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Idaho gets a new holiday

Day honors Moscow's own Dan O'Brien

Bryant J. Kuechle

Children applauded decathlonee Dan O'Brien's announcement that "there will never be school on "Dan O'Brien Day."

The ceremony began at 7 p.m. when O'Brien made his way to the stage accompanied by the Olympic theme music. He began by thankling his team, family and the fans.

"I brought my glasses in case I started crying," he said. Preceding the awards ceremony Miss Teri Idaho, Dana Wilder of Moscow, sang "God Bless the USA."

The honors included the announcement from the governor and an appearance by state Rep. James "Doc" Lucas, R-Moscow.

"Dan, you are a hero," Lucas said. "More people recognize you than any politician in the entire country."

O'Brien also received recognition from Idaho State Senator Gary Schrader and Moscow Mayor Paul Agdlin. Becky Keller, mayor of Bovill, presented O'Brien with a plaque.

"For those of you who don't know where Bovill is, it's the town that you end up in on the Bovill ramp," O'Brien said in reference to the popular bar tour from Moscow to Bovill. "We don't remember the town but it's there when we get there."

Donna Marie Ferrell, a local artist, unveiled her impressional painting of O'Brien that will be displayed on the UI campus. This was followed by a question and answer session with O'Brien where he fielded audience questions.

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Registration off-line until Monday

Janet Birdshall

The PREREG registration system for on-line and telephonic registration came down Monday at 5:30 p.m. and will not be available again until Monday morning.

The registrar's office is in the process of switching over to Banner, the university's new administration software package. The alumni, finance, admissions, financial aid, and human resources offices are already using Banner, said Registrar Beca Powlasky.

"I think it is a good product. It's difficult to implement, but I think we'll be happy with it," Powlasky said. Conversions are always difficult, regardless of the system, because it takes time to learn the system and convert the data, she said.

The on-line and touch-tone registration systems will be available for full-time, paid students at 8:30 a.m. Monday, she said.

The 550 service charge normally charged for late registration on the first day of classes will not be charged until Wednesday. The delay is meant to accommodate students who have been unable to register since the system has been down.

The registrar's office is converting registration to Banner first, and is preparing to convert academic history (transcripts and grade information). The new registration system will be tested extensively before dropping the old system (Legacy).

Both will be run concurrently until the new system is in place.

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Greens rush into new year

Andrew White

The Greeks have shifted into high gear this fall as many new and returning students have taken up residence in fraternities and sororities during rush.

"Despite the low numbers, I think there is going to be a good rush. Our house is looking good and we are looking for some good pledges," Farmhouse member Micah Lauer said Tuesday.

"Things are going well, although the numbers are low," said Chris Seeger, rush chairman of Delta Sigma Phi. He blamed the lower turnout on the "fraternal image" projected from UI. "Everyone knows that there is pressure to keep everybody in line," he said yesterday.

Freshmen Steve Stillerman said yesterday.

"I like kind of like the food, and there's a lot to do," Claycox Steele said yesterday.

Freshman Luke Vanney said his favorite part of rush is "just hanging out." He thought the worst part was the speeches. "All the speeches are the same. You hear the same thing from every house," he said.

Fraternity rush began Wednesday. Sorority... SEE BUSH PAGE A10
Sixth Street bike path construction begins

Campus undergoes summer renovation

Photos by Shawn Vidmar
New registrar looking for student input

Janet Birdsell

Reta Pikowsky wants to hear from you:

"I need to hear directly from the students," the new UI registrar said yesterday.

Pikowsky began her job on May 20, replacing Matt Telie, who had served in the position from 1970 through 1995. Daniel Davenport filled in as interim registrar.

"I think the department had done a really good job of keeping things going (without a full-time registrar)," Pikowsky said. "I was surprised when I got here by how well they had done."

One of Pikowsky's goals is to make the registrar's office more accessible and visible. The office now has information on UI's homepage. Each staff member's name is listed with their title, direct telephone number, and e-mail address.

She also plans to put the time schedule on the homepage, as well as service areas which will direct students to the person who can best answer their question.

"I don't want the calls shuffled. I want the question answered or the problem solved," Pikowsky said.

She encouraged students to e-mail her with concerns or problems. Her address is retap@uiowa.edu.

"Basically, we're looking at everything we're doing. Some of the procedures are clumsy. We need to be more efficient and make sure we're providing good service," she said.

She plans to implement new technology, and she's looking for input from students and faculty. "They need to let me know what they're concerned about. They need to know the registrar is accessible," she said.

Pikowsky came from the University of Michigan, where she was registrar for six years. Before that, she was assistant director of admissions and records at Golden Gate University in San Francisco for five years. She also served at the University of Illinois in Urbana. She said she came to Moscow because she likes the area.

"It seemed like a nice place to be. We just liked being in the West," she said. And how long will she stay? "A long time, I hope," she said.

Employment office provides help to job hunters

Erlin Schultz

How many times during the year have you felt penniless, jobless, and hopeless about finding a job opportunity to remedy the situation?

The UI Student & Temporary Employment Service is alive and kicking underneath all the hustle and bustle of back to school activities.

STES provides a variety of on-campus and off-campus jobs. April Preston, personnel technician for STES, estimates pay to average around $5 or $6 an hour. Job descriptions range from campus operators to child care providers. Off-campus positions are also available, most of which are within walking or biking distance of the university.

No minimum qualifications are required to apply for a job, but some positions ask for certain skills. You don't have to be a UI student to use the service.

Some full-time positions are available. "These are the jobs we hope spouses take, or graduated UI students who still live in Moscow," Preston said.

For up-to-date information about available positions, check out Internet address http://www.aiuaho.edu/iesw or look at the job board near the back entrance of the Student Union.

Once you find a job that interests you, pick up an application from STES. If the job entails an off-campus position, STES will provide a referral to be taken to the organization or business.

Permanent and temporary positions are available. Job listings get updated weekly (and often daily) as STES is notified of departmental openings or other opportunities. Over 100 different types of positions are represented.

But if you find yourself still standing in line for books while your friends gobble up all the good jobs, don't worry. STES has positions available year round.

"From April until now, job availability stays fairly steady. In January and February there are not as many opportunities," Preston said.

STES employees also handle all student payroll paperwork. When in need of an I-9, W-4, or work authorization card, STES is the place to visit. The office is located on the first floor of the SUB next to the west entrance.
International students gather for food, fun

Jody Paulson

They dished out the fish-egg spaghetti Tuesday evening at the International Friendship Association potluck.

Approximately 150 people from the community and far-flung places like the Philippines, Scotland and Kazakhstan came to the Shattuck Arboretum to picnic and make friends.

"It gives them a chance to get acquainted with people in the community and the people in the community get to learn about China, India, Brazil, wherever," said JoAnn Trail, coordinator of the IFA.

Spanish and Russian could be heard over picnic tables. Volleyball players demonstrated their soccer prowess by bouncing the ball on their knees and toes. American staples like lasagna and fried chicken were complemented with more exotic fare like fish tacos, a Jordanian dish made with garbanzo beans.

"I thought it was very well—the students were very enthusiastic about it," Trail said.

While the biggest groups of international students are from Canada and China, the people attending the potluck represented a smorgasbord of international variety, Schultz said. UT’s international student admission is up 20 percent as it has students from over 70 different countries.

As many as 30 international students were new to UI, but others have been here awhile. When asked what they liked about Idaho, Sebastian Leos, a business student from Ecuador, said, "the outdoors."

"I really enjoy the skiing here," Leon said. Many other foreign students agreed it would be something they’d like to try while they’re here.

Eline Winstenley, one of two female students from the Isle of Man, expressed her desire to go to Seattle and maybe do some white water rafting. "Yeah, just get involved as much as possible, really."

The IFA is a jointily sponsored program of the Associated Students of the UI and the International Programs Office. Their goal is to create more awareness and interaction between people from different cultures.

In addition to community potluck dinners, they sponsor many other programs such as Conversation Partners, where an international student or spouse is paired with an interested English speaker for conversational English practice.

Upcoming IFA events include India Night on Oct. 4, the Student Union Ballroom. For further information, call the IFA office at 885-7841, or stop by their office in the basement of the Student Union Building.

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The IFA potluck drew a large crowd of students interested in finding free food and conversation.

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**Student accused of showing fake ID**

Associated Press

MOSCOW—An underage member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity at the University of Idaho was arrested with a cup of beer and a false driver's license, picturing a former Moscow police reserve officer, an affidavit says.

Robert Donnelly, 20, of Boise, was arrested Friday on his fraternity's front steps after two bicycle patrol officers spotted him carrying what looked like a cup of beer. He was cited for underage drinking and facing a false ID.

"Donnelly looked at us, attempted to hide the beer and turn around," Officer Terry Haltom wrote in a court affidavit.

When Donnelly passed his ID to Cpl. Carl Wommack, Haltom said he immediately recognized the photo and name William D. Frazier as a former University student and reserve officer.

"I recognized the same as being a friend of mine," Haltom said.

Officers said they could not confirm how Donnelly obtained Frazier's ID.

The fraternity came under scrutiny last semester when a freshman fell out of a third-floor window, sustaining minor injuries. He had been drinking, police said.

The house also is named in an ongoing personal injury lawsuit filed by then-university freshman Jennifer Cooper, who was paralyzed from the waist down in 1993 after falling from a third-floor balcony at the Alpha Phi sorority.

Former dispatcher charged in shooting spree

Associated Press

MOSCOW—A former police dispatcher has been charged with attempted first-degree murder after allegedly shooting his husband's lover with a .357 Magnum handgun.

Barbara L. Florian, 36, said she pointed a revolver at Darlene Hawley of Viola, heard four shots and then felt herself squeezing the trigger, according to a court document.

Hawley remained in critical condition at the Moscow hospital after the Saturday night shots, Latah County Prosecutor William Thompson said.

According to an affidavit filed Monday in 2nd District Court, Florian ordered her husband, Rick, to drive to the park to "finish this thing.

At about 5 p.m., the Florians found Hawley sitting in her vehicle at Mountain View Park, the affidavit said. Both got out of the car and approached Hawley. Hawley rolled down the window at Rick Florian's request and he told her the affair was over and not to call or see him again.

Hawley then jumped out the window, fell and locked the doors, refusing to get out of the car. Latah County Officer John Mittmann wrote.

"The shots were fired, and Barbara Florian said her husband took the gun away from her," Mittmann wrote.

"In the patrol car, Barbara said spontaneously that she was tired of the affair," she said. "She said she'll probably die and I will get the debt, payroll," Mittmann wrote.

Magistrate William Hamlert scheduled a preliminary hearing Aug. 25 and set bond for Barbara Florian at $75,000. If convicted, she faces 15 years in prison and a $50,000 fine.

Mrs. Florian has worked as dispatcher for the Moscow and Pullman police as well as the Latah County Sheriff's Department.

Latah administrators worried about Fox initiative stance

Associated Press

MOSCOW—Latah County school officials are disturbed that state Schools Superintendent Ann Fox is neutral about the One Percent Initiative on the November ballot.

At a Thursday taping of KTVB's "Viewpoint" program in Boise, Fox said she would not flatly oppose or support the One Percent Initiative, which would restrict property taxes. It has been estimated that would cost $232 million in property tax revenue.

Fox said people are clamoring for some relief from property taxes, and it may be necessary to shift state funding to other sources, such as sales or income taxes.

"How can you be neutral on something that will cut funding and harm children?" asked Moscow Superintendent Jack Hill, a vocal critic of Fox. "It just once again shows that she is not a friend of education.

"It doesn't look good and I wish our state superintendent would come out and say that," said Pullatich Superintendent Don Armstrong.

From Fix's viewpoint, however, it is not right for a state official to take a position on initiatives decided by the voters, said Rhonda Edison, Fox spokeswoman.

When the state Board of Education decided to oppose the initiative, Fox abstained from the vote for the same reason, Edison said.

"Our job is to react to it if it's passed and to tell the Legislature what we need," she said.

Fox plans to ask the Legislature for a half-cent increase in the 5 percent sales tax, which would bring in about $60 million per year for school facilities.

The Latah administrators say they must begin educating the public about the damage the initiative would do to education.

Everything from information packets to town meetings are being discussed and two University of Idaho professors have created an interface about the One Percent's implications.

One problem is they cannot begin games as to the real ramifications are from the ballot measure.

"There are just so many unknowns and it really makes me uneasy," said Whitepine Superintendent Harold Ott.
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Chocolate may mimic marijuana in brain, study suggests

NEW YORK—Chocolate contains substances that might mimic the effects of marijuana, boosting the pleasure you get from eating the stuff, researchers say.

The ingredients might make the texture, smell, and flavor of chocolate more enjoyable and combine with other ingredients like caffeine to make a person feel good, researcher Daniele Piomelli speculated.

"We are talking about something much, much, much milder than a high," he said Piomelli, a researcher at the Neurosciences Institute of San Diego. He reported the work with colleagues in last week's issue of the Journal of Nature.

But a researcher who studies the brain chemistry of marijuana said chocolate contains such low levels of the ingredients Piomelli identified that he doubts they have any effect.

Christian Felder of the National Institute of Mental Health estimated that a 130-pound person would have to inject the equivalent of 25 pounds of chocolate to produce the same effect as marijuana-like effects.

Piomelli said that chocolate contains anandamide, which is also produced naturally in the brain and which activates the same target that marijuana does.

He also found two chocolate ingredients that inhibit the natural breakdown of anandamide, which could lead to heightened levels of anandamide in the brain.

Piomelli stressed that his work does not imply that chocolate is addictive.

College tuition rising at triple inflation rate

WASHINGTON—Irritation at four-year, public colleges over the past 14 years has increased nearly three times as fast as household inflation and more than nine times as fast as consumer price inflation, congressional auditors reported last week.

The General Accounting Office said in a report requested by 23 members of Congress that college tuitions on average jumped 234 percent between the 1980-81 and 1994-95 school years.

That compares with an 82 percent increase in median household income over the same period and a 74 percent increase in the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index.

Two factors were at work, the report said: rising expenditures by schools and an increasing reliance on tuition increases to pay for that increase in state government spending.

State support for colleges dropped 14 percent over the 14 years. As a result, tuition accounted for 23 percent of schools' total revenues in 1994-95, up from 16 percent in 1980-81.

At the same time, school spending rose 121 percent. The increase was driven primarily by faculty salaries, which rose 97 percent and other instructional costs, the GAO said.

Administrative costs, meanwhile, rose 131 percent.

"Some of the cost growth, according to existing research, was the result of schools' competition with the private sector for high-quality scholars and researchers," the report said.

Averages salaries also have increased as a result of faculties growing older and more people reaching the higher-paying full professor level.

The GAO reported that tuition for the 1995-96 school year ranged from $1,524 to $5,521 for in-state students. The average cost was $2,965.

In general, the highest tuitions were in the Northeast and with the lowest in the South and West, the report said.

Wildfires wildfires deter visitors

A portion of central Idaho has been closed to the public because wildfires that have spread to life after burning slowly for months.

The 17,000-acre Swett Creek Fire is in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness, north of the Salmon River and about 60 miles southeast of Grangeville.

The other is the 2,000-acre Old Wall Fire front in the nearby Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness, about 51 miles southwest of Darby, Mont.

New Peace National Forest spokeswoman Elaine Murphy said the fires were going to be allowed to burn out naturally in the backcountry until officials decided they could not be sure enough resources would be available to check the fires if necessary.

"They bramped against the guidelines, which is the availability of resources to deal with fires," she said. "Consequently, they've been declared wildfires."

The closure is in an area roughly bounded by Magruder Road No. 468 on the north, Harrington Ridge on the south, the Idaho-Montana border on the east and Sab Creek on the west.

A fire management team has arrived in Hamilton, Mont., to take over management of the two fires.

The historic Thomson Flat Cabin nine miles south of the Magruder Guard station was destroyed by the Swett Creek fire.

Meanwhile, Bureau of Land Management and state Department of Lands crews were reigniting in a number of southern Idaho wildfires sparked by an overnight lightning storm, despite limited equipment and manpower.

"Because of fires in the Great Basin, in Oregon and Utah and other states, we're having to get on a priority list for resources and equipment," said BLM spokesman Tommy Gruen in Idaho Falls.

About 3,500 acres of fruit orchards around the town of Mountain Home, south of Boise, were blackened by nearly 100 firefighters battling four blazes on Wednesday.

Control of all four was expected today, BLM dispatchers said.

Fire bosses feared a blaze burning on a mountain side eight miles northeast of Malad could sweep down on fields and structures.

Some of the 67 federal and state firefighters there were being called off after relentless drops helped hold it to 1,000 acres, a BLM dispatcher said.

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Politicians fight over attention-getting pooch

NEW YORK—Manhattan Borough President Ruth Messinger has accused City Parks Commissioner Henry Stern of wasting tax payers’ money on attempting to earn his golden retriever a world record as the most petted dog on the planet.

Messinger took the dog to task for putting a Parks Department employee to work walking Boozer around and counting the number of children who cuddled him at public events.

“I really think it’s time to lower the ‘boomer’ on this particular stupid pet pick,” Messinger said Tuesday. “I agree that government should give people something to cheer about, but the priority should not be who walks the parks commissioner’s dog on public time,” she added.

Messinger sent Stern a letter asking him to give up his attempts at record breaking. “I really think it is time for you to again put the people of New York ahead of your pet,” she wrote.

Stern says Boomer’s antics aren’t costing the city a dime, and he thinks Messinger should lighten up. He stops short—just barely—of calling her petty; he says such animosities are an insult to animals.

“Whenever she hears about Boomer,” continues Stern, “her hair stands on end, shearches her back and she spins out a press release.”

Stern says the kids who turn out to see Boomer get a kick out of getting him, and the idea that they could be part of a world record just adds to the fun.

He says an advance person who helps manage his public appearances keeps an eye on the dog. “It’s time they’re there anyway, and it doesn’t cost the city a nickel. Nobody is taken away from their duties to take care of Boomer,” he said.

Stern is known for his attention-getting stunts. He proudly attended a publiciolet’s first flush, los bridegroomed a dog hugging a tree, masqueraded as a groundhog, and rode a whale statue as it was removed from the Central Park Children’s Zoo.

Wave of the future: computers so small you can swallow them

Already, inspectors at an Air Force F-16 squadron in Ohio are doing routine and airplane schematics using a head-mounted computer screen and voice-activated software, rather than consulting printed manuals.

And Marines are conducting vehicle inspections with the use of wearable computer systems. Previously, two mechanics had to walk around with clipboards, checking off more than 600 items. Now it takes only one person and 40 percent less time using voice-recognition software that allows the mechanic to check items off merely by saying them aloud.

At MIT, researchers have a device where the computer a person is wearing would interact with its environment, blocking information out of the air for its master’s use. Scientists have already set up visual tags throughout the lab that broadcast information to whoever looks at them through a wearable lens.

At the University of Washington in Seattle, researchers are building retinal scanning displays that would get rid of the need for head-mounted screens entirely. Users would instead wear a little projector just below the eye.

The projector would use an extremely low-power laser to paint a picture one pixel at a time on the retina, at the back of the eye, in much the same way a cathode ray tube paints and repaints the image on a TV screen.

How to supply power to these wearable computer systems is still being worked out. Batteries are heavy and need to be frequently replaced or recharged.

At MIT, scientists are investigating the possibility of computers powered by the human body. The military calls it “energy harvesting.”

For example, a band strapped across the torso could use the movement of the blood in brushing to produce enough energy to run a low-power computer. Another possibility is an electrical system that would enable a person to produce a charge simply by walking.

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Nancy Roach, UI employee and Dan O'Brien fan, organized the event. "The kids had a great time and Dan had a wonderful time," she said. "I thank the community and the business people for all the support."

Roach said there are plans to make a permanent monument to O'Brien, such as a street named for him and welcoming signs outside of town.

Registration *from page A1*

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Rush *from page A1*

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"We don't want to take any chances with your grades," she said. Pikowsky plans to have training sessions available for students to learn to use the system. She expects to have most of the conversion finished by the end of spring 1997.

"We'll have a lot more options," she said. In addition to on-line, touch-tone, and in-person registration, students will be able to register through the World Wide Web. They'll also be able to dial in to check information such as grades and class information.

This semester the on-line registration system will only be up Aug. 26 through Sept. 3. In the past, the system has been available for the first 10 class days of the semester. After Sept. 3, all add/drop activity must be done with add/drop cards. No signatures on the cards will be required until Sept. 23.

Rush, which began Aug. 16, concluded Wednesday.

"It's going very well," said senior Erin Gahl, Kappa Kappa Gamma rush chair. Each year over $60,000 in scholarships are awarded to Idaho fraternity and sorority members. According to Student Advisory Services, the all-Greek GPA is 2.95 compared to the all-campus GPA of 2.83.

Last year Idaho Greeks raised approximately $25,000 for local and national charities. One annual event is Phi Delta Theta's "Turtle Derby," which is a philanthropy benefiting the Stepping Stones Foundation. Last spring the Phi Delta Theta split the money they earned and donated half of it to Erin Nielsen, a UI student who was diagnosed with meningitis.

"Through the sale of t-shirts, donations, and fund-raisers we raise money for the derby," said Phi Delta Theta philanthropy chair Tim Carlson. "Last year we raised $600 for both Erin Nielsen and the Stepping Stones Foundation."

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Those grumpy old men all look the same

If you tuned in to the multi-million dollar GOP extravaganza that occurred a back week you probably realized that GOP doesn't stand for Grand Old Party, it refers to Grumpy Old People. Although the Republicans are trying their darnedest to look like Democrats (since the Democrats have already cornered the market on looking like Republicans), this seems to be falling short in the attitude department.

Even the party's poster boy Colin Powell was a bit testy as he grew increasingly more impatient with a cheering crowd that was simply trying to show their adoration. Tapping his watch and making goofy hand gestures, he was reminiscent of a crotchety old high school teacher on Monday morning.

Jack Kemp wasn't much kinder to his fans as he said something like, "Hey, shut up, you're cutting into my speech time."

Dole and Kemp don't really like each other that much.

Other startling similarities include Dole and Matthew's hound dog-like jaws and sad puppy eyes. Kemp and Lemmon have such a likeness in their hair and facial features that they could be brothers.

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Letters to the Editor

We won't miss Erik much, either.

I have a few things to say, having just read Erik Marone's " Farewell" column for the July 31, 1996, issue of the Argonaut. First, please allow me to introduce myself. I am a UI alumna, and member of Alpha Gamma Delta, women's fraternity. I currently work for the university, and am proud of my affiliations with UI and AIGD. It is apparent that Mr. Marone feels that UI is a worthless institution, particularly when he says that KUOU is the " only aspect of the UI I've truly enjoyed for the last five years." Not mentioning any offensive to KUOU (I listen to it, too), but I would think that there is more to UI than a radio station which could be considered worthwhile and enjoyable. But perhaps it is because I took the time to get to know more about the campus, faculty, staff and many opportunities for enrichment, both inside and outside of the classroom. when I was a student. Maybe I just made more of an effort. You know, Erik, that two-way street thing?

I know that the Greek System has its pros and cons. It is not a perfect system, and has plenty of room for improvement. I also realize that there are many who think it should be abolished, but I am not going to waste my time and yours, stating why I disagree with this idea. Apparently Mr. Marone falls into that category of people who would like to see the Greek System gone. Let me share a quote with you: "Like so many other independent, I've put up with their (Greek's) self-importance, pompous, elitist bullshit for five and a half years and I'm glad they're leaving so those who will endure it after me." First of all, Mr. Marone, is this how you plan to express yourself when you get a big job with a newspaper someday? Are you completely incapable of expressing yourself without being patronizingly into your writing, as well as referring to getting "had"? If so, I suggest you invest in a thesaurus and improve your vocabulary a little bit. Secondly, I would think that if you listed UI and the unbearable Greek System so much, you could have tried harder to get out of here in less than five and a half years. I hope that Mr. Marone finds what he is looking for in Seattle. I hope he enjoys all the late-night coffee shops over there, and that he feels liberated from the "socially dependent and socially repressed" members of the Greek System. I'm sure he won't miss anything at all about Moscow or the University of Idaho. Well, don't worry, Erik. We won't miss you very much either.

—Jennifer Bagot

GREETINGS TO NEW STUDENTS

Welcome to the University of Idaho. I want to personally say hello and invite you to enjoy and make the most of the opportunities that are here for you on the Moscow campus. As returning and new transfer students, you have just become the newest members of our Vandals family. You join with our returning undergraduate and graduate students in the pursuit of your goals and the achievement of a rich and full educational experience. We are here for you. Discover all about the University of Idaho and everything that is available to you; make it your home.

—George Simmons, Provost

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scooped up $62 million in Federal Election Commission Campaign contributions from his script, staged, no-discount allowed San Diego show mercifully breathed its last. Next up will be President Clinton and his husband—as soon as their identical Chicago wing-ding is history.

And what's all this government campaign money about? It's about you and your opinions. It's about flooding your consciousness with as many marketing TV spots in the next eight weeks that you'll buy into your narrow little debate. That's right, it's about tiny little "Doleoola" TV spots. The Dole campaign estimates it'll spend $41 million on their spots, and the Clintons' won't be far off. Not to publish and distribute a public platform of ideas en masse to the voters. We're finessing a series of "real thing" give and take campaign debates on the issues to replace the micel-mash, Leftist of Women Voters beauty contests I'm sure we'll see in late October. Not even for, at the very least, live televised town hall type sessions with tough, sharp-witted questions from real voters. No, it's 41 million dollars for the ads. I'm not saying don't spend the money, but I am saying that with so many dollars spent, the public is not well informed of the candidates' opinions. Is that because informed opinions are dangerous creatures? Could be.

They don't always allow people to settle for the pre-digested emotional fluff instead of the solid information they need. If you put out a little effort to inform yourself, maybe you'll soon join the hordes of Americans who think the Democrat/Republican, left/right debate is currently stymied by the supermedia newsreaders and readers is about as relevant to the future as the great stag hunt.

Somewhat related to this is the issue of Argonaut. We've been asked to buy a series of "reprint" articles by someone who is apparently very interested in the future of the Argonaut. We've been asked to buy a series of "reprint" articles by someone who is apparently very interested in the future of the Argonaut. We've been asked to buy a series of "reprint" articles by someone who is apparently very interested in the future of the Argonaut.

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Remembering Douglass Henderson, botanist extraordinary

Carla Richardson

Douglass Henderson was a born and bred Idaho native. He was born in Boise in 1923 and grew up in the Boise area. He attended Idaho State University and received his Bachelor's degree in 1947. He then went on to attend the University of Minnesota, where he received his Master's degree in 1950 and his Ph.D. in 1952. He was a professor of botany at the University of Idaho from 1955 to 1985.

Henderson was a leading figure in the field of plant taxonomy, and his work has been instrumental in the study of plants in Idaho and the western United States. He was also a dedicated teacher, and his influence can be seen in the many students who have gone on to careers in the field of botany.

Henderson passed away in 1985, but his legacy lives on through his contribution to the study of plants in Idaho and the world. He will be missed by many, but his work will continue to be studied and appreciated for generations to come.

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Douglass Henderson, left, passed away this July. He was professor of botany and director of the UI herbarium. He is pictured here with two of his graduate students, Angela Sonderman, right, and Carla Richardson.

Doug's laboratory and classroom really were in the field, cut of doors. He was a field botanist and was proud of that distinction. He was one of the remaining few who actually know of all of the plants that are out on the landscape — where they are, where they grow. Doug loved the natural world and his interest and excitement about it were contagious to whoever was around him.

Doug was also an accomplished photographer and especially enjoyed photographing cacti. He was a volunteer photographer for UI Vandal athletic events. He also enjoyed skiing, canoeing and playing guitar.

To me, Doug was not only my major professor; he was my mentor, field companion and friend. I was looking forward to many more plant collecting expeditions with him and greatly regret that we won’t be taking them. It is very hard to come to terms with the unnecessary death of someone who loved life so much. I suppose I will always remember Doug not for being the respected professor and great teacher that he was, but for being human, just like the rest of us.

Doug Henderson is survived by his wife, Margaret Henderson; a son, Jeffrey Henderson; two daughters, Shari Lynn Watkins and Kathi Lowry; three grandchildren; and scores of undergraduates and graduate students, colleagues, and friends who loved and respected him. He leaves an empty place in all our hearts and will truly be missed.

Editor's note: in the July 31 issue of the Argonaut, Douglass Henderson’s title was incorrectly reported as “associate professor.” Henderson was a full professor who taught courses only in botany, not plant science. His residence was a house, not an apartment as previously reported. The Argonaut apologizes for the incorrect information.

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Vandal FRESHMAN FARES WELL AT OLYMPICS

Vandal freshman Tawanda Chiwira of Zimbabwe advanced to the final round of the men's long jump at the Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta before being eliminated. His mark of 6.13 was the 45th best in the first round and finished third in his heat which was won by Burch Roberts of Great Britain.

Chiwira finished sixth in round two, but broke his own school record, and the Zimbabwean national record by running a 43.36. It broke the previous mark of 45.55 run by Chiwira at the 1995 NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene, Ore.

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Now is the time to offer your support for the Vandals, as they leave the Big Sky Conference and four successive titles behind and head to the Pacific-10 Conference for a volleyball strong conference that annually has up to five teams among the NCAA's elite. Playing in the Big West means you will be able to see nationally ranked teams trying to disprove Idaho's success in the GPAC Conference and to compete for a berth in the NCAA Final Four, home of the traditional 1986 NCAA champion

You can sign up for the volleyball season package, which you will receive in the mail, by the end of this week.

Vandals look to continue dominance

Kindra Meyer

T he Vandal volleyball season is upon us once again, and with it, return some exciting new changes. The team embarks on a journey into the Big West Conference, in addition to having a new assistant coach and a slaw of young blood.

After winning an unprecedented four successive titles, the Vandals leave the Big Sky and head to the Big West, a conference that averages three to five teams ranked among the NCAA's elite each year. Competition is anticipated to be intense, with the new conference teams trying to upset Idaho's 46 home-match winning streak, currently the longest in the nation.

The Big West is comprised of two divisions, eastern and western. The eastern divisions include: Boise State, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico State, North Texas and Utah State in Division 1, and Cal Poly, Cal State Fullerton, Long Beach State, Pacific, UC-Irvine, and UC-Santa Barbara. The top two teams in each division and two teams at large will advance to the inaugural Big West Tournament Nov. 22-24. The winner will receive the league's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

Coach Tom Hilbert is looking forward to the challenge the girls will adjust to the Big West. "We re excited about moving up into the new conference where we don't know what to expect. In the Big Sky we knew how to prepare for our opponents, so it should be interesting."

The prominent team goal for the season is winning the conference division, and with consistent hard work and improvement, Hilbert hopes they'll claim an NCAA berth. "It's a fresh start, an opportunity of an aspiration, considering he has led his team to winning the Big Sky for the past four years, been nationally ranked the past three seasons and has been to four successive NCAA tournaments."

In a recent press conference poll, Idaho's top four players were rated: 1. Hilbert, Long Beach State, "Coach Hilbert is looking extremely tough with five returning starters. The team has won the past two NCAA Championships and is expected to be a factor in the Big West competition." 2. Idaho's top team in the (Big West) are obvious," said Hilbert. "Boise State, Utah State, and UC-Santa Barbara are also very strong this season." 3. Utah State 4. Idaho's top team in the (Big West) are out of the race," said Hilbert. "Boise State, Utah State, and UC-Santa Barbara are also very strong this season." 4. Idaho's top team in the (Big West) are out of the race, but there are a lot of talented athletes," said Hilbert. "We just need to find out where to put it in and how to get the most out of their talents. We are looking on the experience of a few key seniors and the growth of one of the nation's best recruiters. She is currently among the nation's leading recruiters."

Another center predicted to make "VANDALIA PAGE 17"
big plays is sophomore Jessica Moore, who was last year's Big Sky Conference Freshman of the Year. Hilbert expects these two, along with returning senior Jeri Hymas, will make it very tough in the middle.

Not only do the Vandals look strong in the center, but in the outside hitting position as well. This is largely due to the play of sophomore Beth Craig, who came to Idaho as a middle blocker, but has established herself as a powerful threat on the outside. Also looking to pound away on the outside is junior Yvonne, Kyle Leonard, Katie Krebs, and Anna Rennick.

On the weak side, the Vandals look to Shyanne Lynch, a 5'10" sophomore out of British Columbia. Positions are not completely established though, and Hilbert says there are a few freshmen who could wind up with substantial playing time. Red-shirting for the Vandals is freshman Alii Nieman, an outside hitter from Sandpoint who will also be playing varsity basketball at UI.

Hilbert said that he's looking forward to bringing some unsuspecting Big West teams into Memorial Gym, which should be really fun. Last year's support for the team was overwhelming, an average of over 1,000 fans per match packed into the cozy gym. UI ranked 24 in the nation for attendance at volleyball games in 1995.

Idaho was fifth best in the Big Sky, and would have finished third among Big West schools, among whom is national attendance leader Hawaii.

Their schedule kicks off with a grueling eight-day road trip beginning Sept. 2 at Southern Louisiana. From there, the Vandals travel to Louisiana State on Sept. 3 and Tulane Sept. 4. UI will finish the trip at the Wyoming Tournament on Sept 6-7.

The first home match of the season is the Idaho Classic, which the Vandals will be hosting Friday, August 23, 1996

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Jackson returns to coach at Benedict University

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Through 17 NFL seasons, star receiver Harold Jackson never had trouble finding the football. Things weren’t so easy when he became Benedict’s head coach.

“When I signed on at Benedict, we had to go to the store to buy a football because we didn’t have one,” said Jackson, starting his second year reviving the dormant sport at Benedict College. “I didn’t know what I’d gotten myself into.”

Whatever it was, he convinced friends and fellow NFL stars Julius Adams and Robert Weathers to join him as assistants. Now, there may not be many on the sidelines. But it definitely gives us an advantage because we get to learn from guys who were there and can help us get there,” sophomore fullback Arnold Morton said.

Jackson had starred for the Philadelphia Eagles, Los Angeles Rams and New England Patrtions and made five Pro Bowls. While his pro career ended, he jumped into NFL coaching for eight seasons. But he missed working with young people. “Whenever anyone (in the NFL) asked me to do something with youth, I would because that’s our future,” he said. “I knew I wanted something like this.”

He still had to be convinced that Benedict was the place. The Tigers had gone dormant in 1998; there was no equipment, no suitable practice fields and not many qualified athletes to field a club team.

Through the arm-twisting of new Benedict President Dr. William Swain and prominent alumni like LeRoy Walker, head of the United States Olympic Committee, Jackson made the move. And when he arrived, a staff, Jackson was ready to come aboard. “I found a group here that wanted to learn,” Jackson said. “When it comes to Popes, you didn’t need a Popes. You could still push offensive lineman into next week. Teaching at this level was something I had hoped to do anyway.”


It tickles them to think where they’ve been and how they got here. “We talk about being on that (NFL) level,” Jackson said. “But we didn’t have a chance to coach in college, and if we have to stop at the bottom, so be it. This is a challenge and we want to make the most of it.”

All that pro football savviness seemed too much for the group of 100 mostly freshmen who came out for tryouts last fall. The discipline wasn’t there, Jackson said, and neither was the ability to go hard week-in, week-out.

Despite the commitment from the administration, there were few Faiths and practice was held on the large open-field of a shuttered prison. Jackson said he had to win every time a uniform tore or a cleat stopped.

However, Jackson, Adams, Weathers and the rest of the staff installed NFL-style drills that soon had players believing they could succeed.

“They taught us this is just not a club team,” Jackson said. “We have athletes here.”

The Tigers went 3-6 last season. But more importantly, they have increased the ‘show’ image. Enrollment is up over 2,000 this season, 500 more than three years ago, South Carolina State, a powerful NCAA Division I-AA team, has inquired about reviving the long-ago series with Benedict. Next year, the team is searching for an NCAA conference.

And Jackson thinks he may have found some players this year. “Some,” he said, “who go to us in the next few weeks.”

If anyone should know, it would be Jackson.
Parking permits are available through the Parking & Information Office located inside the North Campus Center on the Pullman Highway. Permits will also be available Sunday, August 25, at the West Ticket Booth outside the Kibbie Dome during fee payment. Parking tickets available on any illegally parked vehicle.
Vandal men capture second straight title

TEMPLE, AZ — It came down to the final event of the evening to decide the men's Big Sky Outdoor Championship as the University of Idaho men's track team overcame adversity and high temperatures to capture their second consecutive Big Sky Outdoor Championship on Saturday.

Idaho and Boise State were tied at 114 going into the final event but the Vandals ran away with a 4-x-400 meter relay to finish the event and finished just ahead of Boise State for the overall title 124-122. The team of Tawanda Chiwira, Scott Whalen, Jason St. Hill, and Felix Kamangirira finished in a time of 3:11.46, beating out Boise State.

"Coach (Keller) pulled us aside and told us the situation," said Kamangirira. "We knew what we had to do. I just had to hold down the baton to get us home."

"We went out with the intention of getting us the lead," Chiwira said. "We just had to make sure we didn't get disqualified.

- Idaho captured its fourth and final Big Sky title (1983, 1983, 1995, 1996) in the closest margin of victory since 1972 when Northern Arizona beat Idaho State 71-70. Idaho's 122 overall points was the fewest number of points by a winning team since 1990, when Northern Arizona won the title with 114.

The Vandals were the most despite two of its top athletes—Niels Kruller and Chris Kovacs, not even scoring a point in their specialties.

"We fought off adversity the entire men's," said head coach Mike Keller, who won his fourth Big Sky title 22 years ago at Idaho. "Our guys kept fighting to the very end and we had some guys step it up unexpectedly. They are a great bunch of kids and this is a nice way to finish our years in the Big Sky."

Keller informed his Sammer in the 100-meter preliminaries last Friday night, and Kruanawa failed to get a legal jump in the preliminaries on the triple jump last on Saturday night. Both had the top marks in the conference in their events coming into the meet.

But Idaho got clutch performances out of several athletes and an assist from John Howell of Northern Arizona in the 3,000-meter run.

The Vandals led Boise State 114-105 entering the next to last race of the night, the 3,000. Boise State's Jose Uribe led the race with just over a lap to go when Howell pulled ahead of him with one lap to go. Uribe retook the lead with 200 meters left, but Howell pressed him with 100 meters to go and held him off in the end with a winning time of 14:29.12. Uribe finished second with a time of 14:29.67. If Uribe would have won the race, Boise State's second place finish in the 4 x 400-meter relay would have given them a share of the title.

Freshman Tawanda Chiwira, a mid-season transfer, had a big night as he won the 200- and 400-meter races and ran on both winning relay teams. His win over Walter Reed in the 200 meters was a clutch performance. Chiwira won a running time of 21.18 to Reed's 21.23. That race came just before the 5,000-meter time trial.

"My strategy was to go out with confidence," said Chiwira. "I had to go out and get ahead of him (Walter Reed) in the first 1100 meters. I felt him closing on me, but I struggled through the end by."

Senior hurdler Paul Thompson was named the "Track Athlete of the Meet" after winning the 400-meter hurdle crown on Saturday. The previous evening he automatically qualified for the NCAA Championships and broke a Big Sky Conference Championship record by running a 50.16. Thompson won Saturday's final with a time of 51 seconds flat, becoming only the second Idaho athlete to win the event. Mike Kelteny was Idaho's only previous winner, taking the title in 1985.

"That tops off a great season," said Thompson. "This was a team effort, but this was the icing on the cake. We have a great bunch of athletes and we just came together when we needed to at the end."

Senior Thad Hathaway completed a sweep of the indoor and outdoor high jump titles as he won the outdoor title for the second consecutive year with a best of 7-0 1/4. Hathaway came to Idaho last year from Eastern Oregon and entered College and won the indoor and outdoor conference high jump titles the last two years.

While Hathaway was happy he won the conference title, he was disappointed at finishing second at the NCAA meet at 227 1/2 inches. That would probably qualify him for NCAA nationals.

"That jump would have gotten me to nationals," said Hathaway. "That first jump felt real good, but I just barely missed it. I'm nice to win, to get 10 points for the team."

Hathaway barely nicked the bar on the way down on his first attempt at 7 feet 2 inches. He became the first athlete to win back-to-back outdoor titles in the event since 1985.

"We made up a lot of points in this event," said Keller. "The high jump was a big one for us and helped carry us to the champi- onship."

The Vandals solid 18 points in the 400-meter hurdles as Paul Thompson won going away and Scott Whalen pulled overcame Ryan Renz of Boise State and Brent Sampson of Montana State after the final hurdle to finish second.

"I'm stronger than most of the other guys and that helps me in the end," said Whalen. "It was my fastest time of the year, so I can't complain. It would have been nice to beat Paul once, but it wasn't meant to be."

Thompson won at the event 51 seconds flat and Whalen won with a personal best of 51.35. Idaho defense its 4-x-100 meter relay title even without its strongest leg—Niels Kruller, Garth Headsman, Jason St. Hill, Felix Kamangirira and Tawanda Chiwira won the event in a season best time of 40.36. It marked the ninth night that Idaho has won the relay, more than any other school in conference history.

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which ran a second place time of 3:12.98.

It seemed fitting that the two schools that were competing in their final Big Sky Conference event would battle past midnight and into Sunday morning to decide the title.

Our guys kept fighting to the very end and we had some guys step it up unexpectedly. They are a great bunch of kids and this is a nice way to finish our years in the Big Sky.

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Associated Press

WILLIAMSPORT, Pennsylvania

Brett Bell pitched a four-hitter and hit a two-run homer in the first inning Monday night, leading Cranston, Rhode Island past Moosup, Connecticut, 3-1 on the opening day of the Little League World Series.

Cranston scored three runs in the first and second in the second with help from two wild pitches by Aaron Garcia. He was replaced by Joe Marcial, who allowed no runs in 2 2/3 innings and struck out five.

Tom Michael stole home for Cranston, Rhode Island’s third team in the 50 years of the Little League World Series.

Tommy Gum scored on Bell’s wild pitch in the fifth, but Bell struck out Garcia with runners at second and third to foil Moosup.

In the other U.S. game, Panama City, Florida beat Marshalltown, Iowa, 8-3. Stung by Jeff Clement’s first-inning, first-pitch homer for Marshalltown, the Floridians came back in the bottom of the first with homers by Heath Anderson and Judy Poon.

In Monday’s opener, Julio Lan’s three-run homer powered San Isidro, Dominican Republic, over Surrey, British Columbia, 5-1. Also, Koo-Huising City, Taiwan, defeated Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, 12-3. The Taiwanese have sent a squad to the series of 21 of the last 28 years.

Panama City will play Cranston on Tuesday, and Marshalltown will play Moosup. The Dominican Republic advanced to Tuesday’s game against Taiwan. The Canadian team from suburban Vancouver will next play Saudi Arabia, in the international division of the round-robin tournament.

The top two teams in each division U.S. and international will play in Thursday’s semifinals for a spot in Saturday’s championship. The series is for 11- and 12-year-olds.

“It was like,” You first your cannon, so we’ll fire our cannon back,” Panama City coach Dennis Sauls said about his team’s answer to Clement’s 15th home run in 16 playoff games in 1996. Josh Cooper also homered and Mark Sauls struck out 12 for Panama City.

“My curveball was on today, and I’ve got a good fastball to back it up,” said Mark Sauls, the coach’s son. His right arm was packed in ice immediately after the last out. The team travels with a physical therapist and a masseuse, the parents of outfielder Ryan Harris, to keep pitchers loose.

The hitters by Posey and Anderson were quick to answer to Clement’s shot. Panama City scored three runs in the fourth inning. Anderson’s single and Sauls’ sacrifice bunt, and three more in the fifth on Trey Shields’ single and a passed ball on Marshalltown catcher Mike Mogford.

Chris Sisoon went 2-for-2 and scored two runs for Marshalltown, the first Florida team in the series in five years.

Marshalltown went with 11 players, three fewer than the other teams, because manager Brad Clement wanted to worry less about playing everyone. All 11 played Monday.

The younger Clement scored all three runs for Marshalltown, and could pitch again as soon as Wednesday on two days’ rest, two fewer than most major leaguers get, if the Iowans must win to advance.

In the third game, Chin-Hsiung Hsieh, one of the smallest players on the field, went 4-for-4 with four RBIs and two home runs, including a solo homer that gave Taiwan a 3-0 lead in the second. Taiwan scored five runs and sent 10 batters to the plate in the third with help from Matt Ballard’s two wild pitches.

Hsieh is one of the team’s better power hitters, but manager Tong-Yu Hu said he bats Hsieh eighth in the lineup because Hsieh gets too nervous when he bats higher.

Ballard, who struck out six, and Andrew Campbell in relief got the win.

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Dhahran in the third. Matt Hennche drove in another in the fifth with a single.

In the first game, pitcher Anthony Miller of Canada took the loss despite striking out 12.

The Dominicans crowded the plate to try to reach Miller’s curveballs. Unsettled, he threw a wild pitch, walked two batters and gave up Lara’s 220-foot home run in the first inning.

"These guys swing real hard. When you make a mistake, you pay big," said British Columbia’s manager Harvey Friesen.

DeHawg, Hernandez gave up only three hits for the Dominican Republic, a team of children of personnel in the Dominican air force. Romero Guinlein also homered for the Dominican Republic, which had a team reach the World Series final in 1983, when it lost 3-1 to Maritza, Georgia.

Adam Loores drove in Canada’s only run with a sixth-inning single.

Soccer tourney fast approaching

The University of Idaho Soccer Club will kick off the fall season with a five-a-side tournament to be held Sat. and Sun., Sept. 7-8 at Field No. 2 at Guy Wicks Field. Teams will consist of a keeper and four players, plus substitutes. The fee will be $40 per team, payable no later than the Friday, Sept. 6, at 4 p.m. to Ron McFarland, UISC Faculty Advisor, whose office is room No. 123 in Brink Hall.

Proceeds from the fees will cover officiating costs and trophies for first through fourth place teams. Prizes from the tournament will go to the UI Soccer Club to help pay costs for competing in the Northwest Soccer League (Spokane) in the fall.

Only the first 16 teams to pay the fees will be included in this fall, McFarland said, but if the event is a success, the format may be expanded next year. He reported that he expects the teams to vary in quality from "strong recreation" to "highly competitive."

Teams will use standard No. 5 balls.

A center referee will officiate each match, but there will be no lines officials. The matches will run 20 minutes per half.

Teams will be placed in four brackets of four teams each. Round-robin play will move the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in each bracket to the winners rounds. Teams placing third or fourth in their brackets will play against teams from other brackets in consolation rounds on Sunday.

Provided there are no forfeits, each team should be assured of at least four matches. A standard of seven-point scoring system will be used (three for a win, one for a tie, up to three for goals scored, one for a shutout). Ties will be decided by head-to-head record or by goal differential.

For further information contact Ron McFarland (885-6937 or 8656; 882-0849) or Jabbes (885-7211 or 883-4588).

—Courtesy of Ron McFarland

Welcome to the Big West

Mark Vanderwall

Sports Editor

Since the beginning of time there has been a preconceived notion of what is right or wrong, but judgment day is drawing near for the Vandals as they make last-minute preparations for the final surge into the Big West Conference.

The football team leads the conference by a battle as they open up on the road at Wyoming on Aug. 31, before taking on San Diego State the following weekend in the Sunshine State. The volleyball team also tips its hand at being road warriors, as they open up with six consecutive matches on the road before returning home to try and extend its current 46-match home winning streak.

For the football team, the move should generate increased revenue, along with increased fan support from the area population. For the volleyball team, it means joining one of the powerhouse conferences in the nation, as well as increased competition to help get them ready come tournament time.

So why is there any doubt about the move to the Big West anyway? Well, to start things off, what exactly is the University of Idaho accomplishing by moving? Not a whole heck of a lot. They are joining one of the weakest football conferences in the nation, not to mention that they may have had stronger competition in the Big Sky. For the volleyball program, it was definitely time for a change, and they will prosper in a new environment, with plenty of challenges rather than blowouts.
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Sting warms Gorge with Mercury Falling

Shawn Vidmar
Staff

The summer concert series at the Gorge offered many choices. Only a mere three-and-a-half hours drive to four hour drive, depending on the traffic, places you at the mouth of a spectacular canyon and a wonderful backdrop for the stage and sound system nestled within. A few booths pulled up as the concert began and as twilight fell, they illuminated their booths like fireflies in the swamps.

The vendors inside charge outrageous prices for the simplest items, including $4.75 for a 12-ounce beer, no seat and be merry before the show. The bathroom line is also a hassle and can detain a person for 30 minutes or more, during a set no less.

The hometown group from Boulder, Colorado, The Samples, warmed up the crowd. They played some new songs in addition to their standard set. They sounded good, but personally they sound better playing at a pub or bar in Boulder than on a large stage.

Gordon Matthew Sumner, also known as Sting, attracted a sell-out crowd on Aug. 10. It is a part of his Mercury Falling tour. Just as the stars began to appear, Sting walked on stage to sing, "I Hung My Head," as the crowd cheered. The stars put on a show as well with Aug. 10 being the first day of the Perseid Meteor Shower. Sting sounded great, his band phenomenal, and the stage show just as you'd expect, haunting but not pyrotechnic. It seemed as if the images floating across the loose sheets blowing in the wind were taken from the highlands of Scotland or the lost land of Avalon. He performed many of the songs from his latest release as well as some all-time favorites such as "Roxanne," "Don't Stand So Close to Me," "Englishman in New York," and "Fragile.

The nights were warm and breezy, complemented the energy of the mellow crowd. At one point, Sting played the first few notes of his popular song, "I'm So Happy, I Can't Stop Crying," and then asked if anyone really knew the song. Of those raising their hands, a young man named Nitz got invited onto the stage to sing a duet with the man himself. Not did fairly well, and quite frankly, we were all living vicariously through them for those five minutes. The crowd persuaded Sting and his band to come back for two encores and then on went the lights and some cover band singing "Yellow Submarine" quite badly.

The $20 camping fee is overpriced to say the least, but there is some satisfaction bedding down for the night when the other poor souls are stuck in a line of endless tailgates for at least three hours. The noise lasted well into the west morning, and if you are a light sleeper this may not be the best idea if you want to function the next day.

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29Died: Sworn to reaktivate, punish

Christopher Clancy
Developer Juke

I f an electronic buzz speaks to your soul in a Nine Inch Nails kind of way, Sworn, 29Died’s latest release, may be exactly what it takes to reawaken and punish your machine. The dark, futuristic lyrics and transiton samples have that same kind of electronic—freckled with despair—feeling as many of the more notable industrial offerings of the previous decade. David Ciemny’s vocals approximate Vissarion’s while the samples, lightweight beat and high ree fall eerily in line with an earlier Front 242.

While not nearly as profound or racked with despair as NIN, Sworn retains a lot of the same cynicism incorportating a tighter, more refined and almost entirely digital sound. Without a doubt, 29Died obsesses over the same gut-wrenching emotion as NIN, the difference being the emphasis on social rather than personal problems. And, though “Mother Nature” and “Pull Me Under” address the deity of society in general, the band does an extremely driven version of Soft Cell’s cult classic, “Tainted Love.” Other notable tracks include: “Flat Seat,” a highly-charged song about electrocution, and “Instant.”

Sworn is one of those albums that was probably inspired by the band’s musical tastes evolving over the course of years, which is also its biggest weakness because of its overall sound, which by a mid-1990s standard seems a little dated. The band uses a lot of the same techniques as many of the more revolutionary industrial acts of the ’80s (especially when sampling is concerned). If Sworn would have come out in 1989 it probably would have been an incredible success. In 1996, the album is, at best, a faithful reproduction of where industrial music used to be and not where it’s going, which isn’t to say that it’s album is poorly done, it’s just to say that, well, it’s been done. Sworn relies heavily on a somewhat singular synth sound throughout the album, and the impression is that the band uses a relatively limited range of equipment. However, in the long tradition of nearly all industrial acts, the band is reported to employ such venerable industrial devices as hammers, oil drums, and “jagged shards of metal” in their live performances. The band is currently touring and plans to appear in Boise at Neptunes on Sept. 14, and in Seattle at The Fenz Underground Sept. 19.

Best of Kurtis Blow, phat

Milah Miller
Staff

Kurtis Blow—one of rap’s early pioneeers, drops The Best of Kurtis Blow, a compilation album of many old school tracks that are sure to make you throw down the cardboard mat and make a sorry attempt at doing a head spin. And, after you’re through making a fool of yourself, you can try listening to the rest of the album “cause it’s full of smooth jams and phat tracks from the old days. When it was all about havin’ a good time, instead of blowing each other bish dump, all battals, squabbles and beefs were settled on the dance floor.

One of Blow’s greatest, “The Breaks” is first up on my play list and first up on the album. Poppy basslines, percussion solos and Studio 88 keyboard riffs make for one helluva party. Though not a distinctive lyricist in hip-hop’s history, Blow had a strong delivery and humorous rhymes that made him one of the greatest. Lyrics involving the crowd wear his font. “Hey last week you met the perfect guy (That’s the breaks, that’s the break). He promised you the stars in the sky (That’s the breaks, that’s the break). He said his Cadillac was gold, (That’s the breaks, that’s the break). He didn’t say it was ten years old (That’s the breaks, that’s the break). He told you the story of his life (That’s the breaks, that’s the break). But he forgot the part about his wife.” It was these kind of lyrics that made for a characteristic jam in the old days. “Heard Times,” with its funky guitar stroking, was one of the first examples of politics in hip-hop. The lyrics found here are all about the hard economic times in America during the late Carter/early Reagan administration. “The price is going up, the dollar is down, you get me? (That’s the breaks). It’s probably the best jam found here, because of the bumpin’ solos between the bass and percussionist. A stripped-down version of this song was re-done several years later by Run DMC, making it hip-hop’s first cover tune.

Blow’s in is with the beats of an old 808 drum track is “Tough.” This song lives up to its title. Although the percussio found here is solely digital, it features a “Biaswave” baseline— which, if you already didn’t know, is “strong: like a super hero, rough: like a tankhead zero, hard: like the cold concrete and tough: like a two dollar steal.” “8 Million Stories” is not only one of the first tales of the rough streets of New York, but it also boasts one of the first appearances of Run DMC. Topics for discussion range from early teen-age pregnancies to drug habits and untimely deaths. This kind of stuff was unheard of back in the early ’80s when dance tracks reigned supreme, but it gave birth to later tales of street life by other rappers. Arguably, one of Blow’s funkiest of all time is, “If I Ruled the World.” Smooth choruses, that 808 kicks and a jazzy bassline glide along under stellar high hat snaps. The words in them-selves are timeless. A supreme example of Blow’s musical and lyrical genius: “If I ruled the world, I’d love all the girls, wear diamonds and pearls, if I ruled the world.”

Unfortunately for us, he doesn’t, but this world would be a lot better place if he did.

Top 10 Albums in the US

1. NAS — It was written
2. Mobb Deep — Load
3. Alanis Morissette — Jagged Little Pill
4. Puff Daddy — The Score
5. Tumi Braico — Secrets
7. Tracy Chapman — New Beginning
8. Keith Swift — Keith Swift
9. Catlin Dixon — Falling in Love
10. Soundtrack, The Nutty Professor — Various

*Source Billboard magazine
Orchestra says Goodbye to all That

Christopher Clancy

Hmmm... Low & Sweet as opposed to Sweet and Low? Regardless of where it gets its name, the band's musical sense and acoustic strength, makes the Low and Sweet Orchestra a unique, if not somewhat eclectic, group of musicians as shown by their first release, Goodbye To All That.

The seven-piece group includes a wide range of instruments and musical backgrounds culminating in a hybrid of folk, country, and blues with Celtic influences. Postman Mike Marti's vocals are somewhere between REM and the Pogues with a hint of They Might Be Giants playfulness from time to time.

Accoutrements, mandolins, violins, viola, cello, dobro, bass, acoustic guitar and percussion mix to form a warm, musically diverse sound, which helps make up for the disjointed, hard times feel of the lyrics inspired by Marti's real life experiences in the bashed out, 1980s punk scene of Hollywood's down and out east side. With its Hollywood origin, it may come as no surprise then that four of the seven band members have also appeared on film. drummer Marko, formerly of The Pogues, has starred in such films as Young Guns and How to Make an American Quilt and Marti and Kevin McNally appear in the cult 1980s film about the L.A. punk scene, Repo Man, while James Pneomy and Zander Schloss met on the set of Straight to Hell.

For the time being, at least, the band is concentrating on its unique musical endeavors. Goodbye to all That features a wide range of colorful tunes and ensembles from the almost whimsical "Fascist and Shakes" to the bitter regrettfulness of "I Had to Leave a Friend Behind." Goodbye to all That is a series of short stories that tell a tale of life on the not so glamorous other side of the Hollywood scene.

With the formation of the Low & Sweet Orchestra, long-time punk rock veterans Marti and Schloss have left behind the band's roots to move on to what Schloss sums up as "better things to do musically."

"Some people think we're turn-of-the-century," Schloss said. "Actually, we're turn of the next century. The most punk thing you can do is to show your emotions, your sadness and joy. The edge lies out in the volume but the emotion." Whether the turn of the next century brings a return to a more folkly sound is yet to be seen.

If it is, the Low & Sweet Orchestra will surely have transformed itself from the post-punk mellow men of the '80s, to the top 40, Beverly Hiltonites of the 60's.

Jaded student's guide to Moscow

David Camden-Britton

Staff

It offends me to the core of my being when people say, "there's nothing to do here in Moscow." Such statements are not only false, but detract from the reputation of Moscow as a cultural Mecca. In order to lay this silly rumor to rest, I will provide some guidance to as to what you may participate in while there is seemingly "nothing to do."

For book. You're reading this article right now, so I can safely assume that literacy is within your repertoire of skills. The University of Idaho has a modest few hundred thousand tomes with which to whet your literary appetite, so dive in. And if that isn't enough for you, there is a public library as well as several used and new book stores in various convenient locations about town.

Take a walk: This is a precursor to several other activities, and may just make you the 'tiniest' smidgen healthier than before. Also, walking allows you a chance to see the sights of Moscow at speeds significantly slower than usual (unless you're that guy who was in front of me last week, but I digress).

Room Downtown: If you can't find something to pique your interest there, you're not looking hard enough. Go to an art gallery and "critique" the art there. You're a college student, you MUST be qualified to critique art. Be sure to use the phrase "flowing somnolence" at least twice for bonus points. Or, you could lurk around the fountain and have best races. Boat construction is left to the individual, but the more primitive the materials, the better the boat. Unless one of your friends has a radio-controlled speed boat, then you can play the Coast Guard's favorite game: Maniac on the High Seas. Put all your boats into the fountain, and then run the "maniac" around until you have damaged...
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Who took the ‘M’ out of MTV?

Christopher Clancy

I know this is probably going to come as a shock to a lot of people, but, there was a time when, believe it or not, MTV played music videos all of the time. Try to imagine, if you don't remember, what it must have been like to have a channel that played nothing but music videos, 24 hours a day, seven days a week!

I will admit in those glory days it was mostly cheesy synth-pop and glass rockers, but the idea is still an interesting, if not a noble one.

Now back to the “Real World,” ahem... or “Road Rules,” or it’s zoning sister sequel, or “MTV Sports,” or “Singled Out,” or “Sand Blast,” or any one of the other dozens or so more programs that MTV, yes MUSIC Television, continually attempts to force down our throats instead of music videos.

Whatever happened to the 'M' in MTV? For those of you still eating strained meat and messing your nappies in the early ‘80s, trust me—all music channel really was a good idea. The beauty of it was that a video could only last for so long. So, if you didn't like what was on, chances are, three minutes later you would. Channel surfing took as a whole new meaning. And it was honest—last anyway. You wanted music where you could turn it on and there it was.

The wallow in the mire began innocently at first with the selection of the music videos themselves. It was just the way that the same videos tended to be played ad nauseam, over and over, radio-style—same old, same old, day in and day out. And yet, it was still seemed a minor annoyance, kind of like an anophelines mosquito buzzing in your ear. By the late '80s, it was obvious that the buzzing had become a full-blown case of pop culture malaria as shows like “Headbanger’s Ball,” “Yo MTV Raps” and “The Big Picture” began to dominate. It gives me the chills just thinking about it.

Since then, MTV has done a lot of good and bad with a variety of programs designed for youth. And, I have to admit that some of the programming is entertaining and informative— the “Rock the Vote” coverage and “Sex in the 90’s,” for example. Often the politics of the big M are well-intentioned and while many of its shows are actually public service oriented, many are also of the excellent mindless sort of entertainment that we all crave— I submit “Beavis and Butthead,” “Liquid Television” and “120 minutes.” So, I have to agree that at least some programming of shows, in addition to music videos, is alright. Maybe the world would be a better place if MTV were simply to cut the ratio of shows to music.

The trouble with this solution is, that besides the fact that by and large the programs themselves SUCK, just as with other channels, when something is on that you don't want to see, you can be sure that it will continue to be on for at least 10 more minutes—probably longer.

The second problem is that MTV took the same approach with its programs as it did with its videos by rotating a series of programs over and over. So... let's say it's noonish and you're flipping through the channels hoping against hope for all music video or two, when suddenly you come across MTV only to be met with the uninspiring, unappealing gape of Dan (I LOVE MYSELF) Cortese and “MTV Sports” staring back at you. For your sanity you quickly settle on Nick Junior and “Maia the bee,” deciding at last not to take your chances again.

After six hours and a long hoot with Maia, Gunfly, and the Berenstein Bears you've worked up the courage to select music (if you're lucky) and try again. Your sweaty hands grip the remote and you lip quivers as you move swiftly through the seemingly endless barrage of talk shows, infomercials and “70s sitcoms when suddenly you spot the MTV logo and freeze in terror.

“Do it can't be, not again... Dan Cortese!” you scream, pulling out faithful hat, running and humping Daily Throck-style across campus.

Fortunately, for all of us would be Daltys, the launch of Video Hits 1 (VHI), a child company of MTV, gives us another choice. Unfortunately, and despite their motto “music first,” VHI tends to play shows almost as frequently as MTV, while the programming attempts to cater to a different audience anyway.

There may be a light at the end of the tunnel, though, since MTV has discussed the emergence of yet another of its offspring called M2. The new channel promises to do just exactly what I've been complaining about all along and actually play music videos. Though the news comes as something of a relief, I wouldn't be too optimistic just yet. After all, how will this new channel prove to it's sponsors that people actually watch when airline isn't divided into hour and half hour segments? How will the ratings system hold up? To answer this and other intriguing questions we'll just have to wait and see. Until then, I suppose we'll all just have to channel surf until our eyes bleed.
Dr. Scarpetta in over her head

New Zeolites appear among the dead man's belongings, Scarpetta discovers a trail of murder, nuclear weapons and sinister plot. With the help of her computer programming niece Lucy and pilot captain Pete Martino, she is able to untangle the crooked web the New Zeolites power that has been woven, but not without finding himself in great peril. Lucy, with her brilliant designs involving computers, virtual reality, and cyberspace combined with robotics, develops a robot more capable than Roast on "The Jensen." Unfortunately, Lucy has no room for error because her next run is to save the lives of many hostages.

Filled with chilling situations and examples of the evil mankind is capable of exhibiting, Cornell delivers a fast paced who-done-it comparable only to her other books. Her prose is witty, strong and knowledgeable. She has an impressive background in the Medical Examiner world in which she writes. She is on the cutting-edge of computer technology and devices which allow the dead to talk. She also allows her characters to be human and have personal lives which continue beyond the book. Each time you pick up one of her novels, her characters have grown in the interlithold friends.

Cornell's books were awarded many honors, including the Gold Dagger, Edgar Allen Poe, Cawley, Anthony, Macavity and the French Prix du Roman d'Adventure. Her Scarpetta series begins with "Postmortem," "Still Life," "Old Bones," "All That Remains," "Cruel and Unusual," "The Body Farm" and "From Potter's Field"; however, you do not need to read them in order to appreciate her intelligent prose. She is currently working on an original screenplay and meeting with the directors to find the perfect actor to play Dr. Scarpetta.

This novel retains in the University of Idaho Bookstore for $19.67, 22 percent under the list price.

JADED

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every smaller boat there. Afterward, take a moment to reflect on proper boat handling techniques, and the benefits of a life jacket.

ADVANCED SELECTIONS:

No guide-to-things-so-do is complete without some more advanced suggestions for the discerning, and hopelessly jaded individual. Most of these suggestions are probably less than legal in your provision state/township, and discretion is advised.

Name that Bodily Fluid: the party game, is one that can be a differentiating sense of taste, and the lack of tact to use a Buns Alive! Fun Run: Moscow is a vasty entertaining locale for those who wish to remove their outer garments, and take a jog through campus. Be warned that the campus security will most likely consider this a breach of some law or another, and I am not responsible for any damage to your ego caused by taunting individuals. 100-Meter Javelin Catch: The Olympics have spawned many spin-off events, and this is one of them that will probably not have much news coverage. At least, not during the event. Remember to lead the javelin at a bit, and you’re well on your way to a new record. Underwater Basket Weaving: Some think that this is just a class, but in actuality, it’s a modern sport with modern rules and equipment. Be sure to wear your diving suit for the danger round, as the pranha tend to lower your concentration.

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**Quote of the Week**

"One never notices what has been done; one can only see what remains to be done."

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**Recipe of the Week**

**Arroz Con Queso**

1 1/2 cups white rice
3 pkg. Lipton Cup-a-Soup, tomato
1 garlic clove, chopped
25 cup dehydrated onion flakes
25 cup dehydrated sweet bell peppers
2 tsp. dried basil
1 tsp. oregano
1 1/2 tsp. salt
25 cup margarine
4 cups water
1 cup grated cheese

Combine rice, tomato soup, garlic clove, onion flakes, bell peppers, basil, oregano, and salt in a pot with 4 cups of water. Bring to a boil and simmer for 20 minutes.

Place rice mixture on warmed tortillas. Cover lightly with cheese and serve.

You may also eat this by putting the rice mixture and cheese on a tortilla, rolling it up, then frying the tortilla on both sides.


**Rhyme of the Week**

If from the south the horse tails fly,
Clouds may surely fill the sky.
If from the north the tails should scurry,
‘Bout clouds and rain you needn’t worry.

**Tip of the Week**

**Foot Care**

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**MOAB**

Shawn Vidmar

**Tourist Letter**

I n about thirteen hours you could be at the mountain biking Mecca of the nation, Moab, Utah—home of Slickrock, Buck of the Behind, Porcupine Rim, Klondike Bluffs, Poison Spider and Gemini Arch to name a few of the trails.

The Colorado river meanders through this otherworld scenery taken straight out of a "Road Runner Cartoon" or "Marvin the Martian." The red sandstone outcroppings, arches, hoodoos, and massive Neolithic shapes make up this desert playground.

You can find old copper mines, sittings, and even the veins at times. You can venture to view the ancient petroglyph shapes of the happy-go-lucky trickster Kokopelli, the many images at Newspaper Rock and the double-handed mountain goat looking much like Dr. Doolittle’s Pushm-Pullyu animal. You can also take your bike on the ride of your life.

Slickrock trail is the most sought after ride in Moab by visitors. It is a sandstone outcropping the size of some small cities and has arrows painted directly onto the rock to give direction. There are few places for shade and no water sources. The trail is a 13 mile loop consisting of undulating rock, steep grades, some wheel grabbing sand and heart-thumping cliffs. It is one of the more difficult rides in the area, yet millions attempt to do it fresh out of the car.

Early morning or late evening are the best times to attempt this ride. Not only will you see one of the most spectacular displays of color during the sunset or sun set, but the temperatures are not in the 100’s as in the middle of the day. Granted this ride is not for the neophyte cyclist. But if it is one of the most fun.

Moab is one of the most international recreational places in America, second only to Yosemite. On a trail you are likely to run into people from the ends of the earth, yet everyone puts their heritage differences aside and finds his or her own smile while on the trail.

Mens and women are judged only on their ability to accomplish the trail. Everyone is polite and most impressive manners are observed. A local woman rode the Slickrock trail on her lunch break clad in athletic shorts, sports bra and Teva sandals. She hadn’t even broken a sweat as she proceeded to ease down the most difficult drop-off instead of taking the switchbacks recommended. Everyone on the trail stopped and watched in awe. We all want to be “there” in our ability, but cannot without pushing the envelope everyday.

For those venturing for a weekend, condition-ing is a must for enjoyment, as well as the ability to push fear aside and “Just Do It!” No one is born a mountain biker, you must earn the honor through badges of skinned knees, twisted shoulders, pounding calves, and bone-crunching ends.

As a result of the asserted bike spill, you should know on-the-trail maintenance. A stash of tools and a creative mind are always a good idea when it comes to repairs. (A Powerbar wrapper or a dollar bill often fix the occasional blowout) But there is nothing like the feeling of coming off a trail under your own steam, covered from head to toe in fine red dust and your Camelback empty. The weary others show up at Eddie McIlhenny’s Brew Pub, Slickrock Cafe, Fat City Smokehouse and/or Pasta J’s. Those who are still standing can sample the night life Moab has to offer, but most lead back to bed in order to get in a sundrie ride.

Another possibility, if you encounter Moab during a full moon, is a moonlight ride. You should know the trails well, and even have your own lights for the areas obscured and darkened by the overhangs. You need to be confident of your skill and night vision because one wrong move could cause you to plummet great depths down into the dark Colorado river.

The best idea upon arriving in Moab is to purchase maps before you ride. “Moab West” and “Moab East,” are water proof, tear proof, and the most comprehensive. They give information beyond trailheads and directions. The maps indicate ratings of “easy, moderate or difficult” and variations between those. They advise the skill level needed and when the best time is to attack the trail. They also have line graphs displaying the altitude changes, the length of each change and the lowest or highest point of the trail.

For the beginner, some of the best rides are Klondike Bluffs and Gemini Bridges. Klondike is a circular trail giving you the opportunity to practice your ascending and descending abilities on lower angle granite and sandstone than Slickrock. Periodically you can see the three-toed dinosaur tracks left in the one-time sandy coastline. The final climb is well worth the effort for you are rewarded with a panoramic view of unimaginable shapes (that chemical weathering etched for the past couple of millennia). The gentle hues of the desert add subtle shadows and textures of color normally privy only to an artist’s brush.

Gemini Bridges offers a twelve mile downhill of pure pleasure. It is good to have two cars or at least one at the bottom so no one needs to ride back up to get the car. The trail was once a road so it is relatively wide, meaning plenty of margins for error if you are just getting used to maneuvering your bike. At the mid-point, you can get off your bike and walk across the "twist" Gemini Bridges spanning the deep canyons 300 feet below. If you are into a little bouldering, you can scramble to the top for the view. You can see where your trail will lead, the differences in the topography, and where you have come from.

Chances of a tail wind are high and aside from a 2-mile climb toward the end, it is a great ego builder. At the other end of the spectrum, there are the Porcupine Rim and Poison Spider trails. Porcupine Rim in 14 miles equally divided into up and down. The uphill is an old farm road with

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Hikers find plenty to see on Idaho trails

Shawn Vidmar
Outdoors Editor

Idaho offers many ways to get out into the wilderness. Just look around and notice the splendor beckoning beyond Moscow. In a matter of minutes you could be on Moscow mountain. After a few hours you could be at the Salmon River, exploring the trails near Coeur d’Alene, hiking around a lake in Sandpoint or finding your way through the forests near McCall.

For the outdoor enthusiast, Idaho offers many opportunities. Hiking is one of the easiest and most challenging adventures available. It is easy because you can load everything into the car and just find a place along a lovely wagon road and on the other end of the spectrum, you can peek everything on your back and go mountaineering with crampons, ice-picks, and gear for the extremes nature has to offer.

Most of us just like to get out of civilization. We like to go to a place which is quiet except for the occasional gurgling stream or bird call. If this is the case, Idaho is one of the greatest places to explore.

In a recent study conducted by the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL), the bird population in Idaho is growing justified to the national trend of bird watching.

The beauty of civilization at every open space provides the birds with a natural habitat which they are flourishing.

The same is also true of other states which are experiencing a human population boom. The recent wet years in the area has also caused a great growth of the grasslands, thus encouraging greater numbers of primarily native Idaho bird species. Birds such as the western meadowlark, sparrows, horned larks and sage thrashers comprised a large number in the survey.

Therefore, a walk in the woods will offer a wonderful opportunity to view many of these winged friends. If bird watching isn’t your interest, many other things can pique your interest.

Because of Idaho’s lower human population, the wildlife is also abundant. There are plenty of deer, elk, moose, raccoon, bear, mountain goats, mountain lions, mountain sheep and so on throughout the Rocky Mountains and on into Canada. Hikers must be cautious, however, to invite contact with these species, for they can be aggressive at times. Although it is nothing short of a miracle to be hiking along and turn the corner to see a doe and her fawn grazing in a mountain meadow, in sight-seeing visitors we must walk away with a picture or a memory.

Although the hike can become arduous at times, it is well worth the effort. With some experience and preparation before the trip, meals can be nothing short of gourmet and gone are the days of instant skillet meals and the necessity of a fishing pole. A fresh campfire-cooked fish tastes like nothing in the world.

Hiking and camping has its rewards. Being self-sufficient, seeing the wild as the settlers once did and reducing your “burden” is life to finding a flat place to set up camp, locating a water source, and cooking before it gets dark. Even if it is raining, you learn to press on, with the help of Gore-tex, or pitch your tent and deal with it.

On any excursion, be it overnight, week-long, or several weeks, the reward is a renewed sense of empowerment. In a civilization where everything seems contingent upon the other guy, it is nice to know there are places on this planet where you alone are challenged. It is up to you, your guts, your strength, your skill, your luck, your endurance, and your tenacity to complete an adventure. It awakens a deep sense of our primitive ancestry and for once, we can achieve success without having to compromise, sit at a computer, or slave over paperwork. You have to think on your feet and make split decisions. The clouds of civilization dissipate and your soul receives a glimpse of what once was, simplicity.

Upon return, the smallest things give pleasure, such as electricity, warm water and a clothes dryer.

Hiking and camping may not be for everyone, but it is one of the outdoor activities which can be done by anyone and Idaho offers some of the most spectacular scenery found on this earth.


e Erik Hagglund gets ready for another day on the trail.

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Whitewater adventures

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Outdoors Editor

"Taking to the waters" means different things to various people. In Europe it often means going south to a warmer climate like Greece, Italy, and the French Riviera to spend some time in the sun and soak in the mineral pools and salty sea.

For a swimmer, like Amy Van Dyken of Englewood, Colo., it means spending four hours in the pool per day in order to train for her spectacular gold medal run in the recent Olympics.

To most, it is a day on a boat, a raft, canoe or kayak. Whether the trip involves rapids or a float often depends on the attitude, ambition and willingness of the individual.

A float trip is often a great way to see scenery inaccessible by car. In Bude, Canada, many float trips are offered for those who want to see the great geological feats presented by nature. Also, grandparents can go without the threat of getting wet.

This type of experience is offered in Idaho as well.

Through River Access for Tomorrow, (R.A.F.T.), trips are planned and encouraged for experience on the river. In fact, on Saturday Aug. 24, there will be a Moonlight float spilling over into Sunday Aug. 25. For those interested, call Sherry at (208)746-3568.

R.A.F.T. also organizes trips not for the faint of heart. There are bumps and bounces, rapids and precarious boat mending holds throughout. Many are bucked from their aquatic vehicles but then busy up smiling.

Working a river is one of the most exhilarating adventures a person with little training or extreme experience can enjoy. The river is never the same from day to day, week to week, season to season. In mountainous areas, the spring runoff is the most challenging and the most fun. However, when the water level recedes, many seek the problematic obstacles previously covered by water.

For those with little to no experience, a

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rapid ride with a guide is mandatory for safety. The guides know all stages of the river and they will respect the river which has more power than any human being. Furthermore, the guides often carry the Annual Report of Idaho Water-Resource Data, throughout the US Department of the Interior. It is available through the US. Geological Survey offices in Boise, Idaho Falls, Twin Falls and Sandpoint. When embarking upon the trip, the guide will inform you of the commands you need to listen for. "High side, right back, left back, forward 1,2,3, and Hol!' are some of the barks you may hear at any given time. The direction of the raft is directly related to the strength, cooperation, and listening skills of the passengers. Trips include a half day trip, whole day (usually with lunch included), overnight or week long. Only experts and highly experienced rafters would ever embark upon the adventures found on major rivers in the world.

However, many enthusiasts will tell you they’ve experienced equally as harrowing rides during spring runoff after a particularly heavy snowfall. But for those of you who would just like a day out on the water and in the sun, listening to the noises of nature, river rafting is a great way to go.

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many rocks and other obstacles to hop over and dodge. It is challenging to get your timing right so that you don’t ground a pedal and lose your balance. Once at the top, the view is worth the effort, but don’t try to travel too close to your buddies, for one wrong move could mean a nasty pile-up. The downhill is incredibly challenging, more so than Slickrock for there is little room for error. There are times that only those champions on ESPN 2 would be crazy enough to continue on the bike. However, after getting down and riding the last gentle mile out, the memory of the difficulties fades and the high of the accomplishment takes over.

Poison Spider is for the extremely experienced rider. When you begin, the grades are steep. Poison Rim at times and then level off at the plateaus; but do not let this hint you into a false sense of well being. Once you reach the summit, the drop-off is daunting. You will descend 1,000 feet in less than 10 miles during areas that a simple waver in balance will result in a total fall down into the river below. The key is not to look down, and if you don’t you’re too intimidated by vertigo. If you survive this part, you will follow the end of the road which is an easy cruise back to the trailhead and your car.

Overall, the experience is price-less, and for any person keen on learning to ride mountain bike or to push their own abilities further, it is a must. There are plenty of places to camp and great things to see if you lose your appetite for cycling. If you want any further information contact the Moab Information Center, Main & Center Sts., Moab, UT 84532, 1-800-635-6522 or visit their web site [http://moab-_arah.com/rock/wel- com.html].

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