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Ultraviolet

Plagiarism policy gives teachers more teeth
LISA LANNINGAN
NEWS EDITOR

Cheaters beware. The Faculty Council voted last week to amend the academic dishonesty policy, giving it more teeth. "It makes it clearer to students and faculty that there was no option for penalizing repeat offenses of academic dishonesty," Smith said.

Suggestions to improve the wording of the policy came from English 103 and 104 teachers who were seeing many instances of plagiarized papers. According to the old Faculty and Staff Handbook, "Academic penalties for cheating and plagiarism within a course would not exceed evaluation of the work in question." Most instructors interpreted this as meaning they couldn't fines a student for a whole class because of one plagiarized paper. Some made their paper and project assignments worth most of the points in the course to ensure a failing grade on that assignment would mean a failing grade overall. But Smith said, "That was deceptive language before."

"All professors always have the option of giving a student a 'flunking grade,'" he said. The new policy now reads "Such consequences may include but cannot exceed a grade of F in the course."

Smith said the spirit of the law hasn't changed, but the language has been made stronger and less instructors know they have more options. However, students caught cheating or turning in another work for their own don't just face a failing grade. Instructors can report the incident to the dean of students, who may then choose to take disciplinary matters.

A grade given in a class is not considered disciplinary action," Smith said. Grades are an evaluation of academic performance. An instructor alone can't suspend or expel a student. That decision must be made by the Student Judicial System.

The council also debated a proposed clause to the amendment saying, "Before imposing such consequences, the instructor shall attempt to notify the student of the suspected academic dishonesty and give the student an opportunity to respond." The word "shall" gave some council members problem. "The idea of academic dishonesty may not become apparent until the end of the semester," Smith said. The word "shall" means the instructor has to notify the student before issuing the grade, which would make giving final grades difficult if the student couldn't be reached. Most council members wanted to change the language to word "should," making it more a suggestion for instructors to follow.

Council member Charles McKetta disagreed, and said that saying an instructor "should" attempt to notify the student did not give the protection they deserved. The council voted to pass the amendment with "should."
Fund provides major tax break for parents of students

MOSCOW — For the families of some college-age students, a new scholarship credit could be a saving grace when parents sit down to do their tax forms.

The Hope Scholarship tax credit goes to parents paying for the first two years of their children’s college costs. And although there are a number of eligibility requirements, in some cases that credit reduces the net expenditure for a student at Idaho to just $224 per semester.

“The Hope Scholarship is especially helpful for those middle-income families who might not be eligible for other kinds of financial aid,” said Dan Deve, the university’s assistant vice president.

A taxpayer can claim the credit for each child who is enrolled at least half-time in one of the first two years of a post-secondary education in a program leading to a degree, certificate or other recognized educational credential.

The scholarship fund pays all or part of the first $1,000 for out-of-pocket expenses for each student’s fees and tuition, plus half of the next $1,000, or $1,500 per student per year.

For example, an in-state student at Idaho currently pays $1,042 in fees per semester. After the credit of $360, the family meeting all the requirements would pay just $682 a year, or $227 per semester.

The amount of the credit is gradually reduced, however, based on income. Single taxpayers with a modified adjusted gross income of more than $50,000, and married taxpayers with that income of more than $100,000, cannot claim the credit.

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Today

• Michael O’Hara of the philosophy department will present in “Consciousness” from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Campbell Christian Center.

Upcoming Events

• The Society of Women Engineers is sponsoring a Career Fair and luncheon with Industry Monday in the SUB Silver and Gold Room. The Career Fair is from noon to 4 p.m., and the Evening with Industry is from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. There is a $5 entrance fee. Food and beverages will be provided.

• The Graduate Student Association will hold an executive board meeting Monday at 5 p.m. in the SUB Rosset Room to discuss upcoming elections. General meetings are held the first Monday of each month, usually in the SUB Silver Room. Anyone is invited to attend. Elections for the GA will be held March 30-31. Contact Tyler Bramble or Brian Peterson at 883-7052 for more information.

• Gary Ferguson will present on “The Yellow Brick Road” at The First Year” Monday at 7 p.m. at the Voce. The event is sponsored by Friends of the Clearwater, Idaho Conservation League, Clearwater University Project, and the UI Student Environment Action Coalition.

• Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor will speak at UI Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. A park and ride shuttle will depart from the west end of the Kibbina Dome at 3:30 p.m. with two buses running continuously until 4:30 p.m., with return shuttles after the program. People are recommended to take advantage of the shuttle service. People who prefer to walk downtown from the SUB will likely be locked to traffic. Also, no flash pictures can be taken before the speech begins, and no still or video pictures can be taken after the first three minutes.

• Mike O’Donnell from the College of Education will speak on “Being the Change” at the University of Idaho Auditorium at 7 p.m.

• The Palouse Clearwater Environmental Institute will host “Something for Everyone,” a jazz and karaoke party from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Unitarian Church of the Palouse in Moscow. Suggested donation is $10. Call 883-3017 for more information.

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Student and Temporary Employment Services in the Student Union has these part-time and temporary positions posted.

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Inmates will have to get along without law library

BOISE — Inmates at five prisons in Idaho will have to get along without law libraries.

The Department of Corrections said Tuesday afternoon it has completed dismantling of law libraries at the prisons, at a Supreme court ruling that it isn’t necessary for prisons to provide full law libraries and law clerks to help inmates prepare appeals.

The process started Monday afternoon at prison facilities at Orofino and Pocatello and the three prison units south of Boise.

The changes greatly reduce the number of available law books a cell or law clerks. The risk of trained paralegals will shift from supervising inmate law clerks to assisting inmates in filling out forms.

The department said there will be some cost savings but the inmate hasn’t been determined.

Moscow lawmaker wants to ease prison crunch by making felons pay

BOISE — A Moscow lawmaker thinks many of those who break the law should pay more fines rather than being sent to overcrowded prisons.

Republican Rep. Maynard Miller introduced a personal bill Monday that would provide a variety of ways to deal with offenders other than sending them to jail or prison.

“We want to get them off the road without getting too easy on them,” said Miller, a University of Idaho professor.

Idaho’s prison population has been expanding rapidly, with it the share of tax dollars needed to provide prison space and operate the facilities.

Miller estimates that if many now sent to prison for relatively minor crimes were diverted to other programs, it would save taxpayers at least $15 million per year.

Of people who drive while intoxicated, with repeat violations subjecting them to “probation with arrest,” Miller said, “They are not criminals. They are not violent. They are not stupid.”

His bill would mandate stiff penalties, up to $2,000, for repeat offenses, along with imprisonment of an offender’s vehicle and loss of driving privileges.

Other proposals:
• Electronic monitoring
• Intensive professional counseling and treatment

Gov. Phil Batt also pushing a package of sentencing alternatives to that has in prison expenses.

Funding up with the proposals after opposing himself a “commitment of one” to study the problem.

Miller acknowledged that his personal bill has only a slight chance of enactment. What he really wants is a high-level conference on sentencing changes, including law enforcement personnel, the courts and even Bernie Sanders.

“The goal is rehabilitating people instead of putting them in prison,” he said. “We want to keep them, and if that means thinking twice about going to prison.”

Monday of every month, the personal bill calls for a 5 percent increase in car and home dues to raise $3 million a year for substance abuse programs in public schools, and to fund only intervention through eighth grade.

Bill introduced to impound cars of drunk drivers

BOISE — Rep. William “Bill” R-Tampa, is trying again with legislation calling for immediate impoundment of motor vehicle of any driver a person arrested for drunken driving.

Last session, a similar proposal died on the House floor on a 56-43 vote. This year, Taylor said he has changed the legislation to lessen the possibility that a law enforcement officer might be held liable.

The bill says when someone is arrested for drunken driving, the vehicle is to be immediately impounded or made inoperable, there working and paying parking fees, or with the wheel locked or shown foot. The impoundment is to last for at least 10 days.

If the driver is convicted of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or other substance, or the owner does not claim the vehicle and pay towing and impound fees, the vehicle can be forfeited.
Pain relief offered through massage therapy

Student Health offers massages on Mondays and Wednesdays.

CANDICE LONG

Within two weeks of joining the staff at the Student Health Center, Massage Practitioner Teresa Baker sees a need to break the "perceptual vicious cycle of repetitive motion syndrome among students."

"In just the short amount of time I've been here, every client I've seen has had some kind of aching in their wrists, shoulders or postural problems," Baker said. "These aches come from doing the same thing over and over. For example, sitting at a computer for extended amounts of time. My specialty is going after these kinds of problems."

Baker, a graduate of the Moscow School of Massage Therapy, is available at Student Health on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Hourly appointments are $25 and half-hour appointments are $15. Patients can receive a full body massage to relieve general tension or a massage that targets specific relief of headaches, lower back pain or a stiff neck.

"A massage can really break up a chronic pain cycle and enable a more healing path," Baker said. "This is a real bargain for the students because they are making an investment in themselves."

Baker said research suggests massage stimulates release of natural pain-relievers such as endorphins and reduces the grip of pain and focus on the sensation of relaxation. Massage also helps by stretching tight muscles and by stimulating the nervous system to relax muscle tension.

The benefits of massage therapy can also include increasing the lymphatic circulation, enhancing the immune system, and "massage therapy is excellent for stress," Baker said.

Although Baker realizes that "some people are a little inhibited in terms of privacy and modesty, a massage is very comfortable and safe. I've never had a client walk out feeling uncomfortable. It's not always necessary to remove clothing. I can do most massages through the clothing."

To make an appointment with Baker, contact the Student Health Center at 885-6693 or call the Moscow School of Massage Therapy at 882-7867.

ASUI agrees to buy outdoor campus phones

CHARLOTTE WEST

The cry for more outdoor phones on campus has finally been answered.

The University of Idaho ASUI Safety Board decided to allot funding for the installation of two outdoor safety phones. Fred Hutchison, a safety officer for Environmental Health and Safety, said one phone will be located in the area between Memorial Gym and the Education Building. The other phone will be located between the Administration Building and Art and Architecture South.

The Safety Board approved the location of the phones at their January meeting.

"We just gave the go ahead about the location. They're still working on the logistics," said Angela Rausch, chairwoman of the Safety Board. She said they picked those particular spots due to the high accessibility.

The plans for the phones have been submitted to Architectural and Engineering Services. No date for the installation has been set at this time.

Hutchison said the installation will cost between $2,000 and $4,000 per phone.

Rausch said the project will be paid for through funds delegated by the ASUI.

"The ASUI choices where the funds are needed most," she said.

The phones will be free for local calls only. Both Rausch and Hutchison stressed the phones were not blue light phones, which directly dial 911.

"It was perceived by the students that it would be nice to have access to a phone on the grounds of the campus so if they needed to call somebody for a ride or to meet a friend they could. We just wanted to have accessible phones on campus," Hutchison said.

Rausch said there are other courtesy phones located in the basement of the Admin, on the first floor of the SUB, and in the Library lounge. The main difference will be the outdoor spots. She hopes to produce a handout showing the locations of all these phones.

Hutchison said some issues the students were concerned about when they decided to install the phones were whether or not there was appropriate lighting or sufficient police patrols or whether the landscape was conducive to night safety.

The phones were one way of allowing students to take extra precautions.

According to UI Policies and Information handbook, there were no assaults and one incident of rape on the UI campus during 1996.

"Our numbers are very low, but we wanted to be proactive," Rausch said.

New safety phone locations:

• Between Memorial Gym and the Education Building
• Between the Administration Building and Art and Architecture South

Other courtesy phone locations:

• Administration Building basement
• First floor of the Student Union Building
• Library lounge

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Official Says Draft Laws Wouldn’t Affect Students

“I think I can safely predict that the proposed bills now in congress which would change selective service classifications will not affect college students,” Eugene Wion of Boise, traveling auditor and supervisor of Selective Service for Idaho, said yesterday. He was in Moscow to meet with the Latah county selective service board.

Mr. Wion said that 4-F’s rejected at the induction station at Fort Lewis after February 1, 1944, will be required to take another examination at Spokane, but at the present time, Idaho Selective Service has not been asked to review students. In fact, Mr. Wion pointed out, the student question hasn’t come before the board at all. He said that every case is an individual case.

“There is no change in the status of veterans,” Wion pointed out. And, he thinks that the proposed draft of nurses would affect only registered graduate nurses.

President Roosevelt, in his speech last Saturday, gave an over-all picture of the situation which now faces our country. He included three main points concerning the manpower situation, which he deemed critical at the moment, both in war plants and in the armed forces. First, the president asked for the passage of a National Service Act to meet the labor shortage in our war industries; second, he asked the induction of 4-F’s for one in non-military service or in jobs where they can be of the most use; third, he asked the amendment of the Selective Service act to include the induction of nurses for military service.

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Board to Present Post-War Plans For Larger Union

At last night's meeting of the ASUI executive board, Billie Keeton was appointed chairman of the post war planning committee for the student union building. The committee comprised of Min Keeton, Blaine Thomas and Ralph Jolly, is to make a study of the campus needs for a larger union building, whether new or remodeled, and compile and present their report to the university post war planning board for consideration.

The advisability of sending one or more delegates to the Pacific Student Presidents' association regional meeting was discussed. The board was in favor of sending ASUI President Fred Wilson and the new president elected this spring, though no official move was acted upon. Passage of a motion was tabled, pending receipt of further information as regards a scheduled date of the meeting. The meeting to be held at the University of Washington at Seattle, is tentatively scheduled for April 28-21, which in all probability would be in advance of the election of the new ASUI president.

Purpose of the PSPIA is to meet and exchange ideas concerning student government and problems existing on various western campuses. No meeting of the entire association was held last year. As an emergency measure more in keeping with transportation facilities and financial means, the association held three regional meets. No Idaho delegates attended their respective regional meet held May 19-21, at Reed College at Portland, Ore.

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Integrity. Black Panther Genetino Pratt served over 27 years for a murder he didn't commit. Last year his conviction was overturned when new evidence showed that the main witness against him, who was a police and FBI informer, lied. Mr. Pratt claimed he had chances to leave prison earlier, but refused. He said he wasn't leaving prison until the court recognized that his "mama didn't raise a murderer." Integrity. Mr. Pratt had a long wait, but he stuck to his principles, and is stronger for it.

One place you won't find much integrity is in the mainstream news media. President Clinton's latest sex scandal displays the lack of integrity. Whether the President did or did not do what he is accused of, the behavior of the media and of media consumers is shameful.

To get some news with integrity, listen to Pacifica Network News on KUOL 89.3 FM, weekdays at 2 p.m. and again at 6 p.m. You can get another dose of news with integrity from Democracy Now, also on KUOL, weekday mornings at 8:30.

Letters to the editor

Don't be afraid of the Forest Service

The first three words of a recent opinion column in the Argonaut read, "The US Forest Service." How do you feel when you hear those words? Angry, scared, or confused? The Forest Service is under attack once more. Do you ever hear about the good things that the Forest Service does? Usually not. No wonder Forest Service employees are scared!

Opinion columns like the one that Wade Grush wrote entitled "Wilderness; love it or hate it," makes people hate forestry, even though they don't know anything about it. Let me assure you that the Forest Service has good ecology programs. The truth will be the first to admit that things that have not always been done right in the past. If we want to change in forestry practices, there has to be a change in forestry and related fields. Programs, like the ones here at the UI, teach future foresters the best way to keep ecosystems intact.

Not only did the column attack the Forest Service, (which is nothing we haven't seen before), but it was an attack on our fellow students. The forestry students and professors that I know will argue with you, Mr. Grush, and here I am.

Have you ever visited the classes or lectures offered at the College of Forestry, Wildlife, and Range? Do you know what classes are offered or required for specific degrees? And Mr. Grush, if you are ever in the neighborhood of the college (corner of Ninth and Lom streets), please stop by. The staff and professors are always helpful and I'm sure they would be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

I love the forest and have worked in some beautiful places managed by more than the US Forest Service. I help to maintain streams for fish habitat, and you work for the Forest Service. Please don't be afraid of me!

~Terri L. Willis

Don't start chewing tobacco

When I opened the Argonaut Friday, Jan. 30, a Copenhagen tobacco flyer greeted me.

In this day and age when we know so much about the harmful effects to the body from using all forms of tobacco, why do we let the big tobacco companies have fake the Argonaut? Yes, you received more than $200 for inserting the ad. It is obvious Copenhagen is targeting college age consumers into a lifetime of bad habits, emulating vices, cancer of the mouth, throat and stomach, heart disease, and death. When will knowledge direct our behavior?

If you are a victim of tobacco and want to end its control over your life, check with Student Health Services for a cessation program. You can make the personal choice to avoid tobacco forever.

~Mary Schwantes, Student Health Services

Tobacco Cessation Counselor

The Argonaut Friday, February 6, 1998

Opinion

I pecked inside a Random House dictionary to find the definition of a word worth quoting. The definition was curiously as official as the original meaning. For a second opinion, I consulted with Webster. Random House defines "integrity as moral and ethical principles: soundness of moral character; and honesty." Webster says "completeness, wholeness, uninterrupted condition, soundness; honesty, sincerity, etc." Random House lists virtue as a synonym, and honesty as an antonym. Also it says "here we go!"

The word is integrity. Integrity is something we appreciate in others. There is integrity all around us, yet we often have a difficult time finding it. Here's a common thread in the definition of integrity, but it is frequently a casualty of our society. I think too many of us believe sincerity is a new heirloom is complemented by a person who thinks it looks awful. I am not proposing that we be mean, but situations like the recent send the unsolicited message that it is okay to lie. Morality acceptance of dishonesty is damaging to our society. I found integrity recently in the SUB Annex. I've found it there before. I went to see my friend Dave, of "Resurrection Brothers Bicycle Repair." On Monday nights from 7-9 p.m., Dave and others are in the basement of the SUB-Annex fixing bicycles. For free, unless parts need purchased. To reach the "dungeon" go out the west doors of the SUB, cross the alley, and enter the east side of the Annex.

Yes, Dave and others are there to help you help your bike, for free. Integrity. No one is doing this to make money. They are doing it because they rightly believe that bicycles are good for people and good for the environment. Think how much more pleasant our town and campus would be if the noise and air pollution caused by autos were reduced by half. Think how much more healthy those people riding bikes would be. Bicycling is good, so Dave and his apprentices are doing selfless work to promote a good cause.

And they know what they are doing. Ryan was in a hurry the other night, so he did most of the work needed on his bike. Usually the Resurrection Brothers will direct you in doing your own repair, so that some learning takes place. Ryan actually went to bike repair school, and it shows. My bike is in much improved condition. Dave said of Ryan, "He really does know how to work on bikes."

A tall, smiling international student named Ricardo, who was teaching Dave the Spanish words for certain tools, will be on hand to help Dave and Ryan while he is in Moscow. A chart identifying bicycle parts in five different languages hangs on a wall in the "dungeon." This leads me to the roots of this project. In 1990 the International Friendship Association began providing free bicycles to international students for transportation, and as a gesture of friendship. Integrity.

No one is doing this to make money. They are doing it because they rightly believe that bicycles are good for people and good for the environment.

Anyone remember Fred Wallis? Never met him, but I've heard much about him. Apparently he helped initiate the bicycle program. Integrity.
Letters to the editor

College of Forestry is about more than logging

On Friday, Jan. 30, columnist Wade Graf wrote the following: “While the forestry department claims to teach forestry, the college is in fact not teaching forestry. The professor’s course is thread on forestry, it is thread on economics. Many ecologically minded forestry students have been known to use the term, ‘I don’t want to be an economist.”

This is a mistake as well, since the University of Idaho, in the College of Forests, Wildlife, and Range Resources, includes the department of Forest Resources Management. The department of Forestry and Resources Management is the largest and most comprehensive in the College of Forests.

I’d like to take this opportunity to discuss this issue further with Dr. Graf, the Professor of Forest Resources Management. You can reach us by calling 208-885-2222.

-Donald Reagan & Robert Jenkins

Forestry students

What was Wes thinking?

I was just wondering what Wes actually had in mind with his column, “Unmarried couples, how to live right on campus.” Did he really think that students should live together in dorms or did he mean to say the Family Housing Apartments?

The nature of his article led me to believe that he meant they should be allowed to live in the Family Housing Apartments. Since having moved into the Family Housing Apartments in July, I have found myself in a situation where I have no empty apartments just sitting there being “wasted” by the university because there are no married couples wanting to live in them — and in fact there is a waiting list even to get a dorm. And since the university is not wasting apartments there would not be any additional money coming into the university. I was wondering if Wes meant that these unmarried couples who might be thinking about marriage would take precedence over married couples, and families with children (which is also what he means by living right on campus). I hope that this article shows that these students will not be any additional money coming into the university.

-Wendy Johnson

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**Cruise the world at the IFA International Afternoon**

HEATHER FRYE  
**STAFF**

Adding to the expansive list of happenings this month at the University of Idaho, the IFA (International Friendship Association) has opened its second annual exhibit of cultural items from around the world.

Most of the display is comprised of items that are included in the Culture Kits. The kits are a service of the IFA and the International Programs Office. Schools, 4-H programs, and other educational facilities are able to borrow these kits free of charge to give students a hands-on look at other cultures. The kits vary in their content but most include everything from dishes, recipes, and clothing to stamps, slides, games, and videos.

Appraisals of daily life in other countries, both modern and traditional, are exemplified in the collections. Japan, Venezuela, Korea, Sweden, and a host of other cultures are all represented in the exhibit. Various donors from the community and members of the IFA contributed money and items to create the kits and displays.

The display is in its second year. Raquel Lorenzo de Vidal, a graphic designer from Venezuela, and her assistant Marjulyn Schambur of New Zealand, compiled and designed the exhibit. This year, three new countries have been added as well as an exhibit of dolls and puppets from around the world. Most of the dolls wear traditional costumes typical of their countries of origin. The IFA is looking to add more countries and cultures in the future and is accepting donations of money and/or cultural artifacts to make the collections more complete.

The show precedes the IPO's annual night of culture and cuisine. This year's theme, "Cruise the World: A Passport to Adventure," will blend the best elements of the International Bazaar and the five-year-old gala, the International Afternoon, to create a longer and larger event that more people can attend. The entire second floor of the SUB is to be sectioned off into different "countries." Guests will be given a passport that they will use to "cruise" to the various "ports of call" to enjoy music, dance, and entertainment. The passports will be stamped as the guests enter each country. Many of the exhibits will be selling handicrafts and foods from their native lands at a nominal cost. At other booths, guests can learn everything from how to dance the samba and the macarena to how to make foreign foods.

The SUB Beach Theater will be open to host a number of larger programs such as a Japanese tea ceremony and dances from South America.

The movies earned by each different "nation" will go to scholarship funds for that country's students while profits earned by the IFA will go to cover the costs of the event and to fund additions to the culture kits.

The culture kit display in the SUB will be open for viewing until February 14. The International Afternoon will be Feb. 21 from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tickets are available now from Union Ticketing at the Information Desk in the SUB. Prices are $7.50 per family, $3.50 for adults, and $2.50 for U of I students. Families with children are encouraged to attend.

"Come and enjoy! Everyone in the community is welcome," said Vidal. For more information call the IFA office at 885-7841.

**Photos by Kike Calvo**

**South Park dishes up more Cheezy Poofs**

TRAVIS BOMMERSCHACH  
**STAFF**

Valentine's Day isn't the only thing to look forward to in February. Get ready for all new episodes of the latest craze in animation known as South Park next month.

This month yields four new shows filled with all of the profanity and fluidness that fans can handle.

The stars of the Comedy Central hit are four third-graders living in a small Colorado town called South Park. Stan, Kyle, Kenny, and Cartman are the cartoon children living up to the reputation of past animated generations such as Rini and Stinky, Beavis and Butthead, and The Simpsons.

In the past, the cartoon has focused on such disputes as genetic cloning, assisted suicide, and homophobia. Creators of the series Trey Parker and Matt Stone are sure to bring up the small community's social issues in today's society as seen through the eyes of the eight-year-olds with this month's episodes.

The new shows keep the tradition alive by tackling differences such as religious domination, destruction of the world, and Cartman not behaving too nicely and being advised to search for his father. Don't be surprised if there's an occasional monster every once in a while either.

The foursome have captured the hearts of America with their potty mouths and lack of social graces in the more nine episodes aired. Even before South Park became a success, Parker and Stone would pitch their brainchild by saying, "The following program contains the language, and due to its content, it should not be viewed by anyone."

College kids and weirdos aren't the only ones supporting the show. Woods and Jerry Seinfeld, as well as an upcoming appearance by Robert Smith of the Cure.

Rolling Stone interviewed Parker for the Feb. 19 edition of the magazine. Parker said, "We did an appearance at UCLA recently. All these kids asking, 'Where did you get the idea for this? And where did you get the idea for that?' And we were like, 'Acid. Acid. anti, anti, anti.'"

Obscene cartoons are not the only form of artistic talent the duo concentrate on. Parker and Stone have also had a movie screened at the Sundance Film Festival entitled Orgazmo. It stars Parker as a "soon-to-be-married, marital-arts-obsessed mom who gets caught up spending boogie nights in the porn game in order to pay for a church wedding," His counterpart, Stone, plays "a dopoy, horny pornographer.

That's not all: Parker and Stone are also members of the band DVDA. The title was taken from a reference in Orgazmo and you should probably look into the meaning of the band by yourself. A couple of the band's original tunes are "I am Chewbacca" and "That Guy From Bush." In case you're wondering, the theme for South Park isn't Stone and Parker. It's actually Les Claypool from the band Primus.

Look for the new episodes of South Park all this month on Comedy Central. Each new show will air Wednesday night at 10 p.m.
Cyber jukeboxes offer free tunes

AMY SANDERSON

Most of us can waste hours lingering around music stores to preview CDs, possibly without ever buying a thing. Why undergo the embarrassment of impotent store clerks giving disappointing glances when there is an abundance of sites on the web offering the same service? Sites offering songs and albums for preview make it possible to check out the album before spending the cash or to e-mail a favorite tune to someone else.

Before attempting to play music from the web, check the computer’s sound card and know what kind of sound files it will support. Most sound files like simple wave files can be played back on any relatively recent computer but without a sound card, the quality is often something like Roberts Plant gargling acid. Be aware that many of the computers on campus don’t have sound cards.

Sound players like Real Audio or Midi, look like a tape deck and actually play the song for you. Real Audio works well in Netscape. Players can often be downloaded free from the web and just need to be installed. At some sites downloading software is not even necessary. Here are a few music sites to browse through:

By request <http://www.byrequest.com> A site featuring the more well-known songs and artists in rock, country, jazz, and classical. Users can search out specific songs and artists organized alphabetically. Numerous song files can be played back with Real Audio and a link is provided to download the free Real Audio software.

Radio Free Underground <http://www.oftech.com> Finding a glimpse into the rave culture while living on the Palouse can be a challenge. Here, techno, gothic, and industrial fans can keep up with what’s happening by checking out links in hot sites from London as well as listen to a collection of lesser-known electronic and edgy tunes. A long list of mixes and file lists are also available. The Live and Rare page provide some interesting samples to mouse over. The creators of this site, being located in London and listening to a collection of lesser-known electronic and edgy tunes.

Tunes.com <http://www.tunes.com/tunes.cgi?genre_list/27/01/4> One of the better sites, here music buffs will find an enormous music collection from world music and bluegrass to indie rock. Track down the album and then choose from a list of songs to listen to. Once you click, the site automatically downloads a Real Audio player.

The focus here is film, soundtracks, and film scores. Those interested in film composers can follow links on leading figures in the industry. Check out some of the many television themes here as well.

Using the site is fairly easy but requires some hoops to jump through. Register before using this site and quickly agree to accept a "cookie." For those unfamiliar with the term, this unfortunately does not mean a sweet tasty treat is being provided by the computer. The site will send an information file to your computer, giving it an identification number. When you return to the site and if you are on the same computer, they know who you are. Yes, Big Brother is watching.

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POWER representative will be attending the IEEE Expo at WSU on Tuesday, February 10th. Please come and check out our booth and possible employment opportunities.
Deep Rising sticks to formula and stinks up screen

NEW YORK — Hollywood loves to crossbreed and premature babies. Only a mother could love, "Blue Brothers 2000," (Blues Brothers 2000 is released nationally on February 6), a movie that might be the baby of a loveless affair. Ryan O'Neal (Summertime) and Ric O'Connell (another love child of Errol Flynn) star as the title characters, which are loosely based on characters from the original "Blues Brothers." 

In "Deep Rising," (premiered nationally on February 6), a group of passengers is stranded aboard the Albatross, a luxurious cruise ship, after the ship sinks in the middle of the ocean. (A similar situation occurred in the 1995 film "Deep Sea 3000," also a love child of Errol Flynn.)

Unfortunately, "Deep Rising" is not a love child of Errol Flynn. It is a love child of the scriptwriters, who apparently wanted to create a movie that was as thrilling as the original "Blues Brothers." Unfortunately, they failed miserably.

The plot is weak and the acting is terrible. The only thing that makes the movie interesting is the special effects, which are impressive but not enough to make up for the poor script.

Overall, "Deep Rising" is a disappointment. It is not a love child of Errol Flynn. It is a love child of mediocrity.
A Look Ahead

• Before you go see the new Blues Brothers movie Blues Brothers 2000, see the original tonight at 7 p.m. in the Boren Theater in the SUB. Admission is $2 with student ID and $3 without.

• A series of works by the late Andy Warhol is on display at the Prichard Art Gallery until Feb. 28. The series is entitled Endangered Species and features portraits of animals that were facing extinction in 1983.

• The Moscow Community Theater brings Arthur Miller’s The Crucible to the stage at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Moscow, Feb. 5-14, Thursday—Friday, 7:30 p.m. and Saturday 2 p.m. Ticket prices are $6 for adults, $3 students and seniors.

• Are you a fan of the chipper shredder as a lethal weapon? If so, watch Fargo at the Boren Theater in the SUB on Feb. 11. Showtime is at 7 p.m. and admission is $2 with student ID, and $3 without.

• Houston Hall’s “Take My Breath Away” Valentine’s Day Dance will be in the Gauld-Upham Party Room Feb. 14 from 8:30 to midnight. Tickets are available at Union Ticketing Student Union Information Desk.

Friends
by John Russell

Mines building bridge, up the red brick alley from afar, through drizzle Two young women, Face to Face, chatting under their umbrella. In perfect dance they nod, ...laugh, shake their heads, on slanting Idaho street. Pause my walk, wonder, Something?, too far to hear, but FIRST one, then the other now leans forward in mid-high platforms, stylish, and begins. Helps backwards twice. Short hops, laughing, 1 step, puzzle. They DO IT AGAIN!! this time in unison,...hop, back...hop, back...shake their heads and Laugh!

Are they doing this to knock the rain off their back slanted umbrellas? looking for the world like dark Mekong cone has...Why?

They turn and walk, side by side. Up the steps, between the ivy.
To the Sat.Sat., chatting, happy.

Warm drizzly morning. ............ If you would like your poetry published in the Argonaut, turn in works on the 3rd floor of the SUB.
**Sports**

**Idaho men get it done at home**

**TONY SNYDER**

SPORTS EDITOR

I f we're going to be in the Big West tournament, we have to pretty well protect our home games.

Gray Farrar knew exactly what it was going to take to get his team a shot at the conference tournament: two huge efforts to pull down the Mean Green of North Texas and New Mexico at the Kibbie Dome in one fell swoop this week.

The Vandals are one down and one to go after last night's 85-72 stomping of North Texas.

Looking at the last games from both teams, this matchup should have been one with a fast tempo and intensity. North Texas went down to the wire with Nevada in a 90-91 squeaker. Then there was the Vandals effort with their emotional win against rival Boise State last Saturday in the Kibbie Dome.

The first few minutes seemed to tell a different story. Four minutes into the game, both teams were stuck in single digits, Idaho hanging on to a one-point lead at 6-5 thanks in part to quick buckets by Cameron Banks.

The Vandal attack looked a little soft to start out. Defense was slow to respond to the North Texas drive, while on the offensive end, numerous boards resulted in little more than ugly shots.

With 12:59 left on the first half, NTU pulled ahead, but their 12-11 lead wouldn't last for long as Troy Thompson came to life on offense.

The Idaho mainstays Avery Curry got his first points of the night with 10:18 left in the half, but they didn't come from downtown or on the drive. Nor was Curry's contribution to the Vandal effort at the charity stripe, sinking two.

What was a good thing Curry found a way to get some points on the board, because Idaho was hit down in just about every other offensive aspect.

Green had 10 boards in the half and he is a big reason why Idaho could pull back to the spot, as he did take 10-11 boards. The Vandal defense works, but more effort needs to come from the front line.

The Big West tournament: the Vandal's expect to win the title.

The Vandals are tied for third in the Big West East Division with a 4-4 record. Banks has steeled the small forward spot for the majority of the season. At 6-7 inches, Banks is not a prototypical forward, but his versatility has given him an added dimension.

"I feel that I am a bigger guard. I can play on the inside and on the outside. The best way I can help to win is to use the skills that I have to their fullest potential." For the season, Banks has averaged 10 points per game and 2.8 rebounds, although he intends on pulling down a few more rebounds in future games. The competitor feels that there have been several factors that have enabled him to become a better basketball player, but he believes the biggest is his commitment to hard work.

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**Vandal hoops "banking" on success**

H e's a hard worker, he's tough and physical, and he will do just about anything in order to help the Idaho Vandals men's basketball team win and get to the Big West Conference tournament. Who is this superhuman player extraordinary? He is Cameron Banks, a competitor that leads by example.

Banks came to the Idaho basketball team as a junior with plenty of experience. After graduating from high school in Auburn, Wash., Banks played a season at Tacoma Community College, where he averaged 19 points and eight rebounds before transferring to North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene. Last season Banks, who also was a captain of the team, averaged in double figures in points and added five rebounds in helping to lead N.I.C. to the Final Four at the Division I Community College level.

Banks then transferred to Idaho and has been an intrinsic part of the surprising success that the Vandals have enjoyed.

"We have been a surprise to a lot of people," said Banks. "But to us, it was expected. We are all having a lot of fun and we hope to continue to win."

And win they have. The Vandals are tied for third in the Big West East Division with a 4-4 record. Banks has steeled the small forward spot for the majority of the season. At 6’7” inches, Banks is not a prototypical forward, but his versatility has given him an added dimension.

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**I could be going to the extra mile. The competitor also says that his devotion to practice has been important as well.**

"I try to keep my focus," said Banks. "I try to keep my focus, said Banks. "I try to concentrate on doing everything for a purpose; to make everything in practice a game-type situation." Banks also keeps that focus up in the classroom where he majors in sports science and intends to pursue a career in sports marketing.

In addition to hard work, Banks credits his time at the Junior College level.
Rugby not for weak at heart

STEVE BLATNER

Pitch, mark, try, and scrum. Unless you are familiar with the University of Idaho men's or women's rugby teams, you probably don't have the foggiest idea what these words mean.

Many men's and women's rugby members of the UI's club teams get some college education and share the vocabulary associated with the sport, but with aggressiveness and raw physical ability.

Men's club president Justin Vaughn says not only enjoys the contact, but he also appreciates the mental aspect of the game. "Believe it or not, a lot of strategy goes into keeping possession of the ball," Vaughn said. He sees rugby as a pure sport, where players "need to have the skills as well as the physical ability to succeed."

The Idaho Women's Rugby Club, also known as the Black Widows, is looking forward to the upcoming season, which starts on Feb. 28 against Washington State University. Club president Marina Tiede is very enthusiastic about the upcoming season, which will see the team travel to Boise on March 7 and then to Spokane the first weekend in April for Forks Fest.

Excitement is growing by leaps and bounds on the women's team in anticipation of next year. "We'll be a part of the Rugby Union so we'll be playing games every weekend," said Diane Stryker, a member of this year's team.

The Idaho men are also looking forward to the start of the spring season. The men have seven games and two tournaments on tap; four of the seven games are home. The men will also open up against WSU on Feb. 28.

For most of us, rugby is just as foreign as peanut butter on Mars. So, maybe a little explanation of the basics is needed to clear up this sticky situation.

A team made up of 15 players and substitutions can be made only in the case of an injury. The "pitch" is the field of play, which can be no more than 100 meters in length and no more than 69 meters in width.

A "try" is a method of scoring worth five points and occurs when a player touches or grounds the ball down past the goal line. Two points can be scored by kicking the ball through the goal posts from the drop of the try. Three points can be scored by drop kicking the ball through the goal posts while the ball is in play.

Tackling takes place in rugby, but it has a very different meaning than it does in American football. Rugby players are not down, unlike American football, when they are tackled. Play does not stop, but a "ruck" is formed.

A "ruck" occurs after a player has tackled and players from each team interlock to fight for possession of the ball. A "scrum" is when both teams interlock and are facing each other and the ball is thrown in the middle and both teams try to gain possession. A "maul" occurs when an offensive player has possession of the ball and allows teammates to form a wall allowing an easier pass to be made.

Rugby play is continuous and there is very little stoppage. The length of a rugby match varies. The Idaho men's rugby team, for example, usually plays two 40-minute halves with a two or three minute halftime.

For anyone interested in rugby, both the men's and women's club teams welcome new players. The men practice inside the west end of the Kibbie Dome on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and at 9 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday. For information call Justin Vaughn at 882-4595. Women interested in rugby should call Marina Tiede at 882-4032 or Joana Williams at 883-9359.

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especialy at N.I.C., as a pivotal point in his basketball career.

"I was able to play with several really good players that have moved on to bigger programs. That enabled me to mature and to gain experience," Banks says. The biggest difference that he has noticed (besides the depth of talent and size of the competition) between the junior college level and a Division I program such as Idaho is the focus on the team concept. He says that junior college players often focus on individual goals in order to get a scholarship from the larger universities. At the larger universities and colleges, the team concept is emphasized and the players are equals.

Banks says his biggest thrill here at the University of Idaho so far has been hosting conference rival Boise State University on Jan. 31 and earning a tough win over Gonzaga last month.

Banks and the Vandals are in action on Saturday at home against New Mexico State at 7 p.m.
Recruits fill holes for Tormey

TODD MORGORST Staff

Idaho's football team will have 24 new faces next year, Coach Chris Tormey announced Wednesday on national signing day. Tormey brought in five junior college transfers, 18 high school players, and one Idaho basketball player.

"Tormey is pleased with the recruiting class and likes the variety of players coming in," he said.

The quarterback job is up for grabs as returning freshman Ed Davis will battle with junior college transfer Gregory Robertson for the position. Robertson was a second team All-American at Hicks College last season.

With the departure of wide receivers Antonio Wilson and Dona Price, Tormey brought in Cleostraw Bradshaw from Miami Dade Community College. Bradshaw is a small receiver with excellent speed. Another receiver who could make an impact next season is Christopher Belyer from Spokane, Wash.

Defensive stalwart Tim Wilson will graduate this spring leaving a big hole in the Vandals front. Junior college transfer Eddie Lolo-lo is a 6'0", 298 lbs. lineman from Vista, Calif. who will try to fill the void.

Tormey is also excited about incoming freshman Will Beck from Central Valley High School in Spokane.

"He's got a chance to come in and have an impact for us on the defensive line. He was the state 4-3 Player of the Year, he's 6'1", 300 lbs. and we think he is an outstanding player," he said.

Mac Tosi, a 6'6", 270 lbs. forward on the Vandal basketball team, will put the pads on next fall and most likely play defensive end. Tormey is happy with the additional speed the defense should have next season.

Idaho appears to be very solid at running back with Mar Thomas gaining an extra year of eligibility and Jerome Thomas returning after an injury-plagued season. Tormey has brought in Michael Moody from Cerritos Junior College for extra insurance in the backfield.

"We weren't really looking for a running back as such, we just really liked Michael and his toughness and leadership ability. We need a very versatile player that is able to play fullback or tailback for us in our two-back offense," Tormey said.

Running back Chadworski is a tight end from Cheney, Wash., who Tormey said may have an immediate impact.

"He played middle linebacker and tight end for Cheney High School and he was being recruited by a lot of Pac-10 schools. We were fortunate enough to be in the right place at the right time to get him to come to Idaho," Tormey said.

Barry Davis from Hicks College will assume the place-kicking duties with the graduation of Troy Scott. Davis set a National Junior College record last year with a 62-yard field goal.

Tormey said he's been playing in the Marist Stadium in 1999 helped recruiting. He said players have been excited to have a chance to play at a Pac-10 venue.

The Vandals landed four outstanding recruits from Idaho high schools: running back Jordan Kramer from Parma, Idaho (the son of Vandals great Jerry Kramer), linebacker Barret Nelson from Boise, and lineman Brandon Turnbow, from Idaho Falls.

The Men of Sigma Chi would like to congratulate its newest initiates:

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