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### SPECIAL REPORT



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Pullman Police Officer Shane Emerson wears a body camera in Pullman Wednesday. Pullman police have used the technology for two years.

Local law enforcement explore body cameras

#### Hannah Shirley Argonaut

A state of emergency was declared in Baltimore earlier this week following the funeral of Freddie Gray, who died in police custody in April.

It was one uprising in a series of several that have caught the attention of the nation since Michael Brown was shot and killed by Ferguson, Missouri police officer Darren Wilson last August.

The events have brought national attention to a slew of issues, but one discussion that's been pushed to the front of mainstream talking points is the use of body cameras by police officers.

The debate has prompted police departments nationwide to examine their own programs, and while many more agencies are moving forward with updated technologies, University of Idaho law professor Don Burnett said body cameras on police officers is not a new idea.

"The technology has been evolving for some time," Burnett said. "Certainly highly publicized incidents have given greater public visibility to the issue, but my impression is that law enforcement agencies have been studying this and not simply being spurred on by highly publicized events."

This is certainly true on the Palouse, where body cameras have been on the radar of both the Pullman and Moscow police departments for several years. While the Pullman Police Department (PPD) has utilized body camera systems for a few years already, the Moscow Police Department (MPD) is in the early stages of planning for implementation.

Criminal defense attorney Steve Martonick said he knows the value of good audiovisual technology from a police department when it comes to judicial proceedings.

"You just get so much from video you don't get from audio," Martonick said. "If the officer's looking through the trunk, with just audio, you can't see what he's pulling out or where he's looking, you just hear audio saying, 'That's mine, no, that's not mine and you wouldn't have a clue' — video's got a huge advantage."

Martonick said he recalls a time when Pullman police officers were occasionally more aggressive. In the last decade, he's defended a student who was pepper sprayed By the numbers 85%

of respondents believe body-worn cameras reduce false claims of police misconduct and reduce likelihood of litigation against the agency

**85%** 

of respondents said they are familiar with body camera technology

**77%** 

believe body cameras are more effective than in-car cameras

25%

said their agencies currently use body camera technology

Source: A survey of 758 state, local and federal law enforcement officers nationwide by PoliceOne and TASER International

in his driveway following a noise complaint, as well as a student who was tased after refusing to sit on the ground following an incident of vandalism, he said.

Martonick said he thinks the largest-scale incident happened in 2007, when police officers used pepper spray in a Pullman dance club, affecting approximately 300 people and resulting in a \$22 million class action lawsuit. The officers were ultimately cleared of all civil-rights violations and issued an apology to all innocent victims, he said.

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### ADMINISTRATION

# Changing up departments

VP of finance and administration position divided

#### **Ryan Tarinelli** Argonaut

It's going to be a summer of change for University of Idaho's upper administration.

The position of vice president

of finance and administration will be split into two positions this summer to form the vice president for infrastructure and vice presi-

dent of finance.

"We can be better in each of these areas by aligning the skill sets and the right pec

sets and the right people to do the job," said UI President Chuck Staben.

The reorganization comes after Ron Smith, current vice president of finance and administration, announced in February he would step down to teach accounting in the College of Business and Economics.

The newly created vice president for infrastructure will oversee the Office of Public Safety and Security, Risk Management and Insurance, Facilities and the Real Estate Office, among other departments.

To create the finance posi-

tion, Staben said the Office of Planning and Budget would be consolidated with the financial side of the division of finance and administration.

Among the last major organizational changes, Staben

said Institutional Research and Assessment would be moved from the Office of Planning and Budget to the pro-

vost's office.

"I think institutional research, could be in a number of places, but works very effectively

under a provost," Staben said.
Staben selected Dan Ewart,
who currently serves as assistant vice president and chief
information officer, for the

vice president for infrastructure position.

Staben said Ewart would focus on project management, while the vice president of finance would serve as a chief financial officer for the univer-

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sity, overseeing both finance

and budget operations.

### STUDENT LIFE

## Raising awareness for relief

Nepal Student Association aims to aid relief efforts after earthquake strikes Nepal

#### Corrin Bond Argonaut

When the Indo-Australian tectonic plate pushed itself further into the Eurasia plate, it created an earthquake that not only devastated a country, but also was felt around the globe, said Susov Dhakal, a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Idaho.

The 7.8 magnitude earthquake, which struck Nepal last Saturday, killed more than 5,000 people, and responders are continuing to find fatali-

ties as cleanup efforts more forward.

Dhakal, who is from Nepal and is finishing his doctorate degree in neuroscience, said of Nepal's 26 million citizens, about 10,000 have been injured and more than 8 million have been affected by the earthquake.

"The earthquake did not just do damage to one town or devastate one village," Dhakal said. "Everyone across all of Nepal has been affected by this tragedy."

The earthquake, which was centered in the Nepalese district of Ghorka, impacted neighboring countries as well and Dhakal said there have been reported deaths in

India and China.

Bhanu Bhattarai, current president of the Nepal Student Association (NSA), said NSA is working hard to raise awareness of the devastation caused by the earthquake as well as to raise relief funds.

Part of the NSA's efforts will include a candlelight vigil to mourn the lives that have been lost. The vigil, titled "Solidarity for Earthquake Victims in Nepal: Candlelight vigil and earthquake awareness" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Friendship Square in downtown Moscow.

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### FINALS FEST

## An entertaining evening

Vandal Entertainment brings Chance the Rapper to campus Tuesday night

#### Daphne Jackson Argonaut

During dead week, most University of Idaho students focus on finishing last-minute projects and studying for final exams, but on Tuesday they have the chance to set everything aside for an evening of musical entertainment.

This year's Finals Fest features

Chance the Rapper, an up-and-coming Chicago rap and hip-hop artist known for his 2013 mix tape, "Acid Rap."

"He has an interesting vocal sound, for one, it's not very main-stream," said Lauren Pinney, Vandal Entertainment board chair. "He doesn't really do radio ... He, from what I've seen, kind of strays away from the mainstream rap and has this interesting mix of live instruments, like he has a lot of old school instruments combined with a hip hop sound."

Pinney said members of VE chose Chance because they thought

he would appeal to students.

"We had heard a lot about that name, a lot of buzz about him and he was definitely in our price range," she said. "Picking him, it was definitely reflective of what we believed the students want, and we still believe that."

Pinney said the concert will open with a rapper named Boogie, who was recommended by Chance's agency. She said the two have similar sounds, and should be a good combination.

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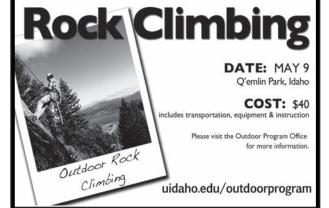


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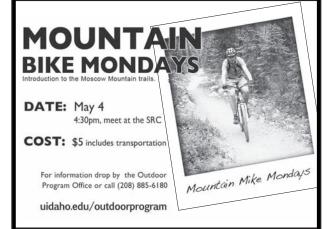
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#### CRUMBS

### A Crumbs recipe

### German pizza

Silas Whitley

### **Ingredients:**

- 2 German sausages
- 1 small onion, diced
- 5 brussels
- sprouts
- Pizza sauce
- Pizza crust ■ Pepper
- Shredded cheese of choice
- Thyme
- Garlic powder
- Red pepper

### **Directions:**

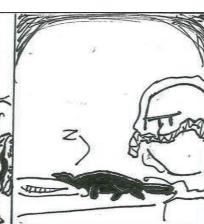
- Cook sausage and slice
- Sautee brussels sprouts and onion
- Spread sauce on pizza crust Sprinkle thyme, garlic powder and
- red pepper on to sauce to taste
- Spread cheese onto sauce
- Put sausage and brussels sprouts onto cheese
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- Cook until cheese is melted and slightly golden brown



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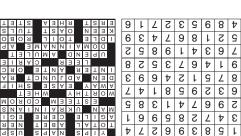
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**Corrections** In "Mayors come to Moscow" in Tuesday's edition of The Argonaut, it should have read the Idaho Legislature's liquor licenses bill, HB 1318, passed and Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter signed it.

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## Where's Carl? Local artist had his artwork stolen from the 1912 Center last week

**Graham Perednia** Argonaut

A piece of cardboard art with a portrait of Carl Sagan on it was stolen from the 1912 Center April 23 and outreach efforts to locate the item have been unsuccessful, said Jenny Kostroff, executive director of the 1912 Center.

Local tattoo artist Thad Froio created the piece and said he displayed his art in the 1912 Center's ETCETERA collection as a favor to his friend who works at the center.

"This was just a means of helping a friend out to fill up some wall space," Froio said. "This whole process was an experiment to see if I can do art outside of tattooing."

During Brew Fest, an event on April 23 where local brewers and their beers were showcased, the portrait of Sagan was taken from its spot on the wall. There is a white spot and four bent nails where the portrait used to hang.

"It is a violation," Kostroff said. "More than anything we want it re-

A police report has been filed for the stolen work, Kostroff said. But, if the portrait is returned the 1912

Center and Froio would not press charges and there will be no questions asked, she said.

The community has been supportive in trying to locate the piece, Kostroff said. People have sent in pictures of the portrait hanging before it was stolen to try to create a timeline of when it could have been taken.

"We are proud of the general community because of the response to get it back," Kostroff said. "We just want Carl back."

Kostroff believes the portrait was taken between 8-10 p.m., and she first noticed the painting was missing the following morning.

Froio has experienced a wave of emotions since the portrait was stolen. Following his immediate shock, he was confused, frustrated and dishonored.

Froio has always had a love for art. He graduated from University of Hartford art school, in West Hartford Conn., in 2004 and later became a tattoo artist.

"Every little kid draws, I never stopped," Froio said. "I am very lucky and blessed."

He also hung artwork depicting astrophysicist Neil Degrasse Tyson,

professional golfer Arnold Palmer and professional golfer Ben Hogan on the walls of the 1912 Center.

1912 Center last week

Working with charcoal and chalk on cardboard was an easy transition for Froio to make from working with tattoo art. He said he likes drawing cardboard pieces because he gets to draw subjects that he wants to, not what other people want like when he works on tattoos.

"I'm mostly just drawing stuff that interests me," Froio said. "These are just men I admire, (they are) dudes who have accomplished impressive feats and I wanted to draw them."

Froio is using the situation as motivation to continue his artwork because people like it and have contacted him about doing commissioned work. Even though he is still in shock over his work being stolen, he's trying to to look at the bright side.

"This whole process was an experiment to see if I can do art outside of tattooing," Froio said. "It didn't seem like a big enough thing to warrant such an intense act."

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Courtesy | Jenny Kostroff

This portriat of Carl Sagan by Thad Froio was stolen from the 1912 Center last Thursday during Brewfest.

LEGISLATURE

## Legislature reconvenes

Failed child support bill that cost Idaho \$46 million in federal funds to be readdressed

**Hannah Shirley** 

When Idaho legislators rejected a child support bill in the last 10 hours of the legislative session earlier this year, University of Idaho law professor Liz Brandt said they must not have understood the complexity of

This is why Idaho Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter called a special session Wednesday to readdress the bill, which effectively costs the state approximately \$46 million in federal funding as well as access to child support enforcement programs when it was voted down.

'We can hold people accountable and make them personally responsible for the children," Otter said in his address to the legislature after he announced the special session. "We've got some work to do. If we had some problems in the past, we want to get those behind us, and I'm not going to sit around and waste a lot of time and energy on discussing what we didn't do, because we're going to focus on what we have to do."

The session will be held May 18, where legislators are expected to pass the bill that failed last month.

"If the bill is not passed in the session, it's going to be pretty significant," Brandt said. "The federal government provides funds for the enforcement of child support and also for the child welfare system, conditioned on having our system work with other states and other countries so they can get enforcement. The federal government can withdraw all that funding if our law is not compliant."

According to Brandt, the bill would allow child support payments to be enforced across state or international lines, and because of the cross-jurisdictional nature of the bill, every state and participating country has to adopt similar statutes under federal treaty. If the bill is not passed, it's possible non-custodial parents residing in Idaho, 85 percent of whom already pay child support non-voluntarily, could not be forced to pay child support.

Idaho House Minority Leader Rep. John Rusche, D-Lewiston, said unless the legislature passes the bill, Idaho's noncompliance would be felt most by single parents and the 150,000 Idaho children who depend on the system nationwide, as well as in Canada, England, Sweden, Germany and Australia.

"I think the bill will probably be passed fairly easily, because now people realize the consequences," Rusche said.

Rusche said the bill was originally voted against to protect Idaho's sovereignty something that was impractical in this case, he said. Some legeslators cited a fear of Sharia law in Idaho if the measure passed.

"A number of legislators don't like the federal government, or say they don't and act like second graders — 'You can't be the boss of me,' type behavior," Rusche said.

Regardless of whether the bill is passed in e special session. Rusche said the session would still cost Idaho taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars. The decision has also inflicted another hit to Idaho's reputation as the only state in the nation to not pass the bill, he said.

Rusche said his frustration is directed at the Republican supermajority in the Idaho legislature.

"One part is sure they're always right because they have all the votes all the time," Rusche said. "They never have to listen — I have heard it said that you legislate in haste and repent in leisure, and I think that's kind of what we're doing now."

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### **Police log**

### Sunday, April 26

12:33 a.m. 300 block South Main Street

Caller reported a fight, but when officers contacted the male he said he tripped and fell.

### **Monday April 27**

7:55 a.m. 300 block Baker Street

Caller reported her locked vehicle had been broken into overnight and several

items taken. 8:36 a.m. 200 block Baker Street

Caller reported they left their vehicle

unlocked and several items had been taken.

### **Tuesday, April 28**

4:30 p.m. North Jackson; Moscow Recycling

Caller reported a mother duck with several ducklings heading toward Main Street. The caller was concerned for their safety.

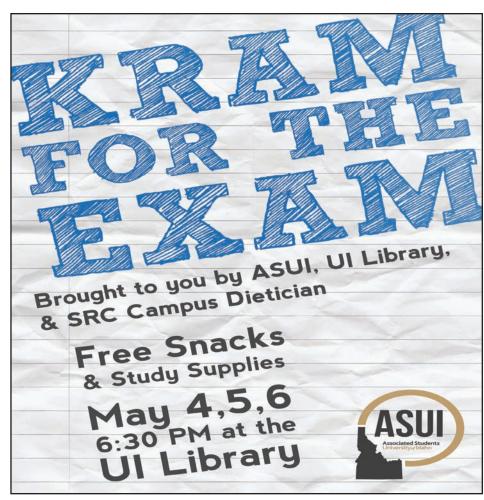
### Wednesday, April 29

8:51 a.m. 900 block Farm Road

Caller reported two lambs had been taken from the farm.

12:33 p.m. 300 block South Main Street

Caller reported a male mooning cars — it was a disabled man whose pants were sitting too low.





FACULTY SENATE

# The big nine Strategic plan for increasing enrollment almost finished

Katelyn Hilsenbeck

Growing enrollment is a process Jean Kim has taken under her wing, and after spending a few months getting to know the University of Idaho campus, her team has developed nine planning principles and nine objectives to make it happen.

Kim, vice provost for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, reported to Faculty Senate Tuesday that the Enrollment Management Council (EMC) has been brainstorming a strategic plan since she resumed her position in January.

EMC was created to aid President Chuck Staben's goal of increasing enrollment by 50 percent by 2025. Kim said the plan being developed by EMC would cover the first five years of the 10-year goal.

"We have met diligently and worked very hard," Kim said.

She said EMC has a meeting in May and hopes the team will finish the strategic plan then.

Some of the planning principles include targeting areas with capacity and demand to grow in the near term, considering "innovative, high-risk ideas to increase recruitment and capacity and soliciting information from stakeholders."

The planning objectives EMC has developed are to improve recruitment of new full-time undergraduate students by 5 percent annually, strengthen UI's brand, leverage undergraduate scholarships for re-

tention and recruitment, improve retention by 5 percent annually, improve four-year undergraduate graduation rates, increase the percentage of students of color and international students, support graduate programs and research and set target enrollment goals for UI's regional centers, as well as online distance learning.

Kim said the materials presented are a draft and the steps to complete each objective have not been fully formed.

"It's still a work in progress," she said.

Kim said when the plan is completed the council will get to work on implementation.

James Foster, Faculty Senate member from the College of Science, said he was happy to hear an update from EMC.

"It's really nice to have it laid out like this before the process begins," he said.

Foster said he liked the second planning principle that focuses on growing Moscow's residential campus.

"We have such a gem of a campus," he said. However, Foster asked Kim how expansion and growth would be funded.

"It's all of our collective responsibilities," Kim said. "There are certain things we will be asking and tasking deans of the colleges to lead."

Larry Stauffer, Faculty Senate member and dean for the College of Engineering, said he is interested in knowing how deans could be better utilized.

"We spend considerable resources on recruitment and retention," Stauffer said. He expressed concerns about a perceived disconnect between how recruitment and retention efforts are funded and what entities reap the benefits.

Faculty Senate members expressed support for online learning expansion and at UI's non-Moscow locations.

"I think it might be appropriate to also include the communities in those centers as stakeholders," said Wendy Couture, Faculty Senate member from UI's Boise location.

Foster expressed concerns for growing areas without expanding space.

Kim said EMC would examine departments with the capacity to expand and have student demand.

Marty Ytreberg, Faculty Senate chair, said as he understands it, each college dean has programs in mind that could expand with minimal resources added.

Alan Caplan, Faculty Senate member from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, said when determining which programs could use growth, he would recommend talking to representatives from departments.

"People on the frontline often know best," Caplan said.

Kim said moving forward, EMC plans to also look at popular programs not offered at UI, but offered at other institutions.

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### RAISING

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"We're expecting students from WSU and even Lewiston to join us in this vigil," Dhakal said. "Many Nepalese students here, they have been directly impacted by this disaster — they have lost friends and family and they are grieving personally, so we want to show them that we're here and we are all feeling this together."

Bhattarai said in addition to the vigil, NSA will also set up tables where students have the opportunity to learn more about the impacts of the earthquake and — if they feel inclined — donate to relief funds.

"We are also reaching out to ASUI and other organizations on campus to spread awareness and encourage their involvement in aid efforts," Bhattarai said. "We're hoping that the aid we can provide will be the result of a community effort so the collective fund will be more effective."

Dhakal said the goal in NSA's fundraising is to get as much aid to Nepal as quickly

as possible

"Nepal is a very, very poor country," Dhakal said. "It will really help if people donate at this time, because the sooner aid is brought to the country, the sooner its people can utilize that help and start to build themselves back up after this crisis."

Bhattarai said although the earthquake did not personally affect him, he mourns for the loss of so many lives, as well as the loss of entire villages and world heritage cites.

"Luckily, my family was not hurt and they are not greatly impacted," Bhattarai said. "But there are so many people back in our country who are suffering and so much of our history has been destroyed by this disaster ... Our country has so much healing to do."

Unlike Bhattarai, Dhakal said the earthquake has directly impacted him.

"So much damage was done to my parent's home that they are currently living outside in a tent," Dhakal said. "It is raining, there is no light and no Internet — it's been really stressful."

Dhakal said the fundraising efforts of NSA are a personal matter and he hopes its

efforts will encourage the Moscow community to contribute to sending aid and support Nepal.

"It's a horrible experience for us to be here far from our families while they suffer," he said. "It has been difficult for us emotionally, so we want to do our best to help them and be there for them in every way possible ... That is why for us, setting up relief funds and donating to organizations like Red Cross is so important."

Dhakal said despite destruction and damage that has been done to Nepal, he sees hope in joint aid efforts.

"It's important that we're joining these efforts," Dhakal said. "We might be a small organization, but a tragedy like this cannot be repaired over night by one person only ... We can all do something to help and we can all work to slowly make this better."

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### **ENTERTAINING**

FROM PAGE

Emily Rasche, who works with promotions for VE, said a lot of thought went into choosing the artist and VE has gotten a lot of positive feedback both from students and from the public. She said the majority of tickets sold so far have been sold to students, but there have been a lot of public tickets sold as well.

"A lot of WSU kids — those are also public tickets," Rasche said. "We also heard of some groups coming over from Oregon and Washington, from Seattle and other schools, there's a group coming in from Oregon State just to see the show."

Rasche said tickets are available online and at the ticket office, and will also be available at the door on the day of the concert. Tickets are \$20 for UI students and \$35 for the general public. UI students will be required to have their student IDs to get a ticket at the student price.

Pinney said she recommends picking up a ticket before the concert because there will likely be long lines on the day of the concert. She said it's hard to predict how many will actually attend the concert, but she expects there will be somewhere between 2,000-4,000 people there.

According to Katie Dahlinger, assistant director of Student Involvement, around 1,400 tickets have been sold to the concert so far, although VE expects many more to sell the day of the event.

Since it is a general-admission event, seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

"We have early access passes, which has been kind of a promotional giveaway that we've done," she said. "Throughout the semester, we've had different competitions and things and people could win early access passes, which let them get in at approximately 6:40-6:45 p.m., so they're basically guaranteed a front-row spot."

She said there will be some particular rules for the concert. Flash photography will not be allowed, although cell phone photography will be permitted. Pinney said students should be aware that nothing, including bags or outside food or drink, is allowed into the concert. She said there will be a security check at the door and people should leave even small bags at home since there will be nowhere to store them at the concert.

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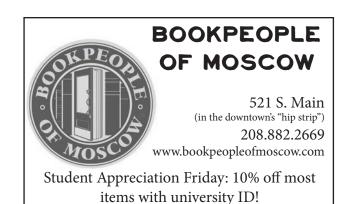
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### CAMERA

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In the last five years, Martonick said excessive use of force within the PPD has almost entirely dissipated.

He said the implementation of police body cameras by the department two years ago could have only helped.

### Pullman's third eye

The PPD was one of the first agencies in Washington to implement a mandatory body camera program, effectively completing its transition phase April 1, 2013. The department now uses a total of 34 body and

PPD Chief Commander of Operations Chris Tennant said the department decided to move forward with a body camera program because it reflected the values of the officers.

"The chief is really into community oriented policing," Tennant said. "It means something different to anyone you talk to, but transparency and communicating with the public and opening up lines of communication is a big part of that."

According to Deanne Anderson, a records staff member with the Washington State University Police Department, WSU police also utilize body cameras to protect both the students and staff on campus and the police officers patrolling and responding to calls in the area.

The program isn't perfect, and many police departments nationwide remain reluctant to implement similar programs, despite a federal push, said Gary Jenkins, PPD police chief.

"It's expensive," Jenkins said. "There's an initial cost to buy all the hardware, there's the maintenance and upkeep of it whether you have to do repairs or replace them and storage is another issue — you have to determine whether to do it inhouse or have a vendor do it for you, and what the cost is going to be for that is another issue."

Implementation of the Pullman program cost \$65,000 for hardware, including cameras, docking stations, mounts, as well as extended maintenance and storage. After the initial three years, the annual cost of the program is \$3,000 for storage and \$6,000 for maintenance.

Jenkins said many departments are still wary of the repercussions of failed documentation when documentation is expected — in worst-case type scenarios, equipment failure or the forgetfulness of an officer could have massive backlash for an agency.

"There's definitely a learning curve," Tennant said. "It sounds silly, but it's human nature. The fact is that a lot of these officers have been doing this for a very long time, and it hasn't included turning a camera on

Tennant said the use of cameras is most vital during stressful operations — when officers were most likely to forget to use them.

"The equipment is manual, so the officer has to keep turning it on and turning it off, and if they're engaged in some operation that's potentially deadly, that may be the last thing on his mind," Jenkins said.

There are also issues that need to be addressed in the legislature, Jenkins said. As a two-party consent state, questions remain about what officers have the right to record and how cameras in use public the footage should be.

Public records issues aren't just privacy issues, either, Jenkins said — it's also a logistical one. The PPD realized this firsthand when someone requested all body camera footage throughout the state of Washington.

"At the time, we had 1.93 terabytes of video - approximately 2,500 hours," Jenkins said. "If it were just a matter of selecting the video and releasing it, it wouldn't be an issue. But the issue comes with complying with public records laws."

He said some public records laws require redaction of certain identifying information, and the redaction of that footage would be left up to the departments.

"We would have to look through every minute of video, determine anything we have to redact, and then redact the audio or do something to blur part of the video before we can release it, and that would have been a monumental task," Jenkins said.

Tennant said legislative action is the biggest hurdle to deal with for body camera technology and implementation to continue to develop.

"It needs to be addressed fairly soon," Tennant said. "I think there needs to be a more realistic set of expectations by all parties involved as to what cameras are able to provide and not provide."

Jenkins said as the technology itself continues to develop, he foresees it becoming more automated or voice activated. As the technology is refined, Jenkins said it would minimize the already small downside to police body camera programs.

According to Jenkins, the footage has been valuable as a means of public debriefing in criminal cases and as learning tools for the officers themselves. It's also been used to ensure accuracy in police reports, accountability to the public and efficiency in training.



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Chris Tennant, chief commander of operations of the **Pullman Police Department** 

It has also, as many national movers and shakers have pointed out in recent months, given departments the opportunity to examine their officers' use of force.

Jenkins said reviewing body camera footage has only made him more confident in PPD officers' abilities to do their jobs — but the buffer of the camera doesn't go underappreciated.

"It's not that officers were not conducting business inappropriately before the cameras," Jenkins said. "You're just more likely going to ensure that all of your contacts are going to be to our expectations."

On the flip side, Jenkins said he has noticed individuals acting more civil once they knew they were on camera. He said there have been several specific cases where someone threatened to make a complaint, but after seeing footage of their interaction with the police officer they decided not to.

He said it also tends to encourage individuals who might otherwise have been belligerent to be more cooperative.

Jenkins said for this reason, the cameras have been well received internally — officers generally believe the camera is a tool to help them do their jobs more effectively.

"It's, in my opinion, the biggest enhancement for law enforcement in decades," Jenkins said. "To me, there's very little downside, but again, you have to have the support of the city administration, you have to be able to fund it and internally be able to develop a policy and implement it."

### **Moscow plans for utilization**

The MPD has watched Pullman's implementation of body camera technology closely. MPD officers currently employ only pocket audio recorders and dashboard cameras in their cruisers.

MPD Chief David Duke said the department started exploring the option of body cameras in 2008.

"The officers were asking for this technology a couple years ago, just because they thought it was a benefit while they were working," Duke said.

When the recession hit, Duke said the camera vendor went bankrupt and MPD's systems failed, forcing the department to direct its financial attention elsewhere.

Now that the department is back on its feet, Duke said body cameras are still an option of high interest.

To address implementation questions such as storage, cost and policy, an internal exploratory committee was formed in early April. Duke said the department has drafted a budget proposal, including a three-year transition phase where 34 of their officers would be issued body cameras. The proposal was presented to city administration April 9.

Duke said he hopes the department can present its proposal to the mayor mid-May and to city council by July. If the council approves it in July, it would then be heard in a public hearing in August.

'(The transition) shouldn't be very difficult because we already have the infrastructure for video storage — we just have to buy a lot more," Duke said.

Duke said he doubts the body camera proposal will be accepted this year.

"It's something city leaders have to want us to proceed with, which means prioritizing it over street repair or water infrastructure," Duke said. "If it's something that's pushed for, though, it'll happen sooner rather than later."

If the program proposal isn't accepted this year, he said in time during the delay he believes vendors would address issues such as video quality, battery life storage space and wireless downloads, and the technology will only continue to evolve.

Regardless of what the city recommends this time, Duke said he is confident this is the first step in a longer process, and the department will move forward with a body camera program in the next couple years.

For community bystanders like Burnett, while the implementation of police body cameras in Moscow might pose logistical hurdles, it's an important step for the city

"It's a significant challenge," Burnett said. "There are financial and policy considerations involved, but I think the time has come for this technology to be put to constructive use again in order to some degree to remove the doubts and ambiguities of police encounters ... They have the potential to become an important tool."

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### CHANGING

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While a vice president for infrastructure position is not widespread in higher education, Staben said the organizational changes are logical. Often times, he said leading a finance department requires a different skill set than managing an administration department, so it makes sense to have two positions instead of one.

While Ewart would receive a salary increase in his new position as vice president, Staben said he anticipates the changes to be cost neutral within a year, due to consolidation in the finance area.

Ewart is set to begin his role as vice presi-

dent for infrastructure June 21, the same day the reorganization is scheduled to go into effect.

Although it's a short timeline, Staben said he hopes to fill the vice president of finance position by July 1.

Besides the search for a vice president of finance, the university must also select a new university controller, a new dean of students and a new vice president for University Advancement.

"A lot of members of the team are being assembled," Staben said.

Staben said many of Ewart's skills in planning technology projects and working with customers make him a good fit the vice

president for infrastructure position. "He has good vision of where we need to go in technology, and I think he can apply that vision a little more broadly," Staben said.

Ewart said he is excited to assume the new position and plans to focus on being efficient and effective with the resources available. By being efficient with resources, Ewart said he hopes to move quickly through projects while addressing UI's priorities.

With only a month and a half before he assumes his new position, Ewart said he plans to get up to speed on the many facility projects while also personally meeting with department heads.

"I have a lot to learn in a short period of time," Ewart said. "But that's part of what excited me about this job. I love learning new things."

Ewart said he expects to have a close

working relationship with whoever is selected for the vice president of finance position, and anticipates he will have an opportunity to give feedback in the search process.

Overall, Staben said the reorganization would primarily affect upper administrators and most employees within the departments would not see a huge change as a result of the reorganization.

"It probably always looks like a radical change when people start taking new positions, but this is not really a very radical change for the university," Staben said.

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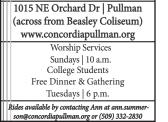




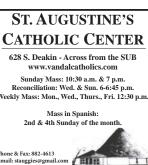


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# SPORTS



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MEN'S GOLF



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Sophomore Jared du Toit follows through on a stroke during the Big Sky Championship in Angels Camp, California. Idaho won the championship by 21 strokes over Sacramento State and du Toit won the individual title with an 8-under-par 208. Idaho swept the top three spots with senior Aaron Cockerill finishing second and freshman Dan Sutton finishing third.

# Complete sweep

Idaho takes team title, fills up top three spots

**Garrett Cabeza** Argonaut

The Big Sky Conference Championships are starting to stack up for the Idaho athletic program. After the men's and women's tennis teams won their Big Sky Championships Sunday, the Idaho men's golf team decided to get in on the action.

The Vandals won the Big Sky Conference Championship and Idaho sophomore Jared du Toit won the individual title Wednesday in Angels Camp, California.

The Vandals shot an 8-under-par 856, beating secondplace Sacramento State by 21 strokes. Idaho's score also broke the Big Sky Conference Championship record by four strokes.

Du Toit took the individual title by firing an 8-under-par 208, including a second-round low 69 and a third-round low 66.

"Winning the conference championship is one of the steps of having a successful season," Idaho coach John Means said. "It wasn't the step to having a successful season. It was one of the steps."

Now, Idaho will move on to the NCAA Regional Championships. The bids come out Monday and will determine which regional each team will

Du Toit is the No. 1-ranked player in the Big Sky, so he was the favorite heading into the Big

Sky Championship. "He had all those expectations on him to perform," Means said. "If he doesn't win, if he finishes second, it's viewed as a failure. So he had that pressure on him."

The Vandals also took the next two spots on the player leaderboard. Senior Aaron Cockerill finished second with a 3-under-par 213 and freshman Dan Sutton tied for third with Sacramento State's Luke Kristo with an even-par 216.

Means said one of the goals was for the Idaho players to fill up the top five spots on the leaderboard.

"We didn't quite get there, but one-two-three is pretty good," Means said.

Means said when he coached at Army, he had a team that filled the top five spots one time. The Big Sky Championship

went as scripted in some ways. "The top three ranked players in our conference are one — Jared, two — Aaron, three - Dan," Means said.

"They're the top three players ranked in the conference and they finished one-two-three."

Du Toit, Cockerill and Sutton each shot their best score in the final round to help solidify their places on the leaderboard. Cockerill posted a 3-under-par 69 and Sutton carded a 1-under-par 71.

"They know they're good, they know they have the talent to post low numbers," Means said of his players. "Once in a while, when they stop thinking about where they're going to put the ball and just hit it, that's when they get in trouble and that's what happened that

first round." Idaho junior Rylee Iacolucci

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the

on leaderboard

### More info

The Idaho men's golf team will be selected to one of five regional tournaments May 4 during Morning Drive on the Golf Channel. The top five teams of the 14team, 54-hole regional tournament move on to the NCAA Championship.



POS.	PLAYER	TEAM	TO PAR	TOTAL
1.	DU TOIT	IDAHO	-8	208
2.	COCKERILL	IDAHO	-3	213
3.	SUTTON	IDAHO	E	216
4.	KRISTO	SAC. ST.	E	216
5.	SHEPHERD	WEBER ST.	+1	217

FOOTBALL

## Nothing settled in secondary

Starting positions still up for grabs for defensive backs

#### **Korbin McDonald** Argonaut

From the start of spring, Idaho coach Paul Petrino made it clear that no player had a starting position locked up.

Coaches constantly rotated players in and out and challenged them to out-perform their counterparts for the starting roles. As spring progressed, though, players rotated less and starters began to emerge at most positions except at defensive back.

"They're just really battling, and I think it's a good thing," Petrino said. "I think there's a lot of competition."

While most of the team's positions appear to be settled heading into summer, the cornerback position looked to be far from it.

Junior cornerback Jayshawn Jordan is the only returning starter from last season, and even he is battling to keep his job. The Seattle native played in all 11 games last season and racked up 62 tackles while netting two interceptions.

Dorian Clark is the only other returning cornerback who has experi-

ence. The 6-foot, 173-pound sophomore played in eight games last season and had five tackles to his name.

With the lack of depth, Petrino signed four junior college cornerbacks in his latest recruiting class, three of which were with the team this spring — D.J. Hampton, Isaiah Taylor and Kendrick Trotter. Willie Fletcher is the fourth and is expected to arrive in time for fall camp.

"Kendrick Trotter has probably played the best early on, he's been doing some good things," Petrino said. "I think Isaiah has a ton of talent, I think D.J. is really tough, so I think all three of them will help us."

During the team's third scrimmage April 20, both Clark and Taylor returned interceptions for touchdowns.

"That was nice," senior defensive end Quinton Bradley said of the two plays. "That's what we need, we need big plays from the cornerbacks and safeties. They're coming along great, too."

Throughout the spring, all five of

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### WOMEN'S TENNIS

### Bigger giant for Vandals to slay

Idaho to open NCAA Tournament in familiar territory

#### **Joshua Gamez** Argonaut

The Idaho women's tennis team anxiously watched the unveiling of the NCAA Tournament bracket Tuesday afternoon.

With each passing matchup,

team appeared more anxious. Twenty-four teams' names came across the screen before the Vandals finally saw who they drew in the first round — the defending national champion UCLA Bruins in Los Angeles.

Despite drawing the Bruins in the opening round, Idaho coach Mariana Cobra said she doesn't think the Vandals should worry after exceeding expectations during their first season in the Big Sky.

"We have done more than what is expected from us, so now it is all about having fun," Cobra said. "UCLA is one of the top teams in the nation. We just gotta go there and enjoy ourselves because it might be the last time we play."

The Vandals have some

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### **MEN'S TENNIS**

### Big Sky champions head to LA

Idaho will play No. 7 seed USC for second straight NCAA Tournament

#### Ben Evensen Argonaut

The Idaho men's tennis team heads back to the NCAA Tournament May 8, and for the second straight year will play in Los Angles against No. 7 USC.

The Trojans beat Idaho en route to a national champion-

ship last year. It's a new year though, and both the Vandals and USC, ranked No. 8 in the nation, are fresh off conference championships.

"It's good to go back and play a very competitive team," Idaho coach Jeff Beaman said. "It's someone that we had some

competitive matches against last year and it's always exciting to go out and compete against

The best is right. USC (22-4) has won a record 21 national championships, including five

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CLUB SPORTS

## Taking on Goliath Idaho to play first round playoff matchup against No. 4 ranked Oregon State

**Ryan Pavel** Argonaut

After falling to Boise State in the season finale, the Idaho men's club lacrosse team slides to the No. 4 seed in the conference to face No. 4 ranked Oregon State in the first round of the conference playoffs.

The Vandals did not show a strong end in the season finale against big-time rival Boise State, as they fell early 10-3 going into halftime. A small push in the second half brought back the game within five goals, but the Broncos proved to be too much and finished off the Vandals 20-11.

"We had a lot of unforced errors early, which is pretty uncharacteristic of us," junior Blake Batman said. "You could tell a couple of guys were really nervous. It was their first game against BSU and we have a really young team this year."

Even with the loss, the Vandals are still playoff bound, led behind coach Sammy Vogel-Seidenberg who is only in his second year of coaching Idaho. The last time the Vandals made it to the playoffs was 2012, but never have they made it in on a winning record until this year, finishing the season at 8-6.

With a loss to Boise State, the Vandals now face the matchup against a top-five opponent in the nation, Oregon State. The Beavers lead the conference with an undefeated 10-0 record on the season and 7-0 in conference.

Oregon State has a couple of big key wins outside the conference that proved its worth. Back in February, the Beavers took on the then-ranked No. 8 Arizona Wildcats and defeated them 8-7, as well as defeating Cal Poly 10-5, who finished off the season ranked No. 11.



Nate Mattson | Argonaut

Senior Craig Patrick defends his goal during practice Thursday at the Kibbie Dome. The Idaho men's club lacrosse team next plays No. 4 Oregon State in the first round of the Pacific Northwest Collegiate Lacrosse League playoffs Saturday at OSU.

The last matchup between the two teams was in February when the Beavers came into Moscow and handed Idaho its first loss of the season 19-7.

"We are going to have to be solid in transition," Vogel-Seidenberg said. "We have to slow them down and make them play our game. Offensively, we got to pace

ourselves and take our time with it and defensively we just have to slow them down."

The bright side for the Vandals is that Oregon State will be without their second leading scorer and reigning divisional freshman of the year, Kevin Cathcart. He had to miss his remaining three games of the

season due to an injury he suffered last month.

Cathcart went off for three goals and one assist against the Vandals in the last matchup proving to be a nuisance to the Idaho defense. But its attack will still be potent as the team still has leading scorer Ben Dill.

"It will definitely help our

defense out a lot having to worry about one less threat or one less great player out there that is a potential first-team all-conference guy or even national all-American first (or) second-team type," Batman said.

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Aaron Cockerill, a senior on the Idaho men's golf team, tweets about the team's goal heading into the **NCAA** Regionals.



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TRACK & FIELD

## Season nearing finish line

Track and field heads to Boise for one of the final chances to qualify for Big Sky Championships

> Stephan Wiebe Argonaut

The lone Vandal varsity team still competing in the regular season will head down to rival territory in Boise this weekend.

The Idaho track and field team is set to face Utah State, Utah, instate rival Boise State and conference foes Weber State and Idaho State Friday for the Border Clash in Boise. Two other Vandals, senior steeplechasers Holly Stanton and Alycia Butterworth, head to Stanford, California, to compete in the Payton Jordan Invitational.

The pair of meets are the final chances for Vandal runners, jumpers and throwers to qualify for the Big Sky Championships in two weeks, aside from possible competition Wednesday at the Sasquatch Carnival in Spokane.

"This meet, it's your last few chances to solidify that conference spot," Idaho coach Tim Cawley said. "We're kind of in a nice peaked mode where it's a good chance to even go and get a personal best or try to get a season best and keep competing."

Currently, 10 Idaho athletes have reached automatic qualifying times for the Big Sky Tournament.

On the women's side, Stanton qualified in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, Butterworth and junior Halie Raudenbush qualified in the 5,000, junior Alex Sciocchetti qualified in the 10,000, sophomore Faith Eruwa qualified in the triple jump, sophomore Adara Winder qualified in the shot put and sophomore Kolcie Bates qualified in the discus.

On the men's side, senior Emmanuel Panchol qualified in the triple jump, senior Zach Trumbauer qualified in the hammer throw and freshman Taylor Wilson qualified in the javelin.

If athletes don't meet automatic qualifying times and marks, they can still qualify for the championship meet by ranking in the top 20 in the conference by the end of the season.

'There's a lot just sitting right on the bubble of making the team, not making the team," Cawley said. "I would say we probably have 10 or 12 athletes sitting right on that verge of if they hit that big day (they get in), or they're just on or inside, to where we have two weeks left so people could knock them down."

Cawley said the meet in Boise offers a good chance for Idaho to see how it scores against other teams right before the conference championships in addition to the individual focus of qualifying for conference or the NCAAs.

"I think there's a good dynamic to this weekend that I'm excited about to kind of fine tune us in multiple levels for the conference meet," Cawley said. "It should be not too huge of a meet, but it should be a good enough sized meet where we get some good solid competition.

Originally, Idaho was scheduled to compete in Oregon this weekend, but Cawley said he switched to the meet in Boise because it was a better fit. Among other reasons, the Vandals won't have to miss as much class time as they would be traveling to Oregon for a meet earlier in the week.

Idaho was also supposed to close the season with a second home meet, but it had to be canceled due to a lack of officials.

"Before the season started, I didn't realize I needed that (home) meet," Cawley said. "Now I do, now I'll work in the future to try to get that meet built back in and see what we can do."

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### COMPLETE

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also finished in the top 10. He shot a 5-overpar 221 and tied for 9th with Weber State's Devon Purser. Iacolucci also saved his best golf for last, as the junior from Cle Elum, Washington, shot a 2-under-par 70 in the third round.

Idaho sophomore Ryan Porch tied for 16th with Weber State's Michael Johnson, shooting an 11-over-par 227 to round out the scoring for the Vandals.

championship The started Monday with the first round, contin-

ued Tuesday with the second round and ended Wednesday with the third round. Idaho took control from the start and didn't let up as the Vandals shot the low round each day (295, 285 and 276).

The Big Sky title was the Idaho men's golf team's first conference title since the Vandals won the Big West in 2000, but Means said Idaho still has goals left on the table.

"Getting to regionals is just part of the trip," Means said. "It's not the end. It's just part of the trip."

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### **NOTHING**

the cornerbacks saw time with the first-team defense.

While all five of the cornerbacks appear to still have a shot at starting, the two safety spots on Idaho's defense appear to be set, as sophomore's Jordan Grabski and Russell Siavii received the majority of first-team reps.

Come fall, however, both will have some competition. One of the better players

in Petrino's latest recruiting class, Trenton McGhee has the potential to make an immediate impact as a true freshman for the Vandals this season.

"On defense, they don't come any better," Petrino said of McGhee in February during his signing day press conference. "Trent started four years at Bolles ... (and) played in four state championships. Trent is going to be a special, special player

The 6-foot, 211-pound safety hails from Jacksonville, Florida, and played for perennial powerhouse Bolles High School, where he earned second-team allstate 4A honors as a senior.

Another player to keep an eye on at safety is Jordan Frysinger. The 5-foot-10, 189-pound junior joined Idaho last year after he started his college career

"I think we're fast enough, I think we've improved our speed ... They have to tackle better, there's still a lot of competition there.

Paul Petrino, coach

at Illinois. This spring, he made the switch from wide receiver to safety.

Last season, Petrino constantly harped about the team's lack of speed - especially in the secondary, but he said it has improved after spring football. "Just overall with the general speed in the secondary, it's way better.

"I think we're fast enough, I think we've improved our speed ... They have to tackle better, there's still a lot of competition there. A few of them are playing well, but we have to get them all playing better," Petrino said.

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of the last six. The Trojans even won the first men's tennis national championship in 1946 and this will be their ninth straight tournament appearance. Five players in USC's top six return from last year's championship squad, including Eric Johnson who was named to the NCAA All-Tournament team last year. They also feature Roberto Quiroz and Yannick Hanfmann, the No. 3

doubles team in the country. Playing against such a tough team will be difficult for Idaho (16-11), but senior Cristobal Ramos Salazar said he thinks the team is ready.

"It is going to be a challenge," Ramos Salazar said. "We are prepared for it though. Me as a senior, I've been there. The first time I went (to Los Angeles) I was a little bit nervous. Now, just go there and play as hard as you can. We're playing against one of the best teams in the nation, so yeah, it is going to be a challenge, but it is exciting."

The winner of the game will play the winner of San Diego (23-4) and San Diego State (18-8) in the second round, and will play whomever comes out of Stanford, Tennessee, South Carolina State and No. 10 seed Duke in the Sweet 16. No. 2 Baylor, No. 15 Virginia Tech, Boise State and LSU highlight the possible Elite 8 matchups.

The Vandals are riding a hot streak right now after winning the Big Sky Championship in just the team's first year in the conference after an 18-year dabble in the Big West and WAC. After earning the No. 2 seed in the Big Sky Tournament, the Vandals clinched a firstround bye. They defeated No. 4 seed Montana State in the second round and ended No. 6 Northern Arizona's dreams in the championship after the Lumberjacks

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had upset No. 3 Montana and No. 1 Weber State in the two prior rounds.

USC isn't a Big Sky school though, and will be the toughest team Idaho has faced all season by far.

"Last year we had a good matchup in No. 1 doubles," Ramos Salazar said. "And I'm planning on having the same kind of mentality going into the match and also in singles."

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### BIGGER

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experience playing NCAA Tournament games in the City of Angels though. Last year, the Vandals fell in the opening round of the tournament to this year's No. 1 seeded USC Trojans. The experience they gained then could be invaluable going into this year.

"Having gone to nationals last year and getting that under our belts will definitely help us," senior Sophie Vickers said. "We won't be so nervous. That experience will definitely help us."

But the entire team won't enjoy that luxury. Emmie Marx sat out the NCAA Tournament season last season after transferring from Illinois State. Now she will be looking to her teammates who have that experience for advice about what to expect, she said.

Despite the challenge the Vandals will face May 8 when they take the court against the Bruins, they have some experience playing against ranked teams.

Although teams like Arizona and Fresno State are not on the same level as UCLA, knowing that they didn't get completely shut down by them during the regular season is something the team can look to as a model of how to compete, Vickers said.

Along with this, the team is riding the high of upsetting Sacramento State in the finals of the Big Sky Tournament last weekend. The Hornets had previously won 13 straight conference tournaments.

"Everyone is super confident right now," Vickers said. "It was a huge upset for us, beating Sac State, so everyone is on a high at the moment and they should be pretty confident with their game."

The team has nothing to lose, Marx said. The Bruins were expected to be a top seed while the Vandals go into the tournament as underdogs without outside expectations of winning.

Cobra said the way the win over the Hornets occurred is something the Vandals can look to not only for inspiration as they prepare for the Bruins, but as something that can factor into other areas as well.

"I think the conference championship and the last match was a huge learning lesson for us and all of them for their entire lives," Cobra said "If you come together as a team, anything is possible and we definitely gotta keep building on that."

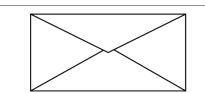
Not only do the Vandals get the chance to knock off the defending champions, but they also get to play in the California sun at a world class facility.

"I think everyone is happy to be going to California," Vickers said. "You can't complain about going to California and playing some tennis outside."

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OUR VIEW

## Promoting accountability

Police body cameras protect citizens and police officers

Whether it's a routine traffic stop or a physical arrest, police body cameras keep officers — and the citizens they interact with — accountable for their actions.

On the surface, it might seem difficult to make the case for police body cameras in Moscow.

This is not a major metropolitan area ridden with daily violent crime and the Moscow Police Department has established an excellent track record of following proper procedure and maintaining transparency. Moscow also

doesn't have a big city budget, and the upfront costs for body camera hardware can be expensive.

The short-term costs might be steep, but these cameras would increase accountability and transparency for both police officers and the general public, as well as protect both parties from a misrepresentation of incidents.

Not only do body cameras protect citizens from police abuse, but they also protect police officers from citizen abuse. Body cameras have the ability to capture a hard tackle by a police officer or an unprovoked attack by a citizen.

When people know they are being recorded, it's no surprise police officers and citizens are more likely to act on their best behavior.

With the success of police

body cameras in Pullman over the past two years, it is clear body cameras are effective in creating a safer environment for police and the general public.

Currently, the department only uses audio pocket recorders and dashboard cameras, and while these are positive elements, the upclose video and audio provided by a body camera is a step above.

Luckily, if MPD were to receive the funds for the body cameras, they would mostly be used as a preventative and protective measure.

While police departments around the country are criticized for excessive force and racial profiling, Moscow officers have developed a strong reputation of fairness and equality within the community.

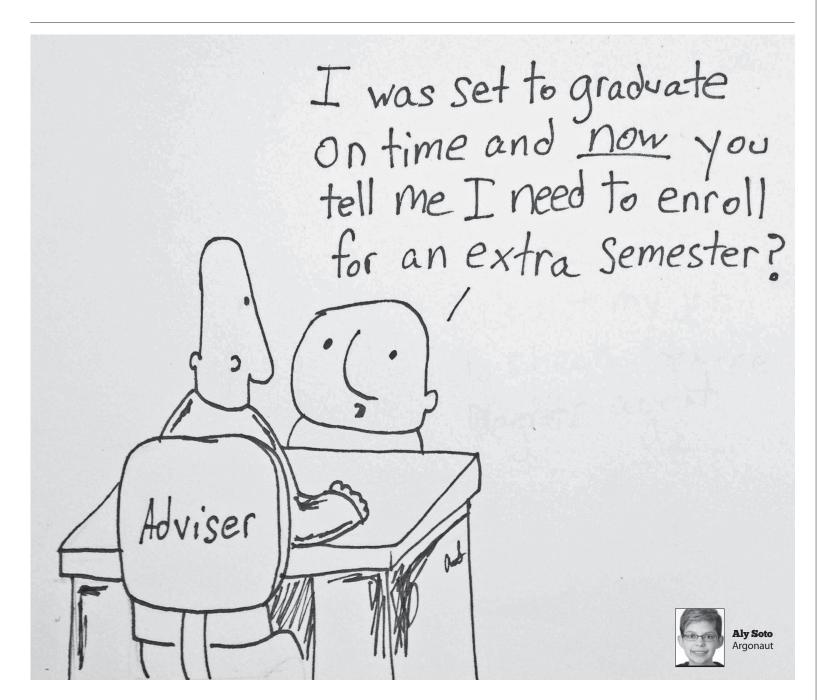
In a digital, image-based world, body cameras are slowly becoming the great equalizer in courtrooms. Video from these cameras can provide critical information and set the record straight when it comes to police interaction with the public.

It's encouraging to see the department advocate for a body camera system that would surely promote accountability from within.

The Moscow City Council should step up this summer and approve the funds for police body cameras.

Body cameras are a critical part of a 21st century police force, and the City of Moscow should do its part to make them a reality for the MPD.

-RT



# Transitioning to truth

Bruce Jenner embodies courage, hope for the future

Editor's note: Bruce Jenner told ABC's 20/20 that he preferred the pronouns "he" and "him" until he officially finishes his transition.

Winning the gold medal in the decathlon at the 1976 Summer Olympics was a manly accomplishment, one that exemplified the strength and endurance of a masculine person.

As everyone found out last week during Bruce Jenner's interview with Diane Sawyer, it was, in part, an effort for Jenner to convince himself that he is a man.

In the two-hour special that aired on national television last week, Jenner admitted that no matter how fast he could run, how high he could jump, how far he could pole vault, nothing but looking deep inside oneself could show who a person truly is.

For Jenner, that person is a

woman, or "her."

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Jenner was brave to share his transition with the world, despite so many individuals thinking it's a "choice" or that it's "inhuman."

Do you know what's inhuman? Pressuring someone to be anyone but his or herself.

Acceptance isn't a LGBT issue, it's a human one.

It's time to grow up and accept others for who they are, whether they are struggling with issues in your comfort zone or not.

There is an estimated 700,000 transgender people in the U.S., according to the Williams Institute, and the community faces a higher suicide rate than their

cisgender counterparts. Not to mention that in 32 states, there is no legal protection from discrimination for transgender citizens.

Jenner shared with the world that he's been struggling with his gender identity since he was a child — not knowing why he enjoyed trying on his mom and sisters' dresses other than knowing it "just felt good."

Visibly choking up, Jenner let his hair down and said he is ready to let "her" emerge. Everyone — young, old, male, female, cisgender or not — should support him in his journey. No one should have to hide behind hooded sweatshirts and dimmed windows to live in peace.

Not only should people support Jenner, but they should admire ABC for developing a program that was fair, personal, sensitive and easy to understand.

While other news programs struggle with reporting on transgender issues, including Katie Couric's disastrous interview with transgender model Carmen Carrera and "Orange is the New Black" star Laverne Cox where she reduced transgender lives to genitalia and transitional surgery, ABC did it right.

The network told the whole story — from the years of confusion to the difficulties Jenner faced through telling each of his

children about his transition.
While younger generations may

not have as hard of a time understanding the concept of transgender people, older generations might need a little assistance.

Jenner opening up about his gender identity will likely have a noticeable effect on society.

By speaking out, Jenner has put a recognizable face to the transgender community — a face parents and grandparents will remember as the Olympic hero and a face younger people will know as the kind, off-beat dad from Keeping up with Kardashians.

While there is still a long road to equality for the transgender community, Jenner's interview was a critical first step in educating people and shifting public opinion about a community that has long been pushed to the fringes of society.

Regardless of when or how Jenner completes his transition to "her," Americans need to support him and give love to a community that has lived without it for far too long.

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### OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

### And so it begins

Is it bad that I'm counting down the days to summer break before dead week has even started? I'm not sure how the graduating seniors are doing it.

### In summer!

I feel like Olaf looking and singing about a distant summer. It may only be two weeks, but we still have to make it through finals and that's rough.

-Claire

### Depressing

There are only two more Argonauts left? Sigh.

-Andrew

### **Erase me**

Isn't it so strange how listening to music you listened to a lot during a certain point in your life brings back memories, emotions and thoughts you thought were buried for good. Shit's weird, yo.

-Amber

### Interesting

Da, da, da, daaahhhh. Da, da, da, daaahhhh. Get it? #beethoven -Ryan

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### Beethoven's favorite fruit?

Ba na na naa. Ba na na naaaah. #piggybackingoffRyan

### Justice Squad

The details of my first post-graduate summer are falling nicely into place. I'm excited to join the Justice team at The Oregonian and to enjoy the weirdness of P-Town. Cheers to 13 more weeks of fun before I'm unemployed.

-Kaitlyn

### Draft time

Here's to hoping Quayshawne Buckley isn't still on the draft board come Saturday evening.

g. **-Stephan** 

### **NFL** Draft

The coverage of it is a bit overboard, but I still find myself watching every minute of it. I do miss the good old days when you had to wake up at 7 a.m. to catch the first round ... on second thought, maybe this primetime thing is alright.

### Survival

I can't imagine being buried under collapsed buildings for five days. The will to survive is truly incredible.

-Katelyn

### An uphill battle

I thought everything was starting to level out, but I somehow mentally skipped over what's happening next week. While it won't be easy, it's still just 14 days.

-Daphne

## Finish strong

Motivation is key in final stretch of school

As the school year drags toward its sweaty conclusion, it's easy to lose motivation.

Everyone is aware of the dreaded "senioritis." It's the butt of plenty of jokes and no one is surprised when people who are about to be done with school forever want to be done now, and not in two weeks.

I'm not here to defend or justify "senioritis," but I think it often gets played up over its less vocal and untitled cousin, which I will call here "almost-senioritis."

Almost-senioritis is prevalent in students who are almost seniors. These sophomores, juniors or even first semester seniors carry all of the angst and discontent of nearly graduated seniors with none of the hope.

They are ready to be done with school, but school is not ready to be done with them.

I would like to think of myself as a qualified expert on this subject, since as a first semester senior I am currently battling an intense attack of almost-senioritis.

Almost-senioritis is more dangerous than regular senioritis because instead of leading to major procrastination and some sub-par final projects, it can potentially lead to a long-term discontent and a lack of motivation that won't be resolved after school gets out for the semester.

When the first pin prick of light shows up at the end of the tunnel, it's easy to let off the gas and coast on through. Unfortunately, this tunnel doesn't slope down nicely to the finish line of graduation.

Instead, our lack of motivation is met with increased academic expectations.

Instead of rising to their challenge, we are demoral-

ized. When we give in to the discontent with our current academic situation, it makes remedying the perceived problem nearly impossible.

The only things that will keep us engaged through the last lap of school are motivation and dedication.

Almost-senioritis brings discontent and demoraliza-

tion. Instead of pushing us to finish, almost-senioritis turns us into complainers. We question school instead of utilizing our own motivation and resolve.

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makes it easy to transfer the blame and hand off the responsibility — semi-imminent graduation is more than enough of an excuse. It is too easy to give in, start looking for the easy way out and start comparing ourselves to our already graduated peers.

For the seniors out there, congratulations, you've almost made it. Fend off senioritis for a few more weeks and go out there and do important things.

To the rest of the masses of disenfranchised almost graduates, don't give up now. Yes, we can see the light at the end of the tunnel, but we can't taste victory, yet. Don't give in and don't veer off track on the last lap.

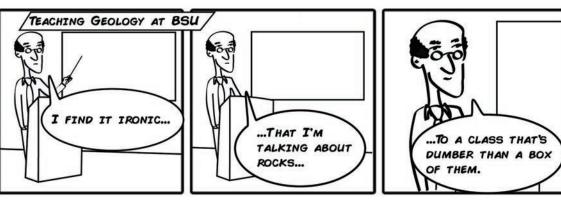
Finish strong, find the joy in school and enjoy the freedom of the weekend.

Take your assignments as challenges, not as annoyances. Go out and enjoy your summer, but come back motivated and ready to enter the next school year resolved to be even more stoked than the year before.

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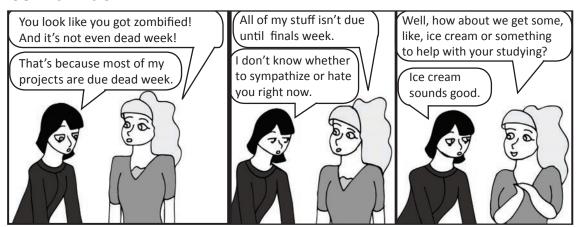
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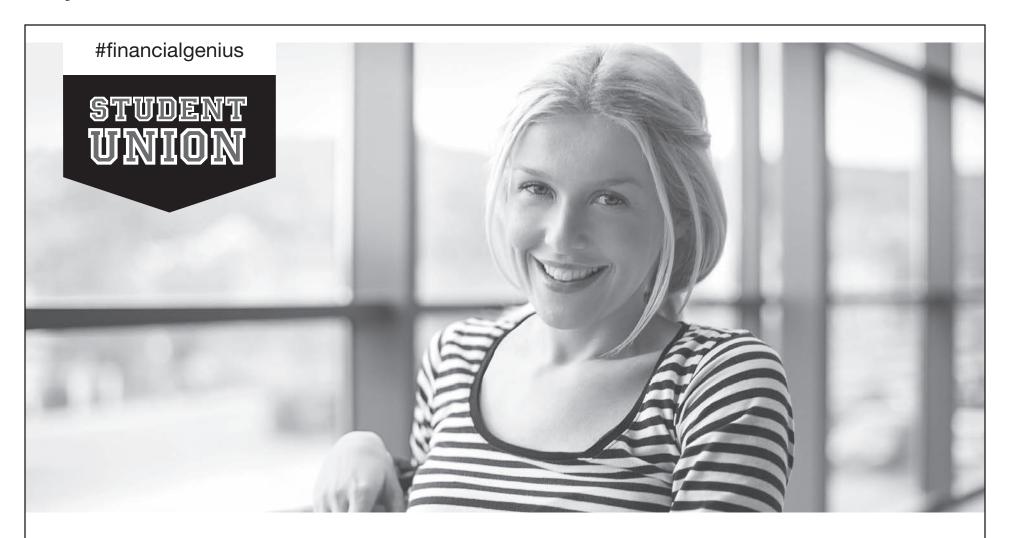


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