University of Idaho fees keep going up

By Stephen Kaminsky
University of Idaho Argonaut

A Delta Tau Delta number was arrested last weekend for allegedly raping a weekend visitor to Washington State University. He was arrested on charges of third degree rape and taken to the Whitman County jail in Colfax on Monday.

The fraternity member who will be charged in the incident is Kevin Andrew Mauermann, 21. The alleged incident occurred just after midnight Sunday morning. Mauermann, the 21-year-old victim, and his sister had been drinking at a bar prior to going to a party where he invited the victim to go back to Delta Tau Delta. After the alleged incident, the victim was found by her sister in the fraternity house's parking lot and immediately taken to the Whitman County Memorial Hospital where evidence was gathered. She then went with the victim to search the room for further evidence and to arrest Mauermann.

Third-degree rape carries a maximum penalty of six to twelve months in jail, said Whitman County Prosecutor Gary Runyan. Shirley said described third degree rape as rape that is used, but it's non-consensual.

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A Cost Comparison of UI Fees
1983 Versus 1998

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No longer a bargain?

By Adam K. Wilcox

Resident fees at the University of Idaho have increased by 166 percent in the last 15 years, nonresident fees by 200 percent in the same period.

"How long are fees going to rise at Idaho and not trap the rate of inflation?" asked UI research economist Steve Peterson. "Where is the equilibrium going to be?"

The trend towards higher and higher fees led Peterson to compile a report on the increases, which have continued for nearly 15 years. He presented his report at a forum sponsored by the Economics Club Tuesday night.

"I will not predict for the increases," said Hal Graham, UI vice president of student affairs at the forum. "I think they are necessary."

He said the university is still very cheap in comparison to what it considers its peer institutions, such as Washington State University and Oregon State University.

He suggested they could be raised more. "There is room to move with out losing students," he said. "We have the insurance."

President Fred A. Blouin said evidence to support the school. Currently, state-appropriated funds make up around 28 percent of the UI budget.

But some students at the forum said the UI is being over-exploited, and placing undue burdens on the students, who often must work while going to school.

UI President Raymond Smith said the increase was managed a year at a time, but overall, he said that one student for the workload students to stay in school and to live. "Many of the students who have been here, fees have gone up," he said.

The increase, he said, is consid- ered unaffordable. "It has been the same story, the same ideas for 10 years, and it's time for society to challenge that," he said.

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The selection of poor institutions is a big help. While Oregon State and Washington State are not directly affected in this report, Idaho's in-state students, such as Utah State and Colorado State increase their fees by 7.5 percent a year.

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University leaders meet for lunch

By Beth Green
University of Idaho Argonaut

Quite a few UI student govern- ment leaders showed up for a catered lunch and speeches in the Argonaut column and listeners to the speeches. "I have a question," David Meinert, the director of the Student Union.

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House rejects bill, fearing free-speech restrictions

By Mark Warschke
Associated Press

BOISE — The House killed a bill that opponents said would impose a chilling effect on free speech, especially by college students, in the name of clarifying that public minds may not be infused to influence elections.

A bill nearly identical to those approved by the House in 1997 and 1998, only to be in the Senate, was defeated 35-3 on Monday as student leaders from Boise State University and the University of Idaho looked on. One of the measure’s sponsors, conservative Republican Rep. Bill Salt of Meridian, said he appreciated the debate that centered over more than an hour on Wednesday and Tuesday. However, he said, “It’s not so much that you write wrong.”

And his counterpart, GOP Rep. Jeff Ayers of Hayden, said his plan would only have clarified existing constitutional restrictions on public forums, but opponents argued that it would have chilled freedom of speech and campus organizations using student fees to weigh in on issues.

They cited testimony in the House State Affairs Committee from student leaders, the American Civil Liberties Union, a Boise State political science professor and a conservative state Board of Education Executive Director King Pitch.

“Whoever opposed it,” Republican Rep. Steve Stump of Boise said, “I don’t know what makes me so nervous.”

Supporters said concerns about censorship of campus newspapers were addressed by a provision exempting “some free newspapers... and” that the bill makes no attempt to restrict educational activities that present all sides of an issue.

New indirect expense ordinance dies when supporter misses meeting

In Tuesday’s agenda, a free speech and six other sub-paragraphs through a vote by Mayor Marshall Combs was repor-
ted. This was based on expected voting and was a vote practice. The Argonaut apologized for the error.

On Monday, March 2, the city’s indirect expense ordinance failed by a 2-3 vote. "The ordinance didn’t die because one of the supporters for it was out of town," said Tom LeClair, chairman of the adminis-
terative committee.

So instead of the city having an ordinance that would require meeting, it is essentially

legal for women to go topless. “We need to change some old ordinances,” said LeClair. "We’ll have to change how we write it, it will be something new."

LeClair mentioned that according to parliamentary rules once an indirect ordinance is killed it has to be re-written and re-voted on. Then it must survive yet another three readings.

LeClair also mentioned there is a possibility that we will not have an ordinance that requires more of the body to be covered.

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"We need some sort of standard other than just genitals," said LeClair.

No new proposals have been made as of yet, said City Attorney Randy File.

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This year’s Renaissance Fair passed without a scene. Continuous complaints
should be no more than 4 colors and no bigger than 10½ x 15½. The theme is springtime, and must include the 7th 4th Annual Moulton Renactment Fair, May 1 & 2, 1999, East City Park. Deadline, March 15. Send in or upload by Miss Mint.

White County Republican Teachers’ Association has new 1999 scholarships. More information about the White County high school, usually completed their Freshmen year, in field of education and have financial need. Contact AAC Fatice.

Students interested in internships with US Rep. Mike Simpson’s office are encouraged to call Jeannie Luhman at 208-424-2231, internships, but between two and three internship applications must be received by April 1.

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A GENERAL-CAMPUS PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BEGINNING AT 3 P.M. ON MARCH 16, 1999, AT THE STUDENT UNION GOLD ROOM. INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ABOUT THIS NOTICE OF INTENT BY PRESENTING THEM AT THE OPEN HEARING OR IN WRITING OR ORALLY THROUGH MARCH 25, 1999, TO VICE PRESIDENT W. H. GODDARD, UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO, STUDENT UNION BUILDING, MOSCOW, IDAHO 83844-054, PHONE (208) 885-5966.

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Worried about not voting? We've got 10 tips for you.

By Margi Glickman
Argonaut Columnist

Recent years have brought us no end of national and local political-quality. Your average first-year college student, in most cases, does not even bother to read about the issues. So it is not surprising to find that your average first-year college student, in most cases, does not even bother to vote. In fact, recent statistics show that about 50 percent of eligible voters did not vote in the last presidential election.

I am not saying that you should not vote. I am merely saying that you should think about why you are not voting and what you can do to change your mind. Here are 10 tips for getting out the vote.

1. Know the candidates. Do your homework. Find out who they are, what they stand for, and what they have done in the past.

2. Meet the candidates. Attend political events and meet the candidates. You can ask them questions and get a better understanding of their positions.

3. Make a plan. Plan ahead. Don't wait until the last minute to vote. Make sure you have all the information you need before you go to the polls.

4. Make it easy on yourself. Use the internet to find out where and when to vote. Many websites have voter registration information and voting schedules.

5. Make it easy on others. Help others register to vote. Encourage your friends and family to vote.

6. Make it fun. Enjoy the process. Voting is an important part of democracy. Make it a fun experience.

7. Make it a habit. Make voting a habit. Vote in every election, big or small.

8. Make it a tradition. Make voting a tradition. Have your children vote with you.

9. Make it a priority. Make voting a priority. Don't let other things get in the way of voting.

10. Make it a responsibility. Make voting a responsibility. You have the power to make a difference. Use it.

Remember, the right to vote is a precious right. Use it wisely.
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