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Katy Kithcart | Argonaut

Senior Jim Martinez was one of the most involved students in the Department of Student Involvement after members of his fraternity Alpha Kappa Lambda encouraged him to get involved in SARb. Martinez remained an active student, becoming the SARb president as well as the chair of the 2013 Homecoming Committee. Martinez will graduate with a degree in International Studies May 17.

Looking abroad

Graduating senior looks back on experience at UI

Ryan Tarinelli
Argonaut

Jim Martinez didn't know it at the time, but a study abroad trip to Southern Brazil in high school would lead him to the University of Idaho.

"That really emerged me in another culture, a different way of life, and then I saw that UI had the best international studies program," Martinez said.

He said during the nine-month period he spent in Brazil, he was expected to

study in public schools. Yet upon arrival, he knew little Portuguese.

"I knew how to count to 15, and I knew how to say 'where is the bathroom,' and 'can I have a cold beer please,' but that was pretty much it," Martinez said. "I took notes, I took a lot of notes."

Martinez said the experience abroad not only helped him grow as an individual, but also solidified his love for travel and new cultures.

Martinez will graduate from UI with a Bachelor of Arts in international studies with minors in Spanish and

comparative politics.

He will be just one of the many students expected to cross the stage at the Spring Commencement Ceremony May 17 in the Kibbie Dome, and will be among the 1,715 set to receive diplomas statewide.

Coming from a small town in Southern Idaho, Martinez, who identifies as bisexual, said he was bullied throughout high school. He said the harassment got so bad that at one point he contemplated suicide, but overcame the feelings with the help and support of his best friend and older sisters.

Martinez wrote to four

newspapers in Idaho last February. In his letter, he talked about his experience as a bisexual teen in Idaho.

He said the letter was in response to a bill proposed by Rep. Lynn Luker that would have allowed business owners to refuse service to customers if they offended their religious beliefs.

"State's were starting to legally sanction discrimination, so that is why I kind of felt compelled to tell my story," Martinez said.

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From politics to podium

Louise McClure to speak at 2014 spring commencement

Amber Emery
Argonaut

As a University of Idaho graduate, a former member of the Vandaleers and Delta Delta Delta Sorority, a lifetime supporter of UI and wife of the late Idaho Sen. James A. McClure, Louise McClure has a lot to say to this year's UI graduates.

Hailing from Southern Idaho, McClure will make her way to Moscow next week and attend the graduation ceremony May 17 to address the graduates as the commencement speaker.

The former UI Bureau of Public Affairs research was re-established to honor the McClures' dedication to Idaho in 2007 — now called the James A. and Louise McClure Center for Public Policy Research.

Interim Director of the McClure Center Priscilla Salant said she believes McClure was chosen as the commencement speaker, because of her unwavering commitment to higher education, particularly UI.

"She's a lifelong supporter of the University of Idaho and she gained so much from her experience here,"

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Commencement "BY THE NUMBERS"



1,715

students statewide are eligible for spring 2014 graduation, earning a combined 1.805 degrees

1,275

baccalaureate degrees

100

law degrees

88

doctoral degrees

330

master's degrees

12

specialist degrees

GRADUATION SHOUTOUTS

Charles Redline I love you.

— Keenan Sullivan

Congratulations Kathryn Hartman! I'm going to miss you like crazy. Love you, mean it.

— Dineka Ringling

Nathan You did it! I'm so proud! I love you lots. I'm happy to say we'll be best friends in and out of college.

— Alma Elias

Jordanne Holst ANOTHER DEGREE! Congrats to an awesome student and amazing daughter! So proud.

— Mom and Dad

Congrats on graduating Meredith Fisher.

— Tim Dillon

Process continues

Kaitlyn Krasselt
Argonaut

As the school year draws to a close, so did the feedback period for those wishing to respond to the proposals from the Focus For the Future process. While students are leaving campus, University of Idaho administrators and Interim

Provost Katherine Aiken will continue to work through the summer on the Idaho State Board of Education mandated process, which could result in several program changes as an effort to make the university more efficient and save costs.

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Student Health Pharmacy cut

Increased costs, decreased revenue ends Student Health Pharmacy

George Wood Jr.
Argonaut

Picking up prescriptions on campus will no longer be an option for University

of Idaho students beginning May 30, when the Student Health Pharmacy closes.

Students will have access to regular prescription services until May 16. After that date, Student Health Pharmacist Heidi Poxleitner said the pharmacy staff will work with students to transfer their prescriptions to other off-

campus pharmacies.

"We are going to try our best to transfer students to pharmacies of their choice. They can give us the pharmacy name and number or have them call us during business hours," Poxleitner said.

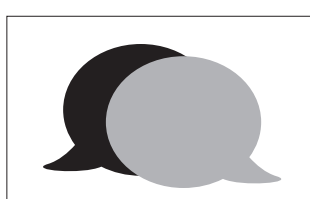
Assistant Vice Provost

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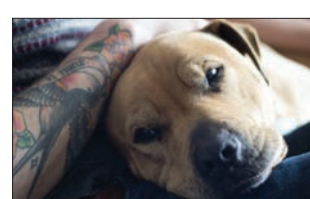
Idaho men's and women's tennis are in Los Angeles for the NCAA tournament.

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A year in transition for UI. Read Our View.

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Sport Clubs



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UI Campus Rec

CRUMBS

Spanakopita (Greek spinach pie)

Danielle Wiley
Crumbs

Spanakopita is a rich, classic Greek dish that is a part of their culture. It's fun to make the dish because you will have people thinking that you went to culinary art school. Spanakopita can last in the fridge for about a week, making it a perfect leftover meal. Not only does it last for a long time, but it heats up well and some even say it tastes better as a leftover.

Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 bunch of green onions, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 pounds fresh spinach, rinsed off and minced 1 1/2 cups parsley, chopped
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 1/2 cups feta cheese
- 1 cup of ricotta cheese
- 8 sheets of Filo dough

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 tablespoon butter, melted

Directions:

In a skillet, heat olive oil and sauté onions and garlic until golden brown and softened. Move cooked garlic and onion into a big pot, add the spinach and parsley. The spinach will start to shrink and water will be at the bottom of the pot. While waiting for the spinach to cook, preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit.

Once the spinach is cooked, turn off the heat, remove the excess water and let the pot cool.

In a medium mixing bowl, mix eggs with ricotta and feta cheeses. Add cheese mixture to the spinach pot, stir well. Grease the bottom of non-stick pan with olive oil.

In a small bowl, mix the rest of olive oil and melted butter.

Layer a sheet of Filo dough



Danielle Wiley | Crumbs

across the bottom of the pan and lightly brush oil and butter spread. Repeat layering for five times.

Take the spinach mix and scoop it on top filo dough evenly, then fold overlapping sides of the dough to seal.

Repeat step eight and nine until the dough and

filling are done. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until the top crust is golden brown.

Let cool for 15 minutes, cut into square before serving.

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High Five



Shane Wellner | Argonaut

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Gone, but not Fuhgoddabout

New York Johnny on hiatus

George Wood Jr.
Argonaut

After a little over four years of Fuhgeddaboutit hot dogs served out of a small cart on Main Street, New York Johnny's owner Johnny Saltarella is putting the business on hold — for now.

"I miss it, I love doing it, it's my baby, it's my heart and soul," Saltarella said. "There's nothing like being out there (talking) with people. They come over, and you know what they always want."

Saltarella said moving to a new house without a convenient place to keep his carts, and a desire to spend time with his family has been part of the reason for hiatus from slinging dogs on Moscow streets. He also said involvement in multiple projects this past year left him feeling burnt out.

"When the school year began, I was cooking onions in the University of Idaho Commons for 20 hours a week and I was devoting 40 hours a week to the heating, ventilation and air conditioner business and going to school for it, and doing the carts on the weekends," Saltarella said.

The New York Johnny's hot dog cart made its debut in Moscow on the night of Mardi Gras in 2010. Saltarella said he was determined to make a good first impression in

Moscow, because in small towns you really only get one chance to win people over.

Saltarella focused on getting the New York Johnny's logo out into the community, so he brought his cart to as many different events as he could even if the profit he made only covered overhead. At marriages, tailgate parties, birthdays, art shows and various other events, New York Johnny's was serving hot dogs.

"The first six months were rough," Saltarella said. "But it's like somebody turned a light switch on, next thing you know people are waiting in line for 45 minutes for a hot dog, it didn't matter what the weather was like ... it was awesome."

Saltarella also had a signature advertising strategy by always taking pictures of the customers, who would purchase hot dogs from his stand and then putting the photos on Facebook.

"Some parents would say to me, 'the photos on the Facebook page were the only way I know my kid is alive,' because they wouldn't call them enough," Saltarella said.

Saltarella said he was approved to sell his products anywhere in the U.S. commercially and he planned on hitting market shelves with New York Johnny's onions, olive oil, spicy relish and marinara. He said all his products are home-

made — his father sent him onions from New York, he bought brats from a local butcher in Moscow and he made olive oil from a 200-year-old recipe his grandfather brought from Italy.

Originally, he said he didn't plan on setting up a brick and mortar operation, but in the summer of 2012, he was approached by Sodexo and offered the ability to set up kitchens near the UI golf course and in the Student Union Building. Saltarella said he had a gut instinct that it was a bad idea, but he went with it anyway — much of the reasoning being the overwhelming support of the people close to him to pursue it.

Saltarella said business was going well at first, but the inconvenient locations of the SUB cafe and the golf course stand weren't bringing in enough business to cover the costs of leasing the kitchens, increased production of food and a larger employee base.

"The carts were carrying the kitchens, and I was paying out-of-pocket for the larger overhead ... the cafe was an open artery bleeding me dry," Saltarella said.

The year did have highlights, however. In August 2012, New York Johnny's hosted the Second Annual Pacific Northwest Hot Dog Eating Contest, with over 1,000 people attending, Saltarella's family even flew over from New



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Contestants at the 2nd Annual New York Johnny's Pacific Northwest Hot Dog Eating Contest scarf down hot dogs in August 2012. Recently New York Johnny's stand has been absent from Main Street in Moscow, due to owner Johnny Saltarella's hiatus from the business.

York to surprise him.

In December 2012, New York Johnny's and Sodexo split, although UI still allowed him to cook in the Commons kitchens and Sodexo still worked with him for catering. After spending a few weeks in New York after the SUB cafe shutdown, he said he came back swinging at the hot dog stands during the weekends. He continued this until the end of January of this year, when he decided it was time to take a step back from the business.

Saltarella said he frequently receives messages from Moscow community members who miss seeing the cart on the weekends. Even though he is on hiatus from the hot dog game, UI contacted him a couple weeks ago to work together for catering events, and he is still working behind the scenes to prep for when the famed Fuhgeddaboutit dog hits the streets once again.

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My Baby's Graduating!



Congratulations, Megan Venlos!

From backyard pool to captain of the Vandal Swim Team—we couldn't be prouder of you!

-Mom & Dad



Adam Russell

Congratulations on your Masters in Accountancy!

Love, Dad, Mom and Amanda



Ada Fryer

YOU DID IT!

*You are on your way!
We are so Proud*

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



To our little Drunk Gypsy

*You were always an original!
Congrats on all your achievements,
now and in the future!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Lauren, and Chris*



Now you're off to grad school...

Congratulations, Lawrence M Shaw
We're so proud of you!

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



Dana Groom

*Member of Delta Gamma
Manager of Student
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We are so proud!*

*Love,
Mom & Dad
(Rob & Teresa Groom)*



Samantha Gunning

*We are so proud of you and
excited for your future.
You have always
delighted and amazed us.*

We love you lots!!



Haley,

*We are so very
proud of you.*

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



WELL DONE!

Katie Erin Shae

Graduate of University of Idaho
Alumna of pledge class 2010

Delta Delta Delta

Daughter of Mark & Andrea Shae

So pleased with our baby girl!



Coley,

Congratulations on a job well done!
The last four years have been an amazing adventure, seeing the sands from so many perspectives. **We can't wait to see where your future takes you!**

Love, Mom, Dad and Kim

Congratulations Tony!

Finance Degree and D-Sigs all the way!
We are so proud of you!

**Love,
Dad, Mom and Amy**



Gun task force still working

Gun task force expects initial implementation policy before new legislation goes into effect

Amber Emery
Argonaut

The newly formed University of Idaho Gun Legislation Potential Impacts Task Force is working toward a comprehensive policy proposal regarding the possession of firearms on university property.

UI President Chuck Staben announced the formation of the task force March 27 after Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter signed the S.E.C.U.R.E. Idaho Campuses Act, which allows people 21 years of age and older to carry concealed weapons on public university and college campuses in Idaho if they possess an enhanced concealed-carry permit or are a retired law enforcement officer.

Although the task force has not yet produced a policy, Executive Director of Public Safety and Security Matt Dorschel said task force members have been engaging in substantive discussion for weeks.

"What does (the law) mean? That's kind of what the task force is going to determine," Dorschel said. "We're trying to interpret the law — I mean it seems somewhat straightforward, you're allowed to carry and we can't abridge that right to do it within the law — but there's a lot of different concerns that people have and different questions that we haven't answered yet."

Dorschel said so far the task force — comprised of students, staff, faculty and citywide stakeholders — has discussed key questions they plan on addressing in the proposed policy.

"What are the rights of the concealed carry permit holders in terms of disclosure?" Dorschel said. "Should they dis-

close that they have a permit and intend to carry on our campus — whether they're students or employees? What are the rights of other employees or students? Can we challenge individuals on our campus, if we think or suspect they may be carrying a concealed weapon? Those are questions we are trying to answer."

On the issue of disclosure, Dorschel said the task force would likely decide not to require students, staff and faculty to reveal whether they carry a firearm or not, because it could undermine fairness in and out of the classroom.

"In my mind, if we ask people to disclose that, then we're opening ourselves up because then there's the potential for us to in some way discriminate against someone who is exercising their rights," Dorschel said. "If you're a faculty member and you know student A carries and student B does not, you're making some potential judgments about those two people based on that and depending on your views, that could be preferential treatment or discriminatory treatment."

Dorschel said the task force meets weekly and is currently working on the creation of a website that will answer the public's questions about the new law and how it will be implemented at UI.

"We don't have it up and running yet, but we will probably by some point in June or maybe even before June," Dorschel said.

Dorschel said the proposed policy will be a hybrid between the law and the policy outlined by the State Board of Education that's individualized to meet the needs of UI. He said a version of the policy is anticipated to be complete by July 1 when the law goes into effect.

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Waiting for the green light

UI moving forward with president's house replacement

Amber Emery
Argonaut

Formally known as the president's residence, the building nestled at the top of Nez Perce Drive will be replaced in the near future with an innovative building the preliminary schematics are calling the "University House."

The home that has housed University of Idaho presidents since 1966 is currently unoccupied. University officials are awaiting the final designs to present to the UI Board of Regents by August at the latest, with the hopes of starting the demolition phase in September, said Ron Smith, vice president of finance and administration.

Smith said UI has officially brought Hummel Architects and Golis Construction on board. He said both of the firms are either operated by or employ many UI graduates.

The preliminary design shows a two-floor home with approximately 3,382 square feet of private living space and about 1,792 square feet of entertainment space. There is a separation of living and entertainment space in order to provide the residents more privacy — something Smith said the current house lacks.

Smith said although the design is promising, it's not set in stone and will likely undergo some changes

before the plan is presented to the board.

"This is very, very preliminary and its function is to go out and raise money," Smith said. "We've taken a look at maybe changing and adding some things to the original schematic drawing and floor plans to make things a little bit better and (the contractor) is actively pricing that right now."

Smith said the current president's house is unfit for the ever-changing role of the university's chief executive officer, and the home needs to be an executive residence as well as an event space.

"The job of the president has really changed," Smith said. "They are one of our primary fundraisers, and one of our primary contacts with our legislative construction, and they should have a nice place in order to invite people in and make them fall in love with the University of Idaho."

Smith said the home in its current condition might not be suitable for anyone. He said it needs a new HVAC — heating, ventilation and air conditioning — system, new windows, a new boiler and would soon need a new roof. On top of the major improvements needed, Smith said there were many other smaller repairs taken into account.

"If you put all of those things together the cost

would be very similar to having a new (house)," Smith said. "The cost of those improvements and necessary upgrades came up to somewhere in the neighborhood of over \$800,000. So we thought let's do the new one and have something that we can be proud of and something that will be there for 10 more presidents maybe, hopefully they'll all stay there 10 years."

Plans for reconstructing the president's residence began about a year ago, after former UI President M. Duane Nellis left UI to be president at Texas Tech University, Smith said. A task force was formed them, to assess the feasibility of a remodel.

The task force unanimously came to the conclusion that a new house should be built in the same location of the current one.

With the vision of the University House on the table, Smith said one of the things he's waiting on is a quote about how much more it will cost to have a brick facade instead of a wooden one.

"We would really like to use brick to keep with the look of the rest of the university," Smith said. "But brick is a lot more expensive and so the cost and our budget will determine whether we use brick or not, we will have a better idea of that in the next few weeks."

Smith said the university is relying on donor support through the UI Foundation to fund the project.

"We don't really have a budget cap, the cap is really set at whatever the Foundation can raise," Smith said. "Right now we're thinking it's going to be just over \$1 million. I learned last week that the Foundation is well on their way to having enough money in order to pay the construction costs of the building."

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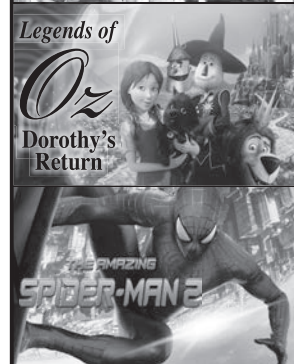
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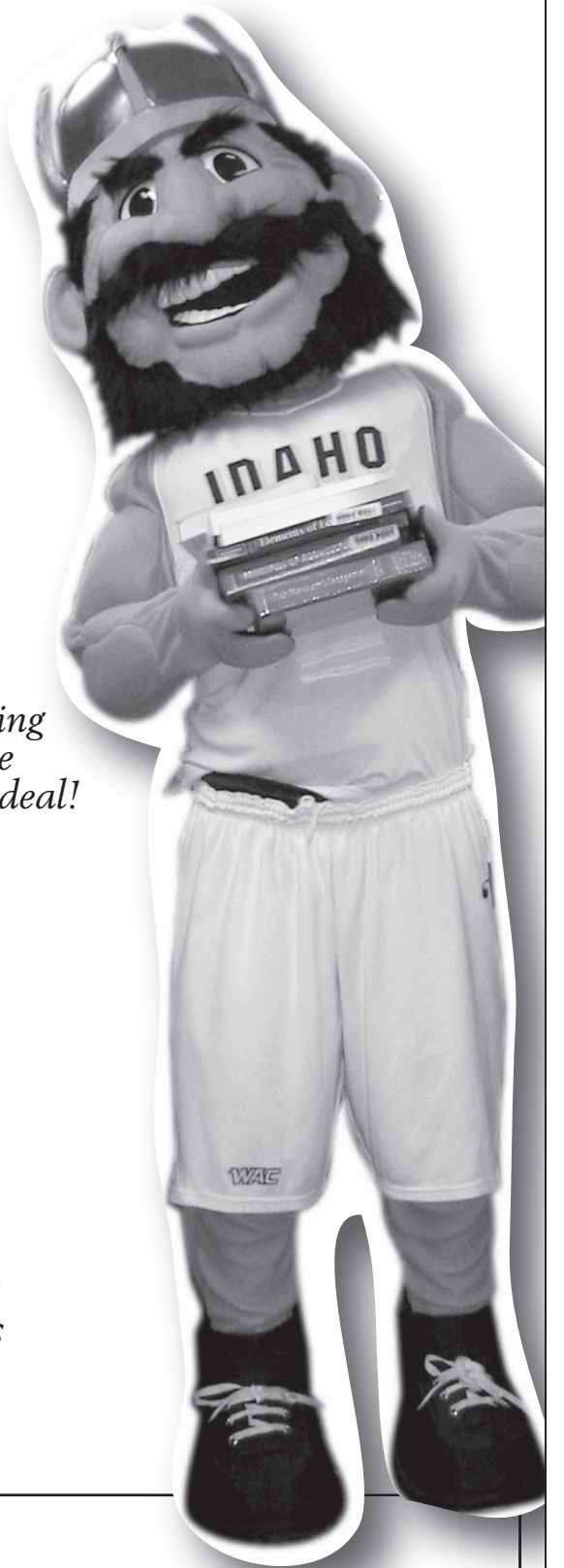
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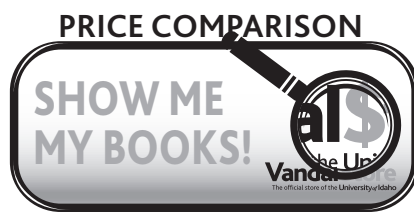
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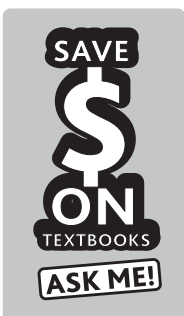
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New chair elected

Marty Ytreberg elected 2014-2015 faculty senate chair

Amber Emery
Argonaut

The same day Patricia Hartzell adjourned her final faculty senate meeting as chairwoman, the senate elected Marty Ytreberg and Randall Teal into senate leadership.

Ytreberg, previous vice chairman, accepted the position of faculty senate chairman for the 2014-2015 academic year as the sole nominee Tuesday.

Teal was out of town, but accepted his vice chairman selection via email.

"It's an honor," Ytreberg said. "I'm excited for what we're going to accomplish next year in senate, but I also feel a little apprehensive because it's a big responsibility and a lot of work."

Ytreberg has served on senate for two years representing the College of Science. He said his experience as vice chairman under Hartzell has prepared him for his new position.

"I've developed good working relationships with the president, the provost, the vice president for research, Keith Ickes and other people like that," Ytreberg said. "I've been able to attend meetings like the president's roundtable discussion as well as the breakfast for progress — events like that where I'm starting to learn more about the inner workings of the university and the challenges that are facing us and how we might be able to solve them."

Hartzell said she appreciated the hard work Ytreberg put into the senate during the last year, and credits part of its success to his contributions.

"I wanted to thank also — in addition to other people such as Gail (Eckwright) and Ann (Thompson) and the senators — the other chair, Marty Ytreberg," Hartzell said. "(He's) been a constant source of good ideas and he has gently corrected me when I needed some re-steering ... he also knows Robert's Rules much better than I do."

Ytreberg said while there are going to be many projects to keep the senate busy in the coming year, one initiative he wants to tackle is



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Marty Ytreberg, an associate professor in the Department of Physics, was voted in as the chair of faculty senate for the 2014-2015 academic school year Tuesday. Ytreberg was the Vice Chair for 2013-2014.

strengthening UI's dual career services policy, which helps facilitate employment opportunities for the spouses of those hired by UI.

"I know that when faculty and staff are hired, we're sort of giving their partners a chance to also have at least temporary employment that could potentially transfer into something long term," Ytreberg said. "We have a policy on the books right now

but it's not applied uniformly and it's sort of left up to the discussion of the administration. So something I'd like to do is make it something we just do."

Ytreberg said more inclusive dual career accommodations is essential in recruiting faculty and staff who may not otherwise consider Moscow as their future place of employment.

"Living in a small town like Moscow — the Moscow-Pullman area — I think if we want to attract high quality faculty and staff we need to be willing to have a policy like that to attract the best candidates," Ytreberg said.

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A healthy alternative

Gritman Diabetes Care Team teaches public healthy eating

Jake Smith
Argonaut

Margaret Fosberg, at 93 years old, said you aren't going to live to her age unless you have a varied diet and watch what you eat.

Fosberg, a retired nurse from the Student Health Center at the University of Idaho, said she eats healthy foods such as the ones demonstrated at Gritman Medical Center's Diabetes Wellness Cooking Class.

Gritman Medical Center's Diabetes Care Team provided free culinary education to the public Tuesday. The cooking class was called Spring into Summer: A Seasonal Cooking Class.

Todd Unger, Gritman Medical Center chef and former owner of Wheatberries Bake Shop in

Moscow, instructed an audience on incorporating fruits and vegetables in their diets.

Unger showed the crowd four recipes: veggie lasagna, edamame pesto, quinoa veggie salad and fresh fruit pizza.

Edamame is a dish of green soybeans boiled or steamed in their pods. According to Unger, the edamame pesto is served well on crackers and toast.

The veggie lasagna featured layers of eggplant, zucchini, red bell pepper, white onion and tomato sauce.

According to Unger, quinoa, a grainy seed, used in the quinoa veggie salad, is similar to rice but less sticky.

The cooking demonstration ended with Unger making a fruit

pizza by spreading strawberries, blueberries, applesauce, orange-juice-mixed cream cheese and a sweet sauce on a cooked crust.

The Diabetes Wellness Cooking Class is open to the public and is an extension of the services Diabetes Care offers.

The Diabetes Support Group will offer a program on June 3 called the Progression of Diabetes, featuring Dr. Kama White, MD.

On July 1, a program called "A Clear View for those with Diabetes" will feature Dr. David Leach from the Clearview Eye Clinic.

Because their annual cooking class has been a successful event, the Diabetes Care Team started a second cooking class this year.

The Diabetes Care Team at

Gritman offers an annual holiday cooking class focused on diabetes. This year's holiday cooking class will be December 2.

According to Tiffany Schaeffer, clinical dietitian at Gritman Medical Center, the Diabetes Care group has been offered for the past 18 years, and every year featured a Diabetes Wellness Cooking Course.

Gritman Medical Center Dietitian Nancy Kure said she started the Diabetes Care Programs with the help of Louise Collens.

Schaeffer said the Diabetes Care Team likes to provide quality education to people with diabetes, so they can be successful managers of their condition.

"In general, we have education for people who can learn something

about their condition," Schaeffer said. "As far as cooking classes go, we like to give people resources and actually show them how to prepare food and how to prepare things that are easy for them."

Denae Kramer, owner of the Bean Farm on Highway 8, said being pre-diabetic made her panic.

"(I decided) because I was pre-diabetic, I could eat a ton of sugar, because I wasn't real diabetic yet," Kramer said. "And I said I had to quit doing that and I need to make some lifestyle changes."

Kramer said she walked away from the class realizing how easy it was to make her own food.

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A game changer in breast cancer detection

Gritman Medical Center gets new technology that will increase cancer detection rates

Daphne Jackson
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The Gritman Women's Imaging Center is switching from conventional mammography technology to tomosynthesis — a 3D imaging technology that allows radiologists to more accurately detect breast cancer.

Scott Nelson, director of imaging at Gritman, called tomosynthesis a "quantum leap in imaging," on a level that hadn't been seen in imaging for quite some time.

Dr. Christin Reisenauer, director of Gritman's Women's Imaging Center, said 3D mammography is the greatest advancement in mammography technology in the past 20 years.

"The reason we haven't had 3D mammography before is because computing power and detectors haven't been sensitive enough and robust enough to allow this," Reisenauer said. "What the radiologist now has is a 3D representation of the breast, and so instead of just having those two images that we look at, (we have) a computer reconstruction into many images, and we're able to actually page through the breast."

Reisenauer said conventional mammography is problematic because it misses about 20 percent of breast cancer.

She said this is because conventional two-dimensional mammography only shows two views of the breast, leaving a lot of overlapping tissues that are difficult for radiologists to interpret.

Reisenauer said this is especially problematic for younger women, who have denser breast tissue that can be more likely to obscure cancer lesions, increas-

ing the likelihood of a patient being called back in for a second mammogram.

"The other thing that 3D mammography allows us to do is decrease those callback rates significantly," she said. "It gives the radiologist more confidence in their interpretation of the mammogram."

Reisenauer said many larger institutions across the country using tomosynthesis have found a 27 percent overall increase in cancer detection and a 40 percent increase in detection of invasive cancer, compared to conventional mammography.

Nelson said tomosynthesis is more efficient, even though it takes about twice as long for radiologists to read the images produced by the machine.

He said the new technology will take less of a patient's time by eliminating the need to call them back in for a second mammogram or an unnecessary biopsy, because radiologists can

see everything that was obscured in conventional mammography.

"Basically, instead of doing just a 2D image in mammography, we are now able to do a 3D image, which actually layers the breast tissue out so that you can see a lot more of the anatomy, and you can see if there's perhaps cancers that are hiding behind other tissue," Nelson said. "It layers it out so that radiologists can really see that, and it increases that specificity and sensitivity by about 40 percent."

Reisenauer said she is proud of Gritman for being a leader in the implementation of this technology.

The only other place in Idaho that currently offers this technology is McCall, and the nearest location to the Palouse is Tri-Cities, Washington.

Nelson said he thinks tomosynthesis will eventually become a standard in mammography, as it is implemented in more and more hospitals.

"I believe this will become

standard in care, because when you have a technology that's that much better, you can't help but go in that direction and implement it," Nelson said.

Nelson said the American Cancer Society recommends women who are older than 40 to get annual mammograms if they are in good enough health to do so.

He said he agrees with this recommendation, because waiting more than a year leaves more time for something to go undetected. The benefits of regular mammograms outweigh the risks of being exposed to minimal amounts of radiation, Nelson said.

Nelson said the center will have an open house event 5:30-7:30 p.m. May 19 that will be an opportunity for the community to ask questions of some of the radiologists and technologists who are familiar with the technology.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY AND COMMUNICATION STUDIES PROUDLY ANNOUNCES ITS SPRING 2014 GRADUATES

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Victory for the pooches

City Council votes in favor of making Mountain View Park an off-leash area for dogs, but expresses concern

Andrew Jensen
Argonaut

The Moscow City Council voted unanimously to designate the field area of Mountain View Park as an off-leash area for dogs Monday.

This change has been discussed since residents approached city staff in February due to the apparent overuse of the current one-acre dog park.

Parks and Recreation Director Dwight Curtis proposed the change to the council. He said the decision is experimental and can be reversed if it doesn't work.

"I think in this particular case, what's being asked for is to give them a shot — see if it works," Curtis said. "Make them prove that it doesn't work. And if it doesn't work, then we'll change it back."

Curtis said many of the current rules will still apply, including barring the allowance of off-leash dogs at Mountain View Park and the need for owners to have their dogs under voice control. For example owners are required to carry a leash at all times, and all dogs must be licensed and vaccinated.

The only times owners will not be allowed to use the park as an off-leash area is when the city holds activities on the field, or when it's closed.

Curtis said although other cities do fine with off-leash areas, there could be potential problems with the change.

"Anytime you have a dog that's off-leash, I mean, sometimes nature just does its thing," Curtis said. "There are some unpredictable things that can happen. I know this proposal is not for dogs that aren't trained under voice control. This is not meant for

everybody in town to take their dogs there and let them off-leash ... So, if a person has a dog that is trained under voice control and they're willing to go and give this a try, then great. If it doesn't work for them, they should not come back with their dog off the leash."

A number of dog owners attended the meeting to support the proposed change. Many of them said they have used the park as an off-leash area for many years without incident.

Sandi Billings of Northwest Public Radio said dogs are part of residents' families and need the park to be as accessible for dogs as they are for children.

"We want our dogs to also have the good things, like exercise and socialization," Billings said. "Because socialization and exercise makes for really good canine citizens

as well."

While the Council agreed the change would be good for the city, they admitted their hesitance in allowing it.

Councilman Wayne Krauss voiced his concerns about the change.

"My question is, can dogs and people co-exist in this park?" Krauss said. "Because this is a people park first, and it's a dog park second. And it really scares me to think about 1,000 dogs in that park at any given time. I mean, I'm even concerned about 100 dogs."

The Council assured the public that the change can be overturned as quickly as it passed.

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Diversity domination

UI National Society for Black Engineers gains national recognition

Jared Jonas
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Within the University of Idaho, there are many student organizations that celebrate diversity found on college campuses. One such entity is the National Society for Black Engineers (NSBE).

The UI chapter of NSBE has a total of 30 registered members.

The society is devoted to spreading awareness about professions in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields, as well as professional and community development, said UI NSBE President Shams Arifeen said.

Joseph George is the vice president of UI NSBE and said they provide outreach programs to schools in Moscow and Pullman, and as far as Spokane and Lapwai, Idaho.

These programs usually involve speaking with middle school or high school students about career

opportunities within the STEM fields, Arifeen said.

With the university about to start finals next week, UI NSBE members are offering tutoring services for students in STEM related classes who need help, George said.

Each spring, the NSBE holds its national convention. This year, the convention took place in Nashville, Tennessee, from March 26-30. Ten students, including George and Arifeen, went to the convention to represent the UI chapter.

During the convention, numerous awards and scholarships were given to chapters and individuals. This year, UI walked away with the award for highest GPA, with a chapter GPA of 3.78, and the award for most active chapter. UI NSBE competed against the more than 200 other NSBE chapters to win these honors, Arifeen said.

Professor Aicha Elshabani won the Student Organization Adviser Award at UI earlier this year for her involvement with the NSBE on campus.

The most active chapter award is based on commu-

nity and national participation in the organization, as well as school-related activities and outreach done by members, George said.

Olivia Balemba was another UI member who attended the conference. Balemba said the conference included everything from discussions on how to get a job after college to how to get a 4.0 GPA and more. During the conference, Balemba was offered an internship at Boeing.

The UI chapter just elected new members to its executive board a few weeks ago, Arifeen said. George said that the chapter plans to increase its involvement with activities on campus, as well as helping to start a junior chapter in Pullman.

Arifeen also pointed out that the society was open to anyone interested in joining. While the name states "Black Engineers," Arifeen stressed that he and George were from Bangladesh and India respectively, and that the society is about promoting diversity.

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The United Way of Moscow reached the deadline earlier this week for accepting applications for local businesses and non-profit organizations willing to partner with them for 2015.

United Way is an organization with the yearly objective to raise money to distribute to local non-profit agencies that partner with them.

Executive Director of United Way of Moscow and Latah County Cretia Bunney said organizations applying for funding usually fill out an application by giving information about a specific project they're doing.

Next week, the applicants will meet with an allocation committee for United Way and give a presentation about their project and what they need the funding for, before the committee decides money should be allocated.

According to Bunney, there was one new local agency that applied for funding this year. Some of the current agencies partnered with United

Way include Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse, Boy Scouts of America, Circle of Caring, Families Together of the Palouse, Girl Scouts, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Sojourner's Alliance, Success by 6 of the Palouse and The Willow Center.

Bunney said the amount of money allocated to each business or organization depends on the amount requested and the amount United Way raised during the year. United Way's fiscal year officially ends June 30. She said United Way is seen as indispensable for many of their partners, because of the flexibility they give to the agencies to use the funding.

"We don't necessarily put many restrictions on the money we give them," Bunney said. "We want them to use it for the project, or whatever they ask for it for. And then they report back and tell us what they've used it for ... the flexibility that we let them have I think is a huge bonus to them. It's what they've appreciated the most."

There are three annual events United Way runs each year to raise money for their partnered agencies: the celebrity dinner, the Radio-A-Thon and the Fun Run — also called the

Dash for Cash.

The Radio-A-Thon is a 30-hour radio broadcast put on by Bull Country radio, and usually takes place in the fall. The 2013 Radio-A-Thon raised \$10,000. Bunney said the Radio-A-Thon is an important event for the United Way of Moscow and Latah County because it's an opportunity to collaborate with the United Way of Pullman, something the organization has been trying to do more often in the past few years.

The Fun Run also takes place in the fall, and is a 5-kilometer family run. Bunney said funds are raised through runner registration fees, as well as through event sponsors. Bunney said the Fun Run is probably her favorite annual fundraiser for United Way.

"I try to sometimes run myself," Bunney said. "It's an event you can have your whole family involved in."

Bunney said a year-round goal of United Way is to advance the common good of the Moscow community, and they are always looking for new volunteers.

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Voltz n' Boltz

Engineering team takes top spot in Formula Hybrid competition

Karter Krasselt
Argonaut

It's not often that a public university can say they've defeated Ivy League schools, such as Yale and Dartmouth, in anything pertaining to academics. But that's exactly what a group of University of Idaho students and faculty have done.

A UI engineering team called "Voltz n' Boltz" competed in the 2014 Formula Hybrid competition, hosted by Dartmouth in Loudon, New Hampshire.

The task was not an easy one — to build a functioning prototype vehicle that appeals to non-professional racecar drivers. The designs must be cost effective, durable and marketable. The teams are evaluated on aspects such as acceleration, endurance and overall presentation.

It may seem like a daunting task, and it very much is, according to Rob Patton, marketing and communications

manager for the College of Engineering.

"They're competing against 12 other schools that are very well known, and that funnel thousands and thousands of dollars into these cars," Patton said. "They put together a premier project with a limited budget. That's a testament to what these students and faculty can do."

Patton wasn't the only one impressed with the team's performance. After winning the Chrysler Innovation Award and the General Motors Best Engineered Award, along with a second place finish in the teamwork portion of the event, the students garnered interest from large participating companies.

"The General Motors team encouraged all of the students to leave resumes, and the Chrysler team personally invited every member of Voltz n' Boltz for a site visit and a job interview," Patton said. "They would really like to go as a group, which really shows the unity of the team."

Winning the competition was impressive in more ways than one, according to Patton, who described

last year's attempt as an uphill struggle.

"They had got their car prepped and were doing testing, and at the last minute, things weren't going the right way and they couldn't compete," Patton said.

This display of the ability to overcome adversity is one of the many reasons Voltz n' Boltz has been so successful this year, Patton said.

Patton stressed that the project is all about teamwork, which is evidenced by the makeup of the team. Comprised of multiple mechanical engineering students, an electrical engineering student, a graduate student mentor and even a virtual technology and design student, there's still talk of expansion. According to Patton, the team has talked about adding members on the business and communication side of things — and after winning such prestigious awards, it's hard to imagine the team having a hard time finding new members, Patton said.

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Spring 2014 College of Education Graduates

UNDERGRADUATE

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Blake William Anderson
Alyssa Marie Asmusen
Katherine Leanna Barnes
Jami Anne Blea
Andrew Micheal Bloom
Lucile Lenora Boise
Nicholas Dayton Bontrager
Sandra Borak
Robert Elliott Botts
Levi Ray Bowers
Chelsie Breen
Zachary Tyler Brennan
Ashley Marie Bueckers
Katherine LaVon Bulcher
Ian Matthew Campbell
Anna Kay Cantrell
Kimberly Diane Carrier
Emily Lauren Cheesman
Misti Chisum
Janelle Lindsay Chow
Sarah Elizabeth Clark
Scott Gregory Clark
Christopher Lloyd Clement
Alexandra Joellen Clyatt
Meghan Rose Cobb
Skyler T Cook
Jeremy Cragin
Brenda Mae Davisson
Jordan R. Day
Bradley J. Deaton
Carolyn Michelle Dexter
Jacob Maguey Dyer
Reba Isabelle Eggert
Elizabeth Ann Floyd
Laura Franco
Samantha CarolAnn Fritz
Johanna Louise Gardner
Kelli Sue Gardner
Spencer Elwood Gray
Cassandra Michelle Green
Cody James Green
Katie Gross
Cassandra Rose Hamilton
Eddy Gregory Hancock
Audrey Jessica Hanson
Brianna Lynn Hanson
Amanda A Headtke
Mikayla Kristine Heitkamp
Bailey Amber Hewitt
Chalayne Desi Rae Hoagland
William Matthew Holman
Karlene Pamela Hurrell-Jemmott
Courtney Marie Ireland
Thomas Lee Jacobs

Jeffrey Charles Jenkins
Rachel Marie Johns
Cody Michael Jones
Travis Lee Jones
Amanda Nicole Kistler
Brianna Kae Koepke-Peyer
Lindsay Louise Kruse
Jennifer Anne Lewis
Colin Jon Luoma
Julia Amanda Martin
Melanie Grace Martin
Kelsey Matthews
Rachel Mabel Miiller
Kerstyn Caroline Miller
Sammi Ines Mischkot
Brett Ryan Mizuta
Marissa Ann Moreschini
Clarissa Marie Morgan
Katharine Elizabeth Murdock
Sara Anne Nash
Adrienne Marie Oden
William Scott Ollar
Russell Boyd Paradis
Luke Thomas Reed
Angelica Margarita Rios
Lainey L Ritthaler
Sydney Weaverling Roberts
Dylan Randall Root
Heather Ann Runge
Haley Anne Schaefer
Meghan Rose Schroeder
Tiffany Nicole Sharples
Cassandra Rae Shelton
Amanda Jean Smith
Tim S. Straw
Ugis Svazs
William C. Tai
Jay Dee Talley
Caroline Mariah Towles
Jordan Nicole Tracy
Logan A Trimble
Jorge Luis Vega Salinas
Dominick Richard Ventresco
Zachary Joseph Vodicka
Katie Rae Watkins
Natalie Wren Welch
Katrina Lee Werlinger
Alexandria Grace Weston
Beth Iolean Whitfield
Lyndsay Nicole Williams
Alayna Shivaun Wolf
Sarah L. Woodbridge
Erin Elizabeth Yost
Daniel Jordan Zeck
Hailey Lynne Zysk

GRADUATE & CERTIFICATES

Kathy Causna Albin
Sara Kathryn Anderegg
Thomas Neal Anderson
Anna Lea Avery
Lee Scott Barney
Angela Raye Blair
Jeffrey Michael Breach
Jeffrey Michael Breach
Carrie L. Brooks
Julie Harker Buck
Anamarie Elizabeth Burton
Sari Nikole Byerly
Scott Michael Cameron
Daniel R. L. Campbell
Jose Luis Carbajal
Angela Heather Carter
Trina Colette Caudle
Angela R. Chandler
Janelle Lindsay Chow
Mark Anthony Cotton
Brian Gerald Currin
Shannon Shagaye Decker
Patricia Andrea Edwards-Dixon
Cheryl Ann Empey
James Clark Engledow
Danielle Louise Erickson
Jeremy Michael Eusea
Kimberly Jo Farmer
Jenny Lee Ferreira
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Alicia Finley
Emily Camille Flynn
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Judith Sharon Goldberg
Sara Anne Nerissa Gray

Dennis D. Hahs
Tevita Liukaetau Halaholo
Ashley Hall
Kaela Marie Haycraft
Tara M. Hearing
Jeffrey L. Hochstrasser
Amanda Jo Hoffman
Jason Robert Hoffman
Jimmie Joseph Hopla
Jessica Hoyt
Rachel Lynn Huber
Stacy Jo Hudson
Stacy Jo Hudson
Monty J Hyde
Jacquelyn Ismail
Cory A. James
Leoni O. Johnson
Jennifer Lynne Knight
David Andrew Kronemann
Steven James Lathen
Danielle Marie Lawson
Christine M. Ledbetter
Erin Louise Lokteff
Angela M MacDonald
DeVona Marie Mahal
Jessilyn Elisabeth Matthias
James Michael May
Cara McCartney
Shannon Lynne McGowan
Zachary Fitzgerald McJanet
Alexander Scott Merritt
Lisa Hodges Millar
Katie Rebecca Miner
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Carla Teresa Savalli
Susan Antonette Segsworth
Paul Anthony Shaber
William Mitchell Simmons
Mikal Ann Smith
Virginia Kyle Solan
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ABROAD

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He said he decided to come out after joining the Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity.

"Since coming out, it has been a weight off my shoulders, because I don't have to hide," Martinez said.

Martinez said it has been difficult dealing with incorrect stereotypes associated with bisexuality.

"They just assume that because someone says that they are bi, they are actually a different thing," Martinez said.

Martinez has been involved in student organizations, since his first year at UI when his fraternity brothers suggested he apply for the Student Alumni Relations Board.

Martinez said he enjoyed working at SARb so much he decided to get involved in the Homecoming Committee and began volunteering at ASUI. He said these organizations not only introduced him to a new social circle on campus, but allowed him to share his love for UI.

"All of them were just so much fun, so then I just wanted to be more involved," Martinez said. "It was just a common bond that we had sharing a passion for the university."

Martinez went on to serve as SARb president his sophomore and junior years, and was chair of the 2013 Homecoming Committee. Martinez also served as chief of staff for former ASUI President Hannah Davis during

the 2012-2013 academic year.

He said he has always had a passion for leading organizations and planning programs for his community.

"Being involved is my hobby, and being involved is also what I do for fun," Martinez said. "I guess it's my niche, and where I find people that are like minded."

Katie Dahlinger, assistant director of Student Involvement, said she has seen Martinez grow as an individual and develop a great passion for the student organizations on campus.

Dahlinger said Martinez has had a large impact on student organizations at UI, from reorganizing the Legislative Breakfast program to developing last year's Homecoming theme,

"Vandal Pride Planet Wide."

She said Martinez cares for the organizations he is a part of, and puts a lot of effort toward success.

"When he sets his mind to something, he really wants it to be special," Dahlinger said.

She said it is bittersweet saying goodbye to Martinez and so many other graduating seniors who have been so involved throughout their years at UI, but is excited to see their success after college.

Martinez said being involved in student organizations taught him to be more objective in his decision making, and allowed him to improve his leadership skills.

Martinez said juggling so many responsibilities left him mentally and physically drained

at times.

"A lot of all-nighters, a lot of coffee," Martinez said. "I would say, 'I don't know why I'm so damn hungry, my plate is already full.'"

As for his future plans, Martinez will spend 10 weeks studying abroad this summer in the Dominican Republic working with humanitarian organizations. He said he hopes to work with organizations dealing with at-risk youth. He said he is looking forward to the experience.

He said he wants to be a diplomat for the state department in the future, and plans to take the Foreign Service Officer test next February.

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POLITICS

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said. "She's from a small town and the University of Idaho broadened her horizons. She knows what a degree from our university can give someone and she can show that through sharing her personal experiences."

Salant said McClure doesn't just offer insight as an Idahoan, but as a well-informed and engaged citizen who can shed light on lessons she's learned living in the public sphere during the past 60 years.

"As the wife of a very prominent and influential senator, Louise McClure traveled all over the world and has been exposed to so many critical issues facing our country," Salant said. "So her knowledge of the world, and of politics — of how Washington works and how policy is made — is exceptional."

Salant said she has become closely acquaint-

ed with McClure and has come to the conclusion that she's a special kind of person with the utmost passion for helping young people make their way into the world.

"I see her fairly regularly, we go out to lunch often and it's been such a privilege to get to know her," Salant said. "Just by speaking with her, I can tell her heart really is at the University of Idaho."

McClure's husband was a three-term senator who passed away in 2011 from a series of complications after a stroke. Salant said although he's gone, McClure has remained actively engaged in their alma mater.

"She's likely to have great advice for those at the close of their college careers," Salant said. "Perhaps the graduates will see her dedication and commitment and take her advice — it's bound to lead to success."

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HEALTH

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of Student Affairs Greg Tatham said the decision to cut the on-campus pharmacy was made a couple weeks ago, and the reasoning was that increased costs for running the small pharmacy were outweighing decreasing revenue.

"We felt that students would still have many pharmacies to choose from," Tatham said. "We know there's a convenience, but the costs would be redirected toward students."

The proposal to close the pharmacy this summer appeared in the Focus For the Future memo sent out last month by UI Interim Provost Katherine Aiken. Aiken said the sudden decision to close the pharmacy was partly due to the upcoming remodel and repiping of the Student Health Building.

"If we were going to do it, now was the time to do so," Aiken said.

Tatham said the cost of a pharmacy remodel permit, certain prescriptions becoming free to the public due to

the Affordable Care Act and the increasing cost of purchasing other prescriptions led to the decision. Tatham also said the small pharmacy was losing clientele to the availability of many other pharmacies such as those in Walmart, Walgreens and Rite Aid.

UI Student Benefits Specialist Lori Krasselt said closing the on-campus pharmacy led to renegotiations in the Student Health Insurance Plan. Originally, students with SHIP insurance were only able to pick up prescriptions from off-campus pharmacies once, before they were referred to the Student Health Pharmacy for any other pickups or refills. After May 16, this limit will be lifted, Krasselt said, and SHIP students will be able to use any pharmacy off-campus with all of the same benefits that were offered with on-campus pharmacy transactions.

"I do recommend for SHIP students to download a copy of their insurance card on Vandal Web and then print it out ... they can take it to the off-campus pharmacy

they choose and they can use the card to electronically bill it to their insurance," Poxleitner said.

Debbie Huffman, director of administrative and fiscal operations, said about 20 percent of UI students use the Students Health Pharmacy regularly. Huffman said she thinks students will be able to adapt to the loss of the pharmacy.

Nishelle Klinkhamer is a graduate student who feels the same.

"There are plenty of other pharmacies to go to, but this one is close and convenient," Klinkhamer said.

Tatham did say that while he has no plans to reopen the pharmacy, he is open to change if enough students express desire to have it back in the future.

"Nothing's ever permanent. If we find out the decision is impacting students really negatively and we may have made the wrong decision, we can reapply for a permit," Tatham said.

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The UI Department of Chemistry
Congratulates our
Spring 2014 Graduates

B.S.

Andrew Jean Bernard
Matthew Charles Chapin
Jocelyn Rose Cracraft
Michael John Cron
Patrick Ian Douady
Tianna Rae Drew Amanda
Marie Eagle
Diane K. Edwards
Diana J Figueroa
Alicia Michelle Fink
Mitchell Allen Flynn
Jacob Franklin Eric
Allen Hall Reid

Steven Hattaway
Stephen Daniel Holmbo
Richard James Munn
Leslie Ann Nickerson
Joshua Bryant Payne
Kelli Song Quist
Luke Thomas Reed
Sidney Ann Suggs
Tara Michelle Summer
Brice Luke Sumner
Sara Elizabeth Sumner
Kelsey Marta VanderWaal
Qian Xie

M.S.

Hugo Cesar Araujo Lino

Ph.D.

Donna Ly Quach Baek
Thao Thanh Vo

Congratulations!

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY 2014 GRADUATES

Katherine Baker - B.S. Summa cum laude
Michael Foushee - B.S. Summa cum laude
Olivia Guthrie - B.S.
Jordanne Holst - B.S.
Jet Johnstone - B.S.
Cody McClung - B.S.
Jacob Pernula - B.S.
Richard Sommers - B.S.

Brendan Gordon - M.S.
Katherine Morrison - M.S.
Patrick Olsen - M.S.
Andrea Villarroel - M.S.



Congratulations

2014 SPRING Graduates!

Mohammad Akbar
Kelsey Atkins
Kendall Benson
Amanda Blenden
Jarod Bodine
Alexander Booth
Ryan Byers
Nicholas Cain
James Cathey
Alyssa Charlston
Richard Clark
Allee Cooper
Jazmine Crane
Natalie Crum
Michael Cullen
Rainy Darono
Elyse Delaney
Andrew Deskins

Chad Dewan
Michaela Dirks
Tyler Elwell
Rachel Gilbride
Dana Groom
Victoria Hart
Chin-Lun (Karen) Hsu
Connor Holden
Scott Jackson
Joey Jenkins
Emily Johnson
Rebecca Johnson
Brittany Kidder
Cody Kinzer
Dalini Klompier
Sean Kramer
Theodore Lawson
Monica Lilly

Kristen Lindsay
Griffin May
Mark Mazurik
Christopher Metz
Kaitlin Moroney
Danae Nagle
Lucy Navarrete
Sean Niland
Cameron Olson
Britnee Packwood
Aaron Papin
Robert Pierce
Chloe Rambo
Shelby Ramos
Mykleanne Rauer
Jacob Robson
Alycia Rock
Darcy Saleen

Lauren Sanders
Lawrence Shaw
Tracey Spencer
John Stephens
Tyler Tennisson
April Thompson
Jared Toba
Marvin Trahant
Macy Trent
Christine Vaughan
Shauni Wemhoff
Taylor Williams
Christina Winger
Tianna Woltering
Sasha Wong
Danielle Yantis
Nitalia Zuniga

School of Journalism and Mass Media
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Department of Theatre Arts Congratulates its Spring 2014 Graduates

Undergraduates

Bachelor of Science

Chloe Cavender
Dianna Lewis
Patrick Mulligan
Hailee Naccarato
Mary Ojuok
Colleen Phillips *Summa cum laude

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Sara Holden
Max Holley
Brittany Isaacson **Musical Theatre**
Tommy Lukrich
Carlin Mitchell **Musical Theatre**
Jacque Peres
Emily Rose Schacher
Sondra Williams *Cum laude

Graduates

Master of Fine Arts

Tiffany Flory
Emily Nash
Chris Stordahl
Michael Ward

FFF

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"My challenge with this whole process — which the state board mandated — was at the University of Idaho we did a similar program prioritization process based on the Dickenson model in 2008 so we already started that and we've experienced a considerable decrease in state funding over the last five or six years," Aiken said. "We're pretty lean to begin with and we don't have a lot of places where people aren't working 150 percent already so that's my challenge with this whole process."

Aiken and the Focus For the Future task force received backlash when the initial proposal — which showed potential cuts to several degrees as well as changes to non-academic programs — was released two weeks ago. While the initial proposal was cause for concern among students, faculty and staff, Aiken said she reminded many that it was just a proposal. She said releasing the recommendations in such a fashion allowed everyone to participate in the two-week feedback period, which ended Wednesday.

"I really mean it about it just being a proposal," Aiken said. "Here were our challenges: did we want to have The Argonaut headline 'On the Chopping Block' during Vandal Friday periods? I don't think so. Did we want to have this conversation going on when the State Board was meeting, setting our tuition levels? I don't think so. So we really didn't have a lot of opportunity for earlier discussion and it's kind of a Catch-22."

Aiken said they chose to address the entire university because it would have been too difficult to approach individual groups. She said the concern was that it would create angst and confusion in relation to each recommendation or department.

"If you piecemeal ... talk about the proposals separately ... then you're creating angst piecemeal, or you're creating angst with one set of proposals and best advice was that this was what we decided to do and it's not perfect, but there's no perfect way to talk about change at a place



Nathan Romans | Argonaut

Environmental Science and Water Resources students hold signs outside of Interim Provost Katherine Aiken's office Monday in response to the University of Idaho's proposed changes to interdisciplinary programs.

like the University of Idaho," Aiken said. "I hope that we engage in civil and thoughtful conversation about these and I think everyone involved in creating these ... considers them as proposals and that we really are just talking about them."

Two groups on campus that expressed significant concern over the proposals were those in the Lionel Hampton School of Music, and students from the interdisciplinary Environmental Science and Water Resources program. The memo showed a potential recommendation to consolidate all music degrees into a single degree program, and to incorporate each interdisciplinary program into an existing college.

Members of the Environmental Science and Water Resources program staged a sit-in Tuesday in the Provost's office and were granted a meeting with Aiken to discuss their concerns.

"Some of the consequences or possible ramifications of these weren't all that obvious at first and that's what you're hoping people will tell you," Aiken said.

As for the music department, Aiken said the proposal to consolidate the program would not affect the school's accreditation or prominence on campus. She said none of the degrees would actually go away, but rather just look a little different.

"All these music degrees that we're asking to look at is there a way to consolidate ... this has created a lot of angst for them when none of these will actually go away, might they just look different is all the question that's being asked here," Aiken said. "I suspect — were I the Lionel Hampton School of Music — I would say 'Here's the reasons why pedagogically we don't want to do that.'"

In terms of non-academic programs, or areas where the university could become more efficient, the UI pharmacy is already slated to close at the end of the semester. The rest of the proposals are still under consideration and will be more clear once Aiken and the task force have had time to review the feedback. She said the university is not entertaining thoughts of cuts or changes to the

university's administration as a way to cut costs.

"If you look at our peers we actually have way fewer administrators than any other institution our size," Aiken said. "I don't anticipate that happening. If you also look at the salaries of our administrators — which I know are a lot of money compared to some of the other people at the University of Idaho — but compared to our peers, nobody here is paid very highly."

The next steps in the program prioritization process will be a review of the feedback, and a reconstruction of the proposals based on that feedback. UI President Chuck Staben will then review, and approve or disapprove the recommendations before they are sent to the state board in July to be reviewed at the state level prior to the August meeting.

"I believe what we eventually send the state board won't be this list at all," Aiken said. "This is just the starting point of conversation."

Aiken said despite the board's vague guidelines for the process, it

has been the university administration's goal to be responsive to their mandate, and complete the process to the best of their ability.

"We're working hard to meet their expectations and we expect that we will have met their expectations," Aiken said.

For those still wishing to provide feedback on the process, or learn more about Focus For the Future, Aiken and the task force have been providing updates at <http://www.uidaho.edu/provost/focus-for-the-future>.

"We recognize any kind of change is difficult in an organization like ours and I see it as a reflection of how committed people are to their work, to students and to their research and teaching," Aiken said. "If people weren't interested in this kind of thing then that would be more concerning than having people be engaged in the conversation. I really appreciate people's commitment to what we do here."

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*****PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE STUDENT HEALTH PHARMACY*****

The Health Care marketplace over recent years have affected a variety of services including our on-campus pharmacy. In the coming months the State of Idaho Department of Public Works will begin construction on the Student Health Building. The nature of the project will make it necessary for the Student Health Pharmacy to close for business.

Due to the construction closure, the availability of multiple pharmacies in the local community, and other issues that have affected the viability of the pharmacy operation, the Pharmacy will not reopen when the project is completed.

To assist students with the Pharmacy closure and transitioning off-campus for pharmacy services:

- Regular prescription dispensing services will continue through Friday, May 16, 2014.
- Current prescription transfer services will be available through Friday, May 30, 2014.
- Call 208-885-6535 or Fax 208-885-9676 for assistance with filling or transferring prescriptions.
- SHIP enrolled students will no longer have a limitation after May 16, 2014, for prescriptions filled at off-campus Express Scripts pharmacies.

The university is committed to making this transition in service as smooth as possible for our students. Updates and additional information will be posted at www.uidaho.edu/studenthealth as it becomes available.

Student Health Services
University of Idaho

The University of Idaho Student Health Services is committed to providing quality care to our students. Changes



THE CAMPUS CHRISTIAN CENTER CONGRATULATES OUR GRADUATES!

Vicky Hart, B.A. English, B.A. Journalism

Hailee Naccarato, B.A. Theatre Arts

Martin Nyarko, M.F.A. Sculpture



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SPORTS



Idaho track and field returns home for its only home meet of the year at the Vandal Jamboree.

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Battle in Los Angeles

Idaho women's tennis taking on No. 16-seeded USC Trojans in L.A. in NCAA tournament

Conor Gleason
Argonaut

The last-minute logistics are set for the Idaho women's tennis team, who are playing in its first NCAA tournament match in program history.

The Vandals got nearly two weeks of much-needed rest following a travel-heavy season, capped off by a victory at the WAC Championships against New Mexico State.

After a late flight into Los Angeles Wednesday evening, the team practiced at 2 p.m. on Thursday — the same time as its match on Friday.

"We'll compete the next day, so we're used to potentially the same temperatures and the same position of the sun," Idaho coach Jeff Beaman said. "With serving and overheads, you start out just getting a rhythm, getting a feel for the conditions. Then we'll start playing hard and full out points. Then go back, have a good dinner, a good night sleep and follow the same waking up routine the next day." The Vandals drew No. 16-seeded USC in the first round, a Pac-12 opponent the Vandals don't know much about. Beaman said it's hard to scout for tennis, but he is in constant contact with other coaches to help him prepare for USC.

"I've gotten in contact with a few coaches, gotten a few pointers and also got sent a few actual little scouting reports," Beaman said. "We aren't actually going to be working on anything specific at this point in players' games. It comes more into play with doubles. We really can prepare for a style that if they're going to play two players back off the return, if they're very aggressive at the net. That's the big thing with scouting reports."

With USC being one of the most well-known tennis powers in the country,



Nathan Romans | Argonaut

Senior Artemiy Nikitin practices Wednesday at the Memorial Gym Courts. Nikitin was voted to the All-WAC Singles team and Second Team All-WAC Doubles. Nikitin and the men's team will play the No. 1 overall seed USC Trojans in Los Angeles, at noon Saturday.

Uphill Fight

Vandal men prepare for No. 1 overall USC challenge

Joshua Gamez
Argonaut

After returning to Moscow as WAC champions early last week, the Vandal men's tennis team knew they were going to be playing in the NCAA tournament — they just didn't know where. This was until the brackets were unveiled April 29 and the Vandals found out they were going to be playing at No. 1 overall seed USC.

But even after seeing the draw against the Trojans' behemoth program, Idaho coach Jeff Beaman decided it was in the teams' best interest to take a few days off before hitting it hard. This gave some of the sore shoulders and rolled ankles on the team extra time to heal, Beaman said.

"As of Thursday, we got back into structured practice. Some of the players worked on specific things, but the main thing was a lot of consistency and actual point play to keep the competitive edge," Beaman said. "You're not going to change much — we just stayed out there and hit a lot of balls and kept the competitive juices flowing."

The downside of the time off was that the Vandals came out a little sluggish during last Thursday's practice. After not being on the courts in a structured matter for a few days it was to be expected, Beaman said.

Many of the players spent the time off catching up on their academics. Some players are pursuing demanding degrees such as engineering and architecture.

But many players needed

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Athletes of the Year

Stacey Barr - Women's basketball



Stacey Barr

Aptly named the 'Roo from Range' by a former play-by-play broadcaster, Barr had an exceptional junior season. Name an accomplishment, she did it. Barr helped Idaho win its first outright regular season league title since 1986, led Idaho to a WAC tournament title for a second consecutive season and played in her second NCAA tournament. She was named WAC Player of the Year, averaging 18.2 points, 7.7 rebounds and 2.7 assists per game. Idaho's opponents in the Big Sky Conference next season might not think it's fair that she has one more season left.

Stephen Madison - Men's basketball



Stephen Madison

Madison fell just short of garnering Idaho's second straight WAC Men's Basketball Player of the Year award, when the honor went to New Mexico State's Daniel Mullings. Madison had a career-year for the Vandals in his senior campaign, with career highs in field goal percentage, points, rebounds and assists with 20.1 points and 7.6 rebounds per game. More importantly may be what Madison accomplished in Las Vegas, when he put up 26 and 25 points in back-to-back wins at the WAC tournament to get Idaho into its first conference championship game since 1991.

Meredith Coba - Volleyball



Meredith Coba

The sophomore setter was absolutely essential for Idaho's attack in 2013, averaging 10.16 assists per set while no other Vandal averaged even one per set. Coba started all 30 games for Idaho, helping lead the program to a 19-11 record and a semi-final appearance in the WAC tournament. Coba's 1,174 assists were the most of any Vandal in a season, since Kelsey James' 1,124 in 2008. She and senior Alyssa Schultz will lead Idaho back into the Big Sky Conference in 2014.

Austin Rehkow - Football



Austin Rehkow

The freshman punter might have been an upgrade on former punter Bobby Cowan. Rehkow led the nation in punting average with 47.8 yards-per-punt and was named a Walter Camp All-American. Rehkow punted 75 times, booming them more than 50 yards 34 times and hitting them inside the opponent's 20-yard line 24 times. The Spokane native also pulled double-duty as Idaho's kicker, though he struggled there only hitting 10-of-17 field goals. Rehkow is well on his way toward being on the NFL's radar if his punting numbers hold steady.

Hannah Kiser - Cross country



Hannah Kiser

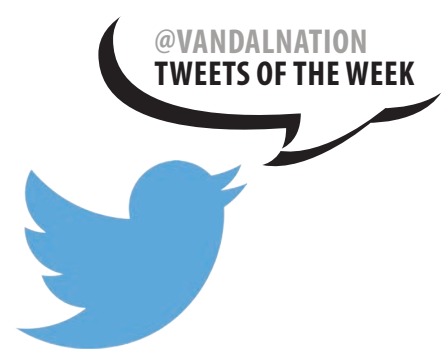
All Kiser does is win — just look at her trophy case. In the fall, Kiser helped lead the women's cross country team to its fourth consecutive WAC Championship win, capping off a 4-for-4 run for her during her Vandal career. Kiser was also named the WAC Women's Cross Country Athlete of the Year for a second season running. She was slowed during the track season with an injury, but returned last weekend at the Payton Jordan Invitational and hopes to bring home Idaho's first outdoor women's track and field conference championship.

Vicky Lozano - Women's tennis



Vicky Lozano

Lozano helped lead Idaho to its most successful season in program history in her senior campaign, leading Idaho to a WAC Championship win and NCAA tournament berth as the No. 1 singles and a No. 1 doubles player. She's combined for a total of 34 match wins between her singles and doubles competition, teaming up with fellow senior Almudena Sanz for a 17-4 No. 1 doubles record. Lozano also picked up Idaho's only match victory against a nationally ranked opponent, something that bodes well for her, as the Vandals head to USC to face the No. 16-seeded Trojans in the NCAA tournament.



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TWEETS OF THE WEEK



@CoachShuTweets

Our coaches are currently in six different states looking for the best of the best to be Vandals! #GoVandals

-Idaho running backs coach Jason Shumaker, tweeting as six coaches are out on the recruiting trail looking for more talent to bring into the Vandal Football program.



@CoachPittman

Great way to end an awesome spring season! Thx @VandalsSoccer for working so hard & being a joy to coach! #GoVandals pic.twitter.com/M5obwul3Pq

-Idaho soccer coach Derek Pittman tweeting after the soccer team ended its spring schedule.



@VandalFootball

Vandal football with St. Mary's school in Moscow. Fun day! #GoVandals #VandalsCommunity pic.twitter.com/mPSg-4SiKur

-Idaho Football tweeting after completing community service at a local elementary school for Sports Day.



@PeteShowler

@vandaltennis @ldaho_vandals Congrats Jeff Beaman on WAC Coach of the Year... well and truly deserved #GoVandals

-Former Idaho soccer coach Pete Showler congratulating current Idaho tennis coach Jeff Beaman on his WAC Coach of the Year honor.

Finally getting a taste of home

Idaho track and field ends regular season at home this weekend with the Vandal Jamboree

Josiah Whitting
Argonaut

The Idaho track and field team will compete at home Friday and Saturday when it hosts the Vandal Jamboree at home at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex. The Vandal Jamboree marks the end of regular season competition for the Vandals, as both the men's and women's teams compete for positioning at the WAC Championships, taking place May 14-17 in Orem, Utah.

The Vandals are enjoying a successful season with several athletes leading the WAC in their events. The Vandal Jamboree is one of the last opportunities athletes will have to improve personal bests and achieve qualifying times for the first round of NCAA championships, which occurs May 19-31 in Fayetteville, Arkansas. To qualify for the First Round, athletes must rank in the top 48 of the NCAA West Region. This qualification is based on their best results in all competitions.

Competing at home has historically benefited the Vandals. Last year at the Vandal

Jamboree, three athletes were able to set personal bests and the team hopes to do as well this year.

"It's just more of a comfortable thing. We're used to this area, so it makes it easier to be more relaxed," freshman thrower Adara Winder said.

Senior Kyle Rothwell agreed with that sentiment.

"We're definitely a lot more comfortable here, and it's fun," Rothwell said. "Infinite a lot more... to have friends and family come to the meets and see us do what we do."

The Vandal Jamboree comes after the end of a welcome break for the Vandals from a strenuous road schedule. The Vandals juggle multiple meets and split the team to compete in a packed season that had the team traveling everywhere from Albuquerque, New Mexico, to Seattle with little time to rest and recover at home.

The weather forecast this weekend calls for rain Friday and clearer skies on Saturday. Although the weather conditions will definitely have an impact on performances, the only thing athletes say they can do is to keep preparing mentally and physically.

"It is what it is, you know? You can't really fix it," junior jumper Emmanuel Panchol said.

Last season 13 Vandals qualified for the



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Junior Emmanuel Panchol practices the high jump Wednesday afternoon at the Dan O'Brien Track and Field Complex in preparation for the Vandal Jamboree this weekend.

first round of NCAA championships with five women and eight men making the cut. This year the Vandals are looking to improve on that number, with currently qualified athletes like Rothwell timing their workouts to peak near the NCAA meet.

The meet will kick off 1 p.m. on Friday

at with the men's hammer throw and will pick up again 11 a.m. on Saturday with women's discus.

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Enter the "Fun Belt"

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

The day it happens will be quiet in Moscow. Most students will be long gone — doing whatever it is that they do over the summer.

But for the Idaho athletic department, July 1 will be the day that Idaho officially dives into a new era of both short-term stability and long term uncertainty.

Idaho will officially join the Sun Belt Conference that day as a football-only member on a four-year guarantee beginning in the 2014-15 season and running through the 2017-18 season.

After the 2015-16 season, Idaho's second in the league, the Sun Belt Conference board of governors will meet to decide whether to extend Idaho's football-only agreement beyond 2017-18.

It's a setup that Idaho athletic direc-

tor Rob Spear said gives both Idaho and the Sun Belt flexibility in a college football landscape that both parties expect to continue to evolve.

"They want to have an idea of what's going to happen," Spear said. "I think by then there may be some information on if the four-team college football playoff goes to eight teams. Obviously they probably want to look at how our football team is progressing and the competitiveness of it. I would be surprised if they didn't."

A lot of the unknowns stems from last January's NCAA Convention, in which a new governance structure was proposed that many feel gives the "Power five" conferences more power, and would further grow the distance between them and the lesser "group of five" conferences.

A number of scenarios could play out, one that could mean a new FBS conference

Idaho football enters into a four-year agreement with the Sun Belt Conference on July 1, with unknown future

in the West. Further off in the future, Spear speculates that could mean a definitive break-off between the power conferences and the lower conferences, combining FBS and FCS into three separate tiers, which Spear believes Idaho would belong in the second one.

"There's a lot of noise in the system, as I would describe it still with the whole governance thing up in the air and will soon come to a resolution," he said. "I think it's going to benefit the five big conferences. We need to see how that shakes out and whether or not there (are) any repercussions from that. So the four-year agreement I think seems like the right timeframe for me, for us."

Some speculation has centered around Big Sky football programs looking for a way into the FBS. When asked what he's heard on that front, Spear responded: "Nothing."

The new NCAA governance structure

could make it more difficult for FCS teams to transition into FBS. In the Sun Belt Conference alone, Appalachian State, Georgia Southern and Georgia State have all made the transition within the last two seasons.

"I think that all ties together, what's happened with the governance, what's going to happen with how you transition from FCS to FBS. All of that is going to play in the future of all conferences," Spear said. "I do know the Big Sky feels good about FCS football. They talk about the top tier of FCS football is as good as the bottom tier of FBS football and I guess I can't argue... Which is why I think there's room for another tier, which would be the top end of the FCS and the bottom end of the FBS, would make a great structure and a great tier."

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NFL Draft not a happy occasion

Lack of NFL prospects coming out of Idaho last three years is telling sign of futility

I can only imagine what the spring of 2010 must have felt like for Idaho fans. I wasn't a student at the school at the time, but I knew all too well about everybody's favorite Vandal. Mike Iupati was a blue-chip prospect, a sure first-round pick. Any team in desperate need of an offensive guard was looking at Iupati. He had a long list of visits, private workouts and was invited to the NFL Scouting Combine.

Iupati was eventually selected as the No. 17 overall pick by the San Francisco 49ers in that draft, and has since enjoyed a very successful NFL career.

To this day, Iupati is the biggest banner of pride that Idaho has in its football program's recent history.

And there hasn't been much since.

The activity of Idaho alumni on NFL Draft weekend has matched the success of the program. A 6-7 season in 2010 was the closest the Vandals have ever come to matching the success of its 8-5 Humanitarian Bowl winning season.

Only four Vandals have been drafted since that season — Shiloh Keo and Nathan Enderle in the 5th round, and Daniel Hardy in the 7th round in 2011 and Corey Toomer

in the 5th round in 2012.

Numerous others have been signed as undrafted free agents: Benson Mayowa, Justin Veltung, Eric Greenwood, JoJo Dickson, Max Komar and Bobby Cowan to name a few, but few have stuck.

But as far as the actual draft, the most action I saw Idaho get on draft day was when ESPN showed highlights of LSU's Barkevious Mingo sacking ex-Idaho quarterback Dominique Blackman.

Now, I understand that Idaho is never going to be a regular player on draft day. It's a mid-major program, a lower one at that, and recruiting enough talent to Moscow to even compete at this level is a challenge in itself.

But I go back to Idaho's days in the Big Sky Conference and even in those days, Idaho would get NFL Draft love every now and then.

The correlation between college football wins and the number of players drafted, or at least considered good enough to be drafted, is not large, but it is there. This season, Idaho will have hit rock bottom. Only one senior — one — is considered good enough to be drafted and is likely to end up in an NFL training camp. That is running back James Baker.



Sean Kramer
Argonaut

During the game at Washington State, a 42-0 thumping at the hands of the Cougars, I was sitting next to an NFL scout in the press box who point blank told me that he thought Baker was the best player on the team.

That comment should draw a mixed reaction. Baker is 6-foot-2-inches of pure power and athleticism at the running back position. He will easily end up in a training camp and I'd give him a fighting chance at cracking a 53-man roster.

But to call him the best player on the roster is a sad state of affairs for the program that Idaho coach Paul Petrino has inherited.

There is hope, though, and if Petrino's current crop of talent can pan out and be developed, the Vandals will enjoy wins and some of the smiles, handshakes and high-fives that comes with seeing your favorite players picked on draft day.

Defensive tackle Quayshawne Buckley, defensive end Maxx Forde, defensive tackle Alfonso Hampton, wide receiver Dezmon Epps, offensive lineman Mike Marboe and punter Austin Rehkow are just a few players who could pan out as future draft picks.

Here's to hoping that actually happens.

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Rocky season for men's golf

Men's golf went through growing pains this season, but coach believes success is on the horizon

Korbin McDonald
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If it wasn't for a poor second round at the WAC Men's Golf Championship, this story might have been an NCAA tournament preview for the Idaho men's golf team — but instead, it's a season review.

During the second round of play, Idaho shot 10-over-par. Remove that score and just use rounds one and two and the Vandals would have won over champion New Mexico State by three strokes.

"The second round of conference cost us dearly," Idaho coach John Means said. "When they got in trouble they pressed instead of relaxing, and playing golf like they know how to play ... We shot a high

score in the second day, otherwise we would have been right there to compete for the championship."

Means compared the season to a roller-coaster ride. He said the team demonstrated they could play with the best teams in the country, but weren't able to play consistently at that level. With three first-year players, Means said he attributes the inconsistent play with how young the team was.

"Every tournament that I would go to, every single one, I would leave here so excited because I know how good we are," Means said. "I don't want to say that potentially they can be good, because they're good, but they just couldn't bring it tournament after tournament."

Excluding the second round, Means said the young group of players blossomed at the WAC Championship.

"They showed up to play and showed everybody how good they are," Means said. "You can tell by all the awards they took

home from the conference championship, that these guys can play — we took home five awards."

Idaho finished the season ranked 112th on golfweek.com, but there's reason to believe that number won't drop next season and in the foreseeable future, too.

Alex Pounds was the lone senior on the roster, so Idaho will return seven players next season when it moves to the Big Sky Conference. It will be the first season that the Big Sky sponsors men's golf.

"I think for the first time since I've been here, this is going to be the healthiest that we've been," Means said of his roster.

Idaho returns five players who started in all six-spring tournaments — Aaron Cockerill, Sean McMullen, Rylee Iacolucci, Ryan Porch and Jared du Toit — along with Chris Wilson and Scott Riley. Means said even though Wilson and Riley didn't play in spring, the two improved their game tremendously.

Idaho will add three new players to its roster next season — Ian Kim from Canada, Dan Sutton from England and Moscow native Cooper Wright.

Means said he expects good things from the new Vandals, and for all three to compete for playing time next year.

With summer just days away, the men's golf team won't get much vacation time — all will be competing in numerous tournaments throughout break and getting ready for next season.

Means said he wants his team to come back mentally stronger.

"Every tournament has to be the most important thing that you have ever done, and once it's over you have to let it go," Means said. "Win or lose, you have to move on to the next one."

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Finishing on a high note

Korbin McDonald
Argonaut

The Idaho women's golf team found themselves in an unfamiliar position after the first two rounds of the WAC Championships — they were in a position to win a conference championship.

"It's unfortunate that we weren't able to close out that final round at the WAC," coach Lisa Johnson said. "However, we learned a lot from it. We realized that we need to put ourselves in a position to win more often, so we're more comfortable playing under that sort of pressure."

Even though Idaho didn't win any tournaments this season, the team still had individuals who enjoyed success. Highlights included Kaitlyn Oster with two top-10 finishes and a hole-in-one, and Leilanie Kim with three top-10 finishes including, first place and the individual WAC championship.

"I'm very proud of Leilanie," Johnson said. "She finally won her first college tour-

namment, which was a long time coming because she's such a talented golfer."

Johnson said she was encouraged how the team competed at the WAC Championships, because they put themselves in a position to win. It was good for players to be in that position, she said, and get the feeling of adrenalin. That's why her team plays the game, Johnson said.

Idaho ended the season ranked 111th on golfweek.com, with its best finish coming at the WAC Championships. In the 10 tournaments this season, the Vandals only managed three top-five finishes.

"Our season was filled with a lot of learning experiences," Johnson said. "We didn't perform as well as I know we're capable of. We had several opportunities to finish high as a team in regular season events, and obviously we had an opportunity to win the conference championship. So all of that was positive."

Rachel Choi, the sole senior, is the

only player Idaho will lose heading into next season.

Choi, who hails from Mukilteo, Washington, came to Idaho back in 2010 and contributed to the team all of the four years she was here. Johnson said Choi contributed both on and off the golf course, and even helped recruit fellow Western Washington native, Cassie McKinley.

"She'll be a huge loss, we'll miss her greatly," Johnson said. "It's going to be extremely hard to say goodbye, but we know she has a lot of great things ahead of her."

Taking Choi's spot on the roster will be Kendall Gray, who also hails from Western Washington, where she was a four-year letter winner at Fife High School.

Next year, Idaho will move to the Big Sky Conference. Johnson said she fully expects to be one of the best teams and win conference championships for years to come.

During the summer, Idaho will look to improve its game and get ready for the up-

Women's golf season didn't produce any team victories, still saw positives in WAC Championships

coming season. Johnson said along with working on their short game, she wants to see players win some tournaments.

"We need to enter tournaments this summer with the mindset of going out to win, as oppose to just play well — there's a big difference," Johnson said. "I felt like we got into this mode of trying to do the best we can, instead of going out and trying to win ... I'm hoping players will win tournaments this summer, and to get use to the feeling of winning."

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Awaiting the call

Former Idaho running back James Baker expects to participate in NFL training camp this summer

Sean Kramer
Argonaut

For ex-Idaho running back James Baker, it's not a question of if, but when. That question centers around his NFL future, which Baker expects to result in him participating in an NFL training camp this summer.

Baker, Idaho's leading rusher in 2013, has been working out in Moscow since his collegiate career ended last December in preparation for draft weekend.

Baker represents Idaho's most realistic chance at producing an NFL player from its 2014 graduating class.

"It's kind of up in the air right now," Baker said. "I believe Saturday I will get a phone call for sure. But I'm just ready for whatever. I'm just ready for the opportunity. Just going to camp, that's really what I look forward to."

Baker has gone through the typical process of an NFL prospect, including participating in the school's pro day, taking visits and going through individual workouts with teams. Baker had a private workout with the Miami Dolphins in Moscow and has taken visits to the Kansas City Chiefs and the Green Bay Packers. Numerous other teams have contacted him over the phone.

Baker credits his time with Idaho strength and conditioning coach Jacob Scharnhorst for his preparation for the draft.

"I can't stress how much he's helped me," Baker said. "I'm thankful to have him as my strength and conditioning coach, because he's helped me with a lot of things and always kept with me with a level head and told me to keep grinding, and he was always right there with me to keep work through everything."

Baker's numbers alone wouldn't inspire much interest among prospective NFL teams. He only rushed for 593 yards on



James Baker carries the ball off-tackle in a Nov. 2, 2013 game against Texas State at the Kibbie Dome. Baker graduated as Idaho's leading rusher with 593 yards and six touchdowns in 2013 and is expecting to get signed to an NFL training camp in the summer.

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Coach Petrino always preached to me to practice hard. The way you practice is the way you play in a game. I just tried to come to practice everyday with the mindset to work hard and to get better everyday. Coach always told us that as a team.

James Baker,
ex-Idaho running back

4.1 yards-per-carry. Those numbers don't tell the entire story of the 6-foot-2, 230-pound power back.

Idaho coach Paul Petrino is a fan of giving those who practice well the snaps, when it comes to game day. Early in the season, Petrino challenged Baker to step up and be that guy. It wasn't until later in the season that Baker was able to wrestle the starting spot away from competitors Kris Olugbode and Jerrel Brown.

"Coach Petrino always preached to me to practice hard," Baker said. "The way you practice is the way you play in a game. I just tried to come to practice everyday with the mindset to work hard and to get better everyday. Coach always told us that as a team."

It's that practice mentality that Baker said will help him when he gets into a training

camp. As a late-round pick or an undrafted free agent, Baker would have no guarantee of making a 53-man roster into the regular season. He'd have to follow in the footsteps of former Vandals Benson Mayowa and Justin Veltung, who last season were both able to accomplish that feat.

And if Baker doesn't get drafted? "I will be in a camp, it's just a matter of getting a call on draft day. So, the most important thing for me is to just understand, have to go in camp, compete, prove myself and just go all out, put it all on the line, that's what's most important for me. And that's the easy process, getting the phone calls, to get the call this weekend."

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Operation Big Sky

New Idaho soccer coach Derek Pittman will spend summer preparing his program for entrance into Big Sky Conference in fall of 2014

Joshua Gamez
Argonaut

The Vandal soccer team wrapped up its first spring season under new coach Derek Pittman on April 26, and he is already eagerly awaiting the kickoff of fall camp in August.

"They've laid the groundwork," he said. "They've bought in to what we are doing and we hope that propels us into the fall."

Pittman hopes that the fall camp and non-conference schedule that includes matchups with opponents from the Pac-12, Mountain West and West Coast Conference prepares the team for the soccer program's inaugural season in the Big Sky Conference.

The Vandals had a taste of Big Sky competition in the spring, as they defeated Montana in a 4-3 thriller on April 19.

The 2014 fall schedule officially will be

released during the summer. Right now Idaho is just waiting on a few non-conference games to be finalized, Pittman said.

"We feel like we've got some really good road trips in the non-conference that will test us," Pittman said.

The team already has a summer workout and training regimen in place for the summer, and Pittman thinks many of the players have shown their dedication to improving on the spring season. Many players plan on staying in Moscow over the summer to participate in a voluntary workout program.

The summer will give the young team a chance to work together without direct coaching supervision. With the young leaders already in place, it should give the Vandals an added edge as they will be welcoming eight incoming freshmen in the fall.



Parker Wilson | Argonaut

New Idaho soccer coach Derek Pittman works with his goalies during a spring practice.

"Our goal is to make sure our incoming freshmen are implemented into our team identity," Pittman said. "They adjust quickly to how we want to play — that's going to be our main focus in the non-conference schedule."

Although the spring season concluded

a little more than two weeks ago, many of the players have continued to work toward getting better, both in the weight room and on the pitch. Pittman said he hopes the extra work will parlay into fall success.

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Going for the Cup

On its way out of WAC, Idaho has chance to earn WAC Commissioner's Cup for first time

Rick Clark
Argonaut

After a season that brought the athletic program five different WAC titles thus far, there is not much more Idaho could do to leave its mark before exiting the Western Athletic Conference.

The key in that sentence is "not much," because there is one more thing that Idaho athletic director Rob Spear wants to win before it's all said and done.

One thing has been able to elude the Vandals since they joined the conference back in 2005 — the WAC Commissioner's Cup.

The Commissioner's Cup is given out every year to the top athletic program in the WAC. It accounts for how every sport at a school finishes in the WAC, handing out points based on order of finish. The school with the most points at the end of the school year receives the cup.

Idaho's first few years in the WAC led it to finish in the middle of the pack, but the last three years have really been a step up.

"I don't want to jinx us, but we are in good shape," Spear said, speaking of the 2013-14 athletic year. "I think that we'll have a big enough lead, even if we don't have softball or baseball, which has killed us the last two years."

The Vandals have finished second in the standings for the last two years.

What stings about both of those losses is Idaho led each of the past two years going into the last four sports of the season — baseball, softball, and men's and women's track and field.

Two of four sports Idaho does not offer, meaning that schools were able to score points in sports that Idaho doesn't sponsor.

The last two winners of the Commissioner's Cup were Texas-San Antonio and Fresno State,

two schools that have left the WAC. Both of those schools were able to achieve success in baseball and softball.

With that success, Idaho ended up losing the cup by single digit points both years.

With the other programs in the WAC this season though, Idaho is sitting better than they have in past years.

At this point in the standings, Idaho has a 19-point lead going into the last stretch of four sports, and the team sitting behind them — New Mexico State — only plays in three of the four sports.

The Vandals are looking good to come out on top.

The reason is the two sports the Vandals have left to compete in — men's and women's track and field.

The track and field team, coached by Wayne Phipps, has enjoyed success in the WAC Championships ever since Phipps was hired. That success could finally mean getting the elusive cup.

The team wants to win the WAC Championship, but the coaches know what's riding on the finish and they want to help secure the cup for the athletic department in the program's final year in the WAC.

"Our goal is to go in and always be in the top three at conference and so that's going to contribute for the Commissioner's Cup," track and field coach Julie Taylor said. "We feel like this year, we have had some amazing teams do well in the WAC, all across the board for the department. So, we want to go and contribute as well and do our best and we feel like we have a team this year that should contend on both the men's and women's (side) and that would be a great benefit to the Commissioner's Cup."

A top three finish on both



Josiah Whitting | Argonaut

Freshman Juan Medina Cuence practices shot put in preparation for the Vandal Jamboree taking place this weekend. The track and field program can clinch the Commissioner's Cup for Idaho this spring.

sides of the track and field championships could certainly be what Idaho needs to finally clinch its first Commissioner's Cup.

Spear said this is something he doesn't talk about with Phipps for two reasons — he doesn't want to jinx it and he knows Phipps is going to come out and have his team compete at the highest level.

But for Idaho, this transcends just the track and field team. This cup could mean a lot as a whole for the athletic department and could put a lot of teams on notice as they enter the Big Sky Conference next year for competition.

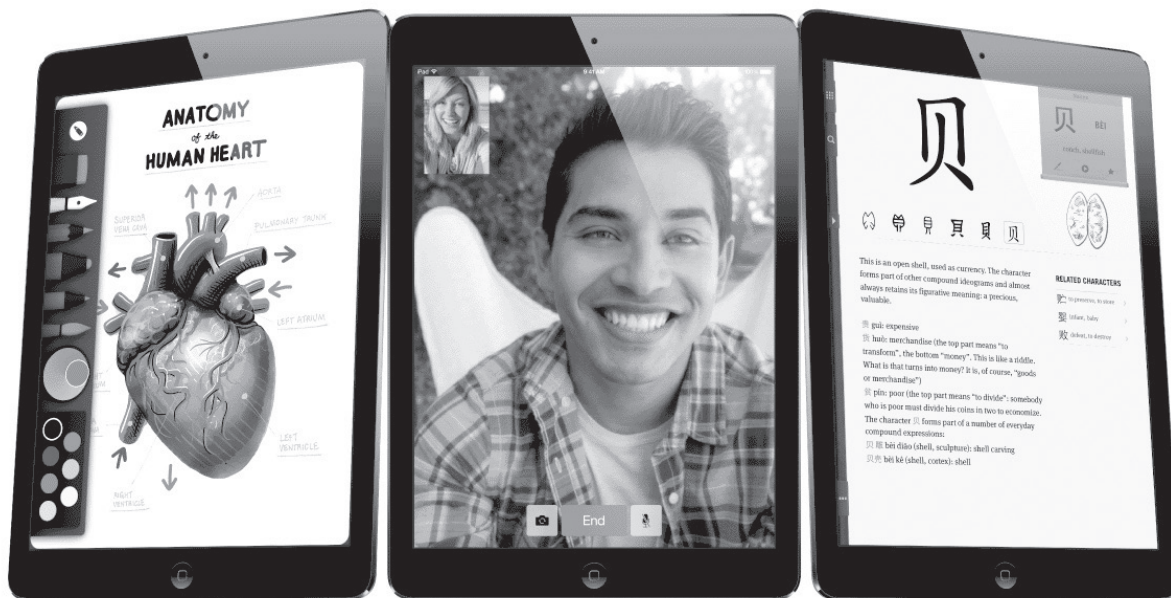
"Would it mean a lot for this (athletic) program? Yeah, it's a good way to go out of the WAC," Spear said.

Phipps is going for his 11th and 12th WAC Championships with the men's and women's track and field programs. Idaho will compete at the WAC Championships in Orem, Utah, next week. Obtaining those trophies would also guarantee Idaho's first Commissioner's Cup.

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Beaman expects a large crowd. However, he said his team is no stranger to the pressure after playing in front of a hostile crowd at Boise State earlier in the season.

"The big thing was the conference finals," Beaman said. "That was a very big crowd in Las Cruces, (New Mexico). In hosting (both our) men and women, we expected a good crowd. It will give the players some preparation, and they dealt really well with the crowd in Las Cruces. We coached them on focusing on the right things and not letting the crowd play into their focus and results."

Senior Vicky Lozano said she expects the crowd to be tough on Idaho, but the crowd also could be motivating and exciting for her.

"I'm getting ready for it mentally," Lozano said. "The crowd will probably be a little loud and that can be hard to take. I think I have a lot of support from the coaches — from Jeff (Beaman), from Art (Hoomiratana) and Abid (Akbar). I think I'm getting ready well for it."

If Idaho wins against USC, it will move on to face the winner of Fresno State and Michigan. The Vandals beat Fresno State earlier this season, 4-3. If the Vandals prevail there as well, the tournament shifts to Athens, Georgia, on May 15 for the round of 32.

"Hopefully, we can have the two rounds there and get to play the next week," Lozano said. "But if not, just prepare for finals and enjoy the rest of the semester and prepare for graduation. Let's hope for the best."

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Nathan Romans | Argonaut

Senior Almudena Sanz reaches for a return Wednesday at the Memorial Gym Courts. Sanz made matches All-WAC First Team Doubles and Second Team singles.

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to stay on the court to avoid a dip in their confidence and tenacity, so they hit the courts even on their off days to maintain that level. Beaman said the players know what they need to do to get better and compete with USC.

Much like Idaho's experience in Las Cruces, New Mexico, for the conference tournament, they left Moscow Wednesday night and arrived in Los Angeles early. This gave the team a bit of time to practice and get acclimated to the climate, before hitting the courts on Saturday.

"The really big thing is going to be the change in weather," Beaman said "It's a big elevation difference between L.A. and here, so getting two really good days of practice is really key."

The Vandals will have the luxury of practicing at the impressive USC tennis facilities Thursday and Friday, before playing at noon on

Saturday.

Thursday night the team will be part of a banquet honoring teams participating in the tournament, and will watch the Idaho women's team on Friday, since they also drew USC in the first round.

The Vandals will play and practice at USC's Marks Stadium, which will likely be filled to capacity. Southern California is one of the biggest tennis hubs in the nation. With the Trojans being the No. 1 ranked team in the nation, it should be expected that the Vandals will be fighting an uphill battle in terms of fan support, and in its ability to get a win.

The Vandals have had a few experiences with crowds in the past, with games at Boise State and New Mexico State late in the year, but those pale in comparison to the crowd they're likely to see in the "City of Angels."

"We will be playing the No. 1 team at home. I'm sure it is going to be a great environment," Beaman said.

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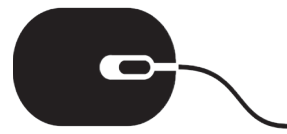
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OUR VIEW

A year in review

Difficult year will lead to better future for UI

In many ways, this academic year has been one of transition for the University of Idaho.

The editorial board has used this very space to provide commentary on a wide array of topics — the selection of our new president, the classification and compensation debacle and more recently, the implications of UI's Focus For the Future campaign, which raised a number of eyebrows and concerns and surely will continue to do so as the process moves on.

UI hired its new presi-

dent, played its first season of football under a new coach who now has been dealt a tough hand as the program was sanctioned for poor Academic Progress Rate scores, which will prevent the team from playing in the postseason.

Major changes to the Student Code of Conduct were implemented and the university's Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival witnessed its lowest attendance figures in recent history.

We applauded the university's efforts on a few occasions and reprimanded them on others, praising the decision to expand jurisdiction of the Dean of Students Office, but chastising UI administration on multiple occasions for lack of transpar-

ency and communication.

This was a year of house cleaning for UI — the important decisions made by UI administrators that go unseen by the student body, but are invaluable to the university's image.

While UI continues to deal with budget shortfalls — notably the astronomical tag on deferred maintenance costs — in addition to the ramifications stemming from potential Title IX violations, it also made a number of positive steps that will set our institution up for an ideal future.

Expanded jurisdiction pertaining to the code of conduct will help hold students accountable for their actions off campus, while

the university made important strides in retaining first-year students — an effort that will surely help UI's enrollment.

Credit should be given to Interim President Don Burnett for leading the university through this difficult transitional period. Being in a high-level administrative position for a short period of time through difficult decisions is a hard job, and Burnett handled the position admirably.

This transitional period has been difficult, but persevering through these decisions will lead UI to a better future for our flagship institution.

— TL

OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

Last OTC

Thanks to Shawn O'Neal and all of the Arg staff past and present for making my two years at UI totally incredible. I love you all. I promise I'll visit.

—Kaitlin

Summer

Mine always are spent working jobs. At least this year I'll be working at a job I'm passionate about

—Danielle

San Sebastian

I can't wait to walk on your beaches and make all my friends in Idaho jealous.

—Emily

The Arg

My time with The Arg has been the most awesome thing ever happened to me in college. Now that I am graduating, I just want to give shout outs to Student Media advisor Shawn O'Neal and everyone in the crew to give me a chance to improve myself. I'll miss the good times and always remember the good memories. In fact, I'm staying here over the summer, so not quite for a good bye.

—Rainy

Forever grateful

I came to UI five years ago as a snobby Californian. I'm still a snobby Californian, but one who is forever for the eye-opening experience that Moscow and the university gave someone who was accustomed to warm weather, diversity and traffic. In many ways, I needed it and now, I part ways with the University of Idaho having had the best experience of my life. Go Vandals.

—Theo

Gratitude

As the year comes to a close, I realize that I have so much to be grateful for, even if it is the little things. Knowing that I have such supportive people in my life (even if they're miles away) and that I'm pursuing not only my passion, but something I'm good at, gives me confidence that the future is very bright. Now give me my freckles and blonde hair back, Moscow, I miss them.

—Hannah

Sweeping the competition

Arg writers Sean and Theo swept the sports awards in the student category for 2013 by the Idaho Press Club. We'll miss those guys next year but it's nice to know I've been working with two of the best sports writers in the state for the past three years.

—Stephan

Step out

Spend this summer seeking adventure, learning new things, and causing a little trouble. Three months will fly by and those of us non-graduates will be back into the swing of another semester before we know it.

—Jessica

Bittersweet

I am happy that the school year is over, but I am sad that so many seniors are graduating and moving on to better things.

—Aleya

A long summer

Still don't know what I'm doing. So stop asking me.

—Sean

So long UI

It's been real. At one point, I might even miss you.

—Ricky

Summer

It's almost swimsuit season, and my porcelain skin isn't prepared for the inevitable sunburns.

—Erin

Is it summer or the rainy season?

Can't decide if I should be wearing shorts or a raincoat.

—Claire

Blazers and pencil skirts

Gearing up for my summer internship in Washington D.C. Though I'm excited to return as news editor in the fall, I might be a little more excited at the possibility of running into Barack Obama or Joe Biden on a daily basis.

—Amber

Summer fun

Vacations, internships, going home to Seattle — not my thing. I'm going to try this thing called summer school out, heard it's really fun. School work and golf ... lot's of golf, will be my summer.

—Korbin

Moscow

I love watching Moscow come to life in the spring, but it's making me miss my family's garden a little. I'm definitely looking forward to going back home and planting some things.

—Daphne

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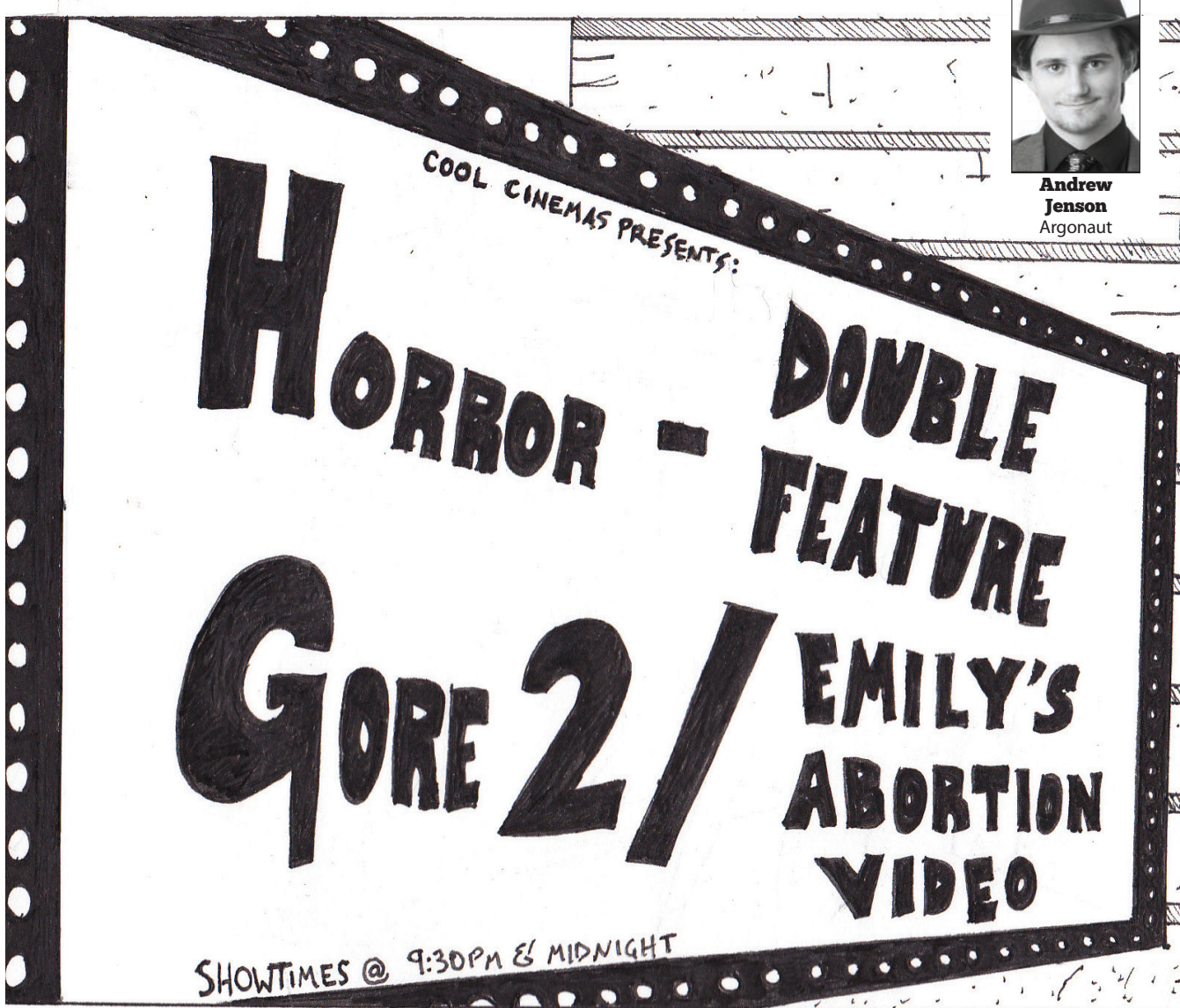
This year went by so quickly. I'm practically a senior now. Unbelievable.

—Andrew

Summer

Stay cool Moscow, I will see you in August.

—Ryan



Andrew Jenson Argonaut

Useless group projects

Group projects not meant for college students, do not teach collaborative skills

Supposedly, the college experience will bring enlightenment to its students and grants them access to the mystical realm of the "real world."

The favored way for college professors to indoctrinate students into this "real world" is the much-dreaded group project. The idea behind forcing students to work together is nice. After college, in the much-hyped real world, most jobs will require teams of people to collaborate toward a common goal.

The problem with group projects is that the classroom is not the workshop. At a job, people who do not contribute are fired and face losing the ability to meet their financial needs. In college, those who do not contribute to a project or do a poor job still receive the reward of a high grade, since more studious group members will correct their work or even take on the entire project.

Some professors have the foresight to account for slackers in the process by al-

lowing for group members to receive individual participation grades. Those who don't take that precaution leave the unfortunate souls who care about their grades bearing the weight of the project.

The time commitment required in college also does not resemble the time commitment in the workplace. The average college student has to balance hours of classes and homework, along with a job and any extracurricular activities. At a full-time job, hours can be dedicated to the completion of a group project, since time at a job can be used to work and coordinate the project.

Far too often the packed schedule of college life can turn group projects into a logistical problem. Throughout the week, every college student has classes and commitments that must be attended. So the more people who are added to a group, the greater probability that at least one person will not be able to make any times

the other group members can attend. Then, the project turns into a nightmare of coordination and accounting for the inevitable group member's absence.

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Far too often the packed schedule of college life can turn group projects into a logistical problem.

Those who have the misfortune of being stuck with a group project often have a task that does not make sense. A favorite among many University of Idaho professors is to assign one long writing assignment to be divided among group members for a group grade. Every person has their own individual writing style, so it is ridiculous to expect that many people to write on



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Life lessons *College teaches more than just academics*

The F-Word



Kaitlin Moroney
Argonaut

A column on society and culture from a feminist perspective

There are lots of things I could have written about for my last F-Word column of my college career; the Nigerian school girls who have been abducted by a terrorist group, the Title IX investigation UI is currently undergoing or the cultural appropriation inherent in Cinco de Mayo celebrations. Instead, I'm going to go soft and discuss how college has affected me in substantial ways. I'm graduating in a week, so consider this my love letter to what my five years in college have taught me.

1. It's OK to let go

We are creatures of habit. We want to hold on to anything, everything and nothing. Even when

mountains of evidence against a strongly-held belief is sitting right in front of our faces, we refuse to admit it. I entered college as a strong conservative. I leave as a flaming liberal feminist. This isn't because I was brainwashed, I sold out or the peer pressure was too strong.

It's because I learned to let go of beliefs and ideals that I no longer felt were substantiated. It was difficult — I was becoming what I'd grown up hating. But in the end, it wasn't due to being wishy washy or flip flopping — it was admitting an error and maturing from it. The moral of the story is simple, if you find yourself confronted by new ideas, don't just brush them aside.

Consider the argument and the evidence. If it's compelling, don't be afraid to admit you are wrong.

2. Different is not bad

We meet so many different people in college. People of different races, religions, family backgrounds, gender identities, political affiliations and socioeconomic statures.

We get to know these people, to be their friends and to appreciate their stories and beliefs. It's easy to demonize "the other" when we don't know them. It's easy to dismiss people entirely if you lump them into ideological groups, conservatives and liberals, Christians and Muslims, liberal arts majors and science majors, us and them. But when we start putting people and faces to those groups, it becomes a lot harder to dismiss them out of hand. And that's okay, because seeing people as individuals is never a bad thing.

3. It's OK to fail

I'm an overachiever. I've never failed a class, but I've failed tests and papers. And I've gotten near-fail grades in difficult classes. I've applied for opportunities I really wanted and was incredibly qualified for ... and not gotten them. I've messed up big time. I've hurt others and hurt myself. But guess what? I'm alive, kicking and about to graduate with honors in a week.

The important thing is that you learn from your mistakes and do better next time. Dwelling on what went wrong doesn't do anyone any good. Life moves on, even after failure. Might as well move on with it.

4. Get involved

Whether it's ASUI, Student Media, club

sports, volunteer projects — do something. Your college experience will be 1,000 times more worth it. You will find others with similar interests, and build a support network. You'll realize that people you would never have met by just sitting in class or chilling in your dorm have become your friends. For me, this will carry over into the rest of my life.

I've discovered things I have a passion for and am incredibly excited to have more time to volunteer my time post-graduation. I plan to continue to get involved in my community, because I've realized what great relationships are built through such experiences.

5. Take a motherlovin' break, kid

I always do too much. I always commit to too much and think I can do more than I can actually handle. Trust me on this one, drowning in a pile of homework and responsibilities is an actual thing that happens.

Students should learn how to take a break, take time for yourself, a weekend off, a night of watching Netflix — whatever it is.

And then learn to say no. This might mean quitting a job, giving up a volunteering gig or getting an extension on a homework assignment. But mostly it means being able to realize when you are doing too much and adjust accordingly. When you do too much, everything starts slipping. It's better to let go of one thing than to see everything tumble down around you.

I'm graduating in a week and while I'm overjoyed, I also know I'll start missing college in six months — about the time my loan deferral ends. I've discovered who I am and worked hard to meet my goals. I know that because of my experiences these last five years, I can do anything I want in life — although I can't do everything. So thanks to everyone who has made this time wonderful. Thank you to my loyal F-Word readers. And my loyal F-Word haters. Let's get this show on the road.

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State funding failure

Prominent Idaho candidates do not share enthusiasm when it comes to education

I've attended Idaho schools my entire life. The people of Idaho have funded my education from elementary school through high school, and continue to do so today as I attend the University of Idaho.

Although higher education institutions continue to have funding difficulties, the lack of resources hits much harder at the lower echelons of the Idaho education system.

As a student in Grangeville, Idaho, I watched as students were forced to use — and sometimes share — 20-year-old textbooks with no hope of getting new ones. In the few classes that provided

lab opportunities, materials were heavily rationed and the equipment was even older than the textbooks. Which was cool, because I had the rare opportunity to use the exact same Erlenmeyer flasks, graduated cylinders and Bunsen burners my grandfather used in the 1960s.



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This sad situation was always the elephant in the room, and a fact frequently bemoaned by everybody.

Community members, faculty, parents and even some students frequently spoke out against Idaho's less than stellar funding.

Funding which, according to the Idaho

Center of Fiscal Policy, has decreased significantly in the last 30 years, and has forced the community to turn to supplemental levies for funding.

For example, the Idaho CFP reported in 1980 that 32.5 percent of state spending went to public schools, but that number has decreased significantly since.

In 2013, it sat at 26.4 percent. Coincidentally, in 2000 just over 40 school districts in Idaho required supplemental levies, which creates a faceoff between local property tax increases and education funding. In 2012, the number of districts reliant on supplemental levies was over 80.

I watched people in Grangeville take significant tax increases to keep multiple

teachers employed and extracurricular activities intact. The same situation plays out in communities all over the state.

Yet along with these alarming trends, I've seen something else which is just as disheartening.

The same people who made sacrifices for higher quality education continually undo any progress made in the ballot box election after election. A new report from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities shows a 36.8 percent cut to higher education funding in the state since 2008.

This issue should be an incredibly personal one for every student in Idaho.

Idaho education has slowly eroded over the last decade, while Idaho Gov. C.L.

"Butch" Otter fruitlessly tried to stop the nosedive. Right by his side has been the Idaho Legislature, which includes one of his primary opponents Russ Fulcher. This bunch has followed Otter's every step on the incredibly elusive path to education reform.

Education is an essential issue in Idaho, and one which brings out passionate people. Idaho's elected officials have been failing the state's students and their constituents for far too long. It's something that affects people of all ages from all corners of the state and it's time state officials took meaningful steps to alleviate the problem.

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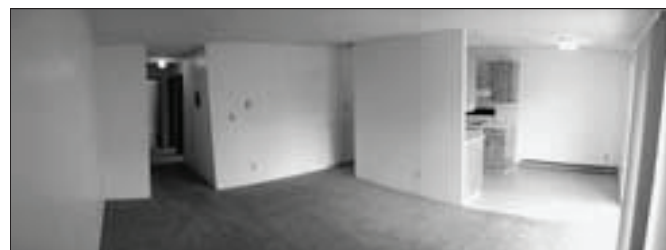
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