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Class of 1966 graduates enjoy conversation with faculty and other alumni at the Golden I Reunion in the Vandal Ballroom Friday evening.

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'The essence of being a Vandal'

Vandal alumni travel near and far for Golden I Reunion

Corrin Bond Argonaut

In 1966, the University of Idaho community braved the cold and the snow to watch football games from outdoor bleachers.

There were 39 pages devoted to men's sports in the "Gem of the Mountains" Yearbook and only four pages devoted to women's athletics, which had not yet reached the intercollegiate level. Female students were assigned 10 p.m. curfews and, if broken, their dates would apologize with flowers the next day. Finals for the fall semester were held after, rather than before, winter break. Many aspects of university life have changed over the past 50 years, Kathy Barnard said at the Golden I Reunion celebration lunch Friday, but the spirit of the campus has stayed the same.

"A lot of things have changed on campus - and I know when you walk around campus you think, 'Wow, things have changed so much, but the more things change, the more they stay the same," Barnard said. "And the spirit and soul of the place is still here — the essence of this campus, the essence of being a Vandal, still exists 50 years later."

The celebration lunch served as the closing event of the Golden I Reunion, a celebration for Vandal alumni who graduated 50 years ago or more. At the lunch, Barnard, the executive director of the Office

of Alumni Relations, proceeded to gift each attendee with a Golden I pin and asked them to share stories about their lives after attending the university.

In addition to the closing celebration lunch, the reunion that ran from Sept. 1 to Sept. 2 included campus tours, alumni socials and yearbook viewing sessions.

Mick Morfitt, who graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1966 and a law degree in 1969, traveled from San Francisco to visit his alma mater. He said the best part of the reunion was getting to watch the Idaho football team win their first home game of the season.

Carl Leth graduated in 1965 and attended this year's reunion with his wife, Gwendolyn Leth. He said he appreciated meeting many of the university administrators at the reunion socials.

"It's really nice to have some of the deans and administrators connect with alumni," Carl said. "It really helps make a connection. You feel like you know more about the university because you know more about the people."

Marie Duncan, the assistant director of the Office of Alumni Relations, said the events recently added to the reunion included Coffee & Conversation, where professor Patricia Hart spoke about lifelong learning and digitalizing information, and Classroom Without Quizzes, where professor George Tanner presented projects and innovations that are new to the UI campus.

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ADMINISTRATION

One door closed, another opened

Dean Kahler named vice provost for strategic enrollment management

Taylor Nadauld Argonaut

The University of Idaho announced Friday that Dean Kahler accepted the position of vice provost for strategic enrollment management, effective Oct. 17.

In a press release from the university, Kahler said he is honored by the opportunity to serve the students of UI.

"I look forward to working with the dedicated faculty and staff at UI as well as with our community partners," Kahler said.

The announcement comes amid months of structural changes to the provost division of student affairs. Changes began at the start of this year when Provost and Executive Vice President John Wiencek said a decision was made to separate enrollment management from the vice provost of student affairs position. A nationwide search for a vice provost of strategic enrollment management began in April.

But when Jean Kim, former vice provost of student affairs, left her position in June of this year, it was announced that the position of vice provost of student affairs would be eliminated entirely and oversight of student affairs would fall under Dean of Students Blaine Eckles.

Wiencek said the new position is meant to fall in line with UI President Chuck Staben's goal to increase statewide enrollment at the university by 50 percent.

Wiencek said his experience working at other universities taught him that the retention of students is an important component of student success - a component that UI has possibly overlooked.

"When I came here to this campus, the impression that I got is we viewed the recruiting function as our whole enrollment strategy," Wiencek said.

In a press release announcing the creation of the vice provost of strategic enrollment management in July, Wiencek said UI cannot afford to wait another year to implement these changes. He said a university's improvement requires forward momentum, a problem he said UI has struggled with for the last decade.

"We just haven't found a consistent momentum to get ourselves moving forward," Wiencek said.

Wiencek said the university has been struggling with enrollment and retention, but transfers to the university are up.

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RESEARCH

A devil of a problem

Researchers find transmissible cancer in Tasmanian devils speeds up process of evolution

Carly Scott Argonaut

There are only four different kinds of transmissible cancer in the animal kingdom.

Tasmanian devils have punched the golden ticket, having two of these four kinds. It was predicted that the transmissible cancer would wipe out the entire species. However, the Tasmanian devils persisted.

Andrew Storfer, a researcher from Washington State University, and Paul Hohenlohe, a researcher at the University of Idaho, set out to discover why.

The cancer first developed in 1996 and it spread rapidly across the species, with an initially high mortality rate, Hohenlohe said. Before 1996 there were no observed cases of the cancer — it developed practically out of nowhere.

"We set out to ask if there's a genetic variation for resistance, and there's the possibility that the species can evolve to resist the disease," Hohenlohe said.

Hohenlohe and Storfer asked just the right question. Now, with modern technology they also had the means to test it.

"We hypothesized that the devils evolved, or the tumors evolved or both," Storfer said. "We had samples from before the disease and after, and we scanned both genomes and looked for frequencies in certain genetic variances."

The sudden persistence of this cancer raised a lot of concern with the public, especially in regard to the conservation of the Tasmanian devil.

"People were really worried about this iconic species," Hohenlohe said. "There was a large push for field work and collecting samples."

It's a big international effort, he said, with collaborators from the United Kingdom and Australia as well.

For Storfer, this research all started when he was on sabbatical in Australia in 2008. He said he was invited to a seminar in Tasmania, and there they agreed that his expertise would be beneficial to the research.

The research scanned across the genome of three populations of Tasmanian devils. They searched for genetic differences in the survivors of these populations.

"We saw evidence of rapid evolution in only four to six generations," Storfer said. "We now have candidate genes to explore relationships."

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Bedsheets, art and beyond

Christian missionary Paul Wislotski adds University of Idaho students' art to his collection

Nina Rydalch Argonaut

As students walked by the Teaching and Learning Center at the University of Idaho Sept. 2, many noticed a man encouraging people to draw on a bed-sheet stretched across an easel.

The man, Christian missionary Paul Wislotski, said he has been traveling across America for over 30 years, starting in 1981.

As part of his adventures he went to the 25th anniversary of Woodstock in 1994, where he made art for the first time and was inspired to begin a cultural revolution.

"I want the 90's generation to stick out in world history as the generation that cares, the generation that started a revolution with bed-sheets and pastels, started something special," Wislotski said.

He said when he returned to his home in Florida, he experimented with different materials and discovered the sheets and pastels worked best.

By 1999, Wislotski managed to visit all 50 state capitols. He said for the past 22 years he has been traveling around the U.S., aiming to visit at least two colleges in each state and add the students' creations to his extensive collection of America's art.

"I've got the whole Northeast done, from Virginia all the way up," he said.

Wislotski said he originally traveled primarily by hitch-hiking, but now drives his van, "Nancy," to college towns and encourages students to draw on the bed-sheets with pastels, both of which he provides.

He said in 2016 he wants to finish the West. Since February he has completed his mission in New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, California, Oregon, Washington, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas.

He said his next stops will be Idaho, Montana and Utah.

Wislotski said he wants to show people Jesus is not scary.



Paul Wislotski explains the process of his art and how he spreads his message.

Joleen Evans | Argonaut

"I get the chance to sow the seed into people's lives and let them know that Jesus is not someone who comes and yells at you, he's not a convicting person, he is a loving, awesome God, and if you, if you allow him into your life, great things will happen," he said.

Wislotski said the focus should not be on churches and specific religions, but on personal relationships with Jesus.

Kaity Kreuger, a student who contributed to one of the bed-sheets, said although she doesn't completely agree with Wislotski's message, she likes his idea of unifying people through art.

"I think it is cool to have an art piece everyone can contribute to," she said.

Wislotski said so far he has collected hundreds of bed-sheets. But sometimes he leaves the artwork with the college if it will hang them up.

The art is mostly created by Millennials, although Wislotski said he also encouraged families to contribute and create something together.

'One day we'll have a massive exhibition of them so people can see what they've done," he said.

Sarah Ashby, a freshman at the university, said as an art enthusiast, the bed-sheet idea makes her happy. She said although Wislotski is a Christian missionary, he doesn't talk too much about it, focusing instead on the art. She said she thinks art draws people together.

"You don't have to speak any certain language to understand art," she said.

Scott Pierce, a student studying music, stopped to study the piece. He said two of his children are fine artists, and Wislotski's work intrigues him.

Wislotski said he himself was not involved in art before he began working with the bed-sheets.

"I wasn't an artist until I started doing these, and some people say I'm not an artist because I don't draw on them. Well, I'm the artist. The people are my paintbrushes," he said.

Wislotski sets certain guidelines for the art, not allowing symbols, signs or the covering of others' art. He does, however, encourage students to add details to the existing art and fill in any blank spaces. He said he gives them suggestions, nudging them to make what his imagination creates.

"I'm the conductor of a symphony of art," Wislotski said.

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A community of techies New club gives those in technology and design opportunities for networking, learning and travel

Nina Rydalch Argonaut

Many colleges advertise themselves as places to expand the minds and opportunities of their students. The University of Idaho Theatre Department has done this by affiliating the university with the United States Institute for Theatre Techthey had their first unofficial meetings in the spring of 2014 and became an official chapter last fall.

'It's a really worthwhile organization and it's very helpful," Sorensen said.

Sorensen said the main goal of the organization is to support students who attend conferences.

Brandt, a graduate student studying theater technology and design, said he received a regional award in 2014 for the puppets he designed for the production "A Christmas Carol" at UI, which sponsored him to travel to the USITT Conference in Cincinnati, where he again won.

Keely Wright, an M.F.A. in theater design and technology and the vice president of the UI chapter.

Wright said the conference includes college and high school students as well as professionals. She said USITT is more beneficial for designers and technicians than the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival, which the theater department is actively involved in. At the USITT conference in Salt Lake City last year, some students handed out their resumes and in return received job offers. Among these were Dace Ahlstrom, a junior in stage management and Packwood. Ahlstrom said he was not planning on having a resume at the conference, but was pushed by Sorensen to get one together. He said he applied for a couple of jobs, and was ultimately accepted by the Santa Fe Opera. "With that on my resume, I feel way more confident going in and applying for any other position," Ahlstrom said. Packwood, who graduated last year, said she was hired by the Illinois Shakespeare Company near Chicago, where she currently lives. She said she ulti-

mately wants to go to graduate school and become a costume shop manager.

Wright said the conference will be in St. Louis this spring and USITT membership for those interested in attending will be \$67, although there is no expense for participating in the club. Sorensen said they will have fundraisers throughout the year to help with

nology (USITT).

The club was originally designed to benefit theater students with technology emphases.

Michael Brandt, the president of the organization, said anyone interested in entertainment technology and design should consider joining.

Anita Packwood, a costume technician and UI grad who went to the USITT conference last year, said this includes engineers, architects, fashion designers and many more.

"The more people that come to the meetings at UI, the better," Packwood said.

Ginger Sorensen, sponsor of the UI chapter, said she was a member of USITT when she taught at the University of Wyoming, and had students approach her about starting a chapter at UI. She said

However, he said USITT was more than about showcasing his work.

"There's a lot of people out there and there's so much to see and do," he said.

Brandt said USITT will expose Idahoans to new ideas and allow them to travel out of state. He said USITT offers informative workshops with speakers who talk about rock shows, cruises and other facets of entertainment technology.

'Getting to go to USITT, you get to see all sorts of the latest technology," said travel expenses.

"We're probably going to have a costume sale this Halloween," she said.

Sorensen said they also received permission to sell University of Idaho Theatre Department shirts, which can be bought in Shoup Hall and will likely be sold in the Hartung lobby eventually.

For those who are unable to attend the conference, there are still monthly meetings, which Brandt said will include speakers, workshops and demonstrations.

"If they can't come to the conference with us, then at least they can have a bit of it come to them," Brandt said.

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A Crumbs recipe Chocolate pecan cookies These crunchy yet gooey cookies are perfect for any decadent craving. With simple ingredients and a short amount of prep time, these cookies will satisfy every sweet tooth. Ingredients Directions ■ 1 cup butter (2 sticks) 1. Cream butter and sugars together 2. Add eggs and vanilla to the creamed mixture ■ 3/4 cup sugar ■ 3/4 cup brown sugar, packed 3. Mix flour, salt and baking soda in a separate bowl 1 teaspoon vanilla then mix into the creamed mixture in thirds 4. Once the dry and wet ingredients are thoroughly 2 eggs ■ 2 1/2 cup all purpose flour mixed, add the chocolate chips and pecans 1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon baking soda 5. Spoon cookie dough evenly onto a greased baking sheet 6. Bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit for 10 to 12 minutes ■ 2 cups chocolate chips ■ 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans Hailey Stewart can be reached at crumbs@uidaho.edu Cat Demon I do indeed have a significant other. So Kevin, do you have a This is Patricia. They have 7 heads, Do you want to see a picture? and every head has a different demon girlfriend back home? hairstyle, isn't that cool?? <3 Aww, yes please! Lars Roubidoux | Argonaut CROSSWORD SUDOKU



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Look out fore Sjogren

Marisa Casella Argonaut

It was on the first day of class that University of Idaho senior, Eric Sjogren said he realized professional golf management was what he really wanted to do.

Sjogren grew up in Vancouver, Washington, with his parents and three siblings and was introduced to golf at a young age. Both his mother and father were avid golfers, especially his father, Sjogren said. His father was a self-taught and began teaching Sjogren when he was about 3 years old.

Which is fairly unique I guess," Sjogren said. "Not too many people pick it up from when they're 3 years old. Most people pick it up when they're 10 or 12."

Sjogren began his college career at Washington State University because of the less expensive in-state tuition. Sjogren said he had fun at WSU and made lots of friends,

but at the end of his second year he seriously started considering what he wanted to do with his life

"All I wanted to do was be around golf," Sjogren said.

Sjogren said he is lucky that there was a school that offered a golf management program only six miles away, but the out-ofstate tuition was expensive.

Because of the cost, Sjogren works and had to take out student loans to pay for his schooling, but it is worth it, he said. He said he would rather make the sacrifice if it meant he would be happier later on.

The professional golf management program at UI has a lot to offer students, Sjogren said.

The major is a marketing degree, which prepares students for the business aspect of a golf course, he said. Students can become directors or general managers of golf, where

they work the business operations as well as teach the sport. They can also become head professionals where they teach and sell merchandise.

If students decide they

don't like the golf aspect of the major, Sjogren said, they still have the marketing degree and can work with that for their career.

Sjogren said students with the major are required to complete 16 months of internships. This is divided into three internships that last three months and one that lasts seven months.

Students can go anywhere in the world that they want for internships, Sjogren said. He chose to be an intern in Colorado, Florida and Oregon.

Through these internships, Sjogren said he was able to get a better idea of what he



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Senior Eric Sjogren discusses life

as a major in professional golf

wanted to do with his major as well as step out of his comfort zone to gain new experiences.

When Sjogren interned in Florida, it was for a corporate aspect of golf management at the Professional Golf Association

Headquarters, which was different from his other two internships. This allowed him to see if he enjoyed working in an office, Sjogren said.

Sjogren encourages students, in and out of the professional golf management program, to step out of their comfort zones to see what they're made of and to take any chance at an internship they're interested in.

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Running into yoga

Nina Rydalch Argonaut

Kate Magolan encourages her students to incorporate movement into their lives.

A yoga and running instructor at the University of Idaho, Magolan said she owns a yoga studio with her husband Jakob, an organic chemistry professor at UI, and trains for road races whenever she has the chance.

Magolan said this is the first time she is teaching a credit course, although she taught yoga at the Student Recreation Center for three semesters and at the studio for three years. She is currently teaching Yoga Toning, Yoga for Beginners I and Road and Trail Running.

"It's been lovely so far," she said.

Magolan said she is excited for the running course, which has not been taught at the university before due to a lack of interest. She said since there are only 10 people enrolled in the course, she can make an individualized training plan for each student.

The Road and Rail Running class meets near the track for warm-ups, before running on one of the nature paths in the area and follows their individual goals, she said. Magolan said the class might run a 5K together this fall, as she knows some students have set that as a goal.

"It's a really, like a nice team atmosphere," she said. "We've got all levels, from beginner runners, to people who haven't ran in a long time, to people who are training for a marathon."

She said her students have expressed the desire for a second course, which is current-ly unavailable.

Magolan said she has been running since she was in the third grade, and ran competitively in both high school and at Queens University. She was prompted to stop due to a running injury she got in college. She said she got a job at the university which didn't involve much movement, but she preferred to be active.

"I was in an office all day, sitting in a desk for, gosh, maybe like up to 10 hours some days," she said.

To continue being active, Magolan turned to yoga. She said she learned poses by watching videos when she had nothing else to do. Magolan said although she originally made up for not running, she received the additional benefits of flexibility and relaxation.

Magolan said much of teaching yoga is helping people let go of their misconceptions about it.

"Often you think there's an end goal to a pose, but there's really not, there's no perfect pose. It's about just feeling the stretch," she said.

Right now, Magolan said she is trying to reach 500 hours of training. She said the

New University of Idaho PEB instructor demonstrates passion for both running and yoga

typical amount of training for a yoga instructor to have is 200 hours, and she currently has around 300.

"You can go a little bit more deeply into different sections of yoga, so my last one was yoga philosophy and meditation," she said.

Attending yoga training also gives her the opportunity to travel. She said she took her family to Tofino on Vancouver Island at a previous event, and will go to California for training in yoga alignment this winter.

Magolan said she wants to keep people from injury and help them create a sustainable practice they can incorporate into their lives. She said not every style of yoga is the same, so if a student doesn't like one kind of yoga, they can take another class with a different style.

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Education Abroad Fair provides information for students looking to broaden their college experience

Carly Scott Argonaut

A college student who doesn't want to travel the globe is rare to find today.

Whether they're engineers or sociologists, students seem to have an insatiable wanderlust.

For these students, the Study Abroad Office at the University of Idaho seeks to give them as much information as possible. The first step in this is the Education Abroad Fair.

The Education Abroad Fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at the Idaho Commons Plaza.

"It's one of the two times during the year that students can come and speak directly to the people that provide our study abroad programs," said Colton Oliphant, study abroad adviser.

He said the fair provides a unique opportunity for students interested in going abroad, because it provides face-to-face interaction with people in his office, rather than correspondence by email.

"It's for literally everybody. For people who already have plans, it's a great way to connect with their program advisers," Oliphant said. "For students who are curious it's a perfect way to see all of the different options in the same place at once in a very fun atmosphere." He said that even students who don't think they're interested should stop by and see if something piques their interest. Bob Neuenschwander, director of International Grants and Initiatives, said students who study abroad almost always refer to it fondly as one of the best times of their lives. "It allows students to experience a different educational system, network with professors, research abroad and learn about different cultures and languages," Neuenschwander said.

to see the world and it's the best time in a person's life to do it. He said the Education Abroad Fair is the first step toward moving into a life-changing experience.

UI has partnered with more than 400 universities in more than 60 different countries.

Both Oliphant and Neuenschwander agreed that many students' fears about studying abroad are unfounded.

One of the biggest concerns they hear is that studying abroad will delay them from graduating on time. However, UI has programs abroad for every major on campus.

"In fact, students who studied or interned abroad usually graduate much more along the lines of an Honors student," Oliphant said.

Another factor students worry about is the amount that studying abroad costs.

"It's shades of gray. It does not cost a lot of money if you look for programs that don't cost a lot of money," Oliphant said. "We have programs that are cheaper than staying here as an in-state student."

UI also provides support to students looking for an international experience.

"One of the wonderful things about being a student at the University of Idaho is the International Experience Grant program, which provides \$157,00 per year to UI students," Neuenschwander said.

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Neuenschwander said studying abroad during college is one of the easiest ways

university, scholarships from different departments and private scholarships. Students can also apply their UI financial aid to studying abroad.

Neuenschwander and Oliphant said the most important thing for students to do when they know they will study abroad is to plan ahead of time. From getting passports, deciding where the student wants to go and figuring out classes, starting early is key, they said.

"It only delays graduation if you want it to. It only costs a lot of money if you want it to," Oliphant said.

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In hope to spark history

Women's Center and Office of Multicultural Affairs to offer film at Kenworthy Performing Arts Center

Savannah Cardon Argonaut

Less than half a century ago, immigrant women underwent struggles that many people in the U.S. are still unaware of.

The University of Idaho Women's Center and the Office of Multicultural Affairs collaborated to tell these women's stories by presenting a screening of the film, "No Mas Bebes" at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center.

The screening of the film was put together to promote awareness and help kick off the University of Idaho's Latino/a Heritage

month, said Leathia Botello, coordinator for the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

"No Mas Bebes," or "No More Babies," is a documentary film that tells the story of a group of Mexican immigrant women who were coerced into unwanted sterilization upon arriving at a Los Angeles County hospital to give birth in the late 1960s and early 1970s. This group of women, scared and unable to speak English, came to the hospital to have their children and left sterilized and confused. Botello said the film reveals the struggles and hardships this group of women went through to provide reproductive justice for themselves.

The film shows how the women were able to team up with a lawyer and sue not only the doctors, but the state of California and the U.S. government, she said. The film plays a part in the understanding the history of immigrant women's rights, and how the historical Roe v. Wade case played a significant role in this situation.

Assistant Director for Programs at the Women's Center, Bekah MillerMacphee said the film provides an opportunity to learn about U.S. history.

"Many people do not realize that immigrant women were sterilized against their will and without their knowledge," MillerMacPhee said. "It's a part of U.S. history we'd like to give students the opportunity to learn about."

Botello said "No Mas Bebes" shows a particularly unusual part of U.S. history some people may be unaware of.

"It is always good to remind people about the history that goes on in the country," Botello said.

She said the movie should play an impactful part on those who attend.

"I think the movie will be surprising for a lot of people, mostly because you would expect these types of things to happen 100 years ago, not 40," Botello said.

Although a rather extreme event in history, Botello said this story is one that many people have never heard of. The film screening gives those a chance to learn about the struggle of immigrant mothers during that time.

The screening of "No Mas Bebes" will take place 7 p.m. today at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center in downtown Moscow. The film is free for students to attend.

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UI experienced a 3.8 percent decline in nonresident registrations this year, mainly due to a drop in international student enrollment, but had a 4.1 percent increase in new transfer students.

"We've been, actually, declining in enrollment, and I think we understand pretty well where that came from," Wiencek said. "It was somewhat intentional, but it does sort of take the wind out of

the sails, and it makes it hard for faculty, staff and students to really feel good about their university and excited about its future."

Now, Wiencek said, UI is at a turning point. With the changes being implemented, there will be four major pillars reporting to the provost - student affairs, strategic enrollment management, faculty development and academic initiatives.

A national search is vet to be underway for a vice provost of academic initiatives. An interim search

will also be underway for a temporary appointment to the position.

Kahler, a former inaugural vice chancellor for enrollment management at the University of Arkansas - who also worked in enrollment management at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green (WKU) beat out three other applicants for the position.

"We could've accepted any of them and been in a really good place," Wiencek said.

But Wiencek said Kahler has both the recruitment and retention

skills that the university needs to meet Staben's enrollment goal. Kahler served

as the executive director of

Navitas, associate vice president for enrollment management and director of the Office of Admissions during his 10 years at WKU.

According to a university press release, Kahler helped increase new freshmen admissions by nearly 50 percent in three years at the University of Arkansas. Taylor Nadauld can be reached at

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Duncan said one alumnus even took the information learned in Hart's presentation and used it to find his graduate thesis in the UI digital archives.

After receiving their Golden I pins, the alumni who attended the reunion stood together to sing the UI alma mater, "Here We Have Idaho."

Storfer said this is the best news

the devils could receive. This led

Storfer and other researches to believe

Hohenlohe said the biggest chal-

lenge so far is dealing with the massive

amount of data. With modern tech-

nology, they can sequence large

amounts of information, but the anal-

the animal will not go extinct.

During the song, Florence Barker stood and sang beside her husband Sam. Though she graduated in 1966 and went on to receive her graduate degree at the University of Wyoming, she said she still considers UI to be her home.

"Though we went on to grad school, for me personally, I set my roots here more," Barker said. "You know, last night we were trying to

ysis still takes a long time.

In the future, members of the project are going to scan more populations. The goal of this is to link more genes to resistance. This also has implications for cancer and evolution research in general.

"It has the potential to give insights into other types of cancer," Hohenlohe said.

It has the potential to further demystify evolution research, Storfer 'Here We Have Idaho.'" Corrin Bond can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu or on Twitter @CorrBond

remember the names of people who

impressed us and influenced us, we

spent hours trying to figure it out.

Our lives would have been totally dif-

ferent if we hadn't had those people

impress us so much, so I loved singing

said, because it gives researchers insight into general evolution outside the realm of cancer. Researchers are currently looking into the second type of transmissible cancer that Tasmanian devils have as well.

"The fact that two of these (cancers) happened in one species, you can't really explain it by chance," Hohenlohe said.

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Torell Stewart, a geology major, rocks the goal for Idaho

Tess Fox Argonaut

The sun beats down on a green field. Whistles sound, players take off and the crowd claps. The Idaho women's soccer team is playing at Guy Wicks Field.

Senior goalkeeper Torell Stewart waits. Even when her team is at the far end of the field, she is engaged, shouting instructions and praise. As the players rush toward her, Stewart's demeanor changes.

Her eyes dart back and forth, following the ball. She shifts her weight from left to right, waiting to strike.

With sophomore goalkeeper Amanda Poertner still in recovery from an injury, Stewart has stepped into the starting goalkeeper role for Idaho this season. She's made 24 saves so far this season and played in every game.

Stewart started playing soccer at 5 years old. Her earliest memory is being the only volunteer to play goalkeeper.

"I was like, TII do it," she said. "I went back there and they were like, 'Wow, she's pretty good.' So they just kept me back there and I found something I was good at."

Stewart played on several different club teams and for her high school.

"I played on a really good high school team," she said. "We won state my sophomore and senior year. That was really awesome."

Stewart said she absolutely loved playing club soccer.

"We were all really close," she said. "Almost all of the girls on my club team went on to play college soccer. We got to travel a lot, it was awesome. It really prepared me for this journey through college."

Stewart is one of the few girls left on the soccer team that weren't recruited by Idaho women's soccer coach Derek Pittman. He took over coaching in 2014, Stewart's sophomore year.

"I think everyone was kind of a little bit nervous about that whole situation," she said. "It is a new coach and you don't know who it is at all."

Stewart said she pictured Pittman at Idaho during the interview process.

"Once he started coaching us in the spring it started all like fitting into place," she said. "It just kind of worked out but there was definitely some nerves in the beginning."



Senior goalkeeper Torell Stewart kicks the ball after a save Aug. 26 against Gonzaga at Guy Wicks Field.

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Pittman was happy to inherit Stewart when he took over the program in 2014.

"She's a very solid goalkeeper," he said. "She's developed a tremendous amount over the past three years. She played for us all of 2014 behind a team that was very fragmented at times and L think she continued

mented at times and I think she continued to push herself and make herself better from a goalkeeper standpoint."

After graduation, the geology major is looking to become a petroleum geologist.



Senior goalkeeper Faith Sugerman, who transferred to Idaho late for her last year of eligibility, said Stewart has helped her with the transition.

"I really enjoy her personality during training," Sugerman said. "She knows when to be serious and she knows when to be Tess Tox | Argonad

more laid back. I can really appreciate that." Stewart said she doesn't plan to play soccer after graduation. However, she said she would consider coaching.

"Working with Moscow United this past year has been really fun," Stewart said. "I think if I can do that maybe for fun or on the side, but soccer is always going to be in my life."

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Emerald City woes

Idaho volleyball falls to Seattle U, Washington, Villanova

Luis Torres Argonaut

The season began with a bang for the Idaho volleyball team last week, winning 3-0 at the New Mexico Tournament. One week later, challenging opponents halted Idaho's progress.

The Vandals are 3-3 overall, after losing three matches in the Seattle U Tournament last weekend.

In a news release, Idaho coach Debbie Buchanan said the rough weekend won't stop the team's progress.

"We told the team this is not going to define who we are going to be," Buchanan said. "We have to learn from this and get back in the gym and make things better. (The season) is not going to get any easier. We just have to work and getting better and competing at a higher level."

Idaho's challenging weekend began with a 3-1 loss (18-25, 25-19, 21-25, 16-25) to No. 5 Washington Friday at the Alaska Airlines Arena.

Sophomore outside hitter Kaela Straw continued her momentum from New Mexico, leading the team with 13 kills. Sophomore setter Haylee Mathis earned her first double-double with 19 assists and 17 digs.

The Huskies' -.021 hitting percentage and 13 errors helped give Idaho the opportunity for a win in the second set.

Buchanan said the offense and middles contributed to Idaho's second set win.

"We were running our offense pretty fast and making good swings," Buchanan said. "We were trying to get our middles involved a little more. In game two, seven of our 22 attacks came from the middles. We were starting to feed them the ball, which opens up our pins a bit more."

Washington coach Keegan Cook said the second set loss didn't impact the team's behavior on the court.

"We weren't changing our behaviors in the face of some adversity," Cook said in a news release. "It got gnarly there in that second set, Idaho did a great job all match."

The Vandals lost 3-2 to Seattle U Friday in a grinding five set match (25-22, 25-27, 25-22, 19-25, 15-10) at Connolly Complex.

Straw earned a career-high 19 kills and senior defensive specialist Terra Varney had 27 digs. Varney is now eighth on Idaho's all-time dig list with 1,072, only 17 digs behind alumni Janelle Chow.

Buchanan said playing two games in one day was grueling for players still recovering from injuries.

"Seattle U played great at the pins and really challenged us with big blocks and aggressive serving," Buchanan said. "I knew it was going to be tough with us playing earlier in the day. We need to get our middles more involved in the offense as we continue to get healthy."

The Vandals were swept by the Villanova 3-0 (23-25, 13-25, 22-25) Saturday in their last match of the tournament.

Varney added five digs Saturday, putting her 12 digs shy of Chow. Junior outside hitter Becca Mau led the team with eight kills and three blocks.

Buchanan said she wasn't pleased with the team's performance Saturday.

"Saturday was a disappointing day," Buchanan said. "We looked a little tired and that cannot be an excuse. We have to be able to come out and play. We were able to do a lot of good things this tournament. We are playing good defense."

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Stewart saves Vandals

Idaho women's soccer returns from Hawaii with a loss and a tie

Tess Fox Argonaut

For most, Labor Day weekend means the last camping trip of summer. For others, it's a chance to catch up on sleep and homework.

For the Idaho women's soccer team, the long weekend meant a trip to Hawaii, to play St. Mary's and Hawaii.

The Vandals lost 2-0 to Hawaii Thursday.

"I thought we adjusted well in the first half and kept them at bay for long periods of time," Idaho head coach Derek Pittman said. "The players played really hard, we just never found a way to break through. In the end, they caught us on a little bit of a counter attack which ultimately led to the first goal and we didn't react well."

The Rainbow Wahine scored the first goal of the game in the 79th minute. As the Vandal defense collapsed, an official called a penalty kick for Hawaii. Senior goalkeeper Torell Stewart made a move toward the ball, but the low shot slipped past her fingers.

Minutes later, The Rainbow Wahine's Kellsie Gleason's shot sailed past Stewart and into the goal.

Idaho forced Hawaii's goalkeeper to make five saves throughout the game. Senior forward Kavita Battan, sophomore midfielder Megan Goo and senior defender Madison Moore all made two shot attempts.

The trip to Hawaii was extra special for freshman midfielder Sophia French. Sophia's twin sister, Lillie, plays for the Rainbow Wahine. Neither was concerned about Thursday's game.

"We were on different teams for about a year," Lillie said in a phone interview. "It was intense. It was kind of funny though, because we're both so competitive with each other. Who can beat who, who could outrun the other."

The two sported the same shoes for Thursday's game. The twins switched one cleat with the other before leaving for college and now have a green shoe and a yellow shoe each.

After several relaxing days on the beach, Idaho tied 0-0 against St. Mary's Sunday.

Stewart made eight saves during the game and kept the draw for Idaho in the final seconds.

"She really stepped up and played fantastic against Hawaii with some massive saves," Pittman said. "Made two or three big saves to keep Saint Mary's at bay and keep them scoreless. Really happy with her steps forward leading the back line and keeping us organized and doing the things she needed to do to keep the shutout."

Saint Mary's Hannah Diaz was moving down the left side unchecked when Stewart read her line and made her biggest save of the game.

"I thought our players fought very, very hard through some difficult conditions at times," Pittman said. "Obviously the delay early on and the weather we had during the game. They made the necessary adjustments. I thought our team really stood up tall across the back line. It was a total team effort to get the first shutout of the season. We definitely took a step forward today."

Stewart earned all-tournament honors.

Sophomore defender Kelly Dopke and sophomore midfielder Megan Goo also earned recognition.

The Vandals take on Seattle U 7 p.m. Friday in Seattle and Boise State noon Sunday in Boise.

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The Vandals took a 6-1 lead in the third set before the Wildcats bounced back. After tying the score, Villanova scored the final three points.

Buchanan said third set loss was another indicator of the team's health.

"We should have started the match playing at the level we did at the start of the third," Buchanan said.

"We did not play as good as we did against Washington. We are still working on getting in volleyball shape. That is the tough part about dealing with the injuries we had in the preseason."



Idaho will play in the Washington State Cougar Challenge

starting Friday in Pullman. The Vandals start with George Washington at 9:30 a.m. before facing Maryland Eastern Shore at 5 p.m.

Idaho closes the weekend against Washington State 1 p.m. Saturday at Bohler Gym in Pullman. The Cougars enter the tournament 5-1.

Big Sky Conference play begins Sept. 22.

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Athletes of the week



Aaron Duckworth -Football

Junior running back Aaron Duckworth had a strong start to his season Thursday against Montana State. Duckworth set a new careerbest by covering 108 yards. In ad-



nament honors.





Sports briefs

Winners of the Inland

The Idaho women's cross country team won their first meet Thursday in Moscow. The men's team took second.

Five Vandals from the women's team took spots in the top nine, earning Idaho 28 points. Eastern Washington finished second with 61 points.

Junior Sierra Speiker finished third in the 4k with a time of 14:12.9. Redshirt freshman Kara Story took fourth and graduate student Halie Raudenbush earned fifth, both with a time of 14:15.6

Sophomore Andrea Condie finished seventh and senior Ally Ginther took ninth.

Gonzaga took first in the men's competition with 26 points. Idaho came in second with 40 points.

Freshman Grayson Ollar finished fourth with a time of 18:41.1 in his first collegiate race.

Scheduled up

The Idaho men's basketball team announced their 2016-2017 schedule last week. The season opens Oct. 25 with an exhibition game against Carroll College and another exhibition Nov. 4 against Lewis-Clark State, both in Moscow.

The regular season kicks off Nov. 12 against Corban in the Memorial Gym. Before starting conference play, Idaho will take on several NCAA teams. Little Rock played in the second round of the big dance last year. South Dakota State made the first round.

After playing Sam Houston State Nov. 25, Idaho plays San Jose State Nov. 29 and UC Davis Dec. 3.

Washington State will host the Battle of the Palouse Dec. 7 in Pullman. The Vandals will be playing for a third straight win in the longest continuous rivalry west of the Mississippi. The rivalry has lasted 112 seasons.

To close nonconference play, the Vandals play Northwest Nazarene Dec. 17 and Stanford Dec. 22.

The Vandals start their conference season at home Dec. 30 against Eastern Washington. Idaho will play Montana and Montana State before playing a series of road games.

The Big Sky Tournament runs March 7-11 in Reno.

Newly signed Scorcher

Former Vandal forward Nahshon George signed a professional contract with the Surrey Scorchers Aug. 30.

George started 16 games last season. He had the second best rebounding average with 4.1 boards per game.

The Scorchers are part of the British Basketball League, the top league in the United Kingdom. The team is a mix of college, local and international players. The Scorchers open their season Sept. 24 against the London Lions.

On the road again

The road to Reno will be filled with travel for the Idaho women's basketball team. The 2016 Big Sky Champions announced their 2016-2017 schedule last week, which features 18 road games.

The Vandals will play an exhibition game against Multnomah Nov. 5 in the Memorial Gym.

Next, Idaho will play eight regular season games away from home.

Idaho women's basketball coach Jon Newlee said he wished the Vandals had more home games.

"That is just how scheduling goes at times," Newlee said in a news release. "We get a lot of home-and-home games. This is just one of those years where we have to return games and get out on the road."

The first eight games include games against two of last year's Final Four teams, Washington and Oregon State.

The Vandals are attending two tournaments, the Grand Canyon Thanksgiving Classic and the Maui Wahine Classic.

Idaho returns Dec. 17 to play Central Washington in the Memorial Gym. The Vandals will play Oregon Dec. 20 in Eugene before playing Lewis-Clark State Dec. 27 at home.

To start the conference season, Idaho plays Eastern Washington Dec. 31 in Cheney.

The Vandals play Montana, Montana State, Weber State, Idaho State, Southern Utah and Northern Arizona at home.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so."

— William Shakespeare

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Four screenshots of the different menus and gameplay from UI Polymorphic Games Studio.

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Evolution in your computer

UI video game studio have brought students of many disciplines together

Sam Balas Argonaut

The University of Idaho is not the first campus in the country to have its own video game studio, but "Polymorphic Games," a video game studio led by UI Biology Professor Barrie Robison and Computer Science Professor Terry Soule, may be the most inclusive.

We have students from almost every department helping us in some way. We even have brought in law students to help us with licensing," Robison said. "Without student involvement none of this would have been possible."

The pair first explored the idea of starting a video game studio two and a half years ago, when Robison, an evolutionary biologist, approached Soule, with the idea of developing

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video games that would utilize the Darwinian concept of survival-of-the-fittest.

Soule, a specialist in the subfield of artificial intelligence, jumped on the idea.

Their advances have built upon ideas to create enemies that react to the player. The enemies evolve based on which units come closest to defeating the human player. The "fittest" of these enemies pass on their traits to the next group of enemy units, these traits even include random mutations that help the enemy defeat the human player.

Through the development of this system, the two self-described video game nerds see ways for even the most advanced AAA titles, like Call of Duty and Total War, to be improved.

"I'll play video games now and think of ways to make them better," Robison said.

After the two fully developed their concepts, they realized the campus brought together many students that could be a major asset to the project, Robison said.

They began hiring various undergraduate students from different departments on campus to help them create their games. Their core principle is to use evolutionary science to make games better.

'Evolution makes games very hard," Robison said, "We've had a clear vision from the beginning, but we weren't sure if it would be possible."

Fears of the impossible have been alleviated in recent months. Their newest and most advanced game, "Darwin's Demons," is almost completely finished and cleared to be released on platform "Steam," said Robison.

After "Darwin's Demons" is released, they plan on developing a new game immediately after.

We've secured funding for another round of students to help us on the project" Soule said."We have lots of ideas to draw from, but we tend to set our sights high."

Balancing the role of both UI faculty and "Polymorphic Games" developer has proved a challenge for Soule and Robison, who have found solace in how supportive the school has been.

"We've enjoyed a ton of support from all of the levels above us," Robison said.

Instead of bemoaning the time spent on the project, department heads across campus have expressed excitement at the real world experience it has given students.

Art students have been developing the look of the game, Video Technology and Design students have been designing the graphics of the game and music students have been writing a score.

Soule and Robison hope that "Polymorphic Games" continues to grow their presence on campus, so that students can continue to experience the trials and tribulations of developing video games. Soule and Robison encourage students from any major that wish to get involved to contact them.

"The interdisciplinary aspect is what makes it fun," Robison said. "I can't think of a medium that is more interdisciplinary."

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The stranger the better A spoiler-free review of Netflix's new hit, "Stranger Things"

There is nothing strange about college students binge-watching their favorite television series on streaming services like Netflix.

But college students binge-watching a Netflix original series based in 1983 Indiana with a supernatural storyline of monsters, realm-hopping and totally sick synth beats? That's a little stranger.

And yet "Stranger Things" has caught on with vigor over the last month, following its July 15 release — and for good reason.

First, the acting is incredible, which is no small feat when a good chunk of the plot relies on child actors. The children are convincingly from the 80s - puffy jackets, bikes, walkietalkies and all.

Finn Wolfhard steals hearts as Mike Wheeler, whose best friendgoes missing as a result of supernatural doings. And Millie Bobby Brown, plays the mysterious and endearing character Eleven.

If "Stranger Things" does not catapult these two into the limelight, nothing will.

Winona Ryder is arguably the series' only big-name actor, who plays the missing boys' mother with all the grit and emotion she should.

Police Chief Jim Hopper, played by David Harbour, brings viewers to his side despite his seemingly rough and rowdy ways.

The length of the series is also integral in making it so binge-watchable. With only eight episodes, each about an hour long, "Stranger Things" can easily be knocked out in a lazy weekend.

The plot never drags, giving the impression of a really long but really good movie.

And to add fuel to the fire of the series' never-ending excellence, the music is era-specific and utilized well in all scenes scary, heartfelt and otherwise.

Who knew synth could be used so well as a scare-factor? The opening credits are enough to create goose bumps.

On a more analytical note, part of the reason "Stranger Things" is catching on so rapidly may point to societal desires for a new conflict in popular television — one where the "other" is set completely apart from reality.

Put simply, the concept of the "other" is the character in any story - TV shows, movies, books and more — that serves as a point of contention for the plot. Most popularly, the "other" in today's television is a villain or criminal, which develops the "good guy vs.

bad guy" stereotype. Sometimes, when considering shows like "Grey's Anatomy," the "other" in the plot the source of strife within the story - may be based on gender, sexual orientation or race.

Certain characters face struggles or are victimized based on realistic Lyndsie Kiebert differences viewers face in their every day lives.

This is not to say "Grey's Anatomy" isn't a great television series, as it is entering it's 13th season, but these uses of the "other" are close to home.

The "other" in "Stranger Things" is a monster from an ulterior realm that all characters — poor and rich, average and beautiful, black and white, young and old join forces to defeat.

This concept is refreshing and rarely seen in today's binge-watched television, so it is possible that fans of "Stranger Things" are drawn to this fantastical - but uplifting - use of the "other."

This creepy but endearing series has all the vibes of "The Goonies" meets "The Thing," and somehow the combination works like a charm. Netflix junkies of all ages should catch up on season one of "Stranger Things" before season two captivates audiences again in 2017.

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Ul president addresses issues and goals with The Argonaut editorial board

n a meeting with The Argonaut's editorial board Friday, University of Idaho President Chuck Staben addressed recent campus issues and goals for the remainder of the 2016-2017 academic year. Staben answered questions about the new tobacco-free and dry tailgating policies, the recent euthanizing of feral cats on campus and his 10-year strategic plan for the university.

The meeting helped clear up some of the misunderstandings surrounding recent events, while also shedding light on his plans for the future of UI.

In regards to the new tobacco policy on campus, Staben said the policy shouldn't have come as a shock to students and staff. The original draft of the policy was set to be implemented in August 2015, so the summer start date was already in motion.

When it comes to enforcing the policy, Staben said there has been very little resistance from smokers when asked to put out their cigarettes. Staben also said that most of the community will agree this policy produces positive results, and responses have been cordial from students and staff. Perhaps the most notable policy change this fall has been the absence of alcohol at university tailgating events.

UI tailgating is dry following a vote from the Idaho State Board of Education that denied UI's proposal for alcohol-friendly tailgating zones, reinforcing the state's policy of alcohol-free public lands. Staben said the Moscow Police Department will be focusing on behavior at tailgating events, rather than actively pursuing tailgaters to find out what is in their drinks. This parallels what authorities have told The Argonaut in recent interviews.

The meeting with Staben also brought up the controversy that recently captured statewide headlines.

The early summer incident of cats being euthanized on campus is one that Staben is well aware of. Last Friday, Staben charged a task force with investigating the rules and procedures that are meant to be followed in the case of pest management.

Staben also provided the editorial board with a glimpse of his vision for the university's future. Staben said part of the plan to make UI a better institution is to make wages for faculty and staff competitive with the rest of the nation.

This presents a challenge. Revenue needs to increase in order to increase the school budget, which would help accomplish that goal. The university's biggest source of revenue is students, which is why Staben said his focus is to increase enrollment and retention.

Some successes have already come through with Idaho's Direct Admission, even though the exact numbers have yet to be calculated. Staben said further steps to decrease the burden of college on students is to eliminate the application fee for first-year students in the future.

Also on the UI administration's radar is the Idaho Arena, something Staben said he's wanted to see come to fruition since he came to campus in 2014. The arena would replace the Cowan Spectrum as the home for the UI men's and women's basketball teams.

Staben said fundraising for the Idaho Arena has gone well, and that the project will be entering its public phase soon, meaning that plans to begin building the arena aren't far off.

Staben plans to address the university about the successes and challenges of the goals he has set out for this year at the State of the University Address Oct. 5.

-CW



Atlanta

Donald Glover might very well be the most talented man in the business. You should check out the season premiere of his new show.

– Josh

Pandas

So since they aren't endangered and just vulnerable, does that mean I can own one as a pet?

- Claire

- Jack

Feelings, part 1/6

Keep them safe, locked away, For another day.

Not safe at all.

Hope Solo

Would a male player have been suspended, then fired, for the same actions? Let's be real - probably not.

- Tess

Holy guacamole

I think the major craze is over. I'm getting into the swing of things this semester and I'm ready to "shine bright like a Diamond."

- Diamond

Sanctuary

I wish I had a week off with no disturbances. Just me, my video games and wine.

– Catherine

New kids

Suddenly, 21 feels much older than it really should feel. I'm still young and hip, right? No, I don't need your help crossing the street.

- Erin





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A perspective on predjudice

In mid-August, a Florida State University Sophomore, Austin Harrouff, was found chewing on a face belonging to one of the two people he had just murdered. The college student did

not know the couple he murdered. They had been sitting on a couch in their open garage when he passed through their neighborhood after leaving in the middle of dinner with his family, reportedly frustrated. The student was suspected to be on Flakka, also known as "powdered psychosis," and had a history of steroid use. He was detained by a team of police officers only after being stunned by a Taser multiple times and bitten by police dogs.

The first question that came to my mind after reading the Washington Post's article was asked by many readers before me: Why was he not shot?

My initial assumption was that Harrouff, unlike so many other victims of recent police shootings, was white.

While Harrouff's situation could be paralleled with a number of other similar situations where culprits were shot, rather than detained, I thought specifically of Feras Morad.

He and I competed in the same speech and debate league in high school. When an old friend told me about Morad's fatal shooting, I was horrified.

Morad was at a party in Long Beach, California, when he jumped out of a second story window while on mushrooms. The police were called to provide medical aid, as Morad had injured himself in the fall. They were warned that he was unarmed, but was having a bad reaction to the drugs. When

an officer arrived on the scene, he confronted Morad without backup. The LA Times reported that Morad advanced toward the officer after

being told to stop. He and uiargonaut.com the officer had a physical struggle and Morad was tased as well as struck with a flashlight. Morad allegedly advanced again, and the officer shot.

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When I read the article about Austin Harrouff, I thought about Morad, and I sat down to write a column about the tremendous injustice

behind police brutality and raciallydriven incidences. I started doing research, but the more I researched Morad's shooting, the more confused I felt about my stance. Morad was injured, but he was also on a powerful hallucinogenic drug. He was seeking medical aid, but acting aggressively and fought with a police officer. The officer tased him and used physical force, neither of which worked. That's when the officer shot. Had there been two or three other officers, it's likely he would've been subdued, arrested and taken to a hospital.

It was unfair that Morad, who was unarmed and injured, was shot and Harrouff was not. But at the end of my search, I had to admit that my original assumption had been wrong: Morad was killed in the self-defense of a police officer who made the mistake of trying to handle the situation alone, not because he wasn't white. I cannot claim to know why Austin Harrouff was not shot. Maybe it was because of the color of his skin, maybe because the officers felt more capable of detaining Harrouff because they outnumbered him. What I do know is that I blame

Questioning natural biases is a part of breaking down prejudices

the officer who shot Morad for not waiting for backup, I blame him for knowing Morad was unarmed and shooting anyway, but I do not blame him for shooting Morad because he was Middle Eastern.

The idea that racial prejudices have a tremendous influence upon the legal system of the United States is one that cannot be denied. Alternatively, it would be inappropriate to take that social phenomenon and, from it, come to the conclusion that all acts of violence committed by police officers are racially driven.

While I'd like to look at every police shooting and say, "That's an example of police brutality," I can't. I have no idea what it's like to be a police officer. I have never experienced the same kinds of stressors or anxieties law enforcement officials have felt. Conversely, I've also never known what it feels like to be a public citizen who lives in fear of the police.

When individuals limit their perspectives of the world, even unintentionally, they are accepting that the world is black and white — that we need one extreme or the other. It's not only about racial prejudices, but also about gender, age, sexual identity, socioeconomic status, profession and so much more.

While college students may not yet have the authority, the experience or the resources to make a large-scale social impact, we can question our natural assumptions and identify these prejudices and we can ask ourselves: What can we do on an individual level to stop perpetuating these prejudices?

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When I need it to be warm, it's cold and when I need to be cold, it's warm. There is no winning with Idaho weather. – Hailey

Rainy weather

I forgot to bring my rain boots and left my umbrella. Now my socks are soaked and my straight hair is starting to curl. Thanks Idaho weather. – Mihaela

Granite Falls

Lorena, from afar, your charismatic and wonderful personality will be missed. – Luis

Time isn't money

Time is a human concept designed to carry us to our graves. Let's deny the concept of time as it's known, and maybe we can have a better shot at happiness before we are buried by the undertaker.

– Kevin

Duckbill

This is why we can't have nice things.

– Lyndsie

Three-day weekend

Anyone else frazzled as can be with only three days left of this short week?

– Tea

Insight is contagious

Be careful who you let contract your insight. I learned that the hard way this week. - Nick



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