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#### STUDENT LIFE



Kira Hunter | Argonaut Students play League of Legends and other games during Vandal Overnight Saturday, Oct. 3., in the Idaho Commons.



Vandal LoL has grown to be the largest club on campus

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Although the club is relatively young, Hill said one of the best

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such as Vandal Overnight. "The turnout for Vandal Overnight was 20 teams with a total of Friday, October 9, 2015

## Slip sliding away

GREEK

An 81-year-old Greek tradition discontinued for safety reasons

#### Hannah Shirley Argonaut

The University of Idaho Dean of Students Office announced Oct. 2 that the Delta Tau Delta slip and slide, an annual tradition on campus for more than 80 years, has been discontinued due to safety reasons.

Traditionally, every fall semester during Rush — the week fraternities recruit new members — the men of Delta Tau Delta host a slip and slide that runs down the hill behind their house. Participants land in a pile of mattresses at the bottom of the hill.

The Dean of Students Office communicated safety concerns with fraternity leadership, who agreed to cancel the slip and slide, according to a statement from the office.



Assistant Greek Life Adviser Leyalle Harris said the decision was made last semester and was in effect in time for this year's fraternity recruitment. The statement was released in response to other news media outlets picking up the story recently, she said.

Laurien Mavey, of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, was the Delta Tau Delta "Tzena" last year, meaning she was considered an honorary sister of the fraternity. She said when the men of the fraternity found out the slip and slide was canceled, they were upset.

"Why take it away?" Mavey said. "... It's such an old tradition. And for people who aren't in Delta Tau Delta, we don't know why — we never got an explanation."

Mavey said she loved the tradition because it was one fraternity event that sorority women could participate in, too.

"It was one thing I always looked forward to every year," Mavey said. "When I look back, it'll probably be my most fun memory — it was like the epitome of college."

In a way, Mavey said she's not surprised. She said the last two years have brought more restrictions to many Greek traditions.

Mavey said for every event a house plans to host, they have to submit an event form to the Office of Greek Life detailing the location of the event, beverages and food that will be served and what kind of supervision or security will be present.

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The biggest club on campus began with four people around a table.

Vandal LoL, UI's League of Legends club, began about three years ago when current club President Josh Hill assembled a group of friends to organize a tournament, said Robert Comley, a University of Idaho senior and virtual technology and design major.

"A good friend of mine hosted a tournament on campus that got a lot of gamers together," Hill said. "A couple of months later, we started the League of Legends club together because we realized there were so indicators of the game's popularity on campus is how quickly the

club's membership has grown.

"Instantly, as soon as we made the club's Facebook page, we got like 60 people overnight," Hill said. "We had a meeting the next day and 30 to 40 people showed up ... since then, the roster just keeps growing."

As of Thursday afternoon, there were 256 members on the Facebook group.

Comley, who serves as the club's tournament director, said there are a little over 100 people who regularly come to tournaments.

The club often partners with ITS, and Comley said the majority of their tourna104 participants," Comley said of the latest event. "We put everyone into four big rooms on the fourth

floor of the Commons and it still wasn't enough space."

Whether a tournament is held in conjunction with Vandal Overnight or not, Comley said all the Vandal LoL events are BYOC, which stands for "Bring Your Own Controller."

"Everyone brings their own computer boards, headsets, mice, whatever they need, they bring it," Comley said.

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## Women protest Douglas Wilson

Protesters hand out flyers denouncing local religious leader Douglas Wilson

#### Taylor Nadauld Argonaut

University of Idaho student Jessy Forsmo-Shadid and a small group of activists stood in Friendship Square Sept. 29.

"Are you guys scared?" Forsom-Shadid asked the five women surrounding her as they waited in anticipation to start protesting.

Nearly every woman was holding white flyers and wearing plaid or flannel, a nod to the words of the man they were protesting against.

"I'm not scared," group member Sarah Sant said.

With that, the group of mostly UI students broke their circle to speak to bystanders about a figure they say many people don't care enough about — local religious leader Douglas Wilson.

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## Support for medical amnesty

ASUI passes resolution in support of lobbying for a medical amnesty bill this spring

ASUI

#### Nishant Mohan Argonaut

As Senator Joe Madsen introduced a resolution in support of ASUI lobbying for a statewide medical amnesty bill this spring, he said ASUI is now in the big leagues.

"We have a great team heading this. This is going to be big," Madsen said. "I like how it's stacked with facts." ASUI unanimously passed the resolution at

the ASUI Senate meeting Wednesday with no discussion except for

Madsen's introduction and a correction to the language.

The resolution came in the wake of overwhelmingly positive responses to a medical amnesty poll that ASUI President Max Cowan said made him confident they are doing the right thing.



State Legislature this for coming spring.

Following the formality of passing the resolution, ASUI leaders turned their focus to transparency in government.

From here, the

project is in the

hands of ASUI Lob-

byist Nate Fisher,

who will draft a bill

to lobby to the Idaho

Cowan announced his intent to find a better way to inform students on how ASUI spends student fees, possibly in the form of a magazine.

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"I think it's always difficult for students to understand where their student fees go," he said. "We're working on communicating that more effectively."

Cowan said he is focusing on a high-quality paper format so it will be something students will want to keep for reference. He said he wants to use a combination of numbers, visuals and narratives to ensure the information is communicated well and in an interesting way.

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### 10-minute shepherd's pie

This is a simple and hearty meal centered around the miracle that is Hormel's microwavable loaded mashed potatoes. They can be found in the refrigerated portion of the Wal-Mart deli and taste like they just came off your grandma's stovetop. Combined with the ingredients below, they make an irresistible 10-minute dinner.

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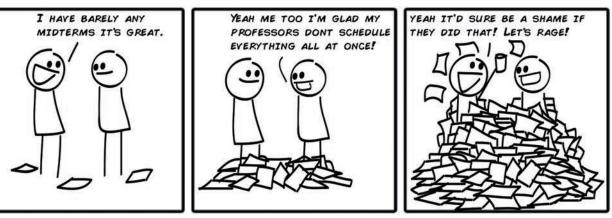
oughly cooked, take a scoop of potatoes, then vegetables, then beef and then cheese (in that order) and compile on a plate 5. Microwave the plate until

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the cheese on top is melted. 6. Let cool and enjoy a meal reminiscent of your mother's cooking, but made with cheater's ingredients

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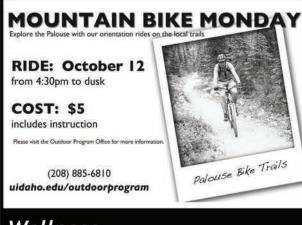
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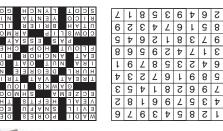
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#### STUDENT LIFE

# Running after hours

'You have the city to yourself in a way'

#### Hannah Shirley Argonaut

Lauren Heryford isn't being chased — she just likes running at night.

"I don't like running into people I know — they see you and are like, 'Wow, you're really struggling up that hill," Heryford said. "It's just quieter. You have the city to yourself in a way."

The University of Idaho psychology major said she grew up in a family of runners. Her father ran marathons and

her sister was a distance runner. She ran track and field from 7th through 10th grade, but unlike her father and sister, Heryford



said she's not a big fan of cardio. "I hate it," she said. "I actually hate it.

Why am I running? Why am I doing this?" The answer, she said, is that she has to.

When she transferred to UI from a community college in Olympia three years ago, Heryford became a resident firefighter. She said it's important that she stays in shape.

Yet, Heryford said she didn't start running at night until she came to Moscow.

"At the end of the day, your brain is tired but you have a lot of energy," she said. "I started going for walks at night just to watch the stars and de-stress from the day, and eventually I just changed walking into running."

Heryford said sometimes she runs by herself, and sometimes she runs with friends. Even when she's alone, though, Heryford said she's never been too worried about her safety.

She said she always makes sure not to wear all-dark clothing, and said she's



Lauren Heryford runs outside of the Bruce Pitman Center. She started running at night after she came to UI.

always conscious of her surroundings. She doesn't run with lights because she said it makes it more difficult for her to see what's around her.

"I guess I've always kind of been confident in the fact that if something ever did happen I could get away," Heryford said.

Heryford said she always likes running with a destination in mind, but she likes to

explore too. With so few people out at night, she said that's the perfect time to do it.

Once, she said she and a friend came across a bike path with a chalk arrow painted on it. They decided they wanted to know where it went.

"It's like in video games, when you get the energy boost," Heryford said. "We'd run through (the arrows) as fast as we could to the next one."

She sees people occasionally, but there are so many different paths in Moscow, it's not unusual to go a whole run without seeing anyone, Heryford said. And that, she said, is just the way she likes it.

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#### FACULTY SENATE

## The future of faculty capacity at UI

#### Provost presents data on enrollment and faculty capacity to Faculty Senate

Erin Bamer Argonaut

As the University of Idaho pushes to increase enrollment, more students on campus might mean more faculty as well. To meet UI President Chuck Staben's goal of increasing enrollment by 50 percent, Provost and Executive Vice President John Wiencek said UI would need to hire more faculty to accommodate for the added students. "We have to figure out how we want to continue to grow going forward," he said at the Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday. Currently, the average student-to-faculty ratio at UI stands at about 16-to-1, Wiencek said. Theoretically, if UI received more than 2,000 new students and the student-faculty ratio rose to 20-to-1, the university would add about \$15.1 million to its annual revenue without hiring any new faculty, he said.



Maybe not get all the way to 100 percent, but rather quickly we can get some significant increase in salary by growing enrollment in a way that our current staff can stands at more than 50 percent. He also said the university currently seems to be disinvesting in full-time instructional faculty.

Wiencek said there is no rush to set anything in stone yet and his presentation was meant to plant a seed. mark He said faculty should begin to discuss what this information means in the next couple of years when UI begins to bring in more faculty as enrollment numbers rise. said

"It would be great if we had an anticulate.

are due to the multiple institutional budget cuts that have taken place in recent years. According to UI's 2011 financial report, faculty salaries and benefits are 16.7 percent below the average

market wage with about a \$20 million short-fall currently.

Referencing Monday's State of the University Address given by Staben, Wiencek said increasing student tuition and fees is likely the most efficient way to grow the university budget. Like Staben said in his address, Wiencek said the ideal way to increase the amount of revenue gained from tuition and fees is to grow enrollment numbers instead of raising the cost of attending UI. 'There is a path here to move forward substantially with salaries," he said. "Maybe not get all the way to 100 percent, but rather quickly we can get some significant increase in salary by growing enrollment in a way that our current staff can continue to work." Erin Bamer can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu or on Twitter @ErinBamer

The student-to-faculty ratio also depends on the different types of classes offered, continue to work

John Wiencek, provost and executive vice president

Wiencek said. Where one professor could teach a class of 100 students with ease, some other classes may require a much smaller environment to adequately teach students. Wiencek said UI needs to decide how it is going to maintain a balance.

In the last 10 years, UI has maintained a low level of adjunct faculty at about 10 percent, which Wiencek said he is happy to see.

Yet, he said he is troubled by the steady increase of tenure-track faculty and the already high level for tenured faculty, which "It would be great if we had an articulated philosophy statement on how those things ... how all those pieces, how that ecosystem works and how we need to make sure that's balanced."

While many faculty members feel pride toward multiple positive aspects of working for the university, a lot of faculty members are dissatisfied with their salaries and benefits, according to the Higher Education Research Institute (HERI) Faculty Survey that Wiencek presented at the meeting.

"Faculty are satisfied with their job security," Wiencek said. "They like the environment as far as doing scholarship and collaborating with faculty peers."

Wiencek said the issues with faculty pay

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# Battle royale at UI Law

UI law students go up against each other in the mock trial tournament

#### Jessica Gee Argonaut

Most students have seen their fair share of crime movies watching lawyers defend their client with passion and hard facts, often leaving the jury in awe.

"You kind of have this idea based on movies and things you see in the media on how trials go about, but you don't realize how far off this is until you actually get into it," said University of Idaho law student David Kracke, who will compete in a mock trial tournament from noon to 3 p.m., Saturday in the Law School courtroom.

Zachary Goytowski, president of the D. Craig Lewis Mock Trial team in Moscow, said this will be the first year holding a competition like this. It is also the first time two law students from different UI campuses will compete against each other for the title of top mock trial competitor.

In addition to the Moscow location, Goytowski said there is a UI College of Law campus located in Boise available to second and third-year students.

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The Saturday trial will determine who is the top mock trial competitor at UI's College of Law.

Each advocate will have about 45 minutes to present their case and their two witnesses.

The competitors are judged based on factors such as organization, clarity and passion.

The College of Law has offered the mock trial team as an extracurricular activity on both campuses.

Every year a team of four trial advocates is selected through a vigorous process.

All second and third year law students can participate in the monthlong competition to earn the title of top trial advocate.

This year, Goytowski said that the competition began with 18 competitors from both campuses and dropped down to 13 by the second week. "Competitors don't usually realize how much work this competition is, so a lot quit" Goytowski said.

To establish who the competitors in the Saturday tournament would be, Goytowski said the four top trial advocates on the Moscow campus competed against each other in front of faculty at UI who determined the winner, Goytowski said. The top advocate in Moscow, Kracke, will compete against the winner from the Boise campus, Alexander Grad.

With the help of some thirdyear law students, Kracke said he has been able to work through the courtroom misconceptions and better prepare for the trial.

Kracke said he found out he would be competing in the Saturday trial only eight days prior.

Goytowski said the amount of law students who want to compete in the mock trial competitions has decreased. He said when his mock trial coach was a law student, there were as many as 70 competitors whereas this year there were only 18.

Goytowski said he worked with the Boise campus over the summer to coordinate Saturday's competition as a way of motivating students to take part in trial advocacy and receive more recognition for their accomplishments.

"I think everyone wants to know who is the best ad-

vocate since we all have a desire to compete," Goytowski said, "That kind of status has been missing from the tournament for awhile."

There are a lot of valuable skills to be learned from participating in the tournament he said.

"Some of the skills in trial advocacy are just something that can't be taught in classrooms," Goytowski said. "Public speaking, thinking on your feet, and responding to arguments are essential to be a trial advocate."

Though the competitors have had a short time to prepare for this tournament, Kracke said he looks forward to competing.

"I'm excited to get going," Kracke said. Jessica Gee

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Zachary Goytowski, D. Craig Lewis Trial Team President, explains the purposes of the moot court and mock trial competition that will take place at the UI College of Law Saturday.

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### numing around campus

#### Katie Colson Argonaut

The University of Idaho Track and Field and Cross Country programs will host Run Like a Vandal Saturday. Participants can register for the 5k race online for \$15 or for \$20 the day of the race.

"It is unique in the sense its part of an athletic team and what we do as a team," said Travis Floeck, assistant Cross Country coach.

He said the money raised from the event would go to help the team pay for meets, buy gear, send athletes to meets and anything else they may need. Local newspapers approached the Track and Field team about putting on a run as part of the Women's Expo, Floeck said.

The Women's Expo held at the Best Western University Inn gives women from the area a chance to network and talk about some of the challenges they face in the professional world, he said.

The Women's Expo wanted to do an active event as well, he said. Besides the participants at the expo, he said the event gives UI students and the Moscow community a chance to be active and

support the Track and Field team.

Floeck said they are glad to be given a chance to put it on, and the program had been discussing doing a 5k road

race, which seems to be popular with other organizations.

The race will begin 8:30 a.m. Saturday at Guy Wicks field. The course will pass through campus, so participants will get an excellent view of UI, said Kinsey Gomez, a senior Track and Field student-athlete who is helping to put on the event.



The course ends on Paradise Path and the top three finishers will receive prizes.

Gomez is job-shadowing the coaching staff this year, and said that is

the biggest task she has had yet. She said she is excited to be part of the first 5k-road race the team has put on.

Gomez said the entire Track and Field team plans to be spread out around the course and cheer the participants on. She said the team plans to wait and see how successful this event is and then decide if they should continue with it in the future.

UI Track and Field and Cross Country teams

to host 5k run throughout campus

If they do have another, Gomez said she wants to do more advertising through social media. The event was advertised in the community and on campus, but Gomez said she thinks advertising online would draw a bigger crowd.

Gomez said she hopes the event will bridge the gap between the team and the community.

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We've started working with ITS a lot and they've been so much help, they save us a lot of time on setting up." Comley said.

Comley said Vandal LoL's next tournament, which will be hosted solely by the club, will be held in the spring. He said the two-day tournament will have a group stage and then a bracket stage on the second day.

In addition to hosting tournaments, Hill said one of the club's goals is to help establish a larger e-sport following on campus.

"My favorite part of this club is being able to provide a fun environment for gamers to get together in," he said.

In addition to creating an e-sport scene, Hill said providing an engaging environment for students to play games in is one of the most rewarding aspects of hosting tournaments.

"We invite WSU students to a lot of our events, it's a much bigger school with more money, but their club members still tell us we run all the best tournaments," Hill said. "That's the best part of what we do, we do a good job of providing people with good tournaments."

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#### MEDICAL

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Cowan said he is aiming for something more complex than how ASUI has communicated fee usage in the past. He said he wants to break down student fees into the things they are spent on and to compare them in relation to tuition.

"Part of it is that we have always done ourselves the disservice of trying to dumb it down and make it simpler than it is," he said. "What I think we need to do is elevate students, trust that they can take in complex information and present it in an accurate and convenient way."

During the communications section of the meeting, Pro-Tempore Kate Ricart, as acting vice president, asked the senators to give a brief overview of their work and progress.

Senator Rachael Miller announced she plans to talk to instructors about how they use Blackboard Learn and why some instructors do not post grades on the site. She said the project, which was part of Cowan and Vice President Stetson Holman's campaign, is becoming more urgent as the drop deadline approaches.

"Come crunch time, you don't know whether you have a D or you have an A," she said. "If you don't know what your grade is, you're out of luck."

She said she hopes to make it easier for instructors to post grades to the site and make those grades more accessible

#### WOMEN FROM PAGE1

Wilson, senior minister of Christ Church in Moscow, has been a controversial figure in the community for years.

Issues surrounding Wilson began a decade ago after a member of his congregation, Steven Sitler, became one of Moscow's 38 sex offenders.

Wilson said he had a significant hand in Sitler's arrest after Sitler confessed the crime to him.

"When Steven Sitler was caught, I was one of the main factors why he was turned in," Wilson said.

Sitler was sentenced to life in prison in 2006 for lewd conduct with a minor under 16, according to court documents. He was released on probation after less than a year in custody at the Latah County Jail.

Wilson received backlash after officiating the marriage of Sitler to a woman after he had been sentenced for the

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sexual offense. Wilson said it was not just him that supported the marriage.

"Judge Stegner and those treatment officials and I all agreed

that Steven getting married to an age-appropriate women who had all the facts and who was willing to marry him was the best thing for him and for society," Wilson said.

Wilson said if the state of Idaho had prohibited Sitler's marriage he would not have officiated the marriage.

Court documents show senior treatment providers from Valley Treatment Services approved Sitler to continue to parent his child, writing that Sitler "has steadily worked in the VTS Sex Offender program for almost 10 years."

Last month, a judge ordered Sitler must have an approved chaperone present at all times he is around his infant child.

Sitler attended Christ Church

at the time of the crime.

The protestors distributed flyers entitled, "Known Facts About Doug Wilson."

According to the flyers, Wilson officiated and supported the marriage of Sitler, is anti-LGBTQA and is a "paleo-confederate."

Wilson agreed that he officiated and supported the marriage of Sitler, is anti-LGBTQA and calls himself a "paleo-confederate."

The rest of the flyer, he said, is libelous.

Sant said she and the rest of the protesters held their first meeting Sept. 28. It was then they decided to gather downtown and hand out flyers.

Forsmo-Shadid said she first heard about the issue from a different group of activists. She considers her group to be a branch off of those activists, but said many people have tried and failed to organize

against Wilson.

"Things get dropped here really easily," Forsmo-Shadid said. The women have plans to

meet again at a later time. The group decided to address being more sensitive to certain topics at their next meeting, and to invite new members.

"I think this is a very good start," said Cynthia Ballesteros, a group member.

When asked what he believes his friends might write in an alternative flyer about him, Wilson listed a few things.

"I would want them to say that Doug is a Christian pastor who believes in cultural engagement, he is an educational reformer, he preaches the gospel to messed up people," Wilson said.

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Because the Delt hill is so steep, Mavey said she can see why it would be a liability issue. She said she still hopes Delta Tau Delta can work something out with the university in the future.

"Girls in my house had said they'd be willing to sign a waiver," Mavey said. "We know we're jumping off a hill, and that it's not the safest thing in the world."

Delta Tau Delta alumni Kirk Trigsted said he's sure he would have been upset if UI discontinued the slip and slide tradition when he was in school.

Like many other members of the fraternity,

Trigsted, a UI professor of mathematics, said he has fond memories of sliding down the hill on his feet — and wiping out every time.

he said. "Chipped teeth. Sprained ankles. Never anything too serious though."

biggest events — and certainly one of their most popular.

fraternity fire escape while he was in school, he's seen the university crack down more and more on safety issues.

years ago," Trigsted said.

end of the slip and slide tradition is either

'Someone was always getting hurt,"

He said the tradition is one of the house's

Trigsted said since a woman fell out of a

"Things aren't as loose as they were 30

That said, Trigsted doesn't believe the

good or bad.

"It's sad to see traditions go away, but safety has to be the No. 1 priority for the university," Trigsted said. "That chapter has finally ended, and it maybe is time to start another tradition."

Trigsted said he wouldn't be surprised if students eventually come to terms with the decision.

"Perspectives do change," Trigsted said. Students who are upset about it now might change their minds once their children are going off to college."

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### SPORTS Idaho soccer looks to continue its winning streak against Montana WOMEN'S GOLF **Battle in the desert**

Idaho women's golf takes third, Michelle Kim ties for eighth at New Mexico State Aggie Invite

#### Mihaela Karst Argonaut

Idaho freshman Michelle Kim tied for eighth place with a 2-over-par 218 to end the New Mexico State Aggie Invitational Wednesday in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Idaho took third as a team, finishing with a 21-over-par 885.

The Brigham Young Cougars took the title, shooting a 5-under-par 859. New Mexico State's Vivian Macias won the individual title with a 6-under-par 210.

The invitational started Monday and from that day to Tuesday, Idaho moved up from fourth place to third.

"We improved ball striking," Idaho coach Lisa Johnson said. "We hit more greens and we started hitting closer to the hole."

The Vandals struggled to start day three, but that all changed at the 10th hole.

"We made several bogies and a triple bogey to start the day," Johnson said. "As we made the turn, the players became more focused and were able to start hitting the flags, which really helped us down the stretch."

Idaho senior Cassie McKinley tied for 19th with a 7-over-par 223 and junior Amy Hasenoehrl tied for 54th shooting a 17-overpar 233.

Idaho sophomore Kendall Gray entered the tournament as an individual and tied for 22nd with an 8-over-par 224.

The two Idaho freshmen — Kim and Sophie Hausmann - saw the NMSU course for the first time Monday morning.

"We weren't able to play a practice round due to bad weather, so the first round was their warm-up round," Johnson said.

Hausmann tied for 26th, finishing with a 9-over-par 225.

"A couple of mistakes were made that probably wouldn't have happened had we played the course a little more," Johnson said.

Idaho senior Kristin Strankman shot her best score in the final round, firing a 1-underpar 71. Strankman finished the tournament with a 3-over-par 219 to tie for 10th.

"She (Strankman) played really steady golf and today she was able to make a few more putts," Johnson said. "She knew she could play well because she shot really well at this tournament last year and she was determined to shoot in the red."

The Vandals will play at the Pat Lesser Harbottle Invitational Monday and Tuesday in Tacoma, Washington.



"It's a very traditional course with tightly mowed fairways and we expect rain every day," Johnson said. "The greens are supposed to be really fast, which we don't really see here in the Palouse. We need to be mentally prepared."

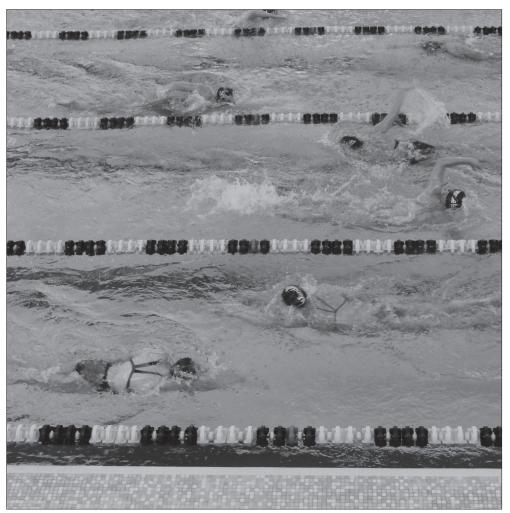
Johnson said the Vandals will hit the course this week and practice their short game and prepare for the wet greens Monday.

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Senior Kassidy Long-Goheen putts during practice. Idaho took third at the New Mexico State Aggie Invitational earlier this week.

#### **ON TO BOISE STATE**



Irish Martos | Argonaut The Idaho swim team will compete against Boise State Friday and Saturday in Boise.

#### OPINION

## Vandals in driver's seat

Vandal soccer's **Big Sky success** could lead to hosting conference tournament

When the Idaho soc-

cer team steps on the field later this month to face Eastern Washington, the team will not only be hoping to claim a

victory over one of the top teams in the Big Sky Conference. The Vandals will also be seeking an opportunity to host the Big Sky Tournament.

The Vandals (8-4-1) have stormed through their conference schedule so far, earning a hard-fought 1-0 victory over conference contender Sacramento State earlier this week. The women's soccer program has already doubled its win total from last season, but the team is now turning its attention toward a much bigger goal.

Idaho and Eastern Washington are

tied atop the Big Sky. Like the Vandals, the Eagles have a 4-0 record in conference play, so the regular-season title may be

decided on the final day of the season when the two teams meet at Guy Wicks Field.

**Josh Grisson** 

The program that earns the best record in conference play at the conclusion of the season will host the Big Sky Tournament — a playoff between the top six teams in the conference.

If the Vandals are able to emerge from this season as the best team



in the conference, they will host the postseason tournament at Guy Wicks

Field. This would signify a huge step forward for the women's soccer program, which finished with only four wins total last season.

Head coach Derek Pittman has orchestrated quite a turnaround season, despite the relative youth of numerous starters. Freshman goalie Amanda Poertner has produced an outstanding season so far with six total shutouts, including the last three games for the Vandals.

If the Vandals continue their dazzling success on the pitch, they have an excellent chance to host the postseason tournament for the Big Sky.

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Two Idaho soccer players go head-to-head during practice as freshman goalkeeper Julia Byerlein stands in the goal at Guy Wicks Field.

Yishan Chen | Argonaut

## Poertner earns second honor of season

Idaho freshman goalkeeper Amanda Poertner wins conference defensive player of the week

#### Ben Evensen Argonaut

Most athletes don't find themselves starting as a true freshman, but Idaho freshman goalkeeper Amanda Poertner has been defending the net all season with play that hasn't gone unnoticed.

For the second time this season, Poertner was named Big Sky Conference Defensive Player of the Week after not allowing a single goal all weekend, extending her streak of shutouts to three matches in a row.

"I thought overall Amanda Poertner didn't have a whole lot to do throughout the (Sacramento State) game," Idaho leads the Big Sky in goals against coach Derek Pittman said. "But when she was needed, she came up big and helped everything cleanly."

Poertner and the Vandal defense haven't allowed a goal in 303 straight minutes and have allowed just one goal to a Big Sky opponent (Marisa Sanchez of Idaho State, who happens to be a member of the Mexico national team) this year. It was Poertner's sixth shutout of the season, which ties the school record for most in a season with Amanda Sandman (2007) and Liz Boyden (2010).

"Really proud of Amanda, but also really proud of the whole team," Pittman said.

The numbers Poertner is putting up are some of the best in the Big Sky. The Fullerton, California, native has twice as many shutouts as the next closest goalkeeper and

average with 0.25 in conference play.

Idaho (8-4-1, 4-0) is one of three undefeated teams in the conference and is tied with Eastern Washington (10-1-1,

4-0) for first. Northern Colorado (8-5, 3-0) is second.

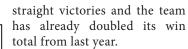
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The Vandals won't play those two schools until the last two games of the regular season. This weekend the Vandals will play Montana at 1 p.m. Sunday at Guy Wicks Field (4-7-2, 1-2-1).

The Grizzlies sit in seventh in the Big Sky. Last season, Idaho's game at Montana went into overtime with the Grizzlies winning 1-0.

This is just the second time Idaho has ever opened conference play with four

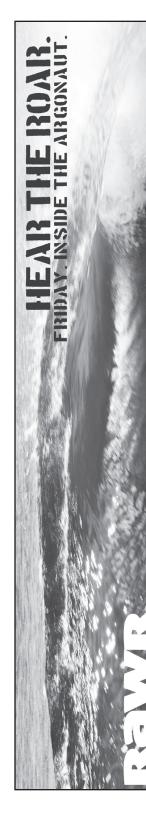


Montana will play Eastern Washington Friday while the Vandals will be off Friday, meaning the Grizzlies will play

two of the teams in first place with just one day of rest in between. The Grizzlies are coming off a tie with Northern Arizona and a win over Southern Utah last weekend.

The Idaho-Montana game is Idaho's "Pink Game" and the Vandals' jerseys will be auctioned off after the match with the proceeds going to the local charity, Light a Candle Foundation.

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#### **VEGAS BOUND**



Idaho freshman Maria Tavares returns a ball at practice Sept. 30. The women's tennis team will compete at the ITA Regional Wednesday to Sunday in Las Vegas.





Bradley is leading the Sun Belt in sacks.

- Senior defensive end Quinton Bradley leads the Sun Belt

Amanda Poertner keeps up her outstanding play this season and was rewarded with her second Big Sky Conference **Defensive Player of the Week** award.

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The chance to host the tournament would provide immediate benefits for the university, including the chance to expose young recruits to the college and the Vandals' soccer program.

Another positive aspect is home-field advantage for the women's soccer team. The Vandals are 4-0-1 at Guy Wicks Field this season and the opportunity to play on their own turf during the postseason tournament could prove the deciding factor in a pivotal game.

However, the Vandals still need to finish the season strong for a shot at Eastern Washington and the Big Sky regular-season

title. The Vandals played the Eagles earlier this season, falling 2-1 as a result of back-to-back Eagle goals during the 24th and 25th minutes.

Idaho is in the midst of a four-game homestand, but they hit the road Oct. 10 to begin a three-game road trip against other conference heavyweights, including North Dakota and Northern Colorado.

The Vandals have five conference games left before they meet the Eagles on Oct. 30 at Guy Wicks Field.

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Conference in sacks with four so far this season.



#### Becky Paull — @bpvandal

Jake Luton is only the second quar-

terback in Idaho history to rush for three TDs in a single game. The other was Doug Nussmeier in 1995.

— Idaho assistant athletic director for media relations **Becky Paull tweets about** Idaho redshirt freshman Jake Luton's stellar game rushing the ball against Arkansas State last Saturday. Luton

tially using Jake Luton on the goal line in the future. He was 4-for-4 on TDs in the red zone.

Bryce Erickson eluded to poten-

Writes

Idaho QB coach



– Spokesman Review Vandal beat writer Sean Kramer tweets that Luton's play on the goal line against Arkansas State might have earned him some more snaps according to Idaho quarterbacks coach Bryce Erickson.



Poertner earns her second @BigSkyConf weekly

Big Sky Conference — @ BigSkyConf

Congratulations to @UldahoWGolf's Michelle Kim for winning second Big Sky Women's Golfer of the Week this fall!

— Freshman golfer Michelle Kim earns herself a second Big Sky Conference Women's Golfer of the Week award. Kim shot a 2-over-par 218 to finish eighth at the New Mexico State Aggie Invitational earlier this week.

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## **Silencing the slip-and-slide**

The cancelation of a popular Greek tradition was a complex decision for *UI administration* 

ver the years, the notoriously steep hill behind the Delta Tau Delta fraternity house became particularly famous for the slip and slide event the fraternity hosts on the slope every fall.

This year, however, the fraternity decided to cancel the event at the request of the Dean of Students Office.

Many students, including those who aren't part of the University of Idaho Greek system, have expressed their disappointment over the cancelation of the event. While this may seem like the end of a tradition that has lasted decades, the university's request for Delta Tau Delta to reign in any slip and slide antics is about more than potential liability issues.

Although liability issues are a major concern, as the only safety measures put in place to prevent students from sliding all the way down the hill and into the asphalt were a couple of old mattresses, the request made by the Dean of Students Office represents a shift in the choices of the university's

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administration.

Rather than turning a blind eye and allowing the possibility for students to get seriously injured, the university's decision to end the event shows the administration's concern for the health of welfare of the students, but it also may mean stricter regulations for on-campus students.

It appears that no one has been seriously injured while participating in the event. Students have reported a history of minor injuries such as chipped teeth and sprained ankles.

The university's request to cancel the event serves as a precautionary measure it's better that the event is canceled as a means of prevention rather than as the consequence of a student actually getting seriously injured.

When making future decisions, UI should keep in mind the deeply held value of tradition for Greek houses. It's important to preserve traditions if at all possible.

It's also important to remember that the event was not shut down by UI, but was canceled by the fraternity as a result of a university request.

Delta Tau Delta chose to comply with



the request, but could have easily objected and fought to keep the event.

As appealing of an idea as sliding down a steep hill on a giant wet sheet of plastic is, both the administrators and

students recognize this as a situation in which injuries and serious accidents could arise.

Rather than take a defensive stance against the university's decision to request the cancelation of the event, it's important to remember that the physical welfare of every student on campus is valuable.

The event was not hosted this year, but that doesn't necessarily mean the end of a tradition. The slip and slide event, as it had been set up in previous years, was an extreme safety hazard.

There has been no definitive say as to whether the university would be opposed to the event coming back if the slip and slide set-up was constructed in a safer way. This decision doesn't necessarily mean Delta Tau Delta is putting their slip and slide away for good, it just happens to be what is best for the welfare of UI students right now.

- CB



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**Knock on wood** 

Today, I feel like I have my life together. Let's see how long this lasts.

- Lyndsie

#### Fall fall fall

Rain rain rain, Happy happy happy. – Corrin

Fall fall fall

Rain rain rain, Sick sick sick.

- Erin

#### Glasses

Looks like I'll be needing them. Not thrilled about it, but at least the migraine headaches will go away, so I got that going for me, which is nice. – Korb

I should try saving

#### this money

And it's gone.

– Hannah

#### Oh the places you'll go

Dr. Seuss taught me I was born to stand out, and that I haven't a reason to ever complain or pout.

- Tessica

#### **Ever thought so hard**

That you finally realized, "Nah, not worth my time." Not cause it's like deep and sorrowful, but like, because I don't have to spend 20 minutes thinking how water got from the earth to my shower head. – Tack

Ways to ruin a Fridav





#### night

Step 1: be a journalist Step 2: cry

– Claire

#### My bad ...

To that car I almost collided with on my bike the other night at 12:30, sorry 'bout that. Jake

#### **True story**

Things I am currently addicted to: doughnuts and peanut butter, in that order. – Rvan

#### **NFL** action

Seahawks and Bengals get together Sunday. Game of the week? I'm watching. - Garrett

#### Connectivity

It's amazing how much we can rely on technology. It seems as if the world falls apart when the internet goes down – Katelvn

#### **Petition for longer** days

So much to do, so little time. Thank goodness for the weekend.

– Tea

#### **Epic fail**

I didn't do my OTC today. To be fair I have been studying for almost 12 hours for one accounting test. - Jordan

## Capital punishment in the U.S.

Why our country's justice system is faulty

The constitutionality of the death penalty is being brought back to light due to a recent case in Oklahoma, and for good reason.

If you have read the news over the past two weeks, you may have come across an article from Tulsa World about death row inmate, Richard Glossip. Glossip was sentenced to death in 2004 in Oklahoma after being accused of hiring a man named Justin Sneed to kill his boss.

The victim, Barry Van Treese, was beaten to death by a baseball bat. The murderer, Sneed, was sentenced to life in prison in exchange for his testament against Glossip. On the other hand, Glossip, who wasn't present at the time of the murder, was given the death penalty.

Recently, complications with the ingredients for the lethal injection halted Glossip's execution. This wasn't the first time Glossip's execution date

has been postponed and was the second time his case was brought to the Supreme Court.

There are many arguments made in the media about how Glossip may have been innocent, which Glossip upholds. The only evidence providing that

Glossip was guilty was Sneed's testimony.

Allowing a possibly innocent man to be thrown into the gallows by the word of a murderer just goes to show that the American capital punishment system is broken.

The United States is one of the top five countries in the world that still sentences people to death, along with China, Iran, Saudi Arabia and Iraq, according to Pew Research Center. Most other developed countries such as Canada, Spain, France and the United Kingdom have abolished capital punishment, according to an article by Amnesty International.

Living in a country where the majority of states still uphold a law that is so barbaric is disappointing.

In Glossip's case, let's say

that he and Sneed were both completely guilty of the crimes they were accused of. Lowering ourselves to their level by executing them doesn't justify the punishment.

It is difficult to not tie emotional arguments into this discussion, yet they are hard to avoid. Many death penalty advocates use the argument, "What if it was your family that was murdered?

I could never understand the sorrow of a family who has dealt with the loss of a loved one in this way. However, I do believe that forgiveness is more important than revenge, especially on an institutional level.

For the families, executing the criminal won't bring the victim back. It won't reverse the crime and it won't make the event any less devastating. So the real question is whether or not the benefits of killing an inmate outweigh the costs, and from a logistic standpoint, they don't.

The fiscal costs of using a lethal injection outweigh that of a criminal spending life in prison. A university in Seattle analyzed the costs of executions in Washington and found that

each case that sought the death penalty cost about \$1 million more than similar cases that didn't utilize the death penalty. This trend is frequent throughout states that still practice capital punishment.

Taxpayer's dollars could be used for more positive purposes, such as investment in rehabilitative programs.

Perhaps if using the death penalty resulted in lives being saved or if it cost less financially it could be justified. But it doesn't, which leads me to believe that capital punishment is mostly sought after because people want revenge. Allowing the government to institutionalize retribution is unsettling.

In the event of murder or heinous crimes, there are no true winners.

One of my favorite quotes about the death penalty by Holly Near may be overused, but it is still extremely relevant and important to consider: "Why do we kill people who are killing people to show that killing people is wrong?'

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## **Mailbox**

### A note of well wishes to Jack Mclver

I served as Senior Executive to John "Jack" McIver, vice president of Research and Economic Development, after I left the interim University of Idaho presidency in the summer of 2009, and worked with him in my role as College of Natural Resources Dean.

Working with McIver has been one of the most rewarding, collaborative and effective experiences of my 40-year career in higher education. He is a solid role model in science leadership and research enterprise management, and he has raised our institution's stock value and position among institutional peers.

McIver's vision established UI as a regional and national leader on key societal issues of the 21st century. He led nationally in data management by establishing the UI Northwest Knowledge Network (NKN) a hub for the curation of interdisciplinary science knowledge and a catalyst for faculty creativity in data-enabled science.

He enabled our university's broad co-leadership in climate research and outreach by supporting the establishment of Department of Interior NW Climate Science Center, the USDA-sponsored REACCH project and our university's partnerships with other regional institutions in a variety of research and outreach projects at the climate-water-natural resources-agriculture nexus. We are now known as a leader in interdisciplinary research, inter-institutional partnerships and high impact science applications.

McIver made research support systems more user-friendly and easier for faculty and staff to navigate. This has empowered the entire UI faculty and increased the overall productivity and efficiency of the university's research enterprise.

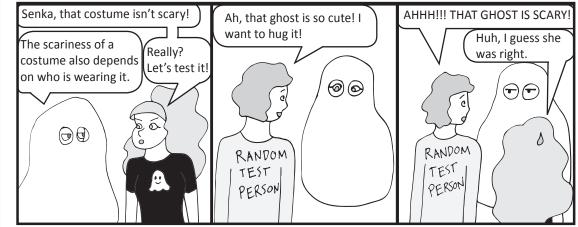
McIver has served on many statewide working groups that focus our university's research on state issues and contribute to the advancement of Idaho's economy, communities and environment.

Let's wish Jack and his wife, Martha, best wishes in retirement. Jack is a renaissance man — extremely well read and a life-long learner. His legacy will live on here at UI, in our region and even more broadly, and I've no doubt he will continue to think hard about how integrated research and outreach can help to address the issues and challenges in our society.

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