Agriculture, food buyers meet, mingle

Chefs, producers meet to strengthen local food system

Sebastian Edgerton
Aganual

At the University of Idaho, 3,000 people are involved in a common meal every day. Each meal travels an average of 1,200 miles before it reaches the plate.

"The journey to transport and cool the food is affected by the global climate crisis, the local climate, and even the weather," said Janice Martinez, an advisor for the UI Sustainability Center. UI is doing something about it.

Faced with food waste, the UI Center is acquired to deal with 12 percent of its food waste by the next year.

Recent requirements, Sodexo's production manager, Margaret McClure, who manages the North Idaho Farmer Chef Collaborative in Moscow. This collabora- tive has happened for the last three years.

Kim Peterson, a marketing as- sociate with the Idaho State De- partment of Agriculture, said there have been events in Sandpoint, Corvallis d'Alene and Moscow. During the events, chefs and farmers are paired with each other's operations in five minute intervals. The event allows supply to local producers, though there remain farms.

"They like to know the soil, the roots and the plants," said Marianne Martin, who manages the UI's new food system.

Despite potential leads for these efforts, farmers are concerned. Sodexo fears it taking a while before they can be made.

We need to get numbers, how much we can get the (food) from the (farm)

In the end, the decision is up to the students. Again, Sodexo is concerned with making sure the crops are raised sustainably. Sodexo examines matters like harvesting techniques, water supplies and fertilizer use.

"The thing said about the food, the food you're eating, it represents the university," said Peterson. The university will support efforts to educate the public on the need for this change in the constitution to allow the university to apply student fees in the same fashion as state institutions of higher education in Idaho, the university, acknowledging that specifics of implementation are not yet finalized.

Other institutions in Idaho, including Boise State University and Idaho State University, do charge tuition. UI is researching its potential, as well, according to the Idaho tertiori- al government, in 1999, a year before the amendment was introduced. Because fees are limited and can only be spent in their re- spective areas, the amendment would give the university more flexi- bility on how money is spent internally. The amendment re- quires a simple ma- jority to pass. The university, however, doesn't necessarily raise the fees if the amendment goes.

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Stories from Tuesday, March 8, 1960

Engineers Set Date For Ball

March 28 has been selected as the date for the annual Engineers Ball, which is the social event of the year for all the engineering students and faculty of the University.

The five branches of engineering — Agriculture, Chemical, Electrical, Mechanical and Specialty — will all present displays in their field. The prize winning display last year featured the mechanical protections of ball bearings and was built by the Mechanical Engineering.

The ball bearings were canned up a conveyor, dropped to an inclined plane, cut on a round metal plate, bounced from the floor through a revolving metal hoop into a collector. This process was performed automatically without one ball bearing missing the hoop.

The outstanding freshman engineering students of last year will receive an award from Sigma Tau engineering honorary, during the intermission of the dance.

Student Vote To Be Taken At 3 Places

Students will find three polling places set up and ready for business Thursday morning when ballots begin for the spring ASU elections.

Dave Trail, chairman of the election board, said the students can vote either in the administration building, Engineering building or the SUB from 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Election officials will accept only student service cards at the voting places; no pink accepted slips will be accepted, he stressed.

Trail added that students will be allowed to vote by proxy and that absentee ballots must be cast by 2 p.m. Thursday.

Absentee ballots can be cast only if voters have been out of town for at least 10 consecutive days.

Trail also said election officials will use several means to prevent ballot stuffing. All ASU cards are punched at the polls to prevent re-voting and in a double check, each voters’ name is checked off in the student directory.

The election is run by the ASU election board and is made up of seven Greeks and eight independents to insure fairness. Clifford L. Darke, associate professor of political science, will assist the election board.

NROTC To Start New Film System

A system of showing weekly information and documentary films has been announced by the Naval ROTC unit at Idaho.

These films are open both to the naval Midshipmen and any faculty member or student. The first in the series will be “Operation Sunrise,” a report of the atomic-submarine Nautilus and its cruise under the north polar ice cap.

The films will be shown in room 107 of the Navy building at 3 p.m. Thursday.

corrections

The Palouse Climbing Festival is in its eighth year, and this was the first time the festival was included as a climbing meet in a competitive series. This was reported incorrectly in the March 2 edition of The Argonaut. Find a mistake? Send an e-mail to the section editor. Contact information can be found on page 5.

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Leadership gives internship meaning

Ashley Cortez

Samarinda Samantha said she re-

decided she wanted to help people who were in a position as a de-
mocratic government officer in sev-

eral years. Samantha said she was
determined to make a difference in the world through her work.

Samantha Omar was born in 1994. She

has a passion for social justice and

education. She earned a degree in

political science from the University of

Texas at Austin, where she studied

international relations and politi-
cal science. She is currently work-
ing as an intern for the American

Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in Austin,

Texas. Samantha is known for her

dedication to fighting for inequities

and advocating for social change.

Samantha's work with the ACLU has

allowed her to work on a variety of

issues, including immigration,

criminal justice reform, and

economic justice. She has

worked on cases that have

impacted thousands of

people across the nation.

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number of organizations,

including the ACLU and

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Samantha's work has

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Samantha's leadership

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her peers. She has

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Calif. state senator says he's gay after DUI arrest

Robbin Hidery
Associated Press

Republican state Sen. Roy Ashburn said Monday he is gay, ending days of speculation that began after his arrest last week for investigation of driving under the influence.

"Ashburn, who consistently voted against gay rights measures during 14 years in the state Legislature, came out in an interview with KERN radio in Bakersfield, the area he represents."

Ashburn said he felt compelled to address rumors that he had voted against the Capitol before his DUI arrest.

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Pass them next year

Idaho's immigration bills should be passed after revisions

An Idaho immigration bill — SB 127 — to penalize employers that knowingly hire undocumented workers — was shot down yesterday by the state Senate Affairs Committee, and for good reason. Another bill, SB 127, was made to create a critical issue to use false documents for employment, which the Senate Affairs Committee will decide this week. Certain aspects of 1303 render it ridiculous and

over-reaching. Bill sponsor Sen. Mike Johnston, R-Rayden Lake, said he plans to remove provisions in the bill that create a felony for church or other charitable organizations to aid illegal immigrants, and other bills would drive employer's license tests are only in English. To stop religious groups from donating food and services to anyone is to force them to abet from what they believe to be their responsibilities. Forcing English on anyone taking a driver's license test in Idaho is discriminatory and not only not fair to speaking immigrants, but also expensive and burdensome to many groups of minorities. Any reasonable person understands immigration laws are necessary to an extent. It's the irrational legislators with anti-immigration agenda that cause the trouble. Those stuffed with silly provisions do no good. People need the government's time with this is not and certainly should not be, while the government could be using the time productively.

SB 1303 and 127 should pass after the state budget crisis has been settled and without any of these idiotic provisions.

Editor

Nellis is still paid too much

University of Idaho President Dr. Nellis makes 213 percent more every year than full-time professors at the university. So why the pay rate, the average professor is being paid 21.4 percent under the national average? Why the disparity? It certainly is not in the American Association of University Professors. Nellis also made informed faculty and students that due to budget cuts, employees furloughs are necessary in the upcoming fiscal year. While Nellis may have not changed to make over $500,000, he will be using money that the State Board of Education to implement changes. The Board is cutting faculty in the hard-working and more productive. With the failing economy and government cuts, these failures are just beginning in place to fund to have spending before taking away part of the expected increase in the costs of the 2010-2011 academic year. The state has increased the number of full-time faculty, prompting a 2 percent increase in funding. Even increased funding and pay raises while other departments suffered massive cut. As is paid, the university may not get more furloughs and probably get the grants additional monetary funds. Especially considering that U of I has seen such substantial salary reductions — apart from this year's unexpected football season — budget cuts will make the most logical sense in these areas. But instead of making sense, U of I continues to only do a little bit off their massive budgets before resorting to furloughs. This is not only an economically inefficient method.
Would you like a latte with your gun?

The major news brewing in the past few weeks involves Starbucks' decision to for-

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Mardi Gras draws festive crowd

Mardi Gras is an expectation that is all about the music. The night began as we found a small stage leading to the upper floor of the Moon Lodge. The open, piano-like keyboard greeted the sound of blue guitar across the room, as we descended the stairs, inviting us into the music. Everyone seemed to enjoy the music. Song after song of the best and the rest of the crowd sat against the walls of the Moon Lodge, good-time grinning, laughing, and singing. Everyone had a smile on their face and was dancing to the music.

County Fair

The atmosphere was electric as the band wound down as the band made up to play a tune in slow tempo. Couples danced in together on the dance floor and two the crowd. The next stop on the band's tour was the Moon Lodge. Upon arrival, it appeared to be a nearly empty drinker. The bar had a few lights cast off of the stage as if the crowd was small, but still happy as the band finished their performance, which was a hit.

The band had just gotten out of the dressing room, and we found ourselves in the dressing room, which was small and had a few suitcases and a few chairs.

Top 5: Oh, Ringo

1. Ringo Starr
Ringo Starr (real name Richard James "Ringo" Starr) was a drummer for The Beatles. He was born in Liverpool, England, on 7th July 1940. He was the drummer and lead vocalist for the band. He was known for his distinctive drumming style, which included his famous "Hey Jude" drum solo. He was also known for his love of motorcycles, particularly his red "Red Dragon".

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The streets of Liverpool were filled with the sounds of the Beatles, and people of all ages were out and about, celebrating the music that had brought them together. The atmosphere was electric, with people dancing and singing along to the music. The music was...
Alice in Wonderland is a strange beauty

Kathleen Moneley

Tim Burton's "Alice in Wonder-land" is a little bit like Avatar on high. It is beautiful, sumptuous, and brimming with graphic. The story is classic -- Wonderland, the place Alice visited in the novel. Unfortunately, the movie was a little girl's life. In essence, this version of the story is more than a sequel (although Burton doesn't like that characterization -- he claims it's not just more like a story, than the original). The original novel by Lewis Carroll, with elements of poetry thrown in.

In any case, the Alice in this film is rather unlike her, and she returns to Wonderland as "the Alice" who is meant to defeat the Jabberwocky. The Jabberwocky is a huge, menacing creature under the control of the Red Queen, and it is also a creature from one of Car-roll's poems. Also included in the four-legged Bunnies, another creature from the poem that looks like a real-time, radioactive polar bear with the accomplish meat. Both are under the control of the Red Queen, played by Helena Bonham Carter.

Carter does a fabulous job as the eccentric queen, and it really is incredible how disproportionate they were able to make her body from her body. This doesn't make sense in all his portraits of the Mad Hatter, and his makeup throughout the movie looks like it might have taken endless hours. Alice herself, portrayed by Australian actress Mia Wasikowska, is stalled at various points of the film. Perhaps her role was to let all of the other characters shine, but if that was the case, her role was too little to be convincing at times.

Other notable side charac-
ters include the Cheshire Cat, which is much cuter and less creepy than in its animated Disney counterpart. The story transitions fairly quickly from the live-action to the special effects, and yet the film is never more than slightly disconcerting.

Most of Ol' Mice & Men's band members come from different backgrounds. Coming from places like Austin and Victoria, they have a unique sound that is both distinctive and exciting. The band has experienced success during the past couple of years, and with the upcoming release of their latest album, they are ready to take their music to the next level.


delays

Regarding the artwork package of the album, they are proud to announce that it will be a unique and memorable experience. The cover art, created by renowned artist Anthony Saia, is a beautiful representation of their sound and style.
Season adds up to tournament

Pierce Ralph

After a bumpy smooth year of ups-and-downs, the Idaho men's basketball team has finally earned the chance to be putting up the bad games behind and start fresh with everything on the line. Idaho will travel to Reno this week to compete in the WAC basketball tournament. The winner of the WAC tournament will move on to the NCAA tournament, also known as "March Madness."

The tournament is single-elimination, so the season comes down to one game. There has been inconsistent play in the WAC this year, which opens the door for any team to take the winning spot.

Going into the tournament, the Vandal has won the last two of its games with home wins over San Jose State and Hawaii. During these last two games, the Vandals displayed aggressiveness, talent and teamwork, to beat their opponents. In the game against Hawaii records were broken, career highs made and points spread around players.

Steffin Johnson totaled 26 points, 24 of them coming from behind the 3-point line. Johnson made eight 3-pointers against Hawaii and led his team to a large win. Along with Johnson, Hopson had a double-double and no turnovers.

Turnovers have been a struggle all season for the Vandals, and playing the last home game turnover-free, point guard Marlin Jefferson was a big improvement.

With all this momentum and solid playing from across the lineup, the Vandals will take it with them to Reno in hopes of winning the tournament.

"We have a lot of experience on the team this year," Hopson said. "We're looking to win the whole thing.

Out of the nine WAC teams, only one right moved on to the tournament. After a loss to Idaho Saturday, Hawaii will not be competing in the tournament, as it is last in the conference at 3-11.

Idaho will be placed as the No. 7 seed, out of eight, going into tournament play.

With games going either way all season long for most teams, the tournament is a test of the season.

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Kashif Watson suspended

Pierce Ralph

Saturday night, the Idaho men's basketball team tipped off its last home game against Hawaii without one of its key starters, senior guard Kashif Watson.

Watson has been suspended indefinitely for inappropriately tweeting on his Twitter account, Idaho coach Don Verlin said the conduct was detrimental to the program and his suspension was announced Friday.

"Kashif's suspension is a matter that he must work through in order to be reinstated for practice and play," Verlin said Friday. "The matter will be addressed prior to the WAC tournament next week.

Watson sat in street clothes in the stands watching his team beat Hawaii in his last home game.

Watson has started every game for the Vandals this season, earning a spot on the 2010 WAC All-Tournament team. In his last season, he averaged 7.0 points per game. Watson has totaled 277 total points, 21 three-pointers, 139 assists and 110 rebounds.

Going into the tournament, it is still too soon to tell whether Watson will play.

Verlin declined to comment further on his suspension.

WAC looms for women

Idaho to face New Mexico State in opener

Joe Funchuk

Idaho coach Jon Newlee and the women's basketball team are looking to do something no Idaho basketball team has ever done — advance out of the first round of the WAC tournament.

The Vandals rebounded from a senior night loss to Louisiana Tech to close out the season with a win over the Nevada Wolfpack in Reno, and will face New Mexico State, in the first round of the WAC tournament Wednesday afternoon.

After winning in Reno, the Vandals senior night hopes, Idaho came out strong and shared the ball in the win over Nevada, which Newlee called a complete team effort.

"We didn't have that typical senior night slump where it all goes bad," Newlee said. "We shared the ball well and everyone was trusting each other with the ball."

The win put Idaho at a perfect .500 with an 8-4 conference record and gives them the No. 4 seed in the tournament. The Vandals' reward is a date against a potent New Mexico State, which earned the No. 3 seed with a win over San Jose State last weekend.

Idaho has defeated New Mexico State in both meetings this season, although Newlee said he doesn't think the Aggies will be a pushover team. In both games earlier this season, the Aggies pushed Idaho to the brink, losing by three points in the first game and one point in the next.

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Running riot

Record numbers for Snake River Canyon Run

Dina Mischuk
Appupert

The Palouse Road Runners invited runners from all over the region to help break in spring with their 31st Annual Snake River Canyon Half-Marathon. It was a sunny, cloudless warm day and runners came out in droves. An astounding 900 runners, walkers, and joggers crossed the finish line and welcomed thespindrifts on the Palouse. That number dwarfs last year’s registration-setting amount by 269 runners.

“All of this couldn’t have been done without the efforts of volunteers and our sponsors,” said Lance Gallagher, race director, in a written statement.

The weather cooperated perfectly Saturday morning, filled with warm temperatures and sunny skies, which contributed much to a pleasant run for most.

The race also gave Michael Freese a great start to his running journey. “It was my dream to walk, then to run, and now to run a marathon,” said Freese. He ended his first race, the Palouse, breaking the old course record set by Stan Holmton with a time of 3:46:01. He even shaved 14 seconds off his previous record.

The race also featured chef Debra Mulligan, who competed in the race as part of her wheelchair division. Martine Mulligan, who is a nationally known disabled athlete in the Spokane area, also competed. Mulligan, who broke his vertebrae and is paralyzed from the waist down following an accident while working as a painter, is no stranger to the Palouse. In 1985, Martin competed in more than 20 races per year and was a member of the Spokane Cyclones, a half-Budget disabled basketball team. He won and qualified for the national Fit-5K on the Spokane that year.

While those years are long past, Martin continues to enjoy road racing. He has been a fixture on road events such as Broomway ever since his accident, and this year, Martin finished the Snake River Canyon Half-Marathon in second place.

Gallagher said the race was a huge success, and he hopes the numbers continue to grow next year.

Until then, the Palouse Road Runners has many more races, such as the WSU MKK relay and plans planned for the 2010 running season.

Youth learn rugby

Cheyenne Hollis
Appupert

Two rugby players leap for the ball during a friendly scrimmage Thursday. Many of these players for the Blue Mountain Rugby team, which traveled to Butte, Mont., last weekend to play against the Blue Mountain Rugby team, are looking for action in the Mountain West.

The idea of letting one’s child play rugby may be frightening to some parents, but the Idaho, Washington State, and Montana university clubs plan to bring youth rugby to the Palouse.

“It hurts to play rugby but I really want to get out and start playing rugby,” said Steven Kohler, a WSU stationed in Pullman. “They said that there is a reason kids all are allowed to play rugby all over the world instead of building a foundation from here. We want to build a set-up the community can be proud of and want to support. Rugby is one of the fastest growing youth sports in America and we want to be able to start (the Palouse)” Hudson said.

I daho coach Matthew Becker said there is not one reason youth rugby would not be a success in the Mos cow Valley and other Idaho areas.

“We are trying to build a foundation that we can continue to build on and build the Palouse,” said Becker.

The most important thing to consider is getting kids and parents on the field,” Becker said. Rugby is a sport that has many levels and ages to play. Becker added that every club has aissing the whole, there is no reason anyone different in the ages is entitled to get involved in the sport of rugby.

Becker added that rugby is not just a sport but it offers a opportunity to get a job and play at the same time.

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Becker said the benefits of rugby and learning that can be learned give him hope that a strong youth club can exist in Moscow and Pullman.

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For information about upcoming youth rugby, e-mail bluemountainrugby@gmail.com.

Last Chance for Klas

Only two Idaho athletes move to NCAA championship

Lise Short
Appupert

The Husky Last Chance Track & Field camp provided athletes a chance to show what some before them have accomplished. Out of about 10 athletes from both Idaho and Montana in order to get one of the 50 athletes from Idaho and 25 from Montana.

Qualifying for the NCAA meet is a daunting task. The sport of track is among the top athletes across the nation. Very few athletes make the automatic track meet or enough places nationally, and there is a breadth of athletes competing for approximately 20 positions per year.

Klas was able to overcome his injury and put up a vault of 17 feet, 2.5 inches. Although that vault doesn’t meet the automatic qualifier, he put him in fifth place and essentially received an automatic qualifier.

This accomplishment is not something that Klas is a sophomore who completed his first year, according to his vaulting coach Jason Graham. Graham said the qualification is the first time the club has qualified any athletes to the NCAA meet.

“It is not just teaching responsibility to the players but we want to involve players from both the WSU and Idaho club teams to make the Palouse Rugby in the region,” Becker said. “We want the players to make it possible to be able to understand what we want to get back to the community.”

While the Palouse Rugby club on the Palouse began this season based on the bonds it builds in the community.

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The Aggies have three players who average in double-digits in. Geraldine Jamison Loan, who leads the pack with 20 points per game, and Crystal Boyd, who averages 17 points per game. While Idaho did a fantastic job of shutting down Loan in their last meeting - Loan didn't register a single point - Boyd gave the Vandals fits with her speed, size and bouncing. Handling Boyd and limiting damage done by Loan and Wampler will be one X-factor to Idaho and could de-

cide if Idaho sticks around in Reno or heads home early.

On offense, Newcastle must be breathing a sigh of relief, as it looks as if Elaine Chavarri has emerged out of the limited use for the middle of the season. Chavarri has regained her scoring touch in the past few games. Against Nevada, Chavarri put an exclamation point on her return by knocking down 13 points and bringing down four rebounds. A hot Chavarri could spell big trouble for New Mexico State, as Newcastle said Chavarri has the ability to knock out 3-pointers from anywhere on the court. Should Chavarri also need to have a smart game after developing a habit of getting into early foul trouble near the end of the season. Chavarri is a power player who can overwhelm games, but the Aggies won't get a chance to show that the game against Nevada, as they dominated with 20 points and eight rebounds.

If Idaho stays out of foul trouble and Chavarri has a hot night, combined with secondary scoring from Yska Otorosune and Shanta-Jayn Kunze, it would be hard to bet against the Vandals.

Should Idaho defeat New Mexico State, its re-

sult will be a clash with undefeated Fresno State, which is expected to domi-
nate the league in its opening tournament game.

Fresno State has been unstoppable this season, but cracks in the armor have begun to show. The Aggies must keep Fresno off balance.

They are still an extremely dangerous squad, with Jenisse Brown, who was voted WAC Player of the Year, and Noelle Yaffe, who was voted WAC Freshman of the Year. For now, Newcastle and the Idaho Vandals are focused on New Mexico State. Conference records mean noth-
ing - it's a 40 minute season every night from here on out.
2010 WAC Basketball Tournament

The Vandals wrapped up the season with a win against New Mexico State and a loss to Nevada, but the team will play in the first round of the NCAA tournament. The women's team will play against New Mexico State at 1:00 p.m. (PST) on Saturday.