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Two lawsuits, one case

UI sued over mishandling of sexual assault case

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A victim of sexual assault and her accused assailant are both suing the University of Idaho after allegations were made that the university mishandled the case in relation to both parties.

The Argonaut generally does not name victims of sexual assault and is not naming either of the parties involved. Both were UI students and both lawsuits claim the mishandled situation has caused ongoing problems with each plaintiff's education or future employment.



Brook Cunningham
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The female student filed a report against UI alleging the university failed to provide proper accommodations during and after university hearings. She filed a formal complaint claiming she was sexually assaulted by another student Feb. 11, 2016.

The female student is working with Spokane-based attorney Brook Cunningham.

"This is an important issue," Cunningham said. "The University of Idaho screwed up and treated this woman really badly."

The male student is also suing the university and arguing in the 2nd District Court in Latah County that UI made procedural and policy errors throughout the case investigation, robbing him of his due process rights.

The male student is working with Moscow-based attorney James E.

Johnson, who said he would not comment on the pending litigation.

The formal complaint by the female student was filed Feb. 23 of last year. The student shared a class with her alleged male assailant and said a UI administrator suggested she stop attending the class and listen to recordings of the lecture at home.

A no-contact order was filed Feb. 26, but despite the order, the alleged male assailant remained in the victim's class. The female student was never informed when the no-contact order eventually expired several months later.

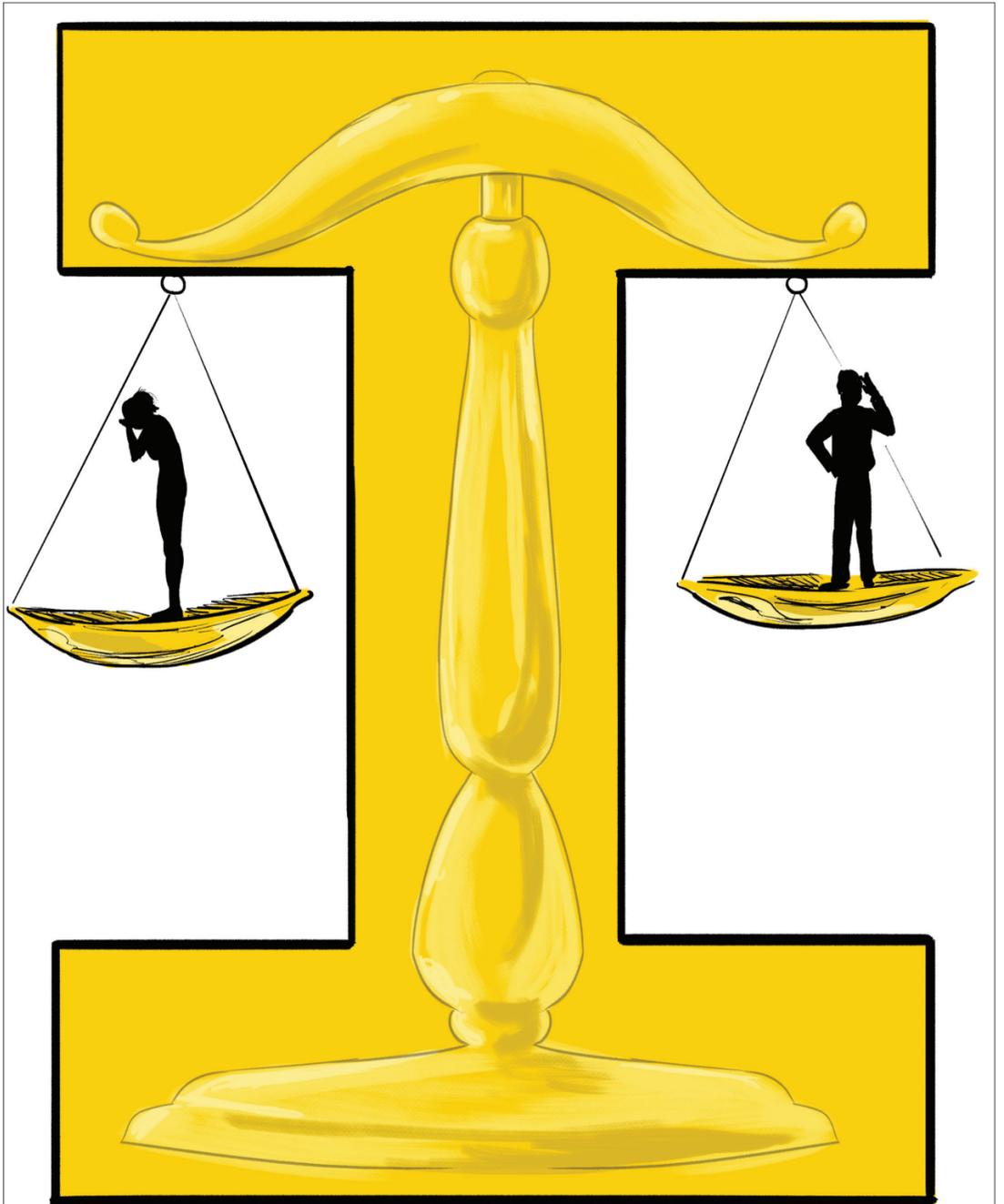
Although required by law, the female student alleged the university failed to protect and accommodate her.

During one point in the initial UI hearings, university officials suggested the female student relocate to UI's Boise campus to avoid contact with her assailant.

"Our complaint is completely against the school for victimizing the victim after she reported the complaint," Cunningham said. "Once you report a complaint like this, and during the investigation process, the school has certain obligations to the victim to be sure they're safe under Title IX and the school did not follow these."

On April 4, the Title IX Investigation Report concluded the male student did sexually assault the female student. According to the formal complaint, the Title IX Investigation Report

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Internal review after explosion recommends reform

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VANDAL ALERT UPDATE

The initial Vandal Alert notification following the UI Steam Plant explosion in April was issued approximately 50 minutes after the incident, did not include adequate information, and reached 18 percent of users via text message, according to an emergency incident internal review report.

The internal review report, published May 19, was part of administrative review following an April 13 explosion on campus that injured four University of Idaho students. The Argonaut reported the students were members of the UI student organization North-

west Organization of Rocket Engineers and were among a group testing fuel when the explosion occurred.

Other review efforts included an addendum to the internal report from a group of faculty focused on student affairs and the addition of more risk management information in the Student Organization Handbook. The opt-in Vandal Alert system only sent text messages to users who provided their cellular number, which the university is trying to get more students to do, Matt Dorschel, executive director of the Office of Public Safety and Security said. Dorschel's office, along with Informational Technology Systems, created a VandalWeb intercept that prompted users to enter their phone number if they did not have one on file for mobile Vandal Alert messages.

Within weeks, the number of users with mobile numbers jumped from 15 percent to 50

percent, meaning about 8,000 of the almost 16,000 users will now receive texts, he said. The VandalWeb intercept will occur once per semester and once during the summer session, Dorschel said.

As part of their continual efforts to increase the amount of VandalWeb users receiving mobile alerts, the university also sent a test alert Oct. 5 notifying students if they were signed up for text message notifications.

"We can't just stop communicating about the services that we have," Dorschel said. "People only remember about emergencies and safety stuff either in the immediate aftermath of an incident or when they're concerned about their own health and safety. We know that we have to carry the message 12 months a year."

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CITY COUNCIL

The one vote against Indigenous People's Day

Moscow City Council member Jim Boland speaks about voting against renaming Columbus Day

Kyle Pfannenstiel
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All but one Moscow City Council member voted in favor of a request to recognize Indigenous People's Day.

The sole dissenting vote in the six-person council was cast by councilor Jim Boland. He finds the new name as non-inclusive, feels it uses an inappropriate definition of indigenous and believes unfair focus was given to Christopher Columbus' violence, Boland said.

"The name change to Indigenous People's Day singles out one particular race of people to honor," Boland said in a group email to city officials and members of the Moscow Human Rights Commission (MHRC), one week prior to the council's Oct. 2 vote.

Moscow is now the first Idaho city to make such a recognition, though Columbus Day was never officially recognized at the city level. Two of Idaho's public universities, the University of Idaho and Boise State University, already recognize Indigenous People's Day.

"Caucasians who immigrated to North America due to persecution and famine are left out," Boland said further in the email. "Asians who came here for the same reasons are excluded. Negroes who were brought here in chains are excluded."

When asked about his word choice in the emails, Boland said, "There's no reason other than that's the name of specific races. There's Caucasians, then there's negroes and there's Asians."

The MHRC, who requested the city council recognize Indigenous People's Day, consulted with Nez Perce tribal members, the Washington State



Jim Boland
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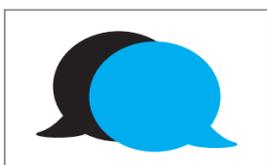
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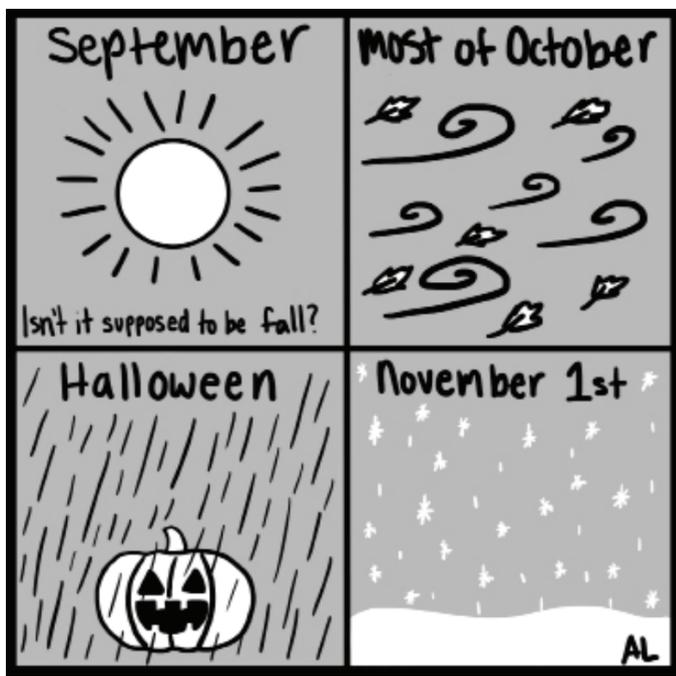
- 1 package of sugar cookie mix
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- 1/4 cup of walnuts
- 5 tablespoons of maple syrup

Directions

1. Combine the pumpkin seeds and walnuts with the maple syrup in a saucepan and heat the seeds and nuts until toasted.
2. Mix together the cookie mix as directed.
3. Fold the pumpkin puree, pumpkin seeds and walnuts into the dry cookie mix.
4. Scoop the cookie mixture onto a baking sheet and bake according to the package directions.
5. Place a walnut and pumpkin seeds on top of each cookie as soon as they come out of the oven.

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CAMPUS LIFE

How to convince a conservative

Visiting conservative supports climate change legislation

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More young conservatives acknowledge climate change than ever, said visiting former congressman Bob Inglis.

"But their parents are hard and their grandparents are tougher," Inglis said.

Inglis, former U.S. Representative of South Carolina, is the executive director of RepublicEn, a conservative organization advocating for legislation to reduce humanity's contribution to climate change. Inglis spoke

to an audience of University of Idaho students, faculty and Moscow community members Wednesday and joined a boat trip on the Snake River Thursday as part of the "EnCourage" 10-week tour of the country.

"Finding collaborative solutions to climate change is pretty essential," said Matt Dunkle, UI Ph.D student and fresh water ecology researcher. "I care a lot about science, but science on its own doesn't solve problems. I think (Inglis) has some really cool ideas."

This summer, Dunkle began conducting National Science Foundation-funded research in Alaska on the effects of glacier melt on

stream ecology. He said his research will focus on how fish adapt to changes in the resources available to them.

Alaska's landscape provides examples of glaciers in every stage of melt, allowing Dunkle to see how some ecosystems have been affected by climate change over time and predict how others, including those in Idaho, will change in the future.

Crystal Kolden, associate professor in the college of natural resources and wild-fire researcher, said Idaho is experiencing longer and hotter periods without rainfall, contributing to more and worse fires.

Kolden said sediment and charcoal from fires falls

or washes into streams, disrupting their ecosystems.

Tom Lamar, Latah County Commissioner joined Inglis and others on Thursday's boat trip on the river.

"To me, it's more important that people understand the science and move forward to do something about it to get results," Lamar said. "That piece of it is more important than whether we do it through regulation or free market approaches."

Lamar said he holds a Masters degree in environmental science from Washington State University and sits on the environment committees of the Idaho Association of Counties

and the National Association of Counties.

Lamar said he has been executive director of the Palouse-Clearwater Environmental Institute for the last 27 years. He said the institute runs a 26-acre nature center in Moscow that provides environmental education and works on stream restoration.

Lamar said Inglis's proposed legislation — a border-adjustable carbon tax — sounds good to him.

Inglis said action on climate change has very little to do with the science.

"It's a theological problem," Inglis said. "To believe it means we've got to change something we're doing."

Inglis said his organization is trying to show people it's an exciting change. He said even if someone believes the science on climate change is false, they should still support a carbon tax. A carbon tax is still a shift away from income tax and would still clean up communities of smog while encouraging sustainable energy sources.

"There are dark places in this world that spawn terrorists because they don't see a future in their world," Inglis said. "We can light up the world with more energy and more mobility."

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STUDENT LIFE

Figuring finances and federal aid

As the FAFSA deadline approaches, the need for student knowledge on incoming aid rises

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October brings with it the opening of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or FAFSA.

And, as the FAFSA deadline of Dec. 1 nears, there are things every college student receiving federal aid should know.

There is an array of aid

students can receive: scholarships, grants and subsidized or unsubsidized loans, said Leslie Hammes, associate director for University of Idaho Student Financial Aid Services.

Scholarships are any amount of money provided which does not have to be paid back, Hammes said. Students qualify for scholarships based on merit or need.

Grants, which are provided to students based on financial need, do not need to be paid back, Hammes said. However, many students are approved for student loans, an area of aid which

Hammes said is foreign to many who have never taken out a loan before.

The main difference between subsidized and unsubsidized loans is whether or not the loan accrues interest.

The interest of a subsidized loan is not charged until the student finishes school. An unsubsidized loan, meanwhile, accrues interest while the student remains in school, Hammes said.

For students to lower the amount they owe when they get out of school, Christiane Williamson, the Better Education About Money for

Students (BEAMS) manager on campus, advises students always know how much school will cost and only take out what they need.

"While in school they (students) just need to be mindful of how much they're taking out," said Williamson.

To pay off student loans, Williamson said students should work it into their spending plan, which is based on what students can afford, which considers rent, food and other expenses.

To help students with financial planning, Williamson said there are many resources on campus for

students to help navigate financial aid.

Such resources include iGrad, which helps students build personalized plans to improve money management, career and student loan skills. UI's financial aid website also includes a financial planning sheet in which students can estimate finances they will need, Hammes said.

Williamson recommends students talk with individuals at the career center to look at job options after graduation and estimate how much they could be making.

Students wishing to

find how much they have recruited in student loan debt, Hammes said visit National Student Loans Data System (NSLDS).

NSLDS uses a student's federal student aid ID to log in and will show how much debt a student has at one time, Hammes said.

For more information on financial aid services, students can stop by the Student Financial Aid office in the Bruce Pitman Center to find print outs of financial information or meet with a counselor.

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Justifying justifications

Psychologist Carol Tavis discusses *Common Read*

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Carol Tavis, social psychologist and co-author of the University of Idaho 2017-18 Common Read, believes cognitive dissonance is responsible for people justifying when they are wrong.

"Cognitive dissonance — the discomfort we feel when any two cognitions, or a cognition and a behavior contradict each other," Tavis said.

Tavis, co-author of "Mistakes Were Made (But Not by Me): Why We Justify Foolish Beliefs, Bad Decisions, and Hurtful Acts," said the book relies solely on the theory of cognitive dissonance and its implications.

A classic example of cognitive dissonance, she said, is a smoker who knows smoking is bad, unhealthy and dangerous, yet smokes cigarettes anyways.

"That state of discomfort needs to be reduced in some way," Tavis said. "Being in a state of dissonance is as uncomfortable as being hungry or thirsty — you just can't stand it and so you

have to reduce dissonance in one of two ways — the smoker has to quit smoking or justify smoking."

Tavis presented an example from a reader of the book who sent her a story in which they recognized what dissonance feels like. The reader explained a long time friend of theirs — a police officer — unfriended them on Facebook because they shared posts on the Innocence Project about the exoneration of men and women who spend time in prison for crimes they did not commit.

"My friend could not — or would not — believe or even conceive that they could be innocent because that would mean the system of which he is a part, and to which he is committed, failed," Tavis's reader wrote her.

The collision of his mental narrative with contradictory facts is what the reader described as cognitive dissonance.

The dissonance theory has been supported by many different biases that occur in the mind, Tavis said. She presented three biases in particular — the bias that people are unbiased, the bias that people are smarter, better, kinder and more



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Carol Tavis, co-author of *Mistakes Were Made*, presents her keynote address Monday night in the Bruce Pitman Center International Ballroom.

competent than average and the confirmation bias.

Confirmation bias is what Tavis called the "most important bias," which directs people to notice or observe information that confirms beliefs and tells them to ignore or dismiss any information dissonant with their beliefs.

An example of confirmation bias, she said, is when drug enforcements were sent into airports and asked to keep notes to profile of people they found suspicious drug courier.

"Acted too nervous — acted too calm," Tavis said were some of the examples of lists of things officers found as suspicious behaviors.

"What this tells us is, if I think you are a drug courier, anything you do confirms my belief that you are a drug courier," Tavis said. "That's where it starts — what's in your perceptions, not in what these people are doing."

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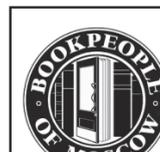
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University Tribal Liaison Office and Yolanda

Bisbee, the University of Idaho Director of Tribal Relations, on the name, MHRC Chair Ken Faunce said in an email. He said the commission had no inclusivity concerns regarding the name, as all the tribal peoples they consulted with said they were okay with the name.

A growing number of cities and towns across the country have recognized the day in lieu of Columbus Day on the second Monday of October, including Los Angeles, California and Austin, Texas, according to USA Today. August 9th is International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, as declared by the United Nations, according to TIME.

Faunce felt the city's decision to recognize the day, which does not change city operations, is a symbol that both honors native peoples and recognizes the atrocities committed against them.

"You can't change the past but maybe you can accept it and move past it," Faunce said. "To me, that is inclusive because it's a symbol — even if you don't mention every group in America."

A change of the holiday's name was not out of the question for Boland, but he said he would have preferred a name that did not specifically list any one group, such as Discovery Day or Discover America Day.

He said he hoped the day might be declared to encourage people to discover a new place near them.

"When you recognize one particular ethnic group you are taking something away from an individual ... Anytime that, as a people, we discriminate against or for any particular ethnic group, that's kind of the dictionary definition of racism."

Those two names, and one unspecified name, were included in a request for the MHRC as part of Moscow mayor Bill Lambert's efforts. He worked with Boland and councilor Kathryn Bonzo, Faunce said, to come up with possible names. The mayor first wrote to the MHRC, asking them to consider another name that was "more

unique," Faunce said.

The commission denied the request because they felt all the proposed names had problems and that Native American's are the region's Indigenous People.

"We felt that having a bunch of white people sit around and decide what to call the day is kind of defeating the whole purpose of what we're doing," Faunce said.

Boland expressed concern on the definition of indigenous used, having said the request used a "twist" on its meaning to make it what Faunce defined as "the first human inhabitants of an area," or their descendants.

"If that's the case, then Caucasian people are indigenous to the moon ... Homo sapiens evolved in Africa — everyone else is an immigrant," Boland said. "All the rest of the world is populated by immigration."

Faunce differed on the term's interpretation.

"I think it was really a misunderstanding of what indigenous means ... A million years we came from the same place. That's not quite the same thing," Faunce said.

Another concern for Boland with the proposal was that the debate was centered around Columbus' wrong-doings. Though he said he doesn't support Columbus, he said he thought the criticism of him is unfair.

"The whole thing was framed around Christopher Columbus ... and barbaric behaviors and slavery that he supposedly represents," Boland said. "But you can't find any ethnic group that hasn't engaged in those things over the last 500 years ... Yeah he probably did those things but he didn't differ that much from the people he was oppressing."

While he understands the acceptance of violence has changed since, he said he thinks it is unfair to judge the past by contemporary standards. Faunce said Columbus' violence was considered horrible, even relative to his time, and that even others who were violent had him removed from office.

The MHCR may petition the state and federal governments for change as well, as per the request, Faunce said.

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LAWSUITS

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states, "the investigators determine that it is reasonable to conclude that it is more like than not the Respondent (alleged assailant) engaged in sexual contact without consent on or about February 11, 2016."

Nearly three months after the university found the male student guilty of sexual assault, the UI Student Disciplinary Review Board confirms the

Title IX Report.

The university officially recognized the female student's tort claim November 2016.

According to an Idaho Statesman article published Thursday, the male student says a gag order infringed upon his freedom of speech.

Cunningham said the university touts its reputation with handling Title IX cases.

Cunningham emphasized that sexual assault among students should always be reported and the university

should properly respond.

"These sexual assaults should be reported, and, when they are reported, the school should appropriately respond and follow Title IX and help the victim rather than essentially pile on to the victim like they did in this case," Cunningham said. "I think this is a huge issue right now in society."

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The annual influx of new students and departure of students means the office must constantly remind students about safety, he said. When people feel safe due to good safety track records, Dorschel said safety often falls out of the forefront.

The report found the first Vandal Alert should have better specified the location of the explosion. The alert said "Explosion occurred on Moscow Campus. Responders on scene. Avoid Area. More information will follow."

UI's Emergency Response Framework (ERF) was updated in May and added a step that may help deal with the informative value and timeliness of alerts. Dorschel said the ERF was updated due to efforts underway before the explosion.

An incident assessment team will be assembled, which will determine the severity of the event and decide whether to issue a Vandal Alert, he said. The team will always include someone from the University Communications and Marketing, Dorschel said. Upon assessing the incident, team members will immediately decide whether to send an immediate alert out, Dorschel said.

"(The ERF) gives clearer guidelines of when a Vandal Alert will be issued, who can do it and who is in the approval process," said Jodi Walker, director of Communications. "This may all vary depending on the immediacy of the need."

STUDENT ORGANIZATION REFORM

Registered student organizations will be assessed as low, medium or high risk and receive consultation from UI's Office of Risk Management and Insurance, and affiliate organizations based on the nature and level of their risks, as per the internal review's and student addendum's recommendations.

Organizations participating in what the university deems high-risk behavior will now be required to receive training on risk management to be recognized by the university, according to the Student Affairs addendum, which included Director of the Department of Student Involvement (DSI), Shawn O'Neal.

"It's not about banning anything," O'Neal said. "The university is not going to stop supporting science and students."

The university's policies about student organization safety will not differ much from those pre-incident, O'Neal said. They are "refreshed procedures," he said, rather than changed ones.

According to the Student Organization Handbook, which was updated to reflect the findings of the internal report and addendum, high risk activities include handling chemicals, hosting events with over 200 attendees, engaging in strenuous physical activity, having controversial speakers and traveling to remote and metropolitan areas, among other activities.

Organizations participating in these types of activities must meet with

UI Risk Management and Insurance to develop a plan to manage risk, according to the student affairs addendum.

"What we're actually asking the clubs to do is to take a risk-based approach to their planning," Risk Manager Nancy Spink said.

High-risk organizations are recommended to have an advisor, who is a full-time benefit eligible UI employee. Advisors are not required to approve of risk management plans, but UI Risk Management and Insurance notifies them of the information discussed in meetings with groups, Spink said. To be affiliated, which means to be recognized by the university and receive funding, groups must have an advisor, Dean of Students Blaine Eckles said.

Basic risk mitigation concepts are discussed in meetings and focus on teaching a repeatable method to groups, Spink said. The group's biggest risks, and ways to mitigate it, are also discussed. "We do have to rely on groups self-identifying," she said. "It is the people who are conducting a program or an activity that really have to be engaged in risk management."

High-risk groups who fail to meet the requirement of developing a risk management plan will not receive university recognition through DSI and may be ineligible to be affiliated with the Associated Students University of Idaho, which have the ability to award additional funding to groups.

"We encourage you to register with the university," Eckles said. "We want to know that you're getting together as a

club because we want to promote that to other students ... Ultimately, if you and your friends want to get together, we can't inhibit that. Nor would we. You can do that."

University recognized groups can engage in high-risk activity and not inform the university, as they rely upon self-reporting, Eckles said.

"If you want to get together and call yourself the 'Mountain Climbing Club' and go off and climb mountains and you don't tell the institution about it then that's entirely on you — if you're looking for institutional support — then we're assuming some risk ... by saying this a group we know about and we support."

Organizations recognized by UI are listed in university communications, are given a Vandal-Sync portal account and are allowed free room reservations. Students do not have to be recognized by the university to meet and engage in activities that may be deemed high-risk.

Numbers from Spring 2017 indicate 168 organizations were registered with DSI, 22 of which said they engaged in activities that could physically harm participants. Ninety non-DSI-recognized organizations were also identified.

"I don't want students to think it's a parent telling a student yes or no, that's not what it's all about," Eckles said. "It's about our responsibility as a society to be responsible for those individuals that are a part of our organizations."

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"We just wanted to keep the momentum going, keep pushing."
- Derek Pittman

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MEN'S TENNIS



Junior Lucas Coutinho plays with intense focus while putting in his time on the tennis court.



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Traversing changes

Coutinho has been through the atmospheric gauntlet

Colton Clark
ARGONAUT

Lucas Coutinho has come a long way. The junior on Idaho's tennis squad said he had to be individually accountable in his young life, traversing diverse environments before ending up in Moscow.

At Idaho, Coutinho found a haven where he can continue to do what he loves with people who have provided a community, all the while working toward a degree in civil engineering.

Coutinho said since he left his home-nation of Brazil at age 18, he has had to bear his challenges on his back.

"Right now it all depends on what I do," Coutinho said. "Everything I choose is on me, and any mistakes are completely my fault.

My parents did all they could for me, now I have to shine."

Coutinho was born and raised for 17 years of his life in Recife, the ninth most populous city in Brazil. Although the majority of his time is now spent on the tennis courts, Coutinho said he used to enjoy time on the pitch.

"I kept playing soccer and tennis up until I was about 12," Coutinho said. "I only had to stop to focus on tennis. I was playing in a lot of tournaments."

Coutinho said he continues to adore the sport of soccer, and one can often find him watching a match whenever there's an opportunity. His overall favorite sports team is Santa Cruz Futebol Club, a Campeonato Brasileiro Série B, or second-level Brazilian soccer team based in Recife. Coutinho said, as a child, he spent many hours at Estádio do Arruda, the team's stadium, and continues to religiously attend matches when he returns home to visit family.

Coutinho's father, Helinho,

played tennis recreationally throughout his life and was largely responsible for introducing him to the sport. As a young adult, Coutinho met trainers at nearby tennis clubs his father was familiar with. After taking some lessons, he said he discovered a new passion.

Up until age 15, Coutinho was playing in local and national tournaments, often competing individually. He said the majority of the tournaments he played in 2014 and 2015 were nation-wide invitationals, crucial to players who strive for success in the sport.

"A couple of years before I came here, I was playing in national tournaments," Coutinho said. "Anyone who wants to make a name in tennis had to play in those."

After working his way up to the top of the "must watch" list of young tennis players in Recife, Coutinho said his club coach invited him to improve on his game by moving away from his family to the city of Curitiba, a metropolis of about 3.4

million people.

Coutinho had to switch scenery after 17 years in Recife and finish out his final year of high school almost 2,000 miles south of his hometown. It was in Curitiba, however, that Coutinho would come in close contact with current teammate Felipe Fonseca, a native of the city. The two partnered up in training, and this helped lead to his recruitment to Idaho.

At this point, Coutinho had built his reputation by himself, with some help from his coaches, but there was one more step to take before coming to Moscow, where he had been invited by former head coach Jeff Beaman and current head coach Abid Akbar. In the summer prior to his collegiate start, Coutinho said he went to southern France to compete in tournaments around the city of Nice and near the Italian border. Coutinho said he could have decided to continue competing individually in tour-

naments, perhaps leading to a career, but thanks to advice from old acquaintances, he realized college was the safer choice.

"When I was about 15, I saw some older people I knew going off to college and they told me it was nice and a good opportunity to do something more with your life," Coutinho said. "It's a safe way to continue playing tennis while also getting an education."

Becoming a professional like one of his idols, Brazilian-born star Gustavo "Guga" Kuerten, is arduous and independent work. Tennis players must start from low-end tournaments, eventually working their way up to more prestigious invitationals, all of which must be self-financed. One must consistently score points at every tournament, and eventually, given the player has the money to pay for international flights and tournament entries, they may find themselves with some sponsors.

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FOOTBALL

Tigers take over

Idaho is unable to get anything going in Missouri, adding another loss against Power Five schools

Meredith Spelbring
ARGONAUT

The Idaho football team headed to Columbia, Missouri hoping they could finally take down a Power Five school. Try as they might, the Vandals could not find their way, losing 68-21.

The first few minutes of the game sparked a little bit of hope. Missouri quarterback Drew Lock was picked off by senior defensive back Armond Hawkins on the first play of the game and Idaho took advantage of the early opportunity. Senior quarterback Matt Linehan got the ball to senior running back Aaron Duckworth, who found his way up the sideline to the Missouri 7-yard line. From there, Linehan connected with senior linebacker Kaden Elliss in the end zone to take an early 7-0 lead.

The Tigers did not wait long to respond. Lock threw downfield, where Emanuel Hall was waiting for a 45-yard gain. Missouri moved closer to the end zone until Lock found Al Okwuegbunam, who ran 19 yards to the end zone with 11:12 left in the

opening quarter. Nic Bartolotta made the extra point to level the score 7-7.

Idaho was not able to get anything going on the following drive, ending in a 58-yard punt from redshirt freshman Cade Coffey to put the opponents back at their own 15-yard line. Missouri opted to return the ball and return they did. Floyd Richaud made the catch and ran the length of the field for an 85-yard touchdown to give the lead back to Missouri 14-7 with less than nine minutes left to play in the first quarter.

The Tigers found the end zone once again on their next possession when Lock threw over the middle 15-yards to J'Mon Moore. The extra point was good and the home team took a 21-7 advantage with less than six minutes to go in the first.

In an attempt to get something going on the field, sophomore quarterback Mason Petrino replaced Linehan at quarterback, but this did not get the Vandals very far. Petrino was sacked for a loss to bring up 3rd and 14. Linehan came back into the game but had no better luck after another sack to bring up fourth down and a punt from Coffey.

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COMMENTARY

A Nightmare in Missouri

The highlights from the Idaho vs Missouri game were few and far between

The Idaho Vandals took a humiliating 68-14 loss to the Missouri Tigers, including a horrific first half that most Vandal fans would like to forget.

From the opening kickoff there had been murmurs that Idaho may have been able to do the improbable and pull out a win against an SEC team on the road, and after the first few minutes it seemed they may be in for a close game.

It seemed as if Idaho was ready to battle against Missouri with both sides of the ball looking good early. Unfortunately, it was short lived.

After the opening interception, the Missouri Tigers went on an unanswered 34-point run against the Vandals. Missouri scored a total of 51 points in the first half, breaking the school record for most points in a half against an FBS team.

The team looked defeated by halftime. Even though the Vandals tried to spark some miraculous comeback at the beginning of the second half, it was clear this

game was over after the first two quarters. The second half was useless to watch, it was just 30 minutes of watching the clock run out a game that got far and away from the Vandals early.

Now yes, the Vandals were playing a Power Five football team in the SEC conference, and yes, the Vandals were not the favorite to win this game, but the expectation was that Idaho would at least give Missouri a fight.

There was no fight though after the ten-minute mark in the first quarter. Idaho was just exposed on every part of the team from special teams to defense. The defense looked exhausted in the second quarter and Linehan was getting hit many times more than a quarterback should be getting hit throughout the game.

Some positive notes were that Idaho did control time of possession for most of the game. If fans looked at the stat sheet and saw Idaho controlled the clock, that usually means a good sign for the Vandals because that gives the defense more rest. In reality, Missouri scored a lot and moved up and down the field for the entirety of the game.



Chris Deremer
ARGONAUT

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VOLLEYBALL

Winning streak snapped

Idaho volleyball swept in back-and-forth contest

Colton Clark, Zack Ozuna
ARGONAUT

IDAHO VS PORTLAND STATE

Idaho volleyball came into the Memorial Gym Friday night against Portland State hoping to tie North Dakota for the best conference record in the Big Sky North. Idaho (12-9, BSC 7-3) was swept in the contest, but made frequent comeback runs against a strong offensive attack from Portland State (17-5, BSC 8-2), a team that holds the Big Sky's second-best record.

Junior outside-hitter Sarah Sharp led the game in kills, recording 15 and improving on her .240 attacking percentage by hitting .400. Sharp came in clutch in significant moments, often putting the momentum back on Idaho's side.

Idaho head coach Debbie Buchanan said the team battled and came back in some key moments, but needs to improve in some areas to accomplish its goals.

"Overall, we have to compete more than we are right now," Buchanan said. "It felt like we battled and came back...we're just not finishing, we really have to work to finish matches right now."

Set one could best be described as a back-and-forth nail-biter in which both teams shared spurts of momentum. Junior outside hitter Reece Carman got things started with back-to-back kills before Portland State went on a 5-0 run, largely on the back of misplaced Idaho balls.

The Vikings took a 12-4 lead after Idaho struggled to maintain any kind of consistency on the attack, due in part to impressive digging abilities by Viking outside-hitter Caitlin Bettenay and strong contention at the

net. Sharp came alive when the Vandals needed it most, compiling five kills on the set and helping Idaho climb back in.

Both squads had to earn every point, and just when it appeared Portland State had pulled away, Idaho rode a kill from Sharp, an ensuing block from junior middle-blocker DeVonne Ryter and another Straw kill to claw back within striking distance at 19-17.

The Vandals knotted it up at 23 after a block from junior setter Haylee Mathis, before the Vikings put away the set, 25-23, on two kills resulting from Idaho blocking errors.

Idaho started the second set again at a deficit, as Portland State came out to an early 15-9 lead and later an 18-11 advantage. In a competition reminiscent of the first set, however, the Vandals refused to let the Vikings roll past them.

Sharp yet again returned the momentum to the home side after recording four kills in seven volleys, tying the set at 19. Sharp seemingly took the set into her own hands, slamming down six kills en route to a near-comeback.

A kill from Ryter put the contest at 23-21, but Portland State would again recollect its attack that was missing midway through the set, allowing a near Vandal comeback. The Vikings stifled the Vandals on an ace from defensive specialist Tasha Bojanic, ending the set at 25-21.

Portland State started on the attack in set three, jumping out to an early 3-0 lead before an ace from junior defensive specialist Alycia Wodke, a block from Crawford and another kill from Sharp gave Idaho a 5-4 lead, its first since 2-0 in the opening set.

Portland State went on another spurt, this time a 4-0 run which was answered by two Straw kills, one thanks to a reaching one-armed dig by Wodke. Idaho's

offense and considerable blocking was not enough to hinder the Vikings' offense though, as Portland State continued to exploit the middle of the defense.

Idaho came from behind again on the arm of Sharp and a block from Crawford, giving the Vandals a 22-20 lead. But Portland State scored four straight, eventually finishing off Idaho 25-23.

Despite the sweep, Idaho had a .290 attacking percentage compared to .263 for Portland State. The Vikings edged Idaho out on kills, however, 52-47, and found several holes in the Vandals' defense. Both teams struggled with errors. Idaho committed 16 and Portland State 20.

The Vandals also out-blocked the Vikings, eight to two.

Straw joined Sharp in double-figure kills, slamming home 10. Mathis dished out 38 assists and Wodke had 21 digs, several coming on acrobatic, reaching saves.

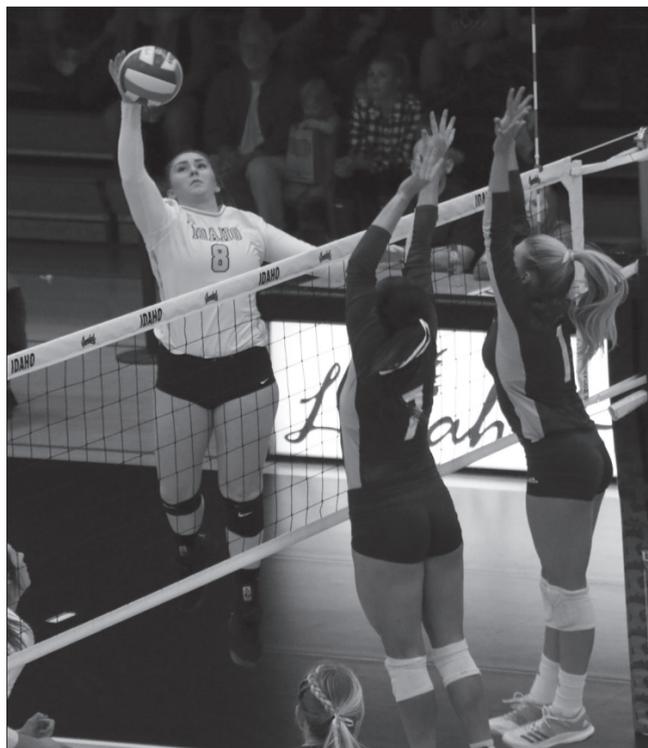
For Portland State, middle-blocker Katy Wilson put down 12 kills, and Bettenay and middle-blocker Mikaelyn Sych each recorded 10. Sych led the game in attacking percentage, knocking home .667 percent of her attempts.

IDAHO VS SACRAMENTO STATE

The Idaho volleyball team (12-8, BSC 7-2) lost to No. 1 Sacramento State (18-7, BSC 9-0) Thursday evening. The loss brought the Vandals' six-game win streak to an end.

"(Sacramento State) are a really solid team," Idaho head coach Debbie Buchanan said in a news release. "We talked about that. We always talk about our errors and managing those. Really, that was the difference in the match."

The opening set was battled all the way down to the end, though the Vandals could not seal the deal in the final stages. Trailing by only



Leslie Kiebert | Argonaut

Junior outside hitter Kaela Straw hits the ball against Sacramento State on Thursday in Memorial Gym.

one point, the Vandals set for the service. A kill from an opposing Hornets player delivered the final blow and the first set was in the books. The opponents claimed the first set 25-23.

Idaho opened the second set and struggled to extend its lead past a couple points. Despite being unable to get anything going early, the Vandals still rallied off key offensive plays and kills from junior outside hitter Sarah Sharp and junior outside hitter Kaela Straw.

The Hornets started to close in on claiming the set, after extending their lead 22-15. However, Idaho refused to go down without a contest. The Vandals, at one point, cut the lead to three.

Ultimately, the Sacramento State offense managed to outlast Idaho in the late second set. Idaho needed a strong outing in the third set or it would be the final one.

Idaho put forth a strong effort throughout the third set. The team continued to remain within striking distance the entire time, but it was not enough.

In the final set, the Hornets were able to defeat Idaho 25-23 to take the match in three sweeping sets.

The Vandals will begin a two-match road trip beginning with Idaho State 6 p.m. Thursday in Pocatello.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Tough trip to Regionals

The men's tennis team experienced ups and downs in the ITA Mountain Regional

Jonah Baker
ARGONAUT

The men's tennis team traveled to Provo, Utah to participate in the ITA Mountain Regional last week and compete with more than a dozen other schools. The team found some success during the tournament, with plenty of wins in the singles bracket and multiple doubles teams recording victories.

Three different Vandals made it out of the first round of the singles bracket to advance to the round of 64.

Sophomore Guilherme Scarpelli cruised past Boise State's Harvey Shackleton in the first round and defeated Stefan Cooper of Weber

State before losing to New Mexico State's Christofer Goncalves.

Senior Mark Kovacs advanced all the way to the round of 16 before losing to New Mexico's Dominic West after a hard-fought, three-set match by a score of 6-7(2), 6-1, 6-1. He recorded straight set wins against Tim Heslin of Boise State, Ryan Hardin of Northern Colorado, and Ignatius Castelineo of Denver University to put together a 3-1 record for the tournament.

Junior Carlos Longhi Neto also won three straight matches to make it to the round of 16, but he too did not make it to the quarterfinals. Longhi Neto battled to wins against Nevada's Augustin Delahodde, Sergi

Espias of New Mexico State, and Eric Samuelsson from UNLV before eventually falling to Montana's Victor Casadevall in three sets by a score of 2-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Longhi Neto and Kovacs were also successful in the doubles bracket. The pair combined to make it all the way to the quarterfinals, defeating Nick Werner and Michiel Van Schoor from Weber State, Max Korkh and Ludvig Hallgren of Montana, and Utah State's Jaime Barajas and Andrew Nakajima along the way. The pair played valiantly against Utah's Joe Wolley and Dan Little, but failed to advance any farther after losing 8-5.

Overall, five different members

of the team recorded wins in the singles brackets, and three doubles teams also had victories. Sophomore Esteban Santibanez defeated Northern Arizona's Harun Ajanoovic in the singles consolation bracket and was also successful in the doubles bracket. He and junior Lucas Coutinho went 1-1 in the doubles bracket, while Scarpelli and junior Peter Shin also won a doubles match against Richard Solberg and Clayton Alenik of UNLV.

Up next, the Vandals head to the Bulldog Classic on Oct. 27 in Spokane.

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Winning on the road

Idaho wins in the closing games of the regular season

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Idaho vs Idaho State

The Vandals defeated Idaho State on the road 2-1 Sunday afternoon in one of the final games of the regular season.

Idaho head coach Derek Pittman said the team did not play a strong first half in a news release.

"We didn't play well in the first half and Idaho State capitalized," Pittman said. "They had a lot more energy and enthusiasm than we did, just battling for first and second balls and just competing. And our staff really challenged our team at halftime, made a few tactical changes that we needed to address, but more than anything we needed to light a fire under our group and get them to compete like they did on Friday night."

Idaho State (3-14, BSC 2-7) put the first point on the board in the 20th minute of play when Lauren McGahie knocked one in from outside the box.

Idaho (7-9-2, BSC 3-5-1) responded midway through the second half when junior defender Kelly Dopke tied up the game in the 57th minute on a free kick about 30 yards out.

"Kelly has been working on set pieces quite a bit as

of late, and we know she has the ability to do those things," Pittman said. "What bigger time could you ask for something like that? For her to step up and level the score for us."

Idaho continued to battle during the second half, scoring the final goal of the game in the 77th minute, giving them the separation they needed.

Redshirt freshman midfielder Taylor Brust picked the ball up just inside the Idaho half and passed it to freshman Kaysie Bruce. Bruce got past the Idaho State defender and crossed the ball to senior midfielder Olivia Baggerly who got the ball right in the back of the net, to give Idaho the go ahead and seal the win.

"We just wanted to keep the momentum going, keep pushing," Pittman said. "We had a little bit of a lull after the goal but I thought some of the subs stepped in and did an excellent job. Kaysie Bruce got to the sideline and served a quality ball, and Liv who's nursing a little bit of an injury got herself in the right spot and did what she's capable of doing."

Idaho vs Weber State

Idaho soccer hit the road this week to take on Weber State in Ogden, Utah, where with the help of junior forward Bridget Daley the Vandals found a way to win 3-2.

"I'm really proud of our players," Pittman said in a news release. "We really



Connor McCaughan | Argonaut

Sophomore defender Crosby MacKinnon passes to her teammate during the game Friday night in the Kibbie Dome.

tried to get back to being a lot more competitive and showing a lot more grit this past week in the training session and I thought our kids really responded well to that."

Weber State (3-11-2, BSC 2-4-2) wasted no time taking charge of the score. The Wildcats netted the first goal of the game just 11 minutes into play from Weber State's Megan Quarnberg.

To make matters worse the home team scored less than two minutes later to take the lead 2-0.

"It was difficult going down two goals early but I

thought our players really showed some resolve, stuck to the gameplan and did an excellent job finishing the chances that we were able to create," Pittman said.

Luckily for Idaho, Weber State was done scoring for the night and the Vandals were just getting started. Daley took advantage of a loose ball from the Weber State goalie and fought to get the goal to bring the score to 2-1.

Daley once again came through for the Vandals in the 57th minute when she converted a penalty kick into Idaho's second goal of the

night to level the score at 2-2.

Daley capped off the scoring for the night with a goal with less than five minutes to play. Junior midfielder Megan Goo created the turnover for the Vandals and shot the ball up field to senior midfielder Olivia Baggerly. Baggerly got the ball to Daley who knocked it in for Idaho's third goal of the night.

"We know what Bridget is capable of," Pittman said. "It's been coming. She has created a number of chances. She's been a bit unlucky in some situations."

The Vandals outshot

the opponents 19-9, seven of which were on goal for Idaho compared to five from Weber State.

Idaho still has a chance to make the Big Sky Conference tournament but needs to win two more games to get a bid. The Vandals play next on their home turf against Eastern Washington 7 p.m. Friday in the team's final effort to reach the Big Sky tournament.

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OPINION

2017 World Series: Who will win?

Underdog days

The Astros deserve your support in this year's World Series

Jonah Baker
ARGONAUT

The World Series is upon us. For fans of just about any team in the Pacific Northwest, Idaho definitely included, underdog status is simply a way of life. If baseball fans in the region are having any hesitations about who to root for, the Houston Astros are an easy choice.

The Astros are the true underdogs in the series, as the first line offered by Vegas oddsmakers listed the Los Angeles Dodgers as a -140 favorite. Bleacher Report, FiveThirtyEight and CBS Sports are all siding with the oddsmakers and predicting a Dodgers championship in their first World Series appearance since 1988.

Unlike most underdog stories though, the Astros are more than capable of pulling off an 'upset.' Houston dominated during the regular season, winning more than 100 games and maintaining the third highest run differential in the league. A midseason trade to acquire Justin Verlander bolstered their pitching staff, which

now features two Cy Young winners in Verlander and Dallas Keuchel.

The narrative behind Houston's rise is also a great reason to back the Astros. They were undeniably one of the worst teams in the MLB for the early part of the decade, but all those losing years translated into high draft picks that brought building blocks like shortstop Carlos Correa to the team.



Jonah Baker

In 2013, Sports Illustrated recognized the plan that the Astros were putting together and predicted them to be the World Series champions in only four years. All of the pieces finally started to come together two years ago, as the team advanced to the divisional round but lost to the eventual champion, the Kansas City Royals.

This year's team is young but experienced, and they have the pieces to compete.

Northwest sports fans will have a difficult time rooting for the Astros, who won nine of their 12 meetings with the Seattle Mariners, but they are a far lesser evil than Los Angeles.

The Dodgers, despite their longer World Series drought, are a supremely hateable team. They spent \$265 million on their roster, more than a full \$100 million than the

Astros. Rooting for the upstart Astros against the well-resourced Dodgers should come easy to Northwest baseball fans who are too familiar with underdog status.

There really isn't much reason not to back the Astros in the 2017 World Series. The team is supremely talented, but still has a motivational chip on their shoulder. They could have shut down after the emotional trauma caused by Hurricane Harvey, but in-

stead their resolve was strengthened en route to a 101-win season. They have accomplished as much as the Dodgers have while maintaining a below-league-average payroll.

If you're still unsure of which team to support in this year's World Series, the Astros check all the boxes.

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A Dodgers victory

The LA Dodgers are the clear favorite in 2017 World Series

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The schedule has been set. The 2017 World Series will play out between the Houston Astros and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Fans on both sides will make their arguments for their respective team throughout the next few weeks,

on account of obtaining the better regular-season mark. Fans in every sport wait to see their team play on the home field and know the advantages location can bring, especially when it comes to big games when any extra boost helps.

The Dodgers defense is one of the best in the major league, finishing with a 2.82 park-adjusted defensive efficiency, per Baseball Prospectus.

LA also has an impressive bullpen on their side. The Dodgers finished fourth in the majors for Earned Run Average (ERA), while the Astros finished 19th.

The Dodgers pen proved they were out for blood when they essentially threw a no hitter against the Chicago Cubs in the post season.

On the other side of the field, the Astros' best relievers, Ken Giles and Chris Devenski have had a rocky off season, not coming close to performing like they did during the regular-season.

But the Astros offense is still likely to create problems for the Dodgers. The Astros had arguably one of the best regular-seasons offensively. They had the

lowest strike out rate in baseball and led the majors in runs scored and finished second in home runs.

On the flip side, the Dodgers finished second, just one point behind the Astros.

So, who will win?

It is nearly impossible to win a game without a strong defense. The Astros can try and score all they want, but I have a hard time believing Houston can come out

victorious against the walls put out on the field by the Dodgers.

There is no true underdog or clear winner in this scenario on paper. The true winners of this year's World Series matchup will be the fans. It is face offs such as this one that draw so many people from various backgrounds and various personalities into the game.

This game is going to be one where fans should sit at the edge of their seats every second for the entirety of the series.

With the two stellar teams so close in rankings, it will be interesting to watch the entirety of the games unfold.

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Connor Braase

regardless of results. Yet it seems obvious that the Dodgers will come out victorious in the three-game series for a handful of reasons.

One of the biggest advantages for the Dodgers will be the location. The team will have the home field advantage in games one and two of the series, which they earned throughout the season



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TRAVERSING

FROM PAGE 6

Coutinho said the expenses and individual process is a deterrent in focusing solely on tennis. His current goal is to play out his passion and eventually become an engineer, although he said he would not mind to coach at some point.

Coutinho's path began in the large Brazilian cities of Recife and Curitiba, continued to sprawling Europe, and ended up in the small community of Moscow, featuring just a fraction of the population he was accustomed to.

Moscow originally came as a

culture-shock and Coutinho said it was difficult to make friends with a language barrier, but he now feels more comfortable.

"I felt kind of awkward in the beginning, it was hard to make friends," Coutinho said. "I could understand people, but my English wasn't perfect at first, but it's developed since then."

Coutinho has since become more comfortable in a town about 6,200 miles away from his home, and he said it is partly due to the team which has provided a tight-knit community for him. Coutinho is one of four Brazilians on the roster, and he said this helps with both team chemistry and comfort-

ability.

"We're pretty close. We didn't have any seniors on the team last year so we're largely the same," Coutinho said. "We all try to speak English when we're around others, but it's nice to have people around who are from the same country."

With a change in atmosphere comes a change in lifestyle for Coutinho, particularly his life on the court.

Growing up, Coutinho said he was always a singles player, an identity he has now partly foregone. He said he has seen better results and shot up the lineup when partnered with friend, roommate and teammate, Esteban Santibanez.

Santibanez said Coutinho makes a good roommate, as he is organized, helpful and committed.

"He's a funny guy, I like being roommates with him," Santibanez said "He's smart, generous and when I ask favors from him, he'll do it without complaining."

Santibanez said that, on and off the court, the two often support each other, and Coutinho is one player whom everyone knows they can rely on. Although Santibanez said Coutinho may not always embody the position as a leader of the team, his presence definitely helps it.

Coutinho still has the remainder of this season and the next to

improve his game and perhaps advance further in the NCAA tennis tournament at the end of the season in the spring. Coutinho helped lead the Vandals to a conference championship last season, and with close community, instructing and a perfected forehand attack, Coutinho said he believes they can do it again.

Until then, Coutinho can be found conditioning, practicing his aggressive serves or helping mentor freshmen like he was when he arrived on campus just over two years ago.

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TIGERS

FROM PAGE 6

Another long return from Missouri's Richaud put the ball on the Idaho 37. The Tigers capitalized on the field position when Lock's 18-yard pass to Okwuegbunam gave them their fourth touchdown of the first quarter. Missouri kicker Bartolotta failed to complete the second point attempt after the first attempt was nullified for illegal formation. Missouri held a 27-7 lead with 3:12 left to go in the first quarter.

The Vandals fumbled on the ensuing kickoff and Missouri recovered the ball at the Idaho 20. The home team took advantage of the opportunity and put the ball in the end zone once again to extend the lead to 34-7 with time still remaining in the quarter.

The Tigers stopped the Vandals and their next possession resulted in a field goal less than two minutes into the second quarter. Missouri went ahead 37-7.

Idaho got the ball back and slowly moved it down the field, culminating in a touchdown pass from Linehan to junior wide receiver David Ungerer in a 17-play drive and nearly nine minutes of possession. After an extra point from Coffey, Idaho closed the gap slightly to 37-14.

But once again, the Missouri offense showed no mercy on the opponents with a 45-second touchdown drive. Lock tossed the ball downfield where Kendal Blanton was waiting to make the 62-yard reception that put the Tigers at the Idaho 4-yard line. Seconds later, Ish Witter of Missouri scored and the opponents

took a 44-14 lead.

After the Vandals came up empty, Missouri got the ball back and capped off the first half with another touchdown to take a 51-14 lead.

The second half looked better for the Vandals, but the 34 unanswered points in the first half proved to be too much.

Witters scored his second touchdown of the game several minutes into the third quarter to bring the score to 58-14.

Idaho slowed the opponents until late in the third quarter when Lock found Floyd for an 18-yard touchdown, furthering the Missouri lead to 65-14 with two minutes left until the fourth quarter.

With 11 minutes left in the game, the Tigers moved down the field but could not get into the end

zone and settled for a field goal from Bartolotta, pushing the score out to 68-14.

Idaho capped the scoring off for the day late in the final quarter. Petrino finished out the game at quarterback and moved downfield where he connected with Ungerer for the team's third touchdown of the game. After the extra point from Coffey, Idaho trailed 68-21.

Missouri finished the game with 658 total yards of offense, compared to only 278 from Idaho.

Linehan went 19-of-32, with 139 passing yards and two touchdowns. After his performance in Columbia he is now third on Idaho's all-time passing list with a total 10,130 passing yards.

Hawkins' interception in the opening minute of the game was the first of his career. The resulting play from Hawkins' intercep-

tion was Ellis' first career touchdown reception.

Ungerer also had a good game with two touchdowns and four passes caught for 58 yards. This is his first game with more than one touchdown.

Mason Petrino threw his first career touchdown and went 3-4 for 58 yards on the game.

Idaho has yet to defeat an SEC school, now 0-9 all-time record against the conference. The Vandals will have the chance to add one to the win column against SEC teams next season with a game against Florida.

Idaho returns home to face Louisiana-Monroe 2 p.m. Oct. 28 in the Kibbie Dome.

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NIGHTMARE

FROM PAGE 6

Idaho's only highlight of the second half occurred during the last seconds of the fourth quarter when back-up quarterback Mason Petrino threw a touchdown pass to David Ungerer to give Idaho its only score of the second half. It was nice to see a connection between the two Pullman natives and see Idaho finish the game with another touchdown.

Slowly, week after week we have seen different issues and problems with this Idaho team, but while

there was always something positive to pull out of games, this game it is hard to take away any positives with this loss.

This was the game where everything fans have complained about was highlighted on the field- the stagnant offense, slow starts and defense being on the field too long. Nothing made the Vandals look like anything more than a mediocre team.

From a statistics perspective, Missouri ended with 658 total yards on offense, compared to Idaho's 278 total yards. Of the 658 yards, 475 of them were passing

yards allowed by the nation's sixth best pass defense.

The offensive line for the Vandals could not handle Missouri's defensive line. This led to Linehan being hit a lot throughout the game, with the hits starting to pile up and tear down the quarterback in the third quarter.

In most games throughout the season the most reliable part of the team for the Vandals has been the ferocious play of the defense. Unfortunately, Missouri found a way to expose the middle of the field against the Vandal secondary. The defense improved in the second

half, holding the Tigers to a few field goals inside the red zone.

This was one of the sloppiest Vandal games to watch. Anything that could have gone poorly for Idaho did, with the exception of the opening minute of the game. Maybe it was due to overconfidence on the road or simply just playing a bad game, but one thing for certain is that this may be Idaho's most deflating loss of the season.

This game puts the Vandals on a three-game losing streak and a 2-5 record on the season, while also putting Idaho in a tricky situation for the rest of the season if

they hope to gather a bowl berth.

What seemed like a promising game early on turned into a slaughter quickly for the Vandals.

The question now is if and how the Vandals respond for the rest of the season, and if the offense can ever find consistent pass blocking within that offensive line. The defense is going to have to regroup and get back to the hard-hitting defense they have been if the team aims to start a late season surge to claim a bowl berth.

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FILM



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Moscow resident, Aquasha DeLusty, junior Andrea Falk and junior Lexii Galbreath rehearse their parts in *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* Monday night at the Moose Lodge.

A wild show

Sirius Entertainment will present the 'Rocky Horror Picture Show' in Moscow

Jordan Willson
ARGONAUT

Aquasha DeLusty was 8 years old when she began her life as a theater and performance enthusiast.

She said as a child, she loved playing make-believe and dressing up in costumes with her friends. When she found out she could turn her games into a production, she said she was hooked.

DeLusty, a local drag queen, is directing the shadow cast and performing a role in Sirius Entertainment's production of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" at 9 p.m. and midnight Saturday and Sunday at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre. Tickets cost \$12 and can be purchased online at siriusentertainment.com or at the door.

Stacey Holbrook, who is playing Riff Raff in the show, said this is Moscow's first use of a shadow cast during the Rocky Horror Picture Show in more than 10 years.

DeLusty said she will perform the role of Dr. Frank-N-Furter, a satirical character that represents the stereotypes of an uneducated society attached to the LGBTQA community during the 1970s, when the movie

was produced. According to kenworthy.org, the movie is a cult classic about two sweethearts that get stuck in a storm and discover an eerie mansion full of "wild characters." DeLusty said the movie is "grungy" and rejected societal norms.

"It gave a good middle finger to society at the time," she said.

DeLusty referred to the production as the "Rocky Horror Picture Show" experience." She said the shadow cast reenacts the movie in front of the screen and partakes in the musical numbers while the audience participates through shout-outs, asking questions and poking fun at the movie. Every group of Rocky Horror Picture Show performers makes the show its own, she said.

"It takes the movie experience and kind of pulls it onto the stage," DeLusty said. "Don't come to watch the movie, come to enjoy the experience. It's a little bit of a wild show, but it's a good time."

She said there are parts of the show where the audience is directed by cast members mixed within the crowd to throw objects like toast or rice onto the stage. She said the prop bag, included with the purchase of a

ticket while supplies last, includes different foods, playing cards, glow sticks and more.

Holbrook said it's best if the audience participates as much as possible, which they can do through shout-outs, singing the songs and throwing props.

"A movie with full participation is a blast," she said.

DeLusty said this is her first production with Sirius Entertainment, but she has played the role of Dr. Frank-N-Furter before, for Washington State University's production of the show two years ago. She said Frank-N-Furter is a little wild, but a fun, loving character, which she enjoys.

Holbrook said she thinks DeLusty is one of the best performers in the area, and having her play Frank-N-Furter will be a highlight of the show for a lot of people.

DeLusty said she is ecstatic to be a part of such a fun show and her favorite part is watching the first-time-goers, called "virgins," in awe during the production.

"It's a really cool feeling to be able to create something together and to be a part of that jaw-dropping experience for someone," DeLusty said.

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DeLusty said in today's society, the Rocky Horror Picture Show will hopefully spark commotion and discussion about what some consider taboo.

"It's a great gateway to open some conversations that need to be happening," she said.

Though the movie is from 1975, DeLusty said the show still presents a strong message about acceptance.

"You're not a freak," she said, referring to members of the LGBTQA community. "You're worth being loved."

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DADS' WEEKEND

Following a family tradition in the arts

UI Art and Architecture student reflects on growing up with a father in the arts

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Relationships between college students and their parents can vary widely, but Gabriella Garcia, a senior studying interior design and architecture, is lucky to have a strong relationship with her father.

Because she is following in his footsteps to become a designer, Garcia said she values sharing her experiences with her father on the phone between school breaks and weekend visits.

"My dad has always been the person that I go to just for any advice," Garcia said.

Both Garcia and her father, Adam Garcia, have had successes in 2017. Gabriella received the People's Choice Award for her work at the Chair Affair event hosted by the Interior Designers of Idaho and Adam Garcia was recently commissioned by Dutch Bros to design all of their future coffee stands.

"That's a huge thing for him," Gabriella said. "It's really cool we get to experience those things together."

In addition to sharing his passion and

talent for design, Gabriella said she will also be following in her father's footsteps and focusing on designing health care facilities.

"He's the architect for the St. Luke's hospitals in the Boise area," Gabriella said. "We have a lot in common."

Gabriella said she didn't set out to follow her father's path. She said she wasn't drawn to designing for either residential or hospitality groups, but found her love in health care.

"I want to be able to create a space that helps people in the most uncomfortable situations feel the most comfortable," Gabriella said. "I want to help people."

Although Gabriella said she loves a challenge, she said she can rely on her father for an empathetic ear when things get tough.

"He always tells me on the phone that it's all temporary," she said. "that always keeps me motivated and keeps me moving because it's true— it's just for right now, it's going to get better."

However, some things never changed. Gabriella said she has always wanted to be "either an architect or an interior designer."

"I used to watch him (working), and from a young age I was always like 'I cannot wait to be able to do this just like my dad,'" Gabriella said.

Now in her senior year as an interior design student, Gabriella is able to help her father with some of the same tasks she used to be in awe of.

While Gabriella was excited to be able to help her father with his work, the support goes both ways — when Gabriella struggled with her GPA and faced having to leave the interior design program, her father was there for her.

"I did everything I could to (get my GPA up), and last semester I made the Dean's List with over a 3.5," she said.

In addition to her professors, Gabriella said she knew her father was in her corner, cheering her on.

"To have that support, and to have him be so understanding of how difficult drawings can be... it's been great to just have that there," Gabriella said. "I had to work on this drawing for 14 hours straight, and my dad was like 'I don't doubt you, I know it's hard.'"

Gabriella said her father has supported her throughout her journey since the very beginning, and the benefits of having a father in an artistic profession are not lost on Gabriella.

"Knowing how demanding and how competitive this field is before going into it defi-



Gabriella Garcia | Courtesy

Gabriella Garcia sits in front of her father, Adam Garcia, in a chair she made.

nately has helped me for sure," Gabriella said. "Just being able to share my creative thoughts with him, and him being able to bounce back at me with other ideas is amazing."

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VISUAL ART

Lights, camera, art

UI grad student Logan Brashar shines her light

Lindsay Trombly
ARGONAUT

University of Idaho Art and Design graduate students exhibited their artworks with a hint of light on campus this month in Ridenbaugh Hall.

"Light Show" featured 10 different artists who created art with light through the exploration of materials or artworks they've been working on.

Professor Michael Sonnichsen, who teaches first and second year Master of Fine Arts students in Art 507, helped students in the light show.

"Logan Brashar and another grad student, Ashley Vaughn, offered a theme for the show. They were able to steer a project or two into this light theme," Sonnichsen said.

Brashar said she and Vaughn wanted to use light on artworks as a physical form to enhance their work.

"We left it ambiguous so that artists could interpret and bring their own thoughts to the show on how they interpret light," Brashar said.

MFA graduate students at UI have their own gallery space, have

the opportunity to teach art and architecture to undergraduate students on campus and can explore their own art skills. Showing their work in galleries gives them an advantage when they finish school.

"This is part of what we are training them to do, is to be able to place their work in a gallery setting and have it look its very best. It's a part of their education," Sonnichsen said.

Besides being a part of the education process, Brashar said the students had fun participating in this experience as well.

"We are like a family, the grad students, and we all participated in the installation and painting," Brashar said.

Brashar, who has been an artist for 11 years, displayed her piece "On the Brighter Side (State of Affairs)" in the show. She said her preferred mediums are ceramics, encaustic wax and printmaking. She said she decided to combine encaustic wax with her ceramic skills to provide impact on her work.

"I went to the Women's March this year and it really inspired me to create this piece and talk about the woman's form. The symbol of fertility and life and with regards to the honeybee situation happening in the United States right now," Brashar said.

She said she's inspired by situations that are happening in the

U.S. right now and wants to bring attention to these issues. In her "Light Show" piece she used directional movement to shed light on the situation.

"I played with light in my work to think about the brighter side of the situation. The piece itself, it goes from like death to kind of life, almost, with the colors and the directional movement. Because it's going in an upward directional movement we are expected to end on a happy note," Brashar said.

She said she thinks the best part of being a part of the gallery exhibition was seeing students across the university show up on opening night to see their work.

"There was one guy, he's not a student. He comes every other year or so and he said that it was the best show he's seen the past eight years," Brashar said.

Art has always been an important part of her life and continues to be every day, she said. She said art gives her a sense of purpose and she wanted to share it with students through her work. Brashar said she wants to be a college art professor someday as well as a working artist.

"Especially teaching art foundation classes it's great to see students come in that have little to no art experience and see them grow tremendously doing sketchbook assignments, pushing themselves,



Lindsay Trombly | Argonaut

Logan Brashar's "On the Brighter Side (State of Affairs)" on display in Ridenbaugh Hall as part of "Light Show."

taking risks, getting out of their comfort zone, learning more about themselves by having fun too," Brashar said.

Brashar said aspiring artists at the university should not give up their passions.

"Don't give up and keep making. It's going to be hard sometimes," Brashar said. "A lot of my profes-

sors have told me art is hard, and it's true. But don't give up especially if you're passionate about it. You'll find your narrative, you'll find what medium speaks to you. You'll find it. You just gotta keep making."

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REVIEW

Short stories: 30 days of terror

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If you haven't read Ray Bradbury's "The Veldt" then be warned, as this review will be full of spoilers.

Ray Bradbury, known for "Fahrenheit 451", crafts a tale centered around a husband, wife and their two kids.

Set in a futuristic home full of fantastical gadgets, one room stands out. The nursery, costing half of what the house is worth, is a high-tech wonderland that projects the inhabitant's thoughts and feelings on the surrounding walls.

The reader soon learns that the parents are upset with the amount of time the kids — Wendy and Peter — are spending in the nursery.

When the Hadleys make their first trek into the nursery while the children are away, they find something unsettling.

The normally placid walls have trans-

formed into dry yellow grasslands. The ceiling reflects a large yellow sun beating down on them from above.

Without warning, a pack of lions charges at them from the grasses and both mother and father leap back out through the nursery door.

When confronted, the children seem unaware of any lions or grasslands. It soon becomes clear that not all is what it seems.

The story climaxes as the Hadleys shut off the house, including the nursery, under the direction of a psychologist.

The children break into hysterics, pleading with their father to let them have just one more minute in the nursery.

When the parents go in to shut off the nursery they are surprised to find it empty, save for hungry looking lions.

The door shuts and locks behind them, leaving all too real predators on both sides of the nursery door.

Right off the bat the reader is assaulted with detail. Bradbury is a master at craft-

ing a scene with such intricate detail yet not overboard on adjectives.

All of this transforms the world around the reader much like the walls of the nursery transform in their world.

"The Veldt" is more than just a grisly story about sociopathic children. It is social commentary on the increasing dependency on technology.

Bradbury seemed to look into the not-so-distant future and see where technological dependency was headed.

Many times, the house, and nursery, are described as the new parents of the children. They provide their food, comfort, and entertainment.

The parents are seen by the children as forces which prevent the fullest enjoyment of the house. They take away the toys, games and, above all else, the nursery.

Throughout the story it seems as if Bradbury writes the children as rather two-dimensional characters.

What's scarier, a pride of lions or two spoiled children?

This, I believe, is intentional. It is incredibly hard to create realistic characters that engage in patricide, especially ones so young.

Instead, the children serve as embodiments of greed and gluttony.

In the end, the Hadleys live out their final confrontation between the lions and their own children.

It is never explained whether the children tinkered with the inner machinations of the room to create real lions, or if they simply poured enough unfettered hatred into the nursery that their emotions were personified as the African hunters.

What the reader must ultimately take from this story is that dependency without restraint can transform people, even innocent children, into the most debased versions of themselves.

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MUSIC

Singing through the cold

Country music singer performed at UI Oct. 20

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In spite of a serious cold, award-winning country music singer Ty Herndon performed Oct. 20 at the University of Idaho.

Herndon joked about how some of the songs he picked this night had lower keys so he could have an easier time with his sore throat.

Herndon was invited by his friend Jeremy Barron, the associate director of UI Event and Support Services, to give a concert for the locals. Herndon said he and Barron have worked together several times before.

Herndon performed with Erik Halbig on guitar. Halbig is a guitar producer from Nashville, Tennessee. The two were tacit regarding song selections on the stage. Like in the past, Herndon's sense of humor brought the audience a lot of laughter.

"To travel, sing and stand on two healthy legs is awesome," Herndon said. "I hope the world can be a place we all live together and love each other."

Herndon sang "House on Fire," a song

that shares a name with his 2016 album. When he sang "Lies I Told Myself," the entire Administration Auditorium seemed to sink into the ocean of sensitivity and memories from when people were young.

"I was a big dreamer," he said.

He also sang "Journey On," which is from the 2010 same name album. Finally, he used an improvisational song to respond to the audience's applause and end this performance.

Backstage, Herndon said Idaho is one of his favorite landscapes and he has performed in the state many times.

"It's pretty beautiful. You got a lot of pretty water here, whitewater," he said.

In addition to the concert, Herndon said he had a talk with UI LGTBQA students in the morning. Herndon himself identifies as a gay man.

"I hated my sexual identity for so many years and it caused me a lot of pain and grief," Herndon said. "It almost cost (me) my life a couple of times. Twice to be exact. It was just quite torturous and the older I got, it became too uncomfortable for people not to know the real me. I want the real me to shine in my music."

He said statistics show many young



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Country music singer Ty Herndon and guitar player Erik Halbig perform Oct. 20.

Americans kill themselves because they can not accept their sexual identity. They were thrown out of their home, churches and community, he said.

Herndon said he was angry toward such occurrences and believes God loves all kinds of humans. Herndon said he came out so he could be part of the solution for this.

"This is the best thing I've ever done. Getting to tell every youth that we're not broken. We're made perfectly beautiful, just

what we (are) supposed to be," he said.

Herndon gave some final advice for music students near the end of the concert.

"Remain very authentic to who you want to be, the music you want to do, and the messages that you want to have in your music," Herndon said.

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THEATER

The best seats in the house

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Tickets to the Royal National Theatre in London can run upward of \$85. But in Moscow, the production of "Twelfth Night," performed at the National Theatre, can be watched live for \$12 6:30 p.m. Oct. 26 at the Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre.

The Kenworthy is one of over 2,000 venues across the globe where the London production can be viewed.

"National Theatre Live is a program that brings live theater from London to theaters across the world," said Jamie Hill, operations director at the Kenworthy.

The productions are part of National CineMedia's Fathom Events, the same group that produces "The Met: Live in HD," which also airs at the local theatre.

Broadcast live over satellite, the National Theatre Live (NT Live) productions are filmed with cameras "carefully positioned throughout the auditorium to ensure cinema audiences get the 'best seat in the house' view of each production," according to the NT Live website.

Hill said she believes the NT Live series is a great opportunity for "anybody who loves theater."

"Shakespeare tends to bring in more students because it ties in with their classes,"

Hill said.

Hill said the Kenworthy is able to choose which National Theatre productions it shows each year, and they try to follow the school year to encourage student participation.

However, several of the Kenworthy's patrons come to enjoy the entire National Theatre series, rather than just for the Shakespearean classics.

The showings typically occur about once per month, and "Twelfth Night" will be the third NT Live event at the Kenworthy since the start of the fall semester.

November's showing, "Obsession," will star Jude Law and December's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolfe?" features

Kenworthy broadcast's NT Live's "Twelfth Night" Oct. 26

Imelda Staunton, best known for her role as Professor Dolores Umbridge in the Harry Potter series.

Hill said she would encourage everyone to give a NT Live showing a try, "even if you don't like live theater."

"Coming to live theater expands your world-view," Hill said.

The showings take place once a month at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, and tickets are available for \$12 through the Kenworthy box office or online at kenworthy.org.

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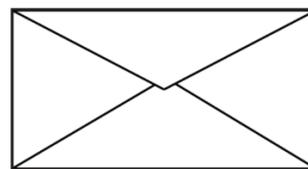
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OUR VIEW

Neglecting the victims

Sexual assault cases should be taken more seriously at UI

Recently, two University of Idaho students, an alleged victim and the man accused of assaulting her, sued the school, claiming it mishandling their sexual assault case.

The victim alleges in federal court that the school magnified her emotional distress by not providing proper accommodations. The complaint was filed Oct. 12. Her alleged attacker is also suing, arguing UI did not follow proper hearing procedures and that Title IX staff were not properly trained.

While the suit has sparked local conversation about sexual assault, the issue has been a large topic on the national level over the last several months.

Early in October, the New York Times broke a story revealing dozens of women accused film producer Harvey Weinstein of sexually harassing them.

Earlier, in September, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos strayed from Obama-era guidance that demanded colleges use “preponderance of evidence”—the more convincing evidence rather than

the amount of evidence.

Some have argued this pull back will make it harder for victims to come forward, while others have said the previous guidance took away the assailant’s due process.

Regardless, sexual assault is not uncommon on college campuses. From 1995 to 2013, college females were more likely to have been raped or sexually assaulted than any other demographic, according to a U.S. Department of Justice 2014 report. Yet, about 80 percent of student victims do not report the assault or rape to police.

This means when sexual assaults are reported, they should be taken all the more seriously. Universities must ensure both the victim and the accused are given the proper platforms for discussion and the victim can continue their studies in a safe environment until a conclusion is reached.

This does not mean, when students share a class, the victim should be told to either deal with facing his or her abuser or listen to recorded lectures at home, as the victim in the UI case alleges she was told to do.

While the university has programming in place to prevent

sexual assault and sexual harassment, such as Green Dot — a violence prevention organization — not all sexual assaults have been or will be stopped.

If a friend tells you they have been sexually assaulted, believe them and support them. Guide them to resources that will help them take the next step. If you have been sexually assaulted, take care of yourself and if you are comfortable, reach out to others for help.

Though some may be less willing to trust the university’s procedures after recent news, the resources can still be beneficial, and there are also resources not affiliated with the university to turn to.

On their violence prevention programs webpage, the university recommends after an assault takes place, the victim find a safe space, call for help, preserve evidence, write down details and seeks medical attention. Washing off, even brushing teeth, can get rid of evidence that could prove an assaulter guilty.

Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse offers a 24-hour helpline at 208-883-HELP (4357). There are also places on-campus students can go to talk about the occurrence.

Confidential on-campus resources include the Counseling and Testing Center, the Student Health Clinic and Alternatives to Violence on the Palouse, which recently opened an office in Blake House. Confidential resources cannot disclose any information without the individual’s permission or extenuating circumstances.

The Women’s Center is a semi-confidential resource, meaning employees must report the crime and where it occurred, but not who was involved or specific details.

The Office of the Dean of Students, the LGBTQA Office and the Moscow Police Department are all non-confidential on-campus resources.

When it seems that sexual assault victims have trouble finding solace in their communities and now even their university home, the discussion must remain open. As a student body and as members of the Moscow community, we must attempt to help — especially when it has become harder and harder to trust those we once thought could provide help most.

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OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE FROM OUR EDITORS

What is your favorite fall activity?

Mazes

In Southeast Idaho, there are many options when it comes to straw and corn mazes. My favorite Halloween memories involve weaving through them with friends or family, sometimes chased by a chainsaw.

— Nina

Eating candy

Halloween is the best excuse to eat way too much candy.

— Grayson

Crunch crunch

Jumping on the leaves that gather around the Admin Lawn and Hello Walk give my daily walk to class so much joy — even if I do look a little odd.

— Hailey

Pumpkins

One of my favorite fall activities is carving pumpkins with some friends. And, we get to bake the seeds after.

— Mihaela

Michael Myers

My dad got me hooked on the classic “Halloween” movie and I watch it every year.

— Lindsay

The best season of all

There is nothing better than cuddling on the couch with loved ones while watching the leaves fall outside.

— Tea

Halloween movies

There’s nothing a good Halloween movie can’t fix. Come fall time, you can catch me cozied up in my bed with a cup of hot apple cider, watching “Hocus Pocus.”

— Savannah

Go figure

The changing leaves make every landscape instantly photogenic. So, it’s no surprise that my favorite fall activity is going outside and taking pictures.

— Joleen

Taking form

Every year it’s a tradition for me to watch the horror classic “The Thing” and admire how timeless the practical effects are.

— Blake

Everything pumpkin

While I am not a fan of pumpkin spice lattes, I am a fan of pretty much anything else pumpkin. Bread, cookies, M&Ms, you name it — I love making it and I love eating it all the more.

— Meredith

Turkey day

While everyone has the spookiest night of the year on their minds, all I can think about is the beautiful bird that will be perched on my dinner table this Thanksgiving.

— Kyle

Apple cider

Even though I could technically drink it all year long, fall makes me crave this delicious drink so much more.

— Max

Fall itself

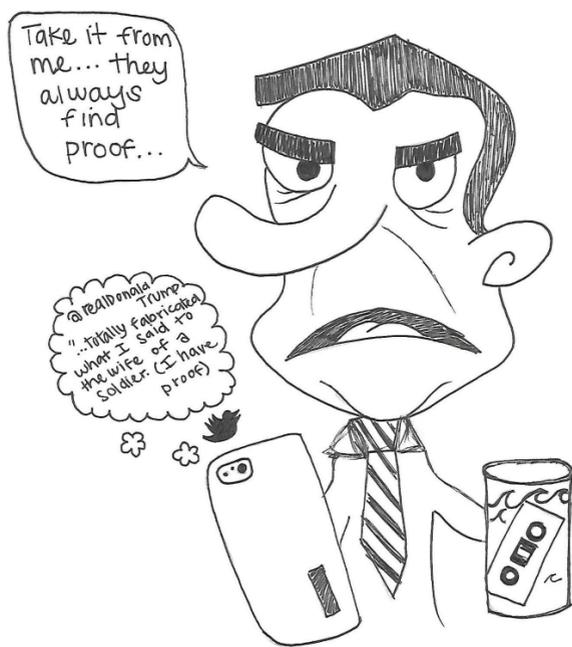
Fall is a magical time of the year, full of wonderful sights, tastes, smells and colors. It’s the coziest part of the year.

— Andrew

Topsy Turvy

A big bowl of cereal and a mug of hot cocoa, at night, while I cuddle under the covers is my favorite activity.

— Griffen



Lindsay Trombly
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What’s in a name?

William Shakespeare once said, “What’s in a name?” Northwest Nazarene University rightfully addressed that question this past week.

Northwest Nazarene University publicly announced Oct. 16 that they will drop the Crusaders as their nickname and transition to the Night-hawks. The decision comes as the culmination of years and years of debate between traditionalists wanting to preserve the moniker that stood for decades against others who desired a step away from the negative historical context associated with the Christian pursuit of the Holy Land in the 11th, 12th and 13th centuries.

The university made the right move in officially distancing itself from a very dark part of the Christian tradition.

According to the Idaho Press-Tribune, the university has been working toward phasing out the mascot since the removal of the crusader mascot in 2006 and put together a task force to pick a new mascot last year.

The school posted a press release saying “the change comes

after students, community members and alumni raised concerns about the history of violence and destruction associated with crusaders.”

Some may see this as another victory for excessive political correctness, but NNU’s decision is based in real logic.

The crusades, like many wars, are often misunderstood. This misunderstanding stems from general lack of knowledge in the subject and from the fact that they are not often recreated in popular culture. And, in all seriousness, Hollywood cannot be blamed for shying away from such a touchy historical subject.

The arguments against changing the moniker came mostly from disgruntled alumni who detest the manner in which tradition is cast aside. Others believe this is another example of a once unique school regressing and losing what makes it different.

There is no shame whatsoever in acknowledging past wrongdoing and changing tradition. The university is taking strides to ensure the crusader nickname

is not wiped from all records, as conference titles and awards will continue to honor the past.

NNU also took special care to pick a mascot that was not overused while also common to the Treasure Valley area in order to keep the school unique.

And, as the school continues to integrate the new nickname, the university has the opportunity to differentiate their brand even further as they start to develop a visual mascot and merchandise to go along with the new direction it is taking.

For nearly 200 years, the Christian kingdoms of Europe attempted to steal Jerusalem from the Muslims under the guise that Islamic expansion threatened their own kingdoms. The crusaders that took part in these ultimately ill-fated ventures are remembered fondly for their valor, but the purpose behind their actions was deplorable to say the least. It makes plenty of sense that a forward-thinking university in the 21st century would want to lessen the degree to which they are associated with multiple generations of Christians, that thought they were justified in wreaking havoc on the people

NNU is making the right move to leave the crusaders in the past

in and around Jerusalem over the course of three centuries.

NNU is only the latest Christian institution to rightfully move away from this unseemly part of history. The Press-Tribune also reports that at least seven different universities have changed mascots, recognizing the crusades are a black eye in Christian history and that perpetuating them in an effort to manufacture school spirit is actually quite counterintuitive.

Today’s college students are undeniably more sensitive to historical atrocities like the crusades, and that general sense of understanding even pervades out in Nampa at NNU.

Whether or not NNU is right in moving away from the crusaders moniker is not a question of absconding tradition, or even really a worthwhile question at all. That part of history does not deserve lionization, and the university has done a commendable job of recognizing and acting on that reality.

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Look both ways

Language plays an extremely important role in the exchange of privilege and oppression

Privilege and oppression exist as opposing forces. When one entity experiences privilege, another is oppressed, and the language used to define those roles often complicates the relationship between them. This idea can be easily understood if imagined as a two-lane road. Picture a road where oppressed identities, such as people of color, members of the LGBTQA community, or disabled individuals, drive in one lane and identities that benefit from various social, cultural and political privileges drive in the other.

On this road, more oppressed demographics contend with larger obstacles in the form of road construction, congested traffic or spotty pavement. The privilege lane, however, is free-flowing, smooth and fast.

Language, as it is used in society today, operates similar to the way the exchanges between the drivers might on this hypothetical road. Honking one's horn or flipping off other drivers does no good for either lane of traffic, and in many ways, hinders collective progress.

I see this imbalance of power and unproductive language exchange in many conversations regarding the relationships between different identities. Often, when talking about the implications of privilege and oppression, a party on one end of the discussion will use language that, to the other, seems inflammatory, degrading and laced with blame.

It's not that the two parties continuously work from polar-opposite schools of thought, or that they are incapable of finding common ground — it's more likely the terms used in the discussion are not universally understood.

This language division arises, in large part, where privileged identities feel threat-

ened by the notion of equality. Even on a linguistic level, privilege can shut down discourse through its capacity to veil individual understandings of equality.

To privileged identities, equality often looks like oppression.

Consider, for example, the verbalization of certain identities as a strategy for labeling individuals. Calling someone, "the black guy" or, "the gay kid," is a handy way of identifying them but, working in reverse, this strategy can seem threatening. Pointing out that a person is white, or straight, or a member of any other privileged identity often leads to apprehension or anger.

Perhaps, this fear of being identified originates from a place of ignorant bliss. By no natural fault of their own, privileged identities don't often have to think about the implications of their privileged identities. In areas where oppressed identities are accustomed to consistent reminders of their identities, privileged folks are shaken by the presence of a label.

To those who have never had to consider their role in the imbalance of privilege and oppression, even small steps toward equality, particularly in language, seem revolutionary.

There are complexities in all of this, and oppression is a two-way street. There are many privileged individuals who are well-aware of their position in society and work toward equality and there are oppressed individuals who combat inequality with the same breed of oppression they endure.

The important thing to remember, though, is the process of discussing instances of injustice and inequality is far more important than any one word or phrase.

The present awareness of language used in discussions of privilege and oppression is the key to coherent discourse.



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College is overrated

Make the most of college by making the most of life

Time goes by quickly in college. Everything is an assignment, every day is a deadline, every moment is spent thinking about what needs to get done next. Weekly happenings are planned out months in advance with classes, meetings and events that litter our calendars. As soon as a new week starts, we start counting down the days until the weekend. We eagerly await our fall, winter, spring and summer breaks as if they were the best things that ever happened to us.

As students, we are constantly looking forward to something. Whether it's getting an exam over with or finishing the semester or graduating, there is always anticipation for the future. This can perpetuate an attitude of discontent and anxiety — along with a strong want to move past the current unpleasant assignment and on to the weekend. With all effort spent eagerly looking forward to something in the future, there is no time or energy left to be fully present in the now.

It is good to be excited about the future, to be full of anticipation and hope for the potential of tomorrow. But, to truly live in the future, is to live in the present. Every moment determines the next, and every seemingly normal day you live determines the future of the next days in your life.

Getting good grades and graduating college aren't the only things that matter right now. This is a special time in life where you are free and young — you can try or do almost anything. There is no reason to chain yourself down to the classroom, library or bedroom. College days will be over soon enough, and they will be remembered as either a blur of business and stress, or some of the best days ever experienced.

Attending college is beneficial opportunity, but there is more to life than college. In some ways college is overrated — it is not life or death, it is just a place people go to learn among other students.

In other ways college is amazing,

but so are waffles and puppies. In order to make the most out of your time in college, don't focus on school to the point of severe stress. It's important, but your friends and family are even more important. Good grades are nice, it shows that you can take an assignment seriously, or at least that you understand the subject, but doing your best to live a healthy lifestyle is more important than an A on a test. If college is a template for life, then it can set us up to spend our whole lives anticipating the future while letting the time slip away from us, because we were too focused on checking off our to-do list on time.

College is supplementary. It is an extremely useful tool to grow in character and expand the paradigm of what you are capable of. It is a sandbox where you can try new things and meet people who are very different from you. College is a place for experimentation and exploration.

But, the best thing about college isn't college: it's you. So, go on, make an app, start a band, start a blog, start a company, do innovative research, develop a product, design a game, make art, collaborate with people — do what you are passionate about.

There are more than just classes here, there is limitless potential. Think beyond the assignments and grades, and remember that college is relatively short time in life, so make it meaningful. There is more to life than college.

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The importance of self-care

How self-care can bring out a better you for a healthy lifestyle

From a young age, children are told the importance of self-care.

Too often, however, they receive mixed messages about what self-care means and how to handle their complex emotions.

It often seems men get the worst of these complex messages. They are told to “suck it up” and bury any emotions that could be seen as weak.

That means not crying or confiding in others about uncertainty and fear. This can have compounding negative effects for the rest of their lives.

Women certainly do not escape unharmed either. In fact, they are expected to meet the opposite extreme, where they are fragile balls of emotional energy.

Stereotypically, they are expected to not be in control of their emotions, which leads to a lack of understanding on how to properly cope with what is felt.

All this stems from a systemic lack of education on how to properly cope with emotions.

Self-care can do a lot to assuage emotions like sadness, melancholy, longing, etc.

One of the best tools for this is a mental health day.

When experiencing these pervasive emotions, set aside an entire day where you indulge yourself.

This could mean watching your favorite movies and ordering takeout or getting dressed up and taking yourself out for a nice date.

What constitutes a mental health day changes from person to person.

On that day, it is best to seclude yourself from the world. Stray from social media or texting, just focus entirely on yourself.

Mental health days should be taken in moderation. It can be easy to let yourself fall into the habit of using your feelings as an excuse to be lazy.

One reason why this is so difficult for others is because it can feel selfish.

In America, especially, we have a culture that glorifies going to the extremes for work.

You worked 45 hours last week? I worked 60 and I am going to work that again this week. This also applies to schooling, where it's

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expected we take our work home with us.

With constant repetition, this can start to feel claustrophobic.

So, taking a day for yourself is so important. It acts as a reset button and can make you happier and more productive.

Another way to improve your mental health is through physical fitness.

Physical fitness can improve your life in many ways, from creating a roadblock to sickness to increasing your confidence about your body.

It is most important to find a workout you truly enjoy. For many people this means non-traditional workouts.

Traditional workouts consist of activities like running, lifting or a sport like basketball. Non-traditional workouts would be something like rock climbing, swimming or even parkour — exercise less common and mundane. If you can find a physical activity you love to do for more than just becoming fit, that will make increasing your activeness that much easier.

These are just a few ways to take care of not only your physical health but your mental health as well.

It is important not to burn out on school or work. Overly sacrificing oneself is not something to be proud of.

America, and the rest of the world, must do a better job educating our youth on the importance of self-care and how to best go about loving oneself.

For now, always be mindful and never ashamed of what you feel. No one can tell you what is right to feel.

Reach out to others for help and don't be afraid to take a mental health day every once in a while.

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MAILBOX

In the Oct. 16 edition of The Argonaut, there was an article featuring our research on traumatic birth experiences and Kristin's experience with a difficult delivery. Because there were a number of errors in the piece as published, we write this to clarify some of the content.

Some of the errors were factual. The article incorrectly listed Gritman Medical Center as a place where a doctor dismissed Kristin's concerns, Ethan's age was wrong and women's stories were falsely called “incoherent.” However, there were also larger concerns that are more difficult to correct.

First, the piece incompletely framed a preliminary finding of our research. Specifically, we — and other scholars — have found that storytelling can be a healing experience for women who have faced a difficult birth. For many women, the people involved in the experience take on larger than life roles, almost like superhero figures. These roles are often very simplistic and can be as basic as “the people who helped” and “the people who didn't.” This got lost in the article, the context of the term “villain” was thus distorted, and, as a result, the article did not accurately reflect our work.

The second major error made by the author was the characterization of our participant's narratives as “incoherent.” The women who have participated in our work are strong and resilient. Despite facing traumatic and difficult experiences, they have persisted to be wonderful and loving parents, partners and friends.

Without any benefit to themselves, these women volunteer to participate in our research and tell their story, in the hopes of helping women who undergo similar experiences. More to the point, the stories we have heard are raw, hon-

est, passionate, inspiring and deeply coherent. We honor the women and their stories.

Third, the article mischaracterized Kristin's experience at Gritman. Gritman is a critical access hospital. This means that as a smaller and more rural hospital, they provide services important to the communities in our region and then partner with larger hospitals — that serve greater populations and have more financial resources — to provide highly specialized care, such as a burn center or

neonatal intensive care unit. In regard to childbirth, this means babies that need intense levels of support are sometimes transferred to larger hospitals.

Kristin has nothing but wonderful things to say about the care she received at Gritman and by her obstetrician. The team performed a successful emergency cesarean

section, saving both Ethan and Kristin's lives. The team then lovingly cared for the pair for several days before discharging them to Spokane. Because the weather was bad on the day they were transferred with snow and low visibility, the air ambulance (helicopter) couldn't land on the hospital's rooftop helipad. So they were transferred by ambulance to the Moscow-Pullman Airport where a fixed-wing air ambulance flew them to Spokane.

Finally, we would like to share that every person involved with this study has experienced traumatic birth in different ways. Leanna Keleher, the research assistant for the study, has said that the research and interviews she has completed have been healing for her. She has dedicated herself to this research and hopes to continue interviewing parents in a respectful and comprehensive way.



Kristin Haltinner



Leanna Keleher

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