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Leadership Message

Ron Smith: A Progress Report for DFA

In March of this year, I introduced my vision and more specifically, direction for the Division of Finance and Administration (DFA). We are moving forward with our goal of process improvement focusing on collaboration and customer service. Although there have been many milestones over the past six months, I will highlight three that I consider significant accomplishments. [Read more.](#)

News

George P. Bush to Speak at University of Idaho's 2012 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. [Read more.](#)

U-Idaho Archaeology Dig in Downtown Boise Successfully Unearths History

Now through Saturday, you can travel 130 years into the past – and don't even need a time machine. Simply pay a visit to Boise's Basque block, where University of Idaho is showing off finds from an urban, archaeological dig now underway at the Cyrus Jacobs-Uberuaga house, 607 Grove St. That's where U-Idaho archaeologists Mark Warner and Stacey Camp are overseeing excavation of an old well. [Read more.](#)

Olympic Gold and Gold For Vandal Kristin Armstrong

Gold and silver are the marks of a Vandal, but for alumna Kristin Armstrong, it's gold and gold after winning her second Olympic gold medal Aug. 1 in the Cycling Women's Individual Time Trial in London. "I would personally like to congratulate one of our very own, Kristin Armstrong on her gold medal win in the Olympic time trials," says University of Idaho President Duane Nellis. "We at the University of Idaho are very proud of all her accomplishments especially on this world stage! Go Vandals and go Kristin." [Read more.](#)

U-Idaho Professors Work to Unearth Boise's History

Over 100 years ago, Basque culture in Boise centered around the Cyrus Jacobs-Uberuaga Boarding House; now, that center has shifted to the Basque Museum & Cultural Center, which will celebrate that spirit with University of Idaho anthropology professors during an archeological excavation. [Read more.](#)

Community Support Needed for U-Idaho Food Drive

To kick off their college career, incoming University of Idaho students need Moscow residents to kick in their canned food. On Saturday, Aug. 18 from 9 a.m. to noon, new U-Idaho students will be collecting non-perishable food as part of the Serving Your New Community (SYNC) service program. All donations will go to the Trinity Baptist Food Pantry, which is facing empty shelves and increased demand for its services. [Read more.](#)

Running the Good Race: Alumna Runs For Denmark at Olympics

She's Danish, she's British, she's a Vandal; but when alumna Jessica Draskau-Petersson lines up for the Olympic marathon in London on Aug. 5, it's her dad who will be the guiding hand in

her race. As her father, a rowing standout for Denmark during the 1950s, wages a courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease, Draskau-Petersson will run under her father's native flag in his honor. [Read more.](#)

Football Legend Jerry Kramer To Lead 2012 U-Idaho Homecoming Parade

University of Idaho legend, Sandpoint native and Lombardi-era Green Bay Packer star Jerry Kramer will lead the University of Idaho's 103rd annual homecoming parade as Grand Marshal on Saturday, Oct. 6. [Read more.](#)

Events

Dissertation Defense: Manasi Kanuga

Doctoral candidate in biology, Manasi Kanuga, will defend her dissertation entitled, "Sperm Subpopulations in Steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)" on Aug. 10 at 9 a.m. in TLC 44. The event is free and open to the public.

Idaho Repertory Theatre Backstage Barbecue

Idaho Repertory Theatre will host its annual Backstage Barbecue 5-7 p.m. Aug. 10 in the lawn of the Hartung Theater on the corner of Sixth Street and Stadium Drive. The free event will include a sneak peek of IRT's summer show Circle Mirror Transformation by Annie Baker, opening Aug. 16. It also will give the public a behind-the-scenes look at rigging improvements recently completed in the Hartung Theater. [Read more.](#)

University of Idaho Night at Shakespeare in Boise

Join University of Idaho president M. Duane Nellis, alumni and friends for "University of Idaho Night" at the Idaho Shakespeare Festival on Friday, Aug. 10, 2012. Enjoy the fabulous play, "The Imaginary Invalid", amongst a sea of Vandals. [Read more](#)

Wilderness First Aid Course

The Wilderness First Aid Course will be offered Aug. 9 - 11, 2012 at the U-Idaho - McCall Outdoor Science School. The course is certified by the Wilderness Medicine Institute. The curriculum is fast paced, hands-on and engaging. This two and a half day course covers a wide range of wilderness medicine topics. Adult/child CPR certification is included.

Announcements

New Director of Admissions

Steve Neiheisel, associate vice president for Enrollment Management, recently welcomed to campus Cezar O. Mesquita, the University's new director of Admissions. Mesquita's appointment is the result of a nationwide search that began in the spring, and he brings a strong understanding of the current landscape of college and university admissions to the University of Idaho. [Read more.](#)

Retirement Celebration: Chris Johnson

Join the Controller's Office for the farewell celebration for Chris Johnson, director of purchasing services. Chris will be retiring from the University at the end of August. Please join us in thanking him for his years of service to the University on Wednesday, Aug. 29 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Commons Aurora Room. Light refreshments will be served.

Nominations for the Jean'ne M. Shreeve NSF EPSCoR Research Excellence Award

Idaho's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) is accepting nominations for the Jean'ne M. Shreeve NSF EPSCoR Research Excellence Award. The purpose of this new statewide award is to recognize accomplishments of faculty members whose research careers have been propelled by NSF EPSCoR. In doing so, the very great value of NSF EPSCoR to the state of Idaho and the accomplishments of the recipients will be recognized. This may be the result of a single significant contribution or an accumulation of significant contributions that have received national or international recognition. More information, including eligibility and nomination requirements, can be found at the Idaho EPSCoR [website](#). Nomination material will be accepted until 5 p.m. PDT, Aug. 31, 2012.

Orientation to Orientation and Fall Startup

This fall startup season's Orientation to Orientation and startup sessions will cover schedules for New Student Orientation, Parent Orientation, Fraternity & Sorority Recruitment as well as pertinent Student Financial Aid and Academic Advising updates. These sessions are designed for faculty and staff across campus who would like to have more information on these topics and anticipate receiving questions from students and parents regarding fall startup. Repeat sessions will be offered twice in TLC 022: Tuesday, Aug 7 at 1:30-2:30 pm and Wednesday, Aug 8 at 3:30-4:30 pm There is no need to RSVP.

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