Students get a lift

Grant may help offer rides for students with disabilities, those walking at night

By Christina Lords
Agnew

Students with mobility disorders had help getting to and from classes next semester.

The University of Idaho Safety Task Force program has received a grant from the Idaho Transportation Department to purchase a bus with a wheelchair lift to drive students with disabilities chosen during the day.

The bus would also be used to provide rides to UI students at night.

The grant would allow progeny of the program to reduce a new bus every year.

The bus would run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for students with disabilities. The bus would then provide a safe ride for students on campus at night in their room to their living groups.

"This whole thing is about students with disabilities out having the same access to buildings or activities as other students," said Debbie Henderson, an office administrator for the University and Academic Assistant Program. "It feel like the right thing to do to give them access."

The University of Idaho has approximately 20 students with permanent disabilities, and also issues about 200 disabled patching permits per year for people who have temporary disabilities, including people that are recovering from surgery and who have broken bones.

Hornbuckle said UI is the only university, or college in Idaho that doesn't have a transportation system to help students get around campus.

If the bus did serve as a great asset for persons with mobility issues and would simply make getting around easier.

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Garden grows student's dream

By Jeremy Castillo
Agnew

It was a rainy day. Robert Farnsworth, a University of Idaho graduate student, was walking to his apartment before turning his attention to the garden he shares with his同居 wife. Farnsworth, who is locked in a wheelchair, could easily step into the garden if he wanted.

He also saw rain run down the sidewalk and into Paradise Creek. In that moment, he wanted to find a way around the garden's dying plants.

Using his inspiration, Farnsworth applied for a special UI Sustainability to make something tangible from the plants.

"At the end of Christmas break, I got word of the possible grant," he said. "I thought, 'Well, let's go before it goes before the cold gets out of the garden."

For two months, he said, the garden has been "the garden of hope" for disabled students.

Eventually, he thought of a garden, at creating them along with his major, landscape architecture.

"I was thinking of my job," Farnsworth said. "That's what I did. I design them and doing one right here is the best for me."

Many students get help with the garden, and given them a hands-on education, who wants to help his peers visualize the possibilities of their field, so "my colleagues will take the ideas to their future designs."

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Committed in college

By Melissa Davis
Agnew

Most college students focus only on test grades or Saturday night plans.

Students like Chantal Dougal also worry about flower arrangements and picking out wedding dresses.

Dougal is one of UI's married undergraduates.

While many students wait to get married until after college, some take the plunge while still in school.

Dougal married her husband Trevor when she was 21 and he was 20. They dated only three months before getting married on Dec. 29, but have been the best friends for six years. They went on dates occasionally and want to Douglass' sophomore homecoming dance.

"I didn't want to be married young," Dougal says. "But I just wanted to be married when I was ready."

They decided to get married partly for religious reasons. Both are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, which discourages living together and sexual relations before marriage.

"We knew it was the right time for us. We knew we were ready," Dougal said.

Religion often plays a role in young people's decisions, with many relying on family and friends to help make the decision.

"Love of times, who marry young have strong beliefs against sexual relations before marriage," she says.

Getting married is a culturally sanctioned way for young people to deal with that need for closure, she says.

"I also played a role in Jennifer Valdez's decision to marry Jordan Hornbuckle when she was only 21."

Their love story began 14 years ago in the Tri-City area. They dated from first grade until ninth grade, when Henderson moved to another town.

They rekindled their romance in their sophomore year of college. After a year of long-distance dating, Valdez relocated from her community college in Seattle to Moscow to be with Henderson.

"When trying to figure out where Valdez would live, I thought, if someone don't believe in living together before marriage, decided to sleep," Valdez says.

They committed to a "no sex with anyone else," Valdez, 21, says, "But at the last minute we kind of decided to sleep."

Henderson and Valdez married on Dec. 31, 2005, in Boise Wells. Both of their families wanted a large wedding, the two decided not to tell anyone about the ceremony.

This was our. Our own commitment, our own marriage," Valdez says.

They are happy to keep their marriage a secret because both ended up losing their families during Christmas break.

Valdez says her family took it really well, despite the secrecy.

"My family loves Jordan," Valdez says. "My family anticipated we would get married. They just didn't think we'd wait a year to tell them."

According to the 2000 census, Mahous makes up 29% of the population.

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Hallatse keeps Targhee traditions alive

By Jeremy Castillo
Agoura

A trip down the road to Targhee, the largest student-run ski area in the United States, is far from anything you would expect.

The hike from the parking lot to the dormitories is just one of the many experiences that make Targhee unique. It's a place where students can escape from the hustle and bustle of daily life and find a sense of community.

The ski area is a popular destination for students from around the country, and the facilities are designed to accommodate their needs. The dormitories are spacious and comfortable, with plenty of room for study and relaxation.

During World War II, the facility served as a military training center, and it continues to be a hub for students and families alike. The ski area is an excellent place to learn and grow, and the traditions that have been passed down from generation to generation make it a special place.

As students, we are always looking for ways to make the most of our time here, and Targhee provides an ideal environment for that. Whether you're a seasoned skier or a first-time visitor, Targhee has something for everyone.

So, why not take the plunge and give it a try? You won't be disappointed. The memories you make here will last a lifetime.
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Personal feelings aside, Farmington residents argue in favor of doing headlining into the garden. 
"At first I was a little bit sur-
prised that I would like a lot of time," he said. "I used to do all kinds of things, and I don't have as much contact with the potential of time and energy, and how they can be spent with these projects and studies. But the biology is something I'm interested in, and I think the importance of this is that it's a way of trying to get away from issues. I think that it's like a chance to do a little bit of research as well."

UN shut down granting Farmington the money to construct his brick house. When completed, the garden will run along the Art and Architecture Building, 500 S. Main St., which houses the Gould Hall and the Life Science building. Students will be able to go in and work on the garden in the spring. The garden will be growing in a location along the outside wall.

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**Sensor Speaks out About ASUI Voting System**

BY CHARLES CHAMBERS

Students received a campus-wide e-mail asking their opinion of punch-card voting. Thanks to those who responded.

Out of the people who voted in our survey, 87% punch cards was a bad idea. Punch card voting is a major step back in our voting process. 75-80% of people who vote voted online. Punch-card isn't a step forward for the University of Idaho. There are many people who don't go to the Commons, Wallace Complex, or the Rec Center. There are also students who live off campus, including those not living in Moscow.

The people don't vote because they don't care, don't feel connected to the candidates or they don't see the point of it. I wasn't higher voter turnout. I voted the ways I'm involved and as a freshman it's better for everyone.

We have more important things to deal with. One of these is urging our Idaho legislators to enact an amendment that would pay 25% of need-based scholarships for students. Our time is better spent getting money from our legislature rather than fixing a system that isn't broken.

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**Student Group Encourages Action from Students and Staff**

**ASUI Board of Regents**

More than 110 million children in the world's poorest countries suffer from chronic hunger and the majority don't attend school.

The McGovern-Dole Program helps fight child hunger and poverty by supporting school feeding operations in developing nations. This is a sustainable program with the ultimate goal of turning over control to local populations.

The University of Idaho says no on hunger student group has collaborated with the Friends of the World Food Program in Washington D.C. to help fund the McGovern-Dole School Feeding Program with a letter-writing campaign to increase governmental funding for this much needed project.

The group on hunger encourages all students, faculty, and community members to get involved in the letter-writing campaign by filling out a single form at www.friendsofwfp.org.

There will be a press conference March 24th at 11 a.m. in the Cope Commons to address the Letter Writing Campaign. Any questions can be directed to Design in Device Wade at wade474@uidaho.edu.

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**Coming Events**

**Taylor Swift Performing in the SUB**

Taylor Swift recently celebrated her 17th birthday and the songstress/ungirlfriend had the time of her life. Her sold-out first show at the District in Boise, opened March 23rd. Swift is scheduled to return to Idaho at March 27th at the District in Boise, opening for Colbie Caillat.

**Where:** SUB Ballroom

**When:** March 23rd @ 7:30 p.m.

**Cost:** Undergraduates $8

**Public $15**

**Tickets go on sale March 6 at the SUB Information desk.**

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**UI Ambassadors are Selling T-Shirts!**

The shirts are $10 and can be purchased at New Student Services in the SUB

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**Alternative Spring Breakers Return to What They Started**

BY ROBERT TAYLOR

Family Council Board President

Stresses Hohl is spending her spring break this year much like the first last year. For her, spring break will start with another trip to the Inland Northwest for a long hike. She'll spend the week with a handful of her fellow students, spend a few more nights on the beach and enjoy the local culture.

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We need to have endowment started now, so in the future we don't have to worry about lack of funding of a recession. This would make a huge impact of the students of the entire state of Idaho. Students who have already helped with writing and convincing state leaders on this issue have made an impact on the decision process. More students are needed to tell their story of how important it is for them to get their college degree.

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**C Scott Agee/Telegram**

Why are American troops still in Iraq?

If you have a healthy mind and a heart that is well-adjusted, the time is now to start thinking about how you are going to be spending your Thanksgiving holiday. This is not about the season, it is about the time.

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It is time to start thinking about the future and finding solutions. The solutions are not going to come easy, but they are out there. It is up to each of us to find them.

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**Off the Cuff**

Quick take on 50+ p.m.

A new finding, new talk head.

Saddam and the wealthy people. It is important to remember that Saddam and the wealthy people have been a part of the problem for a long time.

The problem is not with Saddam and the wealthy people. The problem is with the system.

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**Stop talking, just fund the bus**

The issue was announced last fall that the University of Idaho would start a fund to support the Wheatland Express — the bus that provides transportation for students between the Moscow campus and the Vandals in Lewiston. Since then, students and administrators have been working hard to get the fund up and running.

However, there are still a few issues that need to be addressed. The first is funding. The University of Idaho has been struggling with budget cuts for the past few years, and this has made it difficult to find the necessary funds for the Wheatland Express.

The second issue is the timing of the fund. The fund was announced last fall, but it is not yet operational. Students and administrators are still working on getting the fund up and running.

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**C is still for cookie, that’s good enough for me**

Call it being away from little kids for a long time, but I just found out about this treat: Cookie Monster, from “Sesame Street,” only can get you a nice and delicious cookie. Every time I see the Cookie Monster, I just think how much I love cookies.

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**Text Losses**

I overheard a conversation on my way to work about talking with my girlfriend. It was a difficult conversation to have, but I felt like I needed to tell her how I really feel.

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**A new idea, something everyone needs to try**

Have you ever thought about trying the Wheatland Express or whatever that you think is something everyone needs to try? It is a great idea, it is something everyone needs to try.

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**A new term for the world?**

In this generation, the generation that gave rise to the Challenger explosion in 1986, are we now talking about the term “policy”? It is time to start thinking about what it means and how it can be used to make a positive impact on the world.

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Marriage may be serious wealth

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Do trans-fat bans miss the big picture?
By Michelle Strand
Junk-food lovers, listen up! For government officials are on the job protecting your health. Or are they? Philadelphia recently become the first city in the country to ban trans fats, followed by New York City’s Borough of Manhattan. The move is applauded by some health officials, but does it help prevent obesity? Or worse, may make the problem worse? As we approach the holiday season, and with many people making New Year’s resolutions, it is important to understand the role of trans fats in our diet and their effects on our health.

Trans fats are found in many processed foods, including margarine, crackers, and fried foods. They are derived from vegetable oils and are used to extend shelf life and improve texture. However, trans fats have been linked to increased risk of heart disease, high cholesterol levels, and other health problems. In fact, the American Heart Association recommends limiting trans fat intake to less than 2% of total calories per day.

The current policy approach to trans fats has focused on regulation rather than prevention. While regulations can be effective, they may not be enough to change consumer behavior. A more comprehensive approach is needed to address the issue of trans fats.

The solution must consider the role of trans fats in our diet and nutritious alternatives. Trans fats should not be banned outright, but rather their intake should be limited. This can be achieved through education, labeling, and regulations.

The health benefits of reducing trans fat intake are clear, but the challenge lies in implementing effective strategies. By focusing on education, nutrition labeling, and regulation, we can work towards a future where trans fats are no longer a threat to public health.
Newspapers must offer readers fresh insight

By Linley King
MT Campus

Steven Rattner, a former New York Times reporter, has drawn questions on the front pages.

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**Blown away at Lewiston's Devil's Slide**

By Andrew Miller

The wind was pushing UI Cycling club member Lorenz Brown all course last Thursday at Hells Gate State Park in Lewiston.

Brown, a UI graduate in environmental science, said: "It was really windy, which factored into the race." Brown competed in the sport's division for the 15-29-year-old. The sport division was two times around the 53-mile loop course. She completed the race in 3 hours, 12 minutes. The average of the group was 3 hours, 19 minutes and the course in 1 hour, 21 minutes.

Brown now has a husband, and fellow UI Cycling Club member, Ben, which she fell in love.

Brown, a UI graduate student in mechanical engineering, completed her two loops in 1 hour, 12 minutes for a time of 3 hours, 24 minutes and finished 10th overall.

Brown also had a top-two riding lady who took the women's individual race, and 3:13 for her 15-29-year-old category. Brown says: "I think it's a neat ride."

Brown and Huck both originally from Ohio, found the windy course a challenge. "I am used to the wind on the east," Huck says. "And there's that wind on the west." The couple met while attending the Ohio University in Athens, Ohio.

"We both raced for Ohio's team the same year," Huck says. "That was pretty neat. We both met and got together in the mountains, we've been in the same class, the same course." The Devil's Slide race was only the couple's second mountain bike race ever. In Moscow after the race, they had a chance to be a great place to continue their enthusiasm for biking.

"Whether the weather is nice, I probably get out about four times a week," Brown says. "I think it's a neat ride."

Brown and Huck also have races starting in the future but take the technical race and enjoy miles over.

"Neither of us has races on the route," Brown says. "That's our favorite route in the area." Brown and Huck plan to race in Pullman's Kikemo Park and the Gorge in Spokane.

"I think the route I've done the most is the Devil's Slide," Brown says. "I think it's a neat ride."

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**Vandals head to Championships in last place**

Men's season ends on 12-game losing streak

By Nick Keisler-Bearden

The University of Idaho men's basketball team lost its final two games of the regular season to the University of San Francisco in a hard-fought battle.

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Fellow Vandals,

I've been hearing your concerns over the last several days regarding the Vandalsmail switch. What needs to be understood is that ASUI DID NOT SUGGEST OR APPROVE ANY SPECIFIC CHANGES TO THE E-MAIL SYSTEM. Rather, its approved ASUI informing us that changes to the e-mail system would be happening as the agreement with the existing e-mail provider and system is coming to an end and it was time to try a new system. At that point it was communicated to the ASUI that a change would be happening.

Late last spring and during the summer the ASUI and others around campus were invited to attend several sessions where in basic information was presented about different e-mail systems. We supplied our input and opinions at these meetings. This process is similar to ones in which the ASUI participates. This includes dynamic required student health and safety, etc. ASUI, in all of these processes, is welcomed to the table and provided opportunities for input, but we are not responsible for final decision making. At no time during the past year did the ASUI unilaterally make a final decision for ITS or any select private e-mail system to replace the old one.

According to officials at ITS the following process and timeline was followed regarding the e-mail system change:

1. year: Student Computing Advising Committee (SCAC) approved funding to purchase hardware and software for new e-mail technology
2. (Note: the SCAC does not approve the service ITS chooses)
3. Summer: Work was done to investigate services (Gmail etc) and webinars were given on the Vandalsmail Live! to students around campus
4. November 8, 2006: ITS gave a presentation to the ASUI Senate in a pre-session going over the changes and the new system
5. (Note: ASUI Senate was not asked to make a decision about a service)
6. December 8, 2006: Argonaut runs their first announce the changing
7. Email to students announcing the change and letting them know timelines

Despite what you may have heard from ITS or anyone else this decision was not made by the ASUI. The ASUI will continue to hear your concerns and represent them with ITS as we hope to find ways to best serve student computing needs. The ASUI has contacted ITS and arranged for an open forum on Thursday, March 8th, at 4:00pm in the Whitewater Room in the Commons. Representatives from ITS will be available to hear your concerns and answer questions.

Best of Luck with Midterms. Go Vandals!

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SportsBRIEFS

Uf freshman Madison picked as Newcomer for year

Madison, a true freshman from Yakima, Wash., was selected as the WAC Newcomer of the Year for his role as the quarterback of the Cougars' offense. Madison joins fellow freshman who served as a starter at defensive end in the first 11 games of the season. He completed 135 of 262 passes for 1,203 yards and four touchdowns in 10 games

The Vandals are top finisher for Volleyball awards

The WAC's men's basketball coach picked Nevada's Jake Carver as his choice for the WAC's Player of the Year on Tuesday. Nevada has won four of the past five games against Idaho and tied the game in the second half. Idaho trailed 64-63 with less than three minutes left in the game. Idaho played two of its best games against Nevada this season, but lost both contests. Nevada won both games against Idaho, winning the first game by 10 points and the second game by 17 points.

Vandals WRAP-UP

I wish in the future that we could start the big event at the time it was our time. It's a no-brainer, huh? Good luck, eh? You're not the only ones

The Vandals were the first team to win the title in the last 16 games at the Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas, a tournament that has been played for over a decade. The Vandals won the title in 2006, 2007, and 2008 and are hoping to win it again this year. However, they lost in the quarterfinals last year and are looking for revenge this time. The Vandals are a top-10 team in the nation and are expected to be a strong contender for the championship.

It's been a great season for the Vandals, and they have earned their place in the NCAA Tournament. They have had an impressive season, and they are ready to take on the best teams in the country. The Vandals have a good chance of making it to the Final Four, and they will be a force to be reckoned with in the tournament.

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Vandals men: An uphill battle

The University of Idaho men's basketball team is on the same collision course as the women in the opening round of the 2007 NCAA Tournament. They meet Thursday night.

The No. 9-ranked Vandals (27-6, 1-3 WAC) face the 10th-ranked Colorado State Rams (22-11, 2-2 WAC) at 7:30 p.m. in Las Cruces, N.M. Both teams enter the game at 3-1 in the WAC and will play against each other for the second time this season.

The Sparks lead the overall series 2-1 and won both in Las Cruces in January. The team's last win was more than two decades ago in 1981. Idaho is 13-1 at home.

Idaho has won the Vandals in scoring all three games this season, 18-4 points per game. On March 1 at Nevada, Idaho scored a season-high 53 points in routing the Wolf Pack, 79-46. Idaho showed its scoring and rebounding ability with the 49ers Tuesday night. The Bluejackets scored 12 points and had six boards in the victory.

Idaho is 6-1 in the WAC Tournament heading into this season. Last season, the Vandals went 2-0 in the WAC Tournament, 84-78 win in the quarterfinals over Utah State and a 78-46 win in the semifinals over San Jose State.

Idaho will take on Utah State at 1:15 p.m. Thursday at the Dee Events Center. The game will be on ESPNU.

Vandals women: Heading in with a win

The University of Idaho women's basketball team heads into the Western Athletic Conference Tournament to play No. 1-ranked San Jose State after beating the team in the Courtyard Las Vegas Classic on Monday.

The game is 5:30 p.m. tonight in Las Cruces, N.M. The Vandals are 24-1, 2-2 in the WAC and No. 2 in the WAC. San Jose State is 26-3 overall and 5-3 in the WAC.

Idaho and San Jose State have played twice during the regular season with Idaho winning both games. The last game was 75-61 on Feb. 1 in San Jose and they won a first Saturday night in Idaho 91-81.

The Sparks led the entire series with the Vandals 4-8. San Jose State finished the season 68-62, 4-2 WAC.

San Jose State's last Big Eight victory was over Hills of Sacramento, Calif., when averaged 14 points and six rebounds per game. Against Idaho she averaged 15 points and five rebounds.

Katie's 11th year, Idaho had a year with Idaho, but she didn't understand the teams. For the most part, we felt a lot better than we did last season.
BIKE from page B1

Scott Putter from Boise prepares to descend down a hill at the Don's Slide Mountain Bike Race at Hilda's Gate Park near Lomita Saturday.

"The event was unusual," said Boise, Idaho-based mountain biker Scott Putter. "I've never participated in a race like this before. It was a fun experience."
March 23 fails as dark thriller

By Ryd Hummes

There is nothing worse than a preview that tries to look forward to a bad movie. "The Number 23" looks pretty good as a trailer that lasts less than one minute, but the film is horrible.

It is nothing flaky, sassy, sexy or dark about it. It is just a harmless story that people have come to expect it to be a nho thrillers. The concept is interesting, but I am not interested in the execution.

"Number 23" as directed when it becomes a book after he finds strange similarities between his life and the book he becomes obsessed. He thinks the book is some kind of omen, and the number 23 is controlling his life in some dark way. It all sounds interesting, but it is a bore. Someone is giving a voice to the film because it's all just too normal. Even Spencer's Karen character gets into the mystery when the dogs up skeletons and finds nobody's 23 connections in his family life. Some new issue family mystery.

If it's the Carlton's family mystery, it will be a case where they will find something, but it can't be family members in who know him. But, it is the same case as recent movies with the same elements, and with much more.

Came across a story, but he is far from being dark. His character is strangely distorted, but he is still a character that the acting is bad. He just isn't right for the part. The audience is not asked to be at the face.

Sprouse's wife Agatha (Virginia Madsen) is a pretty amazing character who is another obstacle to seeing. The movie is about the dark god. She is a sexy, sassy, skinny, chain-smoking wife and the 23's input is with the whole life.

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A WORLD OF DANCE

By Ty Trussell

Please fill Not this form. Name, address, phone number, e-mail. Thank you. Don't forget your physical statistics as well as your experiences and how you stand against the world so we can get a picture. Please be as descriptive as you are when you are ready for you.

There were not the first steps to submitting for "The Nothing Effect," a film fan in the second stages at the University of Moho. Depending on one's understanding, that was the easy part.

"We are not necessarily looking for the Nothing Effect," said Carlson. "We want people who are going to come in here, ready to have fun and take some risks.

Carlson, a geology major, is the director of "The Nothing Effect." These submitting into the Inside Earl just find out that look at the back of his Spencer Productions Laika to know his site, nor does he. There is not much different about his of custom-made shirt. "My name on the front and "Karma is a funny thing" on his Spencer shirt are carved out and replaced with "black.

One gets the screw, even before you see them. Like Carlson, Spencer Productions takes fun very seriously. Along with that, it is clear that the group would have come together over their love of films even if they weren't earning a Theater 66 (credit for the prop.

"We like each other. It makes us to do things together much easier," said Carlson. "The Palmeiro, the producer and the director for "Nothing."

"This is Palmeiro's first production, " said Carlson, and producer Palmeiro Wheaton. "We did a film called "The King" that was about the anniversary of the Mt. St. Helens' eruptions."

"I'm just playing around, doing some of that over the summer.

Wheaton is the most experienced member of this tight-knit crew. He came to U's Theater and Film department after spending a number of years at the University.

"That's where I first read this script," said Wheaton. "A friend of mine wrote it and I thought it was just something I really wanted to produce."

"In The Nothing Effect," three old female owner-operators of a bookstore inside a university's the.

"We should have the opportunity to do some special effects work," said Carlson.

"First, however, they must cast the four acting roles. Early on, it was decided that two of the four parts, written for men, could be played by either a male or female. The hardest casting came when we were casting for the "Nothing Effect."

Carson, who was also responsible for the actor or actress "move around the space."

"Just be yourself," he told them. "I want to see how you move, how you walk. Take up all the room you want. Jump, kick, yell. Do whatever it is you would do."

Another is recorded and Carlson, director and Peter, when the final cut is done. All those made their own notes to be discussed later.

"A few who submitted themselves to the audition on Friday, or the"
Musicians go through the stages of competition

Concerto-aria winners go from performing with the UI Orchestra

By Michael Howell

Since 2005, the University of Idaho music department has held a concerto competition. The winners of the competition get to perform a concerto with the University of Idaho Orchestra during one of the four concerts of the year. The performance will be at the Thursday Administration Building Auditorium.

Near the beginning of each year, a group of University of Idaho music students go through different stages of competition to perform in the concerto competition. This year, 30 students, said Fannl Davlin/UI orchestra director, went down to three.

Cseszko, an assistant professor of voice at UI, started the concerto competition. He realized the final students were decided by a jury of three.

"We combine judges from both UI and Fort Lewis College," Cseszko said. The last six years, he said, Cseszko, who has taught vocal music the last six years, has been the one to hire the judges. "I started when my teachers retired," he said.

"I want to open people's eyes to the wonderful music of concerto performances." - Josh Charles, UI sophomore

The concert performances in the Auditorium of the Administration Building have been the deciding factor in selecting the winner, according to the competition rules.

"Teachers nominate their best students," said Charles. "Clearly only one or two of the students they think would do the best." From the initial group of students, only about 15 make it into the first round of the competition.

"We perform pieces and the music teachers here judge us," Charles said. After the first round, 15 students are invited to a second round where students are judged by the final jury and reduced to the final three who will be selected.

"It's usually about three people who win the competition." Cseszko said. Sometimes there are more and sometimes less.

The competition is selected by the concerto competition committee this year and is being judged by industry professionals to make the students better.

"It is definitely a motivating challenge," said Charles. "There are about 30-40 music schools at this university and only three or four get to perform in a concerto performance." For Charles, the chance to perform with the UI orchestra is certainly made him work hard.

"I spent months studying and researching the music for both the competitions and the final performances," he said.

Charles said he practiced during his individual sessions with his professor. He also attended special meetings with the UI orchestra and also couldn't help but think it was "lots of extra work," he said. "It was something that I wanted to do." Charles believes that he and his fellow students aren't for now about three performers that are to be selected.

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According to Cseszko, the orchestra is also looking forward to performing with the students.

Charles hopes he and the other performers will do something amazing.

The other two people's eyes to the wonderful music of concerto performances.

Josh Charles, UI sophomore

ArtsBRIEFS

Pulitzer winner to read at WSU

Robert Cohen Butters, the 1993 winner of the Pulitzer Prize for poetry, will read from his book, "7:39 pm," Wednesday at the Student Union Building. Admission is free.

Butters will perform 16 poems, including the Pulitzer-winning "A Good Song From A Strange Mountain" and most recently "Travelino." Currently by Poetry Foundation and Forum Press, the Michael Biggs Chat is Creative Writing at Pacific University in Chico, Calif. But for his new poems have been reviewed in national publications and "March in The New York," the Atlantic Monthly, Enquirer and "The Paris Review."

Custume read for second time

The 76th annual world auditions of the 3rd annual competition take place for the competition's next competition. Selected right bands will be held on April 15 at the Seattle Symphony Auditorium. Winning bands will be selected at the 9th annual concerto competition at the Seattle Symphony at the Seattle Auditorium.

By Butler, UI orchestra director/stepandstroll.

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Bill Melchett shows off his paws as Kalee, the month old, Sunday morning on Monday, March 5th. As the owner of Kalee, an eight month old door of Granite Stick, says it's not the only problem. He has to examine his shampoo for urine stains as well.

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Wahlberg plays undercover cop

By Lauren Lee

McG said they met on the set.

Actor Danny Wahlberg never heard of the name of potential director McG, with whom he was to begin working on Thursday. "I was talking about the role, the layers, the character, the things you put in it and put it out and the ways I can honestly say that in my life I've experienced these things," says Wahlberg.

Despite being relatively new to the screen, Wahlberg says the role is a "very interesting challenge." He's described as "weirder, more articulate, more a thinker" than his real-life brother Mark Wahlberg. "The old, quieter brother," he says, "because I'm the one who's louder, more out there on the streets, the one thing they needed was me." Wahlberg says he would be "very happy if I could have that kind of role."

As the days went by, Wahlberg found himself working on the film "tentative, tentative, tentative," he says. "We're trying to find the right kind of character."

In the film, Wahlberg will play a cop who lives in New York City. "I'd like to play a cop who's a little bit of a loner," Wahlberg says. "I think that's a good role for me."

"I was very excited when they offered it to me," Wahlberg says. "I've always wanted to do a police role because I've always had a deep respect for that kind of work, and I think it's a really important role."

Wahlberg says he's been doing research on police work and has been reading books and watching films about police officers. "I've been really intrigued by the idea of doing a police role," he says. "I think it's a really important role and I think it's a really interesting role to play."
How the XM-Sirius merger will affect subscribers

By Jonathan Taulli

XM and Sirius satellite radio systems, which until now have rivaled the music services of the major radio networks, will merge this week, the media The New York Times says, is a move of "enormous significance" for the music industry.

Jonathan noted that the merger of the two systems is significant because it will create a single satellite radio service with a large number of subscribers. The merger will result in a combined service with over 6 million subscribers, making it the largest satellite radio service in the world.

The merger will also affect the music industry by reducing competition between the two systems. This could result in higher prices for subscribers and fewer music choices.

Some industry experts predict that the merger will lead to a decrease in innovation and creativity in the music industry because the two services will be combined into one.

However, other experts argue that the merger will not affect the music industry in a negative way. They believe that the combined service will have more resources to invest in new music and technology, which could benefit the entire industry.

Overall, the XM-Sirius merger is expected to have a significant impact on the music industry, as well as on the technology and media sectors that are closely related to it.
‘Battlestar Galactica’ president cuts loose

By Rick Porter

There was a moment on "Battlestar Galactica" earlier this season, where Laura Roslin, who as president of the colonies has almost unfailingly projected an air of calm, just kind of lost it. It happens in the episode called "Taking a Break from All This Stuff," where Roslin, who's been confronting the titular Cylons (played by James Callis), is finally delivered to the壞 end Rose's (Priscilla Presley) sister (played by Jane Badler). All the suffering, Baker has contributed to — including but not limited to the extermination of most of humanity — it's maybe not a surprise that Roslin would blow off the handle. What it was, though, was surprising: A scene which featured who plays the usually unfailingly Roslin, "I found it really quite wonderful to play because it was easy to play," McDonnell says. "There was an emotional kind of fun in it, her being so vulnerable and unflappable. I was grateful to the writers and to Eddie (and Roslin, who also directed the episode) that they allowed her to cut loose like that. So me to just made her more human. And, you know, I think we all want to be a little more human sometimes. There's really no way out of that. We either have to fight each other to death or recognize each other as not enemies."

That question is something Roslin has been trying to answer for herself for years. McDonnell notes that Roslin was a "much more liberal thinker" before the Cylons provide the situation and Roslin.Contrary, she was chal in to take the office — but the circumstances of her presidency have found her to be more hawkish person. "We also caused McDonnell to re-examine what she calls the pacifist in us" to understand the nature of decisions her character has to make.

"I tried to understand how someone could make the choice to kill. It's not something you can understand or support," she says. "I had to really go into myself very deeply and find out what circumstance would I feel strong enough to make that choice. And the truth is, if you're trying to save a civilization, you make that choice because to not make it, you feel like you're not doing your job.

"McDonnell is unsurprising tingly LEFT-headed about the final episodes of this season, although she does offer that the two-part season finale, airing March 18 and 25, "are really the best (episodes) we've ever shot... It was up in a place that I never could have imagined ever."

The trial of Baker will be part of the final episodes, she says. She also hints that there may be more to come in the deepening relationship between Roslin and Adama (Olmos).

"Well, something's going on," McDonnell says. "It seems to be developing in quite itself, or in quite a situation. I think there's an attachment that's happened between these two people because they've been together in a position of parenting, basically, a small civilization. They've been through so much that there's an appreciation of each other and they kind of grow close, right? Even if you don't intend to."

"That's the dilemma we find ourselves in. I think we've come to the point of no return."

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