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Nathan Dice performs research for Solid State Physics with an emphasis on Nano Scale Physics.

Strategizing science

### Staben hopes to alleviate funding issues that are barriers to research goal

#### Nishant Mohan Argonaut

David McIlroy's laboratory is held together by tin foil and duct tape.

"If this particular piece of foil weren't on this device, I have a bunch of electronics that would start screeching from the radio waves that would be released," said McIlroy, a material researcher and professor of physics.

supposed to look that way.

Part of a larger piece of equipment, a pump leaking oil, sits propped up on a cinder block. McIlroy said replacing the pump would cost \$300. But any leftover grant money needs to be saved for a bigger break, so it can't be fixed.

"Everything here was built by grants," McIlroy said. "And every single one of these pieces of equipment is just waiting to break."

Grants are finite, which he said means he has to set money aside for repairs. He has no safety net.

work to achieve R1 status according to the Carnegie Classifications of Institutions of Higher Education. Staben said his goal is to reach R1 status by 2025.

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R1 status classifies a group of colleges considered to have the highest research activity in the country. UI currently ranks as an R2 university, while the other colleges in Idaho are R3 institutions.

"Many of these R1 schools are the 'usual suspects,' expensive private and Ivy League schools," Staben said. "But some aren't so dif ferent from us." Staben said the University of Arkansas is comparable to UI and has made the list of R1 institutions.

## ASUI New vacancy

ASUI Senate discusses senator's resignation, open floor space, low sports attendance

> **Taylor Nadauld** Argonaut

ASUI senators accommodated for a sudden vacant seat Wednesday when it was announced that Sen. James Howard resigned from his position on the senate.

Though Sen. Tanner Beymer said he and Howard did not always see eye-to-eye in the senate, Beymer praised him during the meeting, and said Howard served the student body well during his time at ASUI.

"I'm very sad to see Senator Howard go, but I do look forward to replacing him with someone of equal caliber, though I know that his shoes will be very difficult to fill," Beymer said.

The resignation leaves the senate with a vacant seat that ASUI President Cruz Botello said he wants to fill before the end of the semester.

Botello said there is a required two-week application window open to fill the seat, but he will provide his own recommendations to the senate, possibly from the pool of candidates who applied for the four seats that were vacant at the beginning of the semester.

In his resignation letter to Botello, Howard said additional time constraints this semester left him little time for the senate, and his stipend did not make up for hours he lost at his job.

"That being said, joining ASUI was not about the stipend, it was about the experience," Howard wrote.

His resignation came after Botello's veto of a bill authored by Howard, which would have restricted student organizations to use ASUI allocated funds and resources to support a candidate in an ASUI election.

Laboratories are always jungles of makeshift parts - that's an inherent part of doing original work, he said. But not all of McIlroy's lab is

McIlroy said he hopes to see support for gaps between grants and other barriers to research addressed as part of University of Idaho President Chuck Staben's goals for the university's research capabilities.

To measure the quality of the university's research capabilities, Staben said he wants to

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Academic adviser Lexi Schaar makes connections and helps foster success

#### **Jack Olson** Argonaut

Academic advisers help students do more than just build their next semester's class schedule.

They give students access to the knowledge and resources they need to be successful at the University of Idaho. Sometimes,

that is a connection with faculty and sometimes it's as simple as making sure a new student checks their email every day.

The job is more complex than most imagine, as was true for Lexi Schaar, an academic advising specialist at UI.

"I thought it was like, you know the catalogue, and you recommend classes and that's it," Schaar said. "And so getting into it, I realized it's so much more than that."



Schaar primarily advises students in

to a faculty adviser, she focuses on class scheduling as well as providing an introduction to the university.

"It's a lot of teaching students how do you navigate being a

college student," Schaar said. "How do you ask for help? How do you register for classes? How do you figure out what Degree Audit is? What does that even mean, and how do I use that as a checklist?"

A large part of advising is making connections with students, Schaar said. Being "super introverted," she said she was intimidated at first by that aspect.

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# Vaginas for change

Auditions for "The Vaaina Monologues" to take place this weekend

WOMEN'S CENTER

#### Savannah Cardon Argonaut

Vagina — it's a word not many usually hear in the title of a play, but for "The Vagina Monologues," the title means all the difference.

"The Vagina Monologues" is a show put on to provide a way for communities to raise awareness about violence against women and the experiences that female-identified individuals have with their bodies.

'The title of the monologues was created in order to break down the taboo around women's bodies, to really break down the silence and get a conversation going," said Bekah MillerMacPhee, assistant director of programs for the University of Idaho Women's Center.

Auditions for the play will take place 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Arena Theater in Shoup Hall. The auditions are open to students, staff

and community members who identify as a female or live their lives as women, MillerMacPhee said.

Previous theater experience and prepared pieces are not required for auditions. Excerpts from the play will be available for people to choose from, said Lysa Salsbury, director of the Women's Center.

In previous years, MillerMacPhee said the Women's Center has seen a diverse group of performing artists, from individuals with theater experience to people who have never been on stage before.

"Coming to the auditions is a great way to get involved in a really meaningful way and not just in promoting education around women and girls, but really promoting the importance of female-identified folks within our community. It's also a good way to meet other people who are also interested in this," MillerMacPhee said.

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# **A Crumbs recipe**

## Black bean enchiladas

There is nothing better than warm and cheesy goodness wrapped in a soft tortilla on a cold day. These black bean enchiladas bring the right amount of kick to anyone's Mexican food craving.

### Ingredients

- 4 flour tortillas ■ 2 cups of shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 chopped onion ■ 2 cans of enchilada sauce
- 1 can of black beans
- 1 tablespoon of olive oil
- 1 teaspoon of garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon of cumin
- 1 can of chunky salsa
- 1/2 cup of sour cream



and place into a skillet. Mix with onion, garlic powder, cumin, salt, pepper and olive oil. Cook until beans are warmed through and onions are tender 2. Fill each tortilla with black bean mixture, cheese and a small amount of enchilada sauce 3. Layer the bottom of a non-stick baking pan with a small amount of sauce so the tortillas don't stick.

1. Drain black beans

### Directions

Roll each tortilla and place on top of the sauce 4. Cover the enchiladas with the rest of the sauce and sprinkle extra cheese on top

5. Bake the enchiladas covered in foil at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 20 minutes. Take off the foil and bake for another 5-10 minutes or until cheese is crispy and bubbly on top 6. Top off the enchiladas with sour cream and salsa to finish

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# Fast track to graduate Fall grads put a cap on their time at Idaho

#### **Tess Fox** Argonaut

An arc of balloons greeted soonto-be University of Idaho graduates during Gradfest Wednesday in the International Ballroom of the Bruce M. Pitman Center.

The almost-alumni picked up information about

graduation, browsed class ring options and tried on their caps and gowns for the first time. A photographer took photos of students posing with caps and

other props. The Career Center informed students about postgraduation options and the VandalStore sold diploma frames.

Senior Angelica Lopez said she is excited, not nervous, about graduating.

"I just want it to be over," she said. Lopez said she eventually plans

on attending nursing school. "For now, I'm going to look into social work," she said. "Do something with my degree."

Lopez will graduate with a sociology degree. She said her impatience to finish her college education began early.

"I started (senioritis) before

school even started," she said. "I missed one of my first classes. I was just like, 'Nope.' It's a struggle, but it will (be worth it), hopefully."

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Senior Kaylee Kinser, on the other hand, is nervous. So is her friend, senior Emily Kernan.

"Having done school for so long, it's kind of weird to think

about doing anything else," Kinser said.

Kernan said she is nervous about finding a job. She will finish with a degree in orga-

nizational science with a communications minor. Kinser is majoring in criminal sociology with a public relations minor. Though their majors differ, they agreed their dream job is any job.

The two are members of the Delta Zeta sorority, and said they had a good experience in Greek life.

Senior Ryan Spaniel said he is nervous, but relieved to be graduating. He appreciated his experience at the university after being turned down his first time applying.

When I was a kid, I was going to junior college and had like a 1.9 GPA," he said. "(UI) denied my entrance. After the first semester, they allowed me to come here and

after the first semester I was off probation. Now I'll be graduating with a 3.0."

He said working full-time and attending night school wasn't working for him. Spaniel took

several years off, and said his degree is a testament to the importance of a break from school.

Fall graduates purchase their caps and gowns during Gradfest at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the International Ballroom.

"I ran my own business for a while," he said. "Then I decided to come back to school."

Fall commencement is 12:30 p.m. Dec. 10 in the Kibbie Dome. Tess Fox can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu or on Twitter @tesstakesphotos

## **News briefs**

#### **Enrollment up at UI**

Overall student enrollment at the University of Idaho has increased 3.6 percent compared to last year, according to the UI Fall 2016 Enrollment Report.

A university press release reported that this is the first overall enrollment increase at UI since 2012. The percentages were above some of the estimates made by UI officials prior to the report.

New student enrollment is up by 20 percent, from 3,753 students to 4,503. Continuing student enrollment numbers are down 4.5 percent, from 7,619 to 7,276. Overall, there are 11,780 students enrolled at UI, compared to last year's 11,372. The overall totals included transfer, high school,

non-degree, graduate, law and WWAMI students. New students from high school increased

93.6 percent from last year - from 417 to 785. In the press release, UI Provost and Executive Vice President John Wiencek said the rise in enrollment was due to the leadership at the university, as well as the efforts made toward the Direct Admit initiative and Enroll Idaho.

The number of UI students who identify as a member of an ethnic or racially diverse group also increased from 16.2 percent in fall 2015 to 23.2 percent in fall 2016, according to the press release.







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are given the work instead.

growing research capability.

sistants," Staben said.

Unable to hire graduates from his own

However, Staben said increasing enroll-

"When we grow our revenues — and

McIlroy said there are many other places

where that is most under our control is

through growing enrollment — we'll be able

to support more teaching and research as-

where more money could help the research

goal. He said extra funds could go to larger

start-up packages for new faculty to begin

research, higher salaries to attract and retain

faculty and improve facilities in which re-

searchers work. He said it could also go to

cian would do at many other universities.

He said he is the only person in his lab who

knows the machines graduate students use

"Grad students come and go," McIlroy

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well enough to know how to repair them.

McIlroy said he does the work a techni-

hiring staff for more specific jobs.

said. "I'm the only consistency."

college, growth in freshman enrollment is

a moot point for Cheng when it comes to

ment furthers the goal in other ways.

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"We're not terrifically far from those numbers," Staben said. "Of course, everyone else is going to grow those numbers too, so we have some catch-up to do."

Staben obtained his bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley, and worked at Stanford and the University of Kentucky all R1 institutes.

The research classification takes into account a variety of factors, including the number of doctorates awarded by the school and number of research faculty employed.

Staben said this goal does not mean UI will strive for an unbalanced focus on STEM majors. The goal is just one of the goals in the university strategic plan, and he said achieving R1 status will also require social science research. He said only a few colleges, like the College of Business and Economics, will have a small role to play in reaching the goal.

Staben said while the goal will lead some faculty to devote less time to teaching and more to research, other faculty may devote more time to teaching.

"For certain people, specialization would

input from other senators on how to amend

the bill before bringing it the floor once

more. Howard said a new version of the bill

could have been listed under "New Busi-

meeting. Besides Howard's resignation, sen-

ators also considered an open space on the

second floor of the Idaho Commons next to

Einstein Bros. Bagels - a space ASUI and

the University of Idaho administration have

as Dean of Students Blaine Eckles, professor

Brian Johnson and Vice President for Infra-

structure Dan Ewart to the ASUI cabinet

Botello said he invited the senate, as well

grappled over how to use for years.

The senate covered several issues at the

ness" as early as this week. It was not.

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make a lot of sense," said Barrie Robison, professor of ecology and evolutionary biology. "I have some colleagues I would absolutely divert their efforts entirely to research. If they're excellent at something, they should do more of it."

The increase in research expenditures in order to obtain R1 status has many faculty interested.

At his State of the University address earlier this month, Staben announced the university had surpassed \$100 million in research expenditures, a major milestone toward the goal.

"We're in a constant state of chasing money," McIlroy said.

McIlroy said all of his research, like most researchers' work, is funded by grants he and his students apply for, not by the university.

"Every researcher is like a small company where each lab is trying to stay afloat on its own," McIlroy said.

Patrick Hrdlicka, vice chair of Faculty Senate, said federal funding levels are declining, making it more difficult to obtain grants from usual sources like the National Science Institute, the National Institutes of Health and the Department of Defense.

"We are trying in an increasingly competitive environment to grow our relative stature," Hrdlicka said. "So of course there are some reservations."

Hrdlicka said he thinks working toward an R1 status is a good goal.

"Is it possible? Yes," Hrdlicka said. "But it will require funding, focus and reallocation."

Chemistry professor Frank Cheng's money problem is the university's low pay for teaching assistants.

"I'll get funding for projects, but can't get the students to promote from teaching assistant to research assistant," Cheng said. "Our stipend is so low, our students who graduate here don't take our teaching or research assistantships, and that creates a vicious cycle."

Cheng said students don't need to go far to find higher pay.

He said UI's chemistry department pays about \$14,000 a year, while the chemistry department at Washington State University pays teaching assistants around \$26,000 annually. In research, UI competes with Montana State and Utah State, which Cheng said have chemistry departments that pay teaching assistants about \$20,000.

He said prospective teaching assistants have even told him that they turned down a position at UI because of the low stipend. He said sometimes a graduate student can't be found for a position, so undergraduates

floor plans already exist to turn the space into a student lounge, but a final plan has not been decided on since Botello said the administration has requested to repurpose the space to address

other student needs.

"I want to make a decision very soon," Botello said.

ASUI Athletic Director, Ethan McIlhargey, also addressed the senate to inform senators of the low attendance at Vandal sporting events.

McIlhargey said attendance was down by 1,500 students for last week's football game, when the Vandals beat New Mexico State University 55-23.

"We offer over a couple thousand dollars of money in prizes, and we just had to hand out to people that were there," McIlhargey said.

Sen. Zachary Spence asked McIlhargey if



he could deliver the flyers to the senate earlier. McIlhargey said the last football flyers he handed out to the senate were late, but said he handed out volleyball flyers two weeks in advance, only to have most returned to his box.

Senators have not only been reminded, but pleaded to visit their living groups every week by ASUI Vice President Kelsy Briggs and Pro-Tempore Mattie Cupps.

Cupps said senators are required to visit Greek housing and residence halls with information on upcoming events as part of their job description. Senators then give living group reports at every senate meeting.

Cupps said senators who do not visit their living groups will now start receiving strikes.

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"It was really challenging, but I think when you work through those kinds of challenges, you learn new things about yourself and you learn things that come out of that that you wouldn't have anticipated like 'I actually love talking to people all the time," Schaar said.

Schaar said what she realized while advising is people want to connect with other people. She said the connections she's made have helped her beyond advising.

"So before I was doing adising I was more, like, in my own head a little bit, and afterward I've seen this appreciation for — everyone is on their own path trying to make progress," Schaar said. Director of Academic Advising Andrew Brewick said a successful adviser first and foremost must enjoy working with college students.

found understanding of how important the work is. They really value this opportunity to help students make meaning of the experience," Brewick said. "They enjoy building rapport with individuals, and also like to see people accumulate skills and knowledge to be successful." Brewick said he was im-

pressed with Schaar's ability to build rapport and overcome significant obstacles. He said students in general studies are often not sure what they want to pursue at the university or later in life. These students can make a bittersweet experience for an adviser, Brewick said.

management or finding tutoring sessions for a difficult class. Students can ask for help outside the classroom as well.

"There's the academic pieces that happen, but that's just one part of people's lives," Schaar said. "Overcoming an obstacle here is learning something that's going to help you the next time you have an obstacle in whatever arena that's in."

Helping students and making connections is rewarding, and Schaar said she intends to continue advising for the foreseeable future.

"Maybe it sounds cheesy, but 's such a privilege to get to see into their life a little bit and see what makes them tick," Schaar said. "There are just so many people who care about their success. I hope that they really get that — that they really see that advisers are here for them and want to help."

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Being part of the production provides opportunities for new friendships. From spending time together during rehearsals to social gatherings, the cast members gain bonding experiences with each other, MillerMacPhee said.

The piece is based on Ensler's interviews with more than 200 women of different backgrounds, Salsbury said.

During these interviews, MillerMacPhee said Ensler saw an overwhelming number of her interviewees were affected by intimate, sexual or domestic violence, which inspired her to write the play. Although the monologues cover some more serious topics, not all of them address violence. Some topics are lighter and funny, MillerMacPhee said.

but with women's bodies," MillerMacPhee said. "There's a nice diversity of experiences covering the monologues."

Although men are not permitted to read the monologues, Salsbury said they are encouraged to be part of different aspects of the play. This can include educational outreach, involvement of production and design or stage management positions.

Members of V-Squad, a group of students who don't have speaking parts, help the Women's Center spread information and education about the play to the cast members.

"The Vagina Monologues"

meeting Wednesday to discuss the space. Botello said Ewart was unable to attend. Botello said the cabinet wants him to make a decision as soon as possible, while Last week, Howard said the bill would see the light of day again, and he welcomed

the administration would like to continue discussion. Ultimately, the decision falls to Botello, without legislation or a vote.

Botello said three years of student input was gathered by the previous director of Commons and Union, a currently vacant position. Botello said that input indicates an overwhelming desire by UI students to turn the space into an all-inclusive, interactive student lounge. Botello said he prefers this idea.

Botello said he is currently unable to recover that data, but once recovered, he plans to cite the data to the administration.

"I act in the interest of the student body," Botello said.

Beymer urged Botello to make a decision on the space quickly. Botello said various

"Most advisers have a pro-

"We invest our time, energy, resources and empathy in a student and then send them off in their area to do super cool, amazing things," Brewick said.

Schaar said students should try to meet with their adviser, or perhaps more than just one, and to bring up any issues they may have. She said advisers can also help with small issues like time

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"There's one about a very positive sexual experience a woman has with a man — some of them don't have to do with sex at all,

will be a benefit production, meaning that the majority of money gained from ticket sales will be donated to Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse.

This year's performance will take place Feb. 10-11 at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Center. Savannah Cardon can be reached at arg-news@uidaho.edu



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## Men's tennis starts third SPORTS tournament PAGE 6 BASKETBALL Vandals' road to Reno



Tess Fox | Argonaut Idaho men's basketball head coach Don Verlin answers questions during Thursday's Big Sky Basketball Media Day in the Litehouse Center of the Kibbie Dome.

# **Elite expectations**

Vandals eye conference championship

#### **Josh Grissom** Argonaut

The Idaho men's basketball team battled through an injury-riddled 2015-2016 season to earn the

third seed in the Big Sky Conference Championship and a postseason invitation.

This year, the program set its sights set even higher.

"We always expect to be right at the top of the conference," Idaho head coach Don Verlin said. "Last year we were picked down in

the conference, but I thought one of the things our guys did was believe that they were conference contenders. And that's the same thing this year."

A preseason coaches poll ranks the Vandals second in conference standings. Idaho received 104 points and a first place vote.

Idaho returns after a 21-13

Brayon Blake

Trevon Allen

into the summer, and that was highlighted by our foreign trip to China. I thought it gave our team the chance to gel and become a better basketball team."

The Vandals return four of five starters from last year's squad, including senior guard Perrion Callandret and Big Sky Preseason All-Conference junior guard

Victor Sanders. The two led Idaho in scoring, with Sanders and Callandret averaging 15.9 and 14.0 points respectively.

"I think it's important that we stay on that level of the relationship that we've got," Sanders said. "With (Callandret) being a senior and me

a junior, when we push each other it allows the younger guys and new guys to see how hard you have to

work. I think we try to set that example every day in practice."

Freshmen guards Trevon Allen and Chance Garvin will also take the hardwood this season, along with junior forward Brayon Blake. The North Idaho College transfer averaged 21.2 points per game and finished the season as a Third Team NJCAA All-American.



Idaho women's associate head coach Christa Sanford answers questions during Thursday's Big Sky Basketball Media Day in the Litehouse Center of the Kibbie Dome.

# Play from last place

Women's basketball looks for second Big Sky title

#### **Tess Fox** Argonaut

Senior point guard Karlee Wilson isn't fazed by preseason polls, rankings or seedings.

"We talked as a team after the polls came out," she said. "It's great to be honored and recognized as a program but that's based on what we did last year. It should give us motivation to come back in the preseason and work even harder to prove to everybody that that's where we should be."

The Idaho women's basketball team was picked to finish first in the Big Sky Tuesday by coaches in the BSC. The coaches gave Idaho four first-place votes.

The media poll picked Idaho to finish second, with Montana State in first.

Sanford said the team has a few spots to fill. Idaho lost five seniors at the end of last season.

play after taking a redshirt last season. Sanford said Reilly will be another team leader this season.

Freshman Daylee Hanson is working to fill graduate Christina Salvatore's role as a rebounding, scoring defender, Sanford said.

"I see Daylee Hanson coming in and doing some slasher defense for us," Sanford said. "Some things Christina did with her length."

Overall Sanford is not worried about filling the roster.

"We've got plenty of scorers," Sanford said. "It's going to be a team effort I think. Any given night anyone can step up."

Idaho added four freshmen to the 2016-2017 season roster. Freshman guard Jenae

Lewallen was a four-year starter at Liberty High School in Surprise, Arizona.

Sanford called Lewallen "feisty." Lewallen holds the Liberty HS school record for most 3-point shots in one game, seven, and in a season, 72. She

is the first Liberty girl's basketball player to receive a Division 1 basket-





season and an appearance in the College Basketball Invitational.

"I thought we had a great offseason," Verlin said. "Our guys did a great job right from the spring season all the way

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"We have those little holes," Sanford said. "But I think we have great leadership." Sanford said a few players worked through injuries in the offseason.

Junior post Brooke Reilly returns to

ball scholarship.

Lewallen is majoring in Fire Ecology and Management.

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#### FOOTBALL

# Vandals scale the Appalachians Idaho readies itself for another tough opponent

#### **Brandon Hill** Argonaut

The Idaho football team comes off a historic weekend as the team prepares to face Appalachian State.

CBS ranked Idaho No. 95 in the nation, one spot ahead of Oregon. The boost came from Idaho's win over New Mexico State Oct. 15. The Vandals (2-1, 4-3 overall) scored 55 points, their most since 2003.

"It makes Sunday a lot nicer day," Idaho head coach Paul Petrino said in a press conference.

The game was a success for the offense, with 651 total yards, and the defense, with five sacks, two fumbles and six forced punts. Three different receivers finished the game with over 100 yards.

Petrino was impressed by the defense's speed.

"We've concentrated on not only getting stronger, but getting faster," Petrino said.

Petrino said the Mountaineers know how to put a good offensive line together.

The Mountaineer's running back Jalin Moore ran for 106 yards on 14 attempts during the team's 24-0 victory over Louisiana-Lafayette Oct. 12. He has 660 yards this season with five touchdowns. He averages 5.3 yards a carry.

"They do a great job of running the outside zone, and then they mix it up with some options," Petrino said. "It makes them tough to defend. We have to go down there with a plan and stop the running game no matter who is in there."

Appalachian State quarterback Taylor Lamb threw for 201 yards and one touchdown. He was 15-26 with one interception



and was sacked twice. By com-VN

Senior tight end Deon Watson dodges a Husky Sept. 10 in Seattle. Idaho lost to the Huskies 59-14.

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parison, junior quarterback Matt Linehan threw for 476 yards, four touchdowns and one interception on 36 attempts.

The Mountaineer's defense recorded five sacks, 10 tackles for loss and held Louisiana-Lafayette to zero points.

"I think they're better on defense," Petrino said. "They're a team that, as a coach, you like to watch on tape. They play the game the way it is supposed to be played.

The Mountaineers did not force any turnovers.

Idaho's defense, on the other hand, specializes in turnovers. Sophomore linebacker Kaden Elliss has three interceptions this year.

Petrino said the team is taking the

season one day at a time.

'The most important thing today is today's practice," he said. "We just have to go out there and get better."

With two more wins, Idaho will be bowl eligible at the end of the season.

Idaho kicks off against Appalachian State 12:30 p.m. Saturday in North Carolina. Brandon Hill can be reached at arg-sports@uidaho.edu

# Winning cycle

Historically strong football programs move in and out of success

I come from a house divided. Both of my parents are hardcore Oregon fans, but I adopted Washington as my school at a young age. It wasn't until the past few years I fully engaged in the college football world and the difference in teams has always

been a point of

Unfortunately

contention.

Meredith

**Spelbring** Argonaut

for me, this happened to be a time when my team was hanging in the bottom of the Pac-12 ranks. My father's loud-and-proud team was consistently in the top 10 and flirting with a national championship.

I've watched my team get crushed every year for as long as I can remember. I brushed off the criticism saying, "They are only going up from here," and "The Ducks won't stay at the top forever."

This year, my Huskies sit at No. 5 on the AP Poll. Meanwhile, the Ducks are 2-4.

As much as I enjoy being right and watching my team move back into the national spotlight, it is simply part

#### of a regular cycle. The Huskies are one of the most recent beneficiaries of this cycle, while the Ducks fight through the ugly downturn.

To an extent, all teams can have good years. There are many programs that historically excel —Michigan, Florida State,

Notre Dame and Texas fight through cycles often.

These teams can be considered college football powerhouses but even the most dominant fall.

ng When referring ut to college football powerhouses it is necessary to consider

Alabama. In the past 50 years, the Crimson Tide has been ranked in the AP Top 25 every season but two. The Tide has entered the season as a top two team every year for the past 10 years.

Prior to the arrival of head coach Nick Saban in 2007, Alabama dealt with consistent shuffling of coaches and an inability to win throughout the early 2000s.

Alabama was a team that struggled to maintain its win record for about 10 years. The cycle may look different for Alabama, but the Tide experiences the cycle just like other teams. USC is a classic example of a hit and miss team.

Between 1960 and 1990 USC was ranked in the AP Poll for 23 out of 30 seasons. In the '90s, the Trojans had several coaching changes and struggled to maintain a winning record. It took former head coach Pete Carroll to turn things around for the program in the early 2000s. The Trojans then began to climb up and hold a top five position.

While Alabama looks to be on the upcycle with the strongest team in the country, USC seems to be slipping down once again as their rank continues to fall.

The cycle has not limited its effects to USC and Alabama — teams have fought the ups and downs for decades. Fans are left to hold on and hope it is the year their team breaks through.

I have waited for 10 years. I looked with skepticism as my Huskies started the 2016 season at No. 14. I'm excited to watch them continue to climb. Duck fans can only hope they, once again, will be as lucky.

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#### MEN'S TENNIS

# The third of four

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The men's tennis team preps for the ITA Mountain Regionals

**Brandon Hill** Argonaut

Idaho's men's tennis team continues the fall season in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's Mountain Regionals Wednesday through Sunday at UNLV in Las Vegas. Five Idaho players will compute in the third tour.

will compete in the third tournament of fall. The Vandals come off a successful weekend at the Dar Walters Fall Classic in Boise.

Idaho combined for 19 total wins against players also attending ITA.

Sophomore Lucas Coutinho faces Ryland McDermott of Boise State in the first round. In the Dar Walters Fall Classic, Coutinho went 5-0 in the consolation bracket after losing his first match. He is 7-3 on the season.

McDermott, of Boise State, specializes in doubles during the Dar Walters tournament.

Freshman Esteban Santibanez will compete against UNLV's Kevin Chau. This will be Santibanez's first official singles match of his collegiate career. He previously played doubles with Coutinho, and the pair went 2-1.

Junior Mark Kovacs faces Brigham-Young's Sam Tullis in the No. 82 spot. Kovacs went 1-1 in his previous tournament, but excelled in doubles with freshman Carlos Longhi Neto. Longhi Neto will play against Stefan Cooper from Weber State. Longhi Neto had the most successful run in Boise for Idaho. He went undefeated in the B draw and won five matches. Cooper is a junior for the Wildcats and went 1-1 in his last competition.

Junior Felipe Fonesca will compete in slot 124 against Norther Colorado's Kyle Pease. Fonesca ranks seventeenth overall,

tied with 16 other players. Fonesca had trouble starting his season, going 1-1 in the Dar Walters tournament. His first win was decided by a tie breaker after losing the lead in the second set.

The highest ranked individual in the singles tournament is Diogo Rocha from Denver. Rocha is followed by David Micevski from Utah, Jacob Amilon UNLV, Alex Corbinov and Bart Van Leijsen from New Mexico to round out the top five.

In doubles, Idaho is sending Coutinho and Santibanez, who start in slot 59. The duo will play Egbert Weverink and Joe Wooley of Utah. Weverick and Wooley come into the tournament ranked ninth for doubles teams.

If a player wins a regional draw, they will advance to the 2016 USTA/ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Championships.

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**Sports briefs** 

#### **Settled** in

The Idaho women's soccer team moves into a double-header weekend, taking on both Northern Arizona and Southern Utah at home in the final stretch of regular season play. The Vandals come off a 1-1 road draw against Weber State in Utah.

Idaho plays Northern Arizona 3 p.m. Friday at Guy Wicks Field.

#### East coast ace

Sophomore Kendall Gray walked up to the tee box on the 12th hole of the Greenville Regional Challenge and stared down the fairway of the 140-yard par three.

She pulled her eight iron from the bag, squared up to the ball and let it fly. It bounced on the green and rolled toward the hole slowly.

Soon it disappeared into the cup, and Gray added hole-in-one to her resume.

to Greensville, North Carolina, where it finished 14th with a 937 in a competitive field.

"We can take many positives from this week," head coach Lisa Johnson said in a press release.

Senior Amy Hasenoehrl led the Vandals, tying for 36th with a 235. Sophomore Michelle Kim finished tied for 43rd with a 237.

According to a news release, sophomore Sophie Hausmann battled illness throughout the week. Hausmann finished the tournament tied 67th with a 243.

"We improved each round as a team and Amy and Michelle both turned in solid performances,» Johnson said.

Texas Christian took home the team trophy with a combined 895. Kansas State's Connie Jaffrey took the individual title with a 219.

The women's golf team competes in the Las Vegas Collegiate Showdown Oct. 23-15

The Idaho women's golf team travelled in Nevada.



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#### OPINION

# Let's go bowling

It's that time of year again. College football fans dream of their

favorite team earning a postseason berth into one of the nation's most prestigious bowl games.

Dubbed the "New Year's Six," the Rose, Cotton, Fiesta, Peach, Orange and Sugar Bowls feature the country's best teams during New Year's weekend.

The Peach Bowl and Fiesta Bowl were named this year's semifinals for the top four teams in the nation. The winners will advance to the National Championship game.

At the end of week seven, the Associated Press ranked Ala-

bama, Ohio State, Michigan and Clemson as the top four teams. The juggernaut Alabama will hold its spot as long as it secures the Southeastern Conference title.

Clemson's loss to Louisville knocked the Tigers down to No. 4, where they will stay for the rest of the season. Clemson and Ala-

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The Columbian named freshman guard Cherita Daugherty All-Region Girls Basketball Player of the Year in her hometown of Vancouver, Washington. She also ran track in high school and would like to be a surgeon.

Sanford said Daugherty and senior point guard Karlee Wilson have been working together in the role.

"She's got skill," Sanford said.

Freshman post Isabelle Hadden, of Boise, was a First Team All-Conference selection twice at Boise High School. She was chosen as the Braves' Most Valuable Player in 2014 and 2015. Her mother, Sandy, was a volleyball player at Boise State. Isabelle is an undeclared major.

Freshman guard Daylee Hanson grew up in a basketball family. Her father, Scott, played collegiate basketball at Chaminade and her older sister, Savanna, plays at Santa Clara.

The Edmonds, Washington, native was the 2016 Cascade League MVP and averaged 11.3 points per game. Hanson also played volleyball for King's High School.

bama will face off in the Peach Bowl. The Tide will prevail and advance to the championship.

While Michigan has made waves, the Wolverines are too young and inexperienced to compete with the Ohio State

Buckeyes, led by gun-slinging quarterback J.T. Barrett.

Washington, ranked fifth, can make a run into the top four if the Huskies win the Pac-12. Washington can only afford one loss. If the Wolverines suffer two losses, they could lose their place in the top four and open a space for the Huskies.

Washington will play No. 3 Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl. Jake Browning's 23 touchdowns this season prove he is capable of leading the Huskies past the Buckeyes and into the championship.

Though the Huskies are talented, Alabama's strong defense and running game will be enough to seal another national title.

If Washington does reach the top four, the Rose Bowl will open

to the second place Pac-12 team. Washington State has played impressively in the last three weeks, making a case for a Rose

Bowl bid. The Cougars defeated Oregon 51-33 and Stanford 42-12 backto-back.

No. 19 Utah is the only team capable of ruining Washington State's late season run. Washington State or Utah will face the winner of the Big 10.

Michigan will likely play in the Rose Bowl after dropping out of the top four.

The Orange Bowl will host Louisville and Nebraska. The Cardinals lost a tough game to Clemson but did not tumble far in rankings. The Cornhuskers have played their best in years and climbed two spots in the rankings after a win over Indiana.

The Sugar Bowl traditionally features the winners of the Big 12 and the Southeastern Conference. With Alabama in the playoffs,

Bowl season predictions are alive and abundant

second place Texas A&M has a chance to make an appearance. The Aggies ranked sixth at the end of week seven and are one of the few undefeated teams left.

The Aggies' opponent is expected to be Baylor (6-0). The Bears will need to win over Oklahoma for the top spot in the Big 12 and a berth in the Sugar Bowl.

Houston and Boise State will have a chance to reach the New Year's Six. The highest ranked team outside a Power Five conference automatically holds a spot in one of those bowls. Houston lost earlier this season to Navy by six points but is still ranked 11th, which is three spots ahead of the undefeated Broncos.

If Houston wins out in dominant fashion and the Broncos drop their late season matchups, the Cougars will likely participate in the Cotton Bowl.

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She is a general studies major.

Wilson said her job as a senior is to make the new members feel comfortable.

"It's really nice to have them come in and know they're going to make a difference for our team," she said. "They're trying to learn how we play. "It's kinda our job to make sure that they're comfortable coming into a new atmostphere away from home."

Wilson said the team knows the season will be a challenge.

"We know we have to work just as hard to come back and win another conference championship," she said. "We are working just as hard as we did before."

This year, Eastern Washington and Idaho play on Friday nights, rather than Thursdays, to encourage the regional rivalry.

Sanford and Idaho head men's basketball coach Don Verlin support the move.

"We've always battled against them," Sanford said. "I think that's going to be great when we can get more students involved. With it being so close, there's no reason not to have 4,000 or more fans here."

Wilson and Sanford both agreed community support, from Reno to Moscow, is important.

"Having friends and family there to

support us at a neutral site ... it was great," Wilson said of the Big Sky Tournament in Reno. "We filled up like most of that arena. It was really nice to have everybody at one place cheering us on."

Wilson said the community has taken even more interest in Idaho basketball since last season.

Junior forward Geraldine McCorkell was selected as a preseason All-Big Sky player.

Sanford said McCorkell is working hard in the offseason.

Idaho won the 2016 Big Sky Tournament as the third seed and 13-5 conference record. The Vandals finished 24-10 overall. Idaho took on Baylor in the first round of the NCAA Tournament, losing 89-59 March 18 in Waco, Texas. This was the Vandals' third March Madness trip in four years.

Montana State finished 21-8 overall and 14-4 in conference play.

The Bobcats were knocked out of the BSC Tournament by Idaho State.

Montana State gathered six first-place votes from the media poll and was chosen for third in the coaches' poll.

Montana placed third in the media poll and fourth in the coaches' poll. Eastern Washington ranked third by the media with three first-place votes and fifth by the coaches.

The coaches picked North Dakota to finish second with four first-place votes. The media selected the Fighting Hawks to finish fifth.

After upsetting Montana State in the BSC Tournament, ninth-seed Idaho State went on to battle the Vandals for the championship. The Bengals were picked sixth by coaches' and media polls.

Sacramento State, Weber State, Northern Colorado and Portland State were picked for seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth respectively by both polls.

Southern Utah placed 11th in the media poll and 12th in the coaches' poll. Northern Arizona followed ranked in 12th place of the media poll and led in 11th in the coaches' poll.

The media poll was made of Big Sky media members and sports information directors. The Big Sky head coaches voted in the coaches' poll. They were not allowed to vote for their team.

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#### ELITE

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"Brayon has the ability to help our team right from the very first game on," Verlin said. "He's a very good rebounder, he can score his ball and he plays with a tremendous amount of energy. He's probably the best communicator





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we have on the team right now as far as getting out on the court and talking and bringing energy."

The Vandals enter the 2016-17 season in search of a third perimeter player to fill the role left behind by senior guard Chris Sarbaugh. The graduate led the team with 109 assists and 33 steals.

"We lost a couple of great guys, especially Chris Sarbaugh who came in as a transfer," Callandret said. "He came in and had a big impact from the beginning. But now it's up to us upperclassmen to fill that role too."

The Vandals open the preseason with two exhibition games. Idaho takes on Carroll College at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Memorial Gym and hosts in-state rival Lewis-Clark State College Nov. 5.

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"You don't get to do that when I tell you that you hurt me, you don't get to decide that you didn't." *—Tanner Collier* 

## THEATER "Villainous" empathy

#### "Medea: Her Story" brings new light to a traditional play

"Medea: Her Story" is a heart-wrenching rendition of Euripides' "Medea" told by a woman who can't change her actions. She is woman with nothing left but her recollections and sadness.

It is an all too relatable tale for anyone who has made mistakes they cannot undo, the tale of a heartbreak, and the pain that follows living with a new reality.

The dialogue is accessible and modern. Audiences are asked not to jump through hoops in order to interpret the play, but rather to experience the story and understand the so often misunderstood Medea.

The play opens with Medea locked in a prison cell for killing her own children while her husband is marrying another woman in the room above.

Reflective and melancholy, the story is told

almost entirely through Medea's flashbacks while she awaits her execution.

Nina Rydalch

Argonaut

"If you're not careful, you'll let the loudest voice in the room tell the story of your life," Medea, played by Kelly Quinnett said in her opening monologue.

The play captures the importance of telling one's side before others skew it and shows the process by which reality turns into history and mythology.

For this play, Medea truly is the storyteller. This strengthens the story, it allows the audience to become more intimately connected with Medea and understand her actions. It also brings a greater depth of emotion to the stage.

However, it does make it more difficult to connect with the other characters. At the same time, the play is consistent with the



The two Medeas from the UI Theater Department's production of "Medea: Her Story," look out into the audience as they tell their story.

theme that each character must tell their own story.

Some characters are even played by the same actor to clearly illustrate Medea's views on them as well as her fixation with the past.

A dark pool is set in the center of the stage, significantly enhancing the entire experience. This technical element illustrates the relationships between characters in a way not often used in theater. With this, people are drawn together not only by their proximity and actions, but also by presence in the pool. Additionally, when the light bounces off the pool, the rippling reflections play across the upper walls and give

the space an even more enclosed feel.

The other technical elements are just as impressive. An ancient-looking and meticulously designed wall looms in the background. Light shines through two floor-to-ceiling strips of clear material on either side of a door. Modern caged lights hang uniformly from the ceiling, illuminating the stage with a soft yellow light. Trim encases three sides of the ceiling, enclosing the space. All of this amplifies the audience's connection with the overall feeling of entrapment Medea experiences both physically and mentally.

Everything truly necessary to under-

stand the story is given through narration and dialogue.

However, it does help to have some familiarity with Greek mythology. There are some jokes that only make sense with a bit of background — or with the original "Medea" coming into the play. But even without any experience "Medea: Her Story" will assuredly pluck at the heartstrings.

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#### COMMUNITY

# **Cross continental celebration**

Moscow will celebrate the German bring them together Oktoberfest holiday on Oct. 22

While the event no longer correlates terested to attend. with the harvest, it's still focused on a sense

Moscow and he encourages anyone in-

#### Mary Emert Argonaut

October is known for its fall colors, wet season and Halloween, but many people don't think about the German holiday called Oktoberfest.

Fortunately, there are volunteers at the University of Idaho who are helping the community get involved in the event.

This event is Saturday Oct. 22, in the 1912 Center Great Room at 412 East 3rd Street from 4p.m. - 6 p.m. Local businesses and UI will be hosting the third annual Oktoberfest. The first 40 visitors to arrive at the event will also receive free Oktoberfest mugs.

According to Kevin Harvey-Morose, vice president of the Lutheran Campus Council at the UI and an organizer of the event, Oktoberfest was originally, a celebration of the fall harvest within German communities to

of community.

"It's about sharing a different flavor and creating a good community and good times," Harvery-Morose said.

This event promises to do just that. All of the food is made locally in the Palouse. Meat comes from the university's very own Vandal Brand Meats. German style bread is from Moscow Artesian Breads. Moscow Wine Comvpany will also be supplying drinks for purchase.

Other locals will be bringing homemade German dishes as well as desserts that are likely unknown to locals, said Harvey-Morose said.

"It's exciting because it's all authentic food passed down from generation to generation and there're food you don't see commonly in the U.S.," Harvey-Morose said.

He also said that this is a way people can celebrate a bit of their own heritage, while simultaneously celebrating being a part of To add to the experience, there will be a silent auction and raffle tickets to win prizes. Along with the authentic German cuisine and environment, there will be a local German band, "Auf Gehts," who will be performing throughout the event, Harvey-Morose said.

Dancing is encouraged and ongoing during the event as a welcoming celebration of Moscow's community, he said.

Tickets are available at the door at \$15 for adult, \$10 for students, \$7 for children and free for three-years-old and under. All proceeds will go to the Lutheran Campus Ministry at UI as a community outreach, Harvey-Morosehe said. It is really an event by the community for the community that is at the core of Oktoberfest event, Harvey-Morose said.

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#### CHOIR

## Broadway on the Palouse, a blast from the past

The Palouse Choral Society kicks off the season with "The Best of Rodgers and Hammerstein"

#### Nina Rydalch Argonaut

The Palouse Choral Society is bringing Broadway to northern Idaho with their first concert of the season.

The concert is based around the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein, the famous composers of the '40s and '50s who produced musicals such as "Oklahoma!" and "The Sound of Music." The concert will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 21 in the University of Idaho Administration Auditorium, and at 4 p.m. Oct. 23 in Silverthorne Theatre at Lewis-Clark State College (LCSC).

'They (Rodgers and Hammerstein) were famous in their own right, but when they collaborated, they made these really amazing musicals," said Janice O'Toole, executive director.

O'Toole said she thinks anyone who likes musicals should come to the concert. She said it will be fun, interesting and make the audience feel good.

Sarah Graham, the new director of the society, said the music is significant to her.

"I grew up with these musicals," she said. Graham said many members of the choir have personal stories around the music, including Gene Buchholz, who is singing a solo from "South Pacific" in which he performed as the character Emile 50 years ago.

"This has been a really good concert to kind of get to know people," Graham said.

She said it is more relaxed than other upcoming concerts, giving the members more time to talk. This has been a positive experience, as the choir is still getting used to a new director with a new style, she said.

Graham took over the position this fall, when the previous director Michael Murphy left after seven years with the society. Graham said there have been challenges, but the choir members have been flexible and willing to work.

"It's a new approach and new ideas," O'Toole said.

Graham said she wants the performance to be as pleasing visually as it is aural. This means giving the choir freedom to move around and express how they feel about the music they sing, she said.

The songs will be categorized according to subject matter, Graham said. She said this included categories such as place, humor, inspiration and more. O'Toole said there will be a mix of songs performed by the full choir of around 75 people and the chamber choir of 25, as well as solos and duets.

There will also be a narrator at the per-

formance - Professor Harold Crook from LCSC — which Graham said is appropriate to give the audience historical context.

"Not only do people get to hear the music, they get to hear a little tidbit about Rodgers and Hammerstein and about the musicals," O'Toole said.

O'Toole said sometimes there are preconcert lectures at their performances, but the narration makes this concert more interactive. Graham said she thinks it will make the music more accessible to audiences and make the performance more entertaining rather than primarily academic.

"If someone doesn't think they'd normally like going to concerts, this would be a great one to try out," she said.

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# OPINION **Selective listening**

Idaho Fish and Game controversy calls into question who influences the governor

t appears a lack of transparency continues to be a lingering issue in Idaho, as a timely controversy at the state level paints a clear picture of the muddled politics influencing public figures.

An Idaho wildlife group recently made use of the state's Public Records Law to acquire a collection of emails from the accounts of Idaho legislators, Pocatello businessman Doug Sayer and members of Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's staff.

The correspondence revealed Saver collaborating with Sen. Steve Bair, R-Blackfoot, to implement legislation that would require the Idaho Fish and Game Commission to auction off a dozen controlled hunt tags three each for deer, elk and antelope and one each for moose, elk and bighorn sheep. The revenue from these tags — which would go to the highest bidder — would supposedly go toward wildlife management.

The problem is these coveted tags are traditionally distributed by random drawing, so that any and all applicants have an equal chance of earning one.

Kahle Becker of the Idaho Wildlife Federation said it best when stating, "The strongarm politics we have unveiled are a direct threat to Idaho sportsmen and the hunting heritage we have built over decades."

Despite one's feeling toward the state's distribution of hunting tags, the story takes a dark turn that should worry all Idahoans.

When the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, a seven-member committee created by public initiative in 1938, declined to implement auction tags, Sayer emailed Otter's chief of staff, David Hensley, in March.

In his email he called for a "change of chemistry" among the commissioners, who he felt didn't have the right interests in mind. He suggested Otter not reappoint commissioners Mark Doerr or Will Naillon — who had both openly opposed Sayer's auction tag policy.

Two months later, Otter neglected to reappoint the two men, and also neglected to provide any reasons as to why. Jon Hanian, a spokesman for Otter, argues the governor gave Doerr and Naillon the option to reapply for their positions and they chose not to.

Doerr, who authored a revealed email and was clearly a target for Sayer and his supporters, maintains this legislation is not what Idaho's hunters want. They told the commission at several public meetings that they opposed auctioning tags.

What results is a question of motive among the leaders of Idaho. Public officials have a responsibility to their publics, not to other movers and shakers in business and civics. The unveiling of these emails clearly outlines unrest amidst the powers that be, at least in the realm of fish and game. What else does this forecast? What other facets of Idahoans' lives are being influenced by the heavy hands of businessmen?

Where is the transparency?

-LK



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Love

It isn't a little thing. Never take it for granted.

– Tea

#### Gradfest

Still hasn't hit me. Must keep my eyes on the road and finish strong.

– Luis

#### **Domestic abuse**

The NFL needs to step up and take a much tougher stance against this issue, beginning with New York Giants placekicker Josh Brown.

– Josh

#### **#TellAmericaItsGreat**

Is the most Canadian thing I've ever seen.

– Erin

#### Thank SNL

The only reason I look forward to a debate now is to watch the SNL skit after.

– Mihaela

#### **Politics**

Get real, she's made of steel. #imwithher

– Tess

#### It is confirmed

Red Dead Redemption II is coming out next fall. Bethesda, now is a good time to announce Elder Scrolls VI. Please. – Catherine

#### **Deep thoughts**

What do you do when the single best and worst person in your life is the same person? – Diamond







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# The battle of YouTube

YouTube is demonetizing videos deemed inappropriate without informing users

YouTube offers an endless plethora of videos. The website provides a vortex of randomness, fascination and distraction -at fault for keeping people up until 3 a.m., distracted by puppy and kitty videos.

I can choose to watch the presidential debates or a woman licking a lollipop for 20 minutes. It's a circus stage with a business behind the name: Google.

YouTube works as a subsidiary business with Google and is constantly changing.

I follow several YouTuber's that I have seen develop over the past four years. Some of these members have developed in maturity and quality, while others have faded away from the public eye.

Many are recognizable with a large platform of subscribers. Vsauce teaches science and mathematics, Philip DeFranco informs about events, Emma Blackery is an opinion informer and Domics is a cartoon entertainer.

As a subscriber, I watch these entertainers on a weekly basis — even when I don't have time to.

Two years ago, PewDiePie was criticized for receiving an annual salary of \$7.5 million with nearly 40 million subscribers at the time. This flickered a debate over whether

or not YouTubers should make an income for sitting in front of a camera.

YouTube statistics show that an abhorrent 1 billion videos are uploaded to the website daily. This causes a dilemma for the business on how to filter videos that are

against their policies. If a video is deemed inappropriate, then YouTube can demonetize the video from any advertisement funding.

In late summer, reporters informed viewers that YouTube was demonetizing videos without informing users who produced said videos.

The company policy requires that a video must not have graphic con-

tent or excessive strong language in order to be considered advertiser friendly. When a user reports a video, it is sent to a website administrator, who can then demonetize the video.

Why would I find a problem with filtering inappropriate videos? This is because of the unstructured censorship YouTube uses on their community.

LukeisNotSexy is a YouTuber whose "My Depression Story" video was demonetized and considered inappropriate for viewers. It's about the struggles of mental illness and how the speaker overcame it. However, LukeisNotSexy was still paid advertisement money for a video called "I Want Boobies," that he considered against YouTube policy for having curse words and sexual content.

Since the website receives an excessive amount of videos, the administration doesn't have time to review every single one. Their solution was removing videos with certain hashtag links attached. For example, if a video is uploaded

with #terrorism or #mentalillness an administrator can remove advertisements by simply removing the tag.

YouTube has this right as a private company. What I'm against is its contradictory standards.

It is hard to take this seriously when YouTubers make a high income on advertisement and viewership. Some of them make millions. But I'm not defending the rich — I'm defending the right for people to speak their mind.

YouTube is like the universe — it is constantly exploding with new stars and expanding with new content. But I don't support them demonetizing users like DeFranco for using the word "terrorist" or Lacy Green for informing on sexism.

It presents to me a sign of idleness and lack of care in the company's reputation. I want to see YouTube supporting its community instead of using vague policies and inconsistent filtering.

I hope YouTuber's come together as a community to defeat the evil forces of the YouTube monster.

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#### Think about it

There will be a day when Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump no longer fill up our daily lives. Is anyone else simultaneously elated and scared for that day to come? Hailey

#### **Only 60 days**

I don't get it. How is it acceptable to put the rapist's best interests in front of the victim's interests? Especially when the victim is his 12-year-old daughter? And why didn't anyone testify on her behalf? Everyone is right, the man does need serious help, but it'll take more than 60 days in jail for that. – Claire

#### Caffeine

When it becomes breakfast, lunch and dinner.

- Nick

#### 6,538

That is the number of spam emails I simply do not have the time to go through and delete. Five years ... three accounts ... 6,538 ... emails.

– Kevin

#### Local booze

I would buy a lot more whiskey made in Idaho if it wasn't a \$1,000 and didn't taste like dog sphincter. - Jack

#### **Kings of Leon**

Topping the charts like it ain't no thang — and rightfully so. Check out their new album, "WALLS." – Lyndsie



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# Not interested

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## No means no — in real life and on the internet

College is a great time to meet people. Going to college on the Palouse means that students have two colleges of new people to meet. It also makes dating apps like Tinder, Bumble and OKCupid

more entertaining because of the sheer amount of people in the area. I use all three of these apps and

have found that it's not the apps themselves that need reworking it's their users.

Before I get into it, let me say — I am fully aware that online dating is dicey. It's incredibly easy to start chatting and give away too much information to the wrong person. There is quite a bit of risk entering these apps. I like to think I'm a very cautious, informed user because I like feeling safe. If I feel weird, or someone makes me feel weird, I un-match or block them. It may seem harsh, but I'm not sacrificing my safety for a dude's ego.

That's why I was intrigued when one of my friends told me about Bumble. It is hailed as the "feminist tinder." Both genders swipe left or right, but once two people match, the woman has to send the first message. Matches expire in 24 hours. And if the man doesn't write back in 24 hours, the match expires.

To me, Bumble seemed a little safer than Tinder, especially in the case that I accidentally swipe right when I meant to swipe left.

Ânyone who has used Tinder or Bumble knows that fingers can slip or misswipe. It happens. Usually, if I match with someone I didn't intend, I just unmatch them or let it expire.

But then I got a message request on Facebook.

quest on Facebook.<br/>The message read, "I know this<br/>is super random and I hope I'mFor more opinion<br/>content, visit<br/>uiargonaut.comnot coming off as super creepy<br/>but we connected and expired on Bumble<br/>and I couldn't pass up the opportunity to<br/>reach out to you because I think you'reFor more opinion<br/>content, visit<br/>uiargonaut.comwebsite<br/>stunning."approact

Let's get this straight — this is harassment. Granted, it's more low-key than some forms of online harassment, but it is what it is.

Harassment is defined as behavior that

disturbs or upsets. I was very disturbed to find this complete stranger messaging me on Facebook. It's very upsetting to wonder, if this dude can find me on Facebook and message me, what else could he find?

I blame Facebook a little bit for this message getting through. Once any user

turns 18, the social networking website lets anyone message anyone. In theory, everyone over 18 is an adult and knows how to behave in a respectful and adult manner, but as demonstrated by this random boy from Bumble, that is not the case. I wish that Facebook allowed adults to keep stricter privacy settings. The

only people that message me on Facebook are my friends, so why should anyone in the world be able to message me? Seems sketchy.

Then there is the matter of the compliment. Adding something nice at the end can't undo the fact that this user pursued me off Bumble, into Facebook land and into creep-ville. It doesn't matter if I'm the most beautiful woman on the face of the Earth in his eyes — I wasn't interested in him.

And the fact that men still aren't respecting women for saying no is proof that gender equality still doesn't exist.

The worst part is that this is a pretty normal occurrence for women on the internet. I'm actually pretty surprised that it took two years of on-and-off dating app use for this to happen.

A study from Norton, a digital security firm, found that 76 percent of women under 30 had experienced online harassment.

By joining Tinder, Bumble and whatever app I choose, I am consenting to

conversation on those platforms. If I want to move to texting, Snapchat or Facebook messenger, that's a separate

right, as do men, to un-match people who give me the

creeps or I don't click with.

Being attractive or being on a dating website doesn't give anyone a green light to approach anyone outside the realm of the dating website unless given consent. It's simple: no means no, even online.

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