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University of Idaho student Mark Olson served a tour in Iraq from 2005-2006, he is now home and pursing a career to help other veterans adjust back to normal lifestyles

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Amber Emery Argonaut

While most Americans spent May 4, 2006, enjoying the simplicities of spring and hanging out with friends and family, University of Idaho senior Mark Olson was in Baghdad, Iraq, driving an armored vehicle and looking for improvised explosive devices.

An IED detonated near Olson and his vehicle - killing three friends and fellow soldiers.

"The explosion caused a projectile of some sort that just shot in there and blew a hole in their vehicle," Olson said. "Quinton was torn in half - not much could be done for him - and Reinke bled and had severe burns. Lufkin was pulled out and but his body was thrashed, he made it back and was able to have his surgeries. About three weeks later, he was going into his last surgery before going home and his body just couldn't take it. He died as a result of what happened on May 4."

duties included protecting the noncombatant chaplain, supporting fellow soldiers by checking their well-being and morale and patrolling Baghdad roads looking for IEDs.

Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

"It was taxing as hell," Olson said. "I mean it was pretty tough. There were some guys who were out on the roads five, six days a week in maybe 140 degree weather with their uniform, guns, armor, boots and helmet on them while they stood for 10 hours."

Olson said there isn't a day that goes by he doesn't think about what happened to his friends. He said coming home and attending school has given him the opportunity and initiative to dedicate his life to improving the lives of veterans.

Olson is a Washington native and Army veteran who served four years as an active duty solider, including his Iraq tour from Nov. 2005 to Oct. 2006. He is currently a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and said female veterans

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currently serving Guard/Reserve whie attending school

Mark Olson | Courtesy

Mark Olson stands with fellow soldiers while on deployment in Baghdad, Iraq. Olson served a one-year tour in Iraq.

Olson was the chaplain's assistant in the 5th Engineering Battalion. His

Arianna Anchustegui

Argonaut

From books to planes and now,

back to books, third year law student

Angel Betancourt recently founded

the Idaho Veteran's Law Associa-

Washington University and serving

four years in Iraq on the Tactical Air

Control Party, Betancourt is now

President of the IVLA after he pro-

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tion at the University of Idaho.

Information received from Dan Button, Veterans Adviser at the UI Veterans Assistance Office

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Law school recognizes veteran issues

posed the student organization to the Student Bar Association last spring.

"I think that before you take the lead, you really do need to learn how to follow and see how things are happening," Betancourt said. "I think I did that and once I knew the ins and outs of what and how things happen around here, I decided to stand up and do something."

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Honored veterans, proud Vandals

said. "The school and the pro-

Danielle Wiley Argonaut

Seth Topliff, a University of Idaho student and United States Air Force veteran, said veterans who attend UI are proud to serve and proud to be Vandals because the Office of Veterans Affairs and the UI Veterans Center both work to help military students succeed. 'They spoil me," Topliff

fessors here really want veterans and students to succeed." Topliff served in the U.S.

Air Force as a crew chief before attending UI, serving in the UK and certain parts of Africa. After his honorable discharge from the air force, he decided to become a Vandal and now studies mechanical engineering.

"I decided to go to college after watching my family come here, and it was a dream of mine to get a degree," Topliff said.

Topliff is one of 296 students at UI who use veteran benefits and resources, said Scott Oplinger, UI assistant

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Moscow elects Lambert, new city council members

Andrew Jenson Argonaut

Former Moscow city councilman Bill Lambert will be sworn into office as the next mayor of Moscow after ousting eight-year incumbent Nancy Chaney for the position during Tuesday's local elections.

Lambert said he felt great about the election results and thinks the election represents a desire for change in Moscow.

"I think the people of Moscow wanted a change, and wanted us to get back on track, get back on focus and that's what I'm going to be about - getting us right back where we need to be," Lambert said.

Lambert said there are terrific things that could lie ahead for Moscow.

'We don't know what we can't do here yet, that's the scary thing," Lambert said. "And we've got so much talent here in Moscow that I

want to explore all avenues for us."

Lambert said short-term, what comes next is getting city staff familiar with how he manages.

"It's getting city staff on page so everybody knows how I operate as a manager, because I've talked about my management skills and being a facilitator and doing those types of things," Lambert said.

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Habanero stuffed mushrooms

Curtis Ginnetti Argonaut

I make stuffed mushrooms because a hearty vegetarian meal like this will fill me up and still be fairly healthy. Peppers give the mushroom a nice kick, which is something that I enjoy. They also give the mushroom another taste profile beside its original, strong taste. The heat is very manageable, even with the habaneros. The cheese takes out a lot of the initial bite but leaves the taste intact. For a sweeter mushroom with less kick, go with a chili pepper or Serrano pepper.

Ingredients

Portabello Mushrooms 1/3 cup cream cheese per mushroom

1/4 cup parmesan cheese per mushroom 1 habanero pepper per

mushroom Serrano peppers or chili

peppers (if you want it less

spicy) 1/6 Onion, minced per mushroom 1/3 clove garlic per mushroom

Directions

1. Preheat oven at 375 degrees Fahrenheit.

2. Pull stem mushrooms out and scoop out the inside brown part of mushroom with a spoon. Save these, it will be part of stuffing.

3. Dice mushroom stem, onion, peppers and garlic.

4. Sauté over medium-high heat stove for 5-7 minutes.

5. Combine cream cheese and parmesan cheese in a mixing bowl.

6. Add in sautéed ingredients and mix well.

7. Fill upper side of mushroom with mixture.

8. Bake for 10-15 minutes. Curtis Ginnetti can be reached at

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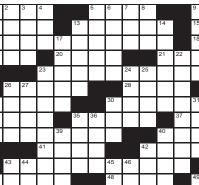
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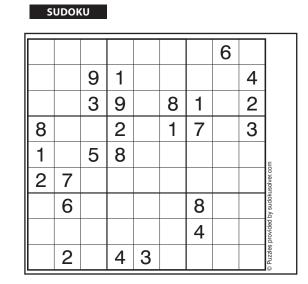


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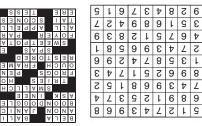


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LUNCHANDLATE NIGHT Student-owned Sauced to open Monday will serve global themed tacos, fries

Emily Aizawa Argonaut

A small wooden building that could easily be overlooked is now the location for late night \$2 tacos.

The non-traditional restaurant, Sauced, is owned and operated by three University of Idaho undergraduate students and will celebrate its grand opening Monday.

Special grand opening hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 3 a.m.

Normal business hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for lunch and winter late night hours are Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., closed Sundays.

Sauced is a tacos and fries shop that features 10 globally inspired sauces to smother your tacos, burritos or fries with, said Samantha Hansen, head chef and coowner of Sauced.

When talking about opening a restaurant the immediate answer was global tacos, which she said are a trend right now.

"Tacos are a really excellent medium for global flavors because the whole world, every food culture, has a similar presentation, flatbread and meat," she said.

The menu is very simple, which works well with the location - what Hansen called a glorified food stand. She said the idea is fast food in terms of prices and speed, but to produce homemade, cooked to order food.

The 10 home recipe sauces include South Carolina BBQ, ranch, taco cream, salsa roja, salsa verde, Ethiopian Berbere, curry, Thai peanut, vanilla teriyaki and queso.



Amos Rothstein, Max Cowan and Samantha Hansen clean up for the grand opening of Sauced, a taco and fries stand to be located on the corner of 6th and Jackson Streets in Moscow. The three co-owners are all student leaders at UI.

Six of the sauces are vegan friendly.

Sauced is an alternativefood-lifestyle-friendly restaurant, she said. Meaning they are very conscious and open to those with any type of food allergy, restrictions or choices.

"For those people who are scared by the phrase vegan, don't be," said Max Cowan, co-owner of Sauced. "It's a total accident, they taste fantastic. It's not a vegan sauce, the sauce just happens to be vegan."

fresh vegetables and organic ingredients, Hansen said. Though seasonal changes make this difficult, Sauced is trying to source locally as much as possible.

"We're unique and we provide something that no one else in the area provides," Cowan said. "There are flavors from around the world that you can't get anywhere else here in Moscow."

The idea of opening a restaurant did not start in a conventional way.

"We were at The Garden, All the food is made with having a couple drinks, when I said, 'Hey, I really want a taco but no one can drive us to Taco Bell.' Then Sam said, 'We should do something about this, what if we opened a taco place?"" said Amos Rothstein, coowner of Sauced.

When the property became available, though it started out as a drunken idea, the thought of it actually working started to form, Hansen said.

"The realtor really helped with the finances and process of buying the property," she said. "After that it just unfolded and became a reality."

A taco tasting party was held in order to assess the feasibility of opening a restaurant, she said.

About 70 people showed up to give their opinion of the 10 different sauces. The owners received their data and approval ratings, taking the feedback and producing a product that people are willing and ready to buy.

Hansen said Moscow has a very healthy late night crowd, who don't have many options of late night food. Sauced is close to campus and close to downtown, making it a great place for late night snacks.

All three of the busy owners have thought about how this is going to affect schedules because their they are not just students, but student leaders as well. However, their class load can be lowered and they will make sure to plan their future class schedules around the hours of the restaurant, Hansen said. Their schedules are full but flexible.

"We don't have families to worry about or steady jobs to worry about," she said. "We're in the right place in our lives to just do something just a little bit crazy."

The trio hopes to hire another employee in the spring as long as they are making enough money and moving enough products to sustain the investment, she said.

"We are letting students know that this is not an impossible thing to do," Rothstein said. "You as a student, if you have an idea and have good people and have a way to find means, can make a business. There are a lot of good ideas here at UI and there aren't enough of them coming forth and we are doing that."

Hansen said at UI the legacy of leading is often talked about and as students, the owners of Sauced are doing this in a variety of ways.

"We are really lucky in Moscow, to have a town that supports its students and viceversa," Rothstein said.

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Gathering perspective

RHA reviews Dean of Students draft of student code of conduct, offer input, feedback

Jake Smith Argonaut

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In keeping with thier proposed, transparency, the University of Idaho Dean of Students Office asked members

of the Residence Hall Association to give their feedback on the proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct.

Although the code of conduct has been revised four times in July 1992, 1998 1993. and 2005, the version cur-

rently provided on the UI website is nearly identical save for the second sentence in section IV-9 — to the code of conduct that appeared in the 1969 handbook.

Craig Chatriand, associate dean of students, asked RHA and housing representatives to review and consider the changes that could be made to the code of conduct.

RHA Senate reviewed the changes over a week and gave Chatriand feedback on Oct. 21. Among the representatives, Ann Wardlaw Targhee president and RHA representative - and Michael Lowe,

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Madison Maynard, **RHA Vice President**

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representing (those communities) and that gives, at least a wider range of viewpoint," McLeod said.

Throughout the senate, there were three topics in the proposed changes that struck a cord: off-campus jurisdiction, an amnesty policy and the jurisdiction process.

UI's current off-campus jurisdiction, according to McLeod, does not accurately and effectively reprimand punishable actions committed off-campus. McLeod said although hazing is only one aspect of off-campus jurisdiction, it is a pertinent example of how these changes will further assist the student body.

Madison Maynard, RHA vice president, was initially bothered by the thought of being punished for even minor offenses off-campus. Such a widespread judicial system concerned her, she said.

"The more I thought about it, the more I understand where they're coming from," Maynard said.

Hazing, as brought up by Chatriand during an RHA senate meeting, was what made Maynard realize how beneficial the off-campus jurisdiction would be for the student body.

Hazing doesn't solely include Greek life, which was exemplified at the meeting. Sports teams and other organizations were also a part of the discussion at the senate meeting.

The current student code is limited, McLeod said,

and with the changes being brought about, the university can appropriately secure more students in the future.

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multiple RHA members.

Although it was still in the

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McLeod doesn't see this ongoing process as a way to change the code of conduct, but rather a way to expand upon it.

Since the current code of conduct is based off the original, which was drafted in 1969, McLeod expressed interest in the idea of technology, from social media to illegally downloaded music, being present in the student code.

"So, if I'm harassing you over Facebook, the university should be able to come in and deal with that issue," McLeod said. "Under the current code of conduct, they can't really address that issue because in '69 they didn't have Internet."

He doesn't believe that would give the university too much power.

"Obviously, I don't want the university to be like Big Brother ... coming down on us, controlling everything we've ever done," McLeod said.

Mavnard was also interested in changes to the judicial process, which

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Matt Jessup, IVLA executive board member and social media manager, said the IVLA has been successful so far this year because of Betancourt's hard work.

"Angel is very passionate about veteran's issues," Jessup said.

As a veteran himself, Betancourt thought it was important to create awareness of the presence of veterans at UI's law school. He said it's easy to get caught up in academics and forget about the rest of the world.

'We're letting our students know that there are veterans among them, that means people that serve their country, people that have been deployed and people that have had difficult experiences," Betancourt said. "The country is still at war and I think because it's been so long that we don't really talk or think about it anymore, there are still people dying."

Currently, the IVLA consists of both veterans and non-veterans, totaling 12 active members. Betancourt said anyone interested can join.

Graduate and Professional Student Association President Kate Cobb and Betancourt teamed up to plan a veterans dinner for Monday — Veterans Day.

In order to cover catering costs, the IVLA accepted donations from the SBA, the UI Diversity and Civil Rights Center and GPSA. ASUI agreed to sponsor the dinner, as well as the Dean of Students Office through the Veterans Center.

The dinner will be held in the International Ballroom located on the second floor of the Student Union Building. It will be free for all veterans and open to the community.

"Sometimes soldiers come back not necessarily as strong as when they left," Betancourt said. "I think it's important for those that are healthy and able to unite and be the strength that they need."

Retired colonel, local lawyer and UI Law school alum. Robert Wakefield is scheduled to speak at the Veterans Day dinner.

"The sky's the limit (for IVLA)," Betancourt said. "As veterans that have served, we have a social and moral responsibility to be the strength for returning airmen, soldiers and sailors. It's important to me, it's important to the veterans here."

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crisis of health.

"I think that's the what they're trying to get at (is) to facilitate as much as possible that people (can call) for help without getting into trouble, or that fear of getting into trouble," Maynard said.

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veterans adviser.

Oplinger said students who receive the educational benefits can be veterans, active duty or the dependents - children and spouses - of a veteran. He said this fall 105 new students started using the benefits.

Topliff said he is receiving support from his earned GI Bill, Disability Support Services and other resources such as the POLYA lab and engineering tutoring from UI.

"I left the military 70 percent disabled," Topliff said. "So for me I use DSS ... and it's a big thing, it's very helpful for me with studying, taking tests ... with my disabilities it's hard for me to sit in a big classroom and take a test ... so they sit me in a quiet room where I can focus on my test and my test only."

Oplinger said there is a range of different benefits for veterans and dependents.

Dan Button, veterans adviser, said even though the GI Bill is what both Button and Oplinger mostly handle, the Veterans Assistance Office and Veterans Center have lots of resources for

veterans and dependents.

"All of our veterans, all of our combat veterans for sure, are a reflection of our general population of veterans that served 11 now going on 12 years in the conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq," Button said. "As many as 20 percent of our combat veterans suffer some type of PTS or PTSD. We don't specifically screen for it or track it here ... but we are alert to any symptoms or struggles a veteran may exhibit and offer referral assistance at the first hint of trouble, often to our own UI Counseling and Testing Center."

Button said he and Oplinger like to have a general conversation with new student veterans about when and where they served, whether they are a combat veteran and a general frame of reference if they are carrying any disability, as a result of their service.

Veterans who come to UI with a disability due to service have numerous educational resources available to them including DSS and Operation Education – a unique scholarship program created and operated by UI since 2007.

"We've only had 19 recipients since 2007," Button said.

Button said the criteria for Op-

eration Education is mostly geared toward a veteran's physical disabilities and that physical disabilities include traumatic brain injury. Any students who are disabled due to military service should go to the Veterans Center and talk to either Oplinger or Button about benefits they may be eligible to receive.

'What we do here is that we are a safe office that they can come to," Button said. "They can discuss questions, concerns or challenges they are facing, while coming back to the civilian world in general or in this higher education environment."

Button said the U.S. has offered the GI Bill to veterans since WWII, but for the first time ever since 9/11, the GI Bill allows career service members while still on active duty, to transfer their GI Bill to their children and spouses. These members can also split the benefits however they want to help their personal situation with their family, Button said.

"That's really important" Button said. "A lot of people who went to war after 9/11 might not use the bill, but their family who supported them and paid a price may be able to go. It's a great way for our country to show gratitude for the many

sacrifices of not only the service member, but their family as well."

Oplinger said the GI Bill education benefit payments total about \$2 million per semester to UI and the surrounding community. These payments vary from veteran to veteran but are provided to offset the cost of attending college including tuition, fees, textbooks, food, rent and utilities, Button said.

Topliff said that most recipients who use 100 percent of their GI Bill benefits have \$966 a month for cost of living.

'One of the best things about the post 9/11 GI Bill is that it covers the cost of SHIP," Topliff said.

Topliff said he is grateful for both Button and Oplinger, and all the resources and help they provide to veterans like him. Topliff said UI is one of the best when working with their military members, which has given him a lot of school pride.

Topliff said he recommends that if a student can qualify for these benefits or can use these resources, then they should tap into them.

'When you start looking at the cost of school and what you have to give to succeed, then you see that what the VA offers is so

awesome. They don't want to see you fail," Topliff said.

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Both Button and Oplinger have served in the military and attended college, and Button explained how difficult it can be to transition from military service to being a civilian.

"Veterans come out of what is arguably what is the most highly structured, disciplined, accountable environment that they'll ever operate in to what is arguably the loosest, least structured and least accountable, at least in contrast, environment that will that they'll ever operate in, the college environment," Button said.

Button said many military students make the transition easily, but some struggle a bit to make that transition back into the academic environment.

"There is no one is specifically looking out for them or holding them accountable like in the military," Button said. "We try to provide our veterans, through the Veterans Center, a place where they can come and ask any questions they have."

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LAMBERT

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Lambert said he is humbled by the results and the position, and recognizes the importance of his new role.

"I'm going to focus on our city like I said all the way through the campaign and focus on the things that we need to — that not only I think need to be done, but need to be done collectively as citizens here in Moscow," Lambert said. "I look forward to working with everybody."

Lambert will replace Chaney, who expressed her disappointment in the results shortly after the election.

"Well, certainly I'm disappointed on a personal level. I really enjoy my work as mayor," Chaney said. "I think I've done the best job I know how to do over these last eight years and invested a lot of my emotional self, as well as my intellectual self, in that job."

Chaney said serving as Moscow's mayor was a great honor, and she wishes the best for her successors.

'Serving as mayor of the city of Moscow has been one of the greatest honors and inspirations of my life," Chaney said. "I have appreciated the opportunity to serve in that capacity and I wish the future leaders of our city the very best as they forge new relationships with the University of Idaho and others across the community. I certainly hope that it is as open and accessible a process as I've tried to make it for our city.'

Chaney's term officially ends in January, but she said she will serve to the best of her ability until that time and will be involved in projects concerning Legacy Crossing and the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport, until

"Well, who knows, who knows?" Rod said. "I have a lot of folks that were pulling for me and stuff, and so the amount that folks won by isn't that much. So, you know, we'll see what happens with these folks."

Weber said Rod did very well for a newcomer, and he appreciated the cleanliness of the campaign.

Rod managed to pull in 21 percent of the vote, while Weber and Steed both carried approximately 24 percent and Bettge lead the pack with nearly 30 percent.

Weber said he thinks Moscow is looking for change, as evidenced by his and Lambert's victories.

'But, I think that with Bill and winning by almost 800 votes and then I won again after being away from the council for four years Walter stayed on the council - I think, I think the town said they're ready for a little change," Weber said.

This will be Weber's second term with the council. Weber previously lost a bid against Chaney for the mayoral office in 2009.

Bettge said he looks to create a middle ground for the people in Moscow, implementing his vision of working cooperatively, not competitively.

'But, the message for Moscow of that meeting in the middle - bringing people together from both sides instead of busy being competitive and making, oh just a one note campaign out of it, where anything good for somebody else means something bad for me as a result," Bettge said.

Bettge said he will start by addressing small and easy issues and gradually move on to the larger ones.

Steed said he is glad with the election results and looks to continue working for Moscow, especially through the Entryway Beautification Project.

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he jokingly keeps his age a secret from his fraternity brothers because - like many soldiers - he's a lot older than most of his peers.

"We're not 18 when we come in, it's a lot different," Olson said. "While starting college at 18 is scary, try being out of school for four, five and in some cases 10 years and then trying to get into school. That's almost scarier because depending on how old you are, you can really be out of the loop as far as things like technology and homework goes."

Olson said 9/11 largely attributed to his decision to join the military. He said he remembers watching the news that day and noticed the panic the nation was in. He said he wanted to do something to help.

"I remember seeing that and really wanting to do something," Olson said. "There were so many firefighters and first aid and blood donations going into New York and we knew there were going to be other parts to that. I wasn't trained medically and I didn't have anything to offer but protecting people, and keeping it from happening again was the kind of thing I was looking for." Despite the hardships, Olson said his time in Iraq changed his worldview, because witnessed he small, positive changes in Iraqi culture over the course of his deployment. "The big point for me where I saw a turn is when George Bush was speaking in Baghdad and someone threw a shoe at him," Olson said. "A lot of people were like 'see, they think Bush is an asshole,' but I know he

The fact that he could have the ability to think throw-

ing a shoe is not going to get him killed, that's a step in the right direction.'

Olson is also an Operation Education scholar - he receives additional fi-

nancial assistance, academic tutoring and various other support services because of the disability he acquired in the line of duty.

"In January of 06', I was in a car accident involving a little pickup truck that was speeding. I was driving with two captains, basically it was rainy conditions and they knocked us off. I have a compressed disk in my lower back with torn tissue," Olson said. "I also have hearing problems from all of the explosions, I have to wear hearing aids most of

warriors, heroes, marines, whatever you want to call them - what they give and what they put into deserves

a lot of respect and a lot of support." On Veter-

ans Day, Olson is used to receiving 'thank yous' from his peers, friends and family, but he said there is a different way people can show their military appreciation this year.

"You don't

have to necessarily go up and thank a veteran, it's nice and we appreciate it, I would never say we don't," Olson said. "But take time to appreciate some of the freedoms that you have. Especially on a day like Veterans Day — there's many people who don't enjoy half of the freedoms that we do - appreciate what veterans do and do it in a way where you don't squander the gift that is freedom and liberty and justice for all. That's what we want to see."

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Mark Olson, veteran

While starting college at 18 is scary,

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Lambert is officially mayor.

Three city council seats were also filled.

Walter Steed was re-elected to his seat and will be accompanied by Arthur Bettge and John Weber, who previously served in city government positions. Steed, Bettge and Weber defeated newcomer Rebecca Rod.

Rod said she learned a lot during the election, but was disappointed.

"Just, you know, kind of ran the good race and learned a lot while I was running, met a lot of great people, had some fun," Rod said. "And, you know, it's just (a) pretty, pretty interesting process. I'm disappointed for Mayor Chaney and for myself and stuff, but really happy for (Bettge)."

Despite her defeat, Rod hinted that she might run again in the next two years.

"That was something that I have been working forward on, since I was defeated my first time I ran for city council," Steed said. "This has been a long time coming. We now have a committee, I'm chair of it, to work toward that."

The project aims to beautify city entrances with the goal of making them characteristically and aesthetically pleasing.

Steed expressed his appreciation for the election results.

"Just really appreciative of the citizens and it's a good evening. I'm glad it's over," Steed said.

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the time."

Olson is studying public relations and plans to use his degree in a career where he can help veterans survive after returning home from war.

"I've had one too many friends think that the only way out is through killing themselves. They didn't know how to deal with it," Olson said. "I'm a firm believer of standing up for the weak - I don't care if I never make a million dollars and I only own two suits my whole life, to me what these

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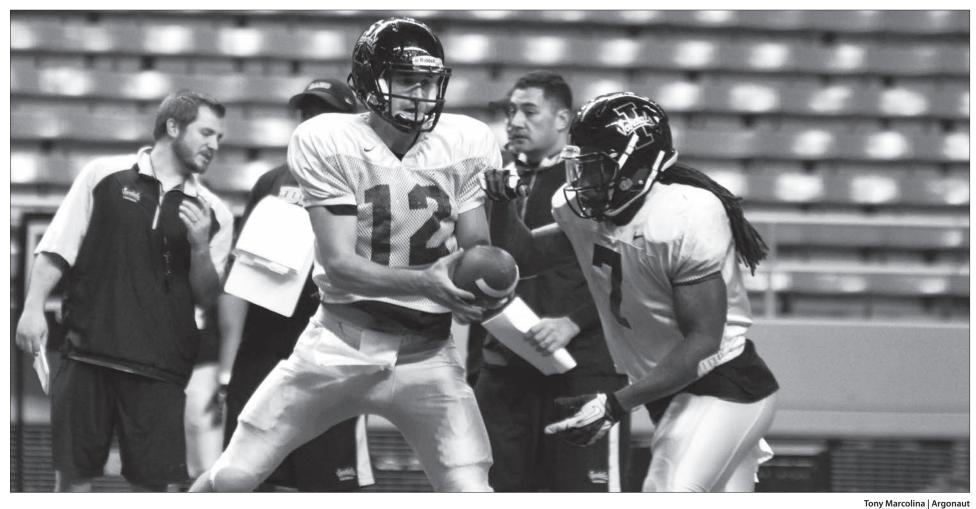
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SPORTS

Vandal volleyball plays Seattle U for Senior Day 7 p.m. Friday in Memorial Gym.

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Senior quarterback Taylor Davis hands the ball off to senior running back James Baker during practice Wednesday at the Kibbie Dome. The Vandals will take on Old Dominion for Senior Day 2 p.m. Saturday at the Kibbie Dome. For 17 seniors, it will be the last home game of their careers.

Setting an example

Idaho's 17 seniors try to get the coveted home-winning streak started

Sean Kramer Argonaut

By virtue of coaches' choice or by virtue of the depth chart, seniors play an integral role on Senior Day - the final home football game of the season.

On Saturday, Idaho will start a senior quarterback on Senior Day for the fourth consecutive season. Senior quarterback Taylor Davis wasn't the starter in week one, and isn't just getting a series because it's his last home game.

Davis will lead Idaho and a group of 17 seniors on Saturday against the Old Dominion Monarchs in Idaho's final home game of the season.

Old Dominion is one of the more winnable games on Idaho's difficult independent slate this season. Old Dominion, a FBStransitional school, is 6-3 on the season, though all of its wins have come against FCS schools. The Monarchs will transition into Conference USA next season as a

full-FBS member.

"They've played six games they've been able to win and there's something to that," Idaho coach Paul Petrino said. "There's something to winning and knowing how to win and finding ways to win."

Handing the reins of the offense to Davis came out of necessity with injuries to the two quarterbacks in front of him, though it could be said the fifth-year senior has paid his dues leading up to this moment.

He's never started a season atop the quarterback depth chart, and ended up on the wrong end of two different quarterback controversies (2011 and 2012), throughout his career.When relegated to the third-string quarterback in his final season, Davis stepped up and was a gunner on the special teams unit just so he could get on the field. Back then, he didn't even think about

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the chance to start this game.

NOTABLE SENIORS:

QB Taylor Davis - Boulder Creek High School - Anthem, Ariz.

Will be making the sixth start in his career.

RB James Baker

- Independence College - Independence, Kan. Should graduate as

Idaho's leading rusher in 2013.

DT QuayShawne Buckley

- Colony High School -Ontario, Calif.

Has amassed a careerhigh eight tackles for loss heading into senior day.

TE Michael LaGrone

- McQueen High School - Reno, Nev.

Five year senior, caught at least 10 receptions in every season.

WR Najee Lovett

- Contra Costa College San Pablo, Calif.

Lovett is Idaho's leading receiver since 2012, with 74 catches as a Vandal.

STrey Williams

- Lefore County High School – Itta Bena, Miss. The fifth-year senior had his first career interception at Arkansas State this season.

Highlight reel showing

Korbin McDonald

Men's basketball put on a show at exhibition game, now look to get season going

ics (NAIA). Walla Walla forward Stephen Madison, Madison said the team is



Argonaut

Whether it was Sekou Wiggs's two high flying dunks, Glen Dean emerging as a potential star or Connor Hill dropping 22 points to lead the Vandals to a commanding victory, there was a lot to smile about Tuesday in Memorial Gym.

"I thought we played really hard, we played with a lot of energy and intensity, especially early, and we got them out of their offense - which was good to see," said Idaho basketball coach Don Verlin, who saw his men's basketball team win over Walla Walla.

The Vandals won the game 90-49 over Walla Walla, who is a part of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athlet-

started its season 0-4 before heading to Moscow to play the Vandals in the exhibition game.

Junior guard Connor Hill was impressive with his 22 points, but newcomer Glen Dean stole the show with his overall performance. Dean scored 13 points, only missing once from the field, going a perfect 3-of-3 from behind the arc and 5-of-6 overall. He also added two rebounds, five assists and one steal in 20 minutes of play.

Verlin might have found his starting point guard in Dean, but junior Mike Scott isn't far behind him. The two combined for seven assists and four steals, both having a huge impact in the game.

"They are great players,' said senior who had four points and six rebounds of his own. "They came in here with a pass-first mentality and that's what you want your point guards to be, and they can shoot on top of that, so that's a huge plus."

Dean and Scott were finding open players all night, and Connor Hill might have benefited the most.

"Well he (Hill) better (benefit), because they both can pass it," Verlin said. "They both are very good at driving the lane and finding him, and I think he will really benefit from having them on the team."

With 10 new players, there was some question on how fast this team could come together. Even though they were playing a team that clearly wasn't the talent level of the Vandals, coming together and starting to mesh well.

Looking ahead, the Vandals will welcome the Western Illinois Leathernecks at 7 p.m. on Saturday in Memorial Gym. The Leathernecks went 22-9 (13-3 in conference) in 2012-13 and were one win away from making it to the NCAA Tournament.

Leading the way for Western Illinois is the 6-foot-6 senior forward, Adam Link, who averaged nearly 10 points per game last season. He will be relied upon to pick up the points that Ceola Clark and Terell Parks left behind, two all-league performers last season who have graduated Western Illinois.

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Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

Point Guard Mike Scott makes a jump shot during Tuesday's exhibition game against Walla Walla in Memorial Gym. The Vandals had a 90-49 win to start off their season, and will be playing Western Illinois at 7 p.m. Saturday in Memorial Gym, for their regular season opener.

Idaho meets Seattle for third consecutive match at WAC Tournament

Curtis Ginnetti Argonaut

For the fourth year in a row, the Idaho soccer team has received an invitation to the WAC Tournament set to take place Friday in Las Cruces, N.M.

The road to the tournament has been an unsure one, this year, as the team had a rough start to the season losing all pre-conference matches and placing fifth in the WAC standings.

The only reason the Vandals now have the chance to be WAC champions and possibly play on the NCAA level is because fourth place, Grand Canyon, is ineligible for postseason play due to league stipulations on its

entrance into the WAC.

"We're there because we're meant to be there and if we weren't then we weren't good enough to be there. But we are, so we're going to take that with both hands (and) seize it as well as we can," Idaho coach Pete Showler said.

Even as the final weekend of conference play ended, the Vandals place in the WAC Tournament was unsure and ultimately came down to Cal State-Bakersfield and its loss to New Mexico State.

Idaho was ahead of Cal State-Bakersfield in standings by only one win, so the fourth-place seed in the tournament came down to Cal State winning one more match last weekend than Idaho. Both teams lost their pair of matches giving Idaho the seed and tournament berth.

"There were a few times (when a tournament appearance was unsure) but we were always staying positive," senior Chelsie Breen said. "We kind of got lucky but we made it, so we will do what we have to do when we're there."

This tournament will be the fourth for Breen who has played 80 games, the fourth most at Idaho. Breen has started in 79 of those matches.

In the first round of play set for 10:30 a.m., the Vandals play conference leader Seattle U for their third match up in a row. In the nine years Showler has coached at Idaho, he has never played a team three times in succession — until now.

There is a lot of firsts and hopefully it will be the first time we beat them," Showler said.

Idaho has never defeated Seattle in the six years the two teams have played. Seattle has outscored Idaho in the series 17-3 with four shutouts.

"We definitely know their strengths and weaknesses and we broke them down several times (Sunday), we just got to continue doing that and working on that more," Breen said. "We scored in the first minute and shocked them so we're just going to go out and destroy."

If Idaho beats Seattle in the first round, it will move on to the final against the winner of Missouri-Kansas City and Utah Valley.

The winner of the championship round will be the WAC Champion and get an automatic spot in the NCAA Tournament which features the 64 best collegiate soccer teams in the nation.

"This program has never been to that level. For us as a program we take one game at a time, but the hope is we will be in the hat for next Monday's draw and that is what we are pushing for," Showler said.

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Starting with the best

Women's basketball opens at Gonzaga for Preseason WNIT

Stephan Wiebe Argonaut

The Idaho women's basketball team is opening its 2013-14 season just how the 2012-13 season ended playing one of the best teams in the nation.

The 2013 WAC champion Vandals concluded last season with a loss against No. 1 seed and national champion Connecticut in the NCAA Tournament. Now, they start the season playing No. 25 ranked Gonzaga Friday in Spokane in the Preseason Women's National Invitational Tournament. A victory would mark the first win against a ranked opponent in Idaho history.

"It's rough to jump right into the fire, especially with no exhibition games this year, but we want to play the best around the country preseason to get ready for our conference," Idaho coach Jon Newlee said. "Certainly this tournament has those teams in it. I think it's a great honor to be in the WNIT preseason, because it's kind of based on what you did the year before and where they think your program is going."

The Vandals currently have a 20-14 series lead over the Zags but Idaho fell to Gonzaga 97-62 last season in Spokane. Both teams return most of their starters from last year's matchup. Gonzaga returns four starters and most of its bench, while Idaho returns all five starters from last year's championship team.

"They basically have their whole team back, we basically have our whole team back. We're a year older though, starting three freshmen last year and going into that environment in the Kennel is tough," Newlee said. "Obviously the Zags are extremely talented. We're just going to have to play a great game up there. I think we do have something to prove after last year's game."

Idaho's returning start-



Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

Forward Alyssa Charlston practices her 3-point shots during practice Tuesday in the Physical Education Building Gym. During the 2012-13 season, Charlston averaged 13.4 points and 6.9 rebounds per game to lead the Vandals. Idaho takes on Gonzaga for its season opener at 6 p.m. Friday at Spokane.

lection, led the Vandals with 13.4 points and 6.9 rebounds per game last season. She also posted a team-high 45.3 field goal percentage.

"It's been a long preseason, we started pretty early so we're really excited to get out there and test how much we've improved this offseason against some good competition," Charlston said.

The Vandals open with Gonzaga and they are guaranteed to play a minimum of three games in the Preseason WNIT. Idaho's second game will be against either Georgia State or Tennessee-Martin, sometime next week.

The Preseason WNIT, currently in its 20th year, features 10 of its 16 teams coming off NCAA Tournament appearances. A couple of the tournament favorites include NCAA runner-up Louisville and No. 5 ranked Oklahoma. The winner of the 2012 Preseason WNIT was North Carolina, who ended up going 29-7 on the season last year.

The Vandals come into the tournament picked to finish second in the WAC after Seattle U by both the coaches and media polls. Charlston and Barr earned preseason honors for the Vandals.

"Our returners have come back with a lot of confidence and a lot of enthusiasm," Newlee said. "I think the freshmen have really done a good job of catching up to speed. I think the entire team has worked hard so far and we're ready to play somebody else."

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Sports Briefs

Breen, Zuniga receive WAC honors

Idaho soccer players Chelsie Breen and Nitalia Zuniga were honored with postseason All-WAC accolades, Tuesday. Both senior defenders, Breen and Zuniga were named to the first and second WAC team, respectively. Breen, from Cheney, Wash., has started 79 games throughout her Idaho career, setting her fourth all-time in that category. Primarily a center back for the Vandals, Breen has scored three goals and tallied six points for Idaho. Zuniga, a California native, has logged 1,498 minutes for Idaho this season, ranking fourth on the team. She doubled her career assist total in a Sept. 27 game against New Mexico State, dishing out three against the Aggies. The pair of defenders have helped Idaho record 14 shutouts and 32 wins during their four-year careers.

"Chelsie is not the fourth in games started in Idaho history for no reason. Everything she and Nitalia have given to this program, both these honors are well deserved," Idaho coach Pete Showler said. "It goes without saying that we (the coaching staff) see it day in and day out. It is great when other coaches

Bendeck, Lozano honored by WAC

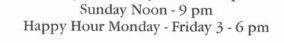
Idaho tennis players Jose Bendeck and Vicky Lozano were named WAC Tennis Players of the Month for October. Bendeck, who went 15-1 during the month, won the ITA Mountain Regional doubles competition with partner Cristobal Ramos Salazar. The pair cruised through the doubles draw and won their semifinal match 8-1, before winning the final 8-2. Bendeck and Ramos Salazar earned a berth to the National Indoor Intercollegiate Championships, for their performance. In the ITA Regional, Bendeck also reached the Round of 16 in singles play before falling to New Mexico's Victor Ouvrard in three sets.

Lozano, a senior from Guadalajara, Mexico, was a combined 12-3 during October, going 5-2 in singles and 7-1 in doubles. Along with partner Almudena Sanz, Lozano won the round-robin doubles draw at the WSU Invite in Pullman. where the duo went 5-0. The pair advanced to the Round of 16 during the Regional tournament, where they fell 8-6. Lozano went 2-1 to take third in singles play at the WSU Invite and won three matches in the Regional Tournament before falling to the eventual champion in the Round of 16. The honor was Bendeck's second of the fall season and

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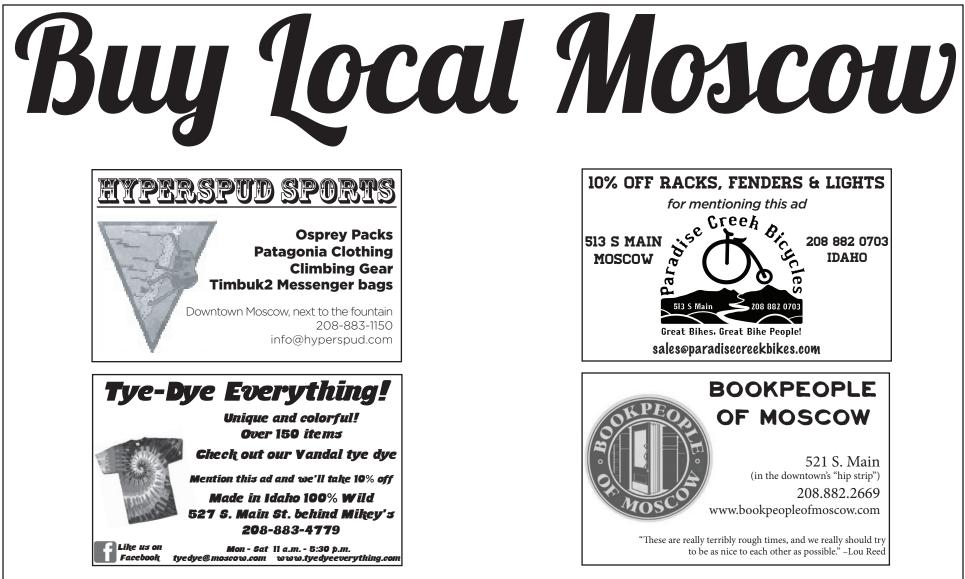
ers from last year's 17-16 team include senior Alyssa Charlston, WAC Tournament MVP Stacey Barr and sophomores Ali Forde, Connie Ballestero and Christina Salvatore. Charlston, a twotime first-team All-WAC se-



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"No, not at all. I'm glad for the opportunity I got. I'm mad that the other quarterbacks went down, but the opportunity arrived and I'm happy for it," Davis said. "It's what I could do for the team. Me and coach talked, he put me on special teams and said 'you're always going to come in if something happens.' It did and I was ready for it."

Davis is one of 17 seniors Petrino inherited when he took over the program. At least seven would-be seniors from last years' roster chose not to stay with the program, by the time the Vandals kicked off at North Texas on Aug. 30.

HEADING OFF TO SEATTLE

"They fought hard all year, and they worked hard and they tried to build everything we can," Petrino said. "They're just part of us coming to work every single day and getting better, and we have gotten a lot better. So I'll always be thankful and do everything I can for what they did."

What this senior class can do for the program moving forward, Petrino said, is to start the home-winning streak the team has been talking about all season. The Vandals are 1-3 at home this season, beating Temple 26-24 for Homecoming, but didn't start the home winning streak with

losses to Fresno State and future conference opponent Texas State. Next season, Idaho will host Western Michigan and four Sun Belt Conference opponents - as winnable a schedule as Idaho will have had in a long time.

"I'm going to always be a Vandal regardless," senior tight end Michael LaGrone said. "If we win this game, then it's a start to the home streak. So we win this game and they come back next season and win all the other games. That means everything to me."

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@VANDALNATION **TWEETS OF THE WEEK**

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- Redshirt freshman quarterback Matt Linehan and kicker Austin Rehkow may be tempted to approach Don Verlin about walk-on opportunities following the football season.



mate Glen Dean.

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Drums that light up, guitar solos, playing while laying down. Whats not to like? Vandal Marching Band, always bringing it.

- The Argonaut's Korbin McDonald finding something to be impressed with during Idaho's loss to Texas State Saturday in the Kibbie Domw.

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The Biscuits and Gravy are exceptionally good today.

- Moscow's favorite bar serves more than tubs of PBR and tequila shots.

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While the Leathernecks have lost their two leading scorers, they might be reloading with an impressive recruiting class, led by Garret Covington, a 6-foot-5 true freshman, who turned down offers from Wisconsin, Indiana and Iowa to go to Western Illinois.

The Vandals will be challenged Saturday night. The big question is which freshmen will be playing this season and which ones will be receiving redshirts. The two freshmen who Verlin said will be playing for sure are Sekou

Wiggs and Perrion Callandret. Verlin said he will know the rest by Friday.

The men's basketball team will be heading into its regular season opener confident after the exhibition win and will be tested by the Leathernecks.

"I think we are going to apply some pressure, we're going to be able to get up and down the court and get some shots in transition, that's the kind of team we're going to be," Verlin said.

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File photo byTony Marcolina | Argonaut Idaho's Kaysha Darcy and Seattle's Mary Hill go for a header during Sunday's game against Seattle U at Guy Wicks Field. The Vandals lost a 3-1, but will have another chance against Seattle in the WAC Championships Friday, Nov. 8 at Las Cruces, N.M.



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Veterans are valuable

Don't let Veterans Day be camouflaged

eterans, student or otherwise, are a critical part of the UI community, making it all the more important to honor Veterans Day this Monday.

According to the UI Veterans Assistance Office, there are 300 veteran students at the University of Idaho.

Although veterans make up a small percentage of students at UI, the issues facing young veterans today can be substantial. According

to the Department of Veterans Affairs, as many as 20 percent of combat veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars suffer Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. UI has recognized this and has created programs like Operation Education, a UI scholarship and assistance program for military veterans who have sustained permanent disabilities during military service.

These men and women bravely chose to fight for freedom, but their sacrifices extend beyond the battlefield. Besides the physical and mental problems veterans receive, many can face difficulties readjusting to civilian life. To participate in Veterans Day one does not

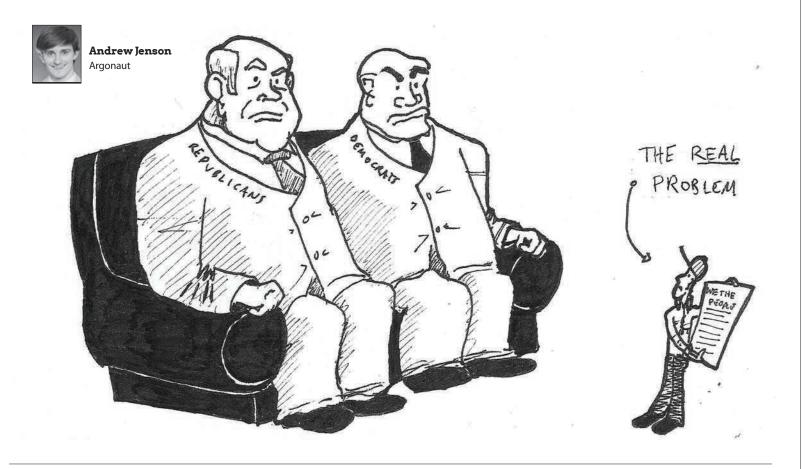
need to take part in a memorial, but simply

keep the student veterans on your mind.

These students put their lives and relationships on hold for extended periods of time to serve our country. They have sacrificed many of their own freedoms to protect yours.

One day is not too much to thank the veterans at UI and to think of the freedoms that veterans' sacrifices have allowed for.

Besides honoring veterans in thought, students can also attend a wreath laying service at 11:11 a.m. on Monday in front of the Memorial Gym or visit the World War I Memorial rial Gym or VISIL the work with a set Statue south of the Administration Building.



The J-Word A weekly column on feminism, gender and sexuality Many feminisms, one central idea

Most people have the wrong idea about feminism. Or at least, they have an outdated idea of feminism. They think of a bra-burning. man-hating, wild leg haired woman. And while there are feminists who fit that description, it's important to realize that feminism is more than that. There is more than one brand of feminism, but at the center of them all is a common theme: ending discrimination, oppression and exploitation of all groups of people. This goes for more than just women. Feminism does not discriminate by gender, race, sexual orientation, class or disability. It exists to break down social structures that enable one group to dominate another. It strives to give a voice to those who have been silenced, and to call out the silencers. It engages in meaningful dialogue about ways in which our society perpetuates sexism, racism, classism, ableism

and homophobia. The difference comes in how people express these central ideas. Some women take issue

with the way women's

bodies are exploited and

decide not to shave and

burn all their bras. They

might see women who

wear make-up and high

heels as giving in to a

selves in a particular way. There is no right way to be a feminist and that's part of why it's awesome. Feminism aims to respect the personal choices

people make. This is

why most feminists

support any legisla-

tion that enables and

empowers people to

make those choices.

This includes many

beyond women — it

marriage equality for

means supporting

same-sex couples,

things that go

people of all genders are affected by patriarchal and racist systems of oppression. It aims to free

Sensationalism does not help

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Idaho drone legislation protects privacy, hurts legitimate use

Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, commonly referred

to as drones, have been used by the military and law enforcement agencies around the country for part of a



decade. Their increased and continued use has sparked debate, pitting privacy against

security and convenience. For the most part, this debate has remained a national one. But as technology has become more readily available, police departments around the country have gained access to drones. This has led legislative bodies around the country to take notice, and in some cases set limitations on their use.

Amidst privacy concerns, Idaho joined this movement in April, when state legislators passed a bill limiting drone use by requiring a strict warrant to use a drone. Protecting privacy and citizen rights is a noble pursuit, but going forward, Idahoans need to ensure legitimate drone use is not limited by exaggerated concerns.

Drone surveillance was already covered under current laws without the need for legislation. A careful approach to privacy is indeed a necessity, but Idahoans need to remember that UAVs are more than aerial privacy abuse machines.

These unmanned drones could be of great use to Idaho for many reasons outside tracking criminals and spying on citizens. Drones have been used by the Forest Service to spot wildfires, they have been used to monitor salmon populations in hard to reach mountain rivers and they have been used to search for missing hunters and hikers. However, privacy legislation and new FAA regulations have hindered many of these valuable efforts. Idaho legislation has created stringent limitations on drone availability, limiting their use when privacy may be violated. As a result, the use of drones is heavily limited when private land may be under their watchful eye. Idaho is a state with millions of acres of privately owned and incredibly rural land, but sadly natural disasters does not care for convenience. Wildfires and missing people do not keep themselves on state owned lands - these problems can pop up anywhere in the state. Drones have given the state of Idaho a new way to combat these otherwise strenuous circumstances. Allowing credible agencies such as the Forest Service to bypass these limitations can legitimately combat the potential dangers of using drones, and should have been the end goal of any legislation passed. Sadly, that goal was not met, and legitimate drone use is now more difficult than it should be. Protecting privacy is important, but we should not limit technology out of sensationalized fear. Careful discussion of the issue may have prevented these issues. Instead, Idahoan's received pseudolegitimate debate and sensationalized legislation, which has been detrimental to a useful technology.

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patriarchal system. Other women see men as the symbols of domination and female oppression and don't want anything to do with them. But for the most part, contemporary feminism is about freedom of choice, freedom of expression, and it fights against people and structures that attempt to shame women for their choices or take them away.

And that's my feminism -afeminism that is centered on choice. I don't subscribe to the idea that women should be forced or shamed into behaving or expressing them-

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mandating hormone therapy be covered by insurance for people who are transgender, fighting for affirmative action for racial and ethnic minorities and standing up for wide-spread lowcost access to reproductive health

Feminism recognizes that

people of traditional roles within gender, race, sexual orientation

and class - ideas that have negative effects on everyone, not just women. So next time you are tempted to imagine feminism as a monolithic stereotype, think again. Feminism encompasses a wide variety of people, from different backgrounds, who

all express the basic ideals in different ways.

Really, feminism is fighting for the rights of all people. That's something we can all get behind. Kaitlin Moronev can be reached at arg-opinion@uidaho.edu

to sign in to my Arg email account. They weren't successful. —Theo

Vandal confessions page

For the gossip columnist in all of us.

—Kaitlin

Happy birthday, **Emily!**

Starting today you're legal to go to bars, clubs and drink how ever much you want. It's your day, so make it awesome!

-Rainy

Going quick

I can't believe it's week 12 of school already. It always seems like its going so slow, and all of a sudden it's November.

-Tony

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OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

Senior day

It's senior day for the football team on Saturday, but also for me. My last game covering a game at the Kibbie Dome will be bittersweet.

—Sean

Travel bug

I thought New Orleans would quench my thirst for travel for a while. Turns out it just made it worse. Good thing I get to spend two weeks serving in one of my favorite cities over winter break. Can't wait to see you again SF. –Kaitlyn

Pricey Vandal gear

I went shopping with one of

Showing your Vandal Pride isn't cheap with some hoodies costing \$80 and some button-up shirts costing \$45 at the store. —Aleya

my friends in the VandalStore to

pick up some new Vandal gear.

Election

Did you vote? Yeah, that's what I thought. Local elections matter a lot more than you think. —Ryan

The big 21

Tonight is gonna be crazy. —Emily

Sorry Kate

What they tell you: never drop the girl.

What they don't tell you: never step on her hair and yank out large chunks of hair in the

process of a dip.

Multitasking

Anyone who thinks humans can do this well should shadow me for a day.

-Andrew

—Phil

Basketball season

I'm excited basketball season is starting. The journey to March Madness starts now.

—Stephan

Shameless self plug

Listen to Sean and I broadcast our last home football game on KUOI 89.3 or KUOI.org. Hopefully we will be announcing a Vandal victory!

-Ricky

Nice try

Somebody from Turkey tried

services for women.

Think internationally

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Cultural experiences get overlooked

Physically, we live in Moscow, but we are a part of a bigger and broader world that every student should learn about. That's just one reason why international students are key to the University of Idaho.

International Ra students decide to study abroad in America

to learn and experience new things. These experiences won't happen without the support of American students, but many American students are less than enthusiastic.

They could have an accent or a different look and dress, but that doesn't mean

international students are different than other UI students

we're
 all Vandals,
 right?
 Language

is the number one barrier that prevents international students and American students from interacting and communicating. The stereotypical international student has a thick accent. and sometimes mispronounces words.

Accent jokes can be funny, but they can also be hurtful.

Beside their lack of spoken language, most international students are smart. They can speak at least two languages and many times have to adapt to a new culture and life-______style. Even if they

can't speak English fluently, they must learn college level material along side other American students — who are native speakers. Most internation-

al students are focused on academics, and know their grades will benefit them in the future.

Their intelligence is buried inside due to a difficult language barrier, which often leads most Americans to underestimate international students academically. But this

division is

classroom,

but in the UI

community

as well. Both

international and Ameri-

can students

do not even

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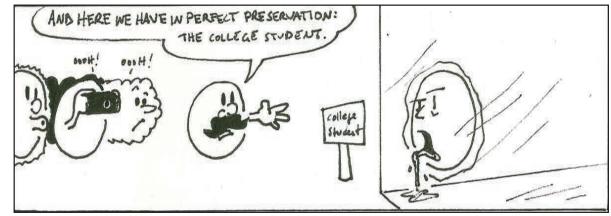
between several different cultures. international students make friends with Ameri-

> cans, and vice versa. Not the forced 'hello' friends you pass by the in the Idaho Commons, but the friends you actively hang out with.

International students, you should make an active effort to make friends with

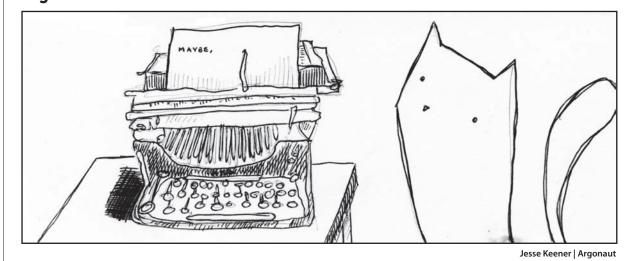


Cloud Nine



Andrew Jenson | Argonaut





Americans and other students outside of your cultural heritage. Great memories are made when you diversify your friends and open yourself up to new experiences. Give it a try and you will be surprised at how much fun you will have.

Being a college student, you should have an open-mind and accept the differences others have. Not to mention, the world is globalizing faster than ever before, and many of us will have jobs that depend on good communication between several different cultures. I admit that some

international students at UI don't open themselves to other communities. If they continue to hang out with people from their own countries, they will have wasted a once in a lifetime opportunity, and I promise you, they won't have any amazing stories to tell to their friends and family back home.

People decide to study abroad for the experience, to meet new people and learn new things like the culture and language. Some people are afraid of being exposed to something new or even someone new. This has to change.

I have been through this experience, and all I can say is that it has been great. But what made it great was getting to know people from all different cultures and backgrounds. I have made tons of memories over the past three years, but it was due to this great diversity of people.

If you want to be involved in the international community — whether you are a international student or not — visit the International Program Office to see what events they are hosting.

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