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EVENTS:

--Physics Colloquium: Jason Barnes, Department of Physics, University of Idaho, 4 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- --General Curriculum Report #264
- --University of Idaho Events for Jan. 23-29

Physics Colloquium: Jason Barnes, Department of Physics, University of Idaho The physics colloquium, presented by Jason Barnes, department of physics, University of Idaho, entitled "The Crazily-Tilted Orbit of Extrasolar Planet KOI-13.01," will occur Jan. 23 at 4 p.m. in EP 209. Read more.

General Curriculum Report #264

General Curriculum Report #264, dated Jan. 20, 2012, is available for viewing and printing. Items listed on this report will have the necessary faculty approvals unless a petition requesting further consideration of a specific item is signed by 5 faculty and submitted to the chair of the Faculty Senate by Feb. 3, 2012.

University of Idaho Events for Jan. 23-29

The following is a list of University of Idaho-sponsored events for the week of Jan. 23-29. Events will take place in Moscow and Boise, and are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Read more.

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NEWS:

-- University of Idaho Enrolls Highest Number of New National Merit Scholars in NW

EVENTS:

- --Turning of the Wheel "Notes from a basically applied scientist," 12:30 p.m.
- --College Bowl Applications Due, 5 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- --CLARIFICATION-Kaizen Master Program
- --Revised 2012-13 Parking Proposal Now Available for Review and Comment
- --Nominate Your Exceptional Undergraduate Student Employee
- --Vandal Basketball Doubleheader Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night
- --Call for Nominations for Outstanding Staff Awards
- --Scholarships Programs for New Students

University of Idaho Enrolls Highest Number of New National Merit Scholars in NW The best and the brightest students who started college this academic year in the Northwest go

The best and the brightest students who started college this academic year in the Northwest go to the University of Idaho. According to the National Merit Scholarship Corporation's recently released 2010-11 annual report, the University of Idaho has more new National Merit Scholars than any other public institution in Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Montana. Read more.

Turning of the Wheel – "Notes from a basically applied scientist"

This Humanities Exploration Colloquium Talk will be presented by Sanford Eigenbrode and

entitled, "Notes from a basically applied scientist" on Jan. 24 at 12:30 p.m. in the Whitewater Room, Commons. Read more.

College Bowl Applications Due

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CLARIFICATION-Kaizen Master Program

The Center for Strategic Initiatives and Process Improvement will be hosting an information session and open house on the Kaizen Master's Program. The Kaizen Master Program is training that is not a Master's degree program and thus does not require any college degrees in order to be part of it. Moreover the Kaizen Master program is an in-house Lean certificate initiative. The Kaizen Master's Program will be a pilot initiative and was created to build strategic capacity in continuous improvement, thereby contributing to the University's strategic ambitions. The program will offer lean training to employees of the University of Idaho. The open house is for anyone interested in facilitating and leading Kaizen events. The information session will outline the goals of the program, learning objectives, and curriculum and membership requirements.

When: Jan. 26, 2012 Where: Commons Whitewater Room Time: 2 - 4:30 p.m. Info Session: 2 - 3:30 p.m. Social: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Revised 2012-13 Parking Proposal Now Available for Review and Comment

Based on input received, Parking and Transportation Services has revised the proposal for changes to the parking system for 2012-13. The proposal includes proposed permit fees and lot changes. Comments will be accepted on the revised proposal through Thursday, Feb. 2. Comments and questions should be emailed to input-parking@uidaho.edu.

Nominate Your Exceptional Undergraduate Student Employee

Nominate your student worker for the Student Employee of the Year (SEOY). Nominating your outstanding student employees is an excellent way to demonstrate appreciation for their hard work, support and dedication. The award ceremony is April 9, 4-5 p.m., Whitewater/Clearwater Rooms, Idaho Commons. The nomination deadline is Feb. 6, 2012. Please contact cchen@uidaho.edu or 885-3737 with any questions about this great opportunity to show our students we appreciate their work. You can also visit www.uidaho.edu/humanresources and click on the SEOY revolving picture and click on "On-Campus Nominations".

Vandal Basketball Doubleheader - Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night

Join Vandal Athletics Jan. 28 for a special evening dedicated to our distinguished faculty and staff members at the University of Idaho, recognizing their numerous achievements and successes. All faculty and staff members receive FREE admission (show Vandal Card at University of Idaho Ticket Office) and can purchase additional tickets for only \$5. Throughout both games we will be highlighting various accomplishments and honors received by University of Idaho faculty members and staff. Women's Basketball vs. Utah State, 5:30 p.m. in the Cowan

Spectrum; Men's Basketball vs. Hawaii, 8 p.m. in the Cowan Spectrum.

Call for Nominations for Outstanding Staff Awards

Nominations for the 2012 Outstanding Employee Awards, the Staff Educational Awards, the Outstanding Team Award, and the Lawrence McBride Prize are due by Friday, Feb. 17, 2012. The Outstanding Employee Awards honor U-ldaho non-faculty staff members who are doing an outstanding job in the areas of quality of service, exceptional effort, initiative and interpersonal relations. Read more.

Scholarships Programs for New Students

The University of Idaho announces its resident and non-resident scholarship programs for its incoming new freshmen and transfer students for fall 2012. Go Idaho! for Idaho Residents: The University of Idaho Go Idaho! Scholarship program awards up to \$10,000 over four years to eligible Idaho freshmen and up to \$6,000 to eligible Idaho transfer students. There are two levels of awards: 1) Gold: \$2,500 per year (3.8 - 4.0 GPA); and 2) Silver: \$1,500 (3.4 - 3.79). Discover Idaho and WUE Programs for non-resident students: With the Discover Idaho scholarship program, a non-resident student can receive up to \$40,000 over four years to help with college expenses. The University has also doubled its number of awards for the WUE reduced tuition rate. • Minimum entering GPA = 3.4 for freshmen and 3.3 for transfers • Minimum - maximum award for Discover for eligible students: \$4,000 - \$10,000

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NEWS:

--President Nellis' JFAC presentation streams live on web, Wednesday, Jan. 25

EVENTS:

- --Study Abroad Fair, 10 a.m. 2 p.m.
- --The Vagina Monologues Teach-In, 12:30 p.m.
- --Retirement Reception: Martin L. "Marty" Peterson, 4 6 p.m. Boise
- --Winter Wildlands Alliance Backcountry Film Festival, 7 9:30 p.m.
- --New Play Wednesdays presented by U-Idaho Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

--African American Read-In

President Nellis' JFAC presentation streams live on web, Wednesday, Jan. 25

University of Idaho President M. Duane Nellis will showcase the University's statewide impact during his remarks to the legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, or JFAC, on Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 7 a.m. PT / 8 a.m. MT. He will highlight teaching, research, and outreach and service through the work of some of the University's students and faculty. Live video and audio streams from the Idaho House and Senate floors and legislative committees can be viewed on the web courtesy of Idaho Public Television. Watch President Nellis' presentation online.

Study Abroad Fair

The Study Abroad Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Commons Clearwater/Whitewater Rooms. This fair will provide an opportunity to talk to study abroad

advisers, as well as program providers, and learn about the different resources available to you to make study abroad a reality in your life.

The Vagina Monologues Teach-In

A special teach-in to learn about violence against women and girls in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Haiti and New Orleans will be presented Jan. 25 at 12:30 p.m. in the Women's Center Lounge. Explore how funds raised through V-Day's 2012 Spotlight Campaign will be used to support initiatives that address the problem of sexual violence through art, advocacy, safe shelter and legal services.

Retirement Reception: Martin L. "Marty" Peterson

A retirement reception for Martin L. "Marty" Peterson, to honor of his 20 years of service and dedication to the University of Idaho, will be held Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2012 from 4 - 6 p.m., with a 5 p.m. program in the Idaho State Capitol, 1st Floor Rotunda. RSVP here or call 208-364-6157 by Jan. 20, 2012.

Winter Wildlands Alliance Backcountry Film Festival

The University of Idaho Outdoor Program along with Hyper Spud Sport is hosting the 2012 Winter Wildlands Alliance, Backcountry Film Festival. The festival is Wednesday, Jan. 25 from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased in advance at the University of Idaho Outdoor Program office, or at the door the night of the show. The festival showcases inspirational and thought-provoking films from grassroots filmmakers that will inform you about backcountry and environmental issues as well as entertain you with exceptional skiing and snowboarding.

New Play Wednesdays presented by U-ldaho Theatre

Make your Wednesday night a memorable one with a free showcase of a new script. New Play Wednesday features staged readings of plays still in their infancy. This will be the first time many of these works have been shown to an audience. Wednesday's performances include: "338" by J.C. Svec. At a bus stop, just before dawn, a young man shares the details of his daughter's tragic death with a young woman who is dealing with personal demons of her own. "Wild West City" by J.C. Svec. The run-down and no longer popular Wild West City serves as the backdrop for a bizarre mistake that results in an actual Main Street shoot-out between the good guy and the bad guy. Featuring U-ldaho students Caitlin Boland, Kayla Cole and Tommy Lukrich. A feedback session will be held with the author after the reading, which starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Arena Theater (first floor Shoup Hall) to give audience members a chance to voice their opinions. Come embrace the chance to help create new theater.

African American Read-In

This year, the University of Idaho will participate in the 23rd National African American Read-In. The event is sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English, which tallies all readers who participate, to make the celebration of African American literacy a traditional part of Black History Month activities. The Read-In will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the first floor of the University of Idaho Library. Faculty, students and staff are invited to read a 3-5 minute selection of African American-authored literature during that time. A list of selected authors is available online at the university's Office of Multicultural Affairs website and an additional selection of African American literature anthologies is set aside at the Library's Reserve desk. Those interested may sign up to take part in the public reading by

e-mailing their name, author name, and the title of the selection they'll be reading, along with a request for a preferred 20-minute block of time. Reading time slots are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Email requests to: oma@uidaho.edu. The Office of Multicultural Affairs will hold a raffle for books written by prominent African American authors to celebrate the literature and literacy during Black History Month. The University of Idaho African American Read-In is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs, Black Student Association, the University of Idaho Library, and the Department of English. For more information, contact Leathia Botello, coordinator, Office of Multicultural Affairs, leathiab@uidaho.edu, or Jan Johnson, professor of English and American Indian studies, janjohn@uidaho.edu.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

-- President Stresses Need to Keep Brightest and Best Employees

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- --Nellis Outlines University's Statewide Impact, Supports Executive Budget Recommendations for Higher Ed
- --Many Hands Make Light-Hearted Work: Family-Friendly Piano Bash to Showcase Virtuosos' Flying Fingers, Feb. 4 and 5

EVENTS:

- --College Bowl
- -- Teaching Excellence Brown Bag Series, noon 1 p.m.
- --IBEST Seminar Dr. Dee Denver, 12:30 1:30 p.m.
- --Kaizen Master Program, 2 4:30 p.m.
- --Men's Basketball vs San Jose State, 7 p.m.
- --Ying Quartet, Auditorium Chamber Music Series, 7:30 p.m.
- -- Magician Tim Gabrielson, 8 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- --University Launching New Web Presence
- --Sabbatical Applications for 2013-2014 Academic Year

President Stresses Need to Keep Brightest and Best Employees

Things went well at the state capitol yesterday. One of the priorities I shared with our state leaders was the need to fund employee raises. I believe that many were receptive as I explained the need to keep our best and brightest engaged with our students, in research, and in outreach and engagement efforts. It only makes sense that if you want the best results, you need to attract and retain the best people. Here are two Boise media outlet links that might help you get a sense of how it went: KTVB and the Statesman. On another note many of our students did a fantastic job presenting their university to the legislators. They met with 82 Legislators Wednesday and escorted 64 of them to the University of Idaho displays. This means that our students spoke with 78 percent of Idaho's Legislators and 61 percent of all of legislators visited our displays. Once again – our young Vandals – impressed our state leaders with an example of their leadership, their understanding, and their passion. I believe the combined efforts of faculty, staff, and students at the capitol represented the best of the University of Idaho.

Nellis Outlines University's Statewide Impact, Supports Executive Budget Recommendations for Higher Ed

The human capital at the University of Idaho – students, faculty, staff, partners and alumni – moves the state's economy forward and is an unparalleled investment for the state. That's the message that M. Duane Nellis, university president, delivered today to members of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee on behalf of the state's land-grant university. Read more.

Many Hands Make Light-Hearted Work: Family-Friendly Piano Bash to Showcase Virtuosos' Flying Fingers, Feb. 4 and 5

The 2012 Lionel Hampton School of Music Piano Bash promises a spectacular display of flying fingers as over 30 virtuoso pianists, including faculty, students and community piano teachers, play together. The pieces range from two people tickling out a number, to up to ten people using as many as six pianos, simultaneously. Read more.

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Teaching Excellence Brown Bag Series

The first of three teaching excellence brown bag sessions is scheduled for this Thursday, Jan. 26, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Commons Whitewater Room. John Lawrence, College of Business, will speak on "Using Cases to Engage Students in Theory and Its Application". Please mark your calendars and join us on the following two days: Thursday, March 1, Commons Clearwater Room: Wendy McClure (Architecture), "Engaging the Community for Action-Based Learning" Thursday, March 29, Commons Clearwater Room: Michael Kyte (Engineering), "Finding My Teaching Voice: One Road to Activity-Based Learning" All talks will

be held from noon -1 p.m. Sponsored by the Teaching and Advising Committee and the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs Office.

IBEST Seminar - Dr. Dee Denver

Dr. Dee Denver, from Oregon State University, will present a seminar titled "Mitochondrial genome evolution in nematodes" on Jan. 26 at 12:30 p.m. in Engineering Physics 214.

Kaizen Master Program

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Mens Basketball vs San Jose State

Mens Basketball vs San Jose State will occur Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. For tickets and information visit www.govandals.com or call 208-885-6466.

Ying Quartet, Auditorium Chamber Music Series

Ying Quartet, ACMS (Auditorium Chamber Music Series) will perform Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the University Auditorium. Tickets are available at the Prichard Art Gallery in downtown Moscow or online.

Magician Tim Gabrielson

ASUI Vandal Entertainment Lecture series presents Magician/Comedian Tim Gabrielson. This free show is open to all, more information and event page can be found on Facebook.

University Launching New Web Presence

The University is launching a new Web presence within the coming weeks. The new design, which was prepared for a launch as early as tomorrow, January 27, is being held for additional quality assurance and review. The latest possible date for launch is Friday, February 10. The reimagined website - which will preserve web content, but immediately convert approximately 15,000 pages - is the result of input from University stakeholders, user testing, site analysis, and the application of best practices. An additional 3,000-5,000 pages will be converted during February, and new functionality will continue to be brought online. The University continues to convert or expunge pages from the last 15 year that are dated, inaccurate, or just plain ugly – some estimates place that number at over 60,000 pages (down approximately 40,000 from 2010). We believe that after a brief adjustment period, the new website will better showcase the University's reputation and allow users to more easily connect with the content they need. To learn more about some of the website's new features, including new functionality on the horizon, visit www.uidaho.edu/newdesign. You can get a sneak preview of a portion of the

University's new website by visiting the future student's site.

Sabbatical Applications for 2013-2014 Academic Year

Sabbatical Applications for the 2013-2014 academic year are due Friday March 30, 2012 to Torrey Lawrence, Chair, Sabbatical Leave Evaluation Committee. Instructions and application form can be found in FSH 3720 at http://www.webs.uidaho.edu/fsh/3720.html

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EVENTS:

- --College Bowl
- --Swimming and Diving vs Oregon State, 11:30 a.m. Saturday
- --Palouse Chamber Music Workshop, 4 6 p.m. Saturday
- -- Taste of Nepal Night, 5 8 p.m. Saturday
- --Vandal Basketball Doubleheader Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night, 5:30 Women's, 8 p.m. Men's, Saturday

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

--Interdisciplinary Climate Change Spring 2012 Seminar Series

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Whiting Award winner and National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) fellow Benjamin Percy will read at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 16 in the Law School Courtroom in the Menard Law Building on the University of Idaho campus. A book signing will follow the reading. "Benjamin has won awards for his short stories and his novels," said Doug Heckman, University of Idaho MFA Creative Writing program director. "The fact that he's adapting his novel, *The Wilding*, for director Guillermo Arriaga (Babel, 21 Grams) testifies to the strength of his work." Read more.

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Palouse Chamber Music Workshop

The Palouse Chamber Music Workshop will host a student recital on Jan. 28 at 4 p.m. in Haddock Performance Hall.

Taste of Nepal Night

Come experience delicious Nepali cuisine and culture at the Taste of Nepal event held on Saturday, Jan. 28, 2012 between 5 and 8 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom. Tickets are on sale now at International Programs: \$12 for general admission, \$10 for students, and children 10 and under are free. For more information, contact Tshering Sherpa at 718-404-4134.

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Interdisciplinary Climate Change Spring 2012 Seminar Series

The Colleges of Natural Sources, Science, and the Regional Approaches to Climate Change in Pacific Northwest Agriculture (REACCH PNA) are sponsoring the Spring 2012 Interdisciplinary Climate Change Seminar Series. Seminars are free and open to the University of Idaho community and the public. They will be held Mondays from Jan. 30 to April 30 at 3:30-4:20 p.m. in the University of Idaho Teaching and Learning Center (TLC building), Room 31. For more information, visit https://sites.google.com/site/interdisciplinaryclimatechange/home.

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