Not going without a fight

Physics dept. members vocalize concerns about cuts

Christina Lands
Argonaut

Students, faculty and staff members of the University of Idaho physics department have made one thing clear—they're not going quietly.

UI administrators have responded by giving consideration to the oil-rich program's propose.

The group gathered late Friday at an open forum to ask to keep the Bachelor of Science physics major in tact at UI. More than 50 people filled a McClure building lecture room to provide input to the College of Science's Curriculum Committee that may or may not decide to support a Notice of Intent to close the program.

Scott Wood, COS dean, said more time is being allotted than was originally planned to consider the NIC regarding the fate of the program.

The B.A. in physics is one of 41 programs that may be closed or consolidated because of UI's Program Prioritization Process. The process, which is a part of the university's Strategic Action Plan, is an effort by administrators to make UI more academically and financially efficient.

The open forum was an avenue for the committee to hear public input, said Mark Nielsen, COS associate dean.

"The physics department has voted to support the closure of the (Bachelor of Arts)," Nielsen said. "It is opposed to a NIC form for closure of the B.S. degree."

The committee will take the input from the open forum into consideration for its own discussion on both the B.A. and B.S. as they make a decision, Nielsen said.

Professor of Physics Ruprecht MacLeod gives a presentation on the consequences of cutting the University of Idaho undergraduate physics program during the Physics Open Forum Friday in the McClure Building.

The financial scars of cancer

Benefit helps UI graduate

Note Moore Block

Peter Steinhoff thought he had a bad case of the flu when he started feeling tired all the time and was constantly sick—but after collapsing in the shower, he went to the doctor and discovered he had colon cancer.

A 1997 graduate from the University of Idaho, Stein- hoff was unaccounted and un- employed when he was diagnosed with colon cancer in June 2007.

Steinhoff said when he walked into the doctor's office, the nurse took one look at him and immediately knew he was anemic. The nurse took a blood test, and his anemia was diagnosed as a result of the internal bleeding, which had been going on for a long time. Later that day, he was on the operating table for the first of three surgeries he would undergo.

"The change was so gradual, I never saw it coming," Steinhoff said.

Since his diagnosis, Steinhoff has had two chemotherapy treatments in addition to his surgical procedures, all without insurance to cover his expenses.

According to Steinhoff, a person without insurance can apply for a loan through the charity that pays the bills at St. Michael's and can be paid back interest-free. But Steinhoff said he was never able to find one.

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OMA's search for director continues
Stephanie Taie

Trojan Franklin gives a presentation about the director position in the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Hampton Jazz Festival needs 500 volunteers

Erik Hardy

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Relay For Life is an event that is both emotionally and physically taxing. It is a 24-hour event, and participants are encouraged to stay awake and walk laps around a track or through a field throughout the entire night. The event is designed to create a sense of camaraderie and support, as participants encourage each other to keep going and stay positive. It is a time for reflection and remembrance, and it is a time for hope and healing.

Relay For Life is not just a physical event; it is also a fundraising event. Teams raise money through pledges and donations, and the money raised is used to support cancer research and education. The event is held in support of the American Cancer Society, which is the largest voluntary health agency in the United States, and it helps to fund research, education, and community service programs to help people live longer and better lives.

Relay For Life is a powerful symbol of hope and strength. It is a reminder that we are stronger together, and that we can overcome even the most difficult challenges. It is a time for us to come together, to support each other, and to remember those who have been touched by cancer. Relay For Life is a celebration of life, and it is a reminder that we can all work together to make a difference.
CANCER from page 1
Steinhoff is now sitting in his office in debt with monthly pay- ments of $4000. "It is very difficult," he said. "We have no choice but to continue." One of Steinhoff’s closest friends, however, feels that his situation is not uncommon. "Many families are dealing with a similar problem," she said. "It is a common occurrence and the bills are still being paid."

All of Steinhoff’s future plans are dependent on the help of others. "I am counting on the services of the American Red Cross," he said. "Without their help, I am not sure what I would do."

A fundraiser is being planned for Steinhoff’s benefit. More information will be available soon. "We are all trying to help," she said. "We want to do what we can to help him."
Tourists ignore warnings about the dangers of walking the streets whilst wearing wolf caps.

Dear Mr. Williams,

I am very concerned about the recent incident where a tourist was injured while wearing a wolf cap. It is important that visitors to our city are aware of the potential hazards associated with such behavior.

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Something has to go BEYOND THE SHEETS Some vaginas not so lucky

I do not know everything. In fact, I have to conduct research in order to provide you with a more authoritative information. I have been motivated by this particular issue, however, and I have been reading in the past. Furthermore, today is about indications of what you can act out this practice.

There is no doubt a marvellous thing. There are many complicated issues: whether or not to be more excited in your reproductive system, you will find both. One can also refer to them as the outward systems, while others can refer to the inner ones. There is a large storm warning.

Yielding large amounts of sexual problems, if it is not to be certain, certainly must be reviewed. The people who made the decisions in the past might be another option, and the positions of the public, the politicians might be better or worse, and this can be cut out. And possibly be an economic impact. More science and some time on Tuesday and Thursday.

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Thank you for all the work you do. More of the information and the term, biological sciences.

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' Tartuffe' in spotlight again

Anna-Marie Stock

"It's been interesting to let a play sit for a while and go back to it."

Amada JENSON
Tartuffe actor

Lily Allen avoids sophomore slump

Almost every group with a love song has its trendier copycats. Folks had "Song for the Damp" and "Feed the wivless" ("Every Rose Has Its Thorn" with the British singer Lily Allen). Now we have an inferior copycat of the usual, the vanourous, there's no other word for it. Allen's catalog is so grand, so wonderul, it's a wonder she even left the house. The standard style with a few tweaks to make it work. The song "Smile" had the sad thing going on about her heartbreak over the collapse of a relationship. In the original, "It's Not Me, It's You," it's a bit more lighthearted. The album's name might suggest otherwise.

The most immediately striking thing about her song is the rarefied quality. It's called "F— You," and while "Smile," it's both upbeat and more soothing. The melody is the highlight of the Carpenters' "We've Got You," but lyrically the two tunes are a bit similar. Allen has a lot more to say, he's read in the critical writing. The parable, "Chinese," is a little shocking. It's wholly nice, but it fits in with getting Chinese food and watching TV. The song starts in the with the rhyming phrases, "I don't want anything—but that's never been her problem." In this case, there's hope for all of us.

CONCERT REVIEW

Meiko: a bit nervous but lovable

There is a thing or two to be said about seeing an up-and-coming artist perform before they are famous. She's genuine and talented but still too humble to let it get to her head.

The 20-year-old singer/songwriter Meiko is one of those artists standing on the brink of stardom. She performed Jan. 31 at the Knitting Factory in Spokane and was a bit overwhelmed by the large crowd. "There are so many people right now," she said. "I'm kind of freaked out."

There was nothing to be nervous about, however, as the crowd welcomed her warmly and shouted out the occasional "We love you, Meiko!" Filling the spotlight alone with her guitar, Meiko played a mix of older songs, a few new ones and afterward admitted she intended to play a few more, but the nervousness got the better of her.

Famous for her reggae and ska tunes such as "Crazy's Anatomy," "One Tree Hill," "Without You," and "Hills," her most popular song is "Boys with Goldfishes," which she performed after taking requests from the audience.

Her performance was all about boys with girlfriends, boyfriends with new girlfriends, cheaters and all the littlest emotions that come with relationship problems. Coming in "Remember to Love You," she revealed her heartbreak with the words, "I'm an ex, my ex in the door and my love out the door." Eyes closed, she sang, "Crying Under Love," and then warmed against her with a song called "Friend in Real Sweet Dream.""Redlighting a Red Girl, Meiko said she may have been playing with a boyfriend and revealed her recent ex-boyfriend cheated on her with her best friend."It's cool. I understand. They are the best people, but as a result, it's tough to love again." Along with her musical talent, her voice was pure and beautiful, just like on her CD. In this era of technology-enhanced and alternative music, Meiko is pure and genuine—just like her debut album. Stomping on the stage, the audience swept along with the music on stage.

If it wasn't her catchy riffs and impressive voice that made the crowd love her, it was her endearing personality and the intimate crowd which made the audience feel like her best friend by the end of the night.

She's got it all going to used in her audience. She's not only good-looking, but she's been seen plenty of them in her home town.

Lily Allen

Waltz out soon

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BASKETBALL

Free throws secure Vandal win

Travis Mason-Buchanan

Aggressive

In a down-to-the-wire duel, Deisia Telesi came through big at the free-throw line to secure a 63-54 victory for the Vandals in their New Mexico State Aggies Sunday at Lawlor Events Center. Telesi knocked down a pair of free-throws to put the Vandal lead back to seven before the game. She nailed the wins with an assist from senior forward Ashley85) West. Telesi was forced to foul to send the team over an 11th-2; 3-9 in the third quarter, and was assisted by Boise State.

Telesi was one of only four players in the game for the team in the second half. She scored 27 points, 17 in the second half, for her third-consecutive double-double. The 64 points in the game was a season high for Telesi, 22 points in the game. She blocked 10 of 10 three-pointers to give the Vandals the lead.

Did you know ...

A competitive in Friday's Vandal indoor meet from Hayden broke a world record. George Mathews, competing in the Masters division, captured the title to win the world weight throw record.

Vandals by the numbers

49 The Vandals ran into a bit of a buzzsaw Saturday scoring 49 points in the team's home basketball contest against New Mexico State in Lincoln.

12 The UI women's basketball team scored 12 points in the final seconds of the game.

61 The University of Idaho volleyball team scored 61 points in the final seconds of the game at New Mexico State.

Vandals men falter against Hawaii'i

Levi Johnstone

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AL Central up in the air

Heading into 2002, the American League Central has no favored team as it did when the 2006 season began.

The only major change to the division is the addition of the Chicago Cubs. Manager Mike Quade made this offseason is signing free agent pitcher Brandon Lyon. He has been with the Arizona Diamondbacks the past four seasons, but he was let go after posting a 4.08 ERA and 1.53 WHIP in 2006, which was expected to be his last season in the National League. He joined the Cubs on a four-year deal worth $12 million, or $3 million annually.

Since he is a left-handed pitcher, he can be used in all situations, from being the top of the rotation to fill in for injured starters. His addition to the starting rotation is a big plus for the Cubs, who have the most number of pitchers on their roster.

The Minnesota Twins are hoping to challenge for the Central title this year. They have signed free agent pitcher Armando Galarraga, who has a career ERA of 4.06 in high-A Beloit and Double-A West Michigan. Still, Detroit's offense is the same as it was in 2008, and no significant injuries have occurred, so it should continue to outscore the Twins during the regular season which should at least keep things interesting. Like the Twins, the Michigan Twins will be up for grabs this offseason. They've been connected to Jose Contreras, but understandingly seem less inclined to sign him since he was 11-14 with a 4.34 ERA during the 2006 season. His biggest move this offseason has been to agree to a contract with relief pitcher Luis Ayala and his 5.75 ERA in 2008, which is expected to be his last season in the American League. He joined the Twins on a four-year deal worth $7 million, or $1.75 million annually.

It is expected that Galarraga and Ayala will have made no major changes from their previous seasons. They should look for Francisco Liriano to emerge as the staff ace during the 2009 season to bolster their already talent-rich, young rotation. The Kansas City Royals managed to lock up one of their best young players, Zack Grotke, into a four-year contract, which means they'll never have to go arbitration with him. They got Coco Crisp in a trade with the Boston Red Sox and Mark Jacobson from the Florida Marlins, which should help offensively—a slight improvement from where it was in 2008. If they want to finish at 350 or above, it's imperative their young players like Eddy Buffer, Mike Aviles, Alex Gordon, Brian Bannister and Luke Hochevar continue to develop and improve. Without a core cluster of players to rely on, the Royals will continue to be bottom feeders.

The Chicago White Sox walked away from the 2009 season having lost Ken Goffley Jr., Orlando Cabrera, Nick Swisher and Jermaine Vanquez to free agency and trades. The loss of Goffley Jr. means they're giving up on their rotation that will be easy to replace. Vanquez played a great glove behind the plate, which should greatly complement Atlanta's starting rotation.

Heading into the 2009 season, the club has re-signed right-handed starters and are counting on their younger players to step up. They expect big things out of Alexei Ramirez, who is moving to shortstop, as well as several unproven players who are competing for the accepted shortstop job in the city. They have made the most changes during the offseason. They've signed pitcher Andy LaVine to be their closer, picked up Mark DeRosa, a trade acquired the Chicago Cubs, got left-handed reliever Ronney Lee in a trade to bolster the bullpen and they've even signed Carl Pavano to a low-risk deal.

Cleveland has a wealth of young pitching talent that's competing for the three slots in the rotation behind 2009 Cy Young Winner Cliff Lee and Fasto Carmona. They are counting on him to return to his 2007 form. Scott Lewis, Aaron Laffey, Jeremy Sowers and Perez are all candidates to drop into the back three slots, and there are more arms on the way from AAA.

Their offense should benefit from the return of Travis Hafner and Vic Tor Martinez, both of whom were injured during 2008. The offense is winning down, but there still doesn't seem to be a team that will substantially outperform the others in the American League Central. The Tigers and Royals should continue to dwell on the bottom of the standings, which is no surprise to anyone considering the hole in the AL Central. Both clubs are in need of a quality bat to be able to compete in the American League East. The White Sox have reopened and should finish in the middle of the standings. They've lost several talented players and are counting on struggling rankers to step in and pick up the slack, which may not be enough for them to eschew in their direction.

At this point, it seems safe to say the Twins and Indians should battle it out for the Central crown, but when it comes down to it, they're both far too far from the White Sox or even the Royals. The 2009 AL Central isn't going to be producible a 100-game winner anytime soon.

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Lacrosse splits season opener

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The University of Idaho ended its season against Portland State and Montana, with an expected victory and a frustrating loss.

Idaho toppled the Vikings 18-5 on Saturday, but allowed Montana to lead, led by Idaho coach Mike Rickman.

"It wasn't a win we would've liked to have won both games, but we didn't play our best against either team," Rickman said.

The Grizzlies rallied off the first two goals to put the game out of reach and con-
done the Vandals to their first loss of the season.

Junior Eric Fischer scored a hat trick against Montana and had two assists during the weekend.

"Fischer is being the catalyst and making some great decisions on the field. He's stepping up and doing things that hasn't been asked of him, so it's good to see," Rickman said.

While the Vandals won the opening game against the winless Vikings, they lost to Montana, 14-10, as the Grizzlies sent six goals in the third quarter.

Rickman also credited a lack of focus on the part of the Vandals after scoring the go-ahead goal.

"We made a mistake there and let them back in the game and we didn't close it off," Rickman said.

The game was a second straight loss for the Vandals.

The team is currently 4-4 on the season and 1-3 in the Big Sky Conference.

On Saturday, the Vandals will play a game against the Idaho State Bengals, who are also 1-3 in the conference.

First-year head coach Adam Behrends said he was pleased with the performance of his team.

"I thought we played well against Montana and we needed to improve against Idaho," Behrends said.

The Vandals have faced some tough opponents this season and are looking forward to the rest of their schedule.

"We'll take what we can get and move forward," Behrends said.