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Helena Mendes-Soares pipettes bacterial cultures Thursday in the Life Sciences bulding. The University of Idaho will be starting construction on the Integrated Research and Innovation Center (IRIC) next summer to promote reserach between disciplines.

## **Building collaboration**

### IRIC combines research with collaborative thinking, professors state concerns

Ryan Tarinelli Argonaut

The University of Idaho will start construction on its first academic building in over a decade, next summer. The three-story Integrated Research and Innovation Center will cost \$50 million and occupy the grass field between the College of Natural Resources and Brink Hall.

"It's a tangible and thoughtful and meaningful recognition that research matters," said James Foster, UI professor of biological studies.

The IRIC will not be an ordinary research building. Instead it will be a shared space between multiple research departments.

Jack McIver, vice president of research and economic development, said IRIC is intended

from multiple disciplines.

"The building is intended, as the name says, to put projects in there that are multidisciplinary in other words integrated research," McIver said. "So the types of projects that are going in there could be all over the place, but I'm hoping that we get social sciences, bench scientists, engineers together to address larger types of problems."

McIver said bringing people together from different fields of study is key for innovation and can provide new perspectives.

"You don't see many biologists talking to many sociologists typically," McIver said. "When you get these people talking to each other, it's surprising how you get an idea from someone who know(s) nothing about what you're doing."

Foster agreed and said collaboration between disciplines is important to addressing large problems.

"The motivation is to get people talking to each other, who wouldn't normally talk to each other, and I think that's a really important thing for a small university like ours," Foster said.

McIver said IRIC will house approximately six projects at a time, but has the potential to change based on the size of the projects. He said IRIC will be a rotating laboratory where research projects will come in for a few years and vacate once the project comes to a finish or reaches a logical conclusion. Researchers would not lose current lab space if they decide to take part in IRIC, McIver said.

### Design features

McIver said the internal design features are planned to promote collaboration between researchers, and offer up to date technology - including a visualization space.

"A big visualization space that can open up, and we can do anything from motion capture, which could be humans or robotics, be it fine arts or manipulations with robotics," McIver said. "But it's also a space where people get in and look at large amounts of things going on."

McIver said there will be two core facilities that will hold specialized lab instruments that will be open to all researchers on campus.

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### More information

The Integrated Research and Innovation Center will cost \$50 million.

The buliding is slated to begin construction summer of 2014.

The building will focus on promoting interdisciplinary research.

### Student code changes approved

Amnesty policy, off-campus jurisdiction approved by Faculty Senate

Kaitlyn Krasselt

Two changes to the University of Idaho Student Code of Conduct will likely go into effect next semester after being passed by the faculty senate earlier this week.

The addition of an amnesty policy - which protects students from punishment for illegal activity in the event of a medical emergency — and an extension to the jurisdiction of the Dean of Students Office to off-campus activity are the first changes to be voted on by the senate. The changes are the first to be made after the original proposal by the Dean of Students office was presented in September.

Faculty Senate Chair Patricia Hartzell said the senate decided it would be more effective to amend the current code of conduct based on components of the Dean of Students' proposal, rather than try to rewrite the entire code.

Although the two changes passed in the faculty senate, they are not yet in effect as part of the student code. They must first be passed at a Dec. 10 allfaculty meeting with a quorum present, and then approved by the UI president. Hartzell said if the changes are passed on all accounts they would go into effect Jan. 1.

The amnesty policy was one of the Dean of Students' most prominent concerns, said Craig Chatriand, associate dean of students. He said it's important for student to feel comfortable calling for help rather than fearing potential penalties from the university.

"We passed the amnesty policy — we actually modified it quite a bit from the way that the Dean of Students Office originally proposed it — we took out many of the penalties," Hartzell said. "We thought for it to be a real amnesty policy there should be no restrictions. The goal was to encourage students to help other students if they're in need of medical attention or in an emergency situation."

The second change will extend the ability of the dean of students to intervene in off-campus situations that could affect the campus, Chatriand said.

"I think it's going to be important for students to know that if they're having challenges with other students off campus that impact our campus they can bring that stuff to us and we can help them work through that, so that's something I want students to know about the jurisdiction piece as well."

ASUI president Max Cowan said although he was surprised the changes passed so quickly in the faculty senate, he does not feel the decision was made in haste. He said he was pleased with the degree of input students had in the

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## Department of Research and Economic Development | Courtesy Proposed design plans for third floor of IRIC building. The designs will be approved by the SBOE before construction begins.

## Smoking discussion ASUI urges faculty senate to revise UI tobacco policy

**Amber Emery** Argonaut

The role of ASUI is to represent the interests of the student body to University of Idaho departments and administration, as well as external entities such as the Idaho State Board of Education and the Idaho state legislature.

following mission, ASUI unanimously passed a resolution to represent the 966

students who said in the 2013 ASUI spring election survey they would prefer a change in UI's current tobacco policy

The resolution seeks faculty senate action in creating a committee to review and possibly revise the current campus smoking policy and to address the health-related issues regarding secondhand smoke, ASUI Director of Policy Jim Mar-

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tinez said.

"It's very important to point out that we as ASUI are not supporting a specific change," Martinez said. "But we are letting that go to a committee of the faculty senate that will hopefully be formed. As undergraduates, we make up a large portion of the student body but there's also so many more voices to be heard and that's why we

called for representatives from faculty senate, staff affairs, ASUI, GPSA and SBA, so all of the organizations on campus can have a voice in potential changes that could happen.'

Martinez and Director of Health and Wellness John Nuhn authored the resolution in response to the failure of a similar

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### Making marketable students

**Cara Pantone** Argonaut

University of Idaho students will soon have the opportunity to make themselves more marketable, thanks to the addition of a new minor in marketing program that will be available beginning in the summer 2014 session.

The effort to provide a minor in marketing at UI was undertaken by Steve Shook, UI marketing professor, and the Department of Business in the College of Business and Economics after recognizing the potential for the degree.

We've had a lot of students ask about minors in marketing, and we knew we wanted to provide that," Shook said. "It usually takes about one year to create a new program, but creating this program took two years."

Shook, the faculty of the Department of Business and the

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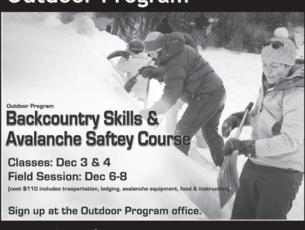
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### Pan fried salmon cakes

**Curtis Ginnetti** Argonaut

This recipe is a perfect solution for the leftover fish that you have fillet or the fish that have leftover trimmings. You can also find these over trimming fish at WinCo for about \$1 a pound, so it makes a nice cheap, yet delicious meal that you can impress a date with. It is important while preparing fish to make sure you take all the bones out. They can provide a serious choking hazard or stab you in the throat. If you want a less fishy taste add more breading or filling and any desirable pepper.

### **Ingredients**

Salmon Trimming Wheat bread crumbs Olive oil for frying

teaspoon minced garlic

½ tablespoon minced onion

Old Bay and Cayenne pepper

Parsley and hot sauce as desired

### **Directions**

Clean all usable meat off fish trimmings. The best way to do this is by using the sharp edge of a knife. Clean the fish and scrape off bones. You may have to use hands to remove from parts.

Once all meat is free, make sure all bones are out. Place fish in bowl.

Mix fish in bread crumbs. The amount depends on how much filling you want, so make sure there is enough for cakes to stick together.

Add garlic and onion. Take about a handful of the filling to form salmon cakes.

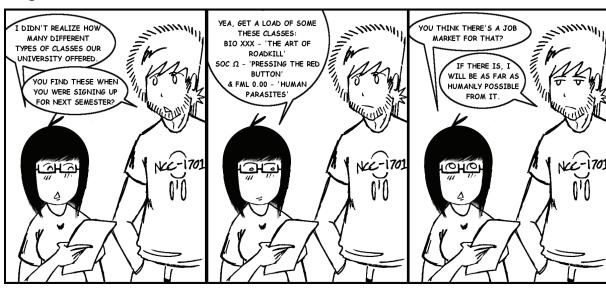
Coat pan with olive oil, heat until right before smoking point of oil.

medium-high heat stove until the center is warm. It depends on how thick they are, but usually it takes about 3 minutes to cook

Remove from pan and serve with old bay, cayenne pepper, parsley and hot

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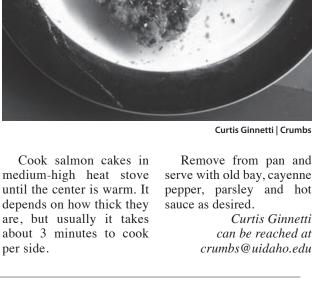
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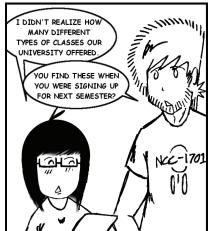
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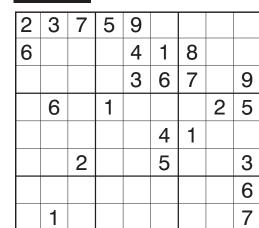
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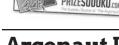
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## The road best traveled

Moscow Police urge road users to practice safety

**Andrew Jenson** Argonaut

Left turns can be tricky maneuvers — sometimes so tricky they can lead to accidents. Moscow Chief of Police David Duke said two accidents within the last few weeks — one involving a fatality — led the department to offer safety tips to the public.

"Both of those (accidents) involved the drivers attempting to execute a left turn," Duke said. "And, we would seem like that's just a routine activity that you would do daily, that you would drive, just like parallel parking is. Found out it might be a little bit more complicated because of the multi-dimensional aspects of just executing a left turn, that involves an intersection where there's cross streets."

The accidents took place at the intersections at Perimeter Drive and Pullman Road and Mountain View Road and D Street within two weeks of each other. Both accidents involved people being struck by vehicles executing left turns — a person on a motor scooter at the Pullman Road intersection and the second, a 12-yearold middle school student at the Mountain View crossing.

Duke said accidents like these don't happen often, but the public needs to be reminded that there are many transportation modes used on the streets of Moscow.

"There's not that many collisions," Duke said. "That's why we went ahead and put this out again just to remind our intermodal public that you're using multiple modes of transportation, not just for motor vehicles, but we also have the bicycle and the pedestrian aspect that plays an important role in the safety of getting from one location to another.'

Duke said blame for incidents or collisions cannot necessarily be laid on motor-

"It's a combination. You just can't take one side of it and say they're responsible, because when we've looked at and researched all of our collisions, it's just not one party. Sometimes the pedestrian's responsible for not giving the right of way to the vehicle, sometimes it's a bicycle," Duke said. "So, it's not always on the motorist's shoulders. There's always a commitment that following the rules of the road is important for everyone, and that's what was put in here so everybody could have that safe travel."

Duke said executing left turns properly involves constant multi-tasking.

"So, thinking of all those complex activities you have to do with this, we wanted to ensure that when people are out there executing these types of movements, you have to constantly stay aware of everything, not just once you look," Duke said. "It's almost like crossing a street, where you scan left, you scan right, you scan left and right again."

Duke said he has many recommendations to motorists for basic safety on public roads.

"Well, my first one on motorists is buckle up. That



Andrew Deskins | Argonaut

A vehicle turns left Thursday at the intersection of Perimiter Drive and Pullman Road. In the past few weeks, there have been two accidents involving people making left hand turns through intersections.

is the easiest thing you can do," Duke said. "Second of all, take away your distractions, which include anything in the car, your cellphone, any type of recreational entertainment thing on the motorist."

For bicyclists and pedestrians, Duke said being aware of their surroundings

is the best thing they can do. "On the bicycles, just be cognizant that, if you're riding a bicycle that you're

sharing the road with other vehicles that sometimes don't understand your rules and your right of way," Duke said. "So, it's always safe to be safe on that side, and for them not to take

up the whole lane of traffic when they're in the right of way because we want people to pass because of the difference in speeds. And on pedestrians, our biggest reminder — and we've done this many times — is when you're crossing the street, ensure that you're paying attention, that you're not on your cell phone, you've got your ear buds in, you're hearing things because that's important as you're crossing these streets. But always look left, look right, look left again and look right again as you're doing it."

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### Hunger for global change

Oxfam annual hunger banquet slated for Nov.18

George Wood Jr.

World poverty, social imbalances class climate change are some of the issues that will be addressed alongside an interactive dining experience at this year's Annual Hunger Banquet, said University of Idaho Oxfam America Club president Amaya Amigo.

"I want students to feel more connected to their surroundings, and to be aware that there are students trying to make change," Amigo said. "We're kind of masked from what's going on around the planet."

The banquet, hosted by the UI Oxfam America Club, will start at 7 p.m., Monday in the Student Union Building Ballroom. All UI students and faculty are able to attend, and admission is free.

Upon arrival, Amigo said patrons will draw a card representing the story of an actual person somewhere in the world. The story will dictate what type of meal, and how much of a portion the patron will receive. Amigo also said she plans on speaking during the event, and UI faculty member Sayanti Dasgupta will be featured as a guest speaker.

Sodexo will donate food for the event, and Amigo said she hopes to receive

some financial support from ASUI after a funding hearing she has scheduled with them.

The Oxfam club has 17 members in their international confederation, and Amigo said that on Nov. 17, six other Hunger Banquets are registered to take place elsewhere in the world. While there is a Hunger Banquet "script" that provides an outline of the event, Amigo said she switched the plan up by adding herself and Dasgupta as guest speakers.

"While we're thinking globally, we are acting locally," Amigo said.

At UI, Oxfam's goal is to raise awareness for issues of poverty, hunger and social injustice, as well as raising money for the greater Oxfam America Club.

UI senior Lea Black is one student who joined the club to actively raise awareness for these issues, and she said she is excited for the hunger banquet.

"(The hunger banquet) will open people's eyes, and hopefully enhance their perspectives on food, security and poverty," Black said. "It's easy to forget about when food access and availability is so easy for students here."

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## Beetle-killed biofuel to innovation

University of Idaho researchers and their partners seek to create renewable biofuel from beetle-killed trees

**Justin Ackerman** Argonaut

Efforts to discover and utilize renewable energy have been increasing in the last few years, creating opportunities around the nation, said Jay O'Laughlin, professor in the College of Natural Resources.

Recently a consortium, which includes industry partners such as Cool Planet Energy Systems — a Google venture — and universities like Colorado State and the University of Idaho, received a \$10 million USDA research grant. The project funded by the grant aims to find an effective way to use beetle-killed trees as a source for biomass for the creation of biofuel.

"A professor from Colorado State University put together a team consisting of five different universities, plus the U.S. Forest Service, and Cool Planet Energy Systems, to do research on the feasibility of accessing this dead wood in our national forests and converting it into a gasoline substitute," said O'Laughlin, leader of the University of Idaho branch of the project. "This is a \$10 million project, it is a very large research project, and about a million of that will be coming to the University of Idaho."

O'Laughlin said they chose to use trees killed by pine beetles, because they are currently of little use and serve as fuel for forest fires. He said beetle-killed trees are a problem in the national forests of many western states, prompting USDA intervention and funding of such research.

"The USDA is responsible for the National Forest System which is 8 percent of the land in the United States and over 40 percent of the land in Idaho," O'Laughlin said. "The USDA is responsible for those lands and many of those lands have been affected by pine beetles, which kill trees. In the past 10 years, 42 million acres of trees have been killed by bark beetles. They are generally small trees of no value, but today it's basically waste material and ends up being fuel for forest fires."

O'Laughlin said the project utilizes new technology and scientific processes to turn a would-be waste product into useful fuel.

"The main goal of this project is to take something that is a waste and turn it into a useful resource and a potential replacement for fossil fuels," O'Laughlin said. "Fossil fuels are fossilized biomass which have



Extension Forestry Specialist Randy Brooks (right) discusses logging opportunities in areas with lodge-pole pines killed by pine beetles with a group of Idaho loggers. A \$10 million research grant provided by the USDA is funding the project.

spent millions of years under intense heat and pressure, which turns it into the hydrocarbons we burn in our cars or airplanes. We are trying to speed up that process by taking biomass and using a thermal chemical process called fast pyrolysis. Turning it into a liquid biofuel which

can be distilled into a gasoline substitute."

There are many people and groups involved and interested in this project, the goal of which is to change the way resources and energy are utilized.

"One of the investors in Cool Planet Energy Systems

is Google. There are also several oil companies invested in this project, it is really exciting to have people with such a large amount of capital involved," O'Laughlin said. " I've been here at the University of Idaho for 23 years researching just about every kind of natural resource

policy there is, I spent 10 years as a professor at Texas A&M before that. So I have spent a lot of time in forestry research, and this is the most exciting project I have ever been involved in."

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### **MARKETING**

College of Business and Economics submitted a notice of intent to the Idaho State Board of Education that detailed the proposed program with the hope of providing UI students with a formal minor.

"The biggest thing we hope to accomplish with this program is to provide students with a differentiating feature to their degree that makes them more marketable," Shook said. "Students in programs like clothing, textiles and design will especially benefit from this option, because marketing will be a large part of what they do in their careers."

The faculty of the Department of Business was mindful of how to incorporate marketing with a variety of majors. The mar-

keting minor will use existing courses and resources, but will not be attached to a specific existing program. According to the program proposal, the marketing minor will differ from other Idaho institutions in that it is an interdisciplinary curriculum that "consists of several marketingoriented courses that are offered outside the College of Business and Economics." Mike McCollough, UI Associate Professor of Marketing, said the faculty worked together to produce the program.

"Steve (Shook) spearheaded the paperwork and program, but it was a collaborative process," Mc-Collough said. "We spent time as a faculty deciding what courses made sense to include in the marketing minor requirements and the best way to structure the program."

The undergraduate programs in the College of Business and Economics are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, an accreditation earned by less than 5 percent of the world's business programs. This ongoing evaluation of degree programs ensures the marketing minor will uphold a high level of quality, as well as help students achieve the expected learning outcomes for all College of Business and Economics academic programs and those specific to the discipline of marketing.

"Most students are in business and just don't know it," McCollough said. "We envisioned students in a degree program that is different than marketing or business having a chance — through a formal minor — to develop tech-

nical expertise and needed marketing skills that will make them competitive in the workforce."

Marketing focuses on processes that stimulate growth and provide quality and information to consumers. The proposal from the College of Business and Economics stated that the marketing minor was created to "provide an academic program area that can be used to complement existing degrees offered at the institution."

"Marketing courses educate students not only in business and marketing skills, but inform them as a consumer as well," McCollough said. "This program is an effort to do a better job serving students and contributing to their success in the future."

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### CHANGES

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"In all honesty if you were to ask on the face of it 'Do you want the University of Idaho to be able to punish you for things that you do off campus?' the answer is no," Cowan said. "The majority of students do not support that. But the reality is that if you take the time to review it, I think a majority of students would understand the necessity of this and be

in favor of it." Hannah Davis, former ASUI president, currently sits on the faculty senate. She and fellow student representative Connor Kennelly both voted yes to the changes, which she said they felt had been properly reviewed and were in the best interest of the students.

Cowan said it is a legitimate goal of the university to address behavior that negatively affects the campus. He said the goal is not to punish students.

"This change doesn't mean that Bruce Pitman, Dean of Students, is going to get on his cop costume and go running around the university apartments," Cowan said. "That's not

what this is about. This students to amend. is about addressing legitimate concerns that the university community — and that includes students has about how we affect

our own community." Cowan said he thinks most students would agree the student code of conduct and the provisions that are prohibited by the code are in the best interest of students.

"And specifically on the point of MIPs and MICs ... the university is not worried about every case," Cowan said. "The university does not have the resources to address every case of underage drinking even if they wanted to. The university is concerned about those cases that are really problematic. We want a really safe, healthy community and part of that is being able to intervene when students are putting themselves at risk."

The changes did not require a vote of the students because they affect the Student Code of Conduct, which is a part of the faculty staff handbook and not in the student statement of rights, which Hartzell said does require a two-thirds vote of the

Hartzell said the senate and Dean of Students are not done amending and updating the student code of conduct, which was originally written in 1969.

She said the next issues the senate, the university judicial counsel, ASUI and the Dean of Students will address are in regard to the judicial process which they hope to make more administrative than legal based — and the appeals process.

Chatriand said until the changes officially go into effect, he wants students to know how important it is to call for help in an emergency. He said student safety has been the primary concern of the Dean of Students Office throughout the process of updating the code.

"I want students to know in an emergency to call for help," Chatriand said. "They won't go through the Student Code of Conduct. We're going to reach out to them in a helping capacity. Don't not call because you're afraid of what's going to happen with the university."

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### **BUILDING**

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He said the equipment is usually more expensive to purchase and maintain, but will be a valuable addition to the building.

At an open forum last month on IRIC, many faculty raised concerns with how the university will pay for expensive research equipment.

Larry Forney, director of the Institute for Bioinformatics and Evolutionary Studies, said he does not know where the money would come from to purchase the expensive equipment to carry out projects.

"Anybody I work with in my department would depend on those details. And they're not cheap, right? I mean setting up a biology research laboratory ... \$150,000, \$200,000," Forney said at the open forum. "What happens when my time is up to all that equipment? Because essentially you have to duplicate my lab."

McIver said his department is going through an evaluation process to determine which core facilities will be the most beneficial to researchers, and said the facilities would be well kept and supported.

He said the building would be intended as extra space to bring in new projects, and would not duplicate existing machinery.

McIver said most offices will not be permanent — except for post-doctorate students who could have permanent offices if the need arises.

McIver said laboratories will be open to allow more faculty to work in a given space and communicate easier with other researchers.

Because of the open lab design, some projects will not be allowed in IRIC due to their specialized nature.

"They are designed that we can work up to a certain level with biological agents, or chemical agents, we're not going to be able to get everything in the building. You simply can't build a building for a reasonable price to do that," McIver said.

### Choosing projects and concerns

McIver said the Office of Research and Economic Development will request proposals from researchers across campus and set up a selection process with input from faculty and deans.

However, some faculty have expressed concern with the selection process.

"The procedures for determining who's going to use the building aren't there yet ... it's a very serious concern," Foster said. "Every single person I've spoken to is worried about that."

Foster said many faculty
— including himself —
cannot plan projects if they
do not have information as
to how this building is to
be used.

"I can't even imagine what projects might go there, until I know what objective they are trying to meet, how are they going to meet those objectives, how are they going to measure their success," Foster said. "Until the nuts and bolts planning is in place, I can't think about it much."

McIver said his department will be looking for projects that bring a lot of people together to address a large problem, and the projects should be collaborative in nature. He said projects that receive substantial funding are more likely to be picked, however IRIC will also be used as an innovation center, so extensive funding is not needed to be selected.

Foster said communication between the Department of Research and Economic Development and professors has been minimal.

"We haven't even been

asked what sort of projects would you like to see in there," Foster said. "When you don't have information people make up stuff, and they start worrying about things that aren't there, so there has been a lot of rumors going around."

### Financing IRIC

Raymond Pankopf, director of architectural and engineering services, said the total project budget is \$50 million and funding will come from a variety of sources. He said \$5 million will come from state of Idaho, \$15 million in private donations and \$30 million in loans through bond activity.

Chris Murray, vice president for university advancement, said fundraising for a university building presents different challenges than for a typical research building.

"It's a university building, raising money is a little more challenging because typically you go to those constituencies and say 'you graduated from business, we're building a new building, would you help?' So it's been a little bit more of a challenge," Murray said.

Pankopf said the IRIC project is still in the design and development phase, but the project is on track to start construction by June 2014 and finish construction the summer of 2016.

Pankopf said once the architecture plans are finished, they will be sent to the Idaho State Board of Education for approval.

UI Facilities has hired NBBJ — an international architecture firm — for the design plans, and Hoffman Construction, a Portland based construction management team, to lead the construction process.

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### **SMOKING**

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resolution passed last year that yielded no results.

ASUI President Max Cowan said there were no results from last semester's effort because "there was no meat behind it."

"It was saying this is a problem but didn't ask for anything," Cowan said. "Now, this resolution takes the opportunity to renew that call and say there is an issue on campus, that people who don't want to breathe in secondhand smoke should be able to do that and that it's a legitimate concern and faculty senate should address that concern."

The current tobacco policy is concerning for UI students who choose to be nonsmokers but involuntarily breathe in tobacco smoke on campus during unavoidable tasks such as walking to class, Martinez said.

"The current policy is that you can smoke on campus but it has to be 25 feet away from buildings or

air intake," Martinez said.
"But anyone who has been on campus knows it isn't enforced, which causes students to be exposed to secondhand smoke regardless off any medical condition or smoking profesoroe."

smoking preference."

The new resolution says secondhand smoke adversely affects people with heart conditions, asthma and other health conditions, Martinez said.

"We all know that smoking is bad for you — it's an indisputable fact — and we're not saying people shouldn't smoke, what we are saying is that we are trying to protect the students who choose not to," Martinez said.

Sponsor of the resolution, Sen. Anthony Filicetti, said he was a supporter of an all-campus smoking ban last semester but has since decided the best way for a policy change to take place is to instead support bringing the issue up for discussion.

"I'm interested in looking into what we can do to change the campus for the better of everyone," Fillicetti said. "Who knows? The faculty senate may decide to change nothing about the campus smoking policy, but it's worth looking into because it means we are doing our job right by representing the students at the University of Idaho."

A copy of the resolution will be sent to faculty senate and Cowan said he hopes the organization will take ASUI's effort in improving the campus community into account.

"What we're hoping for is a conversation,' Cowan said. "What we want is a process where we can discuss this together, because that isn't happening and that the truth is we need to engage in a meaningful dialogue about tobacco policy on our campus and we can't do that if people aren't willing to discuss openly all of the potential options. Yes, there are people who feel very strongly on both sides, but we all have to be willing to sit down at the table and have that conversation."

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# SPORTS



Idaho cross country competes in the NCAA West Championship Meet Friday.

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## Club Sports

### **Ultimate Frisbee**

Practice location: SprinTurf
Fun fact: The team won best
costume, dressed as emo/goth kids
at the Hanford Howl Halloween
tournament

### Men's volleyball

**Record:** placed second in bracket at Gonzaga tournament and second overall at tournament hosted by WSU

**Practice location:** Memorial Gym **Upcoming event:** home tournament Jan. 25-26

**Fun fact:** The team doesn't have a coach or specific leader

### Women's ice hockey

**Practice location:** Palouse Ice Rink **Upcoming events:** Plays WSU 6:30 Friday and 4:30 Saturday

**Fun fact:** Chili will be served at the games

### Women's rugby

Record: 1-5

**Practice location:** SprinTurf and Lower 40 Rugby Field

**Primary upcoming event:** The 25th year anniversary game as the "Black Widows" featuring alumni

**Fun fact:** Team started more than 30 years ago as "Dusty Lentils"

### Horse polo

**Records:** men – (2-0), women – (1-2) **Practice location:** Paradise Stables **Upcoming event:** Weekend match against Oregon State

**Fun fact:** The team accepts people of all riding levels

### Water polo

**Record:** tied WSU 13-13 in first match of season

Practice location: UI Swim Center Upcoming event: At WSU 6 p.m. Sunday

Fun fact: Most athletes hadn't played water polo before joining the team

A complete list of Idaho sport clubs can be found at uidaho.edu.

### **CYCLOCROSS ROUGH RIDING**



daho cycling sport club | Courtesy

First-place finisher Joy Adams dismounts to run over a log Oct. 13 at Sky Ranch Cyclocross in Moscow. The Idaho cycling sport club holds first, and third in the Inland Northwest Collegiate series on the women's side, and first, second and third on the men's side.

## Vandal hockey club plays for charity



Courtesy Photo | BSU hockey team in a charity game Saturday

The Idaho men's hockey club team competed in a charity game Saturday in Boise. The proceeds go to Meals on Wheels Association fo America.

Aaron Wolfe Argonaut

The Idaho men's hockey sport club raised \$19,400 last weekend in a charity game for the Meals on Wheels Association of America when they faced off against Boise State Saturday at Century Link Arena in Boise — in the presence of the 3,752 fans.

"Friday, several members of the hockey team served meals to the senior citizens through Meals on Wheels. It was a great weekend for Vandal hockey," defenseman Thomas Behre said.

Behre had two assists on the night against the Broncos.

The Vandals are currently eight games into the season with a 3-5 record. The team defeated Portland State 4-1, Eastern Washington University 4-3 and Washington State 15-7. Its losses came from Washington, Boise State, Portland State

and Eastern Washington.

Kyle Watne currently leads the team in goals with nine on the season.

"Our goalie, Nick Grover, has been pretty solid in net," Behre said. "Throughout the next few years, he'll continue to develop and be a fine asset to the team."

On Dec. 6 and 7, the Vandals

will face Western Washington in Bellingham, Wash. Second semester play will begin with a home match Jan. 17 against Portland State in Moscow at 7 p.m. Admission to that game will be \$5.

"We give half of whatever we receive for admission to the youth hockey program, the PYHA Bears, and they're kind of building their program as well and the other half goes to ice time for the game," Behre said.

After playing Portland, the Vandals are then on the road in

Vandals overcome first-set loss to win 3-1 at last-place Chicago State

Coeur d'Alene against PSU. A week later, they will play Boise State in McCall for two games followed by games against Washington State and Western Washington. The season will end with the North Western Collegiate Hockey Conference Tournament.

This weekend, the Vandals will be playing Montana State at 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday at the Frontier Arena in Coeur d'Alene. Admission is free.

"They're in a rebuilding year, so I expect that we're going to beat them because we have a pretty solid team this year," Behre said. "Last year had absolutely no structure whatsoever, this year is a whole different story, we turned all that around, a lot of commitment this year, a lot of heart. Everyone seems to be working really hard."

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### Avoiding an early scare

Sean Krame: Argonaut

Idaho was almost a first that it didn't want to be.

Chicago State, one of six new volleyball programs in the conference in 2013, had gone fourteen WAC matches without a win and will wake up on Friday still without a WAC win after Idaho took down the Cougars 3-1 Thursday evening.

There was still a scare for Idaho though. The Cougars took the first set 25-18 and led early in both the second and third sets. But Idaho was able to pull away late

in each of the final sets, taking them 25-19, 25-20 and 25-16 in the final set to close out the win.

Idaho did it with a balanced attack and a superior hitting percentage. Five players ended with nine or more kills, with Jessica Hastriter leading the way with 13 kills for Idaho. Three players hit better than .500 with Taylor Wilkinson leading the way hitting .643. As a team Idaho outhit Chicago State .414 to .233.

"We came out really flat from a ball-control standpoint," Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said. "Every game after that we played better. It's always a great win at someone else's gym, but we have to get where we

don't come out that flat."

The win moves Idaho to 10-5 in WAC play, now on a two-game winning streak after a two-game skid against New Mexico State and Cal State-Bakersfield. Idaho is battling for the No. 3 seed in the conference tournament with Bakersfield with two conference games left at Missouri-Kansas City and Grand Canyon. Idaho could finish as high as second de-

pending on how Utah Valley finishes out its schedule.

Sophomore Meredith Coba once again facilitated the attack for Idaho with 45 assists.

Chicago State was the benefactor of five Idaho errors and of five of its own service aces in the first set, in which the Cougars jumped out to an early 5-2 lead they wouldn't relinquish.

It was Idaho being the benefactor of errors for the rest of the match, with Chicago State committing 29 on the night.

"We definitely elimi-

nated our errors from the hitting side," Buchanan said. "In game two we didn't have a single error the whole game. From that aspect we were definitely doing some good things. At this point in the season you would hope you can come out and take control. We're definitely better than we played in the first set, but we have to be able to come out and show that."

The return of redshirt freshman Ali Forde was a welcome sight for the Vandals. The outside hitter missed the win against Seattle U when she was on the road with the basket-ball team. Forde will travel to Kansas City on Saturday with the team, though her role with the team as it heads to Phoenix for the conference tournament remains unclear.

Idaho will travel to

Idaho will travel to Kansas City on Saturday and then to Phoenix on Nov. 21 to take on Grand Canyon, where the Vandals will stay in preparation of the conference tournament.

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## Oklahoma turns up pressure

Korbin McDonald Argonaut

The young Vandal men's basketball team showed its youth on Wednesday, when it traveled to Norman, Okla., to take on the Oklahoma Sooners.

After a hot start, where the Vandals jumped out to an early six-point lead, they quickly saw their lead diminish. The Sooners went to a full-court press defense, which led to a 20-5 run and a victory, winning the game 85-65.

"We got off to a good start, no question about it. You got to credit Oklahoma, they made some adjustments, they really picked up the pressure on us and we didn't handle that very well," Idaho coach Don Verlin said.

The Sooners full-court press defense led to 14 Vandal turnovers, and held the Vandals to only nine assists. Verlin pointed out that it could take some time for this team to build up some chemistry.

"Nine new guys playing, we showed some inexperience tonight. We resorted back to some bad habits instead of playing team basketball," Verlin said. "I hope our guys can learn from this game. Oklahoma is a good basketball team, we got to make sure we learn from it and when the heat turns up again, we can respond to it."

The Vandals failed to get into any kind of rhythm shooting in the game. They went 36.7 percent (22-60) from the field, and 27.3 percent (6-22) from behind the 3-point line. Stephen Madison who had 21 points last game

against Western Illinois, leading the Vandals, only had seven points against the Sooners, going 3-11 from the floor, and 0-4 from three.

Verlin once again only played two true freshmen in the game — Perrion Callandret and Sekou Wiggs. Both improved from their Vandal debuts on Saturday, where they combined for just four points, all coming from Wiggs. Callandret had 10 points, adding two rebounds, two assists and one steal during the game while Wiggs had 11 points with five rebounds and two steals.

"They're good, young, athletic freshmen and both could be very good here. They have got to learn how to execute and make plays for everyone else though," Verlin said.

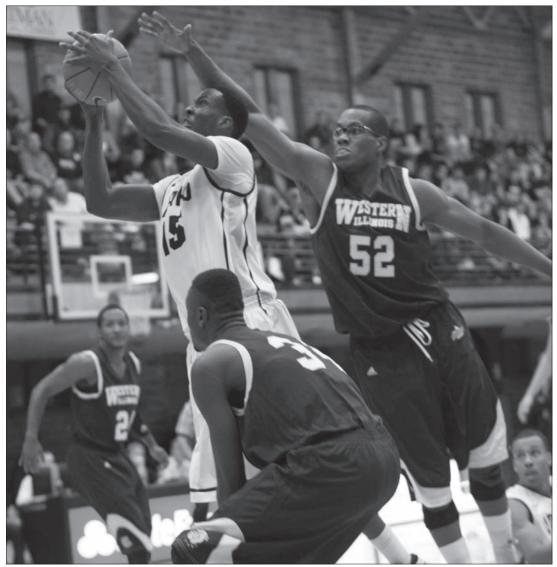
Glen Dean continues to be effective, and led the Vandals in scoring with 14 points, going 5-11 from the field and 2-5 from the behind the arc.

"I thought Glen Dean played a very good game, for having pressure on him all night," Verlin said.

The men's basketball team plays again at 7 p.m. on Saturday, when they return to Memorial Gym to take on Northwest Nazarene.

"It'll be good to get back to Moscow, this team is going to be fine, no question about it," Verlin said. "I saw some things that I really liked tonight, I think in time you'll see this team grow and turn into a really nice basketball team."

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Tony Marcolina | Argonaut

Idaho forward Paulin Mpawe attempts a layup during the game against Western Illinois Nov. 9 at Memorial Gym. The Vandals host Northwest Nazarene at 7 p.m. Saturday in Memorial Gym.



Tony Marcolina | Argonaut Forward Alyssa Charlston practices her 3-point shots during practice Nov. 5 in the Physical Education Building Gym. The Vandals play Mount Saint Mary's at 5:30 p.m.

Friday at Chicago, Ill.

## Continuing in consolation

### Women's basketball to play last two WNIT consolation games

**Stephan Wiebe** Argonaut

After a back-and-forth opening loss at No. 25 Gonzaga on Saturday, the Idaho women's basketball team returns to the court Friday to play Mount Saint Mary's in Chicago. The Vandals wrap up play in the Preseason WNIT consolation round Saturday against either Loyola or Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne.

The opening 64-56 loss at Gonzaga had some positives and negatives for the Vandals. The team had great 3-point shooting to start the second half and take a lead over Gonzaga, but foul trouble and poor defensive rebounding hurt the Vandals late in the game.

"I thought we played extremely hard," Idaho coach Jon Newlee said. "I was real happy with our effort, not our execution. Being the first game, it's always going to be rusty but I thought effort-wise we did a great job of going out (and) implementing our game plan."

One of the bright spots for the Vandals in their season opener was guard Christina Salvatore. The sophomore had 14 points and four 3-pointers on the night — most of which came in the second half.

"We were fired up at halftime. Even though we had really poor first-half shooting ... we were confident in the plays we were running," Salvatore said. "I've always got confidence in our shooters. We can always knock 'em down when we need 'em."

Idaho's next opponent, the Mount Saint Mary's Mountaineers, have lost two games in the Preseason WNIT, so far. They opened the season with an 85-57 loss to Saint Joseph's followed by a close 83-82 loss at No. 23 Davidson. Like the Vandals, the Mountaineers return most of their top scorers from last season.

"They're a very talented team, they return a lot of starters," Newlee said of Mount Saint Mary's. "We have to stay out of foul trouble, we have to shoot the

ball better on the road and we have to rebound better."

The Vandals head into the game against the Mountaineers without one of their key players, Ali Forde. Forde, a sophomore forward and a dual-sport athlete, played with the Idaho volleyball team Thursday at Chicago State.

"It's going to be hard for us without Ali this weekend," Newlee said. "She's on the volleyball trip and won't be playing with us. That takes away a huge presence for us on the inside as well as depth at the post."

The Vandals will also have to deal with the fatigue of playing games on consecutive days with less depth but Newlee said his team has no excuses.

"Everyone else is going to have to step up," he said. "Some people who maybe haven't contributed as much are going to have to step in and do their job and play well for us to win."

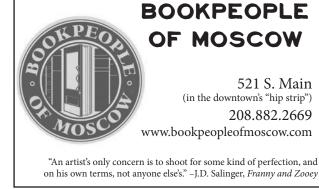
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## Running into regionals

Stephan Wiebe Argonaut

Two weeks after the Idaho women's cross country team won the WAC Championship and the men's team placed second, the teams are back in action. The Vandal cross country teams compete in the NCAA West Championship Meet Friday at Sacramento, Calif. The meet will feature several hundred of the best collegiate runners in the West.

"We've only had high expectations going into the regional meet based off of the success we've had this season, especially at the conference meet," Idaho coach Wayne Phipps said. "The training has gone really, really well. Last Friday was one of the better workouts we've had all year long."

The NCAA West Championship Meet is one of nine regional meets that act as a springboard to the NCAA Championship Meet. The top two teams from each region qualify for the NCAA Championship. There are also 13 at-large teams that qualify for the national meet as well as the top four individuals in each region, who do not qualify with a team but finish in the top 25 overall.

Historically, the Vandals have struggled at the regional meet despite coming in with a conference championship win in each of the last three years on the

women's side. Phipps said it is hard for the athletes to keep the same level of intensity at regionals, after giving so much effort at the conference meet. It is also difficult competing in the West Region as it is consistently one of the toughest regions in the country.

But this year, the Vandals may have their best and deepest team of the last four years. Two-time WAC Champion Hannah Kiser leads a Vandal team coming off its fourth consecutive WAC Championship. The team has senior leadership from Kiser, Emily Paradis and Holly Stanton Browning, who were part of all four Idaho championships, as well as up-and-coming talent like sophomore Halie Raudenbush and freshman Alex Siemens.

"This region is so deep and so competitive that if you have an off day, you could go from being a seventh or eighth ranked team to finishing 16th or 17th," Phipps said. "I think that's mostly a testament to the competitiveness of this region. I think on paper, this team probably has the most potential that we've had over the last few years."

Kiser had one of those off days, last year. After qualifying for nationals as a sophomore, she failed to finish inside the top 50 her junior year. Kiser has been dominant again this year

File Photo by Philip Vukelich | Argonaut

Vandal cross

country to compete in regional meet

The men's cross country team practices at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex Sept. 6. The Vandal men will be competing at the NCAA West Championship Meet Friday at Sacramento, Calif.

but has also been struggling with an injury.

On the men's side, the regional competition will be a mostly new experience. Junior Cody Helbling, the WAC Men's Cross Country Athlete of the Year, and freshman Nick Boersma, the

WAC individual champion, lead a young Idaho men's team. The 10K course and large competitive field will be a mostly new experience for a Vandal team primarily comprised of freshmen.

"It's really a new venture for the men going to 10K

for a group that was already young team."

making a huge adjustment to go to 8K," Phipps said.

young team."

The West Region Championships will be the last meet

that do not qualify for the NCAA Championships.
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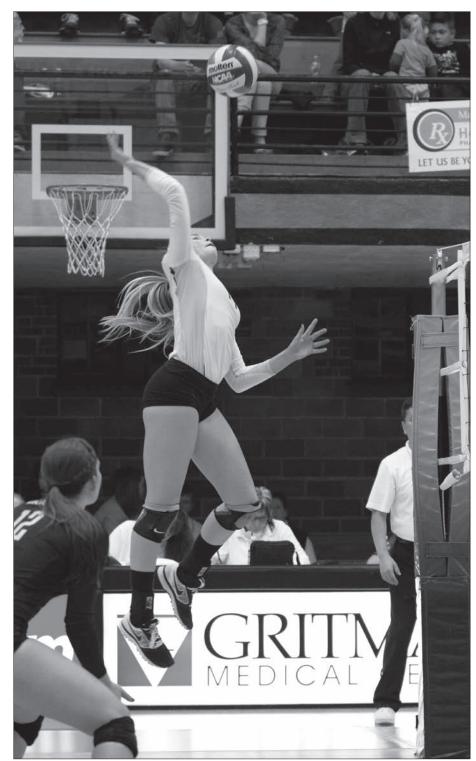
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File Photo by Tony Marcolina | Argonaut Outside hitter Jessica Hastriter spikes the ball during the teams match against Seattle U. Nov. 8 at Memorial Gym. The Vandals took on Chicago State Thursday, winning 3-1 at Chicago, Ill. The team plays at Missouri-Kansas City on Saturday.



## Sports briefs

### Soccer duo earns All-Tournament honors

"The five runners that we

have here, two had run 8K

cross country before (this

year). It's really important

to get that experience as

we move forward with this

Despite falling in the first round of the Western Athletic Conference Tournament, Katie Baran and Gabby Leong earned alltournament team accolades for their strong play in the Idaho soccer team's 6-1 loss to Seattle U. Baran, a graduating junior, and Leong, a freshman, started against the Redhawks and earned minutes of playing time. The pair are the first to receive the honor since Christine Leathem was selected to the all-tournament team in 2011. A young Idaho team graduates six players but will return 11 true freshmen from 2013. The Vandals, who qualified for the conference tournament on the last day of the regular season, went 4-16-1 overall and 4-8 during the conference season.

### Christman named WAC Volleyball Player of the Week

Coming off her best performance in an Idaho uniform, senior outside hitter Ashley Christman was named WAC Volleyball Player of the Week for the week of Nov. 4-10. It's the first-ever honor

for Christman.

"I don't know if it's that senior kind of urge to finish strong. Hopefully she can keep this up, because for us to reach our goals at the end of this season we're going to need that and some other players to be doing that as well," Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said.

Buchanan said.

Christman, from Christina Lake, B.C., tallied 18 kills and 13 digs in her first double-double as a Vandal. She added four blocks and a service ace, while hitting .353 against the Redhawks on Senior Night. Entering the week, Christman averaged 1.91 kills on .202 hitting, 1.43 digs and .77 blockson the season. The Vandals defeated the Redhawks with the 3-1 victory.

## Idaho's Means inducted into GCAA Hall of

Idaho men's golf coach
John Means will be one of
six coaches to be inducted
into the Golf Coaches Association of America Hall
of Fame, when the annual
Reception and Awards
Banquet is held on Dec. 9. It
is an honor that Means calls
"the pinnacle of my career."

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"I am extremely honored and humbled with my being named to the Golf Coaches Hall of Fame," Means said. "This wouldn't have been possible without great committed student-athletes and very supportive administrations, helping me with my efforts to build championship programs at each institution."

Means, who has coached at Colorado State, Army and Minnesota, led eight Golden Gopher teams to NCAA Championship Tournament appearances and led Wisconsin-Eau Claire to another five. This summer, he was named Coach of the Century by the WIAC Conference.

### Madison earns WAC Basketball Player of the Week

Idaho senior Stephen Madison was named WAC Player of the Week by the WAC and College Sports Madness following a 21point, 14-rebound performance against Western Illlinois on Saturday — a game the Vandals won 67-64. The Portland native finished the season-opener with five assists and recorded just one turnover. He was 7-of-11 from the field, 4-of-6 from 3-point range and shot 3-4 from the free-throw line. Madison currently leads the conference in defensive rebounding and is second in total rebounds at 10.5 per game.

"He shot the ball extremely well and played with a lot of energy on both ends of the court," Idaho coach Don Verlin said. "I couldn't be happier for the way he started his senior year."

# OPINION



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OUR VIEW

## So, you don't like that column?

It's a condition that has become an epidemic in the rapid growth of journalism's web medium.

Keyboard confidence has spread like a plague, from the New York Times to ESPN.com, and yes, even the University of Idaho's little old Argonaut.

The phenomenon is not surprising media consumers licking their chops at every chance to bash a columnist, whose opinions had better coincide with their own, or else.

We read the comments. "How are they still employed at The Argonaut," "Holy cow, I didn't think The Argonaut could get worse," or one of our personal favorites, "Find some new writers for God sake..."

The opinions of Argonaut columnists are their own, and do not reflect those of the newspaper as an entity. The opinions stated in every Our View are strictly those of the editorial board. Furthermore, relating the views of one columnist to the entire news organization is ignorant at worst and ridiculous at best.

The Argonaut's opinion section serves as a free marketplace for ideas of all sizes, shapes and colors. With that said, we expect all of our columnists to support their opinions with logic, thorough background

knowledge and facts and statistics - if

So, yes, as long as they are able to master the aforementioned standards, we will provide a die-hard liberal with equal column inches as we would a Reagan-era conservative.

We anticipate the work of our columnists to light a fire under those who flip to the opinion section every Tuesday and Friday. Columnists expect to receive harsh criticisms and impassioned responses about their articles, which is part of being a regular columnist. It takes a certain amount of courage to leave behind your keyboard confidence and

instead turn those opinions into a published work via a credible organization.

May we suggest a few options for those spending excessive time attacking our columnists from the comfortable confines of their MacBook Pro.

The Argonaut would be delighted to publish your response to a given column in 300 words or less in the form of a letter to the editor.

Or even better, find us on the third floor of the Student Union Building and apply for a position. Heck, if you're too hassled to do that, we'd be willing to hand deliver an application to you.

-TL

## The F-Marid A weekly column on feminism, gender and sexuality

### Taking a stand in music

Lily Allen's new single critique's pop music

A couple of plastic surgeons work away at the singer, while her manager stands over her, listing off the talk show hosts who have canceled on her.

"I don't know how anyone could let themselves Kaitlin Moroney go like this," he bemoans. "I've only had two kids," she replies.

It's the opening scene of British pop star Lily Allen's newly released music video "Hard Out Here." In typical raw, candid, Lily Allen style, the first verse of the

"I suppose I should tell you what this bitch is thinking. You'll find me in the studio and not in the kitchen. I won't be bragging 'bout my cars or talking 'bout my chains. Don't need to shake my ass for you 'cause I've got a brain.'

It's a feminist anthem

of sorts, a song that begins and ends with a scathing critique of the pop music in-

dustry, especially as controlled by powerful men exploiting the objectification of women.

While she isn't as popular in the U.S. as she is overseas, Allen

has enough fans here in the states that her release made a wave. While it's too early to tell whether it's chart topper, the video was sitting at 3 million views on YouTube as of Thursday night ... a little over 48 hours after the song's release.

It has received both good and bad reviews. Most of the negative comments are focused on her use of women of color in the video. saying it perpetuates

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Gettin down in

Will be road tripping

with my favorite Jessica

land of Missoula for some time with our Jordan friend.

Can't wait for a weekend of

—Kaitlyn

—Emily

shenanigans with some of

the greatest people you'll

New York, New

in spontaneous song and

dance as I skip along the

side walk and no one will

I can't wait to break out

Greene to the beautiful

M-town

ever meet.

York



### OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

### Twerking and tweaking

Not the same thing, according to the student media board. I think they're wrong. Either way, both will be happening to The Argonaut in the near future.

### Town bidness

Yankees

Solzilla, Sam Lachow and Raz Simone in one venue? Showbox Sodo, it's going down on Nov. 27

I hate the New York

seen the movie 61\*, see it.

movies ever made!

One of the greatest baseball

Yankees. But if you haven't

### **Vandal** Confessions

think I'm insane.

I used to like Vandal Confessions on Facebook. Then I discovered what cruel people apparently lurk on the University of Idaho campus. Now, I have unliked the Facebook page and have returned to my blissful, ignorant existence.

-Ricky

You do not know the exponential joy I will feel when I remove the giant feces stain, which is Chase bank, from the carpet of my life. A letter will be presented to your regional manager shortly. -Ryan

JPMorgan Chase

### How many?

I will probably never figure out how many licks it will take to get to the center of the Tootsie Pop.

### Corbett, Ore.

Circle K International Fall Convention is this weekend, and I am going! I'm so excited for it! -Rainy

### Thanksgiving

It really can't come soon enough. It's the best holiday of the year. –Kaitlin

### No shave November

It's boring when you never shave anyways. —Stephan

### Opening weekend

Whistler opens this weekend marking the start of ski season for the northwest, but I'll wait until Schweitzer is open to start the celebrations. —Phil

### Turkey in and around my mouth

I can't wait for Thanksgiving dinner. Seriously. I'm drooling already...

-Andrew



How was your experience registering for spring classes this week?

Even registering a day late, I got into all the classes I needed plus three PEB classes to finish out Senior year with 15 credits!

—Anthony Joseph



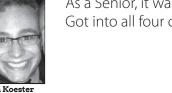


Taking 20 credits this semester convinced me to take it easier in the Spring; after registering for all the classes I wanted to take, I am at 19 credits. Mission accomplished? -Jennifer Mylan

I get to choose between Gas Dynamics, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Applied Thermodynamics, HVAC Systems, Advanced CAD, and Robotics. Just the names of these classes are scary enough, let alone the thought of going to them.

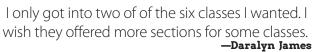


-Robert John Willis



As a Senior, it was very simple and with ease. Got into all four classes!

-Sam Koester





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### **Cloud Nine**



**Pigeons** 

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their objectification and over-sexualization just like any other pop music video would — a la Miley Cyrus' "We Can't Stop.'

The criticism is valid, the video prominently features women of color grabbing their crotches and twerking underneath a fountain of champagne. However, those same people miss the key element in the video, the white male manager.

The manager is fea-

tured a few times ... the first as described above, blasting Allen for her appearance. He shows up in other spots of the video, usually demonstrating to the women how they should be twerking and dancing. The manager's appearance is important because it solidifies Allen's message that the pop music industry is run predominately by men.

But it doesn't stop there. Allen also makes direct hits to Robin Thicke both in segments of the video and with the line

"don't you want to have somebody who objectifies you? Have you thought about your butt? Who's gonna tear it in two?"

As a woman, I'm always glad to see strong women step out from under the oppressive systems to make loud and proud critiques via their art form - often of their art form. While the content may be offensive to some, the song is worth a listen and a share on social media.

Our culture has problems, our media industries have problems, especially

when it comes to the exploitation of women. But that can never change unless we can take a stand like Lily Allen and critique the system. Songs like this one begin conversations and get people thinking. And I hope all 1.6 million of those people who have seen the music video have a conversation about its message let's make it a few more.

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## Closed primaries create divide

### Limiting participation in Idaho opens the door for increased polarization

If you live in Idaho, or even if you are just passing through, it is blatantly obvious that it is a red state. In fact according to Idaho's Secretary of State, 64.5 percent of Idahoans voted for Republican hopeful Justin Ackerman

Mitt Romney in the 2012 presidential election. The legislative races

yielded similar results, district one Rep. Raul Labrador garnered 63 percent of the vote while his district two counterpart Mike Simpson received 65 percent. Idaho politics is onesided, which by itself would

not be a problem. The majority of the state should be able to govern the way they see fit— within reason. However, Idaho elections are not entirely reasonable because our current system continues to forget about the third of the state that votes against the grain.

As of 2011, Idaho voters are required to register with a political party in order to take place in that particular parties' primary election. This change was the result of a 2011 legal battle, which pitted the Idaho Republican Party against Secretary of State Ben Ysursa. Idaho Republicans contested the state did not have the authority to enforce an open primary system.

The court agreed, citing the First Amendment right to association, which in this case also includes the right to exclude. This case opened the door for House Bill 351, which went into effect in July 2011, effectively establishing the closed primary system we see in

Idaho today. Idaho is not the first state to implement a closed primary system. But in an already incredibly polarized state, it may have long lasting implications.

In a state where voting for a Democrat is almost always a fruitless effort, the ability to vote in Republican primaries gave the minority opinion an outlet. However small that outlet may have been, it was an important way to help the government represent every Idahoan. Open primaries serve as a way to help prevent more extreme members from being elected, through giving opposition parties a way to vote for more moderate members of the opposite party. This is especially true in Idaho, where politics are skewed and populations are small.

Closed primaries do not make Idaho politics any better, they simply open up another avenue for hastily passed legislation in an increasingly polarized political arena.

It can never be stressed enough that minority opinions must be protected, and closed primaries are a step in the wrong direction. The new system is unnecessary and potentially damaging. In a state as small as Idaho with such an overwhelming majority, republicans can rest assured the balance of power will not be shifting any time soon.

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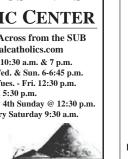






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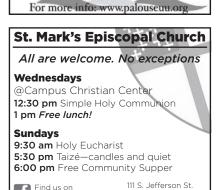
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