



FEBRUARY 26, 2009

## CALENDAR | FEB. 26-MARCH 4

- 26 • *Burdens of Earth*, Snow Black Box Theatre
- 27 • Lost and Found sale, 12-2 p.m.  
MC West Ballroom
- 28 • Grand Pianos Live, Barrus Concert Hall
  - *Burdens of Earth*, Snow Black Box Theatre
- 1 • CES Fireside, Elder Robert D. Hales
- 3 • Devotional, Elder Claudio R.M. Costa
- 4 • Blood Drive, MC
  - Hymn Festival, Barrus Concert Hall

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Rexburg Tabernacle Orchestra

The Rexburg Tabernacle Orchestra will present their winter concert Wednesday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rexburg Tabernacle. Included among the orchestra members are several BYU-Idaho employees and some music students. The concert is free and is sponsored by the City of Rexburg.

### Interior Design Department Head Named

At the beginning of Winter semester, Tahari Julander was invited to serve as the new chair of the Department of Interior Design. This assignment became effective Jan. 1, 2009.

## Nursing department implements program to reach more students

Brigham Young University-Idaho's nursing department is experimenting with a new pilot program to reach more students. Eight students living in Burley, Idaho, now have the opportunity to take BYU-Idaho nursing classes without being on campus. They participate in classes via Polycom, which is similar to a webcam.

According to Susan Dicus, Department of Nursing chair, this is the department's first experience with a pilot program of this nature.

"This program is meant to serve areas where nurses are needed but students aren't able to relocate," said Glade Southam, Department of Nursing faculty member.

Students in the BYU-Idaho nursing program are required to participate in clinical rotations. According to Brent Williams, nursing outreach supervisor, clinical rotations are critical for nursing students. They are very similar to internships that other majors require. Students are involved in clinical rotations every semester and gain valuable experience with patient care. Students are able to prove and ponder applications of what they are learning in their labs.

However, Madison Memorial Hospital can only accommodate so many students each semester, therefore limiting the number of students admitted into the nursing program. Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley, however, is able to accommodate the students in this pilot program.

BYU-Idaho is working with Intermountain Health Care to make the pilot program possible. "They provide the space for classes and share the cost of equipment and support necessary for audio and video, wages for on-site faculty and nursing lab supplies," Southam said.

According to both Dicus and Southam, having the pilot in Burley has been a good opportunity for the students and faculty to reasonably travel and figure things out with this new program. An on-site professor assists students in Burley, and a BYU-Idaho faculty member periodically visits the class, ensuring students are having quality learning experiences. *Continued on page 3*



Kitchen rendering for the National Kitchen and Bath Student Competition.



Jeff Larson poses with his first-place award at the 2007 American Society of Interior Designers Competition.

## Award-winning interior design student at the top of his class

What does it take to be an interior designer? It's more than "pillow fluffing" if you ask Jeffrey Larson, a senior in the interior design program at BYU-Idaho.

Larsen is wrapping up his interior design studies this April. But first, he will be displaying some selections of his portfolio at the Interior Design Senior Students show in the Spori Gallery. "The Spectrum Unraveled" opened Feb. 20.

Though extraordinary in their craftsmanship and professionalism, the pieces of work that Larson has on display at the senior show offer only a glimpse of his achievements while studying interior design at BYU-Idaho.

Two internships at high-profile interior design firms in New York City—one where he assisted with designing Denzel Washington's New York apartment—and a first-place award in the national 2008 American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Student Design Award Competition are just a few of the entries on Larson's resume.

Larsen's success comes from his self-motivation and hard work. "Jeff's ability to be self-motivated will get him very far in this industry and in life in general," said T.L. McRae, a faculty member in the Department of Interior Design and mentor to Larson.

If Larson tracked all the hours he worked on his interior design projects while at BYU-Idaho, the amount would rise into the thousands. As a junior, Larson designed a home plan that incorporated green (environmentally friendly) design. Jeff logged 248 hours on this project. That's the equivalent of working 10.3 days non-stop on one project. "I worked for three straight weeks from 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. on this one project," Larson said.

"Jeff is an unbelievably hard worker. He will spend all night, night after night, working on a project to get it just right. That is

something about him that I really admire and respect," McRae said. Larson's work has been nationally recognized. He was awarded first place in the national 2008 ASID Student Design Award Competition for his design of a New York apartment. He created a streamlined home for the imaginary clients, "Emma and Andrew." Following specific guidelines provided by the ASID competition, Jeff created the best design to meet the clients' needs.

Meeting client needs is one of Jeff's greatest abilities. "Jeff is especially good at reflecting the client, something that many professional designers are not able to do," McRae said. "He is able to design any style right down to the last button," he continued. Jeff was also awarded an honorable mention in the 2007 National Kitchen and Bath Association/General Electric Competition.

The interior design program at BYU-Idaho has been accredited by the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) as well as by the National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA). These accreditations are hard to achieve and require the department to be diligent in improving and adjusting curriculum.

McRae and Larson both agree that BYU-Idaho is a unique place to learn about interior design. "The faculty members instill complete confidence in the students. It has been an intense adventure, but it has been worth it," Larson said.

"There is a strong spirit of unity and working together here. There is never a sense of worldly competition—instead, I always hear, 'I'll help you,'" McRae said.

McRae has no doubt that Larson and other graduating interior design students will be successful. "I feel that our students have the Spirit, and that's what makes them different. The Gospel is just not in Church, it is in our occupation as well," McRae said.

## Missionary couple in the Internship office serves students



The Internship and Career Services office at BYU-Idaho has two extra sets of hands to help students find internships.

Ken and Kerry Driggs left sunny Mesa, Arizona in December 2007 to come to BYU-Idaho as missionaries to serve students by assisting with operations in the Internship and Career Services office.

The Driggs' are serving a volunteer mission rather than a proselyting mission. The Driggs' found out about the mission from their friends, Elder and Sister Pothier, who are also BYU-Idaho service missionaries.

"They told us about the opportunity to serve in the Internship and Career Services office and shared their great love of BYU-Idaho," Elder Driggs' said.

Later, Guy Hollingsworth, director of Internship and Career Services, traveled

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Because this pilot program is closely located to BYU-Idaho, students have the opportunity to visit the campus periodically. "It's fun seeing the students participate as much as they do," Southam said.

There is a need for nurses everywhere, and making the program accessible to more students will "serve people literally around the world," Southam said.

to Arizona to meet with the Driggs' to explain what their role would be.

Though they had already agreed to come, the Driggs' still completed mission papers and received a formal mission call.

Elder and Sister Driggs work with nine part-time service missionary couples that are living in "hub cities." The Driggs' arrange for service missionary couples to come to BYU-Idaho and host an "open house" where students are able to learn about the cities the missionary couples serve in and potential internships in those cities. "Students essentially have a non-paid advisor," Elder Driggs said.

Elder and Sister Driggs also work behind the scenes coordinating the details of internship expeditions. "We help set up all the travel arrangements like the hotel, airplane tickets and rental vehicles. We want to be as supportive of the expeditions as we can," Sister Driggs said.

With the downturn in the economy, the Driggs' have had more students come to their office looking for help. "There are not as many jobs and internships available right now, so students are reaching out for our help. Our role has become more significant in these times," Elder Driggs said.

The Driggs' were scheduled to finish their mission in June, but have extended it until September. "After having such a great experience here, we want to continue to help the office as long as we can," Elder Driggs said.

The students had to be well prepared, having completed all their Foundations courses and major classes excluding the nursing courses and clinical rotations. The students involved will participate in these classes for four consecutive semesters, completing the program in Winter 2010.

The goal is to have a successful pilot and eventually reach out to other rural communities. "I'm confident it can be done," Dicus said. "It's a privilege to be a part of it."

### NEXT WEEK'S DEVOTIONAL ELDER CLAUDIO R.M. COSTA



**Elder Claudio R.M. Costa** was sustained a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on March 31, 2001. He is currently a member of the Presidency of the Seventy. He served in the Second Quorum of the Seventy from April 1994-March 2001.

He has served as president of the South America North Area, president of the Brazil North Area and as a counselor in the Brazil and South America South Areas.

He studied marketing in São Paulo as a young man and later served for 13 years in various positions in the Church Educational System. At the time of his calling as a general authority, he was the director of the Church's Institute of Religion in São Paulo.

He has served the Church as an Institute and seminary teacher, bishop's counselor, bishop, stake high councilor, stake president's counselor, mission president and regional representative.

Claudio Roberto Mendes Costa was born in Santos, Brazil on March 25, 1949. He married Margareth Fernandes Morgado in 1978. They are parents of four children and have four grandchildren.



## Employee Profile

### Marci Nite

Counseling Center  
Office Assistant

Marci Nite works as an office assistant for the Counseling Center where she supervises student secretaries, schedules appointments and performs other miscellaneous office duties. The best part is “working with students and being at a place that helps people,” Nite said.

Nite grew up in Poplar Bluff, Mo. Growing up in the Midwest provided her exposure to different religions and people of different backgrounds. Nite first came to Idaho to attend Ricks College where she received her associate’s degree.

Nite has lived in several states, including Missouri, Idaho, Utah, Colorado and most recently Minnesota. “We liked Minneapolis a lot, especially the amenities of the big-city life,” Nite said.

Outside the office, Nite stays busy with her husband and their five children. She enjoys spending time with her kids and watching them perform in extracurricular activities, whether it is ballroom, band, track and field, cross-country or choir. When her family gets free time together, they enjoy watching movies, camping or traveling.

In her own free time, Nite enjoys sewing, quilting, baking and blogging. Blogging is a way for her to stay connected to all of her friends, no matter what state they live in. She blogs mostly about her children and their activities and accomplishments.

When asked about her experience of working at BYU–Idaho, Nite said, “It’s been great. Everybody is friendly and helpful and it’s nice to be in a work environment that supports individual growth.”

## FOR SALE

1991 Ford Explorer XLT 4 x 4. 16,600 miles, regularly maintained, burgundy and silver color. \$2,500/OBO. Call Cheryl at ext. 1149 or 745-7488 after 6 p.m.

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Adorable female dachshund. Complete with papers and toenail clippers. Loves people and is very playful. Call 522-7257.

## THANK YOU

I would like to thank the Student Health Center and BYU-Idaho for the beautiful flowers and note sent to my wife after the birth of our son. It is such a privilege and opportunity to work with such caring people and in such a wonderful environment. Thanks so much!  
*Shawn Andreasen*

Sincere thanks for the lovely flowers, the cards, well wishes and prayers during the time of my surgery. The caring concern of the BYU-I Administration, the College of Ag and Life Sciences and the Department of Nursing is greatly appreciated.  
*Susan Dicus*

## BIRTHDAYS | FEB. 26-MARCH 4

### FEBRUARY

- 26 Kimber Dameron, Health Science  
J. Terry Gorton, English  
Mark Pugh, Chemistry  
Kristine Tighe, LDS Philanthropies
- 27 Boyd Baggett, Religious Education  
David Brown, Mathematics  
Blake Connell, Grounds  
Jonathan Dustin, Mechanical/Plumbing

- 28 Kevin Anderson, Ag Bus, Plant & Animal Science  
Mary Hendricks, Home & Family  
Ed Mortensen, Architecture & Construction  
Derek Fullmer, Software Engineering

### MARCH

- 1 Marilyn Anderson, Health Science  
Trevor Butchart, Mech Engineering  
Karla Edwards, Home & Family  
Kathleen Pigott, English  
Ben Romney, Horticulture  
Melodee Steiner, University Store  
Jamie Walker, Home & Family  
Jared Williams, Ag Bus, Plant & Animal Science
- 2 Julianna Davenport, English  
Scott Gardner, Home & Family  
Scott Lee, History/Geography/Political Science
- 3 Kent Bessey, Mathematics  
John Bidwell, Theatre  
Larry Choffin, Exercise/Sports Science  
Mike Jeffs, A/V Production Services  
Lynn Perkes, Health Science  
Leonard Petersen, Religious Education
- 4 Mandi Barrus, Music  
Gloria Bradshaw, Religious Education  
Michael Judd, Computer Information Technology  
Jonathon Lawrence, Admissions  
Matt Moore, Music  
Keith Nelson, Art  
Trent Tustian, Student Activities



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