cause climate change and that we should ignore the finite nature of natural resources. There is no scientific literature suggesting that "the planet is going to fry and everyone and everything is going to die" due to climate change. It is clear in the literature that climate change consists of incremental temperature changes, sea level rise and changing meteorological or atmospheric patterns. No legitimate person or group is suggesting that climate change will destroy the Earth, but rather it will inevitably shape human behaviors and habitation.

Climate change occurs naturally, and always will, which is why the planet will endure. But there is abundant scientific literature indicating that human behaviors in the last 150 years have substantially added to natural climate change, mostly through land use (i.e., development) and the emission of fossil fuels. We are all part of an interconnected system: nature and climate affect humans, and vice versa. It is highly arrogant, and blatantly ignorant, to suggest the Earth's resources are here for our purpose and that those resources are abundant. So, natural resources and wildlife and such have no inherent or intrinsic value? What makes humans so important? This Manifest Destiny-based creationist attitude has resulted in detrimental and unscrupulous use of the limited natural resources we have.

Natural resources are finite. The rate we are using those resources now is highly unsustainable and incapable of persisting much longer. It is not that we will destroy the Earth, it is that we will need to change our behaviors to live more

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## Take a dance break

Let vitamin D(istraction) carry you through finals

One step, one breath and one blooming flower — this is what we miss out on when we closet ourselves in the library, nose buried deep in our books. While I understand finals are just around the corner (and I definitely have a few whopping exams coming up), there are few things our bodies are craving more than a huge dose of vitamin D.

Vitamin D, in this case, is not given through the sun's rays or found in pill form, it's truly vitamin "distraction."

Columnist and playwright Marilyn vos Savant said, "Multitasking arises out of distraction itself," and man, was she right. Well, of course she was right — the woman held the Guinness World Record for "Highest IQ" for almost four years. But her advice still rings true. When finals week comes knocking on our door, distraction is the key to success.

When I find myself in a study rut, multitasking is exactly what I turn to. While studying geology, I take a break every few paragraphs and go read something that makes me feel awesomely smart. A "New York Times" piece on environmental and ecological difficulties of tropical climates helped me crank out a three-page piece just a few days ago.



Chloe Rambo  
Argonaut

If I'm working on a highly-technical research paper, looking at ridiculous photos of baby otters keeps me from losing my mind in all of the source-citing and block quote-making. This week, it behooves you to remember how fun it is to dance to the Spice Girls and the glorious tunes of N'Sync. Or even think back to that song about being all "fly like a G6," and give your head some time to bob to the synth-beats.

Close your book. No, seriously — close your book and let your mind drift away into some-

thing else. Better yet, go outside and take a deep breath. High-five someone on the street, then return to the textbooks.

For another good dose of distraction, try spending three minutes crazy-dancing to your favorite song for every half-hour you spend studying verb conjugations for your final. Rock it out, seriously. You might even score extra points if you dance to a song that is written in the language you're studying.

While finals week can make you ditch real meals in favor of eating out of a vending machine, skip sleeping, foster a caffeine addiction and just go bonkers with the flashcards, you'll get through it.

One week, a few more finals and only one way out of here — you're almost done. Just don't think about it.

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# Tennessee top dog in close-mindedness

Telling us no, only makes us want to do it that much more. In this instance sex happens to be the proverbial "it." Abstinence-only education has been proven time and again to be ineffective, so much so that President Barack Obama eliminated funding for these programs in favor of those that promote a rounded sexual education.

Tennessee seems to have missed the universal memo and instead is favoring a new piece of legislation that fines teachers who do not promote abstinence and protects those who challenge the "scientific weakness" of evolution, the origin of life, global warming and human cloning.

These drastic steps to preserve children's virginity while instilling a firm belief in creationism mixed with doubting science seem like they are as far out as Tennessee could go. But you would be wrong.

Tennessee also has legislation in the works that prohibits teaching or providing materials on any form of sexuality other than heterosexuality. It's come to be known as the "Don't Say Gay" bill.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Joey Hensley, said he favors the bill because he doesn't want his children to be exposed to things he doesn't agree with. While the bill would have no effect on his children — who are in elementary school and will not receive any sexual education until high school as it is illegal in Tennessee — that is beside the point. If we all had the option to pass a bill eliminating things we don't agree with from a school's curriculum — and in Hensley's case, vocabulary — there will be nothing left to teach. Math and I don't always agree, but that doesn't mean I can just get rid of it because of our differences.

At the moment, there isn't much right with Tennessee. As children and adults we need to be open to new concepts and ideas. Before passing judgment we need to be able to look past any preconceptions we may have and weigh the information at hand. These laws prevent a balanced education and create an influx of close-minded individuals unable to see past what they are told.

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# No need to see some skin

According to the report The Social Costs of Pornography: A Statement of Findings and Recommendations, "66 percent of 18- to 34-year-old men visit a pornographic site every month" and "Every second, there are about 28,258 Internet users viewing pornography."

Many people choose not to view porn, so why are there many people who do? This is a huge question that should take into account many different subtopics that cannot be satisfied within a short article, so for now let us focus on the brain.

Speaking of "satisfied," there are two pleasure systems in the brain: the exciting pleasure system and the satisfying pleasure system. For example, with the first we get excited thinking of a meal. In the second, we are satisfied when we eat the meal. In the exciting system, we think about the meal because we are lacking in a

need, and in the satisfying system, our need is met. As we imagine our desire with excitement, dopamine-related hormones are released, asking for more as the need is not met. When we attain our need, we are satisfied and endorphins are released, leaving a person with an achieved feeling of peace.

Is pornography part of the exciting pleasure system or the satisfied pleasure system? Is pornography something that can fulfill a need (satisfied pleasure) or something that continues to leave you unsatisfied (excited) and asking for more?

Food is a basic need, but is pornography? Whatever need pornography claims to fill is actually a deeper need men and women have for love, intimacy and respect.

Pornography does not deter cheating, as "non-married persons who

watched an X-rated movie in the last year were 65.1 percent more likely to report having had an extramarital affair," according to The Social Costs of Pornography.

I have heard about people dying from a lack of food, but never from a lack of pornography, or at that rate, sex. In fact, author for Time Magazine Pamela Paul, who wrote "Pornified: How porn is transforming our lives, our relationships, and our families," suggests from interviews with men and women in the fields of law, neuroscience, counseling, education that men and women can not only live without porn but that in refraining relationships, families and society at large would be better off.

It all comes back to asking ourselves what the purpose of these things are, what we are trying to attain and if those two answers coincide.

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## OFF THE CUFF

FROM PAGE B9

### Out with the old

I already said my congrats in the last Off the Cuff. I'll leave some space for our new voices ;).

—Amrah

### Farewell

A thanks to Rudd and Jens, The Argonaut and I will miss you both.

—Dylan

### Lessons learned

It's been a crazy-wonderful year. I've learned so much, laughed so much and loved every single second of working at Student Media. For our seniors: "Be happy. It's one way of being wise," Sidonie Gabrielle. And let me tell you, you all are incredibly wise and wonderful people. I can't wait to read about how successful you all are and remember that I had the opportunity to work with you.

—Chloe

### Musical wonder

I do believe Mack the Knife is the most cheerfully violent song in existence.

—Kasen

### Heartfelt advice

When in doubt, go to The Perch.

—Molly

### Congratulations

... to Carissa Baglien — the best roommate

ever. I can't believe you're actually graduating. Really, how did you do it? I should take notes.

—Lindsey

### Horse of a different odor

Excited for the Kentucky Derby this weekend. Perhaps I will do some research on the horses this year so I don't end up backing "Hoofhearted" again.

—Joseph

### Climate change

"Global warming's for real y'all. Someday there won't be any rappers with ice in their names. Only water. Water-T. Water Cube. Vanilla Water," George Wallace.

—Katy

### Saying goodbye

I'm going to miss my adopted big sister, Elizabeth Rudd. Congratulations, you get to be a real big kid now. Go punch the real world in the face.

—Kaitlyn

### End of times?

Ready for the day of reckoning in the WAC. Here is to hoping that Idaho can salvage some kind of future in Division I. Besides, what would big time football be without the best nasty and inebriated fans in the country? #WACocalypse

—Sean



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# 'Oh say, what is truth?'

I recently listened to the Nerdist podcast with noted atheist and magician, Penn Jillette, where he explained what it means to search for truth. His argument was that true seekers of truth are outspoken about their beliefs, even when they are wrong — or other people think they are wrong. He focused on the role of the Internet, especially outlets like Twitter, in allowing the world to correct mistakes. Jillette believes expressing your views in public invites criticism, but that criticism helps you learn truth.

as having said something he didn't say, Twitter will be sure to let you know.



**Kasen Christensen**  
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Jillette's argument extends to opinion columns in newspapers, especially college newspapers. I've read some fairly outlandish claims in the opinion pages of the *The Argonaut*, but I think these pages are exactly the place for these claims.

We are supposed to learn things about the world in college, and part of that process is being wrong. If not wrong, then perhaps presumptuous.

I remember being a freshman in The Monsters We Make CORE class. In one

of the papers I wrote, I made some broad, baseless claims. My teacher pointed out the holes in my argument. Being caught in naivete forced me to look at my arguments and re-evaluate them. Why was I really saying what I was saying?

At the end of the semester, the professor told us all that college is the time to try on new perspectives, like pairs of glasses. One week we can look at the world through an existential lens. The next week, a Christian lens. At the end of the day, though, we return to our core values, which are enriched by our experiences.

When our beliefs are challenged, we are forced to find out why we believe what we believe. Sometimes that means changing

our beliefs, or figuring out how they fit into the larger picture. When that happens, we get closer to the truth.

A little more than a hundred years ago, a poet penned the words "Oh say, what is truth? 'Tis the fairest gem that the riches of the world can produce, and priceless the value of truth will be when, the proud monarch's costliest diadem is counted but dross and refuse."

So keep searching. Speak out and let people know what you think, whether in the pages of *The Argonaut* or in the boundlessness of the Internet. To those who read, pay attention. You might learn something. Oh, and please be respectful.

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## So much for civilized discussion

In his attempt to speak out against bullying at the National High School Journalism Convention in Seattle, keynote speaker Dan Savage, founder of the It Gets Better Project, criticized and attacked the Bible. Savage said everyone should "ignore the bullshit" the Bible teaches about homosexuality. He also encouraged ignoring biblical teachings concerning virginity, masturbation and menstruation. This caused many students and advisers to leave the room. Savage later referred to the "Bible people's" actions as "pansy-assed." What happened to his anti-bully message?

This is outrageous. Savage is entitled to his opinion, but to bully others — especially at an anti-bully rally — is wrong.

One of the underlying problems with Savage's rant was that he was not acting as a responsible adult should toward younger people. Instead of promoting civil discourse, Savage spouted off like a teenager. His argument was not respectful of other beliefs and, as a result, he offended and hurt many people in that room.

Additionally, Savage did not apologize for his remarks. According to Billy Hallowell, writer for *The Blaze* and the National Scholastic Press Association, Savage apologized only for his language, nothing else. Is that the mark of a responsible adult?

High school students who attended the speech are young and impressionable, and Savage's remarks and actions will affect how they go about discussing and acting upon other controversial issues. Seeing him as a role model, students might think such "rebellion" is cool,

which would be a problem.

We should encourage teens to stay away from such dissident measures and speak their minds in a civilized fashion. Savage's apology would help achieve that goal. He would take up the mantle of responsibility by doing so and, hopefully, help encourage those and other students to be responsible for what they say and do.

This is a lesson we can all learn from. We must remember to be respectful and kind to one another, even if we vehemently disagree with each other's beliefs. That is the way adults should behave toward one another, especially since children of all ages look up to us as role models. If we behave irresponsibly, then our children will behave similarly, and so on down through the generations. Let's take responsibility for our actions and set a shining example for future generations.

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sustainably with the resources we depend on so others can live on this planet in the future and have access to the resources we depend on to survive and enjoy life.

So get ready big guy, you just might have to get back into that horse-and-buggy before too long if you care about the planet and about future generations. Try not to confuse Bible passages and fictional novels with science too, you're at a respected university — please take the time to learn about science before making us all look so ignorant.

Sincerely,  
-Chad Kooistra

UI graduate student in the College of Natural Resources

**Global questioning**

In response to "Global Warming or global hoaxing?" May 1, I understand Andrew Jenson is an opinion columnist and that is swell. The use of adjectives and verbs is no joke and I have yet to notice a run-on sentence in the work. However, this use of the English language in general is alienating and patronizing, which makes these articles completely ineffective. Aside from the subject matters being irrelevant to the University of Idaho demographic, being that university students are actually taught to question the world around them, which includes science, a number of assertions are a bit skewed themselves.

He claims that evolution is so named a theory because it can't be proven. OK, sort of. Something becomes a theory when there is overwhelming proof but no way to replicate an experiment. If there is irrefutable evidence

disproving a theory then it just becomes null and non-controversial all together. Along these same lines, how often do you question the existence of gravity? It is also merely a scientific theory. In his piece about the hoax of global warming, Jenson mentions that only nature can affect the climate and so humans cannot. Am I to understand that humans are not a part of nature according to your previously stated creationist life view?

I also noticed that your sources for combating science are Michael Crichton and the Bible. Now, I do not discourage religious practice, but using the Bible as proof of creationism is a circular argument because the Bible is where the idea of creationism comes from in the first place. And anything that Michael Crichton has to say is not valid proof of anything. It's an anecdote, if that.

Good luck with finals.  
-Emma Clements

UI student, sociology and anthropology

**Evidence of evolution**

The scientific method is straightforward and easy to understand. If you missed that lesson in elementary school, here are the basics: Ask a question or make an observation, form a hypothesis, make a prediction, perform an experiment and state your conclusion. If you failed, start over and try to figure out what you did wrong. If you come to the same conclusion you hypothesized in the beginning, congratulations. You're on your way to having a theory. Now, publish your findings and other scientists will test the findings again. If other

scientists come to the same findings without any objections from other labs, you have a theory.

This process is more active today than ever before — nothing is just accepted in the scientific community. Not too long ago a group of scientists said they had found something that moved faster than the speed of light, which would be a huge upset in countless fields of science. While everyone was getting hyped up, many other labs started testing the same claims. After more tests and opinions from other labs it was discovered that the process was flawed and that the particle wasn't really moving faster than light.

This process keeps the scientific community strong and adaptive. Established theories can be disproven. That is, they have a testable hypothesis, which if it

were to fail would indicate a flawed theory. However, a theory is established because time and time again, the hypothesis has been upheld.

When the Origin of Species was written much of the support for evolution was rudimentary or not yet discovered. Today we have mountains of evidence. In fact, if you could disprove evolution, please claim your Nobel Prize. Evolution could be disproved by the discovery of a fossilized modern squirrel, but evolution is also documented and observed around the world. Please, go to Google and search "Observed Instances of Speciation," and you will find links with tens of thousands of evolutionary observations, which I wish I had the time to list here.

-Jordan Lynn

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