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News

Women's Leadership Conference Registration Opens Aug. 17

Helping to chip at the glass ceiling, the University of Idaho Women's Center and Athena, the university's women's professional association will co-host the biennial Women's Leadership Conference on Thursday, Oct. 4 in the Student Union and Idaho Commons Buildings. Registration for the conference is required and opens on Friday, Aug. 17 online at www.womensleadership.uidaho.edu. [Read more.](#)

Idaho 4-H Celebrates a Century Sunday at the Western Idaho Fair

Break out the party hats because Idaho 4-H members, volunteers and friends will celebrate the program's first 100 years Sunday, Aug. 19, at the Western Idaho Fair. The fair has designated Sunday as 4-H Day in honor of the program's centennial. [Read more.](#)

Outside Magazine Names U-Idaho in Top 25 Colleges

Outside Magazine has named University of Idaho in the top 25 colleges for Outside readers who are looking for adventure to go along with their education. The study, performed by magazine staff, methodically developed a scoring key designed to capture all possible aspects of an institution's ability to cater to adventure and affordability.

Judge Rules University Not Responsible For Andaverde Fall

Second District Court Judge Michael Griffin ruled Monday that the University of Idaho is not responsible for former student Amanda Andaverde's 30-foot fall from the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity in 2009. "The University of Idaho is pleased with the ruling of the district court dismissing the claims Amanda Andaverde and her parents brought against the university and the State Board of Education, which sits as the Board of Regents of the University of Idaho," said a statement from the University of Idaho. "This was a tragic accident and our hearts continue to go out to Amanda and to her family and friends. However, we believe the court is correct in its ruling that the university and our governing board were not proper parties to the

damage claims brought by Amanda and her parents.” Andaverde filed the suit against the university, Idaho State Board of Education, Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and others nearly two years after the fall, contending in part that school officials regulate fraternities and sororities, knew about alcohol misuse, should have known dangerous conditions existed and failed to act.

The Most Powerful Word on U-Idaho Alum’s Resume is Curiosity

The Mars Rover, Curiosity, concluded its 352-million-mile journey with an equally historic, intricately engineered, white-knuckle landing on the surface of Mars Aug. 5, 2012. The landing, dubbed "seven minutes of terror" by engineers, began with entry through the top of the planet's atmosphere at an angle calculated to achieve aerodynamic lift. A guided-entry system then used jet thrusters to slow and direct the craft. Curiosity then deployed a supersonic parachute to slow it further. Finally, a giant "sky crane" lowered it the last mile to the surface. [Read more.](#)

University of Idaho Events for Aug. 13-19

The following is a list of University of Idaho sponsored events for the week of Aug. 13-19. Events will take place in Moscow and are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. [Read more.](#)

Events

George P. Bush to Speak at Convocation

College marks the start of a journey that begins with the first day of classes and ends with commencement. As part of the celebration to kick off the journey, the University of Idaho and President M. Duane Nellis invite faculty, staff, students and local community members to the 2012 University Convocation on Friday, Aug. 17 at 8:30 a.m., in the ASUI-Kibbie Activity Center, north concourse side. George P. Bush will give the keynote address. His speech is titled, “As we begin our legacy together.” George Prescott Bush is the eldest of three children of former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush. The nephew of the 43rd President of the United States, George W. Bush, and the grandson of the 41st President of the United States, George H.W. Bush, he co-founded Pennybacker Capital, which invests in and operates middle market multifamily, retail, office and industrial assets in sustainable growth markets.

The Lorax

As part of ASUI and Vandal Entertainment's "Blockbuster in the Borah," The Lorax will be shown at 2 and 7 p.m. Friday.

Dissertation Defense: Phuoc Tran

Doctoral candidate in Electrical Engineering, Phuoc Tran, will defend his dissertation entitled, "Gain-Enhancement Differential Amplifier using Positive Feedback" on Friday, Aug 17 at 2:30 p.m. in the Electrical Engineering Conference room. The event is free and open to the public.

"Circle Mirror Transformation" by Annie Baker

Set in a “creative drama” class, the play tells the story of instructor “Marty” and her eclectic mix of students as they slog through acting games that push emotions and abilities, or lack thereof, to the limit. But, as often trying times will do, the experience builds connections and relationships that will endure well after students are outside the

classroom walls. Winner of the Obie Award for best new play, the play has been called an “absorbing, unblinking and sharply funny play,” by the New York Times. Tickets are \$10. To purchase tickets, or for more information, call (208) 885-6465.

SYNC (Serving Your New Community)

SYNC (Serving Your New Community) will occur Saturday, Aug. 18, from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. on the Tower Lawn - Main Campus.

Palousafest

This annual event serves as a kickoff to the academic year and a welcome to our new students. It provides students the perfect opportunity to learn more about involvement opportunities at the University of Idaho and on the Palouse. Palousafest 2012 will be held on Aug. 18 on Theophilus Tower Lawn and Sixth Street. The event starts at 5:30 p.m., with informational booths, food, and novelties running from then until 7 p.m. At 7 p.m a live concert sponsored by ASUI Vandal Entertainment will begin.

"Circle Mirror Transformation" by Annie Baker

"Circle Mirror Transformation" by Annie Baker will be performed Thursday, Aug. 16, 2012, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. in the University of Idaho Hartung Theater. Set in a “creative drama” class, the play tells the story of instructor “Marty” and her eclectic mix of students as they slog through acting games that push emotions and abilities, or lack thereof, to the limit. But, as often trying times will do, the experience builds connections and relationships that will endure well after students are outside the classroom walls. Winner of the Obie Award for best new play, the play has been called an “absorbing, unblinking and sharply funny play,” by the New York Times. Tickets are \$10. To purchase tickets, or for more information, call (208) 885-6465.

Webcast: Crucial Steps for Ensuring Project Success

The Crucial Steps for Ensuring Project Success webcast will occur Wednesday, Aug. 15, from 9 – 10 a.m. in room 217 - Administration Building. The webcast will explore strategies to help you “do it right” the first time.

New Employee Welcome

New Employee Welcome (NEW), hosted by Professional Development and Learning, will introduce new employees to the University of Idaho culture, shared values, key University policies and highlight the ways employees earn more than a paycheck working at the University from 8:15 - 11:45 a.m. in Horizon - Idaho Commons - Main Campus. Register for NEW by sending an [email to Human Resources](#).

Benefits Orientation

Benefit Services will host a benefits orientation providing an overview of medical, dental, vision, life and disability coverage, as well as retirement programs and other perks that come with working for the University of Idaho 1 – 3 p.m. in the Horizon room, Idaho Commons. This orientation is designed to help employees make educated decisions about their benefit options. Register for NEW by sending an [email to Human Resources](#).

Announcements

New Registration Deadlines

Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the registration deadlines for fall

semester. A complete listing of the registration deadlines can be found on the Office of the Registrar's website. Some key deadline dates for full semester courses are: The last day to add online through VandalWeb is Aug. 27; Add with instructor permission on a Change of Registration form Aug. 28 – 31 (5 p.m. deadline); The last day to drop a class online through VandalWeb is Aug. 31; and The last day for a refund of fees and tuition is Aug. 31.

Supervisory Excellence Program Registration

After a successful summer pilot, the University of Idaho's Supervisory Excellence Program registration is now open for the fall 2012 session. The fall workshop series begins on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012. This new program, hosted by Professional Development and Learning, provides a variety of leadership and management tools and gives participants a chance to network with supervisors from across campus. Classes range from the University of Idaho Hiring Process to Building Team Relationships. All new and current supervisors are encouraged to participate. Seats are limited, and pre-registration is required. For more details and registration information, please visit the Supervisory Excellence Program on the [PDL website](#).

My.Uidaho Portal to be Retired

The My.Uidaho portal, located at <https://my.uidaho.edu>, will be retired on Saturday, Oct. 6. The portal is being shut down in order to shift focus to other technology initiatives. Services currently provided by the portal, such as web time entry, will be available through other applications such as [VandalWeb](#). Details on how to access equivalent functionality will be published in the coming weeks. Please contact the ITS Help Desk at helpdesk@uidaho.edu with any questions regarding this event.

Reminder: Parking Permits Expire Aug. 15

2011-12 parking permits expire today, Aug. 15. Parking permits for the 2012-13 year are required in all Gold and Green parking lots beginning tomorrow, Aug. 16. Parking permits are required in all Red and Blue lots beginning Monday, Aug. 20, at 6 a.m. Parking permits are required in Purple and Silver lots beginning Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 6 a.m. If you like receiving these type of reminders, find us on [Facebook](#).

Applications Available for Alternative Service Break Adviser Positions

The Center for Volunteerism and Social action is looking for interested staff and faculty to apply to become an adviser for one of our Alternative Service Break teams. This winter the University will be sending two teams to international locations and two teams to serve on domestic service projects. Locations will be finalized in the upcoming weeks. [Read more](#).

Regular Business Hours Resume Aug. 20

The University of Idaho will resume operating during regular business hours starting the first day of fall semester. Beginning Aug. 20, 2012, office hours will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Regulations and Emergency Information to be Aware of "As the Semester Begins"

As the semester begins, it is important that faculty, staff and students review several essential regulations and be aware of emergency contact information. This information can be viewed at: www.uidaho.edu/facultysecretary/assembeginns.

33rd Annual Alumni Awards for Excellence

Nominate a current outstanding undergraduate senior, graduate student or law student for the 33rd Annual Alumni Awards for Excellence. Sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations, the Alumni Award for Excellence is presented to 40 undergraduate senior level students and an additional 15 graduate or law students who have achieved outstanding academic success and have demonstrated career and professional preparation; campus and community leadership and involvement, or are leaders in the classroom, laboratory campus and community. Nomination forms can be found under the Awards & Recognition tab at www.uidaho.edu/alumni.

Swim Center Opens Aug. 20

The University of Idaho Swim Center will be re-opening for Fall semester on Aug. 20. As stewards of the University of Idaho Swim Center, University Support Services is responsible for the safe and fiscally responsible operation of the facility. Student and user fees are our sole source of funds to operate the swim center. For this to work effectively every group needs to contribute their fair share. To that end we need to charge faculty and staff for their use of the pool. Effective Aug. 20, 2012 all faculty and staff wishing to use the pool will need to purchase a swim pass. Passes are available for purchase online at www.uidaho.edu/uss/swim-center/passes. Fall lap and open swim hours are also posted.

Acknowledgements

Rula Awwad-Rafferty Chair-Elect for Environmental Design Research Association

The Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA) is pleased to announce its 2012-2013 Board of Directors. Rula Awwad-Rafferty, professor, College of Art & Architecture, University of Idaho, was named chair-elect. The Environmental Design Research Association EDRA is an international, interdisciplinary organization founded in 1968 by design professionals, social scientists, students, educators and facility managers. The purpose of EDRA is the advancement and dissemination of environmental design research, thereby improving understanding of the interrelationships between people, their built and natural surroundings, and helping to create environments responsive to human needs.

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