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## GREEK LIFE



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Freshman Mary Trumble (left) and senior Shelby Adams study at the Alpha Phi house Thursday.

## Greek Week Schedule

### Monday

Gathering Donors:  
Check-in Event  
Location: Idaho Commons  
Time: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### Tuesday

State of Union Address:  
Corey Ciocchetti —  
All in: Motivation and Leadership  
Location: Bruce Pitman Center International Ballroom  
Time: 7 p.m.

### Wednesday

Presidential Debates:  
Greek Week Skits  
Location: Idaho Commons Food Court  
Time: 7 p.m.

### Thursday

Campaign Trail: Greek Olympics  
Location: Lower 40  
Time: 4 p.m.

### Friday, April 1

Greek Primaries: Greek God and Goddess  
Location: Memorial Gym  
Time: 7 p.m.

## A stately competition

*Greek Week revisions aim to improve safety, collaboration*

**Katelyn Hilsenbeck**  
Argonaut

For many University of Idaho students, Greek Week is about more than carnival games and talent shows.

"It's uniting. It's competitive," said Claire McKeown, UI Panhellenic Council public relations director. "It's also a time to celebrate being Greek, celebrate the traditions we have on campus, the individual traditions we have and also what makes us a community."

UI Greek houses will compete in various activities — including skits, a talent show and field day — throughout the week to gain the most points.

In prior years, teams were assigned.

However, McKeown said Panhellenic and the Interfraternity Council allowed houses to pick their own teams to vie for the 5-foot trophy the team with the most points wins.

McKeown said the previous system did not always work.

"We want everyone to be happy and having the greatest amount of fun," she said.

Andy Kim and Mady McInerney, members of Delta Tau Delta and Alpha Phi respectively, are working to coordinate their team's Greek Week activities and agreed the partnership between the two houses was a good fit.

"Everyone's kind of motivated because we want to hang out with the Deltas," McInerney said.

Kim said although he didn't predict both houses voting to partner with each other, their pledge classes have grown increasingly closer.

"I'm stoked that we're Greek Week

partners," Kim said.

Evan Barton, IFC public relations director, said Greek Week is a lot like Homecoming in the sense that different living groups come together.

"When each individual house has their own philanthropy, it's very centered in your house," McKeown said. "When you come to Greek Week, it's no longer about your house."

Greek Week is a national tradition for many universities around the country.

"It's a way bigger scale than people ever expect it to be," McKeown said.

McKeown said Greek Week is a break from daily stressors.

"You have something to look forward to everyday with a cool group of people you enjoy being around," Kim said.

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## MEDICAL AMNESTY

### Cautiously optimistic

*Medical Amnesty bill awaits governor's decision*

**Jessica Gee**  
Argonaut

ASUI's medical amnesty bill may soon be finalized after it was sent to Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter's desk earlier this week.

The bill would grant legal protection to underage drinkers in the case of a medical emergency. ASUI Lobbyist Nate Fisher said after the bill passed in the Idaho House of Representatives March 7, it made its way through the Idaho Senate.

"Our Senate sponsor was Patti Anne Lodge, who is Chair of the Judiciary and Rules Committee on the Senate side, which is huge," Fisher said. "She's a big advocate to have especially with this bill going through her committee."

With the support from Sen. Lodge, Fisher said the bill was passed unanimously in the Senate Judiciary and Rules Committee Mar. 11.

On the Senate floor, the bill was amended to include a three-year

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## ADMINISTRATION

### 'Small enough to care'

*New dean excited to meet students*

**Claire Whitley**  
Argonaut

After 31 years at the University of Idaho and almost four-and-a-half years as the dean of the College of Business and Economics, Mario Reyes is retiring.

"I made a list of things I will miss, and things I will not miss," Reyes said.

On Reyes' list of things he will miss, he said the people are the biggest. In his time here he said he



Chopin

has enjoyed building alumni relations and collaborating with faculty, staff and students across the university. He said he will also miss the opportunity to enable faculty, staff and students to grow.

With a laugh, Reyes said there is still plenty of preparing for his replacement, Marc Chopin, before his appointment. However, Reyes said there will be a stack of things Chopin will need to take care of when he

arrives.

"This is the best time for a new dean to come in," Reyes said. "The university has a new strategic plan and the college plan cascades down from that."

Chopin, currently a professor at Northern Arizona University, said he is most excited to engage with students, faculty and staff at UI.

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## STUDENT LIFE

### Drawing from experience

*Los Angeles based comedian set to perform in Moscow*

**Corrin Bond**  
Argonaut

After watching a YouTube clip of comedian Brooks Wheelan telling the story of bringing a girl home only to have a Furby doll that was hidden in his closet start speaking, University of Idaho student Camille Awbrey said she laughed out loud for days.

As the Vandal Entertainment Lectures and Performing Arts Chair, Awbrey's job involves bringing speakers, comedians and other performers to campus. She said video clips like the one about the Furby convinced

her to invite Wheelan, a former "Saturday Night Live" cast member, to the university.

"I try to find one large comedy act a semester," Awbrey said. "He really stood out. I've watched his YouTube videos a bunch of times and he's hilarious."

Wheelan will perform at 7 p.m., Tuesday in the Vandal Ballroom of the Pitman Center. The show is free for students and \$5 for the public.

Wheelan, who is from L.A. by way of Iowa, began performing comedy at the age of 19 while attending the University of Iowa. "I just did it once and then I was like, 'I

want to do this everyday,'" Wheelan said. "It took six years. I had to move to L.A. to make it happen."

While he has performed at a variety of different venues, the comedian said he has enjoyed visiting colleges in the past and looks forward to coming to Moscow for the first time.

"Every show is different. I like doing colleges because they're fun," Wheelan said. "It's really loose, everyone is having a good time."

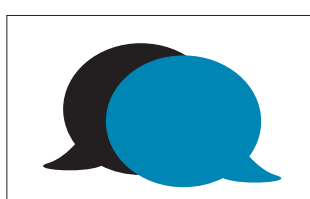
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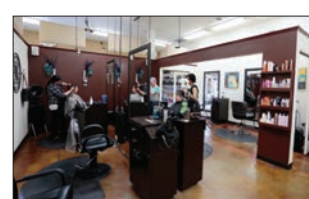
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STUDENT LIFE

# Embracing who she is

Olivia Kennedy wins the first Miss Northern Idaho competition

**Erin Bamer**  
Argonaut

When University of Idaho sophomore Olivia Kennedy was crowned as the first Miss Northern Idaho last week, she wasn't surprised.

Her mother Bobbie Kennedy, on the other hand, was relieved and elated.

"When you're a parent, you have hopes and dreams for your children and you know you don't want to see them disappointed," Bobbie said. "I was just relieved that the judges felt the same way about her that we do."

Olivia was introduced to the world of pageants at an early age, when at the age of eight she watched her mother compete in a pageant. Bobbie said she had entered the pageant to encourage herself to be physically fit.

Olivia said her mother has always been a huge influence in her life.

"I'm surprised she remembers to eat and function, because all she does is make sure that we have enough opportunities and that we get to do the things that she never got to do," Olivia said.

Olivia, a vocal performance major, sang "Glitter and Be Gay" from the show "Candide" at Miss Northern Idaho. She received high marks in the talent portion of the competition for her performance, which she said was weighted heavily in the final results.

While Olivia's dream is to make it on Broadway, she said she didn't always think she had a good voice. Olivia said she used to be a dancer and believed herself to be tone deaf. It wasn't until she auditioned for a musical in high school that she realized her talent.

While she said she is excited to move on to the Miss Idaho competition this summer, Olivia said one of the highlights of the pageant for her was meeting the other women.

"My best friend has cystic fibrosis, and one of the girls at the pageant also has cystic fibrosis," Olivia said. "That was cool to get them to meet each other and have like a friend in common."

Olivia transferred to UI this academic year from Lewis-Clark State College, where she studied nursing. She said she has enjoyed her time in Moscow so far, and appreciates the beautiful location, her professors and the women in her sorority, Delta Zeta.

Transferring to UI wasn't the first time Olivia found herself in a new environment. As a daughter to a father in the military, Olivia's family moved often when she was younger. It wasn't until her father retired two years ago that the family settled in Idaho.

Olivia's childhood played a big part in how she built her platform, which she said is an important component of competing in pageants. Her platform is appreciating military children.

"The reason our veterans can do the amazing job they do is because of their families, and especially because of their kids," Olivia said. "The kids are the ones who give up their childhood."

Bobbie taught Olivia to get involved quickly whenever she found herself in someplace new, and that was what Olivia did when she came to UI. Since joining Delta Zeta, she's become the head of the sorority's community service and she said she hopes to be president before she graduates.

Bobbie said she is always proud of Olivia and what she has accomplished. When she sees the strides Olivia takes in life and hears about the values her daughter stands for, she said it assures her that she and her husband raised her well.

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Miss Northern Idaho Olivia Kennedy (left) and Miss Northern Idaho Outstanding Teen Janessa Riordan pose for a photo after being crowned Saturday. Kennedy is a UI sophomore.

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RESEARCH

# 'Drugs of tomorrow'

UI student receives Hill Fellowship for work in organic chemistry

**Carly Scott**  
Argonaut

Though he's a biologist by major, University of Idaho student researcher Lupe Gutierrez's interest in organic chemistry was sparked by a carbon compounds class with professor Kristopher Waynant.

Gutierrez said he's always loved the sciences, so when the option of doing research outside the classroom came up, he jumped on it.

"I just emailed him right away," Gutierrez said. "Like, 'I'll do it.'"

Gutierrez, 21, is originally from Santa Ana, California, and transferred to UI from Santiago Community College, drawn by scholarship opportunities and encouragement from his girlfriend.

He received a Hill Fellow-

“You really have to know what you're doing, why you're doing it, and how it's applicable.”

**Lupe Gutierrez**

ship earlier this semester to support his next three semesters of work with Waynant on pesticides and pharmaceuticals. Gutierrez said his professor jokes they're "making the drugs of tomorrow today."

He said because the fellowship encompasses many disciplines, including biology, physics and chemistry, the application process was very competitive.

"You really have to know what you're doing, why

you're doing it, and how it's applicable," he said.

Waynant and Gutierrez left before spring break to present their research at an American Chemical Society conference.

Gutierrez said his knowledge of organic chemistry is small and he wants to learn more from the organic chemists here.

"You know how Chem 111 and Chem 112 are like whatever?" he said. "Organic chemistry puts it into action."

Gutierrez said one of his favorite things about small colleges is how much professors seem to care about their students and want them to succeed. Gutierrez said Waynant is good at trying to get his students recognized.

"He believes not only in you, but the research," he said.

Waynant said Gutierrez is a great addition to the lab, and has quickly become one

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of his go-to students.

Waynant said that's exactly the kind of dedication he looks for in students.

Gutierrez said one of the most fascinating things about organic chemistry is the way he can integrate it back into his biology major. He commented that integrating the sciences together makes you much more of a well-rounded scientist.

Gutierrez plans to apply to graduate school after graduating from UI.

"Research is one of the biggest qualifications for graduate school," he said, "it's what they look at the most."

He said he hopes to earn a doctorate degree in molecular biology with an emphasis in cancer research.

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## DIVERSITY

# 'Widen your world'

Film festival features films by and about Native Americans

**Marisa Casella**  
Argonaut

When University of Idaho professor Jan Johnson heard the American Indian Studies Program only had an event during fall semester, she was quick to brainstorm ideas for the spring.

That was in 2002. In 2003, Johnson started The Sapaatq'ayn Cinema Native American Film Festival.

The word "sapaatq'ayn" derives from the Nez Perce language and means "to display" or "a motion picture."

She said the film festival screens new and recently released documentary and feature films made by and about Native Americans. The festival is sponsored by the University of Idaho American Indian



Johnson

Studies Program.

"More people watch film than read literature," Johnson said in regards to why she chose a film festival.

Johnson said their mission is to help Native American voices be heard. The films strive to make the contemporary Native American experience visible and meaningful to a broad audience.

"We welcome everybody," Johnson said.

The festival will be held Friday and Saturday at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the opening ceremonies begin at 6:30 p.m., and will feature UI Vandal Nation Drum, UI Native American Student Association and Blackfoot leader and UI instructor

Roger Vielle. The event is free and open to the public.

The films being shown on Friday are "Rebel Music: Native American Voices" beginning at 6:45 p.m. followed by "Songs My Brother Taught Me" beginning at 7:25 p.m.

On Saturday, the films being shown are "This May Be The Last Time," which begins at 6:30 p.m., and "Drunktown's Finest" beginning at 8:15 p.m.

Johnson said "Drunktown's Finest" will be an especially interesting film because it was made by a transgender Navajo filmmaker and explores the topic of gender. This is a new topic in native culture, and Johnson said she is excited to see how the film will present the topic.

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The films strive to make the contemporary Native American experience visible and meaningful to a broad audience.

The film "Rebel Music: Native American Voices" looks at populations around the world that use music to voice messages that they believe the world needs to hear. The film is about 31 minutes long. "Songs My Brother Taught Me" is a 101 minute-long film about life on the Pine Ridge Reservation in

South Dakota. "This May Be The Last Time" is a 91-minute documentary directed by Sterlin Harjo that explores his grandfather's disappearance all the while incorporating the Muscogee Creeks' adaptation of Christian hymns.

Johnson said she encourages everyone to go.

Johnson said the Native American people have fascinating stories to tell. She said it's easy to buy into stereotypes about Native American culture, but by watching these films and hearing their stories, the audience will see how complex native cultures actually are.

"Widen your world," Johnson said.

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## FACULTY SENATE

# A better fit for Staff Council

Faculty Senate approves changes to Staff Council bylaws

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After a brief discussion at this week's Faculty Senate meeting, changes were approved to the Staff Council bylaws — including changing the name of the group from Staff Affairs Committee to Staff Council.

"If you look at the definition of those two words, 'council' and 'affairs,' council is a much better fit," said

Staff Council Chair Greg Fizzell.

Fizzell said the change of name was inspired by informal conversations with people on campus.



Fizzell

The other approved change has to do with how many staff members are elected onto the council. Before, there were a certain number of staff in different areas of the university, such as exempt staff and off-campus staff, allowed to serve on council, Fizzell said.

To better fit the current classification system, Fizzell proposed that

the council allow one representative for every 50 staff members in a pay grade.

"If a particular pay grade doesn't have 50 members, then we will combine all of those into one and do the one out of 50 ratio out of those combined pay grades," he said.

Fizzell said Staff Council was working on a bigger project with the bylaws and that Faculty Senate will likely hear from the group again within the next year.

Most of the questions from Faculty Senate involved small wording changes that

could be made to the bylaws. Faculty Sen. James Foster of the College of Science asked how many representatives would now serve on Staff Council with the second change.

Fizzell said the final number would likely fluctuate, but the one for every 50 ratio was created with the hope to have 30-35 representatives on Staff Council.

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**COMPETITION**

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**Revising their campaign**

Barton said he and McKeown have been meeting weekly since the beginning of spring semester. The pair has implemented several improvements to the annual event.

"We're focusing on a lot of alignment on our names," Barton said.

McKeown said their effort is to make this year's theme, presidential elections, prominent throughout the event.

Due to injuries in past competitions, McKeown said they are moving the "Campaign Trail: Greek Olympics" to the Lower 40, as opposed to a hard surface, eliminating the pyramid portion and examining liability waivers.

She said an obstacle course and three-

legged race are new additions to the Greek Olympics this year.

For the Greek God and Goddesses competition, dubbed "Greek Primaries" this year, each house will have a talent show act. The winner will receive a trophy, which McKeown said is a new added incentive.

Last year Barton was crowned Greek God. He said his humor is likely what won the audience over.

"I did a song and dance routine," Barton said. "I reenacted the Katy Perry half-time show from the Super Bowl last year."

McKeown said although she did not compete for a title, watching the performances was the highlight of last year's Greek Week.

"Greek God and Goddess is always a fan favorite," Barton said. "Everybody loves that."

**Growing houses**

"We're in recruitment season," Kim said. "Rush is a big deal, recruitment is a big deal."

Kim said being active during Uidaho Bound, formerly Vandal Friday, puts houses' names into incoming freshmen's minds before recruitment begins.

"It's a chance for Greek houses to come together, celebrate and show our strength," said Isle Moreno, Delta Gamma director of activities.

Prospective students can also experience Greek Life.

"You can kind of see their energy and flare during Greek Week," Kim said of the different houses.

McKeown said it will give the community a taste of Greek life and show it what it's

all about — its "soul."

Kim said if he hadn't gone Greek, the number of people he knows on campus would have been cut down drastically.

"We have such an awesome Greek system here," McIverney said. "Greek Week's a big thing in my house. Everyone wants to participate."

Kim said onlookers would be able to see the camaraderie between UI's Greeks.

"We are having it be mostly advertised to Greek students," Barton said. "Other students can come out if they want to see what the Greek community is all about."

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**OPTIMISTIC**

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sunset clause, which means the bill will expire after three years.

"So in three years they'll have to bring it up again, but that (sunset clause) was just added out of concern that medical amnesty would raise the drinking rate among those under 21," said ASUI Director of Policy Nick Wren. "So they'll have to reexamine it in three years."

Wren said the amended bill was passed Tuesday by the Senate. Now Otter will choose to either

sign or veto the legislation.

Fisher said even with the sunset clause, if the legislation is passed it will give them the opportunity to evaluate how the policy affects the state. He said he predicts that if the bill is finalized, the sunset clause will be struck out when it is revisited in three years and medical amnesty will be on the books as an Idaho law indefinitely.

"Thirty-two other states now have passed these types of laws, and none of them have heard of considerable issues," Fisher said. "The sunset clause was just kind of a safeguard to address the con-

cerns of some senators. I consider this a huge success."

Wren said the legislation will be on the governor's desk this week and should be decided upon within the next five business days. He said this move forward with medical amnesty has been rewarding since he, Fisher and many other UI students have worked hard to ratify the bill.

"As far as we can tell this is the first time that at least ASUI has tried to pass a bill purely through ASUI," Wren said. "In years past we've had a lobbyist but they have primarily helped with getting

more scholarship funding and getting more funding for UI, which is obviously something that UI also lobbies for. So this is the first year we've done something by ourselves and struck out on our own."

Fisher said he has high hopes Otter will sign the bill because of the overwhelming support they have already received for the legislation.

"We've had very little pushback on this and even when we did we were willing to change it to address

concerns of some of these policymakers," Fisher said. "It shows our ability to be compromising and use of collaboration on this bill."

Wren said he is fairly certain the governor is in support of the bill and Vandals will see medical amnesty become a reality.

"Every indication I've gotten so far has said we're home free," Wren said.

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**SMALL**

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He said he looks forward to work with those in the college of business as well as across campus because UI has great opportunities for interdisciplinary work.

Chopin said his first goal is to get to know as many supporters as he can, both on and off campus.

"I need to find what people's interests are, and find out how to support those goals," Chopin said.

Chopin said he wants to help build upon Reyes success when it comes to scholarships and fundraising, because he believes every little bit helps.

Chopin said he likes the size of UI as well as the emphasis on students. He said a comment he remembered hearing fits the university perfectly.

"It's big enough to matter, but small enough to care," he said.

Chopin will officially step into his role as dean of the College of Business and Economics July 1.

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**EXPERIENCE**

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Awbrey said students often need a break from the daily stressors of university life and comedians in particular can provide just that.

"Comedians add a little lightness to the campus, you know?" Awbrey said. "It's something you go to for fun, you don't have to go, you always leave with a smile on your face."

Beyond the light-hearted environment comedy provides, Awbrey said she believes Wheelan's particular comedy style will appeal to a wide range of students.

"He has a very silly sense of humor, it's good college humor," Awbrey said. "It is kind of raunchy, but not too bad. It's really funny situational comedy and, I mean, I think he's going to appeal to most, if not all, audiences."

Wheelan said his inspiration

largely comes from his own life and he tries to look for the humor in every day situations.

"I write about my life, it's whatever happens, I write about, like yoga yesterday," Wheelan said. "I talk about myself. I'm really weird."

Although it can be difficult to find a comedian who appeals to a diverse group of people, Awbrey said she believes students from

a number of different backgrounds will enjoy Wheelan's show.

"He's a really funny guy and I think he'll be right for our campus," Awbrey said. "Sometimes it's hard to find the right comedian, but I think he's a really good one."

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# SPORTS



Battle for running back role highlights spring practices

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## WOMEN'S TENNIS

## Freshman domination

*Freshman Marianna Petrei has become a vital part of the Vandal's women's tennis team*

**Brandon Hill**  
Argonaut

Freshman Marianna Petrei has shattered expectations in her first season with the University of Idaho women's tennis team.

Petrei was named the Big Sky Player of the Week on Wednesday for the second time this year.

The two honors are just a glimpse into Petrei's explosive freshman campaign. She currently owns a 14-2 record and is undefeated against Big Sky opponents.

Originally from the small town of Udine, Italy, Petrie grew up enjoying both tennis and gymnastics. As she grew up, she was forced to decide between the two.

"I wasn't very good at gymnastics," said Petrei.

Petrei said her parents were the first to kindle her interest in tennis at the age of 10. The Italian native continued to play recreationally while attending school, but never participated in competitive events.

Petrei said her decision to bring her talents to the University of Idaho was greatly influenced by the Moscow scenery and the college campus. Petrei said the cold weather has been somewhat difficult to adjust to, but she appreciates the beauty of the Palouse.

The weather has done little to slow Petrei down. Her only two losses of the season were in matches with a tiebreaking third set.

Petrei has quickly become known around the Big Sky Conference for her accomplishments in singles play. The freshman earned the No. 1 spot on the team due to her strong performances.

"In singles, it's different," Petrei said. "It's just you. You can do whatever you want."

Petrei has used her singles freedom to her advantage in recent weeks, dispatching opponents from Sonoma State, San Jose and Sacramento State.

Petrei's wins have allowed Idaho to remain competitive in several recent matches.

Notable opponents for the freshman have included Sybille Gauvain of San Jose State and Alina Soltanici of Sacramento State. Gauvain was an All-Mountain West selection last year, while Soltanici was undefeated in conference play before facing Petrei.

Idaho head coach Mariana Cobra said she has been impressed with the freshman's early success.

"Maria has been one of our top players over the last few matches," Cobra said.

As the season comes to a close in the next few weeks, Petrei will look to spark the Vandals to a first place finish in the Big Sky Conference. Idaho currently sits fourth in the standings, but the program is tied for the most overall wins in the conference.

Petrei and the Vandals will return to the court Thursday in Moscow to face Eastern Washington.

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## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



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Idaho women's basketball coach Jon Newlee watches his team from the sidelines during the first round of the NCAA Tournament March 18.

## Family comes first

*Idaho coach Jon Newlee chronicles journey in finding family and success on the Palouse*

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Family is the No. 1 priority for Idaho women's basketball coach Jon Newlee.

Anyone who has visited his office in the Kibbie Dome can see it, as the walls are covered in photos of past teams, as well as his daughter and her artwork.

Family is the reason he moved to Moscow, and why he loves the Palouse, he said.

"I love the passion of the Vandal family," Newlee said.

The Idaho head coach spent his childhood in the gym with parents who both coached collegiate sports.

"My dad was a men's junior college basketball coach when I was growing up," he said. "I was in the gym since I was a baby and I haven't gotten out of it yet."

Newlee played basketball through high school and later earned a spot on the roster at

Chaffey College. He graduated with a degree in physical education from San Diego State.

Newlee said the coaching background of his parents motivated him to pursue the same career path.

"I always knew that that's what I wanted to do," Newlee said. "I really was inspired by my dad, coaching wise. I knew it from day one — when I was getting out of college that's what I wanted to do."

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## Staff Analysis: March Madness

### Sleeping giant – Indiana

Indiana has been one of quieter teams in the NCAA tournament so far. The Hoosiers blew past Chattanooga by 25 points before upsetting No. 4 seed Kentucky 73-67. Indiana ranks second in the country in points per game with an average of 82.3 and possesses a shooting average of 50.1 percent from the field. Although turnovers have plagued Indiana at times, the Hoosiers have the explosive firepower to match any team's offense.



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### Cinderella story – Gonzaga

Gonzaga has the weapons to emerge as the unexpected winner in the Sweet 16. As the No. 11 seed, the Bulldogs are the lowest seeded team remaining in the tournament. Gonzaga upset No. 6 Seton Hall and No. 3 Utah in the first and second rounds, providing a continuous theme of bracket-busting victories. As a Washington native, I'm obligated to root for Gonzaga, right?

### Tournament surprise – Wisconsin

Wisconsin is the team no one expected to see when March came to a close. The team's shocking upset over No. 2 seed Xavier proves just how versatile the Badgers can be. The team faces an underwhelm-



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ing Notre Dame program in the Sweet 16. Based on Wisconsin's performance in last year's tournament as well, fans should not count the Badgers out of the race for the national title.

### Powerhouse – Oklahoma

Many of the top tier programs have safely reached the Sweet 16, but fans should not ignore the dominating presence of Oklahoma on the hardwood this March. If Kansas does not advance to the Elite 8, then the Sooners will be the team to beat in the Final Four. Buddy Hield has been electric from the field and increased his NBA draft stock



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during the previous two games. The Sooners have developed into an impressive team during a pivotal stretch of the tournament.

### Underrated performer – Gonzaga

Everyone needs to be keeping an eye on Gonzaga in the Sweet 16. The team's performance against both No. 6 seed Seton Hall and No. 3 seed Utah during the first two rounds was certainly unexpected. If Bulldog guards like Kyle Dranginis, Josh Perkins and Erick McCellan can catch fire and move the ball around the perimeter, the team might be able to defeat Syracuse's daunting two-three zone. With help from the electric from Gonzaga is a force to be reckoned with.



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## FOOTBALL



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Running back Aaron Duckworth runs drills during practice Thursday in the Kibbie Dome.

# Running strong

With departure of Elijah Penny, Vandals search for next running back

As the frantic buzz begins to die down surrounding the Sun Belt Conference and its rocky relationship with the Vandals, Idaho head coach Paul Petrino and his team turn their attention toward spring practices.

The Vandals have a favorable schedule for the 2016 season, but the team needs to determine key competition at specific positions if the program is to reach a bowl game next year.

One of the major roles Idaho will need to fill is the one left behind by former Vandal Elijah Penny. The running back rushed for 1,159 yards and 10 touchdowns during the 2015 season, and his presence in the backfield provided a formidable counter to the aerial attack of sophomore quarterback Matt Linehan.

But with the loss of Penny, the Vandals will need to quickly develop a roster highlighted by young talent.

Only two of Idaho's seven running backs next season will be upperclassmen. One of those players is Aaron Duckworth, who is poised to earn the starting nod from Petrino.

Duckworth enters the spring with perhaps the most experience of the seven players at the position. The sophomore rushed for 260 yards on 73 attempts for the Vandals last year and averaged 23.6 yards per game.

Although Duckworth saw inconsistent time in the backfield, his experience on the collegiate gridiron is substantially greater than any other Vandal running back.

The next athlete with the closest experience to that of Duckworth is California native Isaiah Saunders. The redshirt freshman rushed for 40 yards on 13 attempts for Idaho in 2015.

Despite the lack of playing time, Saunders will likely be Duckworth's primary competition in the battle for the starting role. But Vandal fans should not rule out a surprise showing from redshirt Denzal Brantley.

The former MVP of the high school Sunset League provides a dual threat as a potential passing option for Linehan. In addition to an impressive high school rushing resume, Brantley had seven receptions for 106 yards and two touchdowns at Los Alamitos High School.

Another Idaho running back to keep an eye on is high school recruit Dylan Thigpen. The running back will join the Vandals in the fall as a freshman, but he could promptly contribute to the Idaho ground game.

The recruit led the high school Baseline League by rushing for 1,855 yards on 260 carries for Damien High School as a senior.

As Petrino surveys the backfield talent this spring, he will likely be guiding a core group of running backs who will be immediately challenged this upcoming season. Although it is unlikely the team will duplicate last year's running game with young players, the Idaho head coach can take satisfaction in knowing a developed backfield could anchor the team for years to come.



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# New year, new team

Spring football highlighted by absences, key position battles

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When the Idaho football team takes the field this week for spring practices, the program will be missing its starting quarterback.

Sophomore Matt Linehan will miss the entirety of the spring semester with a foot injury, said Vandal head coach Paul Petrino in a press conference Tuesday.

Petrino said the injury occurred during team activities in the fall, but the quarterback continued to play through the injury. The head coach said Linehan will spend the offseason recovering and would return during the summer months.

Petrino said freshmen Jake Luton and Gunnar Amos would split time at the position during practices in March.

"It's a good opportunity for both Jake and Gunnar to get all kinds of reps," Petrino said. "It'll be a great opportunity for them to take all the reps between the two of them. The more reps you take at quarterback, the better chance you have to get better."

The absence of Linehan will not be the only loss of the spring for the Vandals. Quarterbacks coach Bryce Erickson left Idaho on Feb. 26, after it was announced he was hired as the head coach at Lake City High School in Coeur d'Alene.

Petrino said wide receivers coach Charley Molnar will assume coaching duties at the quarterback position.

"It was something that (Erickson) felt like was for his family, to be around his kids more," Petrino said.

The Idaho head coach said the program signed former Bozeman High School head coach Troy Purcell as the inside linebacker coach for the upcoming season.

"He's probably the best high school coach in the state of Montana," Petrino said. "He's had all kinds of success and won state championships with a couple dif-

ferent high schools. Very excited about that, and he'll bring great knowledge and enthusiasm and fire to our defense."

Petrino said he is excited to watch the competition develop for the starting running back role this spring. The Idaho head coach said the battle will occur primarily between sophomore Aaron Duckworth and redshirt freshman Isaiah Saunders.

"Both Duckworth and Saunders did a great job this offseason of getting stronger and faster," Petrino said. "I think those would be the first two guys, just because they've been in the system a little bit longer."

Petrino said he also expects freshman Denzal Brantley and incoming high school recruit Dylan Thigpen to contribute to the running game.

"Denzal Brantley is a guy that redshirted last year that has all kinds of talent," Petrino said. "He can really run, make cuts. Did a lot of good things in practice last year."

The Idaho head coach said the play of the four running backs during the next few months would determine who secures the starting role.

"Out of the four of them, what happens?" Petrino said. "Does one just take control and be the main guy, or is it a little bit more where the reps are split up? That is something that will be determined on the practice field."

The Idaho head coach mentioned offensive lineman Noah Johnson as a grayshirt athlete who could potentially make an immediate impact for the Vandals offense.

"Noah Johnson looks great in the weight room and out there running," Petrino said. "(For) those younger guys on the offensive line, this spring will be very important to them, and I think Noah has done a lot of good things."

The Vandals began spring practices Thursday afternoon in the Kibbie Dome.

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## Sports Briefs

### Vandals earn top 10 finish

The Idaho women's golf team traveled across the Pacific Ocean to Honolulu to compete in the Dr. Donnison Thompson Invitational this week.

The Vandals finished the tournament tied with Nebraska for ninth with a 50-over-par 914.

Idaho freshman Sophie Hausmann led the Vandals with her 9-over-par 233 to finish in a tie for 28th place. Freshman Michelle Kim and sophomore Kendall Gray followed Hausmann's performance by both shooting a 14-over-par 230.

Senior Cassie McKinley finished just behind her teammates with a 16-over-par 232 to earn a 52nd place finish.

Two Vandals entered the tournament as individual competitors. Junior Amy Hasenoehrl finished tied for 69th with a 23-over-par 239, while senior Cassidy Long-Goheen earned a 96th place finish with a 48-over-par 264.

The tournament concluded with a tie-breaking hole between Oklahoma State and Texas A&M. Oklahoma State finished on top with a 4-under-par 860, and Texas A&M's Thanya Pattamakijak captured the individual title with an 8-under-par 208.

The Vandals' next tournament is the Cowgirl Classic, scheduled for April 4-5 in Maricopa, Arizona.

### Mayowa signs with Cowboys

Former Vandal defensive end and NFL free agent Benson Mayowa signed a three-year contract with the Dallas Cowboys on Tuesday.

The signing comes after his previous team, the Oakland Raiders, declined to

match the Cowboys' \$8.25 million offer. The contract includes \$4 million for Mayowa's first year with the team.

During Mayowa's three years in the NFL, the defensive end played in 30 games and recorded 23 solo tackles and two sacks. Mayowa also had two fumble recoveries and forced one fumble during his time with the Raiders.

The signing occurred after the Cowboys elected not to make any effort to retain free agent Greg Hardy.

Mayowa played at the University of Idaho from 2009-2012, recording a total of 67 tackles and 11 sacks. The defensive end entered the NFL as an undrafted free agent, signing with the Seattle Seahawks in 2013 before joining the Raiders the following season.

### Purcell named inside linebackers coach

Bozeman High School head coach Troy Purcell was named the inside linebackers coach for the Vandals during a press conference Tuesday afternoon.

"I feel very fortunate to have this opportunity to join Coach Petrino," Purcell said. "We grew up together in football and have very similar styles."

Purcell led Bozeman to three separate Class AA state championships during his 11 seasons with the program. The coach also led Havre High School to the Class A title in 2004.

Purcell guided the Hawks to a 13-1 record last year, including a 35-23 state championship win over Billings Senior.

"There are a lot of great memories and a lot of great teams," Purcell said in an interview with the Bozeman Daily Chronicle last month. "There's great kids and great families, so it's bittersweet."

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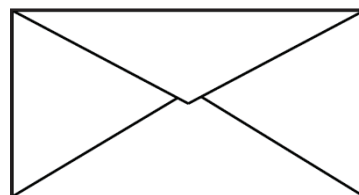
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# OPINION



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## OUR VIEW

# In times of war

People around the world should support each other, not divide

Tragedy works in two ways. It can either bring people together or force them apart. The terrorist attack in Brussels, Belgium, Tuesday shows the latter of the two.

In the wake of that attack, thousands have called for justice to be served for the 30 people killed and 230 wounded. However, some of those who are all for justice blame an entire religion as the cause of the bombing. They spread hate and anger onto innocent people who are victims just like everyone else.

Instead of lashing out in blind anger, people should band together to support the global community in any way they can. After the Paris attacks last year, Facebook was full of profile pictures incorporating the French flag and people posted support through their feeds. While it may seem silly to some, these actions are raising awareness.

People should feel free to share stories and posts that inform friends about the ongoing investigation into the identities of the bombers, three of which are dead and two who are still unknown

according to CNN's update Thursday afternoon.

Beyond that, students can educate themselves and others about the larger picture that leads to attacks like the one in Brussels. According to CNN, ISIS and other organizations affiliated with ISIS have conducted nearly 75 terrorist attacks in 20 countries other than Iraq and Syria since the Islamic State declared its caliphate in June 2014.

Not only are major world powers being targeted, but smaller nations are also suffering at the hands of radical organizations like ISIS.

While it might not seem like students in rural northern Idaho have a lot of influence over a global crisis, there is tremendous power in being able to educate others. Before making blind assumptions, research Islam. Research different ideologies that branch from the main religion. Research the formation behind ISIS and the political and socioeconomic climates in Middle Eastern countries. Being informed and informing others is a powerful



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thing and can help eliminate blind prejudices.

It's also important to remember that spreading information isn't the same as sharing hateful opinions. Just because one

radical faction of a religion attacked allies in France and Belgium, with many more suspected attacks to occur throughout Europe, it isn't fair to needlessly assign blame and hate to anyone who practices the religion.

A person's religion does not define who they are. Not every Muslim is a terrorist. Not every terrorist is a Muslim. People in Ireland have been called terrorists because of the bombings of English train stations. Our fight, our anger, is toward the radicals who only wish to spread fear and hatred.

It's easy to hate when we don't know the faces of those on the other side. It's easy to hate what we don't know — what we fear.

Hate is easy. Compassion and understanding is much more difficult.

— CW

## OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

### Craig Sager

I'm saddened to hear the latest news regarding the health update of TNT's beloved basketball journalist. His wild suits and entertaining interviews have always been an integral part of the NBA community.

— Josh

### Breaking knees

Nothing quite like slipping on the dance floor and accidentally break dancing. No wonder why I'm single.

— Luis

### Dark OTC is so dark

I'm halfway through my American Indian lit class and it's hard not to dwell on the ways colonialism has shaped the world. Lost culture, displaced people — this is the world we live in.

— Lyndsie

### Interviews: How are you?

I'm on time and hard working, how 'bout yourself?

— Jessica

### Purpose

I have determined my purpose in life is to test Claire's patience.

— Jordan

### Patience

I have never felt that the phrase "patience is a virtue" is a lie more than I have in the last week.

— Claire

### Having to pay bills

sucks.

— Jake

### Overwhelmed

Run down the checklist with me. When was the last time you ate a nutritious meal? Drank water? Got a good night's sleep? Showered and put on clean clothes? Stretched? Talked to someone who loves you? Home stretch, Vandals.

— Hannah

### Bad luck

Between getting my wisdom teeth out over spring break and twisting my ankle on Wednesday, I'm ready for this week to be over. And to eat solid food.

— Tess

### Take care

The semester is almost over, but don't forget to take care of your brain and your body. Taking a little time for yourself now will prevent you from having to take a lot of recovery time later.

— Corrin

### A day at a time

If you only ever think about the next 24 hours, it makes it seem like you have less homework.

— Jack

### Memories

Counting down the days until I can return to the best place on earth, aka Sasquatch Music Festival at the Gorge.

— Tea

### Trump

I'm pretty sure the comments he made comparing his wife to Ted Cruz's wife is offensive to all humans. Is there no limit to how ignorant this man can be before he starts to actually lose some ground?

— Erin

### Argonaut basketball

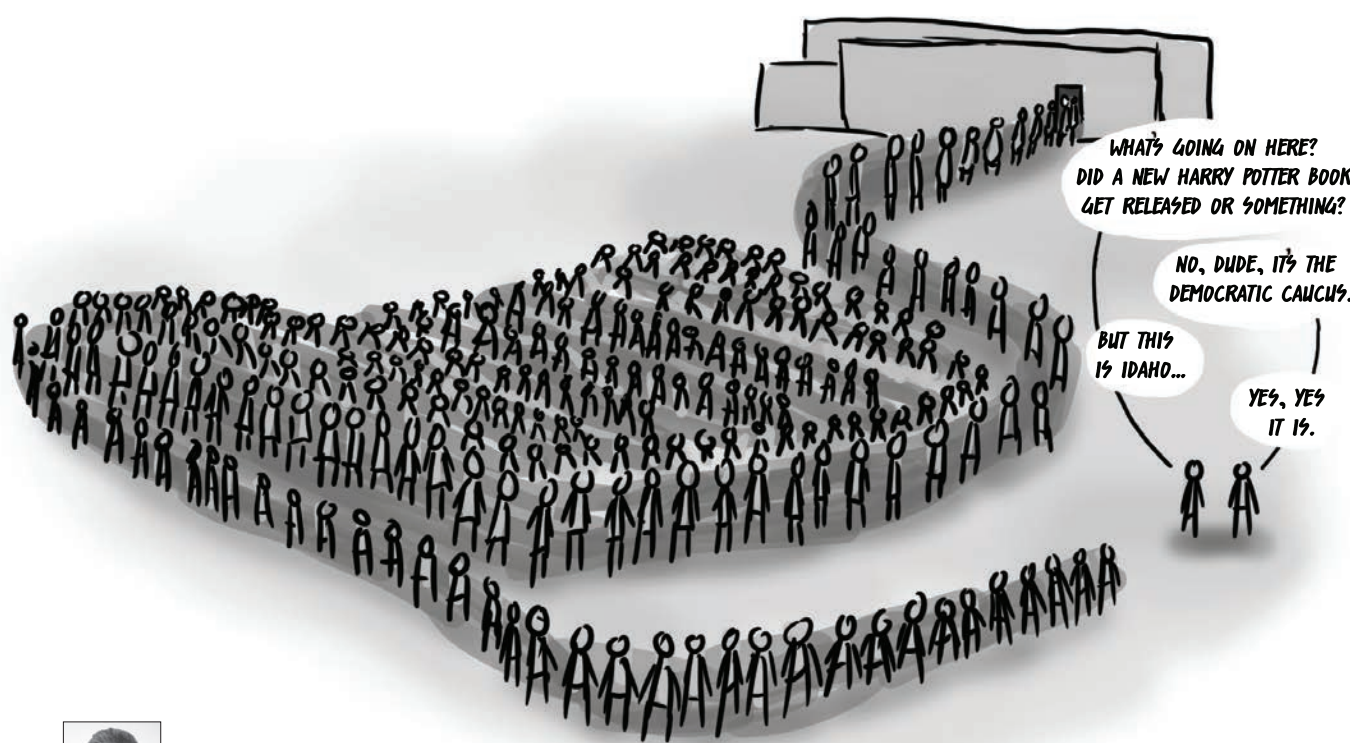
If newsprint pom-poms and newspaper hats don't scream team spirit, then I don't know what does.

— Austin

### To the weeks

That keep you up working late into the night. You will survive and be stronger than before — unless you get sick of course.

— Katelyn



Nicole Moeckli  
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# Problems with math

The way math is taught makes learning boring, difficult

The wrong math teacher at the wrong time in a student's education can ruin his or her life.

They will make them think that math is about finding the right answer. They will make them think that math is fast — and that they're taking too long. They will make them think that they might just not be a math person.

Then that student will never become a programmer or a geographer or an astronaut. Why would they? Math is boring and difficult, and if those jobs need math, they're probably boring and difficult, too.

Back in middle school, I struggled with algebra. My teacher explained to me that algebra was important because I would use it in pre-calculus, and that was important because I would use it in calculus and that was important because I would use it in a job to make a lot of money.

I didn't care. Math was boring and difficult, and I knew it wasn't for me — until this year, when I ran into a new type of math.

This math course was not about solving, but about arguing and justifying. It was a math that needed creativity as much as reason, a math that had more questions than answers. It was truth, discovery, in-

vention, a desperate search for meaning, a relentless pursuit of order in a chaotic world — it was beautiful.

Sort of. At the end of the day it was a lower-division, undergraduate math class

with a crowded lecture room and six months of material crammed into 15 weeks. The textbook was expensive. It got difficult. But it didn't get boring.

From counting to calculus, all the math I had ever studied was continuous — it happened on a number line stretching from negative infinity to positive infinity. You added, multiplied, factored, and solved, and solved and solved.

But this new math was discrete, not continuous. We stepped away from the number line and learned about sets, which are like boxes with a bunch of stuff inside. " $f(x) = 8x + 5$ " described the relationship between a box named "x," and a box named "f(x)." Any time you put a number into the "x" box, a number five more than eight times the first number would appear in the "f(x)" box.

But these boxes didn't need to relate to one another. They didn't even need to have numbers inside. Words could go into boxes, shapes into boxes, other boxes into boxes. The textbook used these boxes to describe the languages spoken in India, the overlap between people with pierced noses and pierced ears, and the challenges



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of finding a fulfilling career.

Boxes — sets — were vehicles for ideas, not calculations.

None of this had any place in my algebra teacher's path to a stable income because it was the forest that the path cut through,

the axioms and assumptions supporting the rest of math. For once, math felt important. I was thinking and creating, not computing.

The hardest part of math isn't doing math — it's continuing to care about a subject that has had the life beaten out of it.

"Rigor, rigor, rigor," the schools yell. "This isn't the way that I learned it," the parents shout.

The cooks in the kitchen serve up a series of equations to memorize and hoops to jump through — not an education.

From bottom to top, math education ruins students' lives — unless a student is lucky enough to run into the rare, excellent teacher.

The right math teacher at the right time in a student's education will make a broken system work. They will show that math is about patterns, not answers.

They will show that real math is slow and careful. They will show that even if their student doesn't become a programmer or a geographer or an astronaut, their ability to think mathematically — to find order in chaos — will be an indispensable tool.

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# A week of work

Alternative Service Breaks provide life-changing opportunities

For some students, spring break is an opportunity to relax and recuperate from the hustle and bustle of their regular class schedule.

My spring break, however, was full of nights spent sleeping in a cold wooden shack and days spent carrying rocks and railroad ties in the pouring rain. As unpleasant as that sounds, it was one of the greatest experiences of my life and I would jump at the chance to do it again.

I chose to attend an Alternative Service Break (ASB) to Tillamook, Oregon, where eight other people and I spent our spring break doing service work. Though the trip required a lot of difficult work and led to discomfort at times, it was unimaginably valuable in so many surprising ways.

One of the goals of our ASB trip was to create safe ways for visitors to enjoy the beautiful scenery of western Oregon while reducing their environmental impact. To do this, we spent the first half of our trip camping near the Wilson River, where we built stairs that would reduce erosion and increase accessibility for years to come.

For my group, creating a space where we knew memories would be made was incredibly fulfilling, but the trip was also educational. We spent a day potting native plants at a nursery where we learned about the importance of producing local plants to conserve the local gene pool.

Several of the community partners we worked with said that simply by being there we were setting a precedent that could help encourage other universities and organizations to pitch in as well.

Not only did this trip provide opportunities to do important work, it also allowed me to connect with amazing people I never would have met otherwise.

My team included students and faculty from a variety of backgrounds who all cared deeply for the service they were doing. Each of my teammates were unique, funny and thoughtful, and I can honestly say I don't think I would've ever met them had I not attended this trip.

The night we returned to campus it was hard to say goodbye. Living in such close proximity and doing such meaningful work quickly developed the kind of friendship I think ASB trips are known for.

It's the kind of friendship that had me overwhelmed with nostalgia when I put on my raincoat after returning to Moscow and I could still smell the smoke from our campfires. I find myself listening to the music from the road trip to rekindle the feelings of contentment I felt while traveling with such fast friends.

Often, students return from spring break feeling drained and exasperated by the thought of returning to their classes. While I'm not exactly thrilled to return to reality, I feel that going on an ASB trip has provided a new perspective on the work I'm doing. I'm incredibly inspired by the people I've met and

feel privileged to have worked with them. Prior to my ASB trip, when I'd ask people about their ASB experiences, one thing was echoed by all of them. These trips are life-changing. At the time I didn't understand what that meant, but now, after my trip, I couldn't agree more.

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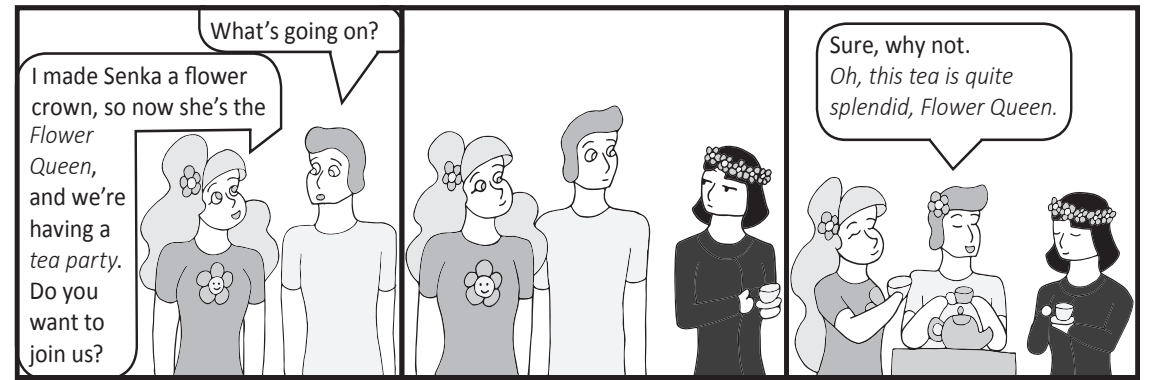
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## Balancing a budget

Nutrition tips for students' grocery store trips

As college students, we sometimes neglect nutrition and put it on the back burner.

School, jobs, social engagements and other responsibilities often take precedence over proper nourishment. Other barriers might include finances, dietary restrictions or a general lack of nutritional knowledge. However, if we compromise what is good for what is cheap, we deny our bodies and our minds of the basic building blocks needed for us to function.

The benefits of a balanced diet include boosted energy, improved mood, healthy weight, strong immune system and greater longevity. But it is not the "why" that stumps us, but the "how." Here are some helpful tips to take control of your diet while living on a budget.

Cook at home or with friends. This gives you control of what goes onto your plate and into your body. Share the meal to enjoy great company and divide the cost. Be bold and experiment with new recipes. Cooking takes practice and a good deal of trial and error.

If you feel discouraged by your

ability in the kitchen, take advantage of the monthly cooking classes in the Student Recreation Center (SRC) taught by Campus Dietitian Marissa Rudley.

Plan ahead. Create your menu for the week with meals such as stews, casseroles or stir-fries that yield multiple portions. See which items you already have and decide what you need from there. You can avoid skipping meals if you already have them prepared and ready to go ahead of time. Pack a lunch or even make breakfast the evening before, with overnight oats or a pre-made smoothie.

Make sure half of your plate is fruit and vegetables. These will keep you healthy and feeling energized. Bananas and apples are cheap, excellent fruits to have on hand as a snack. Spinach is a great source of vitamins and minerals, and it is great in eggs, smoothies, sandwiches and salads. Look for produce that is in season in order to cut back on cost.

Choose whole grains, which are high in nutrients and fiber. Refined grains are more processed and stripped of their nutritious goodness. Choosing 100-percent whole-wheat pasta and bread is a great start. Mix it up by including barley,

quinoa, oats and even popcorn. Try non-meat protein sources such as lentils, beans and nuts. Meat certainly has its advantages, but it is not the only source of protein. Adding plant-based protein can also help you stick to your grocery budget.

Compare brands and types of food to find the best price. This may take some time comparing and contrasting, but you will ultimately save money. Some stores make this easier for you by providing the price per unit.

Buy in bulk. This allows you to spend within your budget while purchasing exactly what you need. Some great, non-perishable items you can find are oats, rice, flour, quinoa, dried beans, nuts and seeds. Bulk items are usually cheaper than prepackaged and you can assess the color, aroma and texture of products.

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