UI fees to increase

Jennifer Schlake
Argonaut

The Idaho State Board of Education approved a 2% increase for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 2010.

University of Idaho officials on Wednesday voted to increase UI's annual tuition by about $6 million short in their budget. Kevin Idaho, UI's executive director of planning and budget, said the board came up with the best possible solution and now it's looking for a way to balance the budget. Currently there are no set fees as to what will replace the shortfall, but Idaho and UI's other officials said a presentation discussion will start this week that will likely continue until May when a budget will have to be sent to the board again.

"There's going to be work that I have to be done to bridge that gap," he said.

Idaho's budget of $377.7 million for its four-year public universities will fall 7.8% percent. UI's budget currently includes state general funds, tuition and fees, some federal stimulus cash and endowment money.

Niki Biel, UI's vice president of finance and administration, said the increase overall are within the STEM areas.

"It's better than it could have been," he said.

Data shows UI has lost more science, technology, engineering and math than any other institution in Idaho as the programs are expensive to operate. Therefore, the STEM areas were approved. UI is trying to solve what areas are overall within the STEM areas, he said.

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After choosing the house where he wanted to pledge during Rush Week — at Alpha Kappa Lambda — Joe Black didn't like it. He couldn't deny it — he had to tell his new friends he wasn't gay.

When Black first decided to pledge at the University of Idaho Greek system, he wasn't sure if he wanted to tell everyone the truth. He told his truth to Boise State University's freshman counselor, ended up hurt and decided to move north to find a better college experience.

The fraternity and sorority system is not meant for homosexuals, Joe Black, Alpha Kappa Lambda, said. "I'm just one of these things that take time for them to get used to and eventually they will accept it." Being honest with his fraternity brothers at Alpha Kappa Lambda was something Black said he had to do in order to make it.

Black seemed to easily settle into AKL, but it wasn't always an easy journey, even now that he is in the sorority system.

The fraternity and sorority system is not like club or communities on campus. There's a certain set of rules and traditions that members must follow, and when there are houses of strictly men or women, some people don't always feel like they belong.

"The fraternity and sorority system is meant for homossexuals," Black said. "It's set up in such a way, and you already feel a little bit of an outsider." University of Idaho's Fraternity Advisor Matthew Kurz said when people are put together under one a different scenario opens up.

"When Greeks, chapters, they're founded, we've had a time when guys were not as public," Kurz said. "Greek houses have only modified and adapted to society's changes."

Kurz has been the advisor for a full year now, and says he see GREEK, page 4

Greek perception of gay members evolving

Screening to address binge drinking

Sarah Yamaha
Argonaut

Alcohol screening will be available to students Wednesday to help address binge drinking and offer resources and information.

The confidential screening is part of a nationwide college program. The goal is to reduce student awareness and information about the effects of alcohol.

The screening will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the UI Commons outside of the Commons, depending upon the weather.

Kurz, a pre-doctoral psychology intern at the UI Counseling and Testing Center, said the screening contains 20 questions that all participants must answer. They often drink and the typical amount they drink, as well as any consequences that come with their drinking.

"This is a problem and it's important for students to be aware," Kurz said.

Psychology interest.

UI Student loan reform bill cuts out private lenders, a policy UI already implemented

Kelley Esums
Argonaut

Dan Davenport said he's thrilled the student loan legislation passed with the health care bill passed, and it will affect students across the country, but not the University of Idaho.

UI does not use private lenders for student loans, but many other colleges and universities do. These schools would lose loans through the U.S. government, but banks would process them and UI has a fee to cut.UI has $3 billion in billions — of dollars — of the profit. The student loans are called the Federal Family Education Loan Program.

Davenport said UI was one of the first 104 institutions in the country to implement student loan reforms for students. UI is using a bill that became the bread and butter for UI to handle its fees. UI is trying to put it back into higher education.

"It was exciting," he said. "It was exciting to see the federal government put $6 billion for student loans toward individual students to process a federal loan. That's all they were thinking about as far as UI is concerned."

Other changes have been made to UI's current loan system. There is $3 billion in billions — of dollars — of the profit. The student loans are called the Federal Family Education Loan Program.

Financial aid advisor Frank Hooiby talks to a student about financial aid and student loans Wednesday in the Argonaut.

Davenport said student loan reform was originally proposed by former President George W. Bush, but he left office before he was able to make it happen. Former President Bill Clinton took office and pursued the reform, but then became a partisan issue.

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SOUNDWAVE FLOWS FOR SOUNDWAVE

Quest Field and Seattle Sounders FC fans are reflected in the bell of a sousaphone at the front gate of the stadium Saturday evening in downtown Seattle. The sousaphone player is part of a 53-person band called Sound Wave. The band led thousands of Sounders fans, clad with Sounders FC scarfs, from Occidental Park to Quest Field in the “March to the Match” one hour before kickoff. The Sounders lost the contest against the New York Red Bulls 1-0.

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$2.92 million grant to network Northern Idaho

Sarah Sakai

The University of Idaho had a groundbreaking, ambitious goal when they set out to expand broadband access to rural areas throughout the state. The project, called "Connecting the Digital Divide," has been a multi-year effort to bring high-speed internet to remote areas, particularly in rural Idaho. The university, along with other partners, including the Idaho Department of Education and the Idaho Broadband Council, received a $2.92 million grant from the Federal Communications Commission to help fund the project.

This grant is a significant milestone in efforts to close the digital divide in Idaho. It will provide funding for equipment and infrastructure needed to build out broadband networks in underserved areas. The project is expected to bring high-speed internet to rural communities, opening up new opportunities for education, workforce development, and economic growth.

The grant will fund the building of multiple broadband networks in rural areas, with a focus on bringing service to areas that are currently underserved. The goal is to provide internet access to as many residents as possible, ensuring that all Idahoans have access to the tools and resources they need to participate in the digital economy.

The project will involve collaboration between the university, local governments, and private sector partners. It is expected to create jobs and stimulate economic development in rural areas, helping to level the playing field for all Idahoans. This is a major step forward in bridging the digital divide and ensuring that everyone in Idaho has access to the opportunities that the internet offers.
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Loan changes positive

New law will make college more affordable, cut wasteful spending

Some changes are coming to federal student loans. Loans offered through the University of Idaho Financial Aid Office already come directly from the government, but many schools still offer loans through federal programs that are dispersed via private banks. This causes a system where banks make large amounts of money for being middlemen between the government and students. Now loans will be processed in-house by the government and dispersed directly to students. Other changes also make it easier for graduates to pay back the loans, with early deferments for those who enter public service. The savings from the changes, estimated at $4 billion over 11 years, will mostly be spent on Pell Grants.

The main argument against the changes is how many jobs will be lost in private banks. The most generous estimates place the number at about 31,000 private sector jobs. The savings provided by the bill work out to about a $200,000 salary for each job. It would be cheaper to grow the economy and just cut the checks for these workers for their current salaries. If the government’s job is to make the most out of tax dollars, not to pay the salaries of private workers.

Some may cry government takeover, but this isn’t home mortgages or auto loans. It’s education. The government already offers some form of government-guaranteed loans, which are still offered through banks. This stops the flow of money to banks but leaves the same people eligible to go fat off Uncle Sam. This government is not supposed to compete with the private sector, the University of Idaho should close so it can make more money with private institutions.

J.R.

Tattoos don’t equal trash

It may hurt like hell to get a tattoo, but it doesn’t hurt people. It isn’t the 1950s anymore. Anyone can get a tattoo, and many do. Music majors walk around with visible dails on their feet. Christians get crosses or repent. People of every background have their characters drawn on their arms and their ankles. Girls have back tattoos. Some have meaning, while others are just decoration.

One may think they’re silly or stupid, but with tattoos, it’s the wearer who decides why it is. Tattooed people have a stigma of being heathens and rebels. It actually takes a lot of courage to get one.

Admittedly, there are some who make an ink mistake in their introduction, poppy seeds lack of planning. The good news is that tattoos aren’t permanent — they can be removed by a number of methods. They can also be covered over by other tattoos or special makeup.

The idea that tattoo (or uncorralled hair, for that matter) are unprofessional is nearly baseless. If someone decides not to take a person seriously, maybe he just doesn’t like tattoos or a tribal band around an arm or a flower on the ankle that can be seen through t-shirts is impractical. If something so miniscule bothers someone to the point of negatively personal reflection to do.

If a customer will not return to Gneo Store X because heker has a blue sparrow on her chest, then that’s their problem and grand-parents generally do not have tattoos. If you’re not happy with body art, then they’re not.” You want to wear a sleeve (or even a whole sleeve) cloud their feelings for a family member, it’s probably only temporary. It needs to compete with variety.

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The idea of a generation of citizens without hand bands, eastern-indian and even purple butterflies is awesome. Maybe minds against tattoos will finally change.

Until then, tattooed members of society, wear them loud and proud. Cover them for work if you must, but stand by your body art, especially if it has the deep, personal meaning that so many tattoos have.

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Off the CUFF: Quick take in exit from our editors

Not war, but murder

A classmate of mine recently leaked the Internet that through a car window to a helicopter gunning down a group of civilians in two Reuters photographs, on a Baghdad street. The soldiers are heard talking about shooting women and children, even taking and joking about the kill. The soldier who first confirmed the soldier was wounded and tried to crawl away. Good fashioned soldiers in a vain tried to pick him up. The огромные сердца of the Executive, on the excuse of we as, killing them, levering and wondering two children. The worst part of the gun side in the war, tried to cover this up and in defending these incompetent soldiers.

Microsoft

Tuesday and Thursday

I won’t have classes on Tuesday or Thursday next semester — either Monday and Friday?

The Biggest Loser

I don’t know how many people watch The Biggest Loser, but I do. I consider myself to be a 2008 almost the only really show I can stand. I’m not a huge fan and I have a couple of their work—out routines. I’m not a huge fan of the last night called boot camp. It was, in a word, pathetic.

In response to Jeff:

I have classed next semester.

Tiger Woods is back

“Does anyone care? Didn’t think so.”

Thanks, guys

The people made my day today. The first one was a guy with a new colored umbrella, who I saw this morning coming to the class. The other was walking, who I saw this morning coming to class. The other was walking, who I saw.

Time

“Whiskey white?” There’s only a month of school left.

Lab problems

It is the second day for classes to have lab sections that count for course credits.

Three-day weekend

I realized today that I have three-day weekends till the end of the semester. I love when classes end halfway through the semester.

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A thousand meanings behind one day

My birthday is on Oct. 31, so as a child, I was used to getting a lot of extra sweets to celebrate birthday day cake. One year, as I was preparing the decorations for my Halloweens candy, a box arrived for me from my friends with my mother — so I decided to spend more time with them. I was celebrating the delayed birthday. I always thought I was celebrating my birthday.

Internally, the holiday, originally a pagan celebration, was popularized by the Catholic church under the name All Hallows' Eve. Bringing rich history and tradition, it evolved into a day where people celebrate the idea of giving back to others.

But learning there were other meanings to this day did not stop me from celebrating, because I believe that celebrating the meaning of a name is more important than the day itself. I traded Valentine’s Day greetings for Happy birthday wishes. I learned about the meaning of St. Valentine and went through without knowing that March 17 was the celebration of Ireland correcting to Christianity.

When the Soviet Union gained control of Russia, the city of St. Petersburg was renamed Leningrad so the people would be honoring St. Peter. I was a little sad about St. Petersburg, I acclimated. In any case, it's just a name, but all in all, this is 2023, but I couldn't believe those people are still celebrating this day. The celebration of Christmas.

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to music and be with friends, they were there to make the best of it. The best thing about this was whether I took it to do something else, whether that was making the laws or discussing the rights of everyone.

Regardless of what the outcome of the trial, the feelings of the people involved were important. The more people who could support the cause, the more likely the outcome would be. The trial was a way for students to get involved in making a difference with something that could change their lives and even the lives of others.

The legal battle over health care reform is finished. Throughout the proposal, the Constitution defended the states and the courts to defend our constitutional rights. Appropriately, 13 states filed suits against the federal government last month indicating that the Constitution provides an authority to the United States to mandate, either directly or through the power of permitted action, that all citizens and legal residents purchase health care coverage.

In the next week, other states continued to join the fray, either by filing independent suits or by joining the original lawsuits. As a Pennsylvanian, I believe that some amendments would be constitutional. I do not support this, but I think that the Constitution should provide an authority to the United States to mandate that all citizens and legal residents purchase health care coverage.

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Expansion of UI's vision

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art on CAMPUS

Expanding UI's vision

Art galleries display a wide variety of work

Blainne Rines

"Who Could Stay Mad at a Unicorn?"

Sparkle, the baby unicorn, causes nothing but smiles. She loves Lucky Charms, but spits them everywhere. Her glasses are well placed around the floor. When he needs a bath, he gets into the sink and hobbits overflow the tub. Everyone gets frustrated with Sparkle, but she just "Could Stay Mad at a Unicorn?"

"I love this exhibit, the variety of art is amazing," said Nohemy Adu-Gonzalez, a senior in communication studies. "I think it's interesting how you can see different things you wouldn't normally see in a small exhibit like this."

The exhibit is of a new media art, "Who Could Stay Mad at a Unicorn?" is a show that needs to be seen, said Hanna Clark, the current student director of the gallery. The layout includes flashing lights and various sounds greeting the observer when they step on the pastel colored pebbles that make up the floor. The sounds are converted by a tail of cutout rainbows, Lucky Charms and glitter infused table stands down the same path Sparkle had taken on its "walk". The little horse's back makes a perfect projection.

The Redstone Gallery features anxious pieces by an art professor and new-art students in the campus community. Clark, the student director and design teacher, is currently working on designing a website where gallery events and multimedia deadlines will be listed. Clark is working on these pieces (that limit to art, architecture or design students) who are interested in displaying work in the gallery for the 2010-2011 academic year.

The space is also used for outreach and displays about minority membership, creating art, but the gallery is also used to let other UI students know who people in the art programs are doing. Clark, who displayed her own piece, "Easterbunny," in the fall, is excited for the new exhibit, which will be displayed until April 12.

"It is video-based, so it's hard to explain Unless you come to the gallery," Clark said. "It's incredibly fun."

An artist and a teacher

Rachael Eastman has never wanted to be anything but an artist. "I’ve always known that was what I wanted to do with my life. My mom said when I was little I would run through my homework to flip the page over and draw," Eastman said.

Eastman, a member of one of the Frisbie Fray's freshman classes, said the exhibit has been on her mind ever since she heard about the event. "It’s being put together with a lot of part�(148,90),(743,388)(157,378),(853,994)-in pieces."

Eastman has been working with different degree of fine arts to the University of Wisconsin for the past two years and is continuing to explore different culture. She said she has also been involved in the Fine Arts program at UI and has worked with the Frisbie Fray's class on the art exhibit. "I’ve always been interested in the variety of art and how everyone is different."

Eastman said the amount of work shown in the exhibit depends on available space, but there will probably be about 10-15 of her pieces shown. "Some people are usually a bit hesitant about their opinions of work, but through this they learn to appreciate other people’s work," Eastman said. "What this year’s exhibit will be all female and all the work displayed will be still silks, a type of printmaking."

Eastman said printmaking is in her future type of art to make it because it embodies other types of printmaking.

"Sometimes I’ll paint some areas with a brush, and the wool ends up getting, like, sculpting," Eastman said. "With printmaking there’s a lot involved, like you can do wood, monotype, intaglio, silk screen. Most think of it is like a digital process, but a lot of it is a pretty large tradition."

There are numerous types of printmaking, but in general, the artist creates a plate called, a matrix, which can be on wood, metal, stone.

What’s up, Peeps? Top five ways to end a letter

Easter is a time for celebration, a time to recognize. Easter is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ after his crucifixion. Second only to Christmas, church services are full for Easter. People come out in droves, boys get new ties and girls fall into dresses, boys get new ties and - and women even wear fancy hats, but only on the secular side of the holiday. It’s all about the candy.

It doesn’t matter if a person has no belief in Christianity, they can have a delicious Easter bunny in the Easter Bunny story they were six or seven, or even if they are careful about their sugar intake throughout the year, most people enjoy a little Easter-themed candy. Why? Not much, probably the mostly candy-tender holiday there is, the sweeter do not compare. At Halloween you can buy plenty of candy, but it’s mostly just minimums, the way a kid gets to the zero.

At Easter, there’s no need for safe-you can’t get any uglier than a rabbit. Easter conveys a lot of different emotions, boys kill eggs, girls kill chocolate, the light is on jelly beans, hollow through their teeth, and, of course, Peeps. The Just Born Company that manufactures Peeps has been spreading its sugary goodness since 1953, when they bought out Reddy Candy Co. in 1953, just from extending their US holidays to other holidays as well, but the the last year, the first step toward Easter.

I understand I’m dating the Easter bunny, but there’s a time in the not-so-distant past when people communi-
cated without the use of writing equipment. We had to either make our own words or write using original tools, and the other option was to use a computer. Either way, you say, you say, you say, you say, you say, you say, you say, you say. And that’s right.

5. Don’t Write Back

Sure, already you’re missing the point. That’s not what this is. It’s like that day you didn’t communi-
cate something somewhere that your relationship is over and you’re not talking any more, you’re not allowed to put that here. Besides, it’s just that. It’s just that. It’s just that.

4. Love

You put “love” at the end when you don’t have anything else to say. You put “love” at the end when it’s a letter to Grandma and “Keep it up” is inappropriate — even if that’s how you end all of your conver-
sations. It’s vapid, it’s inaudible and ultimately it doesn’t say anything. If you use, it appears you are writing a letter, clearly you are writing a letter. Writing is hard. It takes the amount of time to write one sentence as it has to type this whole paragraph.

3. Yours

You say “yours” when you’re on your way to becoming a stoopid old man. Because let’s be honest, no one ever actually meant “yours” when they said that at the end of a let-
er. And if it was true, then they probably would have ended up putting something like, “With

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Pinned by Matt Adams-Wenger

Art gallery director of the Art Gallery at the University of Idaho

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Kelli Hadley

A sophomore in the communication studies program

Rachael Eastman sits among some of her artwork that will be on exhibit at the Richard Art Gallery starting April 16 and will be on display until May 8.

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Visitors have to push up the threshold door of the studio and stick their heads in to see what’s going on inside. Rowley said the studio vibe feels like “The Glass Menagerie.”

“It’s creepy, but cool,” Rowley said, as she led the group through the studio, made up of human foamy cast. It just blew you away.

The Pitchfork displays nine to 11 exhibits at a time that rotate every few weeks. Occasionally there will be smaller exhibits and workshops, usually showcasing new media and video. Togher said there is a variety of artwork from local artists and students and faculty from the College of Art and Architecture, graduate students, regional, and international artists.

“Our mission is to bring the greater arts community here to Moscow,” Rowley said. “We’re the venue where you can see what’s happening in contemporary art in the region.”

The studio did not require to pay to see their work in the gallery. There are prices for printmaking courses offered, and the Pitchfork Art Gallery covers much of the expenses for the students.

Rowley said anyone an artist has the opportunity to participate artwork. It forces artists to deal with issues and grow as an artist. Pitchfork Art Gallery encourages more experimentation with art. The amount of time it takes for someone to go through the gallery varies. Some spend up to 45 minutes, but most spend less than 30. The gallery is not charging every visitor to spend a certain amount of time viewing the exhibit.

Rowley said he hopes to create an experimental space for students to be able to see what they’re trying to do and display art that is not connected to a class or coursework. This is a self-motivated, with almost no curatorial oversight. This space would empower students to be responsible for what they are presenting and the ramifications that come out of it. Students would get to see the art because they wanted to and not because it’s required for a class.

Togher said, “Students engage with the voice and the place where they can then speak for themselves.” Rowley said, “because if they’re going to be working in and it is other people that get to generate the work themselves.”

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Ilya Pischuk

Idaho track and field is in style this weekend, posting several top marks, including several best-in-the-WAC times at the 26th Annual Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays in Austin, Texas, and the Sam Adams Cluster in Spokane.

Idaho off the pace for the WAC by having a total of six competitors posting seeds in the WAC.

Junior javelin-thrower Ulrike Harts started Idaho off by improving on her Idaho second place distance standing in the women's javelin throw. Harts took second place in the "B" section of the event at the Texas Relays with a toss of 157.4 (47.96m). That toss is the best in the WAC this year. No. 16 in the West Region and No. 21 in the NCAA.

Idaho throwing coach Julie Taylor said she was excited about Harts's performance. "It was a great competition, beautiful weather, and she threw really well," Taylor said. "Technically, she looked a lot better than she did at Stanford, and I think she's on her way to doing a lot better things this year.

"Throwing also got a strong performance from senior hammer thrower James Ryan, as he produce the NCAA's 6th best hammer throw of 63.56m, which placed sixth at the Texas Relays. In addition, Ryan, whose mark is in the WAC and seventh in the West Region. Not content to sneak records in the hammer throw, Ryan also took fourth in the "B" section of the event with a toss of 41.46m.

Senior shot-putter Mykael Neill rounded out Idaho throwing with a conference-best throw of 18.32m in the women's shot put, taking 10th place in the "A" section. In addition to the conference-throwers, Taylor said she was impressed with middle-distance thrower Sarah Nuhn, who threw the 1,000m, a personal-best and good for a third-place finish at the Sam Adams Classic. That mark puts her at eighth all-time in the event.

"I'm really pleased with Sarah," Taylor said. "She came in and second for us in doubles in our first WAC championship in February (2014) and now she's getting better and better in an event that she never did in high school."

In the field events, Idaho got strong performances from K.C. Dittmer, who posted a conference-best mark in the women's pole vault with a height of 10.05m.

Jersey Kian continued his dominating ways by taking 12th place in the men's pole vault with a height of 5.00m. Klar height takes the next closest mark in the WAC by 10 inches.

Idaho was well-represented on the track, with junior Paul Dittmer running the second fastest time of his career in the 1,500m hurdles, finishing fourth in the event with a time of 1:52.4, which is in the best in the WAC, sixth in the region and 10th in the NCAA so far this year.

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Through the rain and shine

Lisa Short

Idaho's men's and women's track teams have many ups and downs as the Vandals return with nine top times and one cancelled match.

Idaho started their trip with a major win against No. 75 Santa Clara University defeating them in a close-3 decision.

"Santa Clara was a really good win. They were really excited and very happy after they won a tie in a row, they had a lot of success this season," Idaho coach Tom Hall said. "I was really impressed with Gabriela, she lost the first set but came back and fought." Idaho couldn't continue from their winning streak when they faced off against defending conference champs Fresno State. In what was their first conference match of the season, Idaho was blown out by Fresno State in a 9-0 decision.

"It seemed like we lacked focus," Neill said. "We weren't emotionally prepared to fight hard. They are a tough team and we just couldn't get them off the court."

Poulovlouptouko scored the Vandals' only single point of the day in her No. 2 match. Macheco and Wettla earned double wins, but collectively Idaho couldn't pull off the double wins.

"The fast-throwing women grew from," Neill said.

Then the rain came in and sort of mixed things up for Idaho.

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 Forget Sam Worthington and Liam Neeson as the box-office — the real clash of the titans happened on CBS Monday night, when small-school Butler took on Big-sky Duke for the national championship.

It was a championship game to remember, close to the wire. The only way it could have been better was if it had been played in overtime.

Both teams were averaging about 9.3 points per game, but the score was tied at 62 with just over a minute left.

Butler was on top by two with 40 seconds remaining, when Michael Rodriguez of Duke hit a three-pointer to tie the game.

Butler, the powerhouse basketball program which has produced world-wide recognition, ensured its place in the final by winning out No. 12 Louisville on Chris threshing out No. 8 Notre Dame College, snatching No. 8 with Doug Butler being the only No. 17 in the championship game.

Butler was looking to capture its own national championship in school history, but Duke was the only team to have ever won a national championship.

It was an atmosphere of excitement and suspense in the championship game. Butler, the team with more than a hundred years of tradition, was on the brink of a second straight national title.

Butler knocked off Duke in the final four out of the title game, winning the championship game — Butler's first since 1976.

The improbable story of Butler's surprising journey to the national title.

The Butler Bulldogs had been devastated by the loss of their star player, who had died in a car accident just months before.

Butler was led by a team that had never reached the Final Four, but they had dreaming of a championship.

The team had come together under the guidance of head coach Brad Stevens, who had taken Butler to the title game.

The Bulldogs were playing their best basketball of the season, and they were determined to give it their all.

Butler had a lead of 11 points with just over two minutes to go in the game, but Duke was able to take it down to a one-point game.

The final shot from Butler's Kellen Dunham sailed wide of the basket, and the team waited in anticipation.

After the buzzer sounded, the Butler players celebrated their victory, while the Duke players looked on in disbelief.

The championship game was a testament to the determination and resilience of the Butler Bulldogs.

They had overcome the odds to reach the highest level of the sport, and they had proven that anything is possible with hard work and dedication.

The Butler Bulldogs had achieved something truly special, and they had brought joy to fans around the world.

Butler had captured a championship, and they had done it in a manner that would be remembered forever.
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The Vandals also had four individual winners on Saturday at the Sam Adams Classic:

Senior high-jumper Breanna Charlton, scored 16.60m to win the high jump, and freshman Se- mantha Nielsen went 23.05m in the triple jump to earn a pair of wins on the women's side.

On the men's side, freshman Jason Lorenz cleared 6.08m to win the long jump, while Colin Briggs went 14.12m to win the triple jump. Idaho coach Wayne Phipps said he was im- pressed with the strong re- sults for the Vandals.

"It was a first meet for a lot of guys, so they're go- ing to be a bit rusty and it's a tough pace to compete by.

This week we are going to be working on academ- ics and focus on getting healthy and ready for the upcoming matches.

But I thought we did pretty well," Phipps said.

Idaho has a week off and will then head to Spokane for the Spokane Falls Dual Meet on April 10.
Football Has First Spring Scrimmage

Spring football scrimmage was closed to the media and was coached by the one-sided. Not to Saturday for Idaho's Vandals, who went through their first scrimmage this past Tuesday, allowing the media and coaches to see what they've been practicing session.

This 90-minute session featured good by both sides — and the best news is all was better than a year ago when the Vandals were matched up with what they've been since 1999.

"We get good antismacth," said Rob Ayko. "We had good things happen out there. Offensively, we moved the ball well and moved the ball better than we have been during practices.

"The offensive back was disigned drivers, which forced into field goal attempts instead of resulting in touchdowns. Sophomore kicker Pay Fournier first was wide left on an 40-yarder, then wide right on a 60-yarder before

The Vandals wrap up their spring schedule on April 24 in Portland.

Vandals Outlast Aggies In Marathon Match

It took more than 2 hours to complete but the University of Idaho Men's Tennis team knocked off Utah State 4-3.

The match started at 3 p.m. on Friday and did not conclude until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday because of numerous rain delays.

The Vandals got spectacular play from the bottom four spots with Adrian Dennis, Steinaker, Stupe, and Alan Shen all won singles matches to guide Idaho to victory.

Shiht clinched the match with 12 hours after it had started. Idaho's record improves to 7-3 on the season.

Idaho faces Hawaii on Sunday to finish its conference schedule for the year.

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