Monthly Newsletter

To those of you who are new to our department welcome! To those who are returning welcome back! We are looking forward to great year. In this newsletter you will find some helpful hints, tips, tricks, and other interesting information that you might find useful as you get started this semester.

Look for a new issue at the beginning of each month with more information about the Computer Science Department, and the University of Idaho!

Technical Questions?

Having trouble connecting to campus Wi-Fi?

Want to get your student email on your iPhone or Android?

Need help resetting a password, or want more information on how to make your password last longer?

Want to learn more about Office365 and installing Microsoft Lync?

Have questions about file storage or OneDrive?

Any other tech questions?

Visit the University of Idaho Information Technology Services in the TLC Rm 128

Computer Science Department
Annual BBQ!

Need a break from studying? Want to meet new people in your major and enjoy some great food? Join us for our annual BBQ!

When: September 16, 2014
Time: 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Where: Ghormley Park

Dates to Remember:

August 25: Classes Begin
September 1: University Holiday
September 2: Deadline to add or change schedule online
September 4: Computer Science Department BBQ

Need a help with a Homework assignment?
Get help specialized to the Computer Science Department in the CSAC Lab located in the Jansen Engineering Building.
Hours 8 am – 5 pm

Looking for ways to get involved with the CS Program?
Check out either the Association for Computing Machinery ACM or the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers IEEE.
Better yet, check out both!
Dr. Gregory Donohoe

At this time of year, there is always excitement in the air as we welcome students back to campus. It’s a good time to review our mission and our goals for the coming year. Employers in the state and the regions recognize that Computer Science skills are vital to economic development, so a big part of our mission is to attract, retain, and graduate more CS students. We are revising the curriculum, particularly the introductory course sequence, to help bridge the gap from high school to Computer Science I. Professors Terry Soule and Robert Heckendorn helped run the Dign’IT Coding Camp for middle school girls Coeur d’Alene this summer, as well as continuing education courses to introduce high school teachers to Computer Science.

On the research side, the Center for Secure and Dependable Systems conducted The Cyber Security Symposium: Public-Private Partnerships, in April. This was an opportunity for academic researchers and software and system developers from industry and government to meet and discuss the state of the art in cyber security. You can learn more at: http://www.cybersecuritysymposium.com/

We look forward to another exciting year of teaching and working to shape the future of computing.

- Greg

Parting words from Rhonda Zenner

Wow! I can’t believe that I have been with the Computer Science Dept. for over 15 years. It must be true that time flies when you are having fun. However, it is with mixed emotions that I have decided to move on and will be soon taking a new job working as Assistant to the Assistant Dean James Gregson in the College of Education. It is an opportunity to try new things and work with new individuals and so I am excited for my new adventure to begin. I will miss working with the people here but I am still here on the UI campus and will definitely stay in touch and hope you do too.

Well wishes for a happy retirement to Dr. Paul Oman from the Computer Science Department.
The Computer Science Department Faculty and Staff

Clint Jeffory Ph.D. – Associate Professor

*Classes you might have with him include:* Computing Language, Compiler and Translator Design, and Software Engineering

Axel Krings, Ph.D. – Professor

*Research areas include:* computer and network survivability, fault tolerance and security

*Classes you might have with him include:* Computer Operating Systems, Fault-Tolerant Systems and Survivable Systems and Networks

Robert Rinker, Ph.D. – Associate Professor

*Research areas include:* Computer architecture, Reconfigurable computing, Embedded systems

*Classes you might have with him include:* Computer Science I and Advanced Operating Systems

Terry Soule. – Professor

*Research areas include:* Evolutionary computation, Genetic algorithms, Genetic programming, Multi-agent systems, Bioinformatics

*Classes you might have with him include:* Computer Science I, Theory of Computation, and Evolutionary Computation

Jim Alves-Foss, Ph.D. – Professor

*Research areas include:* Computer Security, Formal Methods, Design and Analysis of High Assurance Systems, Cryptographic Protocol Design

*Classes you might have with him include:* Computer and Network Forensics and Network Security

Bruce Bolden, M.S. – Senior Instructor

*Classes you might have with him include:* Computer Science II, Senior Capstone Design, and Computer Graphics
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Daniel Conte de Leon, Ph.D. – Assistant Professor

Research areas include: Design, construction, and maintenance of high assurance and critical computing systems and critical infrastructure protection systems

Classes you might have with him include: Introduction to Information Assurance and Applied Security Concepts.

Robert Heckendorn, Ph.D. – Associate Professor

Research areas include: Evolution theory with an emphasis on epistasis, and adaptive traffic planning

Classes you might have with him include: Introduction to Computer Science, Programming Languages, Compilers, & Bioinformatics.

Robert Hirimoto, Ph.D. – Professor

Dr. Hirimoto is located at our Idaho Falls extension.

Hasan Jamil, Ph.D. – Associate Professor

Classes you might have with him include: Introduction to Database and Database Management System and Design.

Victor House – Systems Administrator

Victor holds a Bachelor of Computer Science from LCSC in 2004, minor in Mathematics, an Associate degree in Information Systems Analysis from LCSC awarded in 2001. He is working on a Master’s Degree in CS. He has been at the UofI since Nov. 2008 as a systems administrator for the college of engineering, and recently joined the CS Department as the Systems Administrator.

Kirsty Pinchuk – Student Coordinator

Kirsty is new to the University of Idaho and as a lifelong learner is excited about the new learning opportunity that her new jobs presents her with. Although she is new to the university she is not new to Moscow, so feel free to stop by and ask questions about great places to hike, camp, fish, get coffee or play in the area!