Moscow kids learn about environment

Andrea Lucero

Students struggled with endless questions as students from West Park Elementary School visited their hands at botany, soil testing and animal track identification.

National Resource Education Day gave the sixth graders an opportunity to learn from six different clubs from the College of Forestry and Wildlife.

"National Resource Education Day is my leadership project," explained Amy Bennett, National Resource Education Day coordinator. "It was put on to help the clubs get more involved in the community and to educate and get students interested in the natural world."

The clubs set up booths in different areas throughout the Arboretum and groups of about eight students traveled one at a time to each booth.

"It's a great experience. The kids love it. They are so intent, it's like they are watching television or something," said Dimitri Vidger, member of the student chapter of the American Fisheries Society. "It's surprising how much the kids already know."

The American Fisheries Society taught students about the endangered White Sturgeon and provided an aquarium containing Steelhead and Chinook Salmon.

The Foster Products Club gave students samples of different water filters. Students dipped the wood in soapy water and blew into the opposite end. If the water passed, the wood was clean and soft; if they did not, the wood was a hard wood.

"It is really interesting for them," said Wendy Kravitz, substitute teacher at West Park Elementary. "They really like the hands-on activities.

The Wildlife Society provided a booth where students went over basic wildlife management, coreen, animal track identification and birds of prey. Students were also allowed to look at soft ferns, owls and ogreys, as well as several different skeletons.

"I think the event has been very successful. It's good for the kids and good for us to experience working with the public," said Kelly Johnson of the Wildlife Society Club.

The Range Club gave definitions of range land, and students used their hands to identify different types of soil (tilt, sand and clay).

"It's important for kids to learn about how nature systems work. Sometimes the media explained what is going on incorrectly and we need to clear it up," explained Meribeth Lomkin, Range Club president.

Resource, Recreation and Tourism taught children about lamprey camping. They learned to camp 200 feet from ponds to prevent water pollution, to take out trash, and to not cut limbs off trees.

Camping equipment such as tents and cook stoves were also set up for the students.

The Boulay Club taught students to identify different tree types by looking at their branches, needles and cones.

Sixth grader Qaiser Saidiq attempts to describe the difference between a Steelhead and a Chinook Salmon.

Peter McKinney

Humans fundraising pays off with federal grant

Justin Oliver Ruen

Although tight budgets will be the rule in most University of Idaho departments, those in the humanities can breathe a little easier.

UI was awarded a 1991 National Endowment for the Humanities grant totaling $300,000, and has raised $1 million in private matching contributions in the past five years. The money will support a five-part program that will improve humanities education, said Kurt Olssen, Dean of the College of Letters and Sciences.

"We have reinvested the income off the endowment, so that now the total endowment principal is $1.463,000," Olssen said. "Once the income that starts flowing in, it will give us the funding we need to introduce all five parts of this program."

The NEH grants were established to encourage distinguished teaching professorships in the field of humanities. Fourteen schools were awarded short-term grants, with UI taking top honors in a field of Dartmouth, Rice and others.

The UI grant proposal had five components, Olssen said. The distinguished teaching professor will be chosen from UI humanities faculty for their excellence in education and will be appointed to a two-year term. That individual will collaborate with three UI faculty fellows on approval of projects to use the grant money.

There will also be at least one visiting professor for each year, chosen in a nationally renowned figure in their field, who Olssen predicts will add "a certain freshness of perspective" to UI humanities.

A teaching enrichment fund will be divided among campus class projects, for example, bringing in a guest lecturer, renting a film or even ordering some books for the library," Olssen said.

The fifth element will be annual summer faculty seminars. This element of the project was initiated last summer, with a seminar discussing integration of humanities teaching with technology.

Matching contributions came from 43 states and 376 cities across the country. "A lot of people saw the proposal, loved it and thought it would be great for UI," Olssen said.

Major contributors included UI History Professor emeritus Fred Winkler, who contributed over $100,000. Music Professor emeritus Agnes Schrader also gave $100,000. The estate of Idaho author Vardis Fisher topped the private contributions with $200,000.

Olssen hopes that specific details of the program can be released by the end of the year.

"It's really critical that we get different disciplines talking to each other. That means students in one field talking to students in another field, but also faculty. So this process is really about making connections."

Increasing water use raises concerns

Bryant J. Kuechle

Water is there with air and dirt as things we usually take for granted. We probably don't have to start bottling air and hoarding dirt, but water conservation is a realistic issue that needs to be addressed on the Palouse.

"We know that water demands will naturally increase with the continued growth of our two cities," said Ann Volmer, Water Conservation Committee chairman for Pullman and Moscow. "While we have an ample supply for our current needs, we do not know how much or how fast the water we use is being replaced in the aquifer."

The aquifer is the primary water source for Pullman and Moscow. It is a natural water storage area called the Grand Ronde in the underlying rock and sediment. "Pullman and Moscow are fortunate enough to enjoy a plentiful, high-quality water supply," Volmer said.

"However, ground water levels in the deep aquifer have been dropping in some local areas at the rate of about one to two feet per year for over 20 years."

In both cities, the water is treated with chlorine to kill bacteria. Moscow, unlike Pullman, does not add fluoride because "naturally-occurring fluoride levels are close to FDA recommendations," Volmer said.

"The quality of our water supply is excellent," she said. "It meets all federal drinking water standards, and because it is deep underground, the water is well protected from surface contamination."

If you find that your water does not taste good, Volmer suggests that you put it in a container and let it sit uncovered for a few hours. "This allows chlorine molecules to escape into the air, thus improving the flavor," she said.

The committee has an office in Merrill Hall and is open to suggestions on water efficiency and conservation. Their phone number is 885-2740 and Volmer can be reached by e-mail at avolmer@novell.uidaho.edu.

**SEE ENVIRONMENT PAGE 5**
10/11/96
2:10 a.m. Officers cited Anthony Groyers, 23, for driving without privileges on Main and First Streets.
3:07 a.m. Officers responded to a report that five people were barricering an individual at Cadillac Jack's. No citations were issued.
10:29 p.m. Authorities responded to a report of vandalism at the Kbbie Dome. It was discovered that a ticket booth had been turned over. No citations were issued.

10/12/96
1:30 a.m. Officers cited August K. Spinn, 19, for minor in possession at East and Washington Streets.
1:38 a.m. Authorities responded to a noise complaint at Phi Kappa Tau fraternity. No citations were issued.
4:36 p.m. Officers followed up on a report of a theft from Alpha Phi sorority. No citations have been issued, but the case is still under investigation.

10/13/96
1:38 a.m. Three people were cited for violations at a traffic stop on Sixth and Washington. Bradley K. Pickert, 18, was arrested for driving under the influence and cited for no insurance and driving with an invalid license. James E. Huime, 19, was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia. Christopher S. A'wood, 18, was cited for minor in possession.

Meet a candidate
Vera White, candidate for Idaho House of Representatives, District V, Seat A, will hold a focus group reception for UI students, faculty and staff Wednesday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Apalooan Room of the SUB to discuss university concerns. Refreshments will be served.

Blue Keys are here
New UI Campus Directories can now be ordered from the UI Bookstore. Cost is $2.25. Phoe orders are to Jeff at 885-7334 or e-mail orders to jeff@uidaho.edu.

Career Services
"Marketing yourself with a resume and cover letter" will be presented by UI Career Services Center today at 3:30 p.m. For information, call 885-6121.

Professional organizations
"The Importance of Belonging to Professional Organizations" will be presented by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in Nichols 303. Contact Michele at 885-1468 for more information.

American Foresters
Bob Bosworth, president of the Society of American Foresters, will make a presentation Thursday, Oct. 17 in Forestry Room 14 at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For information, call Jo Ellen Force at 885-7331.

Scuba diving
A scuba diving course will be provided by UI Enrichment Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 22-Nov. 5 from 7-11 p.m. All equipment provided. Participants must be able to swim 220 yards, tread water for 15 minutes, and swim 20 yards under water. Fee is $149. To register, call 885-6466.

Health and Nutrition Fair
The 8th annual Health and Nutrition Fair will be held Wednesday, Oct. 30, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom and Vandal Lounge.

Chocolate Lovers
"Chocolate Creations for Chocolate Lovers" will be offered by UI Enrichment on Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Fee is $16. For information or to register, call 885-6466.

Learn about dentistry
Dr. Steven Friedrichsen, chairman of the Idaho Dental Education Program, will meet with students to discuss the IDEP program at Idaho State University/Creighton University and careers in dentistry on Wednesday, Oct. 16. Contact 885-7749 for details.

Conservation lecture
Michael Frome, a prolific and hard-hitting conservation writer, will speak at UI in Forestry Room 10, Thursday, Oct. 24 at 3 p.m. Admission is free.

Honor Program
Sophomores and juniors in the upper quarter of their class with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and planning a career that includes advanced degrees in math, science, or engineering should contact Dr. Stephan Flores at the UI Honors Program, 885-6147 by Oct. 25 for information on the Barry M. Goldwater scholarship. Pays up to $7,000 per year.

Vandal Swordplay
Vandal Swordplay meets Wednesday at 7:09 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 p.m. in the small gym in the PE building. All are welcome to attend. Contact Percephone Thompson at 885-7192.

Hispanic students
The Organizacion de Estudiantes Latino Americanos (OLEA) will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in the Student Organization Center in the SUB basement. OLEA is composed of (but not limited to) students of Hispanic descent. For information, call Tanya Hoover at 885-2818 or Lori Manzullas at 885-6485.

Migratory miracle
"The Miracle of Migration" will be presented by the Palouse Audubon Society Wednesday, Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the Moscow Community Center, Third and Washington Streets.

Powerful writing
"Writing with power and precision" is a three-session class offered on Saturdays, Oct. 26-Nov. 9, 9-11:30 a.m. Fee is $33 (early bird fee $31, pay by Oct. 11). To register, call UI Enrichment Program at 885-6466.

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Student Support Services needs tutors in almost every field, from accounting to zoology. Call Ralph Mann at 885-6746 for more information.

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DJs confront executives over ‘free format’ radio

Kortney Robston
U-WIRE

MISSOULA, Mont. — Angered by set changes for a small CD library and a lack of communication, 13 Disc Jockeys gathered last week to confront station executives about shaking up the University of Montana’s fledgling campus radio station.

KBGA, Missoula’s free-format radio station, has been around since 1978, competing with the student station, KUGL, also owned by Montana State University.

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KBGA DJ

Plummer, a senior English major, said the station should be a free format, that the station should be something the students can call their own.

"The music and programming should be as diverse as the student community," DJ Jonathan Plummer said. "Right now it’s far from it."

But station executives disagreed and said the Missoula community is an important demographic for the station to consider.

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KBGA Program Director Todd Graetz said the station is currently trying to develop a focus group and disbelieving DJs would ever have free reign to play what they want.

"We’re developing a focus that would be composed of students and the city," he said. "We haven’t dis- cussed a 100 percent free format station yet. We can’t just put people on blindly. We have rules and they need to be followed."

The group complained about the "rules," which range from forcing the DJs to gain a "Harden’s" approval by asking them not to say anything negative about the station.

"We’re disapproving of it. In the first place it’s not fair, and in the second place it’s not consistent," Graetz said.

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Jesse Poppick, DJ, said he was receiving warnings for calling KBGA a "pseudo revolution radio" on the air and for playing music not approved by the "radio gestapo."

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Students criticize Senator Craig

Jeff Olson
U-WIRE

Incumbent Senator Larry Craig was challenged for his positions and votes on education, health care, and forest management in an appearance at the University of Idaho Law School Classroom sponsored by the Federalist Society Thursday.

Craig made several stops in Moscow as a part of his statewide bus tour/fundraising campaign.

UI student Wade Grulh called on Craig to justify his support for the United States’ war-time defense budget while making cuts to envi- ronmental, social, educational, and medical programs.

Craig explained the $30 billion spending in addition to the Pentagon’s requests as precautionary spending in order to prepare for threats.

"When I went to Congress in 1980," Craig said, "our defense, our nation’s first priority, was inadequate, so I voted to increase spending. By 1986, defense was over-funded, so I worked to cut it back. It bottomed out in 1991-92, and now it is time to start building it up again."

Craig said he had been watching the forests for the past 30 years, and had seen them improve by 150 percent. Groulh and others were not satisfied with this response, asking if a 150 percent improvement was good enough.

ACLU targets party rules for lawsuit

Suzanne Clinton
U-WIRE

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — The power to form an independent party, requiring a party permit is now in the hands of Mayor James Cahill, but some question whether or not the ordinance is even constitutional.

"The right of association is a funda- mental constitutional right," said David Roach of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Roach said a party permit is a form of "prior restraint" which is disfavored in the constitutional sys- tem. He said it prevents association from taking place before it even happens. Roach said there are times when prior restraint can be imposed, Roach said.

That occurs when the law is specific and there are clear stan- dards by the government as to when a permit is issued, an oppor- tunity for judicial review is present and a compelling government inter- est is present.

Roach said governments pass unconstitutional ordinances "all the time" even though the Constitution is clear and elected officials know the law.

Roach said the ACLU has received numerous letters from resi- dents voicing their concerns about the ordinance and as a result are considering a legal challenge.

The New Brunswick City Council passed the ordinance last week, requiring a permit to be pur- chased for an event of 50 or more people where a contribution of any kind is solicited or collected.

But some say the criteria for granting a permit is vague.
Debate continues over higher speed limits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Since the federal government let states raise highway speed limits last winter, at least eight states that did so have seen increases in highway deaths, an Associated Press survey found.

Yet, four other states that raised limits actually saw fatal accident drop slightly.

The conflicting statistics have led the American Automobile Association and the government's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to caution that it's too soon to reach firm conclusions.

Many states, for instance, have yet to gather data since raising speed limits.

Many troopers on the roads, however, echo Utah Highway Patrol Lt. Robert Flowers, who says he's seeing more damage from high-speed crashes: "It opens up vehicles up. Dooms come off, windows come in."

A lot more than half the states have increased limits on at least some highways since Congress ended the federal cap of 55 miles per hour — 65 mph on rural interstates.

Before the change, highway deaths had been increasing for the previous four years, in safety groups note. And the increases that have occurred since might be attributable to reasons besides higher speeds, including bad weather or higher rates of drunken driving.

Many officials estimate it could take up to three years to get good data.

Yet in some cases, the increases are startling and are worrying state officials.

Early counts show highway deaths up in Alabama, California, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Texas.

Pennsylvania raised its limit from 55 to 65 mph in some areas in June 1998, a month before the federal law took effect. Missouri highway patrol spokesman Lt. Ron Berkey says officials simply don't know if that state's jump is because of higher speed limits, more drunken driving or more speeders on city interstates.

California Department of Transportation statistics released Thursday indicate that although overall traffic deaths are up, traffic deaths attributed to unsafe speeds — either too fast or too slow — are down.

In Oklahoma, Lt. Gerald Davidson said that since his state raised limits to 70 mph on most interstates and 65 mph in urban areas, speed has been a factor in 30 percent to 33 percent of traffic deaths, up from 28 percent in traffic deaths before.

However, he said it is too early to determine if the higher speed limits were a factor.

On his hand, fewer people died in Florida, Massachusetts, Montana and Utah despite higher speed limits on significant numbers of roads.

Massachusetts officials attribute the drop to enforcement of seat-belt and drunken-driving laws.

Several states are mulling whether to raise limits. Others, like Michigan, have increased the limits in just a few specific areas as a test.

While the death toll has varied, one thing seems clear: Raising the speed limit means more people can drive legally.

California Highway Patrol Officer Hector Marquez patrolled a busy stretch of Interstate 5 near Sacramento. "I haven't seen a great change in speed, he knows this driving habit. Many drove right around 70, even with 55 limit. Now that it has been raised to 65, people are still hovering right around 70."

Montana is a special case. When the federal limit disappeared, Montana reverted to its old law, which specifies only a "reasonable and prudent" speed during day.

Nighttime limits are 65 on interstates, 55 on other roads.

The result.

As of Sept. 30, the state had recorded 152 deaths, down from 163 in the same period a year ago.

For 85 percent of drivers in Montana, average speeds are about 70 mph on interstates and 65 mph on two-lane highways, said traffic safety administrator Al Goke. That's about 0.2 mph faster than under the old limits.

But among the other 15 percent of drivers, many are really ripping with cars topping 100 mph.

Montana authorities stress that "reasonable and prudent" is not the same as speed limits. In late July, troopers ticketed 15 Mercedes-Benz test drivers for driving 100 mph in a freeway convoy.

I would love to do this next year," said Jeremy Sheffel, a wildlife major at the University of Idaho. "The future of everything depends on the youth. Natural Resource is becoming a dynamic field and we need to educate the youth on their role in the environment."

National Resource Education Day was sponsored by the Student Affairs Council.
Opinion

Homeless people forgotten by the system

I think that human beings are possibly the cruellest of species. The Argonaut received a call over the weekend about a homeless man living behind a grocery store here in Moscow.

The caller was concerned about this elderly man, thought to be in his late 70s, who appeared to be living under a bush. It's getting pretty cold outside, and old age as well as the possible lack of mental faculties make dealing with the elements even more dangerous.

This is the reality of our system of government. This is what happens when those social programs that conservatives detest are actually dismantled. These are your tax dollars at work — or not at work.

I know of two individuals, and there are probably more, that are living in Moscow right now who are severely mentally ill. They were the result of funding cuts to social programs. When the institutions they lived in were shut down, they were turned out to fend for themselves. The problem is, of course, that they can't fend for themselves, so they wander around town being a danger to themselves and to others.

It would be nice if we could just invite all of the homeless people to our homes and take care of them. But we can't. That's why we institute programs where people can get food, shelter, clothing and counseling. These are the basic necessities of life, and yet some people right here in Moscow are going to bed tonight cold and hungry and very confused and frightened.

The Moscow Police Department doesn't know of any shelters available nor do they know what they can do about this man.

No one knows.

How can we as human beings do anything with clear consciences when another human being is cold and hungry and homeless? How can we go home each night and stuff ourselves with food and watch our televisions and whine about how awful our lives are? How can we be so stupid and callous when people are on our own streets dying from lack of necessities?

So the next time you raise your political flag in opposition of social programs that are nothing more than "handouts" or "meal tickets," try to imagine your wife or your husband, your son or your daughter, or one of your grandparents living under a plastic garbage bag or a cardboard box, eating out of a dumpster. Not just today — they're there everyday.

Please do what you can, whatever that may be. Donate money to programs, volunteer your time, provide whatever help you can. I'm not ready to believe that humans are so unfeeling that they will continue to ignore these problems.

These people aren't just statistics — not yet, anyway.

— Corinne Flowers

Innocent kids kissing shouldn't be a crime

Freakin'

Dayna Derrick

Remember the days of our youth? Running barefoot through the grass, chasing butterflies and asking Mom for the foil to put over the jar to keep the poor thing alive? Asking, or rather begging, permission to walk across the street? Then of course, we had to find our buddy to go with us, reminding to go hand-in-hand and looking both ways before crossing.

Ah, the good old days — no worries, no responsibilities, no anything but having fun as cute little kids. Of course, we wanted to grow up, be like our big brothers and sisters, wanting our freedom, but still relating to the teen of our youth. Starting to ring a bell?

We were innocent and naïve to the consequences of our actions, no matter how big or little. Little boys blushing when giving a hand-picked bouquet of flowers to little girls was sweet, receiving "oh, how cute" remarks from on-lookers. Little girls were adorable when their thank you was a kiss on the cheek. What happened to those days of old? Where did they go? What did we do, think?

In the world of sexual harassment cases coming from all directions, no one is immune to the man in the black suit coming to your door and handing you that little piece of paper telling you when you will be appearing before another man in a black suit. Not even a 6-year-old innocent showing his affection to a little girl by kissing her on the cheek is immunized against a lawsuit slapped on his red neck. Should he kiss by reciprocated? Little kisses used to be cute, remember? Not anymore. Today it is just reason to suspend the boy from school.

His story got plastered all over national headlines. Teachers, parents, and other classmaters screamed their outrage — for and against his case. Now, let me see if I get this straight. A 6-year-old gets suspended for kissing a girl on the cheek, yet nothing is done at the high school level to prevent sexual harassment. And I know from experience the harassment in high school is more severe than a kiss on the cheek will ever be.

However, those students who are sexually harassed in any way, verbally or physically, are for the most part stuck between a rock and a hard place. Courts all over the country have been refusing cases filed against school districts for failure to protect them against sexual harassment from fellow students. But for one little 6-year-old innocent kiss, courts are boggled down, time is wasted and a 6-year-old is missing recess.

Maybe the easier solution could have been for someone to sit down with the boy and explain things such as what kisses mean and he should only be giving them to the girls he likes.

I can easily see where he could get the idea that it's okay to go around and kiss anybody, though. Not that that's what he was doing, but if he was, I know where he got it from — television. But as my famous saying goes, I could write a whole other article on that subject.

So what should we expect from a 6-year-old? Please tell me you would rather see little boys give little girls kisses than have them face off with guns.

At least with this display of affection, we can have a little hope about our future. Hope that these kids who are wrongly punished for an innocent "crime," will someday get past that and still love. Still care and still share, and steal kisses.

~

Helen Freeland
MTV's Sarcophagus is scarring the cafeteria

Brian Schwartz

I like chicken

We're not students, but we are the kids who eat at the Campus Co-op. It has some of the cheapest pre-packaged food on campus, including the infamous chicken roll that we call "chicken brains." The roll is just one of the many items that students find unappealing and overpriced.

The Campus Co-op is located in the Student Center and is open from 7:30 AM to 9:00 PM. It offers a variety of pre-packaged food items, including sandwiches, salads, and snacks. The items are usually kept cold, and the service is fast, but the quality is questionable.

One of the main problems with the Campus Co-op is the packaging. The food is often wrapped in plastic, and the labeling is not always clear. Some items are labeled with generic terms like "dinner" or "snack," which makes it difficult to know what you are getting.

The Campus Co-op is a popular destination for students who are looking for a quick meal between classes or for those who are on a tight budget. However, the quality of the food is often lacking, and the prices are not always competitive with other on-campus dining options.

Many students feel that the Campus Co-op does not offer a wide variety of options or that the options available are not fresh or healthy. This is especially true for vegetarian students, who have limited options for lunch.

In conclusion, the Campus Co-op is a convenient option for on-campus students who are looking for quick meals. However, the quality of the food and the pricing are not always what one would expect from a university dining service. Students may want to consider exploring other on-campus dining options for a more diverse and enjoyable dining experience.
Letters to the Editor

Moscow needs more housing, not less

I am writing in response to a recent letter to the editor, "Businesses upset about construction" Oct. 11, ’96, which concerned the reconstruc-
tion of Park Village Apartments. While the original site and the type of the apartments should be reconsidered in light of less than full public access, I applaud the university for their effort to create more housing.

Despite the opinion of some pri-

tive rental agencies, I feel the need for quality affordable housing in Moscow is greatly apparent. In the article, one real estate broker, Shelley Bennett, longingly recalls that “in past years the vacancy fac-
tor has been zero.”

In fact, I feel that the housing situa-
tion has improved much despite Bennett’s suggestion that we are “currently experiencing a 3 to 5 percent vacancy factor.” As an example, I was shown several apart-
ments before finding a place this year. One of these was in-

tensive. Priced at $250 per month, it included a relics heater that looked ready to spontaneously combust, one window covered only with cardboard, and a very plastic. The hose stable next door looked competitively more invit-
ing.

Of course there are many expec-
tations for the typical college student that exist around Moscow. Several new apartment complexes are popping up. However, I have a feeling that these are being more temporary than their inhabitants. At the very least, these cold fortresses should be priced more affordable.

I feel that the article was fur-
ther distorted by Bennett’s infer-
ences that the vacancy rate con-
tinues to increase “things become too competitive.”

How awful it would be if com-
petition gave new residents a greater variety of housing from which to choose. Their first impression of Moscow might then be a positive one, rather than a hurried scramble to find an apartment that doesn’t exist.

Bennett, and landlords who share her opinions, should seriously consider their role in the creation of new housing in Moscow. I think they would agree that quality hous-
ing is one of the most important elements in people’s lives. Having the opportunity to live in a pleasant dwelling makes people feel good. Like any college town, Moscow contains a very transient popula-
tion.

If the city offered more affordable and attractive rental properties more students might consider remaining here beyond graduation.

As a real estate broker, I think Shelley Bennett should be excised by that prospect.

—Chris Brehme

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Terry McMillan, more well known for the 1995 film _Waiting to Exhale_ that she wrote the text in which the movie was based — moves on to her next venture, _How Stella Got Her Groove Back_. Whatever you do, don’t let the published film prejudice your thoughts on this wonderful book.

McMillan pens a character who is a mother and female, single, 40, and coincidentally black, but don’t let that dissuade you from picking this up. Although written from a female, single, white perspective, there were few times I ever felt alienated, for McMillan brilliantly tells inexcusable truths about being single in America today.

Stella, the main character has raised her son, established a lucrative career, and settled into a comfortable life. Finding her independence from men and society, yet something pulls her to a spontaneous Jamaican holiday and inevitably a 21-year-old native man named Winston. What follows is a juggling act that any May/December romance would produce.

Stella repves herself constantly, unable to believe Winston would actually want to be with her, and unable to make a commitment after what the world has taught her. She confesses that “what I do know deep down although I keep it secret is that I am terrified as the thought of losing myself again wholeheartedly in any man because it is so scary peeling off that protective shield that’s been guasing my heart and letting somebody go inside and walk around inside me as all those red flags especially when right next to year heart is your soul and then inside that is the rest of your personality puzzle pieces and they’re full of flaws and in your grown-up years you have just finally started to recognize them for what they are one by one.”

This narrative, a no-holds-barred free for all, tumblers easily as like a mountain stream. McMillan speaks so to her readers as friends and thus Stella becomes anyone you know, or yourself, because she tells you information as if you were best friends.

This style, mostly associated with male writers and minorities in particular, may not jell with what we’ve been taught in the customary versions of literature; yet it moves with such fluidity you can’t help but smile and turn the pages.

McMillan speaks of Jamaica in such beautiful and colorful language, I felt like an American tourist sharing the beach with her. Her admiration for beautiful landscapes, no color specific, is a lesson to all on how to see the attractiveness within every person.

After maintaining a long-distance relationship, with its drawbacks and pitfalls, Stella journeys to Jamaica again, this time with her son Quincy in tow to vote yea or nea on Winston. What she learns is that no one, not even her son, can make a heartfelt decision about love for her.

Does love conquer all? Is she able to throw the yoke of society and its view on older women/younger men relationships? And does she eventually tell her mother and sister knowing the reproach she will certainly receive for it, I’m not going to tell you. Pick up the book.

**Rocky Horror invades Moscow**

David Cammon-Britton

The ravenous masses took up the chant with glee, "Lips! Lips! Lips!" Their leader disappeared from view, and the lights vanished, leaving me alone. A click, a whir, and the opening credits began. Another showing of the Rocky Horror Picture Show had just begun.

For those unfamiliar with this bit of underground culture, let us hearken back to the days of yesteryear, when the West was young and ... too far back. Instead, let us go to 1975, or thereabouts, when a writer by the name of Richard O’Brien created a visual monstrosity by the name of the Rocky Horror Picture Show.”

This bit of playwright toured several venues, notably Broadway itself. However, it wasn’t enough to have written a play about a scientist (I mention because he wears nylon and makeup) who creates a monster for his pleasures, and is eventually offered by his servants (an incestuous brother-and-sister team). All of this happens while two “normal,” “healthy” kids attempt to find a movie that they can call a two-truck-for-their-broken-down-car. In the end, the girl gets everyone, the guy gets to explore his more masculine side with another man, the monster and creator die in a shootout at the end of the movie, and the whole castle blows out for outer space.

Confused? This is much more coherent than a Tarantino film, has more makeup and garters than Dennis Rodman’s dressing room and is an excellent example of bad scripts being played by good actors. However, and there is always a however, someone decided that they had had enough. And while this waste of celluloid that was being viewed, they began showing things at the screen. Perhaps they brought this to see ROCKY PAGE 10

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**Top Ten Fiction Bestsellers**

1. _The Dilbert Principle_ Scott Adams
2. _The Run Of His Life_ Jeffrey Toobin
3. _Unlimited Access_ Gary Adinich
4. _Blaming Towards Gomorrah Robert H. Bork
5. _Undaunted Courage_ Stephen Ambrose
6. _James Herriot’s Favorite Dog Stories_ James Herriot
7. _How Good Do We Have To Be Harold Kushner
8. _How’s Holders_ Carl Bernstein & Marcus Philips
9. _Angelina’s Ashes_ Frank McCourt
10. _Midnight In the Garden Of Evil And John Berendel_
friends to see the film as well, but whatever the case may be, the
effect is that the Rocky Horror Picture Show began to be shown on a
regular basis, with the audience making up new and interesting things
to say to the characters as they played through the same movie each
week.
For nearly 20 years, people have been going to the show, in or out
of costume, and it was with great excitement that I went to the show-
ing to the SUB Ballroom last Saturday. Having been around, well, is
a Rocky-Horror sense, I’m pretty familiar with the audience partici-
pation parts and the regional differences and whatnot.
And participation is what makes this movie enjoyable. Few cinema
experiences compare to a crowd of 300 people screaming epitaphs at
an awful film. The sense of community and creative license is won-
derful. For parents worried that their children are being turned into
something less than desirable, consider this: Despite most shows being
in big cities late at night (midnight shows usually), I have yet to hear
of any bad incidents at the show in the six years that I have been
attending.

The SUB showing had probably the largest crowd I have seen for an
ASU film, which is wonderful <shameless plug>. I hope more people
take advantage of this particular campus function <shameless plug>. Before the show, the traditional deflowering of the virgins took place (mostly innocent fun), and then the show got underway.

A notable lack in the presentation was that this is an audience-par-
ticipation film. Lack of such participation makes this a tedious and
bizarre spectacle, not very suitable for the big screen. As such, it was
my duty and honor to be one of the few, the proud, the only people
making noise and screaming lines. This gave me a noted advantage in
clarity, as there were no other voices doing the lines. However, at one
point, some poor fool in the back row shouted out, “Shut up, some of

Amy-Marie Smith

We who like Rhythm and Blues are more than aware that the reputa-
tion of R&B is less than satisfactory among those of you who, to not be
too hurt, don’t really care for this
style of music.
It doesn’t seem to be so much to ask, however, that a little respect be
shown to artists in every genre of music who make a significant contri-
bution to that particular music vari-
ety. Please, then, either move on to
the next article or don’t think a bit
of praise is given to Keith Sweat.
This single / video / producer is
on the charts again with his fourth
album cleverly titled, Keith Sweat.
You’ve must likely heard or seen the
video “Twisted.”

This track is definitely the high-
light of the album, yet the video
leaves something to be desired. It’s
not that the video isn’t a really good one, it’s just that I don’t understand
it. Not that I’m apt enough to decipher the meaning behind this
video, but it just doesn’t make a lot of sense.

In case you haven’t had the plea-
sure of viewing it as of yet, let me
give you a brief run-down of the
sequence of events in “Twisted.”
It starts off in a restaurant, Sweat
is having dinner with some hot
crack. Then it goes to a random
bathroom somewhere (maybe at the
restaurant) where there is some
masked rubber-type guy. The thief
drops some pearls or jewels or some-
thing on the floor, and they go
everywhere. Then Sweat is left
with the chick I think.

At the end of the video we see
Sweat walking down an alley, where
there are police everywhere. His
bike, unfortunately, hanging by the
neck from the ladder of the fire
escape, and he looks all sad. Other
than that this video seems to not
really follow any logical order of
events that ties those occurrences

Together. Does anyone out there
know what this video is about? I’d
love to be enlightened.

But I like this artist, and the whole
new LP. It’s good stuff. A couple of
the tracks are cheesy, but that’s to be
expected. I’ll be the first one to
agree that when R&B-ers try and get
got all serious with their ballads, some-
times things sound a little cony.

“Funky Dope Lovin” and
“Chocolate Girl” are a couple prime
eamples of songs that Sweat could have excluded from this album or at
least changed the lyrics around a bit.

Other than that, this CD kicks ass.

The cover depicts Sweat as a circus
1970s pimp; it’s funny, inside, where they’ve got all the credits and
stuff, when unfolded, is a big picture of Sweat. It reminded me of
Madonna’s True Blue days (think
way back) when you got a free little
cover of her with the album. OK, so
that was the record — some of us
didn’t move up to CD as fast as oth-
ers. But you can’t scoff at a free
cover now can you?

Hip-hoppers everywhere unite! We
must present a united front if we
want this type of music to live on.
But this CD, support us industry,
know, if you want to.

David Camden-Britton
Rocky Horror Picture Show brings out
the wildlife of Moscow.
Vandals sweep — Gonzaga tonight

Kindra Meyer
Staff

Last week proved prosperous for the University of Idaho volleyball team as they claimed two victories on the road against New Mexico State University and the University of North Texas.

The first match in the Vandals' game was against New Mexico State University who stands at 6-4 overall but has fought for a 2-3 record in conference play. Thursday evening in Las Cruces became one of the most heated games of the season for Idaho's team. After fighting to keep control of the lead as the Roadrunners hung in for numerous rallies, the match was decided 15-9, 15-12, 15-6.

"We passed the ball and slid out really well today," Coach Tom Hilbert said. "We served fairly tough. We were able to disrupt them enough with serving to beat them." Two smashing performances by Jessica Moore and Beth Craig combined with solid backup from the bench, resulted in the Vandals' strength and intensity.

Moore played as incredible match on both offense and defense. She recorded a season-best 19 kills against a sensational .300. Leading on the flip side of the coin as well, the sophomore center popped up 11 digs. Craig followed close on Moore's heels with 16 kills for .371, adding nine blocks as well.

Idaho's depth off the bench was an integral part of their wins, attributed largely from the play of Jerrata Yocom and Shalyse Lynch. Yocom killed five kills at .333 and was second on the team defensively with 10 digs. Lynch put away five out of the six attempts she made at the net, giving her impressive .333 percentage.

There was a glimmer of hope for the Roadrunners with a few solid runs, but UI's defensive effort did say they could not put the rally to rest.

"We didn't play defense consistently the way I want to but we showed some signs," Hilbert said.

While limiting NMSU to a hitting percentage of .133, Idaho hit a solid .372 totaling 60 kills.

Saturday night the Vandals surged ahead to win once again in a heart match against UNM. UI did falter in the evening's opening game.

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Idaho women place second at WSU

Nate Petersen
Staff

Behind a solid effort by Tatiana Taruscio, the University of Idaho women's track team finished in second place to the host team Washington State University in Pullman last Saturday.

Taruscio paced the women with a time of 19:55 in the 5,000 meter course. Her eighth-place finish was top among all Vandals runners.

Alicia Belgrace, Andrea Jenkins and Erica Dallas ran closely together in finishing 13th, 14th and 15th.

"They definitely stepped it up this past weekend," coach Wayne Pitts said. "Everybody ran extremely well.

For the men, season-leader Frank Bruder did not compete because of sickness. In his place, Blaine Maloy led the men with his ninth-place effort.

"We had a lot of ups and a lot of downs," Pitts said. "Our number one and number two runners were sick. It slowed us down, but we had other people step up."

Josh Maxon, Austin Desham and Luke Carrolles finished 14th, 19th and 25th respectively.

The performances by both the men and women proved that the team is ready to compete with each other. The men are having at least five consistently good runners. With only one more meet remaining until conference, there are many preparations to be made. Luckily the team's core contains a solid nucleus of runners to work with.

"If we want to be healthy for the Vandals to be successful, we need to be in good shape," coach Wayne Pitts said. "Every one needs to eat right and be healthy. It's important that you eat right and be healthy to perform your best.

Pitts believes that someone will need to move in their placements and lead the group of Vandals in the conference. The women runners for them to compete in the top five.

Throughout the season they have run really close together," said Pitts. "We need one of our top runners to jump up and push the others. The group stays together and runs strong, we just have to keep pushing.

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Idaho women used a strong showing from Tatiana Taruscio (left) to grab second at WSU.

Contributed Photo

Jeri Hymas is one of the Vandals' leading hitters going into tonight's game at Gonzaga.

Bruce Twitchell
World Series begins Saturday in New York
Byron Jarnagin

The fat lady sang her last note yesterday as the New York Yankees swept the rug out from under the Baltimore Orioles claiming the American League pennant and a birth in the World Series—a luxury that hasn't been a part of a Yankee baseball season since New York was last to the World Series in 1981.

To put it, the Yankees are in, but the Orioles are on the bus, plane or train back to Baltimore with nothing but spring training to look forward to. In case somebody missed it, 11, the last game of the American League Championship series finally came to a conclusion. The Yankees jumped out to a comfortable 6-0 lead keeping the crowd at Camden Yards to a low roar.

The Orioles didn't go out with a goose egg though. Eddie Murray started things off with a home run, and then the home team, hitting a shot over the wall in the top of the eighth inning, pulling the Orioles within four of New York, and it didn't stop there. Bobby Bonilla took Mr. Spalding over the fence for his own two-run home run, making Baltimore within two, and presenting the Orioles with one more chance to save the series and send it to a game seven.

As we all know the Yankees were the ones with the plastic-covered locker rooms waiting the spray of champagne during the post game celebration. Indeed it was true, as New York finished the series 4-1 over Baltimore winning their 34th pennant.

So what can we expect from this Yankee team in the "big game"? With the big beat going well, and now with a few days break before the series, all three Yankees who are temporarily injured, like Wade Boggs, have a chance to rest up before they get back into the swing of things.

The Yankees have two new stars, Bernie Williams and Derek Jeter, and two old stars, Cecil Fielder and Dave Winfield, pulling like major weight, but may not have a young team to win a game for them.

On the other side of the baseball scene, the National League Championship Series may just be in the back pocket of the St. Louis Cardinals already, given their performance against the Atlanta Braves.

However, counting the Braves out may be a bit of a stretch. Atlanta still has the reputation of being one of the best teams in baseball, but has their reign come to a close?

Right now the Cardinals have a commanding 3-1 lead in the series and a chance to knock the defending World Champions out of contention.

This team hasn't been in the World Series since 1982 (in 1980), it sure would be nice to see some new faces wearing a championship ring. However, the Cards have had a past history of choking a 3-1 series and a win away — like in 1966 and 1985 World Series.

What could be the last game of the National League series is going on as I am writing, I am going to take a chance and favor the Cards over the Braves to be the team uncorking the champagne in the locker room, planning their next road trip to New York.

Woods taking PGA Tour by storm
Mark Vanderwall

It's all again. After assuring himself of 1997 PGA Tour exemption last weekend winning the Las Vegas Open, Tiger Woods has his sights set on the PGA Championship.

Placing third in the Texas Open Sunday, Woods moved within striking distance of breaking into the top 30 on the money list, with two more events left to play. Woods now stands in 34th place and is only $22,000 away from Lee Janzen, who currently holds 30th position and the last spot for the PGA Championship.

Woods has made a cool $18,794 since joining the tour after winning his third straight U.S. Amateur title in August, and recently signed contracts with Nike and Titleist after having to borrow money to play in his first tournament. Woods may have become the most unprecedented athlete to be thrust into the professional spotlight since Michael Jordan, but remember he has yet to celebrate his 21st birthday.

Not Jack, Amle or Hogan brought the excitement, Woods brings to the game, nor did they bring the crowds that Woods is garnering. What has been good for Tiger Woods has also been good for the game of golf from a fan's perspective. When Woods hit the tour, the hype followed his like a stray dog, and no matter who was winning, the attention centered around how Woods played.

I think this could be a point for all other tour players off, possibly feeling that the hype was undeserved, but give Wood, Baltimore some credit, he has more than made himself a name in golf, he has become a legend. That's right, a 20-year-old who in all of his career has only played in two months ago to now, just weeks away from attending Stanford for his junior year, and now finds himself a multi-millionaire.

Whether or not you think the money Woods is making is legitimate for a 20-year-old, you have to admit he has brought something special to the sports world, something that will probably never be repeated. He has handled himself with class and prestige, both on and off the course, and has taken his God-given talent and made it into an art form.

Woods is going to be the best golfer of all-time, you can mark my words on that, but more importantly, he has brought an aura with him to the PGA tour that has been lacking in that respect for many years.

Woods has already captured the fans' hearts and made a name for himself abroad as well. He gives golf a super feel with caliber much like Jordan or Deion Sanders give their sports. He has single-handily brought golf back to the sports world, and along with Happy Gilmore has brought golf to the public attention after the 1985 rundown for too long.

If you think you hate this guy, you probably not alone, but how can you hate a kid that has meant so much to a profession he has only been part of for a little over two months. I may be incorrect in saying he is going to be the most notorious athlete ever, but what the hell, someone will say it eventually anyway.

i thought this will one of the greatest moments in sports history, as Tiger Woods will make the top 30. Let's go out on a limb again and watch him win the PGA Championship to round out his spectacular four months as a pro, with plenty more victories and 30 more years before he is eligible for the Seniors’ Tour.
necded someone to get them on a faster pace." he said.

But this year in 1996, it will be Taranio who will improve
her and her teammates standing. Consistently she has
led the Vandals throughout the season.

"She could step up," said Phipps. "But it's just a
matter of anyone of the other five girls stepping up and
getting a better placement."

The location of the conference meet in Boise could prove
to be a more important factor for the success of the
Vandals.

The familiar surroundings of Boise State coupled
with some friendly weather conditions will be an
important advantage for the Vandals.

"Besides Boise State we have a definite advantage," said Phipps. "We run under nearly the same conditions
as in Boise. Most of the teams are from lower latitudes
and higher climates that are near sea level. Psychologically it is faster when you are used to run-
ing in 70-degree weather and then find yourself in
Boise during early November, in which the temperature
is in the 40s."

The deciding factor, however, will be the individual
Vandal team member running to the extent of their
potential.

"For each runner that takes another little step up, we
may be able to overcome another team," Phipps said.

activities are centered around a football game. Yet,
only 14,579 ventured to the Dome. Sure, there may be
several reasons why students and members of the community don't go to Idaho home
games: some good, some bad.

However, this is our first conference game, we're at
home, against the defending Big West Champion and
it's a renewed rivalry. Come on, does it take three
more tuition waivers and 1,000 more free pizzas to get
fans out to Vandals home games?

For Idaho to win on Saturday, we need a student sec-
tion filled with crazed, painted, obnoxious students
yelling at the top of their lungs. When the Wolf Pack
try to convert on third down, it should get even louder
— public drunkenness is optional.

Let's for once sound and look like a Division I-A
cheering section rather than the kind of scattered
crowd you might see at a small-town junior high game.

"It's a win and we'll take it," Hilbert said. "But it's an ugly way
to end this road trip."

Idaho State had wiped the floor clean with the Eagles, who
are not facing well at 5-14 overall and 0-6 in league. However they came out strong in the first game in
their home gym and threw off the unsuspecting silver and gold.

"It scared our players. You can see it on their faces," Hilbert
said. "We have to play better than that or a lot of teams will beat us
up."

Solid performances for Idaho came from a balanced attack of
Kyle Leonard, Louis Kovalok, Moore, and Craig. Junior Leonard
redeemed her lackluster performance
Thursday night to provide needed
stability and leadership. She
recorded nine kills, eight digs and
five block assists.

Kovalok was on fire killing 10
balls with a .471 accuracy, adding
nine digs, seven block assists and
three service aces. Moore led the
offensive attack with 11 kills with
one solo and five assisted blocks.

Sophomore Craig played a great
match, hitting .429 for 10 kills. She
led on defense with 15 digs and
also and three serves.

Lynne Hyland played her usual
role of setting the pace, and
finished 84 assists, seven kills, and
five assisted blocks for the two
matches.
You get to be team mascot

You dial 1-800-COLLECT* to tell everyone

You call from every phone you see

You call long-lost relatives

You call all day and all night

Everyone you call saves money

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