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#### MOMS'WEEKEND



### Fourth generation Vandal navigates life as UI student and mother

#### **Corrin Bond** Argonaut

As Tiffany Mayes sat at a table in the Idaho Commons and reached into a cylindrical bottle to grab a snack for her 1-year-old daughter, Chloe, a woman paused to smile at the baby in the heart-dappled pink pants and white longsleeve shirt.

"Has she started to walk?" the woman

"I mean, we were married for two years. We always knew we wanted kids, maybe not exactly in college, but she's been a blessing ever since. I wouldn't have it any other way."

The couple, both Boise natives, met at the Idaho State Fair in 2012.

A little over a year later, as he drove home from a Valentine's Day dinner, Anthony said he decided he was going to marry Maye

ship throughout college. After he proposed, however, Anthony said he decided to surprise his fiance and join the Vandal family instead. A brief time later, Chloe came along.

Chloe spends time with her babysitter on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Mayes said she and Anthony take turns watching the baby on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as on days they are scheduled to work

## JAZZ FEST A new tune

School of Music absorbs Jazz Festival, looks ahead to festival reboot

#### **Tess Fox** Argonaut

Things are changing for the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival.

University of Idaho Human Resources Director Brandi Terwilliger confirmed Executive Director Steven Remington is no longer affiliated with the University of Idaho. This termination comes as College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences Dean Andrew Kersten and his staff begin to restructure the festival in preparation for 2017's 50th anniversary festival.

He was unable to give a reason for the termination, citing employer-employee confidentiality, and said that the restructuring of the festival had no correlation with the removal of Remington.

"What happened in the jazz office is not connected to (the restructuring)," Kersten said. "It was something aside. Yet the movement of the jazz festival happened at the same time. They are separate things."

UI President Chuck Staben confirmed that Artistic Director John Clayton will remain a university employee until his contract is up in June. It is unclear what his role will be as Kersten and the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival Advisory Board attempt to strengthen the festival.

"We're trying to envision what that next jazz festival is and apply the staffing and resources to get that," Kersten said.

Kersten, at Staben's request, has moved the festival back into the Lionel Hampton School of Music's jurisdiction.

Staben said the end goal is a

"Oh," Mayes said. "She's trying."

Chloe, standing in Mayes' lap with the support of her mother's arm around her belly, waved the star-shaped Gerber Puffs snack in her hand and smiled.

Mayes, a University of Idaho senior and elementary education major, said she and her husband, Anthony, hoped to have children one day, but neither expected to become parents so soon.

"She was kind of a surprise," Mayes said.

"I'm not a huge decision-maker. Huge decisions for me are terrible, I take a long time deciding them, but on Valentine's Day, I went over to her house and she made a special dinner," Mayes said. "While I was driving home that night, on the way back, I knew I was going to marry her."

Anthony wanted to go into law enforcement and planned on attending the College of Southern Idaho. He and Mayes were prepared to maintain a long-distance relation-

"I don't have a lot of sleep," Mayes said. "She still doesn't sleep through the night and having to figure out how to balance spending time with her and doing homework is stressful."

While balancing school, work and parenthood has been stressful, Mayes said she has received a tremendous amount of support from her professors.

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strong 50th festival.

"We want a program that has physical appeal and appeals to those high school jazz band programs, etcetera," he said. "I'm not an expert on exactly what that might constitute but I think we do have some very capable experts in our school of music who can do exactly that."

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#### VIOLENCE PREVENTION

## Regaining a voice

Survivors share their stories of healing at keynote event

#### **Corrin Bond** Argonaut

Jessy Forsmo-Shadid, Jessica Matsaw and Natalie Greenfield may come from different backgrounds, but they have two key characteristics in common — they are all survivors, and they are proud.

The three women came together to share their stories of sexual and domestic abuse at the Sexual Assault Awareness Month keynote event that took place Wednesday in the Whitewater Room of the Idaho Commons. The event, titled "Listen to Me," was a collaborative effort between the University of Idaho Women's Center,

Vandal Health Education and Alternatives to Violence on the Palouse.

As Forsmo-Shadid stood at the front of the room and opened the event with two spoken-word poetry performances, she voiced a goal that rang true throughout the course of the night.

"My goal: To give people strength, love and courage through my voice," Forsmo-Shadid said. "I want to let you know I'm not a victim, I am a survivor, just like you."

Jessica Matsaw, a UI student and member of the Shoshone Bannock tribe, expressed a similar message as she shared the story of reconnecting with her culture after surviving years of domestic abuse.

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### COMMUNITY Curtain falls on IF

Idaho Repertory Theatre to close after 60 years

#### Katelyn Hilsenbeck Argonaut

After more than 60 years of bringing theater to the Palouse, the stage lights permanently dimmed in the Idaho Repertory Theatre Friday.

Ann Hoste, University of Idaho Theatre Arts department chair, said the closure came after two years of conversations with UI administration.

"The consensus was for us to close IRT and look for other summer theater opportunities that would enrich our program," Hoste said.

IRT frequently brought in professional actors and behind-the-scenes workers, such as costume and set designers, to work alongside students for summer performances. Hoste said 2013 saw six shows in one month as an anniversary celebration, but IRT has decreased the number of shows since.

"We were in a position where we were committed to producing theater within our means and we did that successfully only by scaling back," Hoste said.

Hoste said it became a decision of lowering quality or raising ticket prices, which both violate the mission of IRT - to provide professional quality and accessible theater.

"The financial structure of delivering that kind of professional summer theater changed a bit, the market changed for that a bit as there are now many different options for people to take on," said Andrew Kersten, dean of the College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences. "So summer theater once was the only thing here on the Palouse now is not the only thing on the Palouse."

Hoste said although IRT will not be a source of theater or an opportunity for students, there will be something to take its place.

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## **A Crumbs recipe**

### Macaroni and cheese casserole

As college students, we often enjoy a nice box of mac n' cheese, but if you have the time to make this recipe, I highly suggest you do. It tastes great and also reheats well for leftovers.

1. Preheat oven to 425 de-

#### Ingredients

- 12 ounces dry macaroni
- 1/4 cup butter

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- 1/4 cup flour
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup light cream
- 1/2 teaspoon mustard powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 can condensed cream of
- cheddar soup (optional)
- 4 cups sharp cheddar, divided
- 1/2 cups fresh parmesan cheese ■ Salt and pepper to taste

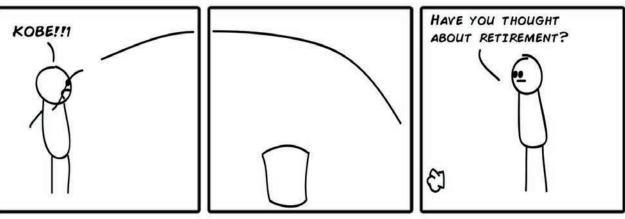
grees Fahrenheit 2. Cook macaroni according to package, then drain and run under cold water 3. Melt the butter over medium heat in a large pan 4. Whisk in flour and let cook 2 minutes while stirring 5. Slowly whisk in cream, milk, mustard powder and onion powder 6. Cook over medium heat, stirring until mixture thickens



7. Remove from heat and stir in parmesan cheese and 3 cups cheddar cheese until melted, add the cream of cheese soup if desired 8. Toss cheese sauce and macaroni noodles together and pour into greased baking pan and top with remaining cheese 9. Bake for 18-24 minutes, or until bubbly, and let cool for 10- 15 minutes

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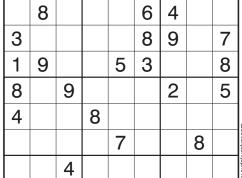


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#### STUDENT LIFE



Joleen Evans | Argonaut Sophomore Zach Lipple shows off the clean snowmobile that went to competition.

## Interest in innovation

*Clean Snowmobile Team garners awards at international competition* 

#### Lyndsie Kiebert Argonaut

At this year's Society of Automotive Engineers International Collegiate Design Series competition in Houghton, Michigan, the University of Idaho Clean Snowmobile Challenge team accomplished what no team has done before — winning the Founder's Trophy for two consecutive years.

The Founder's Trophy is given to the team with the best sportsmanship during the weeklong competition. Junior captain and mechanical engineering major Mark Woodland said what makes the award so special is that all of the collegiate teams in attendance vote for the winning team.

"We always try to push for the Founder's award," Woodland said.

Teams from around the world attend the annual competition which took place March 7-12 to showcase snowmobiles they've worked on year-round to make cleaner, quieter and more fuel-efficient. Woodland said the team walked away from

this year's competition with a plethora of accolades, including Best Fuel Economy and Most Likely to be Manufactured.

Sophomore Zach Lipple, a mechanical engineering major and second-year member of the CSC

team, said the Most Likely to be Manufactured award reflects what the UI team strives to accomplish with their snowmobile project. The UI team starts with a stock Ski-Doo snowmobile, and rather than completely redesigning the engine like many teams at the competition, they try to design components that people in the motor sports industry could realistically implement.

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in the classroom and it applies it," Woodland said. "Coming in as a freshman, you can start getting hands-on experience right off the bat, where a lot of the time ... you don't actually get into the machine bat designs until your senior year.

"It takes everything you learn

shop or start designs until your senior year. I like being able to apply what I know, and get that fun experience."

they know what they're doing. And to come

in as someone who's done two years of kind

year's competition to the man who designed

a component of the stock snowmobile's

engine that made it run. Lipple's job was to

convince the man that what UI's team did to

did to his already-perfect engine made it

better was kind of a tough sell," Lipple said.

is important in the power sports industry

due to increased government emissions

regulations. He said that if these technologi-

cal developments aren't happening ahead

of time, the industry will never meet these

competitions, we're helping industry come

up with innovative ideas to keep the pro-

helping him learn the process during his un-

derclassmen years, and he wanted to become

the captain to return the favor to the program.

"So by doing these kinds of projects and

Woodland said he had graduate students

'Trying to convince him that what we

Woodland said that this innovative work

Lipple said he gave a presentation at this

of engineering is mind-blowing."

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gression going," Woodland said.

Woodland said that while class credit is offered for working on the CSC project, the time spent on the snowmobile surpasses class time, with some team members spending time on it over the summer. He has spent time building new worktables in the Police Tips

#### How to protect valuables in housing situations -

#### **Tips from Police Captain James Fry**

- Don't leave the door unlocked
- Have agreements with roommates about personal belongings
- Have renter's insurance
- Keep records, such as photos and serial numbers, of any valuable items you may have
- Don't have many items of high value that aren't necessary
- Consider buying a computer jack to keep it secure
- If you suspect something has been stolen, file a police report as soon as possible, with as much information about the item as possible

#### **Police log**

#### April 8

**South Main Street, Ampersand, 1:12 a.m.** Complaint of three people trespassing on the roof.

Sweet Avenue and South Main Street, 7:51 a.m.

Report of road rage. Driver had been using brakes excessively, swerving and being overall aggressive.

#### April 9

1300 block South Blaine Street, 2:18 a.m.

Report of reckless endangerment. Intoxicated male and female were walking in the middle of the street. They were contacted and asked to walk on the sidewalk.

#### April 10

200 block Baker Street, 1:11 a.m.

Female called because her boyfriend had used a kitchen knife to cut his wrist and people in the apartment were concerned for him and their own safety. Male was extremely intoxicated and taken to Gritman Medical Center. No one else was harmed.

South Main Street, Mingles Bar and Grill, 2:21 a.m.

Officer arrested male for urination

in public. Subject had been celebrating his birthday, was intoxicated and lost his wallet. He said he understood it was wrong but really had to go.

#### West 6th Street, Wallace Complex, 10:06 a.m.

Report that someone scratched the word "bitch" into the passenger side of someone's car.

#### April 11

West 6th Street, Wallace Complex, 11:16 a.m.

Lighting panels were reported stolen. No suspects at this time.

#### April 12

400 block South Almon Street, 4:08 p.m.

Several people called to report that a squirrel appeared to be dragging his broken leg and needed help.

South Home Street, Ghormley Park, 11:28 a.m.

Two people were found lounging in the park drinking beer.

East 5th Street, Moscow Food Co-op, 9:35 a.m.

About \$124 worth of herbal supplements were shoplifted.

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"It's something simple, something effective and something efficient," Lipple said in reference to a turbocharger the team designed that would cost no more than \$10 to produce. "That's something we aspire to do as a team — we try to make things that anyone could use. That's kind of what the award means to us."

The competition consists of a series of tests to determine each snowmobile's performance in each category. Student team members do the testing themselves, including a handling course, a noise test and a 100mile endurance run. Teams also produce technical papers and give presentations, as well as network with professionals.

"It's kind of baffling," Lipple said. "You're surrounded by a bunch of engineers who have spent 10, 20, 40 years in industry, so

College of Engineering's machine shop.

"What you want to put into it is what you'll get out of it," he said.

Lipple compared the team's unique approach to the competition to the unique style of snowmobiling practiced in the west — less trail riding and more cross-country mountain riding.

"We don't like staying on the beaten path, and I think that's where out design comes from as a team, too," Lipple said. "We like to do stuff outside the box. I think that's what's led us to be such a prosperous team in the past and I think that's why we're still around today."

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## Flash of inspiration

TedxUldaho has diverse morning session on kindness, the pursuit of excellence

#### Katelyn Hilsenbeck Argonaut

Students and community members gathered Saturday morning to hear what their peers and neighbors had to say as part of the student-led TedxUIdaho, licensed by Ted Talks.

The first speaker of the morning, Jamie Derrick, a UI professor of psychology and communication studies, took the stage to talk about "A Kindness Revolution."

"As a psychologist, I've learned how kindness can help," Derrick said.

About five years ago, she began what she called a kindness practice: be kind — always.

When someone chooses kindness, such as paying for coffee for the next person in line who is clearly having a bad day or not be angered when someone runs into them on the sidewalk, everyone benefits, she said.

"When we chose kindness, it can spread contagiously," Derrick said.

Noah Kroese, an artist and designer, explained the "Gulf of Insurmountability" — the distance between ordinary people and creative geniuses.

It turns out, he said, the distance is much smaller than it seemed.

"Maybe the only extraordinary thing I do is how much I love it," Kroese said.

He said he had an idea for a book, whenever he began to write, all he could think about were all the things he couldn't do.

"What I had in mind was a king-size graphic novel slash children's book," he said.

It took him nine years to complete once he got going. He said he thought the creative geniuses made work easily, without a struggle.

"My concept of how things got made was a bit screwy," Kroese said. "We're not privy to their struggle, so we assume it came easy to them."

He said he doesn't classify his completed book as a great work of art, but the gap has closed.

"It's the ordinary people who make the interesting things," Kroese said.

Steven Amstrup, a scientist who has spent over 27 years studying polar bears, asked the audience if they should be concerned with when something will happen or the fact that it will happen.

He focused his presentation on polar bears and climate change.

"I'm trying to save the world, one polar bear at a time," Amstrup said.

When tasked with a research deadline, he said he moved into his office — literally. The stress of his job on his marriage made his wife ask him why he was doing it at all.

"We could benefit the rest of life on earth," he said.

He said the implications for polar bears are clear. The ice in their preferred habitat is receding, threatening the species. Amstrup said polar bears were added to the threatened species list, but they first had to establish a timeline. "The important thing is not when something is likely to occur, but that it is likely to occur," he said. "Should we be concerned about the next hundred years or should we be concerned we're on a path we might not like?" Second session of TEDxUldaho brings laughter, tears and everything in between

#### Erin Bamer Argonaut

Rachael Dolezal was the center of a controversy last summer when she resigned as president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) chapter in Spokane, Washington, following allegations that she lied about being black. Racial identity was the topic she chose to focus on in her speech.

Dolezal, who was at times visibly emotional, told the story from her perspective. She said she had always seen herself as black even when she was a little girl, but her world was turned upside down when her biological parents publicly broke the news about the racial identity she was born with. She described some of the hate she and her children received from strangers after the story broke.

"People even texted my children to say that their mother should jump off a bridge and do the world a favor," Dolezal said.

Dolezal said she identifies as black because it most closely resembles who she is. But now she is terrified to speak on the subject of racial issues at all, because she said she knows that anything she says or does could be used as the basis for more hate.

She spoke at TEDxUIdaho not to face her fear, but because she said she cares.

"I'm here because I care intensely about the empowerment of others," she said.

Jacob Bialk, 9, was next to take the stage and was not messing around.

"I'm just going to get straight down to the point," Bialk said. "Let's talk about couples."

Bialk's speech was all about the rules of relationships as seen from a child's perspective. He said he is a good representative for this because his parents are the perfect couple.

He began with a list of habits people should maintain to maintain a healthy relationship. The list included things like saying "I love you," starting every day with "Good morning sunshine" and giving each other a goodbye kiss whenever one leaves.

"If you are in true love, don't break up," Bialk said. "If it's not broken, don't throw it away."

Bialk's second list included things people shouldn't do in a relationship, like refraining from saying "I love you," yelling at each other or staying together even it obviously isn't true love.

"For the sake of your kids, please don't yell or hit each other, ever," Bialk said.

To finish out the second session, Syrian refugee Asmaa took center stage to share the story of how she got to America. When the war broke out in Syria, Asmaa said she lost her husband and had to hide herself and her two teenage sons in a basement.

Asmaa didn't want her children living in the state her country was in, so she decided to take her sons and flee to Jordan TedxUldaho brings community ideas together in the last session of the day

#### Jessica Bovee Argonaut

Author Sean Prentiss shared a study on the importance of curiosity and how it can promote better grades as well as overall happiness. He said reading "Desert Solitaire" by Edward Abbey changed his life and he eventually found purpose in his own book "Finding Abbey," but encouraged viewers to discover the book that could change their life just as he did.

"It is wrong to criticize leaders of the church even if the criticism is true," Zachary Lien said.

As a student and former member of the church, Lien focused on the "mental cages" many find themselves locked within, sometimes without knowing. He shared his journey that led him to break these walls down after the indoctrination he experienced growing up. Lien says the friendships he made saved his life during this process, and another speaker experienced a similar revelation.

Shawn Kingsbury focused on the addiction he struggled with for years, and how he had to change his thought patterns, as well as his "tribes."

Kingsbury found the solution when he changed the people he surrounded himself with, and soon he began learning about how addiction works and started his own sober community known as Pure Vida Recovery.

Having relapsed four times in his past, Kingsbury highlighted the importance of not being defined by the past, just as Anthony Curcio, a former criminal, said in his talk.

"The most important treasure," Curcio said, "Is time."

After spending seven years in confinement and seven months in solitary confinement, or "the hole," as he called it, he described the reprioritization of his life. He once attempted and failed an elaborate heist, but now he works toward educating youth about crime and drugs, along with writing children's books.

Curcio detailed his past life of materialism and wrongdoing, but has come to find that the most important thing was the time he lost, especially with his two daughters, and the time he has before him.

The final speaker, art director Jadd Davis, focused on time and how people treat it in the moment. Davis entered the stage with a high energy that left the audience on a bright note about the power of positivity.

Davis discussed how everything is linear with everyone always moving forward, and how people can deal with possible issues in their lives big and small

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Eventually, Asmaa said she planned to travel to Europe, but then she got a phone call that let her know she and her sons had been accepted as refugees in America. Asmaa is the first Syrian refugee to be resettled in Idaho.

"If you see someone who looks like me, or different than you, please smile and be kind," Asmaa said. "Thank you."

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field fives, big and sintan.

The UI World Beat Ensemble performed in the middle of the session, and showcased the cultural styles of Ghana drumming. The high energy of the group heightened the mood of viewers when it asked the audience to chant with it.

Curiosity brought these speakers to question others and themselves, which brought them to greater purposes.

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#### RESEARCH

## Changing the world

## Undergraduate research spans multiple disciplines

Claire Whitley Argonaut

There are eight trillion pieces of plastic floating around in the ocean — tiny pieces of plastic that come from facewashes and body scrubs. That is enough miniscule pieces of plastic to cover the entirety of Moscow, Cydnie Gray said in front of her blue poster about microbeads.

"This is daily pollution that we can prevent," said Gray, a fine arts senior. "If we don't stop, we will eventually be eating plastic."

Gray was one of several undergraduates in the Whitewater Room of the Idaho Commons Monday presenting their research projects. Organic chemistry, biology habitats and dietetics and education were just a few topics being discussed in the room.

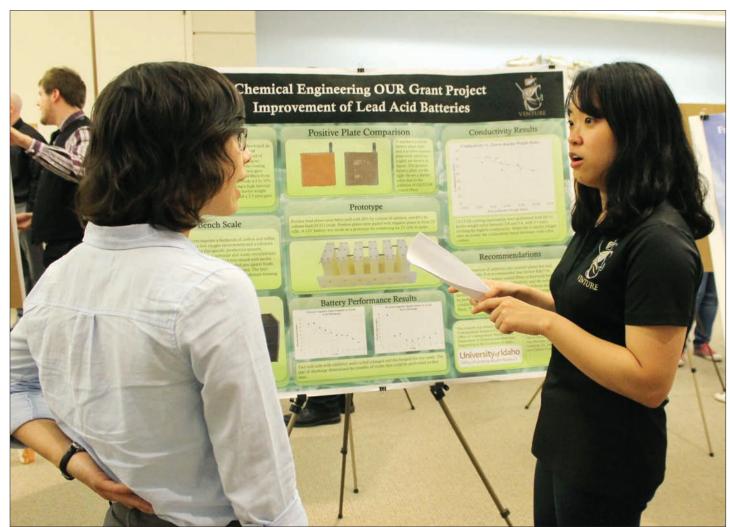
One biology and agricultural engineering student presented about the chemistry of hops, a plant used in beer. Lucas Sass said there are specific molecules in the hops plant that help counter diseases like diabetes and leukemia.

"That doesn't mean you can just drink beer to get rid of cancer," Sass said. "You would have to drink a ton, literally, of beer to get enough to counteract any diseases."

Sass said working on his research project has been valuable work experience, since this kind of research is an example of what he would be doing in his field eventually.

Brooke Garcia, whose research was about pulse-based snacks, said her undergraduate research experience has shown her what options are out there. The dietetics major was part of a team who conducted a research experiment to introduce a legume snack at the Vandal refueling station for after-workout snacks.

Another non-science-based research presenter was Chelsea Jones. Jones, an elementary education junior, studied the lack of diversity classes in the College of Education. She said out of their entire curriculum,



Undergraduate student Jieun Lee (right) discusses her findings at the Undergraduate Research Symposium Tuesday.

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education majors only have to take two classes specific to teaching to students of diverse backgrounds. These are not limited just to race or ethnicity, Jones said. These two classes also cover socioeconomic differences.

Jones said she didn't collect numerical data. Rather, her research was focused on seeing what the college could do about incorporating diversity into more classes.

"Teachers need to be able to apply and adapt," Jones said.

For Jones, undergraduate research has made her feel like she is doing something worthwhile and that her education isn't for nothing, because she said this research is something that affects everyone.

Bryce Dinger, a senior renewable materials student, said his research into improving bioplastics has given him the opportunity to work on something that was just his, which he said is missing from traditional classes.

"Undergraduate research is something

(students) create," Dinger said. "It gives them an outlet to be passionate."

Diamond Koloski | Argonaut

Dinger also said working with professors and mentors has helped him open doors that he otherwise wouldn't have opened.

"Undergraduate research is encouraging and inspiring," Gray said. "Everyone is trying to make a difference."

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#### STUDENT LIFE

## Pennies and dimes

### *UI introduces program to help students,*

students to set up a profile on the website. "I think one of the keys is for students to start looking at iGrad and this process now, rather than waiting until they trouble financially," Davenport said. Davenport said he hopes that by participating in the program, students can avoid getting into common financial troubles like defaulting on loans or running out of money and not being able to continue their education. Leslie Hammes, associate director of Student Financial Aid said that the Financial Aid office has always had councilors who work with students on repayment options as they get closer to graduating, but this program adds additional financial counseling throughout college and planning for continuing repayments after graduation. "We thought it was really important to also have a middle piece between where they start and do loan entrance counseling and where they graduate and do loan exit counseling where we talk to them about, 'OK, this is what you need to cover while you're here,' and 'How much of what we offered you do you need to accept," Hammes said. Williamson said iGrad contains a variety of different educational tools and resources that are available to students and alumni. These include articles, videos, calculators and learning modules that cover topics such as banking, credit, debt management and investments. The website also contains an outside scholarship search as well as a job search. Davenport said he considers one of the most useful features of iGrad to be a calculator students can enter loans into and it will simulate what the repayments would be like. "So you could take a look and say, 'Oh, I've already borrowed \$10,000, if I borrow another \$3,000, what is my payment going to look like, or can I get by with just \$2,000?" Davenport said. "So it will help students really manage their loan debt and know what type of repayment they're going to have when they get out of school."

## WORK FOR ASUI

#### alumni with finances

#### Ryan Locke

Argonaut

There's more to money management than eating ramen for every meal.

With the Better Education About Money for Students (BEAMS) program, started by the Financial Aid office last fall, Dan Davenport said he's aiming to teach students more about financial responsibility.

Davenport said BEAMS focuses on three areas: financial literacy,

loan debt management and loan repayment.

Since over 65 percent of University of Idaho students borrow money, Davenport said it just made sense to start a

program like this. He said many other institutions have comparable programs, so he felt it was time for UI to begin developing its own service to address some of the challenges students face in their education and borrowing money.

BEAMS Manager Christiane Williamson said BEAMS aims to promote financial education through workshops and presentations. Williamson said students, faculty and departments can request presentations on a variety of financial topics from a BEAMS lecturer.

"That would be me, at this point," Williams said.

Williamson said the program also offers one-on-one coaching so that students who have specific questions can come in and discuss their situation.

Davenport said to create the program, they examined the challenges students and their families face while financing college, and the amount of loan debt students incurred while in college.

He also said the program isn't just for students in financial trouble, but for all students who hope to keep financial problems from occurring in the first place.

Davenport said the university is also using an online tool called iGrad which will provide information for students. Davenport said BEAMS is working to encourage

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LGBTQA

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## Silence speaking for itself

Day of Silence demonstration takes place Friday, as a reminder to what members of the LGBTQA community encounter regularly

#### **Diamond Koloski** Argonaut

The University of Idaho LGBTQA community will attempt to make themselves heard 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday in the Free Speech Zone with a silent demonstration.

Friday is the national Day of Silence, which recognizes the challenges faced by gay, lesbian and transgender people, especially name-calling, bullying and harassment in schools.

UI LGBTQA Office Director Julia Keleher said she knows it can be difficult

for people to be silent for a day, because of school or work or other obligations that may not allow for that choice to be made. She said that's why she said the one-hour demonstration was created.

Keleher said pre-made signs will be available for anyone who wishes to join the group, as well as materials to make additional signs.

"One of the best ways you can make change is by educating people who will go out and educate other people," Keleher said.

Keleher said 42 percent of LGBT people report living in an unwelcoming environment, and 15 percent of transgender people report having to teach their own doctors how to treat them safely and effectively. She said these are just a few statistics that will be displayed on the signs at the demonstration.

"It's always really nice and encourag-

ing when allies or even people to just want to learn more, that they come to our events and learn more," said Jason Swanby, president of the UI Gender and Sexuality Alliance.

Swanby said he knows people who have dealt with the effects of being silenced, and that it is an ongoing battle that too many people have lost.

"That's part of the silencing effect," Swanby said. "People taking their own lives, or attempting to, because of the harassment that they face or even the looks they get or being isolated due identity."

Keleher said about 41 percent of transgender individuals have tried to commit suicide, compared to about 4 percent of the general population. She said she thinks spreading awareness can help.

"People need to understand the vast importance of this," Keleher said. "For some people it's life or death."

Swanby said it's always encouraging when allies or interested people visit events, because the main goal

for him is to spread awareness. "I like to think that if we inspire people to care about something that they haven't thought about for a while, they will be reminded that they do care about the community," Swanby said.

In the meantime, Keleher said it's important to her to make safe spaces available for all.

"And at UI, we're doing a good job," she said. Diamond Koloski can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu

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#### LOVE

FROM PAGE

"Professors here have been amazing. Honestly, there are so many of them I couldn't have done this without," Mayes said. "When my babysitter's daughter is sick, my professors let me take Chloe to class with me. Or, this weekend, I was really sick, my husband and I both were, and my professor gave me an extension — those kinds of things."

Mayes, a fourth generation Vandal, said she and Anthony love to dress Chloe up in Vandal gear and take her to football games and other university events.

"I think a lot of people think that I don't have time to do anything else," Mayes said. "I guess, like, I don't have time to be a student and experience college, but being a mom doesn't hinder me from doing that -I still get to go and do fun things, I just get another person to experience it with me."

Mayes' father, Daniel Mattson, also experienced what it was like to be a student and a parent.

Mattson, who began school at the university in 1980, said his son, Rob, was born in November of his first fall semester.

"(Moscow) was a good place to have a young child," Mattson said. "We would go swimming and went to all the basketball and football games together. Every once in a while, I would take him to class with me."

Mattson said that while raising a child and completing a higher education at the same time is no easy task, it's not impossible.

"I think one of the biggest things people perceive is that if you have a family, you can't go to college," Mattson said. "I think that with financial aid and everything, you can do it. You might have to work a little bit harder and you have to switch your time from family to school to work, but you can do it."

Today, Anthony said common perceptions of student parents remain about the same.

"I guess people think you can't have the normal college experience if you're not single or sleeping around or whatever, but that's sad and that's not true," Anthony said.

Although he and Mayes experience different challenges than the average student, Anthony said he has a partner who is there to support him and help him balance going to school and being a parent.

"The biggest thing is that we're there for each other through everything," Anthony said. "I can come home from classes, she can come home from work, we can sit and hang out with Chloe and play with her and talk about what went on throughout the day."

Despite the challenges of raising a child in college, Mattson said he's proud of his daughter for excelling as a mother and a college student.

"I'm really proud of Tiffany, you know she's on the Dean's List, I think she got a 4.0 last semester," Mattson said. "I think she's like me, she realizes how important it is to get an education so she can take care of her family in the future."

When it comes to Chloe's future, Mayes said she wants the best for her daughter.

"Obviously, it would be awesome if she



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went to U of I, but I mean, in general, I want her to find something that she loves and go to school for it," Mayes said. "And knowing that, if she's in my situation, she can do it, because she had a mom and a dad who did

it. I think that's my goal for her — knowing that she can do anything."

While Mattson also hopes Chloe goes on to become a Vandal, he said he would love to see his granddaughter pursue her passions and receive a good education.

"I think having both her mom and dad be college graduates at some point, she'll see the value of a college education," Mattson said. "I hope she sees a good education will lead her to a good job and something she enjoys doing. I think it will be good for her to be with parents who have college degrees and, of course, I do hope she goes to the U of I.

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"We're looking to continue to provide accessible theater, the highest quality possible, but it means we might have to do it in a different way," Hoste said. "We can't ask people to pay New York theater prices."

Hoste began her career with IRT 20 years ago as a professional costume designer. She joined UI as faculty in 2010 and oversaw her first IRT production as artistic director in 2012.

or wages for their work in IRT.

For Isla Rose-Witt, fifth-year theater а student, IRT provided a way to practice theater

and pay her rent over summer break. She participated in the 2013 and 2015 productions. In 2013, she worked alongside professionals.

She said she saw the benefit of working with professionals carry over into the academic year through actor's confidence levels and drive to



try to find somewhere else in the region."

The theater department is committed to preparing its students and helping them make

connections, Hoste said. The connections are what Rose-Witt said brought her to Wyoming summer 2014 to perform.

Hoste said the department is like

means despite sounding cliche.

during the summer months.

Hoste said Kersten and other UI administrators have been supportive throughout the process and in beginning to develop what will be offered in future summers.

"They understand that theater absolutely enriches our culture and that a theater education is really a vital part of what we do at U of I," Hoste said.

IRT will continue to take the stage through April. This summer, UI will host a Summer Drama

a family, something she said she

"Part of that is we engaged with



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'So many people love IRT and have loved it over the years, and I include myself with those people," Hoste said.

For UI students, Hoste said she has tried to offer academic credit succeed in their craft.

Hoste said UI does offer other options for summer theater, such as the Moscow (Idaho) to Moscow (Russia) program.

"We no longer have an accessibly repertory theater that we can work with," Witt said. "If we want to work professionally, we have to

our students 100 percent in supporting them," Hoste said. "That's where we're focusing our energies, preparing them for those professional opportunities."

She said students have multiple opportunities to practice their skills during the academic year and many find success outside of Moscow Camp for kids.

"We're exploring new avenues and I couldn't be more exciting to be a part of that," Hoste said. Reporting contributed by Tess Fox Katelyn Hilsenbeck can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu or on Twitter @Katelyn\_mh

#### VOICE FROM PAGE 1

"I had to reestablish roots with my identity," Matsaw said. "In a sense, re-teaching my inner child that I have value and a voice."

In her keynote speech, Greenfield shared the story of her own sexual abuse.

Greenfield said her parents decided to move to Moscow when she was young in order to be closer to the business they owned and the church they attended, Christ Church.

Greenfield said that was where she met her abuser at a church function.

"I was 13, he was 23," Greenfield said. "For the several months after I met him, he groomed me, so he established a friendship, established trust but with a lot of secrecy."

Greenfield said it was common culture within the church for families to house UI and New St.

Andrews college students. Her parents took in her abuser along with four other students. It wasn't until her abuser began living with her family that the sexual, physical, emotional and verbal abuse began.

"It was like this big secret," Greenfield said. "He kept me where he wanted me by establishing this sense of shame and guilt in me."

Greenfield said her abuser, who was a ministerial student with Christ Church, moved out after about a year and a half. Although the abuse stopped, Greenfield said she began to develop severe posttraumatic stress disorder, anxiety and depression.

When Greenfield finally shared her story at the age of 17, she said her parents were horrified and her abuser was immediately arrested.

After charges were pressed, Greenfield said most of the Christ Church community came to the defense of her abuser. She said the judge also received letters in support of her abuser from the head of Christ Church, Doug Wilson, as well as leaders of Trinity Reform Church.

Greenfield's abuser was ultimately charged with a felony misdemeanor injury to a child — a much lighter sentence than it initially had been.

Throughout the process, Greenfield said no resources were offered to her. She said the lack of support combined with the efforts of the church to cover up the assault prompted Greenfield to share her stories with others.

As she shared her story, Greenfield began to advocate for this year's Sexual Assault Awareness Month theme, "Just Listen."

"One of the biggest things is that we all just as humans have an innate need other than our inherent needs for things like food, water and shelter, we all want to be understood, valued and loved," Greenfield said. "Part of feeling understood, valued and loved is being listened to. That is a basic human need and that need becomes exaggerated when we experience suffering."

The basis of compassionate listening is to listen to someone who chooses to share their trauma without judgment.

Beyond that, Greenfield said compassionate listening is something everyone can practice on a daily basis.

"Compassionate listening is something we can all start in our lives right now," Greenfield said. "Anytime someone wants to be heard, we can practice compassionate listening. If we lay this foundation in our lives, we create a safe space for someone who may be suffering."

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#### **CLOSE TO HOME**



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Washington State University Hawaii Club members Reina Tolentino, Pauline Mae Piso and Kristen Yam perform a Tahitian native dance for An Evening on the Pacific Islands, an event hosted by the Office of Multicultural Affairs with the UI and WSU Hawaii Clubs, Tuesday in the Janssen Engineering Building.

#### FESTIVAL FROM PAGE 1

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The festival has its roots in the school of music and became a separate entity within CLASS several years ago. Now, the festival will once again be run out of the school of music, where the experts are, Staben said.

"The school of music really does a great job with music outreach into the schools," Staben said. "They have highly qualified jazz musicians and so I think

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they can handle this festival very effectively."

Kersten and his staff are working to answer questions and envision the 2017 festival.

"What do we want to do?' is the first question," he said. "Then, how are we going to staff that event and resource that event so it's successful."

Kersten is trying to refocus the festival around education in three ways.

"People in middle school and high school who are encountering jazz music will come to the university and have a singular transformative experience," he said.

Kersten also wants to continue to engage the community with an event that showcases jazz music.

"The third part, which had kind of gone away, is include our own students at U of I into the festival," he said. "If you look at the attendance numbers over the last several years of the number of University of Idaho students has gone down, down, down. It's really not part of their thought process when they think of an academic year, what happens on campus." Kersten said. "I think that's a pretty reasonable price. Most people if you jingle them upside down will come up with about \$5, so I think that will be okay."

Kersten said he also hopes to take a different approach to selecting performers for evening concerts.

"Some of the lineup even for people who like music, they may not have been a major draw," he said. "(We're going to) try to put major acts there that students find compelling and want to go see."

There is no clear reason for a drop in attendance, Staben said, but he said he believes bringing back the competitive aspect of the festival could be a reason for schools and students to come back.

"We think that some of it is that students really valued that competitions that they did," Staben said. "Artistic Director Clayton has a very different view of that from our music faculty."

Staben said Clayton changed the festival to a non-competitive program.

"The music faculty feel that that competitive program might attract more high schools," he said.

Trumpet professor Vern Sielert said he thinks the competitive aspect will be brought back quickly, as many directors and students have expressed a concern for clear judging criteria.

He said he thinks shifting the focus back



This is where Kersten said he needs help from music faculty, staff and students.

"Clearly we have an awareness problem, and we need to work on that," he said.

Part of the plan to entice UI students is lowering ticket prices for the evening concerts. "Maybe it's \$5 a ticket for an evening," to students will be great.

"This is how it started, in the School of Music," he said. "Our focus is to make it be a really great experience for students. Not only participating students from other schools but U of I students, get them excited about the music. We want it to be a really great student-centered experience."

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### SPORTS Women's tennis prepares for Big Sky postseason PAGE 9 Hall of Fame bound

Idaho soccer earns Team of Year, Salvatore honored as top athlete

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The University of Idaho netted two prestigious awards during the 54th annual North Idaho Sports Banquet Monday, as the university earned Team of the Year and Female Athlete of the Year honors.

The Idaho women's soccer team was named Team of the Year after an unbeaten run in conference play that included the Big Sky regular season title.

The Vandal soccer team cruised to a 9-0-1 record against

Big Sky opponents last season, before falling to Northern Colduring orado

ship in penalty kicks.

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The program boasts a 14-game unbeaten streak, which is currently the longest streak in the nation.

"It's just great that our team is being recognized by the entire state,' Pittman said. "It gives us a great sense of pride and accomplishment for what our players were able to achieve this past year."

Nine Vandal ath-

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letes earned All-Big Sky honors during the season, including freshman goalkeeper Amanda Poertner, who was named Goalkeeper of the Year after posting nine shutouts. Junior Clara Gomez set individual season records for both the Vandal program and the Big Sky Conference after providing 13 assists for Idaho.

Pittman was also awarded Coach of the Year honors by the conference after a turnaround 2015 season that concluded with a 14-4-3 overall record.

"We definitely hope to continue and it's nice to set the standards where you have this level of expectations on an annual basis," Pittman said.

Senior guard Christina Salvatore was awarded the North Idaho Hall of Fame's

the postseason champion- Female Athlete of the Year award after leading the Vandal women's basketball team in four different categories.

> Salvatore led Idaho in scoring with 11.8 points per game and 2.7 treys per contest. The senior guard also recorded an average of 3.4 assists per game and recorded 1.6 steals per game.

Salvatore's performance helped the Vandals

66 She had a fantastic senior year and was a huge reason we were able to make it to the NCAA Tournament for the third

> time in four years.

#### Jon Newlee, coach

win the Big Sky Conference title and reach the NCAA Tournament.

'This is an honor well deserved for Christina," Idaho head coach Jon Newlee said. "She had a fantastic senior year and was a huge reason we were able to make it to the NCAA Tournament for the third time in four years."

Salvatore started in over 120 contests for the Vandals and amassed 1,370 points during her career for the ninth best performance in school history.

What a great way to cap off an unprecedented four-year run, both individually and as a team," Newlee said.

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Senior guard Christina Salvatore shoots a 3-pointer in a game against Montana State earlier this year. Salvatore was named Athlete of the Year by the North Idaho Hall of Fame Monday.

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#### MEN'S TENNIS

## Quest for 73

matter.

very different eras of basketball that we

are analyzing. No stat comparison will

reveal a hypothetical victor any better

than an NBA video game will. Though

a rematch via time-travel would be epic

it's not happening — so let's stop pre-

tending we know which team is histori-

Yet, to those arguing that the

Warriors' record is irrelevant

because of recent changes in the

NBA over the past two decades,

I wouldn't be so quick to dismiss

that small rule changes have been

established throughout the league,

a 73-win season. I understand

cally superior.

These are two different teams in two

Idaho men's tennis sees



#### Warriors' record-breaking regular season is awesome, but it isn't everything

The year is 2008. I am a 12-year-old girl in love with the game of basketball, and subsequently, a certain 20-year-old sharpshooter for Davidson by the name of Stephen Curry.

His quick release and eye for the open man have me entranced as I watch his team take down my beloved Gonzaga Bulldogs in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Curry went on to take the tournament by storm, leading the Wildcats to the Elite 8. The hot streak ended in a tight game against the soon-to-be champions, the Kansas Jayhawks. But with a tournament average of 25.9 points per game and the title of Most Outstanding Player in the Midwest Region, Curry was obviously destined for a great NBA career.

And yet, I highly doubt anyone predicted it would be this great.

I see no need to list Curry's accomplishments. NBA champion, Finals MVP, 3-point record breaker — and these are just the highlights. To top it off, anyone who follows the NBA from any distance knows about the buzz surrounding the pursuit of the 73-win season. It was a feat accomplished by no team until Wednesday night, when Golden State clinched a commanding 125-104 victory over Memphis.

The previous record-holders, the 1996 Chicago Bulls, are immortal in professional basketball history. This has produced an endless stream of hypothetical comparisons, pitting Michael Jordan and Curry against one another, as well as Scottie Pippen facing Draymond Green and the Warriors defensive skillset versus the former Bulls defensive strategy.

There are people who say the 2016 Warriors are as good a team as there has ever been in the game. But there seem to be more fans stating that the 1995-1996 Bulls would slaughter Curry's dream team.



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and the style of play is different now than it was two decades ago. But it's not as though the NBA has introduced a 4-point line or eliminated the charity stripe.

This is still basketball, and 73 wins cannot be ignored. Fans can deny that such a successful season means as much now as it did in 1996, but they should not discount a team that works both ends of the court day in and day out. Whether a fan or not, we all have to admit that the Warriors are doing something right.

So I've made myself clear comparing the 2016 Warriors to the 1996 Bulls is frivolous, and denying the validity of the new record is not fair either. Despite all the hype, speculations and

comparisons, only one thing matters this time in the season.

Once the playoffs arrive, every team has a 0-0 record — and every squad is capable of an off game.

I have been following Curry's journey for a while now, and I think it's safe to say he has made a name for himself and his team in the record books and will continue to do so down the road. It's been a historic season, but what really matters is who is still on the court come June.

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### success with young roster

#### Brandon Hill Argonaut

With a ticket already punched for the Big Sky Tournament, the Idaho men's tennis team looks to improve its position in the conference standings following a 7-0 sweep over Eastern Washington.

Idaho sits second in the Big Sky Conference rankings. The Vandals own a 7-2 conference record and the team is 13-5 overall.

The Vandals only trail conference leader Weber State, who is 8-0 in conference play. With an Idaho victory over the Wildcats Friday - combined with two Weber State losses after that - the Vandals have the opportunity to clinch the No. 1 seed.

Idaho head coach Abid Akbar said he is thankful to be in the tournament, regardless of seeding. He said

the Big Sky Conference is home to a number of competitive programs.

Weber State especially has been pretty dominating," he said. "But from No. 2 to No. 7, it has been pretty even. It's like

last year — you never know when you're going to make it, but it feels good to be in there."

Akbar said the younger team members have relied on leadership from seniors Odon Barta and Jackson Varney. Three members of the Vandals roster are freshman: Lucas Coutinho, Peter Shin and Artem Vasheshnikov.

'You look for those guys who have been around longer, who are older," Akbar said. "They know what it takes. They lead."

Barta has played for the Vandals since the 2013 season, after transferring from Texas A&M. Akbar placed the senior in the No. 1 singles spot after watching the athlete's performance over the years.

Varney has also been a major contributor to the team during his short tenure at Idaho. He said he was thankful for the effort of his teammates that helped him reach this point.



#### Abid Akbar, coach

"Even in the midst of mid-terms and academics starting to get tougher, the boys come out and have a good grind," Varney said. "That's imperative. You can see their desire to win."

Idaho will look to utilize that desire to overcome Weber State Friday. The matchup serves as a potential preview of the Big Sky Conference championship if both programs continue their current performances on the court.

> Other contenders for a postseason title include Sacramento State, Northern Arizona and Montana.

> The Hornets also recently clinched a spot in the Big Sky Tournament. After a rough start to the season, which in-

cluded a seven-game losing streak, Sacramento State has turned the season around in conference play, going 8-3 against Big Sky opponents.

Montana's performance has given the team a third place position in the conference standings.

Northern Arizona's nonconference schedule at the beginning of the season was rigorous, but the team has seen a recent improvement in performance against Big Sky opponents.

The Vandals have already defeated Montana and Northern Arizona earlier this year.

The Big Sky Tournament will be held in Sacramento April 29 through May 1.

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Vandal cycling team moves forward with new members, community goals

#### Luis Torres Argonaut

Spring season brings a sense of outdoor adventure for students on campus.

As the amount of daily sunshine increases in Moscow, so has the intensity level for the Vandal cycling program.

The club cycling team began their season March 19-20 in Corvallis, Oregon. However, success in racing is not their only goal — so is community involvement.

Junior cyclist and club vice president Scott Sturges said the team provides cycling rides each week and ride-along for Palouse residents. Sturges said the program also helps the community by fixing people's bicycles.

"We try to build the community within the university," Sturges said. "We're trying to make sure our club is more than just racing. Obviously, Phil (Kearns) and I enjoy racing but there's much to it. If someone wants to join the club, take a Sunday ride and have a good time, we can definitely do that."

Kearns said during the fall, the team also provides mountain rides and cyclocross tutoring to promote a safe riding environment for Moscow residents.

"We do a lot of fun clinics such as learning how to do basic bike handling," Kearns said. "It seems like everyone knows how to ride a bike, but there's a big difference between being able to keep your bike up right and actually knowing how to ride one. So we try to help anyone that does join the club to become a safer and well-rounded rider."

Outside of community work, the Vandals have four scheduled racing events this spring, including the annual meet on the Palouse.

Idaho and Washington State host the Northwest Collegiate Cycling Conference April 30 through May 1. The Vandals will hold a race on the final day of the conference championship.

Sturges said he has been planning the events and negotiating with Washington State about hosting the meet.



Julia Reese and Kaily Finera, members of the University of Idaho's club cycling team, race in Walla Walla, Washington, last year.

"(Our team) focuses on the races coming up, but I've been trying to get the race planned," Sturges said. "I have to make sure everything is ready to go for all the universities to come and visit and race here on campus."

The Vandals will travel to Walla Walla for a noncollegiate race this weekend.

Both Kearns and Sturges said the season has gone well, despite a small roster.

"We're always looking to get new members in for every race," Kearns said. "We had a few new people show up in the (Seattle) race, and we expect to have a couple of more coming out with us this weekend."

Kearns said the issue of a developing roster does create issues concerning the points earned by the team, but that new roster members are a welcome addition.

Sturges said having more people involved in the program makes the club experience more fun and competitive.

There are four classes in collegiate cycling. Group A marks the highest level of competition.

Sturges said there are two different days of racing. Road racing occurs on Saturday as a group of 3-4 members compete. Kearns said there are many course variations throughout the season, including terrain changes.

The Sunday race consists of criterion (time trial) events featuring laps around a course. The event concludes when a scheduled time limit is reached.

The goal of each rider is to qualify for the USA Cycling Collegiate Road National Championships May 13-15 in North Carolina. Kearns and Julia Reese are the two Vandals eligible to compete in the event.

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#### WOMAN'S TENNIS

## Freshmen excel down the stretch

Idaho women's tennis relies on young talent to reach postseason tournament

Brandon Hill

maining matches, while Sacramento State

Cobra said she does not

#### Argonaut

Ageisnotameasureofexperienceortalent. The Idaho women's tennis team will look to prove this motto with a roster full of young players when the program travels to the Big Sky Conference postseason tournament.

Four teams have already clinched a berth in the tournament, which begins April 29 in Sacramento: Idaho, Northern Arizona, Sacramento State and Weber State. In addition, Montana State and Eastern Washington are also expected to earn postseason spots.

The Vandals have three matches left in the regular season, with two against Big Sky opponents.

It is possible for Idaho to move up from third to second in the conference standings, but the team needs to sweep the rewould have to lose its remaining conference matches.

Idaho head coach Mariana Cobra said she is not concerned with conference rankings in the postseason tournament. She said she wants her team to do the best they can to prepare for the tournament instead.

"We still want to do well and come out as winners, but having made the tournament definitely gives them a lot more confidence in their game," she said. "We are going to do what we can do and control what we can control, but we can't really change the other teams playing right now."

The Idaho roster is one of the youngest in the conference, with three freshmen and two sophomores. Belen Barcenilla and Rita Bermudez are the team's only seniors. think the pressure will affect the younger members of the team.

"This year has been a really good year to expose those players in those spots," Cobra

said. "Every match we have them coming out big for us. We are consistently telling them 'It will probably come down to you.' And it probably will."

Cobra said she was confident her freshman would be able to step up to the challenge when the opportunity came. She said Marianna Petrei is a freshman who could make a difference in the postseason for the Vandals.

Petrei is currently 18-2 in singles competition and undefeated against Big Sky opponents. Her performance has allowed

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Conference leader Northern Arizona has only one freshman, Livia Hollosy, on the roster, while second place Sacramento State has

her climb to the team's No. 1

a total of six freshmen. However, the Hornets have a much larger roster compared to other Big Sky teams.

Before the team competes in postseason play, Idaho will first have to face North Dakota, Northern Colorado and Seattle U to conclude the regular season. The Vandals will be on the road for all three matchups.

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#### CLUB SPORTS

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## Set up for success

#### Mihaela Karst Argonaut

Many club sports at the University of Idaho struggle to find enough athletes to compete, and the men's volleyball club is no exception.

With only nine players, the program had difficulty holding practice, in addition to competing with teams with well over 12 athletes.

But what the team lacked in numbers, it made up in teamwork and determination.

Sophomore middle hitter Dan Bilafer said the team spent the fall semester learning new rotations and various playing styles, then gaining experience during the spring.

"At the beginning of the year we were a bit shaky, but we were able to iron out a few things and we really put together a solid team," Bilafer said.

Once the spring season began, the roster's size did not affect the team's competitiveness.

The Vandals won two separate tournaments this season — a feat senior Wes Sjoerdsma said the club had not accomplished at any other point in time.

Idaho's performance in the regular season resulted in a division change when the team entered the national tournament, as the program moved from Division I AAA to Division I AA.

"I think we had a pretty solid performance over the course of the year, which is of course why they gave us a division bump," Sjoerdsma said.

Both Sjoerdsma and Bilafer said a large amount of the team's success can be attributed to senior setter Tanner Haage.

"He definitely helped out with the entire morale of the team because all of the plays went through

him," Bilafer said. "He's the only guy that got to touch the ball every time."

In addition to Haage's contributions, Sjoerdsma said the club's performance at the middle position proved to be vital throughout the season.

"One of our biggest strengths, especially in our region, is our middle game," Sjoerdsma said. "Two of our strongest pieces of our team are our middle game and the setter."

The Vandals went 4-2 during pool play at the national tournament in Louisville last weekend.



During the first day of competition, the club competed in a pool consisting of Penn University, Rowan University and Chico State. On the second day, the

team competed against Duke, Miami and the Rhode Island Institute of Technology.

"We played very well during pool play," Bilafer said. "Everything clicked and we just played amazingly."

As the tournament progressed, Bilafer and Sjoerdsma said the team had one issue during key moments — serving.

"We put the ball into the net or out of the court when it really mattered and that was definitely a momentum killer," Bilafer said. "It just kills everything and it's defi-

Men's club volleyball team sees improvement, advances divisions after strong year

nitely tough to rally after a crucial missed serve."

The Vandals faced Drexel University in the first round of the tournament. Bilafer said the team felt fatigue after three days of tournament play.

"I don't know if it was us being tired or just sore shoulders," Bilafer said. "We just didn't come to play and they did."

The Vandals fell to Drexel in two sets (25-17, 25-16) to end the spring season.

Bilafer and Sjoerdsma said nothing has kept the duo off the court, despite the season ending.

"We just love this sport so much," Bilafer said, "We're down to play as much as we can."

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#### TRACK & FIELD

## Cannot be slowed down state

#### Mihaela Karst Argonaut

Freshman Idaho track standout Zion Stuffle received a plethora of collegiate offers during his senior year of high school in Lewiston.

Stuffle received calls from the University of Arizona, the University of Washington and the University of Mississipi during his recruitment.

Although Idaho was Stuffle's last stop during the recruiting process, the sprinter said he was hooked from the start.

"(Coach Tim) Cawley had made a huge impact on me," the freshman said. "They're really great people, better than any other coaches I saw, so I was really set on coming here."

Idaho head coach Tim Cawley said had been watching Stuffle throughout his high school career, as had many other coaches

#### in the region.

"Just about every coach in the area was asking us, 'Well, are you talking to Zion yet?" Cawley said. "As a junior he ran times that were some of the best in the country. He's just a talented kid."

The transition from high school to collegiate athletics did not come without obstacles for Stuffle. Before his senior season, Stuffle suffered from two torn hamstrings, forcing him to miss two years of competition.

"It was tough for him because I think he just wanted to jump in, and when he jumped in, he kind of aggravated his injury," Cawley said. "When you're an athlete and when you're as talented as him, they're like racehorses. They don't want to hold back and they just want to keep going."

Now that the outdoor season is in full



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swing, Stuffle is back on the track for the Vandals. In the WAR IX track and field meet, the freshman ran the 400-meter hurdles in a time of 53.31 seconds, the fastest time in the Big Sky Conference this season.

"I just feel blessed because it's been two years since I've competed and I didn't think I'd open up that strong," Stuffle said. "Now I just have all that momentum behind me."

Cawley said he has seen a new developing strength in Stuffle – a tough and competitive nature.

"You can really see his confidence start to come back," Cawley said.

Stuffle said he rarely saw much competition during high school races, but that all changed once he hit the collegiate level.

"I actually got some good competition and

#### **Sports briefs**

#### Club baseball hosts Eastern Washington

The Idaho club baseball team will square off against regional foe Eastern Washington in a Northern Pacific North Conference matchup Saturday

Idaho (1-8) enters the matchup after taking the third game of a weekend series against Gonzaga Sunday. After consecutive losses to open the series, the Vandals earned a 9-0 win over the Bulldogs. The Eagles (5-4) enter the series following a bye week. Eastern Washington last played April 3 in a 16-6 loss to Montana. Gonzago currently sits atop the division standings with an 8-3 record. Eastern Washington is third, while Idaho leads rival Montana by four games. Vandal freshman Zion Stuffle shows success on track following injury

it was able to push me a lot," Stuffle said. "I get better times and there are a lot more goals to accomplish because I have people to push me."

Even though this is his first year as a Vandal, Stuffle said he has already seen personal improvements, including his speed and his skills on the blocks, as well as his overall endurance.

"My endurance is off the charts and I'm just really happy about the training here," he said.

Stuffle said he is focused on making it to the conference meet as a freshman and showcasing his ability.

"I just want to show everyone that I can win after coming off of two years with an injury," Stuffle said. "I want to surprise everybody and make everyone scared of my name throughout the next four years."

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#### Men's lacrosse falls to Oregon State, faces Montana

The Idaho men's lacrosse team fell to conference opponents Oregon State and Washington during the club's road trip to the West Coast.

The Beavers (9-3) scored 12 points in the second half to seal the 21-2 victory over the Vandals Sunday and clinch a berth in the division playoffs.

Junior midfielder Trevor Garner led Oregon State with four goals and one assist. Senior midfielder Colin Kacin-



ski added another three goals while collecting six ground balls for the Beavers. Washington (4-5) claimed a 16-10 win over Idaho Saturday following six goals from freshman attackman Alex Fuller. The Huskies held the Vandals to four points in the first half to grab an early advantage.

Idaho (2-9) is scheduled to face Montana at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Kibbie Dome.





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## OPINION Gaining experience

session. Luton also threw for

six touchdowns, including a

69-yard pass to senior wide

receiver Callen Hightower.

While the sophomore has displayed several inexperi-

Quarterback Jake Luton sees improvement in place of starter Matt Linehan

When Idaho junior quarterback Matt Linehan was announced out this spring with an unidentified foot injury, Vandal fans wondered how much the offense could accomplish in his absence.

Sophomore quarterback Jake Luton responded with an essentially seamless transition into the role, as he took the majority of the first-team offensive reps this spring.

Luton threw for 571 yards on 64 attempts during the team's first scrimmage in Lewiston April 2. The sophomore had 36 completions, seven of which resulted in touchdown passes.

In the team's second scrimmage Saturday at the Kibbie Dome, Luton again showcased his talent on the gridiron for the Vandals.

The quarterback recorded 431 passing yards on 19 completions during the team

The journey of a college athlete is a

Student athletes must learn how to

manage practice and game schedules

routinely amazed at the time manage-

in athletics, most student athletes are

Sherman described a hectic college

ment abilities of these individuals.

offered scholarships in return.

schedule consisting of weights,

class, practice, meetings and

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"I would love for a regu-

lar student to have a student

athlete's schedule during the

season," Sherman said. "Just

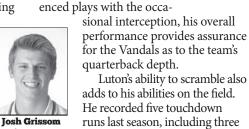
with academics and personal care. I am

To compensate for their investment

Former Stanford cornerback Richard

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difficult endeavor.



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against Arkansas State Oct. 3. However, there is little question that Linehan will remain in the starting role for the Vandals. The junior has exhibited an improved knowledge of the game during the 2015 season, throw-

Luton's ability to scramble also

ing for 2,972 yards and completing 63.1 percent of his passes. In addition, Linehan earned a passing efficiency average of 135 while

throwing for 16 touchdown passes. Luton's athleticism supplies Idaho

head coach Paul Petrino with a strong

backup quarterback, a luxury only a few collegiate programs possess.

The experience the sophomore gains during the spring will prove even more vital if Linehan is to sustain another

injury at the position.

Last season, Linehan missed Idaho's matchup against Arkansas State with a foot injury, prompting Petrino to replace the starter with Luton.

The sophomore quarterback completed 24 of 42 passes and recorded 166 yards through the air against the eventual Sun Belt Conference champions. Later in the season, Luton took the field against SEC heavyweight Auburn, completing 14 of 18 passes for 164 yards and a touchdown.

Linehan's knowledge of the position. coupled with Luton's performance as a backup, provide the Vandal football team flexibility and a bright future.

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Athletes don't always receive Broken payment system the payment they were promised on signing do promised on signing day

> on the playing field," according to the report.

More students should be livid at the fact that they were being cheated out of an education.

Collegiate athletes are student athletes. The student aspect should always come first. Sports, just much like other university clubs or organizations, are optional at college.

with an education, real learning should be occurring in the classroom.

as a training ground for professional sports leagues. These individuals are not interested in pursuing a major for a career path after school, because they already have plans to enter the draft for

Even if a degree is not a primary little instruction. Once their athletic career has concluded, a collegiate degree

For the record, I am not a student But I do know that if a university Tess Fox can be reached at arg-sports@uidaho.edu or on Twitter @tesstakesphotos



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#### Idaho Soccer — @VandalsSoccer



– The official account of the Idaho women's soccer team tweets about the program being honored as the North Idaho Hall of Fame Team of the Year. The honor was awarded during the North Idaho Sports Banquet in Coeur d'Alene Monday. The Vandals finished the year with a 14-4-3 record and with an undefeated conference record of 9-0-1.

#### Idaho Women's Basketball — @VandalsWBB



Congrats to our @csalvatore01 for winning #nidfemalecollegeathleteoftheyear So proud of this young lady! #GoVandals

– The official Idaho women's basketball account tweets about senior quard Christina Salvatore being honored as the Female Athlete of the Year at the North Idaho Sports Banquet in Coeur d'Alene Monday. Salvatore led the Vandals with 11.8 points per game, 2.7 threepoint FGs, 3.4 assists per game and 1.6 steals per game.

#### Idaho Soccer — @CoachDPittman



Great weekend for @VandalsSoccer played 2 games in Portland & hung out w lots of @UldahoAlumni as well! #GoVandals

The official account of Idaho soccer coach Derek Pittman tweets about the team playing Concordia and Seattle University in Portland Sunday. Idaho defeated Concordia 1-0 before falling to the Redhawks 2-0.

#### Idaho Football — @SKramer-Writes

True freshman Noah Johnson running with the first team today. Petrino not shy about

throwing freshmen on the OL if they're worthy.

- The Spokesman Review sports writer Sean Kramer tweets about Idaho football coach Paul Petrino placing true freshman Noah Johnson on the offensive line during the team's spring scrimmage at the Kibbie Dome Saturday.

#### Idaho Volleyball — @IdahoVolleyball



recap yesterday's practice in the sand...? An 80s-esque montage

The only way to appropriately

- The official account of the Idaho vollevball team tweets

one quarter or one semester and see how you balance that."

As a photojournalist, I understand how crazy scheduling can be. I'm booked solid throughout the week with interviews, photography work and writing assignments for The Argonaut. On top of that, I have to find a way to squeeze in school, homework and sleep.

But the thing is that I'm getting paid to do most of the stuff on that list.

As an employee at The Argonaut, I am lucky to receive payment for my work. Right now, most student athletes are given scholarships for education in

like academic eligibility.

The University of North Carolina was found to be putting athletes in "paper" classes to keep the athletes academically eligible. The paper classes, which never met in person and

help athletes maintain a high GPA. These Tar Heel student athletes took

American Studies and Swahili for their language credits.

former secretary of the African and Afro-American Studies Department, began offering independent study courses for athletes in 1992. She assigned topics and handed out grades without regard to work quality,

In 1999, she started organizing lec-

as a way to circumvent the independent study course limit. Advisers for athletes began steering them into these classes for the easy grades.

department chairman Julius Nyang'oro continued this work until 2011.

More than 3,100 students, were affected by these scam classes, with ap-

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required only a final paper, were used to

these classes in subjects such as African

Deborah Crodwer, the

but was not a faculty member.

ture classes that did not meet in person

When Crowder retired, former

proximately half being student athletes.

The Justice Department's report said

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Tess Fox

When student athletes are being paid

Some student athletes view college

their respective sport. focus for these athletes, it does not

mean they should be pushed through the system with relaxed classes with could help them land a job.

athlete. My athletic abilities go as far as intramurals, and even that is questionable. I am not going to pretend to be in-tune with the lifestyle demands of student athletes at college. promises students an education, the institution should fulfill their end of the bargain.

athletes remain eligible and

return for their service to the university. Initially this appears to be a great setup. Students can receive job training while playing collegiate sports.

But there's a problem when schools start to abuse the system with situations the classes "were especially popular among student athletes, particularly those who played the 'revenue' sports of football and men's basketball." The courses were considered a "key to helping academically challenged student

about practicing in the sand Monday. The Vandals won both their matches at the Memorial Gym Saturday. They defeated both Lewis-Clark State College and Spokane Falls Community College in three sets.



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#### Dear Kobe.

Thank you for all that you have done for the game of basketball. The NBA will never be the same without you.

– Josh

#### Blues song, part 6/6

Gonna leave this place, head down Chicago way. Gonna leave this place, head down to L.A.

I hurt you so bad, babe. I gotta run away.

- Tack

#### **Making change**

It's incredibly refreshing to work with people who have the interests of everyone in mind. It's days like these that I'm proud to be a Vandal.

Art

I just saw a video of a man playing "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" on a keyboard of squeaky, stuffed cat toys. I'm overwhelmed. Where do I go from here?

- Austin

– Lyndsie

#### Freestyle

I don't consider myself great dancer. But when I do, I come up with some moves that could break someone's foot.

- Luis

#### Question

Do people actually read OTC's?

- Tess

– Hannah

Tess No.

#### Hi Mom

So excited to spend the weekend with my mom and grandma. Happy Moms' Weekend!

## **Raising the stakes**

Increasing the tuition rate for students is a catch-22 for the university

number of college students struggle to pay for L higher education. Some students work part or full-time jobs to pay their tuition and support themselves throughout the course of the school year. Other students depend on loans and grants, which can lead to debt that can follow them long after they graduate.

Paying for school is even difficult for students whose parents help them out financially, as increasing tuition rates place financial strain upon their parents as well.

The real problem is that when it comes to increasing tuition costs, many institutions find that the situation is much more difficult.

Without money, the university cannot provide the services students pay for. However, by seeking money through greater tuition increases, many students can't afford their education.

The University of Idaho estimates it costs full-time instate undergraduate students \$20,400 to attend UI, when room and board and expenses are factored in.

Broken up into roughly nine months of a regular academic year, that's \$2,266 per month, which jumps to \$3,826 for out-of-state students. Looking at tuition alone — set at \$7,020 this year — that's \$780 a month.

When talking about raising tuition, it's important to look at it from a student perspective.

The university approved a 3 percent increase in tuition for the upcoming academic

year. A 3 percent increase, proposed by UI President Chuck Staben, means each student will pay \$212 more per semester next year. While this may not seem like

much, the amount adds up to a pretty penny.

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For students living in lowrent apartments with several roommates, \$212 could be most of a month's rent.

Yet, Staben wanted the State Board of Education (SBOE) Wednesday to consider a 4.5 percent increase in undergraduate in-state tuition, which would mean \$1.7 million more than what was ultimately approved.

The university needs more money and students. The 3 percent increase, which was mandated to support personnel, makes sense.

The extra 1.5 percent of



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hoped for would have been beneficial for the university,

funding Staben

but detrimental for

UI needs to take

some students.

further action to encourage

to look into the tuition lock

proposal, which would guar-

rate through their four years.

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UI should continue to cultivate

potential scholarship donors to

Money is important, but in-

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necessary in order to gain extra

money will likely be counterpro-

ductive to other university goals,

such as increasing enrollment.

despite rising costs.

students to come to UI and sup-

port the students already here,

The SBOE should continue





## Cutting the cord

I was a wreck before my first day as an official University of Idaho student.

It wasn't that I was hesitant about being a part of the Vandal community. In fact, upon arriving in Moscow for the first time I was pleasantly surprised at how warm and welcoming everyone seemed to be.

No, I was such a mess because before that point the longest amount of time I'd spent away from my family was two weeks. In short, I wasn't looking forward to the prospect of moving away for good.

Three months of separation from the people I had literally spent my whole life with was enough to push me to my breaking point. There was part of me that considered if college was worth it at all. Maybe I should have just pursued a career near home with my high school diploma, I thought.

Fortunately, I was smart enough not to do that, and after a month I started adjusting — but it still wasn't easy. My parents are some of my best friends and those three months between the start of term and Thanksgiving Break felt like a lot longer than 90 days.

I've always been close to both my parents. My dad is the one I go to if I want to do something crazy or go on an adventure. My mom is the person I tell everything to. Both of them are the first numbers I call when I have big news or need advice.

For more opinion Being the oldest child has uiargonaut.com affected my relationship to my parents. Mothers and fathers don't really know what kind of parents they're going to be until they have a child to take care of. So, all of the milestones I hit were also firsts for them, and going off to college was included in that.

Having such a tight bond with my family is great, because it means when I'm with them I don't take a second for granted. But it also makes the time away a little harder, like those first three months of my first year. As I get further into my education and come closer to graduation, I've

been realizing how much less time I'll get with my family.

At the end of my first year I was able to spend the entire summer with my family, because my internship was just a 30-minute commute from home. It felt like nothing had changed and it was awesome.

Then, the next summer I spent in Moscow. I spent significantly less time in Boise with my family, but I was still able to drive appreciate the time they have to share with their families

Students should

down about every other week to spend a few days with them.

This summer I'll spend even less time with them. Although I'm excited about what I plan to do, the experience came with the harsh realization that as I get older the time I have to see my

family will become even more limited.

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After I graduate I won't have scheduled weeks for vacations or months in the summer when I can just hang out with my parents or sisters. Unless I live near them, and I have no idea if I will or not at this point, I won't be able to see them much at all, and that makes me really sad.

The message is this — students should spend time with their families when they can. Their family will appreciate it, and they will appreciate it too, even more so when there comes a time when they can't see them as often.

Moms' Weekend is a great opportunity for some needed family time. If you have a mom, or any family coming to Moscow this weekend, make the most of the time you have with them.

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#### Coffee

I forgot to get it the other day. You know what fueled me instead? Anxiety.

– Jake

#### Be happy

Trying to hone in on those Buddha quotes and think happy thoughts, but it's a slow process. – Jessica

#### **April showers**

Don't get me wrong, I'm excited for May flowers, but can we get the sun back?

- Claire

#### **Moms' Weekend**

All that yard and housework to prepare for my mom and she can't make it. Oh well, the chores needed to get done anyway.

– Jordan

#### **Hey Mom**

Quit reading The Argonaut and come hang out with your daughter. Love you!

– Erin

#### Sexual Assault **Awareness Month**

This month is so, so important. Countless people suffer from sexual abuse and many who have experienced abuse are still healing. Please be sensitive during this time. If someone chooses to share their story, just listen.

– Corrin

#### Remember

Two years ago hundreds of Nigerian school girls were abducted by Boko Haram. Two-hundred girls remain missing. The past is important.



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## I got it from my mama

#### In honor of Moms' Weekend, a tribute to my mother is in order

At the risk of being sappy, I'm writing a public thank you letter to my mom just in time for the flock of mothers to start arriving on the Palouse for Moms' Weekend.

Since I left for college two vears ago, it's become increasingly clear that I wouldn't be who I am now without her, and there are a million reasons why — the following are just a few highlights.

Argonaut My mother has always been the type to lead by example. She refuses to do anything half-heartedly. Whether it's as the leader of the local 4-H club or as the die-hard basketball mom in the stands at an away game, the woman is relentless in the best way possible.

My mom has taught me not to

endeavors, and never to apologize for being myself. She takes on too much and somehow gets it all done, staying true to herself the whole way — something I aspire to do thanks to her example. Something people first notice

apologize for being fully invested in my

about me might be my love of conversation. To put it bluntly, I like to talk. This, I undoubtedly got from my mother.

But it goes further than the simple desire to chat. The importance of communication is something that can come across as a curse — especially when other

people don't get the same high from exhausting a topic like I do — but talking things out is a problem-solving skill and a relationship saver that my mom bestowed in me.

Why play guessing games when communication can solve so much ambiguity? I know not everyone shares this philosophy, so when everyone is tired of hearing me attempt to work out issues verbally, I know my mom will still be listening.

Most importantly, my mom taught me how to come to terms with outcomes of all kinds throughout my life. Her go-to phrase is "Everything happens for a reason." It's less about anything spiritual and more about finding peace in any situation. I catch myself repeating the phrase on bad days, reminding myself that the universe works in strange ways.

My mother never thought she'd be married in a small town, raise four daughters and ultimately become an elementary school librarian who teaches sixth grade math. Yet, every time she visits me in Moscow I get to hear about how happy she is where she ended up, and how "Everything happens for a reason."

My mom gives me hope and reassurance, and that's what moms are for, right?

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We may not be celebrating the University of Idaho's Moms' Weekend together this year, but it's no big deal — we

have our own weekends all the time. Since coming to college, my mom has become one of my closest friends, and I hope she considers me one of hers.

There are so many negative connotations that come with the statement "I'm becoming my mother." Yet, I see more of my mother in myself every day in the way I approach challenges, build relationships and come to terms with all the little curveballs life throws at me — and I see nothing negative about it. I am becoming my mother, and I am proud.

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## Top moms of movies Counting down motherly characters in films

Moms do a lot for their children.

They love us. They lecture us. They drive us around and drive us crazy. They tuck us in a night, keep away the monsters under our beds and embarrass us in front of our friends. They ground

us and keep us grounded in life. They are magnificent at times and seem malevolent at others.

They are our mothers. Thick and thin they are our blood. They are always there for us whether we want them to be or not.

Sometimes mothers are portrayed well in films, sometimes they aren't. This list encompasses a wide range of mothers I've encountered in major motion pictures.

#### "Freaky Friday's" Tess Coleman

We all remember the 2003 remake of the 1970s classic starring Jamie Lee Curtis and Lindsey Lohan.

Tess Coleman, played by Curtis, is the mother of Anna Coleman, played by Lohan. Tess is an overworked mother engaged to her soon-to-be second husband. She is too caught up with her professional life and love life to realize that she is neglecting her daughter's emotional needs, and in a freaky turn of events sh

realize they haven't been too empathetic to each other and their relationship is strengthened when they switch back. However, this doesn't happen until the end of the movie, earning her a score of four on the nurture scale, total-

ing a final score of 10.

#### "Mama"

This 2013 thriller/horror movie stars Jessica Chastain as Annabel and Isabelle Nelissa as her boyfriend's youngest niece, Lilly. Although Annabel is not their actual mother, this movie comes in as number four because of the girl's ghostly "mother"

for five years accompanied and nurtured by the phantom they call Mama until they are rescued. When rescued, the girls are in a feral state and require the nurture and care of a mother to help them assimilate back into civilization.

Bringing feral little girls out of the is a ghost that wants to kill the other — take care of her children and will do anything to protect them from danger, from safely descending them into the ocean from an explosion by using her body as a parachute or nagging them insatiably any-

time they use their powers irresponsibly. Parr's strongest power is perhaps her power of nagging, almost equal to the expansion of her deep love for her family. Elastigirl racks up eight points for nurture and six points for torment due to her persistent nagging, bringing her to a total

#### "Terminator's" Sarah Connor

score of 14.

Sarah Connor is the mother and defender of her son John Connor, the savior and soldier of the future.

In the first installment of "The Terminator" series, she is approached by Kyle Reese with information that her son is the world's only hope to bring and end to the robotic takeover, and she fights to keep her non-conceived son a player in future events.

In the next installment, "Judgment Day," Sarah Connor fights to keep her now 10-year-old son John alive.

In the third installment, "Rise o

#### machines.

Sarah's ability and dedication to protect John from the grave and even before his birth, plus her combat skills give her a 10 on the nurture scale. And

because she, unintentionally, drags her son into traumatic scenarios in every film, she earns a seven on the torment scale. She ends with a 17.

#### **Molly Weasley**

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The mother of seven magical children, Molly Weasley is an easy choice for the No.1 movie mother.

Molly does it all. She raises seven children, takes in an eighth when she meets Harry Potter, she's an active member of the Order of the Phoenix, she endures the death of one of her sons and strikes down Bellatrix Lestrange when she attempts to use the killing curse on her daughter, Ginny.

Molly has the biggest heart of any mother on this list, and she cares for her children so much it's mystical. But she is also adept at tormenting and nagging her children as well. In "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" she sends her son Ron a Howler that yells at him in front of all of his friends. She's constantly foiling the mischief of her twins — she has no hesitation in embarrassing, disciplining and tapping into her hot-headed nature from time to time. For this, Molly Weasley earns a 10 on the nurture scale and a nine on the torment scale, for a winning sum of 19.

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Lilly calls Mama.

Lucas' two nieces are left in the woods

wild and into civilization takes some strong mothering chops, earning Mama a six in the nurture category, and nothing can bring more torment then having two mothers — especially when one of them

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switches bodies with her daughter.

The two live each other's lives for a few days, wreaking some havoc. Tess in particular deeply damages Anna's social life, and in conjunction with the emotional neglect earns her a six on the torment scale.

Although she does cause some problems for Anna, in the end they both

giving Mama a seven on the torment scale for a total of 13.

#### "The Incredibles" Elastigirl

Helen Parr, or Elastigirl, the mother of a handful of super heroes breaks in at number three. Parr is the definition of a super mom, both literally and figuratively. She stretches herself to the limits to

Machines," she has died, but she has not stopped protecting her son. She hid a cache of weapons for John to access if and when the machines rise to power.

In the fourth and last installment worth mentioning, "Salvation," Sarah Connor offers her son guidance from the grave through taped recordings that warn John of the future wars with

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# The fluidity of motherhood

This weekend serves as an opportunity to celebrate mothers, maternal figures

There's an old idiom about raising children that still rings true — it takes a village.

Biological parents aren't the only influential individuals in their child's life. Throughout the course of their lives, many people build close relationships with neighbors, mentors and other family members who take on the role of a parent.

Yet, society still tends to associate the role of a parent with biology. In the case of mothers, most people would define someone's mother as the woman who gave birth to them.

However, in terms of social relationships, that's not always the case.

When I tell other people that I have two moms, their immediate assumption is that my parents are in a same-sex relationship. In reality, my biological parents divorced and both remarried when I was still a baby. I first met the woman

who would become my stepmom when I was 2 years old, and I can't remember a time when she wasn't in my life.

I grew up with the great fortune of having two strong, wonderful women in my life who I know will always love and be there for me. My stepmom may not have given birth to me, but she's still someone who has helped me navigate this mess of a world with her love, encouragement and advice.

How we define motherhood, and what it means to a parent, should be more fluid.

There are people who were raised by their grandmothers, godmothers or close relatives, like an aunt. Oth-

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Biological parents aren't the only influential individuals in their child's life.

ers were raised by adoptive mothers, single fathers or same-sex couples. Some people have biological moth-

ers in their lives but are also close with another person who fulfilled a maternal role. Some people may view

their stepmoms as the woman their father remarried, but for me, that isn't the case. There is no single way to define who is and isn't a mother.

The assumption that someone's mother is strictly the person they share half of their chromosomes with is

outdated, and the idea that someone can't have more than one mother is simply untrue. Mothers in the conventional sense



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are tremendously important, but so are people who have played a maternal role in your life or the lives of others.

For students whose biological mothers may not be in their lives, remember

that this Moms' Weekend can serve as an opportunity to express appreciation for the maternal figures or role models in your life. For those whose moms aren't able to make it to Moscow for the weekend, it is still a good time to take a few minutes out of your day to give your mom a call and let her know how much she means to you.

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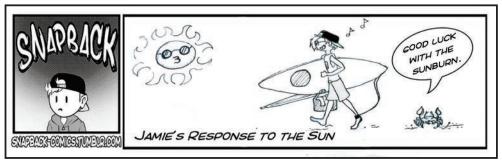
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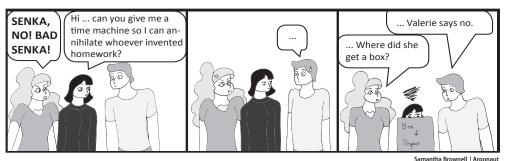


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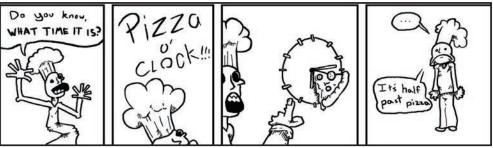


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