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Hamp puts on another great show

Jazz Festival week ends with strong Saturday night concert

Janet Birdssall and Jeremy Birdssall

Encompassing a week of bad weather and some misfortunes, the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival rewarded its audience with a great finale Saturday night.

Fog delayed artist's flights, snow closed the highway to Spokane and a car accident in New York prevented Friday's headline artist Thie Panto from appearing. In spite of this, the show went on.

"It's hard to say it was the best-attended and most well-received festival that I've been involved with," said Program Adviser Carolea Webb. The house band opened the Saturday concert with a rendition of the Flinstones Theme Song.

Hank Jones, Herb Ellis, Elvis Jones and Brian Bromberg have played together as the Festival's house band for several years, and put out a tight sound as a unit. Brian Bromberg performed an electric bass solo, using mostly slap and two-handed hammer technique, and received a standing ovation. Bromberg is the only instrumentalist who gets the stage to himself for a solo at the Festival.

"Every year I have more fun. I get a chance to be surrounded by people I've idolized my whole life, and I get

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**Balanced Budget Amendment seeks to end direct student loans**

Christopher Clancy

Staff

As the federal government wrestles in a seemingly endless deadlock over the Balanced Budget Amendment, both the House and Senate have passed bills, vetoed by President Clinton, to eliminate the Direct Loan Student Program which allows students to get loans directly from the government.

The amendment, designed to balance the budget and eliminate the federal deficit, could do away with a program that supplies loans for a majority of Idaho students. Without the plan, students will face more complications in receiving and repaying their student loans, said Director of Financial Aid Daniel Davenport.

Under the direct Loan program students are able to borrow money directly from the federal government. In the old program banks served as middle men, dispersing money and collecting loan origination fees and interest that accounts for 3 to 5 percent of each loan.

At UI, which dispenses an average $20 million in student loans annually, guarantee agencies would collect roughly $800,000 in loan fees—big money for an industry, currently lobbying congress to try and do away with the direct loan program, said Davenport.

Part of the problem deals with the guarantee agencies, the companies that "maintain and collect" those student loans. Under the old system, there could be any number of different loan guarantee agencies, said Davenport, handling each individual student's loan. In order to repay or receive a deferral, some students were obliged to deal with four separate agencies after graduation, since banks are allowed to sell their loans.

In addition, guarantee agencies have more incentive to make people default on their loans when they will receive handsome collection fees provided by the federal government, said Davenport.

In the old program, when a student failed to repay their loan, the guarantee agency would buy back the loan from the bank, then sell it to a direct lender. This made it necessary to reserve or close down parking areas that would otherwise have been available to students who drive.

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**Weather**

Continued snow showers through the week. Highs in the 20s and lows below zero to about 10.

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Happy belated 20th birthday to walking thesaurus Matt Baldwin.

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**Parking sparse in light of festival**

Christopher Clancy

Staff

Jazz Fest and all of the commotion associated with it has had at least one unplanned side effect—effect on parking at UI, especially in recent years where more and more students have cars, the problem has grown. "Now practically everyone owns a car," said Parking Director Lois Pritchett. Many lots situated near fraternity houses have a parking problem, said Parking Director Lois Pritchett. "Because so many of our parking staff was busy with the Jazz Fest, we weren't able to give tickets as often as we should have."

Late and desperate to get to class students parked illegally at meters and in lots that should be reserved for others, said Pritchett. At $10 for a meter violation and $15 for lot violations, the tickets can add up.

Busses, vendors and others in the process of loading and unloading, made it necessary to reserve or close down parking areas that would otherwise have been available to students who drive.

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Toots Thielemans shows his stuff on harmonica during Thursday's Special Guest Concert.

Sam Goff

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Overight panel would manage grizzlies

BOISE—A majority of the Idaho grizzly management oversight committee, which has a proposal to reintroduce bears into the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, warned the public that a lack of oversight could lead to the over-control of a citizens’ panel.

Under the plan, which is backed by three state representatives and two conservation groups, bears would be reintroduced in the wilderness as a nonessential, experimental population.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service grizzly recovery coordinator Chris Servheen said agency officials are leasing toward the proposal.

The citizen committee would decide what happens when there are conflicts between bears and livestock or aesthetics, as well as setting the recovery goal for the bears, Servheen said.

The panel would also document conflicts with bears to make recommendations to federal agencies such as the Forest Service.

Seith Diamond of the Intermountain Forest Industry Association said the panel would be no new restrictions on land management and human activities under the proposal.

Gov. Phil Batt and Attorney General Rob Wood were appointed to head the state’s congressional delegation for the state’s grizzly management oversight.

Their presence in north-central Idaho raises the possibility that a variety of uses will be limited, Lane said.

Lance predicted grizzly reintroduction will exceed wolf recovery in possible conflict. One wolf had been shot in Idaho after two years of containment.

Diamond said grizzlies would be released in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness when the plan is ready. The management area would also include parts of the Clearwater and North Return Wilderness.

—Associated Press

Crews demolish final building at Bunker Hill

KELLOGG, Idaho—Another structure of the historic Idaho mining history is gone.

The three-story arch of building frame torn down Thursday was all that remained of the sprawling Bunker Hill lead smelter, except for the smokestacks. Its demolition was a milestone in the cleanup of the country’s second-largest Superfund site.

Since the fall of 1994, the Environmental Protection Agency has overseen the steady destruction of more than 100 buildings at the site.

The two-story concrete smokestacks are scheduled to be destroyed May 26 as the centerpiece of a Memorial Day weekend celebration that is being held with a mix of reunion.

Two smaller, older stacks already have been demolished a week earlier.

Steel from the demolition is salved and sold, with the proceeds put back into the cleanup. The rest of the refuse will go into a 200-ton landfill on the site.

About 40 workers are at the site and an additional 20 are striping asbestos shingles from the zinc smelter to prevent the cancer-causing material from falling into the water that is part of the complex.

That intricate maze of steel and machinery will come down by this fall.

—Associated Press

Local

University Roundtable

The Eggert Slave Castle of Africa, "Will be the topic of University Roundtable at 12:30 today in the Student Union Ballroom.

The discussion will be led by Mel Shively, a communications consultant and former candidate for the New York State Senate.

Smith, who recently returned from a trip to Africa, served as a volunteer teacher and educational consultant. "While in Africa, Smith studied U.S. slave trade through oral interviews and reviewed oral traditions that verify slave ports in Ghana, Senegal and Benin.

Cooperative Ed holds weekly orientation

Cooperative Education is holding an orientation today from 3:30 to 7:30 in the Student Union Ballroom.

The orientation is open to anyone interested in working on campus.

SNEA to meet

The Student National Education Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. March 4 in the Student Union Ballroom. This is an informational meeting for all students interested in participating in the association. An official guest speaker and refreshments will be served. Please contact the College of Ed at 835.

1996 Summer Job and Internship Fair

The 1996 Summer Job and Internship Fair will be held Feb. 28 from noon to 4 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Compton Union.

University of Idaho Career Center holds workshops

The UI Career Center is hosting a workshop Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and another Feb. 28 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

The workshops are designed to assist students in their off-campus job search.

All workshops are free but registration is required. For more information, visit the Career Center on call, 855-0211.

Spring Career Lecture features Richard N. Bolles

This year’s Ignatius Spring Lecture will feature author Richard N. Bolles, author of What Color is Your Parachute? Bolles will speak Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Do you want an internship in Boise?

Cooperative Education is holding a workshop Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. to help students interested in an internship in Boise.

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How to resolve everyday conflicts

The UI Enrollment Program is holding a course designed to help resolve conflict effectively.

Participants will learn specific skills that will be useful for everyday situations, including current conflicts.

Security guards to patrol Golden Gate to prevent suicides

SANTA BARBARA—Security guards are being hired to patrol the Golden Gate Bridge on April 10 to help prevent people from leaping off the span.

The Golden Gate Bridge District Board of Directors approved the plan Thursday. The board plans to spend $64,300 a year for a daily patrol.

More than 1,000 people have jumped to their deaths from the bridge. The structure was opened in 1937.

At least one guard will patrol the bridge walkway from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day. The board will review the program in six months to determine its effectiveness.

Bridge police Capt. Ron Garcia, who will oversee the new program, warned that it should not be seen as a way to end all suicides on the bridge.

"Not everyone who comes out here to commit suicide shows outward signs of it," Garcia said. "But for those who do, we stand a better chance of picking up someone sooner."

—Associated Press

Navy jet crashes, one crew member killed, two others injured

SAN DIEGO—The USS Kitty Hawk slammed back to port Sunday after a Pacific Ocean maneuver, killing one crew member and ordering off-duty sailors to resume duty.

Saturday’s crash, the eighth involving a Navy aircraft in two months, left a crew member dead, two injured and fourth lost at sea.

The EA-6B "Prowler" was 40 miles from the Kitty Hawk when it crashed into the sea north of San Diego. The cause of the crash was under investigation.

The Naval Air Station Whidbey Island in Washington state, where the squadron was based, ordered the dead crewmember at Lt. Cmdr. James M. Dees, 35, of New York City, Lt. Thomas R. Francis, 26, of Fountain Valley, Calif., was killed and presumed dead.

Lt. Col. Charles E. Lottles, 35, of Oak Harbor, Wash., was in stable condition and Lt. Derek J. Busse, 29, of Escondido, Calif., was in good condition.

Pacific Fleet Vice Admiral Brent B. Mead, head of the fleet, said the aircraft was on a 10-day stand-down for all 1,600 aircraft stationed at 79 squadrons on the West Coast, Hawaii and Guam in the Western Pacific.

The aircraft were ordered to undergo a 48-hour stand-down after a Navy jet crashed on Jan. 29 in the Philippines.

It was unclear if any of the Prowler crew ejected but those aboard the F-14D from the Carol Vinson did not, Hartung said.

—Associated Press

Iraq honors those who killed Saddam Hussein’s sons-in-law

BAGHDAD, Iraq—Two men killed while gunning down Iraq’s most famous defenders—Saddam Hussein’s sons-in-law—were hailed as martyrs Saturday and buried with full military honors.

A red, white and black Iraqi flag was draped over the attackers’ coffins, they were driven through the streets of Baghdad in an open hearse.

The attackers were among nine people shot dead when clampdown on violence, both top-level officials who deserted the regime more then six months ago and vowed to topple the Iraqi leader. They returned to Iraq with their wives Tuesday, in the apparent belief they had been freed.

The Iraqi media portrayed Friday’s attack as a spontaneous outburst of anger and two weeks against the dictator, an estimated 100 Iraqis also remained unlegited.

The Iraqi media outlined two other more recent attacks on the defection of the defectors—"heroes who met martyrdom while chipping off the heads of fallen dictators."

Iraqi media reported they were later buried in Tikrit, Saddam’s hometown near his palace.

—Associated Press

Report on executions includes criticism of U.S. death row cases

GENEVA—From death squats executing street children in Brazil to alleged use of condemned prisoners to carry out executions, the U.N. report says governments in the United States—continue to violate the right to life.

A special investigation by the U.N. Commission on Human Rights into executions around the world documents 820 cases in 94 countries in which victims were executed without a trial. The report was published Friday.

"I am here because my name is Walid Naficye," he finds “particularly disturbing” reports that the United States is imposing the death penalty on mentally retarded or on people.

Naficye said he did not know what "many of the sentences (in the United States)" continue to be imposed after trials which fall short of international standards.

He said six people in the United States were reportedly given death sentences for offenses about their guilt, four were allegedly not shown evidence and three were alleged to have been sentenced to death after a trial "marked by procedural irregularities."

Naficye also requested to visit the federal prison in Colorado of deaths in custody under torture or by indiscriminate shooting by police. Many of the victims are ammunitions.
East meets West in holistic fitness ideas

Shawn Vdmnr

Dr. Nick Gier, professor of philosophy and coordinator of the religious studies minor, has returned this semester from a three-month leave of absence that took him to the University of Queensland in Australia for three and a half months. There he worked in the religious studies department with two specialists in Hinduism and Buddhist doing research for his next two books, *Spiritual Milieu of the East and the Virtue of Non-Violence*. At Queensland, he taught classes in the University of Delhi, where he lectured, wrote two papers, and presented his paper there.

Gier then traveled south to the ancient city of Carthage in the United States, and had access to one of the best inns in the land.

Near the end of his trip Gier did allow himself some time for sightseeing, but in the south, western state of India. He also switched back to his other project on the Titanic and completed 85 percent of it enabling him to send it off for review. He then returned home for the spring semester.

One reaches the Eastern philosophy sects, Existentialism, philosophy of the arts and ethics at UI, where faculty are eligible to complete for sabbaticals for every seven years by submitting proposals to the sabbatical leave committee. Gier always tries to take advantage of these opportunities for travel and research.

His previous sabbaticals have taken him to Denmark, Thailand, China, India and Japan. His next trip will be in 1999. While on sabbatical faculty either receive half salary for a full year off or full salary for a semester off.

"Although Gier's most recent trip was a year of sabbatical other than a sabbatical, he still received half salary and continues at half salary through this semester in order to stay on the pay roll for the entire year."

Despite the cut in pay Gier said it is worth it for the amount of work he is able to accomplish. Gier said, "If you use your imagination and are willing to have a few adventures sabbaticals provide a really neat opportunity for faculty."
Student diagnosed with meningitis

Jennifer Eng

Early Monday morning a student was diagnosed with the serious and sometimes fatal meningitis infection.

Dr. Donald Chin, the director of Student Health Services, said the student was diagnosed with meningococcal meningitis, a treatable form of bacterial meningitis.

"It can be very very serious and can move very quickly," Chin said.

Chin also said this infection of the brain can lead to shock and in some cases the disease can be fatal.

The bacteria causing the young woman’s disease is called Neisseria Meningitidis and organism which an estimated 15 percent of the population carries.

Chin said they are not sure why some people get the meningitis disease while others do not. The bacteria is spread by direct contact with an infected person.

Public health officials and Student Health are concerned at this time about this disease spreading because the young woman lives in a sorority.

Meningitis is contagious and can be passed to people living in close quarters with an infected person, like in a sorority, fraternity or other university residence, Chin said.

"When there are close crowded conditions, we get worried," Chin said. Chin emphasized the infection can only be spread through direct contact and not occasional contact.

The region-wide flooding caused the Moscow sewer system’s capacity to be overrun. Up to five times the normal volume inundated the system and hundreds of Moscow homes experienced sewer line backups resulting in effluent discharge into the residences.

The sewer system’s 60-year-old clay tile lines experienced "offsets" from illegal hookups and tremendous groundwater seepage, said Ellis Parkins, collection supervisor for the Moscow Water Department.

"The lines were surcharged, which means that they were running at more than 100 percent," Parkins said.

The insurance carrier for the city of Moscow determined the damage claims were not covered by the city’s policy. The policy covers damage as a result of a system failure, not as a result of a natural disaster.

Originally, when the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) was petitioned for assistance, they said that the Moscow residents who suffered damages from the sewer backups did not qualify. However, Senator Kempthorne intervened on behalf of the homeowners and explained that the damage was caused by the flood. After Senator Kempthorne’s efforts, FEMA changed the eligibility status of the claims, thereby qualifying them for disaster assistance.

"The residents had nowhere to turn," Kempthorne said. "This is an appropriate role for the federal government to play to assist communities. I appreciate FEMA’s willingness to work with the residents, and I’m pleased with their rapid response to my inquiries."

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Air conditioning standard

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FEMA's original ruling on the eligibility of the claims stemmed from a "misinterpretation of the program," said Ellis Burton, public affairs official for FEMA's federal disaster office in Idaho. Burton insists that there was never a disagreement over the eligibility of the claims. FEMA simply "changed the interpretation" of the claims, said Burton.

"There are two main things a victim needs to concentrate on now," Burton said, "filling an application with FEMA and filling out the Small Business Association (SBA) loan application that is sent to them."

The loan applications must be filled out by everyone seeking assistance regardless of the desire for a loan. Assistance can also come from grants based on need; however, that assistance has limitations, Burton said. Grant money may only be available to make the home livable again.

Victims should contact FEMA at 1-800-462-9029 to apply for assistance. FEMA inspectors will be on site within 10 days. While waiting, FEMA encourages victims to take pictures of the damage for documentation.

Homeowners with other questions should direct them to FEMA's help-line at 1-800-525-0321 or to the local Disaster Recovery Center which opened up on Monday. The Disaster Recovery Center is located in the Eastside Marketplace in Moscow.

 Clinton and Gates: The two Bills tout the glories of technology

Associated Press

SEATTLE—President Clinton, hoping to nail down Washington's electoral votes in November, played to popular themes in his second visit to the state in less than two weeks: jobs, free trade, protection of old-growth timber and the glories of the computer chip.

Clinton drew a hearty welcome Saturday in the state's most dependably Democratic city, sharing the stage at Shoreline Community College with state and local politicians.

Clinton is expected to sweep the state's Democratic caucuses next week and the non-binding primary later in March. He carried the West Coast states in 1992 and says they'll be a crucial battleground again this time.

The president shared the day with a local boy-made-good: billionaire Microsoft Corp. founder Bill Gates.

The two Bills, Gates wryly called himself "Bill, not the politician," headlined both the main campaign-style rally of about 2,000 cheering partisans and a private roundtable discussion aimed at showing that technology and training can compensate for the downsizing and job losses that technology causes.

Clinton called Gates a shining example of a good corporate citizen who is working with government and educators to make sure that the revolutionary changes in the workplace are the "rise that raises all boats," rather than impoverishing or displacing workers.

Clinton called the huge restructuring of the economy a "100-year change," and quoted Gates as calling the result of the computer chip the most important event of the past 500 years.

But while the president and Gates both were optimistic about the future, they warned that it would take time.

"It's going to be a long haul," Gates said.

"It's going to be a long haul," Clinton said.

"It's going to be a long haul," the crowd shouted.

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Just plain folks get their day at week-long conference

Associated Press

WASHINGTON-The Seventh American Forest Congress belonged to the citizen delegations on this day—the Oregon furniture-maker, the Iowa college student, the New York City mother.

"I'm concerned that we are not managing for old-growth and it's not going to be available for any of the uses we need it for," Eric Carlson, owner of Luckiamute River Woodworking in Philomath, Ore., said Wednesday.

Carlson has been making furniture and cabinets out of native, old-growth trees for about 10 years.

Large corporations are growing only short rotations of trees," he said—planting trees that grow to marketable size in 40 to 60 years to maximize volume. "That's not valued added. It just creates wood pulp and 2-by-4s. That's not creating jobs anymore.

Carlson is among 1,400 delegates participating in the week-long forest conference, which has been held every 20 years or so since 1882. The delegates include timber-industry officers, environmental activists, professional foresters, loggers and owners of small parcels of land.

"But some of them are just plain folks who care about forests," said Jared Cohon, an organizer of the conference and dean of the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

"They are drawn from every walk of life and every conceivable view of forests and how they should be used, or not used," he said.

Past conferences were keyed to speeches by government and industry officials. "Just plain folks" were not invited.

"As far as we know, no one ever attempted anything like this before," Cohon said.

Participants were divided up Wednesday for a brainstorming session, assigned to 10-member round-table working groups by a computer program intended to maximize diversity.

Their goal: to produce by Saturday a set of principles and goals for future U.S. forest policy.

"It is democracy in progress," said Jane Diffley of the Vermont Natural Resources Council in Montpelier, Vt., a former head of the FORELS PAGE 8

John "Bucky" Pizzarelli plays guitar during last Thursday's Special Guest Concert.

Sam Goff

FEELIN' Groovy

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von Tagen will begin to hold bigger classes at the Moscow Community Enrichment Center starting in March. Watch for the flyers announcing the class times.

CAUSES AND OFTEN VOMITING, STIFF NECK AND FREQUENTLY A RASH.

Chin said the most noticeable symptom is the stiff neck. The stiff neck, is not like a regular "pillow stiff neck," said Chin, but it is sore and very stiff.

If a person thinks they may have meningitis, they are strongly advised to seek medical attention immediately. Chin said once an infected person begins to experience the stiff neck their medical condition can rapidly deteriorate.

Chin said people who have symptoms need to seek medical attention because physicians need to begin treating the illness as quickly as possible and to let the health department know about other cases. The incubation period of meningitis is three to four days, however in some cases the incubation period may take longer.

The North Central District Health Department and Aetion Health Department have reported six other cases of this type of meningitis in North Idaho since December 1995. As of Monday evening Chin said there were no other reported cases on the UI campus.

Von Tagen said, "So far we have been unable to link those cases to a common source." Chin said this infection is in no way related to poor hygiene or the recent flood.

To prevent others from developing this disease, Student Health can give people one dose of an antibiotic which eliminates possible infection. Every woman from the security of the infected woman and others in close contact with her have been treated.

If a person suspects they may have meningitis or have questions regarding this infection they can call Student Health Services at 885-6695. Inquiries can also be directed to VonBrecht or Lisa Edby at (208) 790-3300.

At this time there was no word about the young woman's condition. She was flown to a hospital in Spokane for treatment on Monday.

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Every year I have more fun. I get a chance to be surrounded by people I've idolized my whole life, and I get to play music with them. I hope I keep coming back.

—Brian Bromberg bass player
future of the nation’s “human capital,” Clinton noted that some workers’ salaries are stagnant even as they are being asked to do more.

“Embrace it, work through it, and don’t stop until every single American citizen benefits,” the president said.

“Our challenge is not to back up or give up, but to go ahead.”

Gates announced a $10 million donation of software to the state’s community college system. He gave the crowd a rambling, ofttimes presentation about technology, the Internet and education, complete with slides he called “technical ... the kind of stuff I like.”

He teased Clinton by flashing a slide showing the White House’s computer “home page” and another “real neat” home page about the job market the president might like. “He’s already got a job!” shouted a man in the audience. The crowd roared its approval.

Clinton was interrupted at the start of his 20-minute speech by a heckler who wanted him to do more to protect old-growth timber. “We’ve listened to you. Now it’s our turn,” the president shot back.

Under pressure from environmentalists, Clinton called for partial repeal of legislation he signed last summer that insisted on environmental review the logging of dead and dying timber in national forests in Washington and elsewhere.

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Lauri Davidson, Andrea Selm and Lindsay Bower take time out from watching “Babe Watch” for a picture.

Now here’s some REAL babes

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Opinion

We need representation in the presidential search

The search is on to find a new University of Colorado president, and the interviews with the five finalists begins this week—today in fact. The university and Moscow community will have the chance to meet with the prospective candidates starting this afternoon.

Larry Dresen, UI professor of Food Science and Human Ecology, will be the first finalist to hold a public forum. He will speak today from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. The remaining four finalists will hold public forums, spread out over the next two weeks—which will be listed at the end of this column.

The point of all this? I want to express how important I think it is for the members of the university community to attend these public forums. It is important for us to ask questions of these five finalists and to find out if they are the men for the job. (I can say that, because—unfortunately as it may be, there aren’t any female finalists.)

What do I think we should look for in a university president? Well, I think it’s important that the president gets along well with the students, faculty and staff at UI. I’ll use former UI President Elizabeth Zinder—who is now chancellor at the University of Kentucky—as an example. If memory serves right, a big problem that most faculty, staff and students had with Zinder was a communication problem. People didn’t think she was personable enough.

I also feel the university president should work for the best interests of the university. Zinder tried her damnedest to keep the engineering program down at Boise State University under UI control, but once she left politics and money took over and the program slipped out of UI’s hands. Zinder was a tough lady when it came to fighting for the university, but she just wasn’t the people type.

After we meet with these finalists, who want to represent our university, we should flood the State Board of Education with letters. We need to let them know who we want to represent us. Don’t sit around thinking, “What difference is it going to make whether or not I attend these forums, and then write letters to the state Board of Education? They probably won’t listen to us anyway.” Thinking like that will get us nowhere.

We need to make our voices heard.

We lost our engineering program at BSU to politics and money. Maybe we could have made some kind of difference in the engineering debate, but we didn’t have the notice or time to respond to this subject. Let’s not throw away our chance to make a difference in who will be our university president.

The following five finalists will be on campus from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on these days and places: Hobson Wildenthal, University of Texas provost, will be here on March 5 in the Student Union Ballroom; Robert Hoover, University of Nevada vice president for academic affairs and professor of political science, will be here on March 8 in the Vandal Lounge; J. Kirk Sullivan, Boise Cascade vice president for governmental and environmental affairs, will be here on March 11 in the Student Union Ballroom; and Nicholas L. Heny, president of Georgia Southern University—Statesboro, will be here on March 12 also in the Student Union Ballroom.

We need to take a stand. —Shelby Dopp

Cubans way out of line

Pontification

Corrine Flowers

Two American planes were shot down off the coast of Cuba on Saturday. The planes were small Cairnus piloted by members of the Mayaguez Rescue, a refugee rescue group based in Florida. Cuban officials claim the two unarmed civilian planes were downed because they were violating Cuban airspace.

Joe Basulto, father and spokesman of the two missing, was in a third plane and watched as his friends were shot down over international waters.

International waters. As in those not owned nor policed by Cuba.

The United Nations Council is deciding if it should reprimand Cuba for unlawful use of force if approved, sanctions against Cuba would include restriction of flights, cessation of money transfers and economic embargo.

Warren Christopher, the U.S. Secretary of State, claims that this is a blatant violation of international law.

Over 100 people protested Cuba’s actions outside the Cuban embassy in New York. These actions simply cannot be tolerated.

Cuba has long been a small but painful thorn in the side of the United States.

I am not much of a patriot, but killing innocent civilians for no other reason than to set an example (read fire our missiles) beyond the boundaries of territories and countries.

Cuba had absolutely no right to attack those planes, and video tape of the wreckage floating in international waters proves it.

The planes were not in any way a threat to Cuban safety or security. What they were a threat to was the government that continues to subjugate and enslave its people.

Even if the planes had flown right into Havana and landed up with people the Cuban government would have been wrong in attacking them. It is obvious to everyone but Cuba that the planes were doing no wrong. It’s also obvious to everyone but Cuba that these are humanitarian efforts done by non-violent people.

And apparently it’s obvious to only me what we need to do about it.

Fidel Castro has been in power for long enough. Too long, in fact. It’s time to get him together and shake things up.

The United States is not the police of the world, and more often than not military action leads to undesirable consequences, i.e. war.

But how long are we going to let some egos drive over-inflated self-absorbed little man with his way with the innocent citizens of his country?

Sanctions against Cuba might be a painful little slap on the wrist, but the ones who will really suffer are the people with family in the United States who depend on deals with the United States for their livelihood, people who have already suffered under the repressive government of Castro.

So rather than involve American troops in an overseas skirmish, which would only

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No timber will be salvaged

Heresy

Dennis Sasse

The timber salvage bill is not what the name implies. No standing timber will be salvaged, clear cuts will blight the landscape in a never ending checkerboard of green and brown.

The bill has been called “Logging Without Laws,” this is not an inaccurate description. The only things salvaged by this bill are a few jobs that would be lost in time anyway. The bill is stalled in court for now, but for how long?

This law is a thin veneer for increased timber harvesting, regardless of the cost. This law takes away a fundamental right of the U.S. citizen—the right to dispute government decisions—to take the government to court. This bill attached to legislative type to aid the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing, was enacted with the attached legislation. You can thank Sen. Slade Gorton of Washington for this little beauty. Gorton was the chief author of this rode.

So much for the Republican dream of the line item veto, huh? President Clintonš name is in the bill, in the passage of this obviously flawed and unconstitutional piece of legislation, he is the one who signed it into law on July 27, 1995.

You kind of have to wonder if this bill’s.

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Lannigan a little bitter

I am a senior here at UI who lives in the residence halls, and I feel that Argonaut Copy Editor Lisa Lannigan’s article in the Feb. 21 issue was unnecessarily belligerent. One of her main gripes was that the power plant was blowing smoke into her room. Unfortunately, the residence halls are not for everyone, but I personally have enjoyed being able to participate in all kinds of programs and activities and to live amongst people my age. It’s also nice to let someone else cook for me and do my dishes, not to mention clean the bathroom. The residence halls have a lot to offer even if your not a freshman living alone for the first time. Ms. Lannigan seemed a little bitter to me.

—Brenda Oamek

Read CDA between the lines

I believe the indecency provision in the Communications Decency Act is currently under a temporary restraining order; see http://www.uidaho.edu/~fn/devnull/ and search for CDA (near the end of the list).

The definition of “indecency” is a major problem. If I were to find Mr. Davidson’s opinion column offensive, would I be able to turn him in for offending me? If I were to find anyone else’s opinions offensive, should I even have to prove how offensive they are? (See http://www.uidaho.edu/~fn/zip/mark-cda for some dated e-mail on the subject.) He doesn’t need to shove his opinions down my throat either; just making them available on-line is enough.

Why is it not indecent to have adverts for 900 phone sex services or strip clubs listed in newspapers? Quite a few entries in personal columns are, well, imaginative; why can’t they be on-line and not be indecent as well?

Mr. Davidson glosses over the act’s effect on communicative transactions on the Internet, or perhaps he is just unaware of what’s out there; it is just “a toy” for him at least. The World Wide Web, though as application of Internet resources, is not the Internet itself. There are many other venues of communication; for example, mailing lists. I don’t believe Mr. Davidson is aware that quite a few mailing lists are NOT allowing new subscribers unless they can be proven non-minors. In fact, minors have had their subscriptions canceled only because they are minors. These aren’t mailing lists where the discussion involves distribution or availability of pornographic/sexually-explicit material; no, far from it. The list-owners are afraid that they’ll get into trouble if anyone posts a message to the list with a sentence or even a word that is “indecent.” The minds of minors are being “protected” here.

The solutions Mr. Davidson mentions will probably work for WWW (perhaps too well); http://www.uidaho.edu/~fn/devnull/data/ervaul.742), but not for other forms of communication. Censorship to what has been stated, there are no easy/simple solutions, and no law by any human authority will change that anytime soon, if ever.

—Farid Nawaz

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in the Palouse Ranger District’s original Environmental Assessment was appealed successfully by conservationists last year. The Forest Service announced its intent to complete a complete Environmental Impact Statement. The cut is located along a Wild and Scenic River and a highway. Old growth cedar and white pine make up the bulk of this cut. Under the rider the cut will be reused according to the Forest Service. No appeals will be allowed because under the rider this cut is now exempt. According to The Ecology

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cause more loss of life, we need to send some sharp-shooting assassins to Cuba with a list of names of government officials who need bullets in their heads.

O h don’t look so shocked, we’ve done it before and we can certainly do it again. It’s a lot less messy than a “police action,” quicker too.

The way I figure, a couple of tidy assassinations will make up for that whole missile crisis, Fidel, and this particularly nasty incident.

There was no reason and no justification for these actions. Furthermore, if the United States continues to ignore the murders of its own people those vicious attacks will continue. It’s time to let Cuba and Castro know that they cannot do as they please, that human life is more valuable than any example they feel needs to be act.

Center and Alliance for the Wild Rockies no less than 13 sales previ-ously stalled or stopped will proceed in the Kootenai and Clearwater National Forests. My belief is that on environmental issues the “Revolutionary” is dangerously out of touch with the wants and needs of the populace.

The only thing around the Northwest, and Washington D.C. needing salvaging is common sense. Only about 2 percent of the historical old growth forests stand today. They are worth saving.

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OLYMPIA—Unpredictable to the end, Gov. Mike Lowry's surprise appointment to take an early exit from politics is causing a major upheaval in Washington's political landscape.

Who wins? Who loses? What does it mean? All questions that come to mind.

Most political analysts and consultants to the Republicans as the biggest loser, since they had been licking their chops in anticipation of taking the political wounded liberal Democrat in November. Had Lowry been the Democratic nominee, it would have been a pretty safe bet--a run—the R's figured the minute they'd decided on a nominee, they could reserve the moving van and arrange to get the carpet cleaned in the governor's mansion.

Democrats, meanwhile, have stopped crying in their beer and now are grinning ear-to-toe. After being barred to concede the governor's office, they can realistically consider another four-year lease on the post they've owned for 12 years.

"His departure increases our ability to breathe," the office infolks," says state Democratic Chairman Paul Berquist, barely containing his relief and excitement.

The race is suddenly ultra-competitive on both sides—and probably a toss up now, rather than a sure bet for the Republicans, who believe they have the advantage in both houses of the Legislature this fall.

"It's great theater, isn't it?" asks GOP consultant Brett Bader. "Lowry has put a gun on a roller coaster," adds Democratic campaign expert Blair Butterworth.

The Republicans already have seven candidates, including the House majority leader and the King County prosecutor. The GOP field spans the spectrum from the moderate to high-profile Democrats to the Seattle-based conservative House Majority Leader Dale Foreman and abortion foe Glenn Crawford.

The Democrats have just two candidates so far, but there is speculation that one or more high-profile politicians may jump into the fray now that they wouldn't have to challenge a sitting Democratic governor.

"This is a race looking for an 800-pound gorilla," Butterworth says.

That could be Seattle Mayor Norm Rice, King County Executive Gary Locke, Insurance Commissioner Deborah Senn and any number of other rising Democratic stars with proven vote-getting and fund-raising track records.

The party has two candidates who have braved Lowry's whirlwind by jumping into the race several months ago: state Senate budget Chairwoman Nita Rinehart of Seattle and former 4th District Congressman Jay Inslee, now an attorney with offices in Tacoma and Seattle and a home on Bainbridge Island.

Both are well known in King County Democratic circles, which include the Seattle liberals who, often control who gets the nomination. They would compete for the same support, including women's groups, environmentalists, educators and groups civil rights activists.

But Rinehart is more liberal and Lowry, out, she should make major inroads.

Inslee has positioned himself as more moderate than Rinehart and would campaign as a moderate, not liberal and not tied to Lowry. A former legislator, he is portraying himself as a fresh face from outside the Seattle-Olympia beltway. He describes himself as a hawk on the budget deficit, in contrast with Rinehart's previous state budget and tax votes.

The Republican field remains scrambled, says state GOP Chairman Ken Eikenberry. The top tier would seem to be Malag, Foreman, state Sen. Fran Rich of Auburn and Waldo, although no one has anything approaching a lock on the nomination.

Butterworth believes the entry of "a mainstream moderate Democrat" would take away votes from Waldo and Malag in the state's crossover primary, leaving the GOP with a hard-right candidate who could be vulnerable in November.

His forecast: the Democrats would win the governor's mansion again.

"This has not been a great year for the Republicans, nationally or locally," Butterworth says. "They have lost their simplistic target here (with Lowry's withdrawal) and nationally, they are feeling what it was like for the Democrats to have George McGovern as their presidential nominee," with the sudden rise of Pat Buchanan to frontrunner status.

Bader, the GOP guru working for Foreman, says the Republicans still have an excellent shot. He says their weapon is Lowry itself.

"Never in the history of the state have the Democrats held on to the governor's mansion for four consecutive terms," he says.

"And now, whether Mike Lowry is physically in the race, he will still be in the race," as an issue, Bader says. "The Democratic nominee will have to defend his record and the Republicans will legitimately make Lowry's policies an issue."

His forecast: Republican capitalizing on Lowry's unpopularity and with the governor's mansion. Tie-breaker goes to you, the voter, after all the punditry fades away.

Butterworth says voters and the press should "take a deep breath" and use the steady progression of one-term governors (only Booth Gardner served two terms since Dan Evans left office 20 years ago) to realize what a meat-grinder they have made of public service.

PIERRE, S.D.—Some who drop in at the Capitol to watch the lawmaker process at work feel like they're in the midst of a circus in which politicians often spend hours on seemingly meaningless bills and then turn around and pass or kill major bills in a matter of minutes. Killed bills have a nasty habit of reappearing in another form later on.

Paid lobbyists are mostly common to the legislature House and Senate, which is why the lawmaker process is so bad as some many imagine.

"It's a silly system," he says.

Too few people are involved with the state's budget planning, too many bills are introduced each year and too many bills are tampered with on the floor of the House and Senate, Kringen says. Major changes in the bills should be made in committees, he says.

And the political parties are too political, the GOP lawmakers say.

"When we get down to the major legislation, it's easy party bickering and partisan politics," Kringen says. "It's disappointing."

But Rep. Lois Schreiber, R-Great Falls, feels political parties are not the monsters Kringen makes them out to be. Politics is part of the lawmaking process, even sometimes things get out of hand, she admits.

"There's some of that, but a lot less than the public thinks," says Schreiber, a five-term legislator who also will retire this year.

Before people make hasty judgments about the legislature, they should walk a mile in lawmakers' shoes, she suggests.

"Ideally, everyone should serve one year in the legislature," Schreiber says.

One lawmaker who served three Senate terms in the '80s and the last election to the House two years ago says the citizen legislators work as they're supposed to. Democracy may not be perfect but works, says Neal Strand, R-Rapid City, who plans to retire again from the Legislature.

People have direct access to legislators and the lawmaking process, he says.

"I really haven't given a thought to changing the system," Strand says.

Strand thinks the computer age and development of the Internet will allow the public to become more involved in the Legislature in future years, making the process even more democratic.

"The public will do their testifying through telecommunications at home on the local level," he says.
Outdoor rental office has much to offer

Trieda Frances Truf

The Outdoor Program Rental Office is a little-known room in the basement of the Student Union. Steve Mims is the manager of the office, which is "to provide resources and information for enjoying the wilderness." This mission is made sure that high quality gear is available to anyone who wants to explore the outdoors.

At the rental office you can get anything you need for the outdoors, ranging from sports, camping, mountaineering, even avalanche transceivers are available. Most of the focus is on non-consommative recreation to protect and enjoy nature.

"While most people at the university are trying to get students on campus, we're trying to get people off," Mims said.

The Rental Center is self-supporting, and receives no subsidizes. "Only the people who use the gear pay for it," Mims said. "Without subsidies, the office has been able to purchase top quality and cutting edge sporting equipment."

Mims has been the manager of the rental office for five years. He graduated from the UI, and studied land use management and wilderness recreation. He also enjoys taking trips with the program, canoeing and white water. He is experienced with just about everything available for rental, and his know-how is useful to those new to outdoor sports.

Tread lightly: some outdoor tips

Jerri Lake

Playing in the outdoors is fun and exciting year around. During the winter we cross country ski or snowmobile on trails through the mountains. When spring rolls around, we head out with the motorcycles, or three wheelers to witness what is on the other side of the mountains.

We continue to play through the long winters of summer into the fall hunting seasons. During the year we have seen many beautiful areas of lush green forests. We've spotted the wildlife, been chased by the wildlife with their colorful wild flowers, and angered a few bears in war while casting down giant fish.

While we were in the back country playing, did we turn around to see the trail we left behind? Was it one of beauty as we found it, or did we leave the rut crushed by our power machines?

Every year the Forest Service spends millions of dollars repairing trails, wildlife habitat and stream beds. These and many other areas are damaged because of people in pursuit of having fun.

The excitement of going full speed down trails or up steep hillsides with all our terrain vehicles damages the ground we ride on, especially if it is soft or wet. To enjoy your trips into the back country, get a trail map from the Forest Service showing the open and closed areas. Avoid running over your own usual travel areas. This damages fish habitat and breeding areas with silt and redistribution of gravel needed for spawning.

Areas that are open most of the time such as main roads and inactive logging roads. However, they can be closed when too wet or soft. Some old logging roads can be a challenge during most of the year. They also go through some great looking country.

Some trails open to foot, horse or cross country ski trail are also open to dirt bikes. These trails are not open to larger ATV's. A sign should be posted to the trail head to let you know.

In some areas, gentle, open country trails are open. An occasional 4-wheel drive or ATV will not do much harm if the ground is dry. When these areas get too much use, they may be closed to prevent croasting unwanted roads or trails. Some National Forests do not allow this type of trail any time.

Some areas are closed during parts of the year to protect wildlife. These areas are usually where animal-mobs like elk rear their young. Other areas may be their wintering habitat, especially when food is scarce late in the season. Disturbance during this time can drive animals from important habitats, reducing their survival rate. These areas are opened when the animals move to their summer feeding areas.

Some roads and trails are closed during the spring thaw or fall snow storms when they get wet or soft. I see lots of 4-wheelers and 4 x 4 trucks covered with mud from testing their vehicle in the mud. Although it is fun, the resulting damage cost tax dollars to repair. These roads are usually closed when the surfaces dry out.

To prevent accidents, some narrow mountain roads are closed when logging or mining traffic is heavy.

This time of year, snowmobilers have to be on the look out for cross country skiers and people on snow shoes. They can't get out of your way fast enough when you are running full tilt down the trail.

How we treat the land we like to enjoy will make a difference if we have it open and available for future use. This use, like the vehicle you use, is in your hands to TREAD LIGHTLY.
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Long Valley elk moved

Idaho Department of Fish and Game personnel began trapping and moving elk north of Cascade County to reduce damage in Long Valley. Fish and Game wildlife biologist Jeff Rohlman said decreasing the number of elk wintering in Long Valley and reducing seasonal damage, including crop and fence destruction, are the goals for trapping and moving elk north of Cascade. In many cases, the department must pick up the tab for elk feeding and damage.

We hope to trap 15 to 30 elk, locating the animals to an area in the 25 east of McCall," Rohlman said. "Relocating the elk will introduce them to more traditional winter range and possibly mean a reduction in private property damage in the Long Valley area and reduced IDFG expenditures." Up to 50 elk are now in the area where trapping is planned.

Jim Olson, Emmett, chairman of the Southwest Region Big Game Winter Feeding Advisory Committee, noted that the circumstances leading up to elk being trapped and transplanted to other areas often "don't happen overnight."

The advisory committee on winter feeding was appointed under a law passed by the state Legislature after controversies erupted in Garden Valley and other areas during the winter of 1992-93. Citizens serving on the committee study winter feeding situations and advise Fish and Game. The committee also serves as a liaison between the department and private citizens on winter feeding matters.

"Such trapping is typical of what can happen when private citizens undertake winter feeding and eventually want out of it for various reasons. I suspect most people who undertake winter feeding of big game give little thought to the potential ramifications of their perceived act of kindness," Olson said.

"Our advisory committee is committed to reducing the need for winter feeding throughout the region as well as making feeding more effective when it becomes necessary. "I urge anyone who thinks there is a need for feeding in your area to contact the department before you throw out that first bale of hay. If you would like to discuss a situation with the feeding advisory committee, the department can give you the name and number of the committee member nearest you," Olson added.

Incredible Idaho features wildlife, diseases in March

Incredible Idaho airs Saturday, March 2 at 6:30 PM on TVS/Boise & KTPT/Blacks Falls. Check local listings for dates and times in your area.

This month Incredible Idaho takes a look at wildlife and disease.

Yellowstone National Park is one of the few areas in the United States where a disease called brucellosis' still affects big game animals. Both elk and bison carry the disease and the agricultural community fears that it could be passed to domestic livestock. There has never been a study conclusively determining whether this is the possible. Incredible Idaho joins a team of researchers who are capturing bison in order to take blood and tissue tests. The big heads are then fitted with radio collars in order to track the spread of disease.

Next, Incredible Idaho follows the continuing saga of our Hells Canyon bighorn sheep. An outbreak of the disease pasteurella struck the herd in early December, killing infected animals within hours. Seventy-two diseased sheep were captured and moved to the Wildlife Health Laboratory in Caldwell to study the disease and, more importantly, keep it from spreading. In the wild, these sheep, too, are succumbing to the disease. Perhaps researchers will get some answers to fighting this scourge with some new DNA testing equipment recently installed in the lab. We'll take a look at how Wildlife Veterinarian Dave Hunter goes about his research.

Finally, Incredible Idaho takes a tour of the Fish Health Laboratory. Fish, too, are constantly fighting disease, both in our hatcheries and in the wild. Idaho boasts one of the most advanced facilities in the country. We'll get a look at some of the cutting-edge technology used to keep our fish populations healthy.
Wildcats find shooting touch, down Vandals

Injury bug bites Idaho women in loss

Idaho shooting-guard Kelli Johnson (left) had to pick up the slack Saturday against Weber State as versatile point-guard Art Skorpioik (right) battled pneumonia.
Belgrave leaves island for Idaho

Mike Stetson

Belgrave, now in her fourth season with the Vandals women's track and field team, came to Idaho after a very different past than most Idaho students. At about age 11, she took an exam that places students in secondary schools on Barbados. The exam placed her in Lodge School, where she began running track, more as a requirement than for fun.

"Track was something you had to do," Belgrave said.

Belgrave competed for her house. From each house, the school selects the top three athletes and they compete for the school. Despite the fact not everyone runs for their house, everyone runs for their house Belgrave said, who recalls the honor of being able to say "I scored points for my house."

Another facet of life in Barbados that differed for Belgrave was her time in the cadet corps, rising from private up to officer during her schooling. Track, school and the corps all combined to make up parts of Belgrave's life before coming to Idaho.

That road to Idaho still remains a small mystery to Belgrave, who received letters from other schools along with Idaho's Scott Loree, Women's Track and Field Coach. Belgrave chose Idaho after speaking to Loree on the phone, but she still has no idea how the Vandals learned about her running. Given a full scholarship, Belgrave assumes UI men's coach Mike Kiefer must have noticed her on one of his trips to the island for recruiting.

When she arrived, Belgrave began running the shorter distances, 200 meters, but since that time has competed in all the distances from the 200m up to the mile, including the 4x400 meter relay and she also runs cross country.

The variety might have caused problems except for the fact that she is on Barbados, Belgrave says she had "to do all the events, the coaches realized I got better with distance."

Belgrave's talent for improving with distance led her to the 800m, where she now excels, winning the Cherry Early Bird Meet in January and the McDonald's Guy last week. Belgrave also excels at the mile, having won once at that distance this year. After clocking a 2:14.80m last week, Belgrave set her sights high and is looking forward to improve the school record for the distance.

This Saturday, in Pocatello, Belgrave's goal became a reality when she clocked a 2:13.06.80m. Despite a new school record, Belgrave stays very focused. She does not admit to any long term goals past the Big Sky Indoor Championships, March 1-2 in Bomeman. Looking to improve in the mile may be the only long term goal she has, having run the event only three times.

"I'm constantly learning and I'm trying to stay focused," she said.

Away from the track, Belgrave becomes the typical student, studying and trying to balance all the parts of her life. She admits with the travel involved in track, classes can be difficult. However, Belgrave adds the Idaho coaches make up for the travel by pushing academics hard.

"University of Idaho's standards are so high, you really have to be on top of the ball to compete," Belgrave said. "I won't let that happen for Belgrave, but for the opportunity to be a part of it, that's something you have to enjoy."

Looking at the path that brought her to Idaho, Belgrave says her life's burden placed on her to perform as an athlete to get her education has only continued the legacy. For Belgrave, the university provides the opportunity for and maintaining her education, athletics truly proved something that must be enjoyed.

Opportunity to run brings Barbados native to Palouse

Althea Belgrave works with a trainer before practice last week.

Sonic's playoff jinx may lie in middle

Damon Ballard

Sonic's first week of the Pacific Northwest's Basketball season was a sort of long distance run through downtown Seattle.

This first week episode whips the words "NBA Playoffs" and means shifts down the necks of millions of Capronian drinkers in the Apple State of Washington. Two years ago, this sudden gust of wind originated in Denver. Last season, the wind shifted up from Los Angeles.

If you haven't put 2 and 2 together, yes, I'm talking about the Seattle Sonics.

With the National Basketball Association's second best record, you may think that this could be the Sonics' year. Why not?

All-time Shawn Kemp and Gary Payton are playing better than ever. Last summer's trade for tech Charlotte Hornet Mervyn Hawkins is looked upon by many NBA observers to be the crucial key for Seattle to step forward in the playoffs. And lastly, Detlef Schrempf is back in the Sonic lineup after missing several weeks due to injury.

Could the Sonics be so potent that in two straight years they've been to the second round of the playoffs? Yes, it is possible. And given Belgrave's second guessings, you can expect the Sonics second guessing themselves to continue the Sonics second guessing themselves throughout the playoffs. And going deeper and deeper into the season, they will reach the answer can't be found to the right or left of things.

Actually, the answer can be found in the center.

Let's just say the answer can't be found to the right or left of things.

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Tracksters compete for Last Chance in Cheney

Mike Stetson

The University of Idaho's track and field team sent out the reserves Saturday in Cheney as the Vandals tried one last time to qualify athletes for the Big Sky Championships, in Eastern Washington's Last Chance Meet. Competing against EWU, North Idaho, Community Colleges of Spokane, Gonzaga, Whitman and five Washington State Athletes, the Vandals used the meet to grab some extra track time prior to weekend conference championships in Bozeman, but only Eric Hiaw improved his time for the Vandals.

"We didn't do much this weekend," Coach Mike Keller said, "It was a wasted weekend."
The Vandals placed first in the high jump for the 55-meter dash, the 800-meters and the 4x400-meter relay. Felix Kamartingia led the way for Idaho, running to a first place finish in the 55 in 5.52 seconds. Curtis Konkel picked up a first in the 100m for Idaho, running the distance in 1:31 seconds, 56.45 seconds. Geoff Field jumped into first in the high jump, clearing 6-feet 3.14 inches followed closely by WSU's Peter Bucky and Idaho's Thad Hartway, who also cleared 6-4 3/4. The first place for Idaho also came from the swift legs of Idaho's 4x400 relay team, which sprinted to a five-second victory at three-minutes, 30.5 seconds.

Other top Vandals finishers included Kyle Daley, third in the 55-pound weight toss at 54-9 1/2; Eric Johnson, fifth in the shot put at 46-1 1/2; Eric Hiaw, second in the 55-meter hurdles in 7.74 seconds and Paul Thompson, fourth in the 400m in 51.35 seconds.

Despite placing high in their individual events, the Vandals did not manage to qualify any more athletes for nationals.

For the women, Jill Winter provided the highlights for the Vandals, improving in the 20 pound weight throw, 42-7 1/4, and the shot put, 46 1/2. Other Vandals finishers included Shelby Rettew, who bounded in first in the triple jump, going 33-1 1/4 and Jackie Blackburn placed first in the 55m hurdles in 8.46 seconds. Aside from Winter, Rettew, and Blackburn's efforts, the Vandals women failed to qualify anyone else for the championships in Bozeman.

Also placing for Idaho was 200m runner, who ran 2:22 seconds in the 55m hurdles for third place and Kellie Fife, who ran 7.62 seconds in the 55m dash for first place. Fife also placed second in the 400m with a time of 1:03.24 seconds.

Away from Cheney, Idaho runner Althea Belgrade put on a show in Pocatello, breaking the school record for the 800m, running the event in 2:16.36 seconds. Belgrade was one of four Vandals women who traveled south to Idaho State to compete, instead of running the short circuit in Cheney.

SONICS

Playoffs. He might use the three-time world champion Chicago Bulls as an example, of course, they lacked a great center. But it also doesn't take Bill Cartwright long to figure out that when you have players like Michael (last name not needed) and Scottie Pippen, a world champi

On look at some of the best teams in the playoffs last year, all of whom had great centers: Houston Rockets (Olajuwon), Orlando Magic (Sharique O'Neal), San Antonio Spurs (David Robinson) and Indiana Pacers (Rick "Dutchboy in the paint" Smits). With a record of 42-12 and almost a lock as the top seed in the West, the Sonics are looking better than ever, even if they don't have a great center. Then of course, at this same time last year and the year before, I and many others were saying the exact thing.

So, before you start calling your local Mafia friends or Las Vegas bookies, try to get an early point spread of the Sonics-Bulls matchup in the finals, look at recent history. Of the top of my head I can think of a couple of professional sports franchises that thought they too would change a losing tradition for the big money was on the line - the Buffalo Bills and Denver Broncos. Ever heard of 'em?

UI WOMEN

With only 16 seconds remaining, Idaho set up a screen for Johnson, but it was sealed, so the second option was to dump the ball to Hawks and try and get contact on the block and make the basket, but Hawks' shot was long to set the final at 69-66.

"I think we deserved to win the game tonight, to play as poorly as we did Thursday night and to come out and fight like this was great," said Holt.

Weber State was led in scoring by Berg's 19, followed by Mitts 14. Brown's 14 and Rachelle Gardner's 12 respectively. The Wildcats outscored the Vandals 54 to 40 in large part due to Berg's 15 and Wimmer's 10 boards. The Wildcats hit 34 percent from the field and 75 percent from the free throw line. The Vandals were led by Hawks' career-high 21 points, followed closely by Greenwood's 20 points which ties her career high. Jill Morris and Jill Orrin were solid, filling in as starters, grabbing seven rebounds apiece, with Orrin dishing out five assists as well. The Vandals shot just 32 percent from the field, but a scoring 84 percent from the charity stripe.

WEBSER STATE (66)
Browe 4-10 6-14, Glenn 2-6 3-3 7, Anderson 2-6 3-3 7, Oltman 1-3 4-4 4, Colecr 1-1 1-1 2, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Robinson 0-0 0-0 0, Friend 1-4 0-0 2, Winner 5-16 3-6 9, Total 21-45 14-16 36.

IDAHO (46)
Browe 9-18 3-3 21, Monts 1-4 1-3 5, Stare 3-3 3-3, Ross 1-3 2-2 3, Skrimp 0-0 2-2 2, McDaniel 3-7 2-2 8, Greenwood 4-20 4-4 8, Bred 0-0 0-0, Stanley 0-0 0-0, Total 22-46 12-16 36.

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Idaho freshman forward Jennifer Stone shows off one of her many skills on Monday's off day.

Byron Jarnagin

Many young people ideolize successful college and professional athletes for their abilities and life achievements. They dream about how wonderful it would be to be in their idol's situation. For some, these dreams do become realities.

Jennifer Stone, a freshman and member of the UI women's basketball team, has wanted the opportunity to compete at a college basketball level and now that she is living her dream, her goals can be summed up in a few words, success through determination and hard work.

"I just wanted to play and give it all I've got," Stone said. "I've also been playing more than I thought I would at first, which is a big incentive to stay on top of my game, and I just want to improve my game all around as far as my strength and speed." Even though Stone had her work ethic priorities high, as a freshman she had to make a few adjustments to the competition (like playing against individuals who are taller than she is). This was not the case in high school in Craigmont, Idaho, where Stone most likely would have been in the back row of the chapel choir. Change in competition often calls for a change in attitude. Stone said her high school basketball experiences were comparatively serious, but college basketball is a different game because she spends a lot more time working on skills and the overall tone is more serious and intense.

"Since I have been here I have been playing against people who are taller and stronger than I am, as opposed to back home where I was the tallest one in my league," Stone said. "Adjusting to the quick shots of the guards at the college level was probably the biggest change that I had to deal with."

Right now Stone sees her immediate goal as one which helps build more confidence in the women's team by capturing more wins. Simply being part of the Vandal basketball team is a great feeling for Stone, who as a youngster can remember watching teams during warm-ups before a game, wanting to be one of those people on the court.

"It's funny, it was our first game and we are out warming up, the music was going and in high school I can remember totally looking up to the college players and now that I am a college player it feels like everyone around you is so much more grown up than you," Stone said. "I don't really feel like I am in the spotlight. I simply just love to play and love that I have come this far."

From the freshman point of view, Stone believes the team has improved a lot, having listened to her teammates talk about the years before and she feels there is only room for improvement. Her situation as a scholarship student with three more years of eligibility leaves nothing but time for the success Stone is after.

"We've got some really good recruits coming in, so I believe that we have the potential to be right up there in the top tiers," Stone said. "If we keep working hard we will improve as a team fighting for a top position."

Stone's choice of Idaho as a place to continue her education and basketball was no fluke and one could say her choice was somewhat of a family tradition. Her parents and her sister have attended Idaho. She had opportunities at Idaho State University and other NAIA schools, but the atmosphere of the school in general and the fact she simply wanted to be in Moscow made up her mind.

"I really like coach Holt's style and techniques and the way the rest of the coaching staff is really enthusiastic. They get the team totally energized," Stone said.

"When I first came here everyone on the team and the coaches were really friendly and other places that I went people were not as friendly and willing to work with you."

Despite the women's loss this weekend to Weber State, Stone contributed as a rebounder and a combined 11 points from the free throw line and baskets from the field. So far this season, Stone has averaged 9.8 points a game with a season total of 31, and averaged more than four points per game.

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