

# Five reasons to visit the Arboretum

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Capped by the water tower and giant golden "I"s, the University of Idaho campus rests atop a hill. Most of the stress and suffering that comes with being a student at UI — i.e. the classroom part — is on the north slope.

What's the best way to escape the homework grind for a little outdoor R&R, according to UI students? Drop off the backside and into the 63 acres of the UI Arboretum and Botanical Garden.

Here are five reasons UI's

backyard on the south side of Nez Perce Drive was voted the best place to burn off some steam according to your fellow Vandals.

#### Nature among the bricks and mortar

Unless you're headed out to say hi to UI's cattle, most of the approximately 12,000 Vandals are packed onto only a few of UI's some 300 acres. It's bound to feel a little crowded, but that means you're never more than 15 minutes away from the Arboretum.

#### **Get lost**

It may be close by, but the Arboretum isn't your mom's six tomato plants out back. Sixty-three acres of trails, trees and plenty of pelouse —French for grass and part of what the "Palouse" is all about—give runners, walkers or just those out for a stroll plenty of room to roam.

#### **Stay lost**

The 1.4 miles of trails weaving through plant life from every continent also means even on the first day of sunshine — when Muscovites spill

out into the streets and parks to celebrate the end of nine months of winter — there is never much traffic.

#### **Nooks and crannies**

Depending on your preference, as you wander from Asia through North America and into Europe, there are plenty of places to wander off the wood chips and find the perfect place to take out a book, fall asleep in the sunshine or just relax on some green stuff ... as in pelouse, kids.

#### Solitude at sunset

A mid-summer UI Arboretum

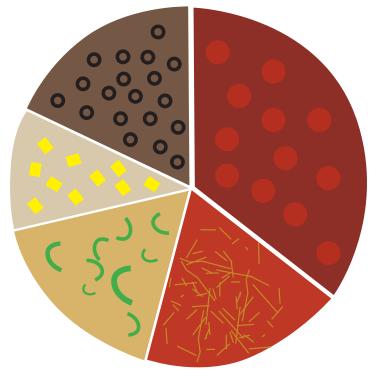
can't help but be picturesque when a rusty sun tucks behind the golden wheat fields out beyond the stretch of lush green, bright summer blooms and past the old red barn nestled in the Arboretum's back corner.

And the beauty isn't skin deep. Summer colors may fade into wintry whites, but the Arboretum remains a UI favorite yearround because it provides a little slice of nature to run through, propose to a girlfriend in — true story — or just escape to when school gets to be too much.

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# tudent study spots

#### Best Study Spots

"My favorite place to study is the Law Library, because it's deadly silent in there. You also get a lot of work done, because you feel this foreboding sense that you're not supposed to be there since you're not a law student."

#### Rachael Guenthner

Sophmore, History

"The overlook is one of my favorites. If I can get the good seats, I can look out the windows and see the admin lawn while I work. The ebb and flow of people is kind of comforting for some reason."

#### Cody Waters

Senior, Athletic Training

"Women's Center — comflest couches on campus!!!"

#### Kathryn Noble

"I'm not sure the Library is the best place to study, but it is certainly the best place to get things done."

#### Romy Halpern

Certified Yoga Teacher

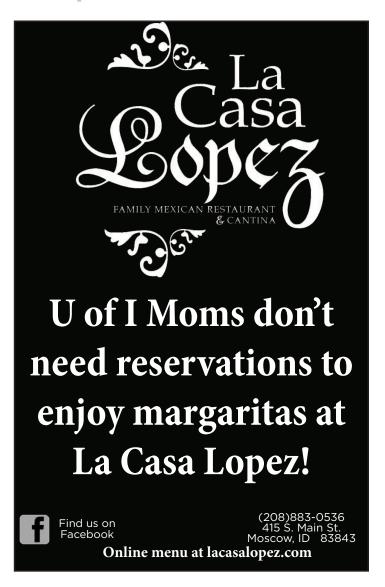
"The computer lab in some of the engineering. It has all of the programs I need and I really like that the desks move down to a comfortable height for me."

#### **Tiffany Donenfeld**

Senior, Mechanical Engineering

"The old satellite sub — lots of coffee, people, and relaxed atmosphere."

Patrick Karr





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Members of Gamma Phi Beta prepare their lawn and house Oct. 5 for the Homecoming 2012 living group decorations display.

Since its establishment in 1889, UI has developed a reputation as a

Vandal family with a strong tradition of academic success that attracts students from across America and the globe. Although it's renowned for its research as Idaho's flagship institution, every Vandal also knows the importance of school spirit.

UI hosts several events throughout the year that bring alumni to town and allow students to share their college experience with their parents, many of whom are former Vandals. However, one event trumps all others in every aspect of tradition, Vandal culture and excitement — Homecoming.

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Homecoming is an entire week dedicated to celebrating UI's existence

and how every student made the right choice in deciding to become

a Vandal. A variety of events are scheduled throughout the week, such as Vandal Jingles and the Greek skits, but the spirit of Homecoming culminates in the bonfire and football game Friday and Saturday.

Led by the Vandal marching band, the Serpentine winds through campus collecting students from each Greek house and

the residence halls and ends in the Kibbie Dome parking lot. Students sing the fight song until they're hoarse, listen to speeches from coaches and athletes and vote for the most "Vandalized" contest winner. The heat from the bonfire sears your skin as an array of fireworks explodes in the sky.

The next morning commences early

with the Homecoming Parade. Downtown Moscow fills with students, alumni and community members to watch the parade and enjoy breakfast at local favorites such as the Breakfast Club. Then it's back to the Kibbie Dome for tailgating.

Tailgating takes place at each home game, but Homecoming tailgate is the best attended. It's a gathering of alumni who travel hundreds of miles and students who might not normally spend Saturday afternoon at a football game. Bratwursts sizzle on the grill and beers chill in coolers. It's often impossible to walk more than a few steps through tailgate without being offered food or a drink. It's the picture of Vandal family.

Win or lose, the party doesn't stop when the football game is over. Alumni and students of age trek downtown and the most popular destination is the Corner Club. The Corner Club's décor is a tribute to UI, so what better place to celebrate — you might spot a former UI football player or sing along to the fight song when the band marches inside.

In between classes, work and a social life, it's difficult to make time to appreciate UI and the Vandal community. Homecoming is a reminder that it's OK to bleed a little silver and gold and show off your school spirit.

With this year's theme already announced as "Vandal Pride Planet Wide," Homecoming is a tradition that will likely continue to be considered the "Best of Moscow Event Weekend" for generations of Vandals to come.

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Best Cheap Date

# Fancy dates, thrifty ideas



University of Idaho college students are notorious for having fun, but are not known for having extra money around. With spring in the

air and the sun in the sky, students are looking to enjoy more of what the campus and Moscow community has to offer – and it's always more fun with a special someone.

However, student couples are often faced with the same dilemma: break the bank by going to a fine dining restaurant or settle for a less expensive but fun and romantic date?

Some UI students had creative suggestions for the best date that won't cost you an entire paycheck. Here's what they had to say.

"I would go up to the water tower, and lay under the water tower and just watch the stars."

-Brandon Pearson, UI sophomore

"The Borah
Theater —
they show free
movies on the
weekend."

—Angelica Lopez, UI freshman

"I'd say walks around campus.
Good way to get to know each other and campus is always beautiful, especially around the spring time."

—Garrison Lewis, UI junior

"Getting a picnic and going up to the Arboretum."

—Kayla Barkdull, UI junior

"Best cheap date would be to go thrifting."

-Andrew Espe, UI freshman

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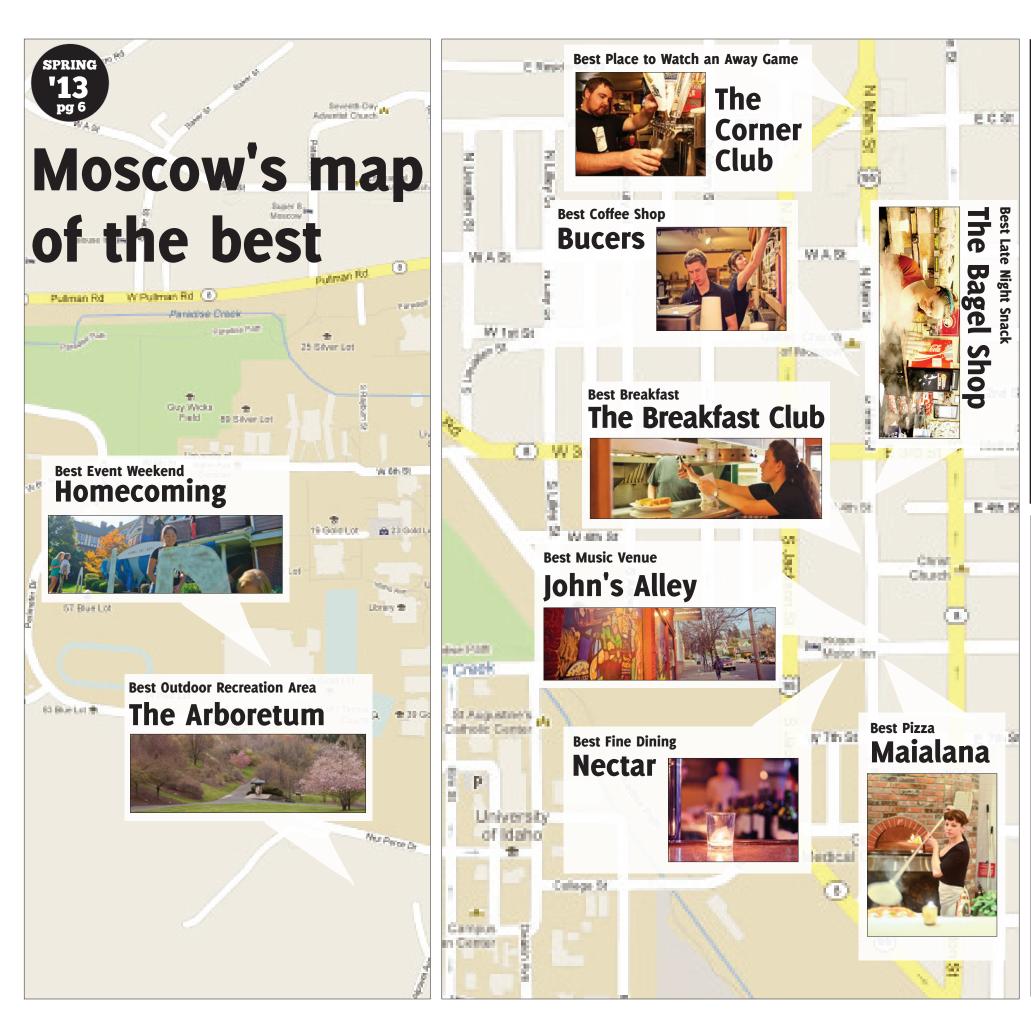
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# Best Coffee with Bucer's Coffeehouse Pub owner Pat Greenfield

#### **Britt Kiser**

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Owning a business can be hectic, especially when you're on your own. But Bucer's Coffeehouse Pub Owner Pat Greenfield found time between running the shop and a Costco trip to provide insight on why Bucer's won Moscow's Best Coffeehouse this year.

#### Q: Can you give me a brief history of Bucer's and how you came to own it?

A: We opened Bucer's in 2000. It was - at that time my husband, myself and another couple, and we just wanted to open a place that you could get beer, wine and coffee. We were originally roasting coffee at a roaster down in Lewiston, but we wanted to relocate up here because university towns are much more coffee oriented. So we decided to move up here and put the roaster right into a pub, or a restaurant. We found a really cool place on Main Street so we opened it up. Then after about four or five years, my husband and I got a divorce and I took over running the place on my own. The other couple, they are silent partners and they live in Seattle. So it's been my sole source of support for about eight years now. It's not about the divorce. It's about encouraging people to be strong. I am a woman, I am a single mother and I own my own business.

#### Q: What sets Bucer's apart from other coffee houses?

A: We have a commercial kitchen, which most coffee houses don't have. Everything we serve is made in house,

for our sandwiches. We also have local beers on tap. Not to mention, our décor is beautiful. It is very old world – a lot of leather, a lot of brick and a lot of wood. When you walk into Bucer's, it has a feel of home or warmth, and that's what we wanted. We also have a table that is very original. It's a 1920 law office conference table from New York, and we put it right in the middle of the big room. A lot of coffee houses will have little tables for two everywhere throughout it, but the reason we chose the big table is because our community is so diverse as far as the types

of people, with all types of beliefs, and we wanted them all around one table. That table actually holds 22 people. The nice thing about it is you can sit across from people you've never met and just learn about life from other perspectives. That community table is kind of the heartbeat of Bucer's. We pride ourselves on roasting our own coffee, too, and we also sell handmade cigars and pipe tobacco.

Q: What is your favorite part about owning Bucer's?

A: I love the kind of people that we hire. Of course they're mostly students because it is a college town, but my staff is just wonderful. They're trained to put others first, to serve



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Q: What keeps people coming

A: We just like Bucer's to feel like home to every-

body so that when you walk



Barista Laura Paul takes Moscow resident Ali Tong's order at Bucer's Coffeehouse Pub. Located on Main Street, the 12-year-old establishment boasts coffee roasted on-site and serves homemade pastries, scones, quiche, biscotti and more.

the customer, to be cheerful, to not consider anyone lesser than another – no matter what, for any reason. They serve any type of person, and

if they ever show they don't prefer a customer, their job is going to be in trouble. In other words, we welcome people of any color, we welcome gays, lesbians and straight people. We don't turn anybody away and we train our employees to treat everyone with that kind of graciousness and consistent service.

in here, you're just glad to be back – you like the way you're treated, you love what you're eating and drinking and you want to be here because it feels like home.

#### Q: What is unique to Bucer's?

A: Actually, what's very unique to Bucer's is that Paradise Creek Brewery in Pullman had been asking me to do a milk stout with our coffee in it for some time. So we talked about it for a couple months and then finally did an experiment where they infused our espresso blend into their milk stout, which is a really dark beer. We decided to name the results "Bucer's Paradise," and it is one of our most popular beers. It has the flavor of this wonderful French roasted espresso in it. People either really don't like it or they're absolutely obsessed with it, and mostly it's that they're obsessed with it. And Bucer's is the only place you can get it. We have live music on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights too. It's a big deal. We never charge a cover and we have some of the best local music. You don't just want anybody getting up in front of your customers and making their atmosphere unpleasant in any way, so I always audition local artists. I set auditions up on Sunday nights when we're

closed and people meet me here for fifteen minutes. I audition them and decide whether or not they're a good fit for Bucer's or whether they need a little bit more time.

#### Q: And you're the only shop in town that serves the Guinness cake, right?

A: We actually are. We introduced it two years ago on St. Patrick's Day. I had one of our wonderful kitchen staff work up this cake, and I thought I'd only carry it for the day. And basically, we can't get rid of it. It's in such hot demand that people actually order entire cakes for parties or for this or that. That thing is wildly popular.

#### Q: Is there anything else you would like to add?

A: We like dogs. As long as they're on a leash and they're not in any way aggressive, we allow them in our shop. People love that too because they can come in here and sip their coffee and work on their laptops with their dogs sitting beneath the table.

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Left: Bill Myers pours cold beer for patrons who visit the Corner Club Monday night. Right: The Club is known for its tradition and many of the tables are covered with photos of alumni and current students while the walls are covered with Vandal memorabilia.

Best Away-Game Spot

# Never miss a road game: Grab a drink and sit down at the Corner Club, ranked best place to watch Vandal away games

Moscow will be buzzing on Aug. 31 as it marks the first

Saturday of the college football season for the Vandals, and the first game of the Paul Petrino era.

There's only one problem — Idaho opens its season on the road at North
Texas. Since University of Idaho students won't be congregating at the Kibbie Dome for the season opener, like we've been accustomed to lately, the question is: where should we get together to watch the game instead?

For some of the bigger

For some of the bigger guarantee games during the last couple of years the athletic

department has offered sanctioned viewing party events you

pay to get in to, which covers food and drink and the like. But they haven't been consistent in doing similar functions for all road games.

In the stead of official viewing party options there is really only one place in Moscow that gives you the full Vandal experi-

ence, especially if it's packed for a game — the Corner Club.

Sure, there are a number of options downtown in terms of bar viewing, but only the Corner Club gives you the Vandal experience. You can't take one step into the Corner Club without seeing mementos to

great UI moments and players of Vandal past.

A glass case of signed footballs and jerseys from Vandal greats such as Mark Schlereth and David Vobora sits next to the main entrance. Above the door to the outside porch is a framed cheerleader outfit from the "outfit scandal" of 2008. And of course, nothing exemplifies this more than the Humanitarian Bowl table — the large table in front of the bar area with newspaper clippings from Idaho's epic bowl victory in 2009.

The Club has its downsides. There are only so many televisions and if it gets packed during a Saturday afternoon game then there aren't a ton of great viewing areas. Then again the other downside is how many people would actually go to the bar to watch the game considering the lack of success Idaho football has seen the last two seasons.

Alternatives include Champions, a good sports bar with more than enough television space for your game. But it's not a Vandal-centric bar, and they usually put national-interest games on the big screen over the Vandals. Wingers and Smokey Mountain are good options if you're looking for a more family-oriented environment and want some good food while enjoying the game.

Mingles, Gambino's and even La Casa Lopez offer the traditional sit at the bar and watch the game environment if that's your thing too. But none of those offer the atmosphere the Club does. This is the same bar Mike Iupati visited last fall, buying everybody tubs and singing the fight song on top of the bar. Away viewings are all about environment, the elements around you that make you feel like you're close to the action, and good beer doesn't hurt either.

Idaho fans will have to endure two road games before getting their first looks at the Paul Petrino Vandals Sept. 21, so why not make the most of those two road games with a tub at the Club.

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Dining with a fine, sweet nectar













All photos by Amrah Canul | Argonaut Nectar is a fine dining restaurant and wine bar in downtown Moscow. Nectar suppliers try to use local, sustainable and organic products whenever possible, according to their web-

to use local, sustainable and organic products whenever possible, according to their website. Meatloaf Monday boasts a popular special, as well as Tuesday nights, in which bottles of wine are priced half-off. The restaurant is located at 105 W. 6th St.

Best Music

### Booze muz-ak

#### John's Alley Tavern hosts open mic, other musical performances through the week

#### Katy Sword

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As a college student, music is a life essential. We listen to it while doing homework, driving, wasting time on the Internet, walking from class to class and sometimes working out. Music is as big a part of our lives as our phones which coincidentally go hand in hand. So it's no surprise we care about the places where we can listen to live music. The votes are in and John's Alley Tavern is the best place in Moscow to do so.

It's not a surprise, really. John's Alley brings a variety of artists to town with performances most nights of the week. They have the most unique line-ups I've seen, ranging from Canadian hip-hop group Sweatshop Union, to Eclectic Approach – self-described as garage rock "that feels like a party."

And when professionals don't grace the small stage, they have Tuesday Open Mic Night. Live music in all its capacities is the focus of John's Alley, so it being the favorite makes sense.

Inside John's Alley bar-

stools are strewn about, there are beer specials to make any wallet happy and loud music – perfection.

Students have a great time, maybe drink too much and dance the night away attempting to sing along even if they have no idea who's on stage. This is the upside and downfall of John's Alley. Because students like to have a good time during any opportunity they can — concerts being the perfect venue (see what I did there) – this means drinks are spilled on bystanders, the floor ends up sticky and you might find your coat missing at the end of the night.

But this doesn't mean you didn't have a great time. All good things come with a downfall. John's Alley's just happens to be their best and worst qualities.

So, whether it's to hang out and maybe discover some new music or see a band you loved before they were cool, John's Alley is the place to be.

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Amrah Canul | Argonaut Bartender Melissa Motooka mixes a Kazi shot Monday at John's Alley Tavern. The tavern hosts open-mic on Tuesdays and various musical acts throughout the week.



Waitress Brittany Gianiorio places an order for the kitchen at The Breakfast Club. The restaurant in downtown Moscow holds the title for "best breakfast in Moscow." Huckleberry mimosas will be served as a special drink during Moms Weekend starting Friday.

#### Molly Spencer

Argonaut

Leeann Colborg eats at The Breakfast Club twice a day, every day. She was born and raised in Deary, Idaho, but made her way to Moscow for work about 40 years ago.

"My husband works in Pullman and our schedules are quite similar so we car pool and he has to be to work before I do, so I come in here, have coffee in the morning, then come back for lunch. It's kind of like a second home for me," Colborg said.

She said she likes the atmosphere, the people and loves the staff. There isn't one specific thing Colborg said she could pick off the menu to choose as her favorite because she likes everything.

Their food is just great," she said. "Every Wednesday I have potato soup for lunch — that's just got to be a tradition for me. I'm just glad it's around, and they seem to be doing a really good business and I hope it stays that way for them."

Griffin Rod, manager at The Breakfast Club, said he thinks the combination of good service and quality food is what makes it so special.

With really good service that's just the basic formula for a good restaurant in general," Rod said. "Also, it's comfortable space, being downtown, having a staff that cares about what they're putting out – there's just an overall vibe about the Breakfast Club I enjoy and I think the staff enjoys. And obviously it's what city of Moscow and WSU enjoys too. It's good quality, with good service and comfortable atmosphere."

The Breakfast Club used to be what was called the Navi Inn up until the 90s when it shut down. In 1998 the Clary family purchased the building and opened up the space. They are still the owners and active in the day-to-day operations of The Breakfast Club, Rod said.

Rod said the overall dedication of doing everything the right way and keeping the right kind of people around the restaurant is ultimately what has gotten The Breakfast Club where it is today.

The Vandal Pepper Sauce is one thing on the menu that is specifically made in-house.

"It's nice to have something on the table that we made in-house that's not Tabasco," Rod said.

He said the bottles of Vandal Pepper sauce tend to get stolen off the tables which is a bummer, but if they're going to steal something, Rod said at least it has their name and logo on it. They have shipped the Vandal Pepper Sauce to at least six different states.

Hopefully the consistency of having a great time every time you come in is what keeps people coming back, Rod said.

"We know what customers are going to expect and we deliver on that. We can't always get things perfect, truth be told you can't always get it perfect. But I think consistently we always deliver on a good product and I think people appreciate that," he said. "You can show up with a party of two or a party of 16 - for a business meeting, or with your family - we're very accommodating."

Rod said the staff is really what makes The Breakfast Club run. The ability to employ people who care about the restaurant, and care about the people the people being served — and care about the food their putting out.

They work hard and are dedicated to the restaurant. Without them it would be impossible to keep this place afloat. They play a huge role in The Breakfast Club Success, Rod said.

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