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## University honors Benoit

**Britt Kiser**  
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The new granite bench on the Administration Building's east lawn isn't just for sitting — it's a memorial to honor University of Idaho graduate student Katy Benoit.

Benoit was shot and killed by former UI assistant professor Ernesto A. Bustamante on August 22, 2011.

A dedication ceremony for the permanent memorial will take place at noon today — the eve of the first anniversary of her death — on the Administration lawn.

UI Dean of Students Bruce Pitman said the university worked closely with the Benoit family to determine the design and location of the memorial.

The bench is engraved with the words, "In memory of Katy's journey, her care for others, her willingness to speak up, and her courage to make a difference."

In addition, a Katy Benoit Safety Forum will mark the start of the uni-

versity's weeklong "I've Got Your Back" campaign on Sept. 19 in the Student Union Building ballroom.

Pitman said the program is focused on reducing bystander behavior.

"It will motivate students to identify risks that their friends may be incurring ... and encourage students to intervene on behalf of their friends," Pitman said. "It's Vandals taking care of Vandals."

The forum will include one primary speaker, Tyson Wooters, with a presentation titled "Always wear your head."

"He has his own hook into that title," Pitman said. "Tyson used to be the duck mascot for the University of Oregon."

Pitman said Wooters was chosen over other speakers due to the high-energy and compelling nature of his presentation on bystander behavior.

Other programs throughout the week will include

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Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

University of Idaho junior Jeni Dillon takes a break between classes Monday on the newly installed Katy Benoit memorial bench. A dedication ceremony will take place at noon today.

## my.uidaho portal to be retired

**Kaitlyn Krasselt**  
Argonaut

The University of Idaho's Internet portal, my.uidaho.edu is being retired Oct. 5 in an effort to improve functionality and transition to new technology.

"Basically it's going away because we've recently gone through a strategic planning process in ITS," said Brian Borchers, Assistant Director for Management Information Systems for ITS. "... One of the things that came out of that research process was a desire to do other kinds of technologies that are hopefully more advantageous and valuable to the university, one of which was mobile technologies."

The my.uidaho portal requires a number of resources in order to keep the site up and running. Borchers said ITS would like to put those resources into things that students and faculty are excited about.

"When it was originally conceived there were a lot of plans to do a lot of really useful, really interesting things with it," Borchers said. "The problem is that it takes a lot of resources to manage. It's a very labor-intensive tool to manage. There's a lot of work involved in keeping it refreshed, and

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## Setting standards: Planning and Zoning Commission to limit size, lighting of local business signs

**Katy Sword**  
Argonaut

Prompted by the recent influx of large, electronic signs, the City of Moscow Planning and Zoning Commission may enact an emergency ordinance that would set standards for these signs.

"The Planning and Zoning Commission discussed the topic in the beginning of June," said Bill Belknap, community development director. "They drafted their concerns to see how the commission would like to proceed. Tonight (Monday) the committee will receive that letter. It was presented to the administration committee last week."

In the letter submitted to the City Council, the Planning and Zoning Commission said, "The Commission is seeking the City Council's guidance on this topic and request that the Council provide the Commis-

sion direction to develop an amendment to the City's Sign Code and the desired objectives of such an amendment."

The Planning and Zoning Commission said that the City's options are to either prohibit the signs or establish standards for future signs.

Belknap said the administration committee seemed to indicate interest in developing standards for these signs, but the Planning and Zoning Commission will determine if these standards will be enacted through regular procedures or through an emergency ordinance.

"If we enact an emergency ordinance it is no longer than 180 days," Belknap said. "An ordinance typically takes between three to six months, so the concern is that once we begin to talk about it there will be a rush to get under the current system."

Belknap said when the commission meets to determine which route to take, they have to determine if the issue meets the requirements for an emergency ordinance. This means, "an imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare requires the passage of an emergency ordinance," according to the city code.

Belknap said there are two main concerns that the commission claimed justified the ordinance.

"First, there is an aesthetic concern for the community. They may be fairly large, bright at night and may result in visual clutter," Belknap said. "The second concern is the distraction of drivers. The signs are designed to attract attention, so the concern is in motorist safety."

The current sign code allows internal or external illumination

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A newly installed Tri-State electronic sign is one of a few that prompted the City of Moscow Planning and Zoning Commission to develop standards for future

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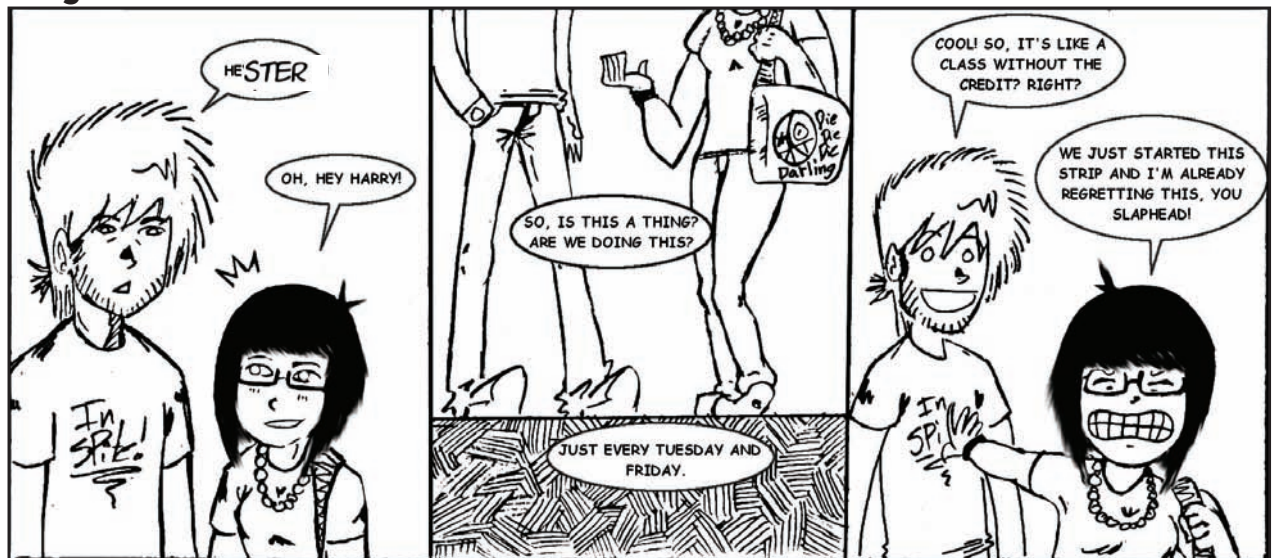
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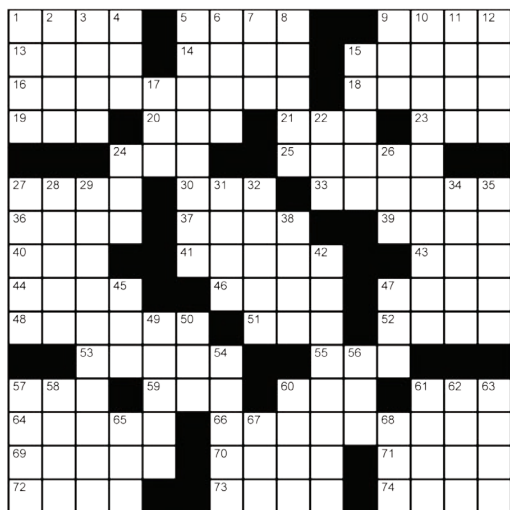
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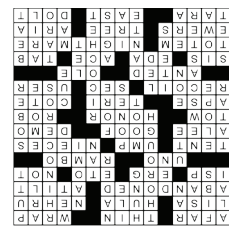
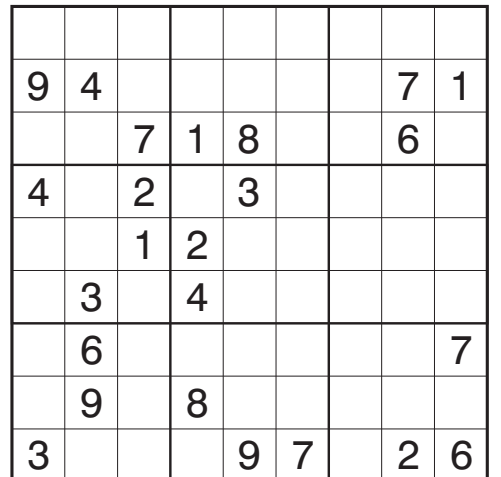


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# Obama criticizes Akin's 'legitimate rape' comments

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Denounced by his Republican rival for divisiveness, President Barack Obama on Monday defended the tone of his campaign in a combative election year and insisted it's actually Mitt Romney's ads that are "patently false." But Obama did distance himself from a particularly provocative negative ad by a political group that supports him.

Obama also joined the cascade of criticism from both parties for comments on rape and abortion by a Republican Senate candidate in Missouri, using that new controversy to draw sharp distinctions between his views on women's health issues and those of Republicans.

Obama made a surprise visit to the White House briefing room, at least partly upstaging a joint campaign appearance by Romney and his running mate, Paul Ryan, in New Hampshire. The rally by Romney and Ryan, their first appearance together after a week of vigorous campaigning separately, had been highly anticipated, drawing an enthusiastic crowd and wide media attention.

The president turned the day into a long-distance point-counterpoint debate with his opponent. He took questions from four reporters, the most he has taken from the national press corps in two months, dealing to an extent with complaints about his inaccessibility. What's more, the flap over rape-and-abortion remarks by Republican Rep. Todd Akin gave the president a chance to make a direct appeal to women, who both campaigns say make up a majority of undecided voters.

At issue was Akin's answer in an interview that aired Sunday that women's bodies can prevent pregnancies in "a legitimate rape" and that conception is rare in such cases. He later said he misspoke and apologized, but he said he would not get out of the race despite such urging from several prominent fellow Republicans.

As for the tone of the campaign, Obama declared that it was important to draw attention to major differences with Romney, but he said his criticism has never been "out of bounds."

Still, he distanced himself from an ad by the pro-Obama Priorities USA Action super political action committee, which is run by former Obama White House aides.

That ad pointedly notes the death of the wife of a

steelworker whose company had been taken over by a group of partners that included Bain Capital, the private equity firm that Romney co-founded.

"I don't think that Governor Romney is somehow responsible for the death of the woman that was portrayed in that ad," Obama said. But he added that he did not approve or produce the ad and said it had had only a brief airing on television.

Romney and Ryan, appearing together for the first time in a week, sustained their criticism Monday, leveling new claims of duplicity in Obama's TV ads before about 3,000 friendly people in Manchester.

"It seems that the first victim of an Obama campaign is the truth," Romney said.

Asked by a woman about Obama campaign "lies" that claim the GOP ticket would raise taxes, Romney said, "All we've heard so far is one attack after another."

"I will not raise taxes on anyone," Romney said. "Mr. President, stop saying something that's not the truth."

In his news conference, Obama countered, saying his speeches and the ads run by his re-election campaign have focused accurately on substantive issues such as taxes and spending. By contrast, he said Romney has aired "patently false" claims that the president is "gutting" welfare's work requirement.

Obama also defended ads criticizing Romney's refusal to release more than two years' worth of tax returns. He said those seeking the White House must know their life is an "open book." And he added that pressing Romney on such a subject is "pretty standard stuff" and not "overly personal."

Obama said he has "sharp differences" with Romney on major issues and that those are fair game for tough ads.

Even so, he added, "Nobody accused Mr. Romney of being a felon," as some Republicans have suggested of Obama. However, Obama deputy campaign manager Stephanie Cutter earlier this summer said that questions about when Romney left his post as head

of Bain raised issues of potential illegal activity.

"Either Mitt Romney, through his own words and his own signature, was misrepresenting his position at Bain to the SEC, which is a felony," Cutter said at the time, "or he is misrepresenting his position at Bain to the American people to avoid responsibility for some of the consequences of his investments."

In Missouri, Republican Rep. Akin's comments on rape came in the midst of his campaign to unseat Democratic Sen. Claire McCaskill. Obama condemned

Akin's remarks as "offensive" and took issue with past attempts by lawmakers in Congress to limit taxpayer funding of abortions to cases of "forcible rape," incest and danger to the life of the mother.

"Rape is rape," the president said.

Romney also weighed in, calling Akin's comments on rape "insulting, inexcusable, and, frankly, wrong." A number of other Republicans decried the remarks as well and at least two Republican senators called on Akin to drop out of the race. "If it was me," GOP Chairman Reince Priebus told CNN, "I would step aside and let someone else run for that office."

Akin on Monday apologized anew but said he would stay in.

Obama said: "What I think these comments do underscore is why we shouldn't have a bunch of politicians, a majority of whom are men, making health care deci-

sions on behalf of women." He acknowledged the criticism of Akin from Romney and fellow Republicans, but said:

"I think the underlying notion that we should be making decisions on behalf of women for their health care decisions -- or qualifying forcible rape versus non-forcible rape -- I think those are broader issues, and that is a significant difference in approach between me and the other party."

A House bill last year would have placed abortion restrictions on some federal tax breaks for medical care. Federal laws have long banned the use of taxpayer money for abortions except in cases of rape and incest or to save the life of the mother. Last year's proposal initially referred to an exception for "forcible" rape. That wording was eventually dropped from the bill the House passed.

In New Hampshire, Romney and Ryan made a

multi-pronged case against the administration, saying Obama's policies on taxes, Medicare and foreign policy have let down the American people.

The GOP running mates promised a sunnier future of lower taxes, lower deficits, more jobs at home, and greater U.S. prestige abroad. But they offered few details on how they would achieve these goals, which have vexed Congress and White Houses for years.

Romney's pledge not to raise anyone's taxes while also reducing federal deficits is one of several promises he has made that many independent analysts have questioned. He said tax cuts lead to greater economic growth, which in turn brings greater overall tax revenues to run the government.

The burden on U.S. taxpayers, as a proportion of the overall economy, is lower than it has been in several decades, but the nation's debt is at a record high.



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## FARMERS MARKET PLOWS INTO MAIN STREET



Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Peri Kochman, owner of Peri's Garden and a vendor at the Moscow Farmers Market, cooks skewers Saturday at her booth on Main Street. Kochman says she is unhappy with the market's transition to Main Street because it detracts from the fairness of a square market layout. The new linear arrangement, she said, gives preference to booths centrally located and creates political strife between vendors over the most ideal spots in the market.

## Storms prevent central Wash. wildfire from being contained

**Phuong Le**  
Associated Press

SEATTLE (AP) — Thunderstorms and lightning threatened fire officials' plans to contain a large blaze in central Washington state as hundreds of Washington and California residents returned home to find out whether their homes were spared.

In Idaho, authorities on Saturday issued a mandatory evacuation order for some 350 homes in the area around Featherville due to thick smoke. That town and the community of Pine, both recreation getaways in the mountains 105 miles northeast of Boise, remained in the path of a 130-square-mile wildfire that has been burning for two weeks.

Fire managers were concerned that poor visibility could hamper the evacuation process, fire spokesman David Eaker said. The smoke also prevented retardant bombers from reaching the fire and aerial reconnaissance flights from locating the fire's leading edge.

"It's a very active, very dangerous fire," fire information officer Steve Till said. Crews "were prepared for it, but civilians are probably much better not being here."

The Idaho Emergency Operations Center on Saturday assigned an Idaho National Guard helicopter to fires in the southwest part of the state to be available for medical evacuations if needed. Officials said the UH-72 Lakota helicopter and seven soldiers were scheduled to be stationed in Pine as early as Monday.

The Trinity Ridge Fire burning through timber grew 15 square miles overnight. High temperatures combined with low humidity and difficult terrain made it harder for the 1,082 firefighters assigned to the blaze.

Fire spokeswoman Lisa Machnik said Saturday that three firefighters suffered

ankle and knee injuries because of the rough terrain.

In Utah, evacuations were ordered for two housing developments after three separate fires were reported near the Jordanelle Reservoir east of Park City.

Wasatch County and Jordanelle Fire Department officials said evacuations were ordered Saturday for the Fox Bay Condominiums and Stillwater developments, along with Jordanelle State Park.

The three wildfires had burned a total of about 400 acres, the Deseret News reported. Multiple agencies, as well as two helicopters and four airplanes were battling the fires.

To the northwest, many

residents in Washington state were returning to the south and east sides of a 35-square mile blaze near the town of Cle Elum in the Cascade Range, about 75 miles east of Seattle. That fire burned out of control for much of the week, destroying 70 residential properties and 210 other structures on the east side of the Cascades.

"People are finding a little bit of everything. Some homes were damaged, some homes were destroyed and some homes weren't even touched," Fred Slyfield, emergency management specialist for Kittitas

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## Water resources reach capacity

Out-of-service well sparks need for conservation

**Katy Sword**  
Argonaut

With one of five wells out of service, the City of Moscow is facing water resources reaching and possibly exceeding capacity.

"In the later part of June, one of the city's wells developed an electrical problem in the motor," said Tom Scallorn, city water manager. "It had to be sent in for repair."

The well that will be out of service until September produces about 40 percent of the city's water supply, meaning the other wells have to make up for the lost production capabilities.

"If the four other wells run 21 hours a day they will pump 4.5 million gallons, if we run them 24 hours they will pump 4.9 million gallons," Scallorn said. "The average from August so far has been 4.2 million."

Scallorn said the amount of water people have been using is reaching maximum

capacity, and may rise considering the warm temperatures from this weekend and predicted for the next week.

If water demands exceed production capabilities, Scallorn said they can take water out of storage, but only for a short period of time—a few hours.

"If it exceeds more than a few hours and continues for a day or two our only recourse is to use our contingency plan to use one of UT's wells, and we have that set up," Scallorn said.

The city is currently requesting residents to conserve water when possible, including only watering during conservation hours—6 p.m. to 10 a.m.

"If voluntary reductions don't work, it would escalate," Scallorn said.

This would mean the voluntary restrictions would become mandatory and those violating them could face a fine.

"We would prefer if to not get that serious of a problem and appreciate people conserving," Scallorn said.

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## Special patrols emphasize aggressive, impaired driving

**Kasen Christensen**  
Argonaut

More Moscow police officers will be allotted to look for signs of impaired driving over Labor Day weekend, according to Lt. Paul Kwiatkowski.

These signs include weaving and failure to signal. Kwiatkowski said every driver does these things, but officers look for them when looking for inebriated drivers.

In early August, MPD ran a special patrol for aggressive driving. Kwiatkowski said aggressive driving practices like speeding and tailgating are major factors in traffic accidents.

He said the goal of the Moscow Police Department is to reduce traffic accidents and other problems.

According to the Idaho Department of Transportation, traffic accidents decreased 7.6 percent between 2010 and 2011. Fatal crashes were down 17.8 percent across the state.

Idaho had a higher fatality rate in 2010 than the national average—18.18 per 100,000, compared to the national average of

14.31, according to the Fatality Analysis Reporting System. The best state in the Union is 6.48.

In northern Idaho, aggressive or impaired driving caused more than 80 percent of traffic fatalities.

ITD works with local law enforcement on special traffic patrols that focus on aggressive driving and drunk driving, as well as seatbelts and other safety concerns.

These patrols put more officers on the streets, giving many of them overtime, according to Kwiatkowski.

"They look for minor traffic violations," Kwiatkowski said.

He said the goal is to make a lot of stops, which means more contacts, which in turn means a greater likelihood of finding drunk drivers.

These special traffic patrols run during the evening hours. During that time, the extra officers patrol the streets, focusing solely on traffic violations.

Kwiatkowski said these officers work overtime, fulfilling traffic duties in addition to regular duties.

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# Kittitas County fire may be indictive of future events

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Even before the evacuations, before the trees went up in bursts of red and orange, before lightning-fast flames flashed through dry grasses and reduced 63 homes and buildings to rubble, the experts knew: The Taylor Bridge wildfire could be a bad one.

Fire conditions were ripe in that stretch of Kittitas County.

But such predictions are no longer tough calls. The same could be said for much of the West.

In fact, the wildfire that scorched 23,252 acres last week between Cle Elum and Ellensburg offers a nasty glimpse of what fire experts fear may be all too common in the future.

Fire ecologists for years have warned that wildfire danger is too high, thanks to a century of fire suppression, decades of ill-conceived timber harvesting, a reluctance to thin out overly thick forests and a dramatic increase in the number of people living in the woods.

Rising temperatures and pest invasions helped along by a warming planet have promised only to make things worse.

None of that is exactly new. But this is: In the past two years, efforts have been made to catalog the severity of forest decline. The results are sobering.

In just the past decade, 2 1/2 times more acres of Washington pine, fir and spruce than in the 1990s have been hit with weakening or fatal infections such as blister rust or invasions by insects such as the mountain pine beetle, according to the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Three times more acres were damaged than in the 1980s.

Surveys in 2009 found more acres of sick forest than at any time in the previous 40 years.

In the next 15 years, the state projects, 3 million acres in Eastern Washington — roughly one-third of all the state's forestland east of the Cascades — will see significant die-offs or tree damage from bugs and disease.

"You can really see it from the air," Public Lands Commissioner Peter Goldmark, who flies frequently from Olympia to Eastern Washington, said during an interview Saturday. "I've been witnessing from the air the constant decline ... as evidenced by all the dead and dying trees."

And the problem isn't just here. Bug epidemics nationwide infect more than 40 million acres of forest.

Add in lengthy droughts — some parts of the Rockies have been experiencing overly dry conditions for nearly a decade — and predictions for hotter summers and winters with less precipitation, conditions which allow bugs to survive longer and move into higher elevations, and you have a recipe for conflagration.

Already this year, the West has seen some 6.5 million acres burn, more by this date than during any other year in the past decade.

Between the explosive fires in Colorado and the record-setting high temperatures across the West, Jennifer Smith, a spokeswoman

for the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, which monitors every wildfire in the country, said there increasingly seems to be a greater acceptance that fire conditions are getting worse.

"Finally, people are like, 'OK, this is the real deal,'" Smith said. "It's not going away. We're going to have to deal with it."

Whether available tools can do the job remains to be seen.

The conditions that set up the Taylor Bridge fire aren't unique to Kittitas County.

A damp spring helped range grasses grow unusually tall and thick this year. Then they were cured by the hottest July in history until their moisture content fell below 5 percent.

The region has experienced a few dry years, and a forest insect, the spruce budworm, has weakened many trees in the hills. In some areas, the Douglas fir and pine were packed in tight from the ground to the crown. And the ground was covered in some places with a fair amount of dead timber and needles.

Plus, the region is gusty enough to have attracted one of the state's biggest wind farms.

"Once the fire started in the grass and got into the shrub steppe, it just really got moving," said Mick Mueller, spokesman for the Taylor Bridge firefighting effort, who also used

to be a fire ecologist with the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. "It was moving at speeds of nearly a mile an hour. That's really fast, actually."

The fire was hardly a huge one for Washington; 2006's Tripod fire in Okanogan County burned 175,000 acres, and the 1994 Tye fire in Central Washington burned 135,000 acres. But the Taylor Bridge fire's force and potential kept fire managers wary.

As of midday Saturday, the fire's sixth day, the blaze had destroyed 48 homes and 15 outbuildings and led to the evacuation of roughly 500 people. The nearly 1,000 firefighters on the ground and several air tankers and helicopters dropping retardant and water helped wrestle 43 percent of the blaze under control. Fire managers hoped to have the entire thing contained by late Monday. But with temperatures soaring to 95 degrees, fire activity was increasing.

Meanwhile, new fires were raging in California, Nevada, Oregon and Idaho. And conditions were so tinder-dry in New Mexico's Gila National Forest that land managers quickly snuffed all fires rather than let any of them burn, fearing that could suck up firefighting resources needed elsewhere.

"I think this is as bad a year as we've had in a

while," said Mueller. "It's a year of high concern."

Part of the worry in Washington is the proximity of Taylor Bridge to the forests around Blewett Pass along Highway 97, which includes some of the trees hardest hit by bugs, particularly bark beetles and budworms. And while budworms don't often kill trees outright, they weaken them enough that trees can become attractive to pine beetles, which do.

"The first year after the beetles kill, the whole crown will turn orange-red and every needle on the tree will be dead," said Glenn Kohler, a forest entomologist with DNR. Those trees are particularly combustible, and the fire can spread into the crowns, which can quickly throw off embers and start fresh spot fires.

Earlier this summer, Goldmark declared a "forest health hazard" in parts of several Eastern Washington counties, including Kittitas. That freed up \$4.3 million for the state to start reducing the encroachment of fir trees into pine forests, encouraging the growth of larch and ponderosa pine and thinning out small trees from the forest understory.

That's what fire experts agree is needed. But if hotter, drier weather continues to be the norm, it might not be possible to quickly do enough restoration to keep raging wildfires in check.

"Even if we do thinning and prescribed burns during the off-season, it's not really possible to catch up with all of it," Smith said. "They can make a dent in it, but everybody has the same conditions. There's just too much to do."



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**Mick Mueller, spokesman for Taylor Bridge firefighting effort**

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# Minn. lawmaker urged to step aside

Associated Press

A Minnesota state lawmaker who authorities say admitted having a liaison with a 17-year-old boy at a rest stop faced calls from party leaders Monday to give up his re-election bid.

Rep. Kerry Gauthier, 56, hasn't been charged in the July incident, and authorities said he wouldn't be because the boy was older than 16, the legal age of consent, and no money was exchanged. Police say the teenager responded to the lawmaker's Craigslist ad for "no strings attached" sex.

Gauthier admitted to the liaison, according to police reports made public late last week. The

teen told police the two had oral sex, according to the reports.

The scandal has hurt Democrats' hopes of retaking at least one chamber of the Legislature. They need to pick up at least six seats in the House, and Gauthier's Duluth-area seat usually is reliably Democratic. But if he drops out, any Democrat seeking to replace him would have to run as a write-in candidate, making the race much more difficult to win.

Still, Democratic leaders called on Gauthier to withdraw from the race. House Minority Leader Paul Thissen, D-Minneapolis, said he was "deeply disappointed" in Gauthier's conduct and wants him

to step aside.

"As I shared with Rep. Gauthier, I believe he should withdraw from the race for re-election," Thissen said in a statement released by his office.

Less than an hour later, state Democratic Party Chairman Ken Martin echoed Thissen's comments, although neither man asked Gauthier to leave office before his term ends in January.

"His actions are inexcusable," Martin said. "No one in our party condones what he did, nor will we defend him in this matter."

Gauthier hasn't commented to reporters about the incident. A call to his cellphone rolled to voicemail

Monday. Thissen's statement said he expects Gauthier to "address these issues publicly and soon."

Gauthier was hospitalized for an undisclosed condition until last weekend, which prompted Thissen to wait to issue his statement. House Speaker Kurt Zellers, a Republican, on Friday urged Gauthier to resign.

House Majority Leader Matt Dean, another Republican, said Monday that simply withdrawing his candidacy does not go far enough.

"I don't see any reason for him not to resign," Dean said. It's "the appropriate thing for him to do."

Republicans note that simply forgoing a re-election campaign

still would entitle Gauthier to salary and benefits for four more months. Some lawmakers were preparing an ethics complaint against him should he stay, said House GOP spokeswoman Jodi Boyne.

Gauthier was elected in 2010 with 73 percent of the vote. He is not married.

Duluth City Councilor Jay Fosle already has filed paperwork to run as a write-in candidate against Gauthier and Republican nominee Travis Silver.

The Duluth News Tribune reported that Erik Simonson, an assistant fire chief in Duluth, also plans to run for Gauthier's seat.

## NASA releases robotic lander

SETH BORENSTEIN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — After driving all around Mars with four rovers, NASA wants to look deep into the guts of the red planet.

The space agency decided Monday to launch a relatively low-cost robotic lander in 2016 to check out what makes the Martian core so different from Earth's.

NASA's Discovery program picked a project called Insight over missions to a Saturn moon and a comet, drawing complaints from scientists who study other places in our solar system that NASA is too focused on Mars.

All three proposed missions were good, but the Mars one showed the best chance of making it within budget and on schedule, said NASA sciences chief John Grunsfeld. The missions cost no more than \$425 million.

The Insight mission includes two instruments, one French and one German,

that would examine the geology of Mars in depth. It would explore the core's size, composition, temperature and wobble.

The interior of Mars is a mystery. It has no magnetic field, and scientists aren't sure if the core is solid or liquid or even has frequent quakes like Earth.

"What kind of Mars quakes are there? How big is the core of Mars? Does it have remnants of a molten core like the Earth does?" asked Discovery program chief Lindley Johnson.

Geologists have been asking for this type of crucial information for decades, said H. Jay Melosh of Purdue University, who said it was about time a project like this was approved.

The mission will be run by NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab. The California lab is basking in the success of the \$2.5 billion Mars Curiosity rover, which is starting to explore the planet's surface after a daring landing this month. Earlier this year,

NASA pulled out of two Mars missions with the European Space Agency because it didn't have the \$1.4 billion for the proposed 2016 and 2018 mission.

NASA is still working on another possible Mars mission to replace the canceled ones with a decision later this month.

That's just "too much emphasis on Mars in our current plans for planetary exploration," said Carolyn Porco, a prominent scientist who studies Saturn and its moons. "Most of the solar system resides beyond the orbits of the asteroids. There is more to learn there about general planetary processes than on Mars ... Why more Mars?"

Mars beat out missions to explore Saturn's moon Titan and its odd methane oceans and a mission to land on a comet as it nears the sun. Opponents of more Mars missions say that NASA hasn't approved missions to the other outer planets or a comet since a Pluto mission was picked in 2001.

## Fighting over fossils

Associated Press

A Florida fossils dealer whose dinosaur was seized by the U.S. government so it could be given to the government of Mongolia wants it back.

Lawyers for Eric Prokopi, of Gainesville, Fla., said in court papers filed Monday that he was victim of a media campaign stirred up by academic paleontologists.

The government seized the Tyrannosaurus bataar skeleton, known as Ty, in June. It had sued to obtain the bones, which had been sold at an auction for \$1.05 million.

According to the court

papers, Prokopi and Dallas-based auction house Heritage Auctions were in negotiations with Mongolia's president to settle

the dispute when the U.S. filed a seizure lawsuit to obtain the dinosaur.

The government had no immediate comment on Monday. The auction house has said it wants a "fair and just resolution."

A judge had ordered the U.S. government to seize the dinosaur from a storage facility in New York after the U.S. claimed it had been brought into the country with bogus documents. The U.S. said the documents disguised the dinosaur skeleton, which

originated in Mongolia, as reptile bones from Great Britain.

Prokopi has said in a statement that he brought the bones into the country in March 2010 when they were just chunks of rocks and broken bones. He said he turned them into "an impressive skeleton."

According to the court papers, about 25 percent of the dinosaur is made of inorganic, plastic material molded from other fossil specimens while 50 percent is from one bataar specimen and the rest is from other specimens.

The court papers called the effort to return the 70 million-year-old skeleton to Mongolia unprecedented, saying fossils from China, Kazakhstan, Mongolia and Russia have been openly sold on the international market and collected in the United States by people and museums for generations.



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## Police Log

### Tuesday, August 14

**6:33 a.m.** 1100 Blk East E St.: Caller reported a stray goat.

**1:17 p.m.** 500 Blk West A St.: Caller reported a homeowner with a sprinkler in their yard that had been running too long. Caller was unsure if the water conservation ordinance was still in effect. An officer responded and no report was taken.

**8 p.m.** Moscow: Caller said he wanted to talk to an officer about a female who keeps texting him. An officer called and there was no answer, so he left a message.

**8:46 p.m.** Zip Trip, West Pullman Rd: Caller working at the gas station reported someone came in and asked him to fake a drug test. An officer responded and contacted both subjects. No report was taken.

### Wednesday, August 15

**6:05 a.m.** 2100 Blk Conestoga St.: Caller reported a dog in her yard that isn't hers.

**8:24 a.m.** White Ave & South Blaine St.: Caller reported female sleeping in the park.

**11:05 a.m.** Moscow Animal Shelter, White Ave.: Caller reported a stray cow.

**12:47 p.m.** Applebees, Warbonnet Dr.: Complaint of panhandler.

### Thursday, August 16

**7:57 a.m.** 500 Blk Taylor Ave.: Caller reported parked cars blocking the driveway.

**4:48 p.m.** Walmart, West Pullman Rd.: Complaint of erratic driver.

### Friday, August 17

**12:53 a.m.** Blake Ave. & Taylor Ave.: Officer arrested a male with a warrant out.

**8:32 a.m.** Joseph St. & White Ave.: Caller reported a bag of trash in the roadway.

**12:25 p.m.** Troy Rd. & Styner Ave.: Caller reported a dead cat in the roadway.

### Saturday, August 18

**12:56 a.m.** South Main St. & West Third St.: Officer cited male for urinating in public.

**11:16 a.m.** 800 Blk Conestoga St.: Caller reported a raccoon in the yard.

**12:20 p.m.** Perimeter Dr. & West Pullman Rd.: Complaint of road rage.

### Sunday, August 19

**8:01 a.m.** South Main St. & Henley St.: Complaint of garbage in the roadway.

**6:29 p.m.** 300 Blk East Eighth St.: Caller reported a found turtle.

## REDISCOVERING CAMPUS



Ricky Scuderi | Argonaut

Sophomore Rob Regent, right, and junior Chantal Swanstrom walk to their next class outside of the Teaching Learning Center Monday. Thousands of students were on campus Monday as classes started for the 2012-13 school year.

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# Colo. shooting spikes gun control concerns

**Don Thompson**  
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Democratic leaders in three big states have used this summer's mass shooting in Colorado to push bills that would crack down on assault weapons and ammunition sales, rekindling a debate that has not gained much traction in Congress or on the presidential campaign.

In Illinois, Gov. Pat Quinn proposed that his state enact a strict ban on assault weapons, similar to California's. New York lawmakers have proposed wide-ranging legislation that would limit weapons purchases.

California Attorney General Kamala Harris and the Democratic state Senate leader back a bill that would make it more difficult and time-consuming to reload assault weapons. The chairmen of public safety committees in California's Assembly and Senate co-authored a bill that would require dealers to report purchases of large quantities of ammunition to law enforcement authorities.

The suspect in the July 20 Colorado shooting, James Holmes, legally bought 6,000 rounds of ammunition online without raising authorities' attention. He had four weapons, including an assault rifle, on him after the rampage that killed 12 people and injured 58 at a midnight movie screening.

"California sets the pace for the country. If there's no action in Congress, we better do something here and hope it catches fire in other states," said state Sen. Leland Yee, a San Francisco Democrat who authored the legislation that would slow down the process of reloading an assault weapon

with a new magazine.

With strong support from Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo, New York lawmakers have offered a similar rationale for proposing a series of bills that together would give their state the nation's toughest gun control laws.

"I think there is appetite for reform," Cuomo told reporters this week. "I think that's a good thing, and I think that's one of the issues I'm going to have at the top of the list next January."

The prospects for the proposals are uncertain, but Democratic political strength in each state provides momentum that would be largely absent in Republican-dominated states. California, for example, has some of the toughest gun laws in the country and last year enacted a ban on the open carry of unloaded handguns.

Democrats control the statehouse and governor's office in California and Illinois, and all but the state Senate in New York. Even with half the legislature in Republican hands, Cuomo said he believes Republican lawmakers will work with him on gun-control legislation.

In California, Yee and Assemblywoman Nancy Skinner, who authored the bulk ammunition bill, said they are optimistic because they already have the support of influential lawmakers

— and, in Yee's case, the state attorney general.

The proposals are not likely to be addressed in earnest until lawmakers return next year, since most of this year's legislative sessions are finished and California has just a few weeks left.

The push in some of the nation's most populous and liberal-leaning states illustrates a national divide, often along party lines, over whether the public should have unfettered access to military-style weaponry and ammunition.

"It's time for the people to band together in our state ... and do something about these weapons. We should remember those who lost their lives," Quinn said last month after he added his gun control proposal onto a bill that had dealt with ammunition sales.

New York state Sen. Michael Gianaris has proposed legislation limiting firearms purchases to one a month, requiring background checks for all gun sales, a firearms safety course for gun buyers and a cooling-off period before a gun could be picked up after purchase. It also would require that sales of firearms and ammunition be reported within 24 hours.

Fellow Democratic Sen. Jose Peralta also introduced a bill that would prohibit the sale or purchase of more than 500 rounds of ammunition during any 30-day period.

"The recent rash of gun violence makes clear that enough is enough," Gianaris said in a statement.

The leaders hope the legislation will go further than gun control bills have in Congress, where Republicans are generally opposed to further restrictions and Democrats are reluctant to engage on the issue during a presidential election year.

After the Colorado shooting, two Democrats introduced a bill that would prohibit the general public from buying thousands of rounds of ammunition by mail or online.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, a Democrat, said the Senate's schedule is too crowded to allow a debate on gun control this year and has been noncommittal about whether Congress would consider the issue next year. The White House has said President Barack Obama will not push for stricter gun laws this year.

U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, a Democrat from California, complained after the Colorado shooting that Congress has failed since 2004 to renew the federal assault weapons ban she authored a year after a gunman killed eight people in a San Francisco high-rise in 1993.

Nor will Congress take up the bill introduced after the Colorado shootings by U.S. Sen. Frank R. Lautenberg of New Jersey and Rep. Carolyn McCarthy of New York.

"The reality is that these tragic shootings will continue if we can't break the gun lobby's stranglehold on Congress," Lautenberg said in a statement.

Since 1990, the National Rifle Association's political action committee and individuals associ-

ated with the NRA have contributed nearly \$19 million to members or candidates for Congress, with 82 percent of those contributions going to Republicans, according to The Center for Responsive Politics in Washington, D.C.

The National Rifle Association did not respond to repeated messages left by The Associated Press over several days. Sam Paredes, executive director of Gun Owners of California, said the state's current laws are already working and don't need to be tougher. He cited a 2010 state attorney general's report that found less than 4 percent of the weapons used in violent crimes and sent to state crime labs were assault weapons.

"We're governed by people who have an inordinate fear, a knee-jerk, visceral, emotional reaction to guns," Paredes said.

The divide is not just between states and the federal government, but also between Democratic- and Republican-leaning states.

In Wyoming, for example, the Republican-dominated Legislature recently passed a bill allowing residents to carry concealed guns with no permit or background check. Texas Gov. Rick Perry, a Republican, defended gun rights even after a shooting this week near Texas A&M University that killed three people including a police official and the gunman.

Dan Gross, president of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, said the gun control proposals were a step in the right direction.

"There are places where we're seeing kind of the hopeful signs," he said. "But right now, there are far too few of them."



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**Frank Lautenberg**  
U.S. Senate,

## Romney, Ryan to discuss, answer Medicare questions with NH voters

**PHILIP ELLIOTT**  
Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan are ready to face New Hampshire voters and answer their questions, especially about the Republican plan for Medicare that has left some seniors skittish.

Romney and Ryan on Monday will try to explain to voters — particularly seniors, who reliably cast ballots — that their proposal to offer a private alternative to Medicare would not affect anyone over age 55. Some 14 percent of New Hampshire residents are over the age of 65, and this state, which holds the nation's first presidential primary, is known for its voters' sharp questioning of candi-

dates during such town hall-style events. President Barack Obama spent Saturday in New Hampshire, casting doubts on what the GOP ticket would do for older voters.

"You would think they would avoid talking about Medicare, given the fact that both of them have proposed to voucherize the Medicare system," he said Saturday in Windham. "But I guess they figure the best defense is to try to go on offense."

"So, New Hampshire, here is what you need to know: Since I have been in office, I have strengthened Medicare."

Obama's top aides spent Sunday repeating the claim in television interviews that the GOP would gut Medicare, while Romney's aides spent their day trying to convince voters of the opposite.

"None of the changes would affect current beneficiaries. There is only one candidate in the race who has made cuts to Medicare that have affected current

seniors, and that is President Obama," Romney senior adviser Eric Fehrnstrom told CNN.

"In order to pay for Obamacare, he raided the Medicare piggy bank, took \$700 billion out of the Medicare program and shifted it to Obamacare," he added. "That's wrong."

But Ryan's own proposal in Congress is also worrisome for seniors. His Medicare plan would encourage future retirees to consider private coverage that the government would help pay for through a voucher-like system, while keeping the traditional program as an option. A main concern that has been raised about that approach is that the government payment for health insurance won't keep pace with health care inflation, shifting an ever-growing share of costs to people on fixed incomes.

A deficit hawk and the House Republicans' chief budget writer, Ryan has stood out in Washington for laying out tough spending choices that many lawmakers in both parties avoid.

So it was almost inevitable that his selection as Romney's running mate would vault Medicare to the top of the campaign debate, even though any talk about changing the popular but costly program is typically avoided by presidential candidates.

The debate's dominant topic remains how to tame Medicare's explosive growth without hurting the millions of elderly Americans — and future retirees — who count on it to pay for health care.

In the latest issue of Newsweek, columnist Niall Ferguson called Ryan "one of only a handful of politicians in Washington who is truly sincere about addressing this country's fiscal crisis." Ferguson, who advised Republican John McCain during the 2008 presidential campaign, wrote the magazine's new cover story, headlined "Hit the Road, Barack."

Romney's campaign is also renewing its criticism of Obama's changes to welfare, launching a new television advertisement accusing Obama of "gutting welfare reform." The ad says Romney would "put work back in welfare."

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### WILDFIRE

FROM PAGE A4

County, Wash., said Saturday morning.

Nearly 1,000 firefighters and other personnel and eight helicopters were still building a line around the fire, which started Monday at a bridge construction project and exploded through dry grass, brush and trees. More than 400 people fled their homes. About 30 people are in local shelters, Slyfield said.

Fire danger remained high in the area, with hot, dry weather and a chance for storms and lightning expected Saturday evening.

"We're kind of on edge about that," said Mick Mueller, a spokesman at the fire

command center.

Fire officials said crews are ready to respond quickly should lightning and winds trigger new fires in the area late Saturday, fire spokesman Matt Comisky said Saturday morning.

Firefighters in California made progress on some of the nearly dozen wildfires burning across that state. About 400 residents were allowed to return home in a rural area of San Diego County in the southern part of the state.

Crews also were gaining ground against a series of Northern California wildfires, but fire officials said lightning sparked more than a dozen new blazes in the area late Friday

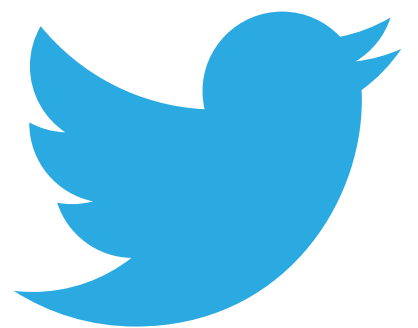
and early Saturday.

Most of the new fires were small, state fire spokesman Daniel Berlant said.

A sprinkling of rain early Saturday helped crews battling a large fire in the Plumas National Forest, about 120 miles north of Sacramento. Firefighters had that blaze 38 percent contained.

The Chips fire has consumed nearly 70 square miles and continued to threaten about 900 homes.

"We're encouraged by the progress our folks have been able to make," fire spokesman John Nichols said Saturday. "The weather last night and this morning helped the night crew get that much more done."



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living group workshops, titled "Step Up Bystander Intervention," a self defense workshop at the Student Recreation Center, a program on healthy relationships presented by Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse and an alcohol education program. The annual Take Back the Night and speak out program Sept. 27 will conclude the weeklong series of events.

Pitman said the university is putting an added emphasis into its campus

safety programs this fall, but he's pleased with the "I've Got Your Back" theme because it can be applied to a number of topics, ranging from alcohol education to helping students with mental health issues.

"The theme of intervening on behalf of your friend is fairly universal," Pitman said. "And we will continue to use it as a focus on programming throughout the year."

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**STANDARDS**  
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restricts the use of strobe lights, beacons and flashing lights, but provides no standard for LED or other internally lit signs.

In determining a proposal, the Planning and Zoning Commission looked at 13 other cities' sign codes, in-

cluding Lewiston, Meridian, Pullman and Spokane. They found that seven allow dynamic display signs, while six prohibit them entirely. Those that allow them regulate size, brightness and dynamic elements like animation.

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**PORTAL**  
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for the amount of value that we get from it versus the amount of energy that we expend on it — the ratio is not very good."

A portal is similar to a web index, Borchers said. The portal compiles links to useful university resources such as web-time entry for employees and class registration for students and redirects users to the original sites.

"What's there right now...most of it exists in VandalWeb," Borchers said. "My.uidaho is really nothing more than a window to VandalWeb. It's just a way to put everything in one nice, concise place. A portal is really kind of an old technology...it was really big in the

'90s," Borchers said.

Borchers said the goal is to increase functionality because UI has never really had that before.

Borchers said VandalWeb and the development of a university mobile app will offer all of the functions that are currently available through the my.uidaho portal.

"We're going to be moving forward to actually roll out our initial University of Idaho mobile presence," Borchers said. "Where would we rather invest those resources? We would rather put them in mobile technology than have them in something people aren't that interested in."


Borchers said this is part of recent strategic planning that will help the university move forward more accessible to users.

"The university is actually quite behind on that sort of thing. If you go to most universities, they have a mobile presence and we want to make sure that we're getting something out there," Borchers said. "Once we get the ball rolling we need to go out and have some conversations with the community and figure out what people need. We're not just building this for our own benefit. We're building it for the user."

The portal will officially be retired on the evening of Oct. 5 because, although Borchers said the process to turn off the portal is simple, ITS hopes to make the transition seamlessly.

"We could turn the portal off in five minutes if we didn't care about disrupting people and all of that functionality would exist somewhere else but the goal here is to make this as smooth a transition as possible," Borchers said. "There's really no functionality going away, we're just taking people back to where they were getting it anyway."

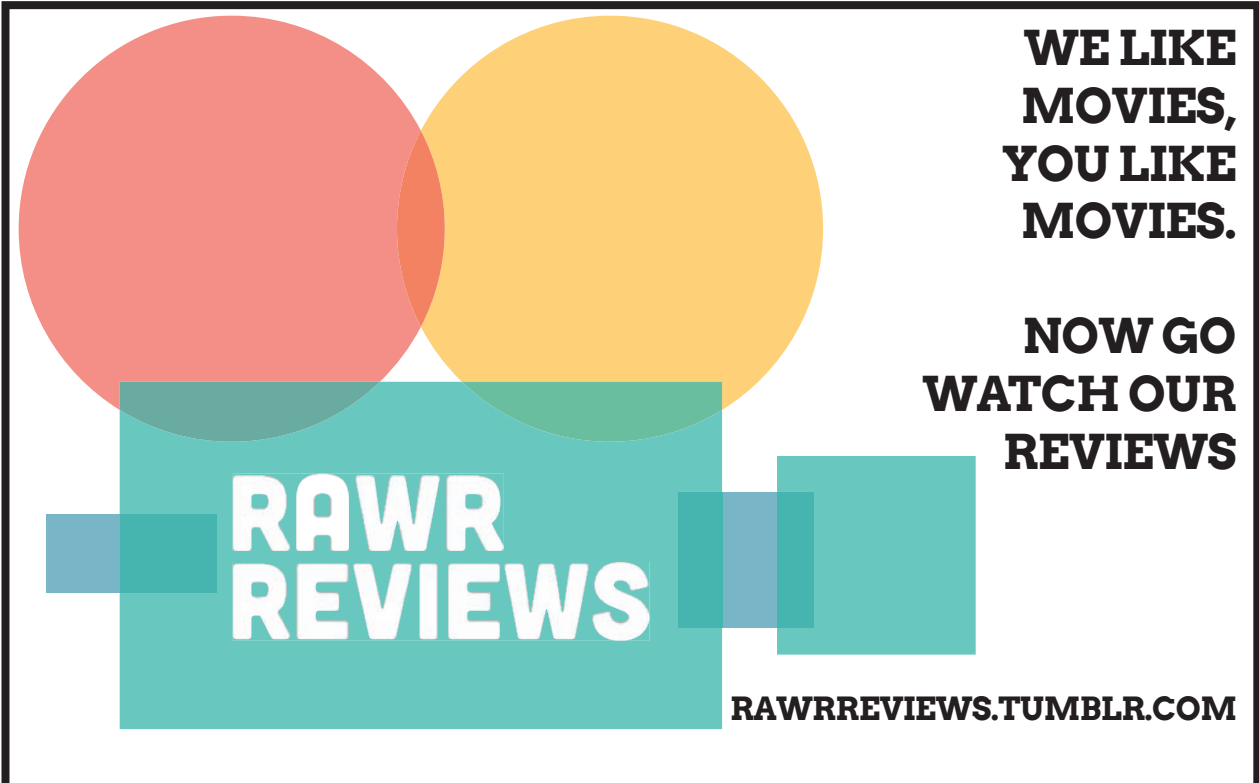
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# SPORTS



Idaho received the votes it needed to explore football independence.

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Senior Megan Lopez fights for ball control during Sunday's game against South Dakota. The team will face Gonzaga 4 p.m. Friday at Guy Wicks Field.

# Hard challenge

Vandal soccer's unpredictable style results in win against South Dakota, loss in Texas

**Sean Kramer**  
Argonaut

The record after the first two matches of the season for Idaho soccer may be expected, but the way they played is anything but.

The predictable part is that the Vandals opened the 2012 campaign with a 2-1 loss to Texas Tech and a 1-0 overtime home victory against South Dakota. However, the Vandals

played considerably better in the losing effort to Tech than the victory against the Coyotes.

Idaho suffered a tough result in Lubbock after the Red Raiders took the lead on an 83rd minute strike from Paige Strahan. The Vandals had equalized four minutes earlier.

Texas Tech was the superior attacking and possessing team, but Idaho

played well defensively and was able to produce good attacking opportunities the few times the ball was in front of the Red Raider net.

The result against South Dakota was much more favorable, but the quality of play wasn't.

"We'll take it, but we didn't deserve it," coach Pete Showler said. "That's probably the poorest per-

formance since I've been here. We'll take it, it was scrappy, but there's a lot to move on from there."

Idaho put nine shots on goal against South Dakota, and still needed the second half of overtime to end it on a golden goal.

"We've got to finish chances, we tried to pass the ball into the net," Shower said.

Expectations are high

considering how senior-laden the team is, and players agreed with Showler's assessment that this performance didn't stack up.

"Honestly we just were out of our element today," defender Mary Condon said. "This has been one of the better years I've seen in double days but it didn't really show today."

The brightest spot of the weekend for the Vandals

may have been goalkeeper Liz Boyden. The senior saw her first real game action since breaking her leg last August against Seattle.

"I honestly feel like I've left off where I started last year, which is great. I was expecting to kind of have to work in to it but the past couple of games I've felt confident," she said.

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## Athletes of the week

### Liz Boyden - Soccer

After missing an entire season due to injury, Boyden began her senior season where she left off two years ago when she



Liz Boyden

was named to the all-WAC second team. Though the Vandals couldn't pull off an upset in Friday's season-opener against Texas Tech., Boyden's shot-stopping abilities were on display in Lubbock. The

Spokane native played her first full 90 since the second game of last season and made eight saves in the process. "She should take a lot of confidence from that performance," coach Pete Showler said. "She pulled off some great saves, and it was never going to be easy with the number of shots they were taking." In the team's home-opener, Idaho needed overtime to oust the Coyotes of South Dakota as well as Boyden's experience. She preserved the first clean sheet of the season for Idaho, making five saves in 104 minutes of play.

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## Defense ready to shine

Depth, experience keys to success for senior-studded defense in 2012 season

**Theo Lawson**  
Argonaut

When sophomore linebacker James Randall was carted off the SprinTurf during practice on Aug. 14 with what appeared to be a dislocated ankle, players on both sides of the ball kneeled to honor their fallen brother.

Defensive coordinator Mark Criner understands the importance of Randall, who appeared in ten games last season after redshirting in 2010. But Criner can also sit comfortably knowing the depth and experience of his linebacker corps is one of the numerous things that make the Vandal defense special.

"The reason why I was so excited about the linebacking corps is because I have a lot of guys like James, that have been here for two to three years, that have played snaps in ball games," Criner said. "We have about five other guys like that, in that standpoint."

The talent and numbers Idaho has within the linebacker group gives Criner

the luxury of working a wide variety of players into different packages and schemes. Seniors Conrad Scheidt, Rob Siavii and Homer Mauga continue to rotate within Criner's defensive system and it's not uncommon for each to spend time in the middle and on the outside of Idaho's 4-3 formation.

Mauga, a former junior college transfer, has two prior years of experience at the Division 1 level and is one of several linebackers who will be competing for one of three prized starting spots.

"There's a lot of competition, a lot of speed and toughness. We've pretty much got to just put it all together and try and figure out who's going to earn that spot," Mauga said.

Idaho's defensive secondary may rival the linebacker corps as the team's most experienced and improved group. Criner said he has been impressed with the progress of the secondary throughout spring and fall camp.

The Vandals return two 12-game start-

ers in safety Gary Walker and cornerback Aaron Grymes. The senior pair will lead a secondary that has the potential to be one of the best in the WAC if players like Tracy Carter, Trey Williams and Bradley Njoku continue to impress.

"We're able to do quite a bit in the secondary to help out our defensive front," Criner said. "A lot of times great coverage can create sacks so now you're staying in the pocket an extra four or five seconds and that quarterback is eventually going to get hit. I would say that our coverage package is the number one thing that is probably a plus this fall."

Even with an NFL-caliber defensive tackle in Michael Cosgrove, the Vandal defensive line struggled in 2011, averaging just better than one sack per game. The departure of Cosgrove, Charles Smith and Andre Ferguson, three staples on last year's line, has vacated three starting spots for a wave of fresh faces.

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TWEETS OF THE WEEK

**Barry Britt**- Men's Cross Country- On the soccer team's new home jerseys  
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**Dominique Blackman**- Football- On being named Idaho's starting quarterback  
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Sophomore Alyssa Schultz attempts a kill while Ali Forde goes up for the block August 14 at practice in the Memorial Gym. The Vandals host the Nike Invitational this weekend. File photo by Steven Devine | Argonaut

# Final countdown: Competition for starting spots still red hot as volleyball season approaches

**Kevin Bingaman**  
Argonaut

With the start of the season just days away, the Vandal volleyball team is still seeing heated competition for starting spots, which was on full display Saturday morning when the team scrimmaged for the last time before the opening tournament.

The Vandals looked solid in their final intra-squad scrimmage, with three competitive sets played. Everyone is getting in on the action, including the team's freshmen, who are fighting for spots with the seniors.

Senior setter Jenny Feicht said it's good to see freshmen who bring intensity.

"Today was good. It was good

competition," Feicht said. "I think it's cool that we have three freshmen who can really compete and play hard. They're bringing up our level a lot."

The start to the season may be Friday, but the competitions are so close right now that it's not clear who will come out on top in the numerous position battles.

"It is close," Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said. "I would say that this is probably, at least in the last three years, it's probably the most competitive both sides have been and how they've been pushing each other, and that's what you want to happen."

There are numerous positions still up for grabs, including libero and setter. Buchanan said the

players who win the spots will be the ones who are most consistent day after day.

"Kids are working for their position," Buchanan said. "Every day it's about performance. It's about putting up the best numbers and who's the most consistent. So we rotated through the different options that we may have. If you look back, in my mind, we have our lineup solidifying."

Despite many of the starting roles still up for grabs, the players know one thing — they're ready to get the season going. The team has had nothing but scrimmages for weeks and Feicht said they're ready for the real thing.

"We've been competing against each other so long that

we're ready," Feicht said. "We're just ready to go out there and kick some butt."

While the players are ready for a change of scenery, the coaches are too. Buchanan said seeing your own team day after day doesn't always tell where a team is at because the players learn each other's tendencies and can anticipate what they'll do. In real competition, the players won't have that luxury.

"It's really hard to know at this point as a coach," Buchanan said. "You're looking really good, digging a lot of balls, touching a lot of balls, but you really need to play someone else to really see how you stack up. We need to play someone else in a different

system than what we're doing."

For the five seniors on the roster, this is part of what they've come to expect. Senior Janelle Chow said the biggest advantage they have as a team is how long they've played together. She said regardless of what they're working on, the team chemistry is the most important key to success.

"We're working a lot on passing, but I'd say the unity with the seniors," Chow said. "We've played together for four years already, so we know each other's tendencies and how each other plays and how to pick each other up."

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# King Felix deserved more

The Mariners have said goodbye to a number of stars over the years, some of which include Ken Griffey Jr., Randy Johnson, Adrian Beltre and most recently Ichiro, when he was traded to the Yankees this season. While the Mariners have been battling through, losing season after losing season, one man has remained a steady ray of hope for the fans: Felix Hernandez.



**Kevin Bingaman**  
Argonaut

every pitcher dreams of, nine innings, no hits and no walks. Hernandez's perfect game gave Mariners fans a reason to be proud during a decade that has been marred with losing seasons and missed opportunities. The one person who has been a constant light in the emerald city is King Felix. Since his debut in 2005, he's been the M's ace. He's a three-time all-star and a Cy Young Award winner. He's given all he's had for Seattle, without a lot to show for it, given the Mariners haven't made the postseason in his career.

The bottom line is that Hernandez deserves better. He's a World Series caliber pitcher, but has never seen the mound in a postseason game, and that's a shame. It's even worse when you consider all the former Mariners who are going to other teams and having success in the playoffs, such as Rodriguez, Beltre and, in the near future, Ichiro. The Mariners have had the talent, but have failed to put it together in Seattle. It has to be frustrating for Hernandez, but the future is looking brighter. The Mariners is young and talented and should stay together for a number of years. This is a team that could be playoff contenders in a few

years, if they don't dish out their roster to other teams, as has been their reputation. The Mariners fans deserve more and King Felix deserves more. The M's have a chance now to develop a championship team. It may not come right away, but if this team stays and grows together, the wins will come. With young stars like Dustin Ackley, Jesus Montero and John Jaso, Seattle would be stupid not to give this team a shot. The M's have solid pitching, a roster full of up-and-coming hitters and already the best defense in the league. It's time to stop rebuilding and start playing for the present. While Mariners fans wait for

the year when they'll once again see postseason play, they still have King Felix. He's the face of constancy and hope. He's young enough and good enough to win more Cy Young Awards and maybe more special games like Wednesday's. While all those accolades are great, hopefully at the end of his career he has more than that. Hopefully he's not only the first Mariner to pitch a perfect game, but the man who leads Seattle to its first World Series. Anything less would be a great injustice to a great player.  
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# Darla Moore known for breaking gender barriers

**COLUMBIA, S.C.**  
Associated Press

Busting into an all-boys club has never been a problem for Darla Moore.

The Wall Street wizard with rich Southern roots made a name for herself in the male-dominated world of finance as executive vice president of one of the largest private investment firms in the United States. She was the first woman featured for a cover story by Fortune magazine in 1997, and at one point, she was the only woman on the board of trustees at her alma mater, the University of South Carolina.

Moore broke another gender barrier Monday when the exclusive Augusta National Golf Club, which hosts the Masters tournament each year, asked her and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to become its first women members.

"Augusta National has always captured my imagination, and is one of the most magically beautiful places anywhere in the world, as everyone gets to see during the Masters each April," Moore said in a statement.

Moore, 58, rose to prominence in the 1980s with Chemical Bank, where she became the highest-paid woman in the banking industry. She is vice president of Rainwater Inc., a private investment company founded by her husband, Richard Rainwater, whose net worth was \$2.3 billion as of March, according to Forbes magazine.

She has served on a number of corporate, medical and university boards, but she is perhaps best known in South Carolina as a philanthropist. Moore is the top donor to the University of South Carolina, pledging \$75 million since 1998, when the business school was named after her. She also donated \$10 million to her late father's alma mater, Clemson University.



Much of her philanthropy is done behind the scenes, as she eschews the spotlight. She declined an interview request for this article, instead choosing to release a short statement.

"She loves to do her work under the radar. It's the people around her she wants to highlight and put out there. She doesn't want it to be about her," said Jim Fields, the executive director of the Palmetto Institute, a nonprofit research group Moore founded in 2002 that is committed to improving South Carolinians' economic well-being.

**Nikki Haley, Governor of South Carolina**

Moore is known for her ability to get things done, whether it's raising money or making decisions in the boardroom. Fortune called her the "the toughest babe in business" in 1997.

"She's very direct in her thoughts and opinions and doesn't mind telling you, and she's extraordinarily proud of her roots in South Carolina and Lake City," Fields said.

The institute is using her native Lake City, a rural town in the northeast part of the state, as a petri dish for how to improve a

distressed economy.

That includes turning the former bean market, once one of the world's largest for string beans, into a community center, complete with geothermal heating and cooling.

Moore worked quietly through her foundations to renovate the 35,000-square-foot building after former Gov. Mark Sanford called the project pork in a proposed state budget.

Restoring the 1930s-era building was a passion of her father's, Gene Moore, that she wanted to complete, said Joe Rogers, chief operating officer of the Lake City Partnership Council, co-founded by Darla Moore.

"She's a very loyal friend, just an incredible person," Rogers said. "She's smart, funny, intense, incredibly high energy; she's unconventional in a very good way."

Moore was the governor's appointee to the University of South Carolina board between 1999 and 2011, and for at least several years, was the only woman on the board.

Gov. Nikki Haley summarily ousted Moore last year and replaced her with a campaign donor, saying it was time for a change and no one was entitled to public office. Moore's removal prompted a protest from students and alumni.

In her only response to the flap, Moore held a news conference to announce a \$5 million pledge for a new aerospace research center at the university. The Republican governor had convinced legislators to remove funding for the center.

It wasn't clear whether the dust ever settled between the two, but the governor did congratulate Moore and Rice on their

memberships.

"Today is a great day for Augusta and for America, as another gender barrier falls. I commend the leadership of Augusta National on their decision," Haley said.

One of Moore's passions is gardening, and she's even turning the acreage around her Lake City home — the one her father was born in — into a botanical garden, with 5,000 species of plants and trees, in hopes it could be a tourist attraction for Lake City.

Her other nonprofits include the Charleston Parks Conservancy, which she endowed with a \$10 million donation five years ago. The conservancy's 600 volunteers, called park angels, have so far improved 26 parks in downtown Charleston, where she has a home.

"She's an implementer. She knows what needs to be done. When she makes up her mind, it happens," said Scott Parker, a conservancy board member.

Moore was mentioned as a possible Augusta National member during the height of the all-male membership debate in 2002. She and former club chairman Hootie Johnson worked on the university's \$300 million capital campaign in the late 1990s.

"I am fortunate to have many friends who are members at Augusta National, so to be asked to join them as a member represents a very happy and important occasion in my life," she said in her statement.

The true extent of her philanthropy is unknown, and she likes it that way.

"I have never heard Darla use the words never or can't or won't. She's pretty amazing to watch work," said Karen Fowler of the Lake City Partnership Council and director of Lake City Art Fields.



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# Rec Center renovations

**Stephan Wiebe**  
Argonaut

After 10 years of constant use, the University of Idaho Student Recreation Center has installed new gym floors for the Silver and Gold gymnasiums.

The SRC closes down for nine days every summer for cleaning, painting and gym floor repair. This year, the gym floors were completely renovated.

Associate Campus Rec Director/Sport Club Director Gordon Gresch said UI usually does the yearly repairs themselves but had to contract this job because it required special machinery and additional time for the complete renovation.

"We had to work with the flooring company because they require a longer period than our nine days," Gresch said. "They asked us for about 17 to 21 days."

The project went two weeks into normal operating days, but Gresch said it was the optimal time to do the project since gym usage is at its lowest point during the late summer. It had a minimal impact on gym users and is now ready for fall semester use.

Not only was the gym in physical need of a new floor, the text and logos were also outdated. The new logos and font match current university style.

"The original baselines were gold and silver outlines," Gresch said. "Both gyms were completely sanded, new base, new font, new logos and new paint. We kept the gold and silver theme by putting the script 'University of Idaho'

gold in one gym and silver in the other. We also have gold and silver padding on the backboards."

Gresch said it typically costs \$3,500 for UI to buy the products and do the annual light finish and cleaning themselves. The 2012 complete refinishing, layering and painting cost approximately \$25,000, but is expected to last 15 years before needing another renovation.

"It's a considerable amount more (to do the full sand) but the maintenance in having a full sand like that actually allows for a better seal and better wear on the floor," Gresch said. "It's really a necessity long-term for the floor. The Rec Center courts have much more use than, say, a varsity court that has varsity practices and games. Our court is used almost always."

The SRC and the Gold and Silver Gymnasiums are an important part of campus life at UI. On average, about 1,700 people visit the Rec Center each day, many of which end up using the gymnasiums. Pick-up basketball, volleyball and badminton games are played constantly throughout the year.

"People that were on campus that saw the new look of the basketball courts were very excited...it's always fun to have something new and exciting and fresh and ready for use," Gresch said. "It turned out better than our expectations. We're excited to see people play on them."

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University of Idaho Freshman Sam Hoffman, practices layups in the Student Recreation Center gymnasium. The gym floors were refinshed during the summer.

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# Schedule to test Vandal tennis

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Feeling more competitive than last fall, the Idaho tennis coaches have designed schedules to allow both the men's and women's teams chances to play at a higher level.

"It's a great mix of competition of tournaments where we can win the championship, and other ones that are really high level to see if we are able to compete with the best teams in the country," Idaho Director of Tennis Jeff Beaman said.

Beaman said he is excited for the opportunities both teams will have this season, especially in some of the more rigorous tournaments.

"In those you will have a chance to play people with a national rank and a chance to earn a national rank with a good combination (of wins)," Beaman said.

The men's schedule starts with the University of Idaho Campus Showdown, a non-collegiate event in Moscow Sept. 8. Their first collegiate action of the fall slate is Sept. 21-23 when Idaho will send half of the men to the Eastern Washington Fall Classic, a smaller and less-challenging tournament, and the other half will head to the Baylor Invitational, a challenging tournament that features some of the nation's top players.

The Vandals did not attend the Baylor Invitational last year but two years ago they sent four players, with three of them pulling out huge wins. Beaman hasn't forgotten and wants to go back to the event and give it another try.

"I really feel confident that this year's team is at a higher level than we were last year. That's why we are going back because I feel we can compete," Beaman said.

Next, the Vandal men will play in the Boise State Fall Tournament Oct. 5-7, the ITA Mountain Regional Championships in Las Vegas Oct. 17-21 and the Pacific Northwest Intercollegiate Tournament in Seattle Nov. 9-11.

"At the regional you have a draw of 128 players, and Baylor is a

smaller draw with a higher concentration of top level guys, but when you put 128 of the best players from our region in a draw, it's a long grueling tournament and you are going to have a lot of good guys in that draw also," Beaman said.

The men are not the only Vandal tennis team with a tougher schedule this year. Women's coach Daniel Pollock added two more events to the schedule this season.

The schedule starts the same as the men with the Campus Showdown. But the women's first collegiate action will be at the Washington State Cougar Classic in Pullman Sept. 14-16. Next the women will play at the Boise State Jack Taylor Invitational Sept. 28-30, the ITA Mountain Regional Championships Oct. 10-14 in Las Vegas, the Duck Invitational in Eugene, Ore., Oct. 19-21 and lastly the Houston Cougar Classic Nov. 2-4.

Pollock likes the new schedule and said it allows the women to really test themselves against some of the best competition in the nation.

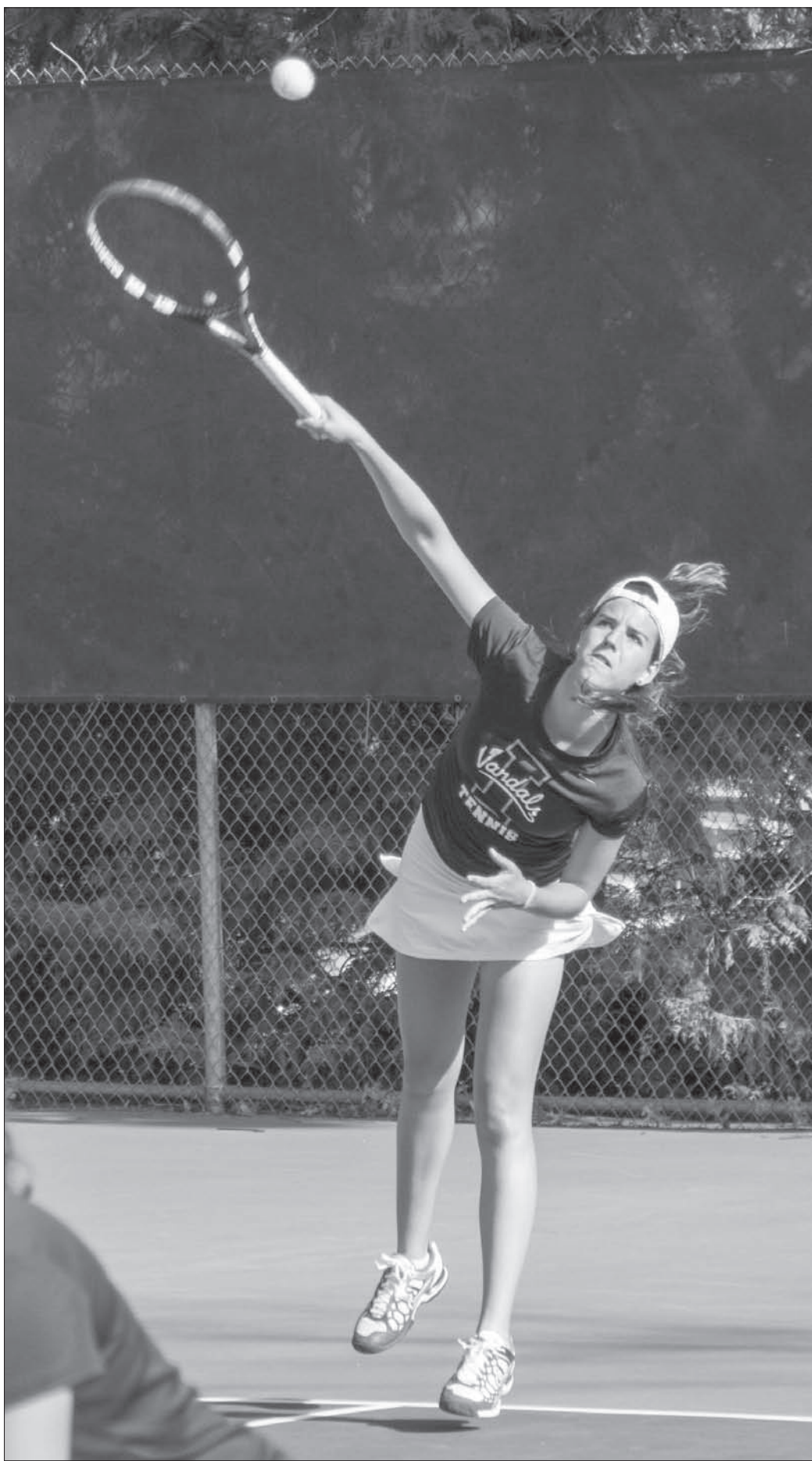
"We see teams from the SEC, from the Big 12 and from the Pac 12 — it's going to be a tough test — I'm excited to see how the girls stand up against some good competition," Pollock said.

The toughest addition to the schedule for the women is the Houston Invitational, the last event of the fall campaign.

"It's going to be just as it's getting cold here and it's going to be really hot down there," Pollock said. "I just felt like we could test ourselves against some teams we don't normally see, against some really strong teams, so there was an opportunity to get in it and it was nice to get in in the last minute."

After a good year last year and some great results during the summer, this fall schedule could be the transition Idaho needs for the spring season, when the results matter most.

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File photo by Ilya Pinchuk | Argonaut  
Almudena Sanz serves the ball against Louisiana Tech during a spring 2011 match at the Memorial Gym tennis courts.

## State board gives independence thumbs up

Sean Kramer  
Argonaut

The University of Idaho's path toward football independence cleared a major hurdle last Friday when the State Board of Education approved the school's request to explore Division-I Football Sub-division independence. The motion also allows Idaho to move its non-football sports to the Big Sky Conference.

"Given the WAC can no longer provide football for the University of Idaho, we have come to the conclusion that playing football as a

football independent makes the most sense for us," President M. Duane Nellis said.

Nellis mentioned a more attractive schedule and more potential for revenue as reasons for exploring independence as the best route.

Independence also provides more game revenue as an FBS compared to an FCS program. SBOE documents stated that Idaho would be in line to receive \$1.5 million more in-game guarantees than they would as a Big Sky program. Idaho is in line to receive about \$2 million this year from

games against LSU, North Carolina and BYU.

The central theme of all of this revolves around the word 'explore.'

Idaho has not yet put its non-football sports in the Big Sky, and Athletic Director Rob Spear said that Idaho has not officially declared its independence yet.

"(The State Board vote) gives us authority to pursue independence. We're not announcing that we are going there 100 percent," Spear said. "We just needed approval to move forward."

Spear and Nellis made it clear that independence will

be Idaho's route if and when a full 12-game schedule is completed.

"We just need to make sure we secure those football games," Spear said.

As for the 2013 football schedule, Spear said that he has five contracts completed, three 'pending' and two under negotiation. He also said Idaho will play a home and home with New Mexico State in 2012.

"We wouldn't be sitting here today and wouldn't be approaching our State Board if we weren't confident we could get it done," Spear said. "I'm very hopeful that

is going to happen."

For the future of the non-football sports, Nellis said that the school remains in frequent conversation with the WAC and that Idaho won't close the door on remaining there.

The WAC Board of Directors will have a conference this week to discuss its future, and Nellis will be a part of that. The WAC currently sits with four members, including Idaho. It would need to add four additional teams to be eligible to keep its automatic bids to NCAA tournaments.

It would be shocking if

Idaho ultimately said no to the Big Sky for the non-football sports - the regional rivalries and reduced cost of travel could be reason enough to make the move.

Spear said they hope to have a definitive decision made within the next three weeks, both on the football schedule and on a home for the Olympic sports.

"We want to make sure that we can firm up these schedules for football and make sure we make the right decision for the institution on where we put all of our other sports," Spear said.

## Beckett done in by Ichiro; Red Sox lose to Yankees

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Josh Beckett knows Boston's playoff hopes are fading fast. And if the Red Sox are going to make any kind of run the rest of the way, it appears they'll have to do it without Carl Crawford.

Ichiro Suzuki homered twice and Hiroki Kuroda pitched eight innings of four-hit ball to lead the New York Yankees past Beckett and the Red Sox 4-1 on Sunday night.

Boston (59-63) has lost eight of 12 and left town trailing the first-place Yankees by 13½ games. The fourth-place Red Sox are 7½ games out in the wild-card race.

"We need a lot of things to happen now," Beckett said. "We need to play better and we've got to have some teams fall down."

Earlier in the day, the Red Sox said they will meet on their day off Monday and decide whether Crawford will have season-ending elbow surgery. Citing an anonymous source, ESPN reported hours later that Crawford is expected to have the operation Tuesday.

"Carl's given it everything he has. From everything I gather, the elbow situation is kind of trending in the wrong way," manager Bobby Valentine said.

Derek Jeter had three hits and scored twice for the Yankees, who took two of three from Boston despite playing the entire series without slugger Mark Teixeira. The AL East leaders won for the ninth time in 12 games, ending a two-year streak of futility against Beckett (5-11). The right-hander was 5-0 in

his previous seven starts against the Yankees since losing to them on Aug. 8, 2010. He kept his team in the game this time, but dropped to 0-4 in his past six outings overall. He is 1-7 in 13 starts since May 20 and has served up seven homers in his past three appearances covering 16 1-3 innings.

"I thought Josh had some of the best stuff that he's had in a while," Valentine said, fiddling with a DVD of "Les Miserables" on his desk. "He just had trouble with two hitters, Jeter and Ichiro. They kind of did him in."

While Beckett has struggled when the Red Sox needed him, Kuroda (12-8) has provided a major boost to the Yankees with ace CC Sabathia and veteran Andy Pettitte on the disabled list. The 37-year-old right-hand-

er, coming off a two-hit shutout against Texas, struck out four and walked none while reaching 100 pitches for the 11th straight start. His ERA is 2.96.

"He did a good job mixing up his pitches. He had location. He had another very good night," said Red Sox leadoff man Jacoby Ellsbury, who went 0 for 4.

Kuroda's only blemish was Adrian Gonzalez's homer in the seventh. Rafael Soriano earned his 31st save in 33 tries.

Crawford singled leading off the ninth, perhaps his final at-bat of the year. He was promptly erased on Dustin Pedroia's double-play grounder.

Never known for his power, the 38-year-old Suzuki homered into the second deck in right with two outs in the fourth. Two

innings later, he lined a shot into the lower seats for his seventh career multihomer game and second this season. He also hit two with Seattle on June 2 at the Chicago White Sox.

The 10-time All-Star popped out of the dugout for a curtain call, showing more than a few flecks of gray in his closely cropped hair. He has seven home runs this year, three for New York after he was acquired from the Mariners in a July 23 trade.

When he returned to his position in right field, fans in the sellout crowd of 48,620 chanted "Ichiro! Ichiro!"

"Everyone knows how good of a hitter he is. I don't care what the scoreboard or statistics say," Jeter said. "He showed tonight he can hit home runs if he wants to."

**CHALLENGE**

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Boyden accumulated 13 saves in the two matches, five of them against South Dakota to preserve the clean sheet.

The Vandals will hit the pitch again this Friday, hosting the Gonzaga Bulldogs. Gonzaga defeated Idaho 3-0 in Spokane last season.

"We just need to come out and play like we know how to play. Get after them quickly," Condon said.

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**ATHLETES**

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**Ryan Bass- Football**

The Arizona State transfer was primed to be one of Idaho's main backs last fall but injury hampered Bass during his junior season. Healthy and ready for a break-out season, Bass led the rushing attack in Idaho's final intra-squad scrimmage of fall camp. On 11 carries, the senior rushed for 68 yards and accounted for two of the Vandals' five rushing touchdowns. Bass, who may prove to be Idaho's most reliable back this fall, found the end zone from 11 yards and then one yard out. Redshirt freshman Todd Handley also ran for 68 yards, but on just seven carries. Handley added two rushing touchdowns with a long touchdown of 55 yards. "We made some big plays in the running game," coach Robb Akey said. "I saw holes offensively I liked. We got some big runs out of them - some I thought might have been bigger, but that's because the defense got things shut down."



Ryan Bass

As one of the Western Athletic Conference's most lethal outside hitters, Allison (Walker) Baker may have an opportunity to throw her name into the WAC Player of the Year ring this fall. If Saturday's intra-squad scrimmage was any indication of what Baker could do this season, anything less than another first team all-WAC award will be a major disappointment. Against her teammates, Baker recorded 20 kills, 11 more than any other Vandal.

**Allison (Walker) Baker- Volleyball**

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**TWEETS**

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**Paul Myerberg-** College football writer- On the future of the WAC  
 "@PreSnapRead: I'll think of the WAC every time it's 1:15 AM on a CFB weekend and the final P12 game just ended. You'll miss the WAC when it's gone."

**Pete Shower-** Head Soccer Coach - On Idaho's 1-0 overtime loss against South Dakota  
 "@PeteShowler: An ugly win is better than a pretty loss..."

**Rob Spear-** Idaho Athletic Director- Tweeting to Idaho Statesman writer Brian Murphy about fifth scheduled game for 2013  
 "@Rob\_Spear: lacking one signature for #5 which is ours. Could not sign until SBOE approved. So we have 5!"

**Clayton Homme** - Football- He loves shark week  
 "@ClaytonHomme: Thinking of ways to survive a shark bite so I can be on #sharkweek"

**Brian Murphy on Idaho-** BSU basketball game in downtown Boise:  
 "@murphsturph: Yes, been told by both BSU and Idaho a contract for a game at CenturyLink Arena is in the works."

**Korey Toomer** - Awkward moments in Seattle for former Vandal:  
 "@Korey\_Toomer: that awkward moment when you realize you're walking in the wrong direction, so you hit you're pockets pretend like u forgot something"



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**DEFENSE**

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Defensive end Benson Mayowa and tackle Quay-Shawne Buckley started six games apiece last season and will likely be the only returning starters on the defensive line. Sophomore Jesse Davis, a converted defensive end, has a great opportunity to win the defensive tackle spot opposite Buckley while junior Vince Keener and sophomore Maxx Forde continue their position battle for the other defensive end spot.

Davis is the favorite to fill Cosgrove's role, who started 38 games during his collegiate career before signing a free agent deal with the Detroit Lions.

"I feel like there's a big gap I need to fill for that one because Mike was just overall good at everything," Davis said.

For the Asotin, Wash., native, the transition to defensive tackle has been rigorous.

"The transition has definitely been more physical, you have to get a lot stronger for the position holding up double teams all day and 300 pounds on your shoulder, it's not exactly an easy task," Davis said.

Despite allowing 147 points in its last three games of the 2011 campaign, Criner's defense looks to be hungrier this time around. The result of an everlasting bitter taste after giving up 56 in last year's season finale or the motivation of a group of seniors attempting to win the WAC in its last year of existence?

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Defensive end Maxx Forde protects the kicker during a PAT during Idaho's third scrimmage of fall camp in the Kibbie Dome.  
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OUR VIEW

## Remember to ask, listen

Don't be a bystander, stand up for peers in trouble

Nearly one year ago the University of Idaho community was devastated by the death of graduate student Katy Benoit, who was shot and killed by former UI assistant professor Ernesto A. Bustamante.

Benoit's death was an unspeakable tragedy that brought into question the safe environment we have always relied on at UI and in Moscow. But if anything positive can come from a tragedy, it is when a lesson is learned.

A task force appointed by UI examined the university's safety practices and outlined several recommendations for improving campus safety. UI has made progress in fulfilling these recommendations such as requiring criminal background checks of all new employees and developing a one-page synopsis of what to do in an emergency.

The university has also scheduled the first Katy Benoit Safety forum from Sept. 19-27. The forum, which will become an annual fall event, will educate the campus community about high-risk behaviors and other practices to increase campus safety.

But the most important lesson we can learn from Benoit's death is the importance of standing up for those who need our help.

As the 2012-13 school year unfolds, be aware of those around you who may be caught in dangerous situations. Use common sense and trust your instincts to determine if someone is in trouble.

Doing the right thing and asking for help isn't always easy. It can create an uncomfortable situation for yourself, your friends and your peers. But doing the right thing could save

someone's life.

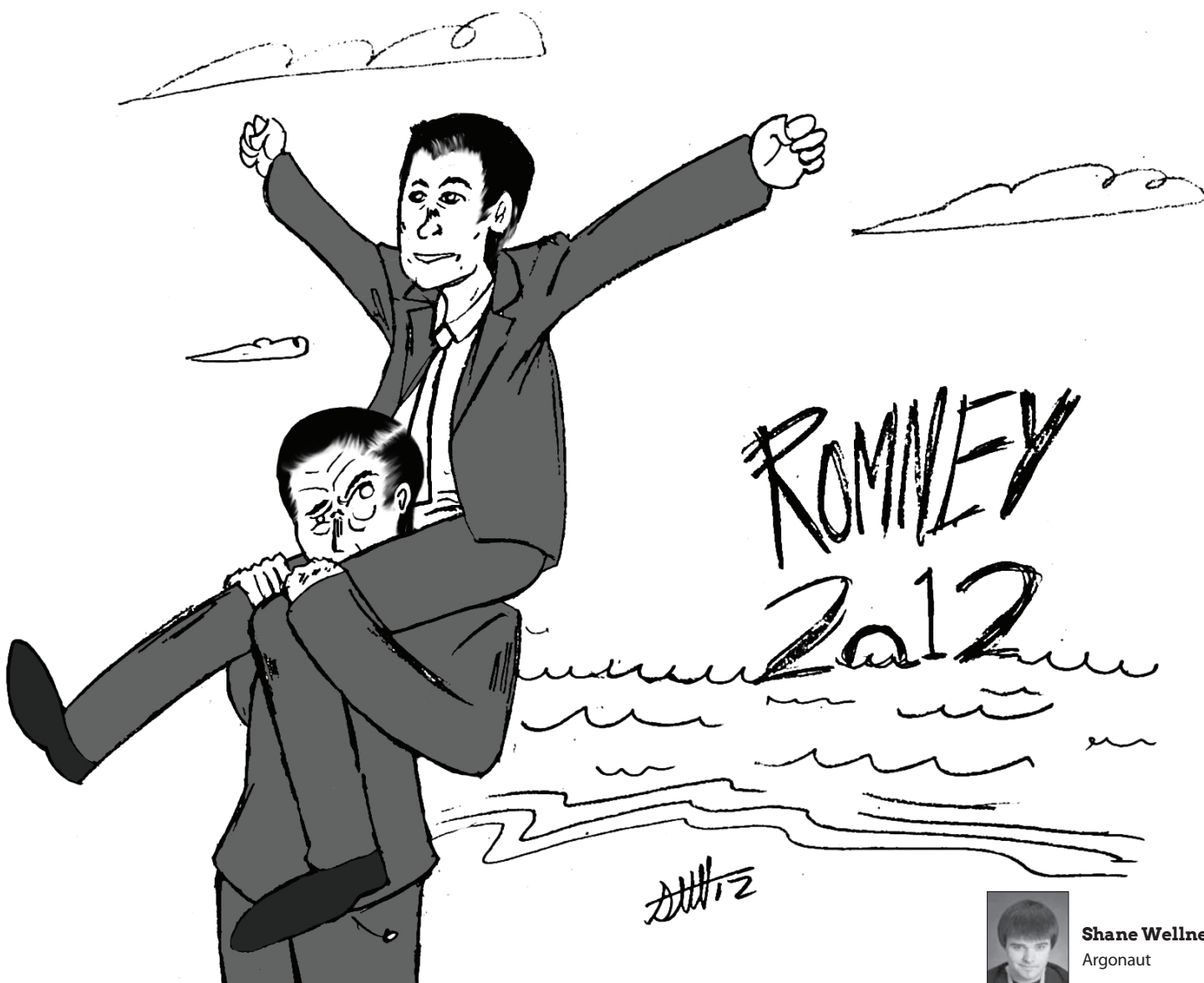
No incident is too small or trivial to ask for help. Resources are available on campus, such as the Counseling and Testing Center and Dean of Students office.

At noon today, UI will dedicate a memorial to Benoit on the Administration Building's east lawn — a granite bench inscribed with the words "In memory of Katy's journey, her care for others, her willingness to speak up, and her courage to make a difference."

Benoit's memorial will serve as a reminder, but it's the responsibility of UI students, faculty and staff to remember what happened August 22, 2011.

And to remember to always ask and to listen when help is needed.

— EE



Shane Wellner  
Argonaut

## More than cakes and dresses

Wait until your wedding day to act like a princess

If you think planning a wedding is simple, you were strongly misinformed. I'm not one to talk about settling down and getting serious, but if your big day is happening anytime in the near future, you might want to make a list of all the things that go along with picking the extravagant dress for your big day.

Aside from choosing the dresses, tuxedos, bridesmaids and groomsmen, decorations, photographer, cake, guests, invitations, gift registry, ring bearer and flower girl, ushers, time, date, place ... you still have more to consider to make your big day exactly what you dreamed as a kid.

First, have an overnight bag ready at your destination following the ceremony. That's what bridesmaids and groomsmen are for. Have one of your loyal friends run your things to your hotel room or wherever you plan to stay that night.



Molly Spencer  
Argonaut

Long before the wedding, make sure each and every soul in the wedding party has an itinerary for the wedding day. There is nothing worse than having someone from your wedding party running late right before it's time to take photos.

Once the ceremony and the reception are over, the bride and groom are generally long gone. It's important to choose someone who can take all of your gifts, guest book, unity candle, and toasting glasses home for you.

Even though this day is about you and your significant other, it's vital to remember gifts for your bridesmaids and groomsmen — and basically the whole wedding party.

Every bride should leave for her wedding prepared for the wedding night and the following honeymoon.

If you're leaving the country, don't forget your passport. That would be a big, time-wasting mistake. Make sure your transportation is arranged, as well as hotel plans.

One of the most important things to remember about your wedding day is signing the marriage certificate. I mean, isn't that

piece of paper the whole reason you had the wedding in the first place?

Last but not least, send out thank you cards to each and every person you received a gift from. People appreciate thank you notes.

Some things a bride may forget on the big day — take a deep breath, look around and keep a photographed memory of the moment.

Eat. It will be a long day to say the least, and yes, the nerves may affect your appetite, but you don't want to faint while saying your vows, do you?

Don't be a hero. If your feet hurt, take your heels off. If something goes wrong, let it be someone else's problem. If you're hot, change your dress. It's your day, remember to have fun.

If the bride or groom aren't having fun, who is going to?

You can't possibly plan every last second of your big day. Things will go wrong ... but that's all part of the memories. Have fun with it.

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## OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE  
FROM OUR EDITORS

### End of a legacy

Nick Groff, you are missed buddy.

—Britt

### Starbucks

It's the only drug that will get me through this first week of school. My only dilemma is between the Cinnamon Dolce Latte or Caramel Macchiato?

—Lindsey

### Syllabus week

Where's the party at?

—Molly

### Fall predictions

I give this perfect, California-like weather three weeks. Giving the UI football team four, in case you were wondering. Just joking, I only give them two.

—Theo

### Feline frenzy

My cat is better than yours. No really, she is.

—Sean

### My last syllabus week

I never thought this day would come.

—Katy

### ENGR

It's amazing how much I can't wait to nerd out after every summer.

—Amrah

### Gangnam style

My neighbors will have to listen to Korean pop every day now. They have no choice.

—Joseph

### Real beauty

Roald Dahl said, "If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely." Make-up can only do so much.

—Elisa

### MVP

Good thing I didn't get scalp staples for nothing.

—Chloe

### Make your own Off the Cuff

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—Madison

### Zen saying

"Knock on the sky and listen to the sound." I do believe this will be one spectacular year.

—Kaitlyn

WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR.



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# 'Got Sex?' program promotes conversation

Sex is a part of life, and though it may not be a part of your life yet, it's never too early to join the conversation. Learning about sex, relationships, being safe, and making decisions that are right for you is an important part of your college experience. To help get that conversation going, a campus program has been developed called "Got Sex?" This program, hosted once per month, provides



Shannon Haselhuhn

a safe and comfortable place to share medically accurate and non-judgmental information and start a series of conversations to improve sexual health. This forum works to promote open discussion around issues of sexuality, reproductive health, birth control, social pressures,

sexual practices, and risky behaviors. The intention is to create and support honest, respectful interpersonal dialogues on touchy topics in a space where everyone can feel safe to ask questions and speak their mind.

This Thursday, there will be a Got Sex? Program Open House in Memorial Gym Room 109 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The open house is an opportunity to hook-up with some resources,

**More info**

For more information on sexual health programs and resources, visit [www.uidaho.edu/VandalHealth](http://www.uidaho.edu/VandalHealth).

meet some people on campus and in the community that are here to help and see what hot topics are on the agenda for this year's program. It's your sex life, join the conversation.

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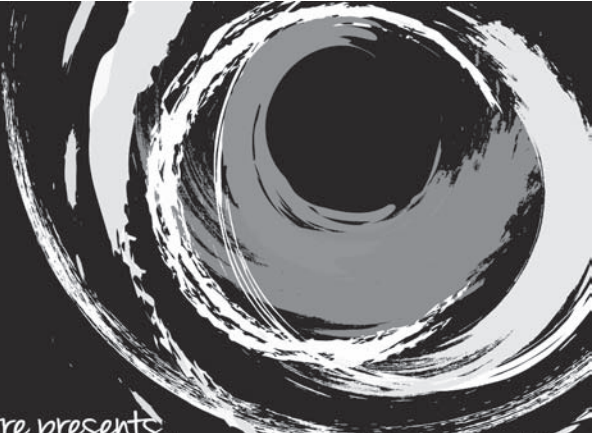
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# National media gets it all wrong on Paul Ryan

**Drew Pells**  
The Daily Barometer

This past weekend, Republican Presidential Nominee Mitt Romney announced Paul Ryan, a member of the House of Representatives from Wisconsin, to be his vice presidential nominee. Without missing a beat, the media jumped all over the move.

But why is it that no one is talking about the media's misrepresentation of Ryan? Many media outlets have linked Ryan to the Libertarian Party or marked him as a libertarian. Ryan is in no way a libertarian.

Ryan, while in the House, voted in favor of Troubled Asset Relief Program, replacing Medicare with a different program, housing subsidies, permanent extension of the Patriot Act and much more. No real libertarian votes in favor of any of those.

Regardless, he gets dumped into the libertarian category by the media in an effort to stop anyone but Democrats. The media leans quite a bit to the left, contrary to many outlets claiming to be centered.

MSNBC gave a show to Al Sharpton who said, "If the Jews want to get it on, tell

them to pin their yarmulkes back and come over to my house." Sharpton can make insensitive remarks about a group of people and it's OK, but Don Imus makes a remark about the Rutgers women's basketball team and there's a problem.

In both instances, Sharpton and Imus have the right to say as they wish. I don't agree with making statements of that manner for risk of losing a job, or just because it's mean. But Imus is a "racist," while Sharpton isn't even though Jews are not a race, but a religious group, he is still not called insensitive.

The media gives a huge pass to Democrats, or anyone who leans left. Jesse Jackson called New York "Hymietown," another shot at Jews. Jackson doesn't see claims of racism, prejudice or other terms from the media, but Rush Limbaugh receives these accusations constantly.

This pass even exists in the American public. During President Barack Obama's campaign in 2008 and the beginning of his presidency, he said his stance on gay marriage aligned with scripture. He said since the Bible said no, he said no. Earlier this year

though, he said his view on gay marriage was "evolving," which is fine. If he follows scripture, however, his view shouldn't be evolving since scripture isn't evolving.

The media and the public didn't jump down Obama's throat to point out this inconsistency. The public overlooks these events because the media does. The media overlooks these because they lean left.

Earlier this year, when secret service agents hired prostitutes in Columbia, there wasn't a big uproar. They were agents who made mistakes. But when troops under the Bush Administration were committing atrocities in the Middle East, the media said "the fish rots from the head" implying Bush was the reason for these atrocities.

Many think tanks, such as the Pew Research Center, have come out with studies over the years giving Democrats anywhere from a six to 11-point advantage in the polls, just from the media bias favoring the left. Any advantage from the media gives candidates a better shot at elections, regardless of their stances.

I have experienced this bias as well.

Having written a fair amount of articles for the Barometer, I take the libertarian stance, which many people interpret as to the right. Because of this, I've heard negative comments, remarks, been called names and experienced all kinds of reaction from people. They don't agree so I'm "racist."

But if someone writes a politically left article, he/she is compassionate and in touch with what we need in America. The bias reaches all the way to college newspapers.

So, as the race for the presidency thickens, take note of articles and reports from MSNBC, CNN, the New York Times, Los Angeles Times and any other news outlet. More times than not, articles about Romney and Ryan will be negative while articles about Obama and Biden will remain positive.

"Fox is politically right." Yes, they are. But they don't deny it, and that's one media outlet, while the left has many more, and they don't claim to support the left.

The media can do whatever it wants. People can believe whatever they want. I only urge you and everyone else out there to recognize this bias.

## Pell Grant payback should not fall on students

Daily Forty-Niner Editorial Board

Here today, gone tomorrow. These are the words Florida State College in Jacksonville, students are using when referring to their financial aid.

In what would be any poor college student's nightmare, more than 1,300 students of FSCJ will have to payback their Pell Grants to the government. The Pell Grants were awarded to them between the 2010-11 and the 2011-12 school years.

Apparently, the school goofed and gave Pell Grants to students submitting appeals without proper documentation, rather than following the initial application process.

A federal review found the school gave away these grants wrongfully, resulting in a \$2.8 million loss from 780 students during the 2010-11 school year. Since then, another

500 illegitimate grants have surfaced for the following academic year.

Thus, these students are being forced to make up the difference in cash that they have already spent on tuition, books, rent or whatever else a college student needs.

Pell Grants are not the same as student loans, so when they are awarded, students don't expect to pay the money back.

There is no reason to hold onto this money, which is why most of it is used up quickly on college expenditures.

While this money was unjustly given away, it is unfair to expect these students to pay back money. It was not the students' fault the school gave them the grants incorrectly.

The staff awarding the grants was not properly trained and gave away these grants erroneously.

The school has set aside \$3 million to cover the costs, but as more illegitimate Pell Grant gaffs surface, it will likely not be enough. So now it falls upon the shoulders of these students to either come up with a good reason why they deserved the money or bite the bullet and sign up for a payment plan.

Some will say that even though the students were not responsible for receiving the money, they were still rewarded money that was not theirs to have. Financial aid has never been an entitlement, it is a privilege.

Financial aid isn't a right, but once it is awarded, it is a student's money to spend, however he or she sees fit. Students should be able to spend their grants without the worry that it will need to be paid back. That is what loans are for.

There are strict regulations as to who re-

ceives grants from the government. They are reserved for low-income undergraduates.

Students receive Pell Grants based on financial need, the status of student and the overall price of tuition.

If both the staff at FSCJ and students had a better understanding as to what qualifies a student for financial aid, this problem would not exist.

The staff would not have given away unwarranted grants, and the students would not have applied for the grants in the first place.

Yet, at the end of the day it is hard to place the blame on the students. It was the school's financial aid office that made the blunder, so FSCJ should pick up the tab. This probably isn't the first time something like this will happen and errors in bureaucracy will continue to screw students out of their money.

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# Removing the stigma

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It has been a bloody couple of weeks: a barrage of bullets at a midnight movie screening, a hate-fueled massacre at a Sikh temple, a shootout on the outskirts of a Texas university and now, most recently, a close call when a security guard thwarted a gunman's attempt to open fire at a "pro-family" organization in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday.

The recent spate of random gun violence has predictably reignited the "right to bear arms" debate, with politicians from both sides of the aisle using these recent incidents as evidence either for stricter or for looser gun laws. Arguments from both sides are flawed — the world created by the right's desire to loosen gun control legislation would probably resemble a shoot-em-up scene from a mid-century Western flick, while the left's version with stricter controls ensures the upper hand for criminals who disregard the law and acquire guns anyway. It is unclear whether arming or disarming everyone would have changed the outcome in any of the recent cases of gun violence, but there is certainly a common thread among them: the unstable mind that pulled the trigger.

James Holmes, who gunned down 12 and injured 58 people at a Colorado movie theater, had been seeing a psychiatrist who warned police of a potential threat weeks before Holmes opened fire. Emotional disturbances and

alcoholism plagued Wade Page before he opened fire in a Wisconsin Sikh temple, injuring four and killing six others, including himself. Texas shooter Thomas Caffall had been similarly suffering from mental issues. Even though a security guard's heroics may have prevented a massacre in Washington this week, it is likely that evidence will indicate that Floyd Corkins II, the gunman in that case, had been suffering from some psychological turmoil.

Generally such disturbed individuals display many clear warning signals before perpetrating violence. Alarming behavior, emotional distress, previous incidents — the offender was all but destined to act. Media reports on each incident are so similar that they appear to come from a common template.

Perhaps the clarity of hindsight and our need to find reason during tragedy exaggerates this phenomenon, but I think there is something else at work. If we can so easily uncover psychological triggers after a shooting has already occurred, we should be able to do the same before anyone gets hurt. But we don't, and it's because we're afraid to so.

Despite major advancements in science and theory alike, mental illness remains massively stigmatized in our society. To acknowledge mental illness in ourselves or in others, especially those close to us, is to acknowledge a reality wholly incompatible with our highly technical, precision-based and constantly-moving world. The invisibility of mental illness allows us to deny its existence

until it manifests in our physical reality — as violence, as suicide or as any danger to ourselves and others.

Failing to address mental illness allows the illness to grow until its effects are undeniable and, sometimes, indiscriminating between the self and others. Had Page received adequate help for his emotional distress and drinking habits, the Wisconsin Sikh temple may have had a peaceful morning of prayer. If officers had not shrugged off warnings about Holmes, a crowd of Colorado moviegoers may have simply enjoyed the latest Batman movie. And had he been compliant with his medication regimen, Jared Loughner — who shot and killed six and injured 14, including former U.S. Representative Gabrielle Giffords, in Arizona last year — may have found peace from the voices in his head.

The horrible irony of mental illness is that sufferers are often left without the capacity to help themselves — they may not be able to recognize their illness or might feel intrinsically averse to receiving help. Thus, we must recognize and acknowledge mental illness when it is present and make sure that adequate treatment is given.

According to the National Institutes of Health, one in four adults experience a mental health disorder in a given year, and of those adults, fewer than one-third of adults with a diagnosable mental disorder receive mental health services. It is time to end the stigma. We need to accept mental illness as a natural part of human existence.



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