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IEEE welcomes transferring students, faculty from BSU

Some students doubt financial aid eligibility

Christopher Clancy

While exceptions can be made for students who have extreme circumstances, like an abusive family situation, such cases are rare, said Davenport.

For self-supporting students who do not meet the requirements more obvious alternatives, such as working a low-wage job, can be discouraging, though not necessarily impossible. Davenport said, he recommends summer work, part-time work and work over the holiday break in addition to direct loans to finance students whose parents refuse to contribute. “It can be relatively difficult, but it can be done.”

A financial aid information booklet, published by the Northwest Education Loan Association suggests students contact their university employment office for work on and off campus “based on their skills.”

For many college freshmen with little or no work experience this can translate into minimum wage jobs that often monopolize student time, and make outside activities less accessible.

“I couldn’t really participate in extracurricular activities while going to school and working full-time,” said Ariel Piwaski, a 1994 UI graduate. “It’s really limiting, when you can’t take an internship that could help you find a job after graduation.”

Financing tuition and fees, as so out of state student, made graduation especially time consuming and kept her away from potential opportunities, said Piwaski.

“I wanted to major in English, but because that department didn’t offer the Western Undergraduate Exchange program, I had to switch majors because it was too expensive,” Piwaski added.

“I can’t speak for Congress, but it really comes down to budgetary issues...they passed the law to make it more difficult for students so they could save money. It’s really as much of a budgetary issue as anything,” said Davenport.

Social mixer allows new students and faculty to meet

Tammy Mills

The Institute of Electrical & Electronic Engineers held a “welcome home” party Jan. 19 in the Johnson Engineering Laboratory lounge to welcome University of Idaho student transfers from the Boise State University Engineering School in Boise.

As IEEE Vice Chair Bruce Meyer stated, “It’s a social thing, a chance for new faculty and students to meet.”

The Boise program began in 1988 after BSU asked UI to send faculty down to teach juniors and seniors.

“Boise only had authority to teach freshmen and sophomores from the state Board of Education,” said professor Dave Egolf.

Gradually, more faculty was hired—two years ago there were five faculty for the electrical engineering program.

“Their were 54 students at the...”

Senates to discuss on-line elections

Janet Birdsell

The senate is contracting with University of Idaho students Peit Nielsen and Jason McMann to write the computer program to put ASU elections online. The final meeting with the contractors was held Thursday.

They will also provide the equipment, handbooks, and support, said ASU Vice-president John Tesnohlidek.

The total cost will be $500, he said.

“I will save us money because we won’t have to hire election workers,” he said. “Plus, it’s what the students want. It’s what they told us would make them more likely to vote.”

The contract will be discussed at tomorrow’s ASU Senate meeting in the Galaen and in the Student Union at 7 p.m.

Tesnohlidek expects a pre-election vote will be run to test the system about a week before the real elections this April.

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UI Enrichment Program offers many outdoor adventures including sea kayaking in Baja California. See page 13.

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A s financial aid deadlines approach, some students doubt their eligibility, due to a federal law that, in part, defines their financial aid eligibili-

ity by age.

Students under the age of 24, considered “dependents” by the law, receive fewer benefits than their older, better funded peers, often resulting in slower academic progress and later graduation dates.

While most students will be eli-

gible for some support from finan-

cial aid in the form of direct loans, many dependent students because of their parents income, will receive little or none. Those whose parents are affluent to contribute to their child’s college funding could find themselves out in the cold, according to the Student Guide to Financial Aid, published by the US Department of Education.

The difference between “depen-

dent” and “independent” is entirely defined by the law. “Independent is probably a bad term, because everyone likes to think of them-

selves as independent,” said UI Director of Financial Aid Dan Davenport.

Students who work and pay their own expenses, even over several years can still be considered “dependent” in terms of their eligi-

bility.

According to the law, only stu-

dents born before Jan. 1, 1972, or who are married, enrolled in a graduate or professional program, or who have legal dependents, or who are at least 24 years of age or if a ward of the court before the age of 18 are eligible for “independent” status.

The law, passed by Congress, defines specifically what consti-

tutes “independent” status, leaving little room for universities to decide on a case by case basis.

Weathers

It’s about time we got some actual winter weather.

Continued chance of snow today with highs in the mid to upper 30s.

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Art instructor alleges university trying to get rid of him

MOSCOW—The University of Idaho art professor sentenced for stimulating a student to commit murder has been placed on unpaid leave until after Jan. 24, according to a university official. The decision, however, does not mean the professor's case will be dismissed.

According to the university, the professor is on unpaid leave until after Jan. 24 because the university does not have enough evidence to terminate the professor's employment. The university has not yet decided whether to file a formal complaint against the professor.

The professor, who is accused of stimulating a student to commit murder, has been on leave since the incident occurred in 1994. The incident involved the use of a plant identification book to facilitate the commission of murder.

The university's decision was made after reviewing the evidence in the case. The university has not yet decided whether to file a formal complaint against the professor.

The professor's case is currently pending in court.

Cattle Association holds meeting

The Student Idaho Cattle Association held its first meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Ag Science building. Everyone is invited to attend for more information.

The meeting will include a discussion of the cattle industry and its impact on the local economy. The meeting will also provide an opportunity for members to share ideas and concerns about the future of the cattle industry.

Paradise Creek restoration project meeting

A discussion about both phases of the Paradise Creek Restoration Project will be held Jan. 25, at 7 a.m. at the Dugway Town Hall. The meeting features the featured program of the Idaho Northern Region's meeting at the UI College of Forest, Wildlife and Range Sciences, Room 200. 

Paradise Creek Project includes the restoration project on Mosquito School District land (now the Carol Byrke Birsch Nature Park). Phase II of the project will establish wetlands on the west side of the river that will provide reduced pollution entering the creek.

Adam Tremblay, PCW project manager, will give an overview of the Restoration Project and answers questions about the project. Brad Skenn, fisheries consultant, will present information on fish populations and surface flow wetlands that will be under construction this year near the Idaho-Washington border to control pollution.

Electrical engineering colloquium

The UI Department of Electrical Engineering is holding a Research Colloquium today, at 3:30 p.m. in Room 25 of the Janssen Engineering Building. The colloquium will feature a presentation on unit correlation techniques to determine the important characteristics of linear systems.

Search 96: retreat at Lake Coeur d'Alene

Searching, seeking and deepening a relationship with God is the focus for a retreat called Search 96, a retreat for students 18 years of age and over. To be held on Lake Coeur d'Alene Feb. 9 through Feb. 11, time will be divided between worship, testimony and sharing with other young adults. The retreat is sponsored by the St. Augustine's Catholic Center, registration information and the brochure can be obtained by calling the church office at 882-4613. All denominations are welcome.

Social sciences club holds first meeting

The Students of the Social Sciences held their first meeting of the year Thursday, Feb. 5 at 4:30 p.m. in Minnley Hall Room 200. Anyone interested in attending should attend.

Tunes with a social beat

The Wild Rockies Defense Fund is inviting interested people to join a support group to listen live to tunes at the Rathbone on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 7:30 p.m. The fund will be playing their album, "The Sacrifice," and admission fee will contribute to the effort to stop the construction of highways in the cabbage.
New doctor helps Student Health Services

Jennifer Eng
Staff

Dr. Debbie McKinnon is a new face at UI Student Health Services. The new doctor has been with the University of Idaho since November and is an osteopathic physician.

Dr. McKinnon grew up in Colorado and Nebraska and moved to Moscow four years ago with her family. Dr. McKinnon has been married for 15 years and has two sons: 12 and 10. Recently she and her husband purchased land in Moscow.

During the last four years, Dr. McKinnon has practiced medicine in the emergency room at Grinnell part time, and part time at Clarksburg Tri-State emergency department. Dr. McKinnon is different from regular non-osteopathic doctors in her philosophic approach to medicine and promoting quality of life rather than quantity. Dr. McKinnon's training allows her to be more open in making patients a partner in their health. Dr. McKinnon works with UI students' general health problems, health maintenance, women's health issues, birth control, yearly exams, sexually transmitted diseases and other infectious illnesses.

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Professor retires after 23 years at UI

Andrew White

Ernest D. Ables retired Jan. 16, from the college of Forestry, Wildlife, and Range Sciences department of Fish and Wildlife Resources after 23 years of serving the students.

Professor James Peek, professor of Wildlife Resources who arrived at the UI at the same time as Ables in 1973 said, "I'm going to miss him immensely. He was basically the rock in this department, and he was utterly reliable. He was the kind of person that was at work every morning at 7 a.m. and never left until the last dog was hung at 5 p.m. His door was always open if a student needed something, he was there for them."

Perhaps the people that will miss him the most are going to be the students. Ables was known for his willingness and companionship to work with the students, to help make them successful.

Freshman Chuck Lowman said, "He was really interested in what I wanted to do with my career and he was interested in the students as a whole and how they were doing." Many of Ables current students felt he had tremendous feeling and enthusiasm for the field which reflected in his teaching abilities.

In 1994 Ables was awarded the UI Teaching Excellence Award for his innovative and effective teaching methods. He has served as dean and associate dean in the college of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences and has been president of the Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Society.

"He and I came here the same year, I've known him since he got here in 1973. His real strength was as a teacher of the students. He excelled in that he loved to work with the students and they just loved to work with him too, he was an extraordinary resource for students in this college," said Peek.

Ables has been to many amazing places. His research has included Chinese wildlife conservation, African wildlife commercial harvesting, and elk behavior in the Yellowstone National Park to name a few.

If one could summarize Ables time at the UI Professor Peek said it best, "His life at this college was with the students."
Help available for pregnant women

Karen Cloud
Sue

What a woman does within the first few weeks of pregnancy can greatly impact the health of her child. Drinking, smoking or using other drugs can cause the baby to be born too soon or with permanent disabilities. Various agencies throughout Moscow are available to help women who are pregnant or think they might be.

The UI Student Health Service provides pregnancy testing for students. Also, Student Health Insurance covers prenatal care as long as the policy was purchased before the pregnancy occurred.

Dr. Donald Collins of Student Health said early prenatal care is important; the first 16 weeks are vital to the healthy development of the baby. Dr. Chin said if someone is pregnant, she should quit smoking, not drink alcohol, avoid taking excess medication - including over-the-counter products like aspirin or cough syrup and eat a balanced diet. Also, she should be screened by her doctor for diseases, like Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Rubella, which may harm the fetus.

The Pregnancy Counseling Service offers confidential, all-options counseling and referrals to other community agencies. Low-cost pregnancy tests are available along with educational materials. The agency also provides maternity and infant clothing, blankets and other supplies to people who can not afford to buy them. Cribs, playpens, car seats and other baby furniture can be borrowed for a small deposit.

The Pregnancy Counseling Service is located in Room 12 of the O'Connor Building, 208 South Main St. Appointments can be made by calling 882-7534.

The North Central District Health Department performs pregnancy tests and refers women to other healthcare providers.

The Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children, known as WIC, is administered out of the same office. WIC provides food and information to pregnant women with low or no income and health or nutrition problems.

The North Central District Health Office is located at 333 Palouse River Drive and can be reached at 882-7353.

The Open Door Pregnancy Center offers educational counseling, networking to other agencies and adoption referral. Center employee Ketha Curray said pregnancy tests, maternity wear and baby clothes ranging in size from newborn to 3T are available free to whoever needs them. The Open Door Pregnancy Center is located at 312 South Washington Street and is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Center volunteers can also be reached 24 hours a day at 882-2370.

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Dole makes good impression

Idaho's staunchly Republican Legislature seemed receptive to his message, and Dole said the fact that Idaho is one of the strongest GOP states in the nation was a factor in his decision to visit. "I wasn't on board before he came," said House Republican Leader Bruce Newcomb. "I am now."

Dole also was envoying with the news media. Even though he was on a tight schedule, the Senate majority leader took time to answer at least a few questions from reporters as he hustled from event to event. There was even time to pause for a picture and autograph for a little girl as he was trying to rush from a Boise convention center to the airport for his trip to Salt Lake City.

Dole's only question he ducked, or didn't hear, was one thrown at him as he was entering a car for a trip to the airport. He was asked about a charge from GOP challenger Steve Forbes that his television ads were misleading.

Dole didn't tell the Idaho Republicans anything new. He stressed his belief that the Clinton administration was "waging war on the West" and his sympathy with the need to take more power from the federal government and give it to the states.

As he often does, Dole pulled out a copy of the Tenent Amendment, the one that reserves to the states all powers not specifically granted to the federal government. "We are succeeding in returning power to the legislatures and to the governors," he said.

Dole went out of his way to praise Idaho's Republican senator, Dirk Kempthorne and Larry Craig.

Of Kempthorne, he noted that the first bill taken up under the new GOP regime was the Idahoan's bill to forbid unlimited mandates.

He mentioned Craig almost in passing, which was a little strange because it's Craig who is up for election this year, not Kempthorne. Kempthorne still has two more years before having to worry about campaigning.

Idaho's primary is still four months away. By then, Dole will likely have captured his party's nomination so Idaho's votes don't mean that much.

But as he noted, it doesn't hurt his chances elsewhere if he comes to a bedrock Republican state like Idaho and shows very strong support.

It's a big boost for our program," if anyone is interested in the Republican Party, said Dole. "I've really pushed so many students and faculty, even kids who come to school."

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Vandal Card still behind schedule

This weekend has brought a blanket of silky smooth, winter white snow of 1996. Just as the freshly fallen snow covers blots on the landscape, layers of quasi-political sludge shroud the issuing of the new Vandal cards. University officials are selling ad space on the student ID card. This plan seems reminiscent of UI Telephone System's free long distance offer. Free long distance on Christmas day, if you lived on campus and were here. Most students are gone over Christmas break, many halls are closed and most students live off campus.

The cards, over a year-and-a-half behind schedule, are being held up because the university and administrators that run it believe they need their help in obtaining a calling card.

On the surface both free phone service and calling cards seem like good ideas, but who really benefits. The school, not the students. It looks really good when campus recruiters can say, "Look we care, we get our student free stuff."

In the July 6, 1994 Argonaut, Tim "the cardman" Taylor, manager of the Vandal Card program said, "Hopefully we can start re-carding returning students late in the fall."

Fall 1994 came and went, and many still carried the old style card.

Jan. 17, 1995, Tim Taylor said to the Argonaut, "If it happens this semester, it will be late in the spring."

Spring 1995, many are still using the old card.

In the Aug. 25, 1995 issue of the Argonaut, Michael Lasher, assistant director of telecommunications said, "UI will deliver between 11,000 and 15,000 Vandal Card users to a chosen carrier, with their calling card information on the back."

No mention was given of when the new cards would be issued, but applications were supposed to have been available during registration.

Spring 1996, and it seems that no one really knows if there will ever be a mass issuing of the new cards.

Belll, Bruce Pitman, Hal Godwin and Taylor, question and answer time: Who benefits from selling the students to corporate America? Why do we have a $51,000 piece of machinery sitting essentially idle just waiting for something to do? What will the AT&T, uh, MCI, um, Vandal card do for me?

Quite frankly, someone could have asked us if we wanted to be card carrying advertisements or students.

Snow blindness hasn't left me completely without foresight. Reality check. This is academics—thanks for getting us educated for the real world—but, we'll choose who we stump for.

OK?

Then again, why should it bother me? I'll have graduating before the new cards are issued.

—Dennis Sasse

Newspapers have responsibility to their communities, readers

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ewspapers need to support responsible, accurate journalism as part of their raison d'être function. When newspapers constantly tear down people and programs, neither the community nor the newspaper benefits. I believe newspapers have a responsibility to make the environment around us safer, easier on encouraging and promoting the good of the community.

Whether it's the Idaho Statesman or a college paper, the staff of a newspaper needs to realize what happens when an article is published that lacks substance, doesn't represent what actually happened in a clear and precise manner or fails to give the whole truth.

People read newspapers in most cases to become informed on what is happening around them, and they should be privy to such information regardless of whether it has a positive or negative connotation. However, it is simply wrong to generate from a situation feasible which is inaccurate and doesn't represent all sides fairly especially concerning controversial issues.

The newspaper articles I enjoy reading are those that promote and encouraging people and programs. I believe UI has the best school and therefore, I enjoy reading articles about student and school accomplishments.

—Andrew White

Lawmakers, regulations needed to temper with humanity

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The University Judicial Council, the primary piece of the UI Judicial System. The council is made up of 11 members, five faculty and six students. All members are appointed, either by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council or the Faculty Council. The ASUE Senate is made up of 13 senators, a vice president and a president, they meet for the first time Wednesday.

It is my hope that both of these entities rule fairly and compassionately, with a measure of humanity thrown in.

Without a doubt, one of the most important principles is the responsibility of policy makers to anticipate and avoid unintended consequences. It is what are well intentioned, yet ill thought out policies. Unfortunately it happens all too often.

Visually every organization has a set of rules and a method of enforcement. Most times the rules work, other times they don't. In a Seattle suburb, Federal Way, a well intentioned policy of zero tolerance in the schools has convicted two innocent children.

Rather than me telling you what happened, here is an excerpt from a Jan. 15, 1996 editorial in the Journal American (Bellevue, Wash.), courtesy of The Associated Press.

"Two elementary students in a Federal Way school have been suspended for five days from school because one of their mothers insisted on a can of beer in her lunch box instead of a soft drink.

"Though seemingly harsh, the school district had no choice but to stick to its no-tolerance policy involving drugs and alcohol.

"No one thinks the students were trying to sneak alcohol into the school. No one thinks anything but another farrier making a school lunch led to the mistake.

"Judith Donnelly-Mallette apparently mistook a can of Budweiser for a can of Pepsi (they look remarkably similar) and put it into her daughter Pan's school lunch box. When Pan pulled out the can, a friend, Justin Williams, asked for a sip. He tasted beer, spit it out, and the two eventually took the can to the principal's office.

"The children want an apology because, the way they see it, they didn't do anything wrong. Pan's mother says the please to appeal to the school board later this month and wants the suspensions overturned."

The rest of the Journal American column goes on to say that the policy is a good one and, in essence, sometimes individuals need to be hurt for the benefit of the system. Rather than temper the school policy with a human side, instead of showing some human compassion, the justification for the suspension was said Federal Way's drug- and alcohol-related policy.

Anyone who is concerned with the well being and health-education coordinator is, "If you equivocate with policy, you may as well throw the policy away."

"How compromising and kind; and stupid and ignorant. You make the call.

"These two kids are admittedly without guilt. They want to their principal and asked what to do with the open container. Does it matter that two innocent children now have a permanent mark on their record for an infraction they did not commit? Is it possible wonder that kids don't respect the authority of teachers and administrators? The Federal Way school system administrators have assured that any free thinking child in their district will never again.

The problem with any zero tolerance, inflexible rule written in stone is there will always be exceptions to the rule. I venture to say that if you are reading this you say, "Pass me, why should this matter to me?"

Granted, very few of us have our mom around to make lunch, and even fewer of us would be stupid enough to go to the principal and say, "Darn Pitman, my mommy packed a beer in my sack lunch, what do i do?"

But if something inadvertently happened on campus and circumstances pointed toward your guilt, would happen to you? Depend on your political university bureaucrats for help.

After reading through the "POLICIES & INFORMATION of Students 1995-96" handbook, I can tell you. This is what would happen; at the minimum, censored counseling, at maximum.
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Letters to the Editor

Superbowl weekend end to mourn

To most people the weekend of Jan. 27, 1996 is significant because it is the weekend of Superbowl XXX. Yet, how many people would remember the events that transpired 10 years ago on Jan. 28, 1986 when seven Americans gave their lives for their country. I am referring to the seven Challenger astronauts who were tragically killed two minutes into their space flight.

Jan. 27 is another tragic day for the U.S. space program. On that day 29 years ago astronauts Gus Grissom, Edward White and Roger Chaffee were killed when a fire tore through their Apollo one command module, ending their lives.

During this weekend, when we’re all celebrating the Superbowl victory of either the Dallas Cowboys or Pittsburgh Steelers, we should pause and remember that this weekend is not just significant because of a sporting event, it is a weekend that marks the anniversary of the deaths of 10 true American heroes.

Sometime during either Saturday or Sunday take a moment to remember astronauts Gus Grissom, Edward White, Roger Chaffee, Dick Scobee, Mike Smith, Ellison Onizuka, Ron McNair, Greg Jarvis, Judith Resnik and Chiaki McEachiff. Ten Americans who gave up their lives, not for their own fame and fortune, but for the advancement of the knowledge of humankind.

—Jeff Lzo
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Inside The Student Union Food Court
Enrichment Program provides adventures in sea kayaking

Tricia Francis

For the past three years, Greg Felten has had a rough job over winter break. Working with the University of Idaho Enrichment Program, Felten gathers a group of up to ten people for a three week excursion of sea kayaking in Baja California.

In between to kayaking five to seven miles a day, Felten and his adventurers often struggle to find their dinner. This is the thirteenth year the winter trip has been offered.

The trip begins from the quaint town of Loreto, approximately 1650 miles south on the Baja Peninsula. The town of Loreto has good food, a little shopping and is relatively clean. From there the expedition paddles out to Isla Carmen, five miles off the coast.

Says Felten of his adventure, "It really is an incredible experience, something everyone should do once in a lifetime. To take a water-based vacation in such a pristine place adds incredibly to one's level of serenity."

The days start early, by dawn the group has had breakfast and is putting their boots in the water. The actual kayaking lasts for one to three hours each morning before the winds pick up. By 10 a.m. the boats are bottlenecked and the rest of the day can be spent swimming, fishing or taking a siesta. Felten offers a virtually guaranteed perfect tan that will be the envy of all your friends.

"The paddling on these trips is easier than on a river basically because most of it is done on flat water," he said. "We are conservative kayakers and always watch weather and wind might be a problem."

Recent trips have been 10 days on the water, and another 10 in travel time to and from Loreto. The travel time is difficult, but "after people have been there a couple days," Felten said, "they don't want to come back to school, they'll worry about it later.

People have been turned away from the trip because of the limited number of spaces available. To accommodate the growing interest, Felten has developed some additional trips on what he terms a "softer scale." Rather than the grueling drive, the spring trips include airfare. The trips are nine days, from Saturday to Sunday, so they only require one week of school or work time.

For those who would like to provide their own transportation, it is possible to meet with the group in Mexico and the appropriate amount will be deducted from the cost. Help is available in coordinating ride sharing for those interested in alternate transportation. On the spring trips, transportation will be more accommodating and the guides will meet more of the participants' needs. With enough notice they will even work to adapt to special dietary considerations. All of the food will be provided as they won't be required to hunt for their own meals. Much of the equipment will be furnished as well. The guides are experienced, and previous sea kayaking for participants is not required, although it is helpful.

This kayaking adventure would probably be considered difficult for one who is primarily an indoor type. Even the more seasoned outdoors person may face personal challenges. The key is to be able to adapt to as many challenges as they may confront.

"More important than skill or experience is a good positive attitude and a willingness to learn along the way," Felten said.

Trips are offered through the UI Enrichment Program. The Spring Break trip is March 16-24 and is even worth college credit. Other trip dates are March 2-11, and March 30 - April 7. Sign-up deadlines are rapidly approaching, and the first session deadlines are Jan. 29. Other dates are in February, but space is limited.

If you have a small group that may have scheduling problems, it may be possible to customize a trip to meet your needs. For more information call the Community Enrichment Program at 885-6486 or Greg Felten at 882-2250. Felten also has a home page with all the details at:

http://www.siddio.edu/~felte/902/baja.html

A kayaker demonstrates his abilities while in Baja California. Sea kayaking is one of many adventures provided by the UI Enrichment Program.
Wolf reintroduction still an issue for Idahoans

Jerri Lake

Wolves imported from Canada have been reintroduced into Yellowstone National Park. Several

more are scheduled to be placed into sections of Idaho. In my Jan. 16 article, I stated the wolf was one of the most misunderstood animals of our time. I received many comments about the article which I will address.

As a wildlife enthusiast and photographer, I have observed many studies, films, articles and photographs on wildlife for many years. Most of the studies and films on wolves I have seen were done in Alaska, the Yukon and other parts of Canada. Because of the lack of wolves in Idaho area I have, I do not get to see them act like their Northern relations.

Wild wolves are one of the most skilled animals at hunting in North America. Usually, wolves will hunt by themselves. The pack will spread out trying to catch mice, squirrels, rabbits, birds or any larger game it can bring down.

A wild wolf, if necessary for survival, will hunt as a pack. While hunting as a pack, they will try to run down large game such as deer, elk or moose. The wolf's stamina for running down most game is excellent.

In my last article, I described a chase of a bull moose by a pack of wolves that was filmed by the Alaska Fish and Game Department. During this chase, the wolves worked the moose as a relay team until they tired out. When it stopped to fight, the pack surrounded it. The main part of the pack distracted the moose from the front, while another wolf attacked the hamstringing from the rear. When the moose turned to defend the rear attack, the others went for its throat.

This kill was during the fall before any snow was on the ground. This chase of a moose by wolves is only one of several I have seen on film or in articles with photographs.

Most of the time, wolves hunt in a pack during the winter. They will drive the larger, faster animals into deep snow or cutover that won't support its weight. There, it can't outrun them or fight back efficiently. The wolves will then bite it anywhere they can to disable and kill it.

In one letter to the Argonaut the writer stated, "Through studies, there has never been a recording of a moose being preyed upon when it stands in its guard." I am not familiar with which studies this person is talking about. However, Alaskan and Canadian officials have documented it on film during different times of the year.

Many years ago, Alaska did not allow the harvesting of wolves in certain areas of the state. As the number of wolves increased, the population of moose proportionally decreased. After several years the moose population became extremely low.

Alaska then sent in government hunters and traps on a quota system to bring the wolf/moose population back into balance.

Wolves in the wild are magnificent to watch. How they interact with each other or hunt as a team or individually can bring about many emotions. Idaho is one of several states where State and Federal funds are being spent on the reintroduction of wolves. How a person was raised or has come to think about the wolf influences their opinion on their reintroduction.

If you were raised or have been swayed to like them, chances are you will lean toward reintroducing the wolves to Idaho. If you are a rancher or landowner whose livelihood is at stake, or a hunter concerned with the loss of big game from an endangered species in our area, you most likely will not be in favor of the reintroduction.

Regardless of what side of the issue you are on, your tax dollars will most likely pay to reintroduce wolves in Idaho.
**Mark Vanderwall**

With the artificer weather that now has hammered the Palouse came tales of giant snowmen that crowned the land, however, the Idaho Vandals discovered these weren’t tales at all.

Southern Utah deployed Miyone Bird, an already hammering Vandal front court, which was without the services of leading scorer and rebounder Mindy Rice after she received a collision shot in the day to better a recurr- ing foot problem. Larsen, a 6-foot 5-inch junior from Twin Falls, Idaho, scored the first eight points of the game, before another Thunderbird scored. She repeated her perfor- mance in the second half, scoring 10 of the first 14 points after inter- mission for Southern Utah. Larsen iced the contest with a game-high 27 points, 12 rebounds and five blocked shots to push the Thunderbirds record to 7-11 in a 73-54 victory over Idaho. Idaho fell behind early and never seemed to warm up. Idaho trailed by 19 at 27-8 midway through the half before rallying to cut the lead to four at 10, 31-27. Larsen’s 14-2 points a game before her weekend series, was held scoreless by both Eastern Washington and Southern Utah. Larsen was in early foul trouble against EWU, and never found her rhythm. She will get a chance to redemption when Idaho returns to action against Washington State on Thursday, Oct. 1.

**THURSDAY**

Keeping on the topic of supers- titions, Idaho found it had a lucky number afterall, in an 11-point win over Eastern Washington, 72-61. Idaho made a miraculous 21- point turnaround in the second half, after it fell down by 10 at the break. The supersition comes into play, as Idaho made 21 more free throws on the game than did the Eagles. Idaho made a decisive comeback on the night after it found itself in a hole at the half. 

"It was an aggressive game, so I told the girls to come out and attack the Eastern defense and they did a good job of getting to the foul line and hitting their free throws," Idaho coach Julie Holt said. This fact is reiterated by the Vandals 18-21 shooting from the charity stripe in the second half, compared to the 5-9 shooting for the Eagles. Eastern compiled 26 fouls for the game whereas Idaho only had 11.

The Vandals saw Mindy Rice break out of a mini slump with fashion to score 27 points to go along with her 10 rebounds, which added to her numerous double-dou- ble totals for the season. McDaniels added 13 points, while Jennifer Stone had perhaps the best game of her young Vandal career with 11 points. Her points, however, took back stage to the 28 minutes she gave the Vandals of the bench.

Eastern was led scoring by Kristy Missall’s 22, followed by Tina Smith’s 11. Idaho pushed its conference record to 2-1 while Eastern fell to 2-1 in conference as well.

**McDaid (2-10), Turner (2-8), and Ul (2-7). Eastern (5-11) took the game to SUU.**

**Jared Smith**

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**Idaho Gemmell**

**Dan Eckles**

**Sports Editor**

The basketball hoop at Eastern Washington’s Reese Court makes the Idaho Vandals look like they’re on the road- side of a big red barn Friday night at the intensitive. Idaho shot 66 percent (33- 47) from the field Friday, marking the third consecutive contest the Vandals have scored 50 percent or better. The 66 percent figure was the best shooting performance by Idaho since last season. Conversely, Eastern Washington (2-3, 0-3 MASC) managed a 34 percent shooting effort, connecting on 21-61 shot attempts.

Idaho scored the last nine points for a 49-40 lead with 3:30 remaining in the game, their largest of the last.

The shooting woes and successes for the respective squads were illustrated by numbers from behind the three-point line. Idaho was 6-14 from three-point land, while Eastern finished a porous 3-14. The Vandals scored every statistical category, outscoring the Eagles 35-27, while holding out assists 17, compared to EWU’s 10 and grabbing more steals 12-7.

Harry Harrison led a balanced UI offensive attack, contributing a game-high 15 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. Reggie Rose and Shawn Didden chipped in 14 and 13 respectively as five Vandals scored in double figures.

The Vandals continue Big Sky Conference play Thursday in the Kibbie Dome when they host Weber State at 7:02 p.m.

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Juniors Shane Wagenbach and Mindy Rice each scored 27 points against the Eagles, as the Vandals defeated Eastern, 84-80. Wagenbach scored a season-high 11, while Rice added 18 points. The Vandals shot 57 percent (28-50) from the field, while Eastern struggled to 40 percent (22-55)."
Kuehlthau still thrives as a Vandal

Damon Barkdull

A love for basketball makes that the biggest transition and the team made it easy and were very accepting of me.

Last season Idaho hired a new coach, Julie Holt, who took over a struggling Vandals program. From the beginning of the new coaching period, Kuehlthau wanted to be a part of the staff.

"She had a wide open staff and I approached her about taking the graduate assistant job," Kuehlthau said. "I also knew it would be a great learning experience as far as coaching goes for me. Seeing a team that's been struggling and then a new coach coming in and then seeing the changes she makes, that right there, you don't get that chance very often.

Kuehlthau's responsibilities as a graduate assistant include film exchange, equipment manager, alumni relations, scouting opposing teams and recruiting.

"I do a little bit of everything," Kuehlthau said.

As far as this coaching job being a stepping stone for the graduate student, anything's possible according to Kuehlthau. She's currently finishing up her masters' degree in sports management and has an undergraduate degree in physical education.

"I just want to do whatever makes me happy. I have up until now and I just continue doing it," Kuehlthau said. "If there's an opportunity in college coaching and it makes me happy, then I'll go with it. If not, I'll find something else.

With little time for a social life and a lot of time to concentrate on books and hoops, the everyday Jane Doe might find Kuehlthau's life a little dull.

Not in this millennium. "When you can make a living out of a game it's a lot of fun," Kuehlthau said.

Kuehlthau's?
Society should value women's athletics

Michael Stetson

Imagine the thrill of a game winning point, smashing through your opponent and capturing your team's victory. The same excitement exists each time the game is lifted to another level. For most people this image probably brings to mind a rampaging football monster or a basketball player driving to the hoop for two points. Instead of these images why not a volleyball player diving a spike into the floor past diving bodies or a tennis player crushing a serve for an ace past a helpless player. These images really come to mind. Why, because women play these sports.

Last Thursday, on my way out of friend's hall, I noticed a sign on a girl's door that said "Support Women's Sports" and I started thinking about that. Why does the women's basketball team play in Memorial Gym and the men's The Done? Why do you see men's golf on television but not women's? How come people get so excited when Lyn St. James qualified for the Hall of Fame? Then I realized something, despite the fact that women have as many opportunities as men in sports, and their achievements equal those of men, they don't get recognized. They need your support.

America today loves sports. Just take a look at any news stand. You will see the baseball sections, the housekeeping section, the business section, but one of the biggest sections will be the sports section. Sports Illustrated, Skiing, Diving, Football Digest, Hockey Magazine, The Sporting News, just a few of the many sports magazines you may find. Pick up the remote and look through the channels, ESPN, ESPNU, SportsNetwork, PSN, ABC Sports, CBS Sports, Fee Game of the Week, TNT NBA, a constant flow of sports for the avid fan to watch at anytime of day. Even the bars offer sports as entertainment. Chasers offers Sports on the Big Screen, so does Brannigan's, and Rud Haus and John's Alley. Usually has a game on television for the patrons. Obviously you cannot go out without running into sports men of the time.

In a society so in love with sports, it stands to reason that both men and women should find their place in the spotlight, have a chance to compete and to conquer. However, women often get the short end of the stick in sports because they seem weaker or less able to compete. People even cite physiological reasons why women do not fair as well at sports as men.

Okay, did you know that at the University of Idaho, in the 1994-95 academic year, the school provided 134 scholarships to student athletes on a full or partial basis. Now, you may think that the men claimed the majority of those scholarships, and including football, which used up 59 scholarships, you would be correct. However, looking at basketball, tennis, track and field, and golf, all sports with a men's and women's team, the women have 45 scholarships available to the men's 34.6 scholarships. This shows that the UI pays a high premium on providing athletic opportunity to women.

However, the issue of women's sports and their validity does not stop with just Idaho. Look at all the sports in the world that offer women professional opportunities as well as men. Golf, figure skating, running, bowling, tennis, body building, beach volleyball, auto racing, just to list a few. Women also compete in some pro sports that men do not, like the National Volleyball Association, a professional women's indoor league created in 1994. And who can ignore the women who have made it roads into traditional men dominated sports, like the Tampa Bay Lightning's female goalie a few years ago, or the women's professional baseball league portrayed in the movie "A League of Their Own".

So today, in a world where sports dominates our lives, we should be open to thinking in a co-educational way. We should look forward to the day when women will compete along side men in sports like baseball or basketball, not in separate leagues. And people who say that women can not compete with men, look back at the classic match between Billy Jean King and Bobby Riggs and explain why Riggs lost in straight sets to a woman.

So men, next time you're watch- ing a football game, try to imagine your girlfriend or your sister sitting up and playing. You might find the image a little comical, but think about all the women you know and then decide if seeing a woman playing a professional sport, like baseball, really would be an impossible idea to grasp.
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