Speaker says King's work must continue

By TRACY PEEL
Staff Writer

The Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration is not just for King, but for us, the keynote speaker of the address, "Celebrating Diversity," told an audience in the Student Union Building's Borah Theater Monday night.

Bill Wasmuth, executive director of the Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment, spoke to an audience of about 120, as part of the University of Idaho's Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration.

Martin Luther King Jr. would not want us "to just honor him somehow," said Wasmuth.

"He does not need these days. We need these days... so we can recognize and celebrate the progress that has been made," Wasmuth said.

Wasmuth's speech was preceded by an entry song and the flag song of the Nez Perce nation, performed by members of the Nez Perce tribe. UI President Elizabeth Zinner welcomed the audience, and ASUI President David Pena introduced Wasmuth.

Wasmuth emphasized that universal equality has not yet been achieved. He cited figures of incidents of racial malicious harassment in Idaho. Just a few years ago, 2.5 percent of Idaho's population had been the victim of racial harassment.

"It may seem like a small percentage, but 2.5 percent out of a million people is a lot of people," Wasmuth said.

In this same survey, 7.5 percent of Idahoans "had feeli"ngs toward some minority," said Wasmuth, emphasizing that "we have a long way to go." Wasmuth also discussed the work of his organization, the Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment, which is made up of individuals and local groups as well as city, county and other government organizations.

Wasmuth also discussed the recent murder of eight university faculty and staff.

"We have not overcome 'our' history, our history," Wasmuth said. "We have not overcome 'our' history of favoring the majority... of ignoring the minority... of continuing that majority advantage in the classroom." Speaking of the incident of the recent murders, he added, "We cannot ignore 'our' history of hate groups, and we cannot ignore 'our' history of racism. When we ignore 'our' history, we stand to lose much more than the path of progress." The Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment was formed by monitoring hate groups at a Coeur d'Alene anti-racism rally.

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"We are not against the military," Wasmuth said. "But we are against the use the military has been used for. Perhaps we should say the use the military has been used for..." Wasmuth also related a story in which he encountered a more overt racist. When he was returning to the UI at the end of Thanksgiving break, his car broke down and he received help from a person who gave him racist literature. This person was never found.

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Student panelists relate experiences with racism

By MATT HELMICK
Editor

Racism is not always violent and overt; it can also be subtle and occur in communities like Moscow.

That was the main message that came across in yesterday's panel discussion, "Racism: What Are We Talking About?" The panel consisted of Sabrina Dial, a junior majoring in Business and Finance; Caroline Kuehne, a freshman in General Studies; David Pena, ASUI president and Jurg Gerber, assistant professor of the University of Idaho Department of Sociology, Miguel Almazan, Coordinator of Minority Student Programs, moderated the event.

Pena said that although people find racist groups such as the Aryan Nations to be offensive, there are also "more subtle forms of racism that are equally irritating."

Pena, a Mexican-American, said because many people do not recognize him as a Mexican-American, he often bears bigoted remarks. In a recent meeting with some Idaho state officials, Pena said one person remarked that they should "get someone's Mexican ass to Idaho," when referring to a certain project.

That remark made me feel very unwelcome and made me feel like I didn't belong," Pena said.

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Council asked to back academic freedom

By CHARLES RICE
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Speaker to discuss civil rights struggle

By CHARLES RICE
Senior Staff Writer

Robert Zellner will discuss what really happened during the civil rights struggle in Mississippi in his lecture "How Mississippi Really Burned" tonight at 7:30 in the Student Union Building Ballroom. Raised in Alabama, Zellner became involved in the civil rights movement as a student at Huntingdon College in the late 1950s. Zellner graduated in 1960 and worked on the staff of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).

SNCC was founded in 1960 when four black students staged the first sit-in at a whites-only lunch counter in Greensboro, N.C. Their arrest and the associated publicity led to a series of sit-ins at segregated businesses all over the South. In his lecture, Zellner will focus on the events surrounding the murders of civil rights activists Goodman, Tunner and Schwerner, and explore the background of the civil rights movement in the southern United States.

Zellner met with Martin Luther King Jr. and Ralph Abernathy in 1961 and was asked to observe at the Montgomery, Alabama, bus station when a group of freedom riders arrived to protest the segregation of black and white people on buses and other types of public transit.

At the bus station Zellner witnessed a riot sanctioned by local police. The local Ku Klux Klan had arranged with the police to have 15 minutes to attack the freedom riders before the police intervened.

Zellner was also associated with the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), a mostly white student organization inspired by the civil rights movement.

Zellner is not the only famous SNCC member. Ella Baker, SNCC's great leader, was instrumental in keeping a separate from King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Stokely Carmichael, a radical and flamboyant SNCC worker, brought some negative publicity to SNCC in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Julian Bond was also a part of SNCC. When he was later elected to the Georgia House of Representatives, he was refused a seat because of his and SNCC's anti-Vietnam war activity.

UI Students to present minority writers', artists' works at Collette Theater today

By MARY HEUETT
Staff Writer

University of Idaho students will present Speaking Out: Minority Writers and Artists today at the Collette Theater. The 50 minute presentation begins at 12:30 p.m. Each of the six participating students will present one artist, giving a brief background and an excerpt from their work. "Erika Cunningham will present Spike Lee, focusing on his recent film Do The Right Thing. Lee is a black film-maker. Black Elk Speaks, the story of a Native American of the 1800s, will be presented by John O'Brian.

Eva Jo Hallwick will discuss a 19th century speech by Soujourner Truth. A contemporary black author and Pulitzer Prize winner, Toni Morrison, will be presented by Jill Larson. Denise Benton will read from Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl, excepted from the works of Harriet Beecher Jacobs.

A local author and member of the Black American Indian tribe, Janet Campbell Hale, will be presented by Stephanie Smith. Smith will read from Hale's book, The Jailing of Cassandra Capacita. The presentation will be open with a joint reading of a poem by Nikki Giovanni commemorating Martin Luther King Jr.

Organizer Sheila O'Brien said the presentation is for anyone interested in minority writers. She said the group hopes to answer any questions from the audience.

The presentation is sponsored by the Martin Luther King Jr. Committee. Cindy Lee will handle all of the technical aspects of the presentation.

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Chin explains flu strain

By DONALD CHIN, M.D.
Guest Columnist

Influenza, better known as the flu, has arrived in the Pacific Northwest earlier than expected, with cases of Influenza A Shanghai strain already reported in Idaho in December.

With this particular strain, the mortality rate for the aged and medically high-risk patients as reported from other parts of the world appears to be higher than other flu epidemics. Symptoms of the flu include abrupt fever, chills, muscular aches, fatigue, sore throat, headache, nasal stuffiness, non-productive cough, soreness of the chest, and fever for up to seven days. Many patients feel as if they have been rolled over by a truck. The incubation period, the time from the contact of the virus to the onset of symptoms, is one to four days.

Influenza is spread through the respiratory route by close contact, sneezing and coughing. Once a person contracts the flu, his or her immune system will develop lifelong antibodies against that particular strain. However, various strains emerge in one- to three-year intervals, so that immunity against the present Influenza A Shanghai won't protect people from the next flu epidemic.

The strain is named after the location in which the flu was first detected; hence such names as Victoria, Russian, Asian and Taiwan flu.

The United States can try to predict the particular strain and develop a vaccine by observing other parts of the world where the winter season is ahead of ours. The present flu shot given in October and November will protect against the Shanghai, Taiwan, and Influenza B Yamagata, which was last year’s epidemic strain.

Flu epidemics also come in 20 to 30-year cycles, such as a recent epidemic involving the Russian flu. Many people in my generation and older had that flu strain 20 years ago and developed an immunity. As predicted, the older population has not been affected as much as the young people.

Because influenza is a virus, antibiotics are ineffective for treating the flu. However, the flu may predispose patients to secondary bacterial infections such as ear infections, bronchitis and pneumonia, and antibiotics may be necessary.

Acetaminophen, such as Tylenol, may be used to reduce fever and aches, but aspirin should be avoided, especially with children, because of its association with Reye's Syndrome, a serious disease involving the liver and brain. Rest and increased fluids are important to reduce complications.

The drug amantadine is available at the Student Health Center to reduce the incidence of infection from Influenza A and speed recovery. People over age 60 and patients with cardiac or respiratory diseases and other debilitated diseases are still encouraged to get flu shots, although several weeks are required for the vaccine to produce adequate antibodies. The ideal time for flu shots is in October and November.

Robert Zellner, a civil rights activist, was witness to the beating of the freedom riders in the Montgomery Alabama bus station in 1961 and was the first white southerner to become a member of the SNCC (the Students Non Violent Coordinating Committee). His talk, "How Mississippi Really Burned" will be given on Tuesday, January 23rd at 7:30 p.m.
Abortion march a Monty Python witch hunt

I t might be funny if the potential effects weren't serious.

Like a Monty Python version of a witch hunt or inquisition, approximately 4,000 people turned out in Boise Saturday to display ridiculous signs and make obtuse statements.

The anti-abortion mob carried signs such as "Make Abortion a Felony," "We Shall Overcome," and, not enough, "All Abortion is Birth Control."

According to an Associated Press story, the latter statement referred to legislation being prepared for introduction in the Idaho Legislature that would ban abortion "as a method of birth control." Of course, since all abortions are birth control (abortions tend to terminate pregnancy), ultimately controlling whether a baby is born or not, this bill could make all abortions illegal.

Riding this mad pack of anti-abortion hysteria were two sponsors of the bill, Sen. Roger Madsen, R-Boise, and Sen. Claire Wetherell, D-Mountain Home. Wetherell said if the Supreme Court were to ever overturn Roe vs. Wade, her bill would be the first step toward a total ban on abortion.

"This is going to be a fight," Wetherell said, "but we will persevere until every unborn is given equal protection under the law."

Wetherell has her priorities misplaced. In a society that doesn't grant "equal protection" to those already born, she is making a backward attempt to grant protection to citizens who don't even exist yet.

Stranger still was the anti-Andrus sentiment expressed by the anti-abortionists.

Like the Monty Python witch hunters in The Holy Grail, the anti-abortionists needed heretic, a scapegoat. Curiously, they chose Gov. Cecil Andrus.

Although Andrus has expressed that he is opposed to abortion except in cases of rape, incest or when the life of the mother is threatened, the anti-abortionists were tone-deafly rabid to deal with the facts of Andrus' position.

A banner reading "Cecil Andrus is For Abortion" hung over the front of the statue of former Gov. Frank Staenberg in the park across from the Capitol.

Wetherell, like an uncertain inquisitor, took exception to the banner and announced to the zealous crowd that Andrus is not for abortion. Just like the Monty Python witch hunters, the anti-abortion mob did not want to give up their "heretic" that easily. Picture, if you will, Monty Python's John Cleese and Graham Chapman, instead of the anti-abortion crowd, responding to Wetherell's defense of Andrus. I quote the AP story:

"...her objection brought only scattered jeers and calls of "Coward" from the crowd."

Well, maybe it would be funny if the whole event were only a Monty Python film.

-Matt Helmick

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Support for West encouraged

Editor:

Professor Dennis West, who teaches Spanish and Latin American studies at the University of Idaho, has been selected to be an international observer for the Fair Trials of Nicaragua. He will be the only Idaho member of the Northwest Nicaragua Electoral Watch, a group that will observe the pre-election period in January and February.

It is an honor to be chosen to take part in such an important process. Professor West's background in the region quality him well for the task.

The work carried out by Professor West and the first-hand information he will bring back to the United States provide an important public service.

Professor West has no institutional support for this trip and must pay his own way. Because I believe that the University of Idaho desires to encourage and support such international work, I urge you to do what you can to help.

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As I have gone through eight cattle roundups known as registration of begun and overworked classrooms or menaced at the open sewer oddly called Paradise Creek, I have wondered why these problems occur at the University of Idaho.

A short while ago my question was answered by a friend who showed me a word only found in large dictionaries. The word is mumpsimus. I, which, as the story goes, is said to occur in a minor of the word sumpsim's. The word is mumpsimus, which, as the story goes, is said to occur in a minor of the word sumpsimus in the Latin Catholic Mass. When corrected, the old priest said he had used mumpsimus for 30 years and was afraid about to substitute swampsimus.

So a mumpsimus is a custom- error that is stubbornly adhered to, and an example is giving our cattle roundup registration 20 years after other schools have used DATPAN dialing registration. The touchdown system could spare the new incoming farm students the shock of being told not to punch a cow that needs a hoof and a birth certificate. Please see ERROR page 5.

**Mumpsimus runs rampant at UI**

Mumpsimus runs rampant at UI

According to the California State University Administration, the Sophisticated city students know that universities attempt to dehumanize everyone, and they accept our Kafkasque registration policies as normal mumpsimus.

The mumpsimus called Paradise Creek exists because it has been a muddy mess ever since the first settlers in Moscow (originally named Mount Hagen) turned their hogs loose in a pristine meadow full of blooming wildflowers. Although UI has world-class ecologists training students in proper water management and sensible riparian zone policies, the university continues to ignore the fact that ecology should begin at home.

Last fall we began a new practice called preregistration, which we were told would solve many problems. It should have solved the problem of squeezing 40 students into a 35-seat classroom, but apparently this mumpsimus is too powerful for the university to defeat. because I have felt like a sardine ever since I registered last week.

One of my classes is literally standing room only, and another classroom was forced to move because all students showed up to a 15-student room, which meant that not even standing room was available. Classes have always been crowded this university, and I guess in a mumpsimus way they will always be. As a history major and an

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"Drugs in Idaho" discussion Thursday

By JOE MCMICHAEL
Staff Writer

The question is not whether Idaho has a drug problem, but how Idaho should control its drug problem. Maurice Ellsworth, Idaho's federal prosecutor, will discuss "Drugs in Idaho" Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the University of Idaho Law School Courtroom. Ellsworth, who is in charge of the Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force of Idaho, will address the role of local law enforcement task forces and attorneys in administering a solution to this dilemma. The police have defined their roles as educators and enforcers, but the attorney's function has yet to be defined, Ellsworth says.

Idaho has always had a problem similar in scope to that of adjoining states, but concern about illegal drugs in the state has increased with the recent arrest of Los Angeles gang members in Pocatello, Ellsworth says. The key is education and prevention, he says.

Latah County Sheriff Ken Buxton voiced a similar philosophy in a recent interview with the Idaho Statesman. According to Buxton, if the sheriff's department were to... Please see DRUGS page 8-

Women's Center offers diverse lunchtime topics

By STEPHANIE BAILEY
Entertainment Editor

Lunchtime speakers and a variety of programs have been offered at the University of Idaho's Women's Center since its inception in the 1960s.

Director Betty Thomas said ideas for topics and speakers come from individual requests through the Women's Center newsletter and through reading other university women's center newsletters and "installing their ideas." Thomas described herself as an avid reader of the local media. She said if someone with a specialized area of knowledge is visiting the area, she will call and ask the person to speak.

"Sometimes we have five people show up, and sometimes 60," Thomas said. "We have to drag in benches, and people sit on the floor. It depends on the topic."

Wednesday the center will present a date rape videotape that deals with respecting the opinions, rights and decisions of other human beings. The videotape notes that in the United States a rape occurs every seven minutes, that 80 percent of the rapes are committed by a person who knows the victim, and that half of all rapes occur on dates.

This is the first year the center has included a Counseling Center Week every month. Please see SERIES page 8-

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Lumberjacks axed by Vandals

By RUSS BIAIGNE
Sports Editor

A 46-2 run by the University of Idaho Vandals basketball team
That is all that needs to be said about UI's 84-59 victory over Northern Arizona University Saturday night.
Not to take anything away from the Lumberjacks, since for a while it looked like they would hang UI the second Big Sky Conference loss when they led the Vandals by 11, 27-16, with 8:06 remaining in the first half.
That's what NAU thought, but from that point on, it was all the Vandals, as they rattled off 16 unanswered points and only allowed NAU two points for the remainder of the first half. The run sparked by the relentless Vandals' defensive pressure, which is spread over all five men and was obvious in the first half.
Despite the rout, Davis said he doesn't want to take anything away from NAU.

"I want to give credit to Pat Haffey (NAU's head coach). He came out ready to play," Davis said.

Davis also said that he sympathizes with the Lumberjacks.
"I've been on the other side of that type of run before against Kansas. I know how it feels," he said.

Randell Rafferty: "I was really proud of the kids at the start. All of us thought we played the 30 minutes of good basketball."

For the first 12 minutes of the game it was all NAU, as UI shot 8-23 from the field and could not seem to make offensive and defensive transitions.
"NAU played really well at the start, and we couldn't get our transitions down, and that hurt us," Davis said.

At halftime the Vandals led 47-29, but the run was not quite over yet.
The Vandals scored five more unanswered points to start the second half before NAU's guard Steve Williams (NAU's high scorer with 20 points) ended the run with a three-pointer with 17:36 remaining in the game.

From that point, both teams traded baskets, and Davis took advantage of the situation and gave every Vandals an opportunity to play.

Once again Ralley Smith was the Vandals' leader, scoring 23 first-half points en route to a team-high 25 points and five rebounds.

Smith was joined by Clifford Martin's 10 points and five rebounds, Ricardo Boyd's 15 points (including two dunks and two three-pointers), and Cesar Prewitt's two points and eight assists. Odis Livingston left the game early in the second half due to injury and is reportedly battling tendinitis. He accumulated four points and had five assists before leaving the game.

With the victory and with Weber State College's 65-51 loss to the University of Montana and Eastern Washington University's 102-100 overtime loss to the University of Nevada-Reno Saturday, the Vandals and EWU are tied for first place with 5-1 records. NAU falls to 4-5.

The Vandals return to the ASU-Kibbie Dome to face Weber State Friday and co-leader EWU Saturday. Both games begin at 7:30 p.m.

Ladies falter in Montana

By STEVE SMEDE
Staff Writer

It was a long and frustrating weekend in Montana for the University of Idaho women's basket-
ball team.
The Lady Vandals lost to undefeated University of Montana Fri-
day and to Montana State Uni-
versity in a tight game Saturday.
In Friday's Big Sky Conference this time against MSU. But in the match-up, UI was stunned by UI's 48-28 second half.
Montana's opening 23-3 run, lead, the Bobcats staged a rally to leading a 83-51 final. The Van-
dals battled back to a three-point deficit at 12-18 but could not tame the Grizzly charge and trailed scored the Vandals 50-12 to pull within two with two minutes left.
At the root of UI's troubles remaining. The Vandals took were 35 percent shooting from behind the lead by four with 1:29 on the floor (Montana shot 54 per cent) and inconsistent defensive strategy.
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