HALLOWEEN

Beware of the boos

Safety precautions for Halloween holiday

> Savannah Cardon, Mary Phipps ARGONAUT

With October comes fall, pumpkins and changing leaves, and, as the air begins to cool and Halloween approaches, there is also potential for danger.

At the University of Idaho, students are encouraged to take extra safety precautions on Halloween as it relates to walking around campus at night and alcohol consumption.

Corporal Casey Green of the Moscow Police Department (MPD) said making smart choices, taking appropriate actions and watching out for one another are a few key elements to staying safe during the holiday.

"We always advocate for reasonable and moderate alcohol consumption, you know, just trying to be safe about things and making good choices," Green said. "Of course, we don't condone any underage drinking or anything like that because it is still an infraction in the state of Idaho."

In regard to watching out for one another, Green said it is important to assist someone when they need it or call for help if necessary.

'Medical amnesty still applies to Moscow and to the people that are participating in those types of events," Green said. "Call for help if you need help."

As for trick-or-treating and walking around campus, Green recommends acting in a safe and appropriate manner whenever possible.

"Don't hide in bushes and jump out at people," Green said. "Don't commit

other acts of vandalism or things like that so that you don't draw attention to yourself and be respectful of other people's property."

With campus security making their rounds and police officers patrolling the streets, students have access to security and help if needed. In addition to this, Vandal Health Education provides workshops where peer health educators teach students about safe drinking and the dangers of alcohol poisoning.



tion dedicates part of their website to alcohol safety. According to the website, some safer drinking strategies include utilizing a designated driver, eating before or during drinking, sticking to one type of alcohol or abstaining from alcohol altogether. Along with safer drinking strategies, the website provides information on ways to identify alcohol poisoning, knowing a standard drink and estimating a person's blood alcohol content.

According to UI's

Public Safety and Security website, the security team patrols campus 24/7 and works in collaboration with Moscow Police, Fire and Paramedics.

Moscow Police Officer Jay Waters said there are not generally more incidents on Halloween in Moscow. Campus is always an extra concern for the

MPD, and extra patrols are provided during Halloween on campus, he said.

"(To stay safe) people can wear flash lights and more reflective clothing," Waters said. "Drivers can pay extra attention."

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ADMINISTRATION

Centralizing advising

Provost office issues memo outlining new advising procedures

> Elizabeth Marshall ARGONAUT

At the Faculty Senate meeting Oct. 24, University of Idaho Provost John Wiencek gave an apology to those affected by the memo released the day before regarding the new plan to centralize advising at UI.

"I want to take ownership of the things I could have done better," Wiencek said. "For offending people and for upsetting them, or heightening their anxiety, for leading to a lot of confusion — I apologize."

Wiencek said that even though the rollout of the plan was not handled in the best way possible, the plan laid out in the memo is still solid and will be beneficial to the university in creating unity and increasing retention rates.

Wiencek pointed to the fast-paced rollout for what caused confusion and anxiety for some staff and faculty members. Wiencek said that some associate deans felt as if they were not included enough in the development of the new plan.

The memo announced there will be a new plan for the training and management of UI professional recruitment and retention staff. This group includes academic advisors. The memo said the majority of advisors and other staff affected by this change would stay in their current positions. According to the memo, the realignment of staff outlined in the memo is expected to be completed by Dec. 1 2017.

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RESEARCH

Waits' award doesn't go to waste Ul ecologist receives award for animal research

Nishant Mohan ARGONAUT

Lisette Waits has tracked jaguars and ocelots in Belise, tigers in Nepal and bears, foxes, wolves and other animals in the states. She's also won an award for her work — the Jean'ne M. Shreeve NSF EPSCoR Research Excellence Award.

Idaho EPSCoR, the Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, presented Waits with the award earlier this month to recognize her work in molecular ecology developing tools to study genetic diversity, population size and the movement and habits of individual animals.

Waits said the traditional method of tracking animal populations physical capture and recapture — is intrusive and that she and her team track animals non-intrusively.

To do this, Waits works with what she calls "low-quality DNA samples." She said these include saliva, hair, bone and fecal matter.

"Our research group is one of the

leading groups to get DNA from fecal matter," Waits said.

Low-quality DNA samples decay rapidly, contain little DNA or often have components that actively interfere with the collection of DNA, she said.

Waits, in University of Idaho's Laboratory for Ecological, Evolutionary and Conservation Genetics, employs methods to salvage small amounts of DNA such as the polymerase chain reaction, used to duplicate a small amount of DNA into an amount great enough to be analyzed.

Waits and her team have applied these methods to the reintroduction of endangered species. They began monitoring grey wolves in Idaho in 2007. Since their reintroduction, they have spread to Washington, Oregon and California, Waits said. She said her lab is helping to monitor populations in those states, as well as Idaho.

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CNR Professor Lisette Waits and senior Elyce Gosselin collect DNA from bear hair samples Wednesday afternoon in the CNR lab.

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Maple pecan cupcakes

This sweet treat brings the best fall flavors into one small package. With a few simple twists to an already delicious dessert, this recipe will upgrade any regular box cake mix and take it to the next level.

Ingredients

- Vanilla cake mix
- 1/2 cup of maple syrup
- 2 1/2 cups of chopped pecans
- 16 oz of cream cheese frosting 2 tablespoons of vanilla extract
- 1/4 cup of caramel sauce

1. Prepare the cake mix according to the box directions and add the maple syrup, 2 cups of chopped pecans and a pinch of salt.

Directions

- 2. Scoop the mixture into a cupcake tin and bake according to the package. Check the center of the cupcakes with a toothpick before pulling the tin from the oven.
- 3. While the cupcakes cool, combine the cream cheese frosting with the caramel sauce and stir until smooth.
- 4. When the cupcakes are cool to the touch, frost them with the cream cheese frosting and sprinkle the leftover pecans on top.

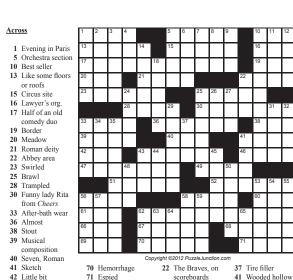
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ADMINISTRATION

Disciplinary changes Faculty Senate discusses chnages to disciplinary code

Elizabeth Marshall ARGONAUT

New draft revisions of the Student Disciplinary Code were presented by four employees at a University of Idaho Faculty Senate meeting. Deputy General Counsel Jim Craig, Dean of Students Blaine Eckles and Faculty Senate Secretary Liz Brandt gave the senate an overview of the changes included in their new proposals.

The new investigatory process would include four stages, according to the presenters: investigation, Student Conduct Administrator, Student Conduct board and appeal. If added into the code, this process will eliminate many of the current mandatory hearings and processes during disciplinary investigations.

At the Faculty Senate meeting Oct. 10, Craig spoke of new revisions to

the proposed changes to the student disciplinary process since the previous Faculty Senate meeting. Two of these changes added a section of confidentiality and defined what an investigator is. The senate ultimately voted to approve these amendments. At the same meeting, the Faculty Senate unanimously voted to create the Student Conduct Board, which merged the Student Appeals Committee and the Student Disciplinary Review Board.

According to Brandt, who served on the student disciplinary code task force and wrote the newest draft revisions, the last revision of the Student Code of Conduct in 2013 and 2014 was highly contested. She said what emerged was a mixture between two different models regarding disciplinary processes. Since then, the Faculty Senate has passed some emergency revisions to the Student Disciplinary Code, one the revisions creating the Student Appeals Committee in 2016.

According to the group of presenters, the primary goal of the new revisions aims to make the investigatory and hearing process regarding disciplinary actions move quicker. Brandt said the goal is not to change any of the substantive provisions in the conduct, but to change the process in which they investigate and conclude cases.

Brandt became involved in this process when she found herself disappointed with the way a case, on which she sat on the appeals board, was processed. Brandt said she also heard about issues that had occurred in several other cases with the Student Disciplinary code as it had been drafted. In the Fall 2015, the Faculty Senate put together a task force to examine the

code. Brandt was the chair of that task force and has been working on the code ever since.

"We can't have too complicated of a process that the university simply doesn't have the resources or the ability to keep up with," Brandt said regarding the complexity of the current code and the task force's attempt to make it simpler.

Brandt said the thing she deems most important out of the task force's work is the changes to the investigation process under the new code. Brandt said the new code revisions provide a better opportunity to exchange documents before a hearing. One of the new changes is that the investigator must write a report. The student who is being investigated as well as the complainant in a Title IX case may get a copy of that report.

The report must include

all details regarding the case, so that the complainant, or student being investigated, may write a response to that report before a hearing is conducted. Brandt said this would decrease the amount of witness statements given at a hearing and the overall time of a hearing. Witness statements would instead be given within that initial investigative report.

"Before, I think students felt like they couldn't trust student services to participate, which left student services in the position where they only had one side of the story some of the time. Then it was just a big sandbag before they got to a hearing. So, I think this is much better," Brandt said.

ASUI Representative to the Faculty Senate, Jesse Watson, served as a student representative on the student disciplinary code task force. According to Watson, ASUI appointed representatives to sit on the Student Code of Conduct task force to help revise the process and improve it. The ASUI representatives on the task force also included ASUI Vice President Catherine Yenne and Chief of Staff Jordan Johnson.

"ASUI believes the new changes will help streamline how we deal with all disciplinary procedures. We believe it is a huge victory for our university," Watson said.

According to Watson, the most important thing for students to know regarding the changes it that it will speed up the process in which the university handles violations of the Student Code of Conduct.

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CAMPUS

More than graduate life Graduate student finds joy in College of Natural Resources

Kali Nelson

ARGONAUT

Kathryn Baker, a University of Idaho Ph.D. student in the College of Natural Resources (CNR), sat outside Integrated Research and Innovation Center on campus trimming chucks of pine branches down to a more manageable size to work with while enjoying a sunny Moscow afternoon. The air around her smelled of pine and the shavings off the branches covered the ground around her. This is Baker's job — she works in tree ecophysiology.

Tree ecophysiology is the study of how water moves through trees in times of drought and how the stress of drought plays a role in how that water moves. Her latest experiment examined how water travels through the branches.

"I've really liked having

the experimental forest right there," Baker said. That's a really awesome resource because that's where I've done all of my projects and a lot of people who do the kind of stuff that I do, they have to travel anywhere from a few hours to days to get to their field site." Baker said.

The only classes Baker attends now are the ones she is a teaching assistantfor, professors in the CNR department. Becoming a teaching assistant is not uncommon for graduate students.

Baker, who is from Oklahoma and graduated from Colorado College in 2012, said she knew she wanted to attend graduate school after finishing her undergrad work, but wanted to work in the field first before diving head first into graduate school. She worked many different jobs, including one on a cattle ranch and one in fish biology in Colorado.

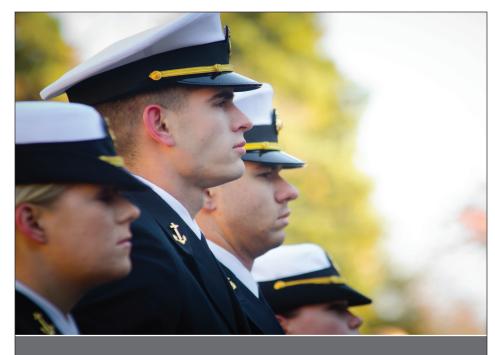
In natural resources, many go on to work in the field by working a variety of different jobs for a short time. Many people, like Baker, do this for a little while before advancing to graduate school, Baker said.

Knowing whether or not one truly enjoys the department they work in plays a big part in picking a graduate school, Baker said. CNR at UI has a laid-back feeling, Baker said, which helps her

get her work done. Graduate school also differs from undergraduate work because it's not so much about taking the classes, it's more about the projects, she said.

Baker said by the end of the semester, she will have been working on her project for three years, and said she thinks she has one and a half years left.

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"BRANDY" SULLIVAN DEBORAH



Renewal Agency (URA) has lived Brandy Sullivan, a commissioner on the Moscow Urban in Moscow for 20 years.

has helped to support the creation of a bicycle/pedestrian path to provide In her work with the URA, she a direct connection between the university and downtown.

Sullivan said future develop-ment should involve public input to for opportunities to expand the current public transit system, in "Moscow also should look ensure the vision of residents is met.

order to reduce congestion and our carbon footprint," Sullivan said.

Housing Commission to provide local tax credits and incentives to affordable housing developers and options to provide affordable and quality housing to University of Idaho students and young prowork with the Fair and Affordable Sullivan said there are several establish developer fees to include some percentage of their project as fessionals. She said she

affordable housing. Sullivan said she would like PFLAG organization and reinstate the annual CommUnity Walk to the city to reach out to the local

was a good step, however I believe and diverse community ordinance it didn't go far enough," Sullivan said. "I would attempt to amend "The recently passed friendly ordinance to include the full recommendations that were brought forward by the Human bring a sense of unification back.

WALTER STEED





Walter Steed has served on the

for 37 years. He was elected to the

city council four years ago.

Art Bettge has lived in Moscow

"I want to expand Moscow's

ability to provide good employ. ment, with upward mobility potential while still retaining an en-

Moscow City Council for the past

Steed said he will support development that will encourage the increase of UI enrollment.

hand with the university to make downtown more accessible and "The City has worked hand in

attractive to students and it is because of them that we have the most vibrant downtown in the He said the city, as part of the Fair and Affordable Housing Commission, has continuously quad cities of Lewiston, Clarkston, Pullman and Moscow," Steed said.

worked to provide affordable ing areas to allow duplex rentals that are attractive to students and housing in the area by rezonyoung professionals.

Steed said he finds the Moscow community to be inclusive to all residents.

"We welcome all who will run for office, all who are willing to serve on its commissions and all to of the many service organizations join and become a board member in our community," he said.

hensive Plan provides a system for transportation that extends streets and pathways to ensure safe access "As the street, pedestrian, and Steed said Moscow's Comprefor all modes of transportation.

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ARTHUR BETTGE

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graduate and 62-year has served on the Moscow City Moscow resident, П turned to Moscow to retire. He said at UI, he managed the university's Business Technology A UI graduate, Robb Parish re-

ne is a long-community

Taruscio said she is

John Weber

Council for two terms.

Anne Zabala said, as a recent

hopes it will prompt other young

people in the Moscow commu-

nity to be represented through the

Moscow City Council.

UI graduate, she is running in the

During his time in Moscow, Weber has been a small business owner, a Latah County Sheriff Weber said he would like to Deputy and a car salesman.

Parish said he wants to expand

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In supporting the university, Faruscio said the annual Vandal

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Bettge said developments like the Legacy Crossing would provide

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Taruscio said she will utilize

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With growth comes new

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Taruscio

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to Moscow residents, Bettge said he would like to work with financial

institutions to provide flexible loan

options to homebuyers.

To bring more affordable housing

in Moscow's SMART Transit

These ordi-

zoning ordinances.

choices, and Weber said he sup-More growth means ports housing growth.

versity's proximity to campus made

it easier to interact with and contribute to the community," Zabala said

"For my friends and I, the Uni-

area continue to thrive.

apartments and duplexes available for residents which means rental rates would be more competitive," Weber said. means there are more choices. "The more

> "Students are a significant part of what makes Moscow the

students.

said she

extend its hours. She

additional

With the growth of the Moscow and the university, Weber said a need for more bus routes will become apparent. community

> is because of the continual and very positive cycle of renewal that

special and unique place that it is," Parish said. "Much of that quality

funding for SMART Transit as

budget allows.

Bettge said the SMART Transit routes and hours should

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"Welcoming City" resolution passed

in February, as it provides a sense of

Moscow city government and its

He said with this in direction for the community.

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Beftge said he is committed to the

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Parish said he believes the city's current response to deportation

begins in the fall of every year."

He said he will support the

aid "is balanced and fair."

Moscow, Taruscio said, is a

very inclusive community. She

enhancement of non-motorized transportation, as well as the addi-

Moscow

said it is important the

police remain visible to

and those looking to

limited to help immigrants eligible

Although Moscow is legally

Moscow community members are

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tion of public transit routes.

grants, that would need to expand "The majority of Moscow's public transportation costs are covered by Federal Government as the population grows, Weber

To bring inclusivity to Moscow, Weber said the UI admissions has helped to create an and non-discriminatory community impacts UI students are public "The two most important comtion infrastructure that directly transportation and pathways for bikes and walking," he said. ponents of the City's transporta-

2-YEAR TERM

MAYOR









for re-election to continue leading resident for 40 years, is running Mayor Bill Lambert, a Moscow

tion that is taking us into the future and, at the same time, keeping our city the quaint community that we "We have created an organizaall cherish," he said.

"I decided to stay here after college because I love it here and

that already makes

everything

Moscow a wonderful place to live,'

Zabala said.

I want to continue building on

in the city are driven by the free market. If there were too many Lambert said he believes the availability and pricing of housing houses, the prices would be lower to reflect the oversupply, he said.

> To support the university, Zabala said she wants to see the downtown

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"I want to see us preserve this for

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As a first-time homebuyer and a

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Fair and Affordable Housing Com-

In regard to creating an inclusive

munity members, Zabala said she proud Moscow passed its own

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is proud Moscow passed its own LGBTQA non-discrimination or-

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Lambert said he wants to look which currently only has

tion should include connectivity throughout our city," Lambert transportasaid. "Access to all forms of transportation is vital."

> the Idaho Legislature so that we have the ability to set policy that reflects our values," Zabala said.

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Linda Pall, with 18 years of city

Pall, a graduate of the UI College of Law, has practiced law for 32 sor of business law at Washington years and was an associate profes-

She said she wants to support development between the university and downtown, such as a hotel

equally, she said.
"It is critical that the good will

university

community to take the message of ally we must stand up for these students be mobilized in the larger She said it is important for the mayor to show support for DACA inclusion to all of Moscow," she said. "Individually and organizationeligible people in the community. and understanding of

or her identity," he said

rible circumstances," Pall said. "We

must show the entire community and the rest of the state and nation, that we are still a nation that rec-

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the connection between Moscow frastructure goals. She said she wants to include more bus stops and Pullman are among Pall's inand a schedule that includes community events.

Improving public transit and

Guns, weed and housing City council forum brings important issues to students

Kali Nelson ARGONAUT

Party lines were nonexistent Monday night as the candidates in the Moscow City Council candidate forum spoke to student and community members in the Vandal Ballroom of the Bruce Pitman Center. The city council forum covered topics from gun control to marijuana, affordable housing and harassment.

Marijuana policing in Moscow is not going to have roadblocks anytime soon, Mayoral candidate William Lambert said. Lambert said the Moscow city police force is smarter than roadblocks and checking cars.

Mayoral candidate Linda Pall said if students know the rules there should be no problem.

Guns also presented another hot button issue

at the forum. Lambert said he believes in the second amendment, but he wants to get rid of AK-47s in Moscow. All the candidates at the forum agreed, gun control was necessary to some degree.

City council candidate Anne Zabala said she wanted Moscow to have the ability to make its own rules regarding gun control.

Candidate Bettge said he

wanted stricter background checks. He also said assault weapons have no place in Moscow.

Candidate Angela Taruscio said she supported screenings and called for national attention to mental health.

Affordable housing prompted another discussion, as all the candidates chimed in.

Candidate Walter Steed

said building affordable housing in Moscow goes in cycles — developers build like crazy and then nothing. Bettge said he wants to urge developers to build up not out as to save space and

The candidates also touched upon environmental sustainability visions they have for the city. Bettge said he wanted to urge business to stop using pesticides

provide more housing.

which harm pollinators.

Candidate Deborah Sullivan said she wants to start curbside compost for the city and provide charging ports for electric cars. Pall said she wants to reduce carbon by 20 percent by 2050, and create a bike share program.

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ADVISING

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Cognitive dissonance, the topic of UI's Common Read, is what Wiencek said has played a role in the resistance to change the current structure and organization of advising at UI. Wieneck said the planning process to centralize advising began June 2015.

Wiencek also acknowledged that there has been a lot of anxiety and emotion regarding the new plan and its implementation. According to Bill Smith, the UI International Studies Program Chair, unknown details are underpinning unease about the proposal.

"Like many other departments, we anxiously await more details on the centralization plan as it remains unclear how significantly it will impact our unit," Smith said.

"We hope that the process will be open and that we will have time to adjust strategies, policies and procedures regarding advising in such a way as to minimize the impact on our unit and our students."

ASUI Representative to the Faculty Senate Jesse Watson commended the provost for moving to a centralized advising system on the behalf of ASUI. The ASUI President, McKenzie MacDonald. MacDonald later said that while she cannot speak for all members of ASUI, she is on board with the proposal and supports the effort to centralize advising.

"There are many students on this campus that have had a poor advising experience — an experience that forced them to take an extra semester, or one that didn't focus on them as a whole person. The plan proposed by the Provost and the Office of Strategic Enrollment Management will hopefully decrease the amount of challenges students face during advising season," MacDonald said.

MacDonald said she is sensitive to the concerns expressed by faculty and hopes they will be taken into consideration during the implementation process.

On Oct. 26, Wiencek released another memo about the new plans. Wiencek apologized for the anxieties caused by the first memo and confirmed that the new plan will be beneficial to the university — especially for retention rates.

"I realize now that the announcement was sudden and without adequate context. This has caused anxiety and confusion that might have been minimized through direct conversation," Wiencek said in the memo.

The memo said that without a change in advising, the university will be unable to reach its long and short-term goals unless it increases its retention rates and recruiting efforts within the next two years. According to the memo, the current Program Prioritization efforts the university is undergoing will not be a sustainable way for UI to reach its goals if the changes in advising don't also occur.

"Although the enrollment picture at the University of Idaho is getting better, the Fall 2017 enrollment report indicates that we are falling short of our strategic plan's enrollment targets and the

gap is widening," Wiensek said. According to the memo, the deans and the president all agree centralized advising and recruiting are essential to the university completing its strategic plan and most

staff impacted by the changes will be able to stay in their current offices.

The memo also said the UI Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) team will meet with staff impacted by the changes which will occur due to centralized advising and other members of college leadership. Then, according to the memo, SEM will host an all-campus meeting to answer questions about the next steps for the university with centralized advising. Wiencek said he anticipates the meeting will be scheduled before Thanksgiving.

"Our goal is to evolve toward a more unified and consistent advising and recruiting model over the next year," Wiencek wrote in his second memo of the week.

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AWARD

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"With reintroduced animals, we can get estimates of how many survived. We can see how far they went," Waits said. "If we get one we didn't release, we know it was born in the wild. And that's the ultimate signal of success."

Waits said her first project, which she started in 1998, was an NSF

EPSCoR-funded project to analyze DNA from the bones of grizzly bears killed between 1850 and 1950 in North America to see how much genetic diversity had declined in Yellowstone Park and other remaining parts of the animal's historic range. Once free to roam from Mexico to Canada, grizzly bear populations have become smaller and more isolated over time and those small groups have lower genetic diversity, she said.

"If they have less genetic variation, they have less ability to adapt to environmental change," Waits said. "Genetic variation is the source material to respond to disease. The more the variation, the stronger the immune system of the species. We found they lost genetic diversity slowly over time."

Waits said that at the time, Yellowstone was disconnected from nearby parks.

"The managers used this infor-

mation — they considered bringing bears in or building corridors for natural connectivity," Waits said. "Based on our research, the chose natural connectivity building corridors."

She finished the project in 2004 and her findings were published in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Waits has been at UI for 20 years. Her award is named for current UI Distinguished Professor and former EPSCoR director Jean'ne M. Shreeve, first hired in 1961.

"It's a huge honor," Waits said. "Partially because it's named for Jean'ne Shreeve, who was a female chemist who led the office at UI. She helped develop the program. She was a role model."

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"It's huge for us to get back into a winning groove"

> - Matt Linehan PAGE 7

ROLLER DERBY



Joleen Evans | Argonaut

Roller derby players practice their blocks and footwork during practice Sunday at Gladish Community and Cultural Center in Pullman.

More than fitness

Roller Derby provides sport and home for women on the Palouse

Meredith Spelbring

Strength and grace — the first two words that come to mind when picturing roller derby.

This may be the exact opposite of what many people who see the sport on television or in movies picture, but after watching for just a handful of minutes, it is clear there are no better words to encapsulate it.

To many people, roller derby is, more or less, unknown. Those familiar with the up-and-coming sport likely have seen it on TV or are a part of it themselves.

Watching a game, called a bout, may look like watching a moving puzzle. There are so many moving pieces at any given time.

There are only two positions, jammer and blockers, and points are scored when a jammer passes a player from the opposing team. It also happens to be one of the only sports where both teams can score simultaneously.

Anahi Espindola, or Victoria Amazonica as she is known by the Palouse River Rollers, said the complexity of the sport is what makes it so special.

"I think people usually consider this, 'Oh women hitting each other and bouncing,' but I think it is way more interesting than that," Espindola said.

Blockers and jammers participate in separate jams that make

up a full bout. Espindola said it involves a lot more than what is seen from first glance, from technique and skill to game plans.

"It is more interesting than just hitting things, there is a lot of technique, there is a lot of positional abilities, skills that you have to have to do that, there's a lot of footwork to be able to do," she said.

Training and practices involve not only technique but working on plays and learning how to be comfortable in situations that do not feel normal to the body.

'It gets kind of chaotic and you have to be OK with that," Espindola said.

When picturing athletes such as gymnasts, track athletes, or football players, normally there is a clear image of how that athlete should look, like a box they are expected to fit into. Espindola said she fell in love with this sport because there is no box.

"There (are) all these restrictions and then you can't do it even though you really want to. I feel that in derby, you can be whatever and that will be very valuable successful in whatever team," Espindola said.

Not only are different body types accepted on the team, they are celebrated.

"Having a very diverse team in terms of body shapes and sizes and styles of skating is better than having a very homogeneous team because having people that move in different way(s) make it more challenging for other teams to adapt right," she said.

This open and welcoming mindset is not limited to body acceptance but overall acceptance of the individuals.

'This team is one where they try to remind you that your identity is that you are important and they try to help you live into that," said Jordan Vivier, also known as MugShot.

Family is a common term many athletes use when describing their team, but at Palouse River Rollers, family is what defines the team, not simply describes it.

"This is my family," said Rachel Olsson, or Rumble Bee. "I love the competitive nature of the sport but the fact that it is a team sport so it is really focused on working together and competing, what is going well. This team is so supportive."

Olsson said the support from her roller derby family was exactly what she needed when she started over two years ago. As a grad student that was new to the area, she had no friends or family around and found herself putting all her time and effort into her work.

"It was definitely one of the lower points in my life," Olsson said. "I wasn't sure if I was going to make it through the semester because I had taken on too much and the one thing I allowed myself to do for myself was come to practice... it was the one place in my week that I knew I was going to be well-respected and well cared for and that no matter what I did people were happy I was here."

Each and every part of the team is focused on embracing the individual, down to team members derby names, which the athletes chose for themselves.

"(Derby names) are also kind

of related to this idea of a very open community that is kind of ready to accept you and follow what you feel about yourself as much as they can," Espindola said. "It's like if you come and you tell me your name is Butterknife, I'm like, 'Sure, I'm going to call you knife, and that will be your name now,' and that is totally fine."

When the league was founded four years ago, only 20 women were involved. There are as many as 60 now, Espindola said.

"Roller derby is one of the fastest growing sports in the world right now, so it is an exciting time to be playing," she said.

And it only continues to grow. Women are drawn to the unique and accepting sport, even if they have never set foot in a pair of skates. It may not be the sport itself that creates the allure, but the mantra surrounding it.

Olsson said she had never skated before joining the league, but loves it all the same.

"From day one you are part of the team. You don't have to earn a place in the league, you just have to show up. And if you show up you are a member of the league and you are just as important as the people that have been skating, you know, four years or eight years," she said.

In the end, the league is an extension of family with athletics on the side.

"It is really just like a safe place to come and you know, we are all here to work hard and play hard and love hard," Olsson said.

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CROSS-COUNTRY

Optimistic in Ogden

Idaho cross-country finishes strong at BSC Championships

Meredith Spelbring

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Idaho cross-country closed out the regular season with a successful Big Sky Championships meet.

The women took third place overall and the men came in at fourth. Northern Arizona claimed the championship on both sides, with the women finishing with 51 points and three top 10 finishers and the men, the best team in the country, with 24 points.

"I'm just really proud of this team, I thought they ran fantastic," Idaho director of track and field/cross country Tim Cawley said in a news release. "Just a really proud day to have Idaho written across our chests. The men finishing fourth and the women in third for the highest finishes we've had in the Big Sky, it was fantastic. I just couldn't be more proud."

Junior Krista Story came out on top for the Vandal women in overall seventh place with a time of 17:44.2 in the 5k. Close behind her was her sister, junior Kara Story, in 11th with a 17:51.8.

Idaho's season leader junior Andrea Condie, took 17th overall with a time of 18:03.2. Sophomore Maizy Brewer finished seconds behind in 18:06.3 to take 20th overall. Redshirt junior Sierra Speiker rounded out the scorers for the Idaho women in 40th with a time of

The men's squad replicated last season's results with an overall fourth place finish but improved the overall score from 164 points to 123.

Sophomore Dwain Stucker led the Idaho pack in 18th overall with a time of 25:04.7 in the men's 8k. Sophomore Drew Shultz and redshirt senior Tim Delcourt finished neck-in-neck in 22nd and 23rd, respectively. Shultz came in with a time of 25:11.7 and Delcourt with a 25:19.8.

Sophomore Fabian Cardenas and Billy Godfrey were the final scorers for the Vandals in 28th and 34th overall. Cardenas finished with a time of 25:34.3 and Godfrey with a 25:52.1.

Idaho cross-country now looks ahead to the NCAA West Region Championships beginning Nov. 10 in Seattle, Washington.

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DADS' WEEKEND

Generational Vandal spirit Dad's Weekend is less about football and more about family

Colton Clark ARGONAUT

The dads were out and about over the weekend, hoping to catch up on some family time, community and, of course, football.

It's definitely an interesting event, Dads' Weekend. Tailgates are finally complemented with people who can actually cook and parents are present at parties and in the student section during the game in a most charming mixture.

Although University of Idaho's Dads' Weekend is built around Saturday's football game, the assumed focal point of the visit, most fathers explained that the game took a back seat, not only to their family members but also to the childrens' friends.

Steve Trotto, the father of a sophomore in the Greek system, hung out at the tailgate with his wife, son and several of his sons' fraternity brothers and their families even after the game had started. Steve said he enjoys coming to Moscow mostly to interact with the community his son is so accustomed to.

A large number of fathers surprisingly did not graduate from UI, but their sons and daughters have made them appreciate the

university, town and its amenities. One father, Robert Campbell, was visibly excited for the game, as it was his first opportunity to be a live spectator at a football game higher than the high school level. Campbell said he is a die-hard sports fan, so the opportunity to add another favorite is welcomed.

As for the alumni, Mike La-Fountaine graduated from Idaho in 1999. He said, even though he generally cannot find the games on television, he's still a fan, but what really struck him were the improvements upon athletic facilities and persistence of campus traditions.

The football team was always pretty good when I was a student, I've always been a fan," LaFountaine said. "The team seems pretty

good now, but what I'm glad to see is the Vandal spirit still going strong around campus."

LaFountaine added that he is excited for the Big Sky to return, as he remembers watching those matchups in his youth.

Another alumnus, Bob White, graduated in 1991 and said he loves to see the community his son is now a part of. White explained his excitement when the Vandals moved up to Division I, but he said he has mixed feelings about

Saturday gave the visiting dads the best possible outcome they could hope for — an Idaho win. Although the stands looked fairly bare, given that most students and their parents remained in the tailgate lots celebrating the occasion, an exciting contest was given to those present.

It's a pleasant sight — dads standing and cheering on the Vandals in jubilation surrounded by their children who they do not have abundant opportunities to visit. The football team is still a split subject, regarding fandom and the move to the Big Sky, but every father could agree on their love for Idaho.

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Familiar start, better finish

Idaho rode a strong start from all phases to an important conference win

> **Jonah Baker** ARGONAUT

After another hot start in the first half, the Vandals were able to shut the door and finish against the Louisiana-Monroe Warhawks, 31-23.

The Idaho (3-5, SBC 2-2) defense rode a hot start and succeeded in big moments. Warhawk wide receiver and kick returner Marcus Green was limited to only 92 all-purpose yards after he came into the game averaging over 160 all-purpose yards per game.

Louisiana-Monroe (3-5, SBC 3-3) managed less than 100 yards in total on the ground, but their air attack rebounded from a subpar first half. Against a normally stout Idaho pass defense, sophomore quarterback Caleb Evans put up 261 yards and two touchdowns in the second half and escaped multiple sacks to provide the Warhawks with opportunities.

"We started out too slow and I can't even count how many times in the past two weeks we've gotten in the red zone but failed to score," Louisiana-Monroe head coach Matt Viator said in a news release. "Their defense came out with a good plan, and we settled in on a few things close to the goal line and they didn't quite work."

The Vandals bent, but did not break. The defense generated an interception and a fumble, and they managed to stop the Warhawks twice on fourth down inside the red zone.

Kaden Elliss had a standout day, leading the team with 10 tackles. He also lined up as a tight end on offense and caught a 45-yard touchdown pass. On the very next play from scrimmage, this time on defense, he sacked Evans for an eight-yard loss.

"It was fun to come out and



Meredith Spelbring | Argonaut

Senior wide reciever Alfonso Onunwor drives into the end zone for a touchdown.

finish," Elliss said. "We did a great job of doing our individual assignments against a really talented team today, and we really pushed to finish and that showed all the way to the end."

The offense was able to perform at a high level even when Elliss was off the field.

Once again, the Idaho attack put up an impressive first half. The offense put up a season-best 28 points and 350 yards of total offense through the first half. Senior quarterback Matt Linehan put together his best half of the year with nearly 250 yards and three touchdowns in the first half alone.

"It's huge for us to get back into a winning groove," Linehan said. "This was a great way to rebound from a tough game last week and our confidence level is starting to get to where it should be. Scoring those early touchdowns put us in a good rhythm and allowed us to set the tone for the game."

The rushing attack provided plenty of balance for Linehan's big day, and senior running back Aaron Duckworth lead the way with 113 yards on the ground in addition to a first quarter touchdown.

All of the pieces added together for 21-point lead at halftime, the biggest for Idaho head coach Paul Petrino during his tenure at Idaho.

"I'm really proud of these guys because they never quit," Petrino said. "We got a beautiful team win today. The offensive line had a great day which led to big contributions from Alfonso (Onunwor) and David (Ungerer) and there's so many guys that deserve recognition but it all came together for a big team win."

The offensive line allowed only one sack, tied for the season low. Senior wide receiver Alfonso Onunwor recorded 79 yards and a touchdown while junior wideout David Ungerer put up career highs in yards and catches along with a touchdown.

Both teams played very clean up until late in the game. A pair of Vandal drives were stalled out by holding calls in the second half, and Louisiana-Monroe didn't commit a single penalty until the fourth quarter. A block in the back penalty negated a long punt return

by Green that would have set up the Warhawks inside Idaho's red zone. The Warhawks made it all the way to the two-yard line on their final drive, but a false start pushed them back and discouraged any attempt at running the ball on their final two plays.

"We got a little conservative in the fourth quarter, but we came away with the win and I'm proud of the way our guys were able to grind together," Petrino said. "This conference win was big, and all the work we put in is starting to show."

Idaho will travel on a short week to face Troy 6 p.m. Thursday Nov. 2 in Troy, Alabama.

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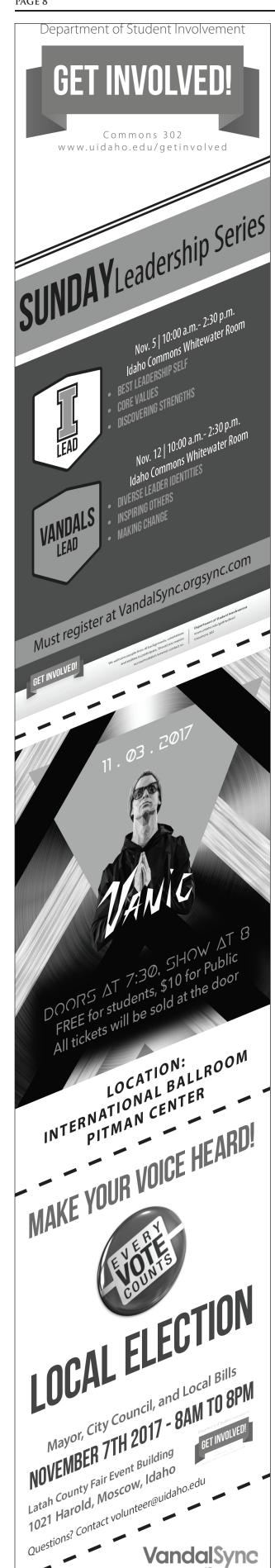
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Joleen Evans | Argonaut Senior midfielder Olivia Baggerly wipes away tears after watching a video featuring friends and family at the end of her last game Friday night in the Kibbie Dome.

Bye bye Baggerly

Idaho sends Baggerly off with a win against conference rivals Eastern Washington

Meredith Spelbring **ARGONAUT**

Idaho was unable to earn a spot in the Big Sky tournament, but that did not stop the team from battling it out in the Kibbie Dome. The Vandals found a way to clench the win in the last game of the season, defeating Eastern Washington 2-1.

Even before the game began, there was an energy in the Kibbie Dome. Maybe it was the Eastern Washington-Idaho rivalry, maybe it was the section of the bleachers full of fans of senior midfielder Olivia Baggerly, but the atmosphere felt different.

Idaho took advantage of the energy early on and put the first point on the board. Baggerly made a run down field and took a shot on goal, but it looked as though the Eagles goalie had made the save. The crowd quieted down before realizing the opponent's goalkeeper

Emily Busselman wobbled the catch and knocked it in the goal to give Idaho a 1-0 lead just 10 minutes into the game.

It was almost unclear who was helping who more, the crowd or the Vandals, as both seemed to build off of each other's excitement. Baggerly's opening goal brought a new energy to the Kibbie Dome and the team carried it on throughout the game. Idaho had several close shots on goal but were unable to find the back of the net early on.

Idaho was not able to completely shut out the opponents. The Eagles leveled the score in the 34th minute with a long shot from Saige Lyons.

Both teams continued to battle it out in the final 10 minutes of the first half but were forced to settle for a tie at 1-1 heading into halftime.

After the break, it did not take the Vandals long to get going. A play from Baggerly resulted in an Idaho corner kick taken by junior midfielder Megan Goo. Goo got the ball out to junior midfielder Anna Rose Wiencek, who got a sliding kick into the back of the goal. This was Wiencek's first goal of the season and the second of the night for the Vandals to take a 2-1 lead.

The Idaho defense kept Eastern Washington out of the goal and finished the final game of the season with a win over the Big Sky Conference regular season champs.

Idaho now has the lead in the Eastern Washington- Idaho series, 12-11-1 all-time.

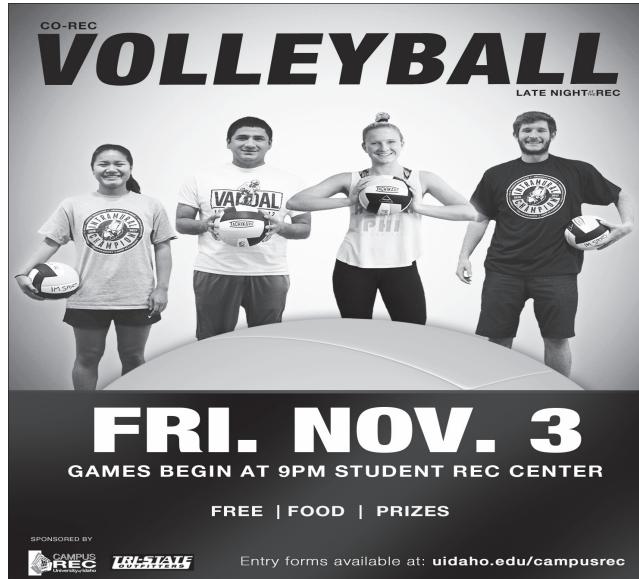
Olivia Baggerly finished her career with a win and one of Idaho's two goals of the night.

Junior goalkeeper Makayla Presgrave ended the night with three saves.

The Eagles and Vandals played aggressive throughout the game. Idaho totaled 18 fouls on the game compared to 22 of the opponents and both teams had two yellow cards.

Now the Vandals look to the off season for a chance to recover and get ready to make another run next season.

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Struggles at Cal State Idaho Swim and Dive fell short in Bakersfield

Jonah Baker ARGONAUT

The Idaho swim and dive team had a tough trip south as they took on Cal State Bakersfield and Hawai'i at a tri-dual Saturday.

The Vandals (2-2, 0-1 BSC) had some individual success despite falling 152-147 to Cal State Bakersfield. Idaho was in it until the very end, as Bakersfield won the event with a victory in the 200yard freestyle relay. The Roadrunners beat the Vandals by less than a tenth of a second in what would be the final event of the meet.

Plenty of Vandals put together impressive individual efforts in the meet.

Junior Emily Kliewer took home an individual win in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 57.74. Senior Maren Seljevold had a found plenty of success for the diving team, taking first in the one meter and second in the three meter events. Idaho also rounded out the rest of the podium on the one meter dive event, with junior Janelle Lucas taking second and

senior Emi Smith taking third. Seljevold's scores of 274.60 on the one-meter and 289.15 on the three-meter events were both team highs for the season.

Senior Allie Magrino led the Vandals in the 100-yard backstroke. She took third place less than a quarter of a second behind the leader, and posted Idaho's best time of the year in the event with a 58.37. Magrino also performed well in the 200-yard backstroke, taking second and finishing with a 2:05.05.

35, Troy- 14

Freshman Emma Schlyter took third in the 200-yard freestyle and her time of 1:53.43 in the event is Idaho's best time this year and the fourth-best in the conference.

Junior Lauren Votava placed second in the 200-yard individual medley with another team-best time of 2:10.15.

Magrino and Kliewer also contributed in the relays. The pair teamed up with senior Cara Jernigan and junior Aileen Pannecouke to take third place in the 400-yard medley relay, and Kliewer anchored the second place 200-yard freestyle relay team.

The Vandals will travel to take on Grand Canyon University Friday and Northern Arizona Saturday to finish out a six-meet away stretch to start the season. Their first home meet of the season will take place the following weekend on Nov. 10 against New Mexico State.

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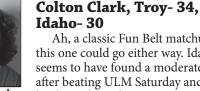
Mihaela Karst, Troy-28, Idaho-12

Idaho faces Troy in Alabama this weekend, and I don't know if the Vandals are going to be able to keep up with the Trojans on the field. Hopefully Cade Coffey is on his game, because I think the Vandals will need to heavily rely on him to get on the board once again.



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die time for the Vandals and they will find a way to win at Troy.



Colton Clark ARGONAUT

Ah, a classic Fun Belt matchup this one could go either way. Idaho seems to have found a moderate groove after beating ULM Saturday and Troy has been decently consistent. Will the Vandals see the Troy against LSU or the Troy against South Alabama? My bet's on the middle-ground.

Grayson Hughbanks, Idaho-

a good win against ULM and that will

propel them to another win. It is do-or-

The team is coming off the high of



Zack Ozuna

Zack Ozuna, Idaho- 35, Troy- 27

The Vandals travel to Troy this week on short rest. The Trojans have competed in several hard fought contests, but this week the Vandals will outlast. Idaho will rely on a heavy dose of the run game. Idaho wins 35-27.



Jonah Baker, Troy-33, Idaho- 14

The Vandals will run into a buzzsaw of a team that is hitting their stride after losing to Southern Alabama midseason. The Trojans are among the best in the nation at stopping in the run and holding fast in the red zone, spelling doom for Idaho.



Marisa Lloyd, Troy- 34, Idaho-14

I don't think the Idaho offense will be able to hold up on the road to Troy.

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Meredith Spelbring, Troy- 37,

Both teams have been unpredictable all season, but in the end Troy gets the edge with home field advantage. It will be close, but Idaho will come home with another loss.



Chris Deremer, Troy- 31, Idaho- 21

Vandals are on the road against a tough Troy team, unfortunately they come up short this week.



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BASKETBALL

Looking to Big Sky basketball

Men's hardcourt hype

Big Sky basketball is finally ready to get the season started

> **Jonah Baker** ARGONAUT

The hype for this men's college basketball season is palpable around campuses throughout the Big Sky Conference. Now that media day is out of the way, opening night is officially up next and the games are about to begin.

Many different Big Sky teams will be kicking off their seasons with exhibition games, and meaningful out-of-conference games are slated to start around the second week of November. Conference play begins Dec. 28, and the Vandals will play their first conference game against North Dakota Dec. 29.

Last year's conference champion, the University of North Dakota, is picked to finish sixth this year in the conference coaches' poll. They, along with most in the conference, will have a lot of work to do with an influx of new blood to the roster as they try to repeat last year's performance.

"We have seven new players, so we are hoping to all learn the system together," North Dakota head coach Brian Jones said in a news release. "As a team, we look to shoot more threes than we have in the past. I'm anxious to see our team come together. I'm interested to see how we can get the new guys to let go and buy in."

The Fighting Hawks ranked behind teams like Montana State, Montana, Weber State, and Idaho in the preseason coaches' poll after a very successful 2016-2017 season. Weber State, Idaho's toughest competition according to the coaches and media, lost two important starters to graduation. The Wildcats will have to replace almost a third of their minutes and nearly 40 percent of their scoring lost through the graduation of guard Senglin and Jeremy forward Kyndahl Hill.

Montana State also lost two of their three biggest contributors from last season and Montana will also have to replace three of last year's starters.

In total, three of the five players given first team all-Big Sky honors have graduated, including two-time selections Senglin and North Dakota's Quinton Hooker.

Idaho, meanwhile, will have to deal with no such roster turnover which should make for a smoother beginning of

Montana State also lost returned with a vengeance two of their three biggest to help lead the Vandals.

Callandret had never played in fewer than 25 games in a season prior to the 2016-17 season, suggesting that there is reason to believe he will be able to stay healthy this year. His points, rebounds and assists totals rose every year up until last season, and further cohesion with longtime teammates and coaches should continue those positive trends.

"We do have a target on our backs, but these guys

Women get going

Women's BSC basketball is going to be good

> Marisa Lloyd ARGONAUT

The upcoming women's Big Sky basketball season will be one for the history books. With 12 big teams facing off, fans will be sitting at the edge of their the road to Reno.

Preseason polls help fans and teams understand what they will be up season all-Big Sky team as she averaged 15.9 points per game last season. The Bears also have returning senior point guard Savannah Scott, who lead the league in three-point percentage (45.0).

Next up on both polls is the University of North Dakota Fighting Hawks. Last season North Dakota posted 15-3 BSC. UND also topped the league in total blocks (167) and blocks per game (5.4). One of the returning junior forward, Lexi Klabo will

Big Sky title discussions. Returning senior guard Hannah Caudill will continue to make quakes on courts around the conference this upcoming season.

The Idaho Vandals are picked fifth in the coaches poll and fourth in the media poll. Idaho returns the 2016-2017 Big Sky's leading scorer junior guard Mikayla Ferenz, who averaged 18.5 points per game in the previous season. Ferenz's free throw percentage (88.8) also ranked second in the Big Sky and 10th in the NCAA.

The Portland State University Vikings are ranked sixth in the coaches' poll and eighth in the media poll. All-Big Sky Selection senior guard Ashley Bolston will likely carry the team by preseason. Bolston was ranked fifth in the Big Sky Conference last season with 15.8 points per game.

Idaho's conference rival, the Eastern Washington Eagles, are ranked seventh in the coaches poll and sixth in the media poll. They will be returning All-Big Sky Honoree senior Delaney Hodgins.

The Idaho State Bengals are slotted eighth in the coaches poll and seventh in the media poll. The Bengals nabbed an upset victory in last year's Big Sky tournament as they topped No. 3 Seed Northern Colorado and eventually made it to the championship game.

Rounding out the tail end of the coaches' poll, was Sacramento State in ninth, Weber State in 10th, Northern Arizona in 11th and Southern Utah University in 12th.

At the bottom of media poll was Weber State in ninth, Sacramento State in 10th, Northern Arizona in 11th and Southern Utah.

The Vandals will play the first game against Lewis-Clark State College 2:30 p.m. Nov. 5 in Memorial Gym.

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the season and a stronger performance during adversity. Much has been said of the Vandals' returning six seniors, including first team all-Big Sky guard Victor Sanders.

The Vandals will be well equipped to meet any challengers in the conference.

All six of those seniors are poised to make big contributions this fall as Idaho pursues a Big Sky Conference title and NCAA Tournament berth.

The narrative of returning seniors goes beyond just recreating last year's production. Senior guard Perrion Callandret played in only two games last year before suffering a seasonending injury, but he has

earned that preseason recognition with all they work they have put in," Verlin said. "In the end, it only matters where you finish, but we're going to be a very physical team and these guys are ready to prove themselves."

Coach Verlin is rightfully concerned with the challenges posed by perennial contenders like Weber State and Montana, but Idaho is properly equipped to exceed the lofty expectations set in the preseason.

Mark your calendars for the first game against Nevada Nov. 10, because the fun is about to begin.

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The Northern Colorado Bears are ranked number one by both the media and the coaches after finishing third and going 14-4 in conference play last season. Northern Colorado was a top contender in the Big Sky last season in key categories such as scoring margin (8.3), three-point percentages (.350) and assists (556).

The Bears return all five of their essential starters, giving them even more of a boost this season. Bears starter junior guard Savannah Smith was named the pre-

those averages in the upcoming season after individually averaging 2.6 blocks per game.

The Montana Grizzlies

likely continue to add to

The Montana Grizzlies are ranked third in the coaches poll and fifth in the media polls. Montana was ranked fifth in scoring defense (65.8 points per game) and three-point FG percentage allowed (.317) Another advantage to Montana is returning senior defensive scrapper Alycia Harris.

The Montana State Bobcats sit at fourth in the coaches polls and third in the media polls. As defending Big Sky Champions, they are still centered around most of the





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ARTS & CULTURE

OPINION

Fearful Halloween films

The ultimate list of scary movies to watch this Halloween

Lindsay Trombly ARGONAUT

While I am a fan of scary movies, there are some that rise above the rest when it comes to the Halloween tradition. If you want the full, spooky Halloween experience, watch these movies. Grab a blanket, pop some popcorn and scream for your life.

"Halloween" (1978)

Celebrating Halloween isn't the same without this classic film. This movie is known for its iconic music by John Carpenter that never fails to give the audience chills. Not only that, this is Jamie Lee Curtis's first film. A girl gets stabbed in the beginning of the movie and dies.

Who did it? Michael Myers. He killed his sister and escapes the mental institution years later. He's after Laurie Strode, played by Jamie Lee Curtis. Does she survive? Well you're just going to have to watch this film and possibly the nine movies after that.

"Saw" (2004)

This horror movie is unlike any I've ever seen before, and I can't stop binge watching it. "Saw" is sure to keep you on your feet. Literally.

Two guys are stuck in an old, rusted bathroom chained to the pipes by their ankle. All they find are saws, unsure how they're supposed to help them escape. Meanwhile they are stuck in this room with a dead guy, video recording tapes and clues they find along the way.

This hit film led to a seven film franchise, video games and recently "Jigsaw" (possibly the last film in the series).

If you watch the first movie, I highly recommend you watch the rest. You learn more about the storyline and the reason for certain events that occur in the first movies. "Live or die, make your choice."

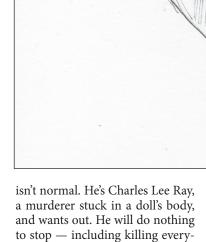
Watch this movie or not, but if not you won't appreciate your life.

"Child's Play" (1988)

Here is another classic that is worth watching. Especially if you want to watch "Cult of Chucky," which just came out this year. "Child's Play" is the first film in the Chucky character franchise.

A little boy wants a Good Guy Doll. The doll talks and he's your "friend til' the end." What could go wrong?

Strange things start happening to the doll, and you find out he



"The Exorcist" (1973)
I'm sure some of you think this movie should be higher up on the list for its horror. It's scary. I've only watched this movie once.

one who comes in his way.

on the list for its horror. It's scary. I've only watched this movie once, because the night I watched it, I couldn't sleep — at all.

A young girl, Regan, is possessed by the devil. This movie is known for the scene of her spinning head completely turning backward. A priest is sent out to help get this little girl back. Does it work? You'll just have to watch to find out.

"Texas Chainsaw Massacre" (1974)

A group of teenagers decide to go on a road trip and take a detour at their family's farmhouse, and in the process pick up a crazy hitchhiker. He and his family member, Leatherface go on a killing spree and kill these teens one by one once they reach their destination.

Will the final girl survive? Or will she be added to the skin mask that is Leatherface? (Warning: don't eat meat while watching this film)

"Nightmare on Elm Street" (1984)

When you sleep you dream. When you dream you have the possibility of being killed by Freddy Krueger.

This movie will give you chills, and it has a young Johnny Depp in it. This movie was his first film, and he really does his

character justice.

Freddy is one of the horror movie icons that still freaks me out when I think of the scene where his scissor claws rise from bathwater in between protagonist Nancy's legs.

"Psycho" (1960)

Black and white, but still full of

fright, this movie continues to give me the creeps.

It's known for the shower scene that has no gore but still creates a dramatic impact.

Marion, the protagonist, decides to run away with a ton of cash from her work and stops at a motel run by Norman Bates.

This film takes a series of turns you wouldn't expect and, as a woman, I got really creeped out by Norman's character and his obsession with Marion. Will she leave the motel? Watch to find out.

"Scream" (1996)

Wes Craven directed this mystery slasher movie that makes fun of horror movies and at the same time keeps you interested.

A killer calls people on the phone and comes into their homes to kill them.

Never have sex, never drink or do drugs and never say "I'll be right back," because you're never coming back. Follow these rules and you'll survive a horror movie.

"Alien" (1979) This sci-fi thri

Blake Coker | Argor

This sci-fi thriller is unlike any of the other scary movies in this list.

A space crew awaken from sleep capsules and find a nest of eggs inside their ship. What arises from these eggs? Aliens. They aren't too friendly.

"Jeepers Creepers" (2001)

"Jeepers Creepers, where'd you get those peepers?" Have you heard this Frank Sinatra song? If you do, run.

The two characters in this film find something in a basement of an abandoned church that changes their lives forever. A creature chases them and won't stop until it gets what it wants.

You'll want to hold onto your eyes after watching this flick.

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DIVERSITY

A beautiful, colorful and enriching tradition

UI hosts Day of the Dead celebration

Beth Hoots Argonaut

While candy and Halloween costumes sell out in stores across Moscow and the entire U.S., the University of Idaho Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA) is getting ready to celebrate a different kind of fall celebration.

Dia de los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead, is a Mexican tradition celebrated Nov. 1 each year. Customs vary between regions, but the main concept of honoring loved ones who have passed away is consistent.

"The idea of Halloween is to be scary or funny and sometimes talk about supernatural things," said Alejandra Gonzalez, OMA program coordinator. "For Day of the Dead, it's (about) remembering actual people and doing something for people who were once alive and celebrating their legacy and celebrating their life."

The UI Day of the Dead celebration has been a campus tradition for more than a decade. Over the years, the event has grown and changed to fulfill its mission of appreciating and respecting the cultural holiday.

Gonzalez said in the past, face painting has been offered as part of the celebration, but won't be any more. She said this is because Day of the Dead represents a deeper culture and tradition several UI students are part of.

"In order for us to fully appreciate it and respect their beliefs, we have to respect every aspect of that," Gonzalez said. "That includes not providing the face painting to

people who might not know the cultural meaning for it, or have the cultural appreciation for it."

The celebration features activities that are true to the holiday's long tradition, including an altar decorating contest, sugar skull painting and a poetry contest in the calaveras style.

"Calaveras are short poems that talk about the dead and they're supposed to be kind of funny as well," Gonzalez said.

Some Spanish professors are encouraging their students to participate by incorporating the poems into the class curriculum.

"A lot of the professors in the Spanish department are giving extra credit to their students for doing the calaveras, or making it part of an assignment," Gonzalez said.

In addition to the calaveras, the altar contest will also be a prominent feature in the Day of the

Dead festivities

"We like to start the event with the altar contest and we invite student organizations, individuals, classes, departments to come and build an altar for one of their loved ones," Gonzalez said. "Usually we get around eight or 10 altars and they set up around the ballroom, and we open it up for students and faculty, staff and community members to come and walk and take a look."

Altars are built for family members, famous people or anyone who has been impactful in the builder's life.

After the altar viewing and interactive workshop period from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., the event will transition into an informative presentation interspersed with traditional Day of the Dead entertainment.

"A lot of times the entertainment is folkloric dances from Mexico," Gonzalez said.

The UI student group Sabor de la Raza will perform two to three traditional songs and dances throughout the night. The group works around the UI campus and the Palouse to raise awareness about Mexican culture at events such as the Day of the Dead festival.

The informative presentation will explain the history and culture behind the holiday, especially focusing on the meanings behind the different symbols found throughout the festivities in altars, poems and traditional attire.

"Our goal is to invite people who practice the tradition and invite people who don't... welcome everybody and make it a learning experience, and an experience where everyone can appreciate a very beautiful, colorful, enriching experience," Gonzalez said.

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MUSIC

An organized chaos

Ul tuba-euphonium studio takes the stage with Tubaween

> Jordan Willson ARGONAUT

University of Idaho's tuba-euphonium studio will present "Tubaween" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Haddock Performance Hall of the Lionel Hampton School of Music.

The UI studio's annual Halloween event is comprised of a recital, a costume contest and a skit performance. The event is free and open to the public, but donations will be accepted at the door. Proceeds will go toward tuba and euphonium events and guest artists.

Third-year UI student Zach Waite, who is majoring in management and human resources, said the event is made up of three parts.

Waite said first, there is a recital by members of the tuba-euphonium studio. Following the recital, there is a Halloween costume contest for members of the audience and a skit performed by the UI Marching Band sousaphones, he said. The sousaphone is a type of tuba, also known by some as a "marching tuba."

"It's a glorious moment for the tubas," Waite said. "We're the stars that get to shine."

Waite plays sousaphone in the UI Marching Band and will perform in the sousaphone skit Tuesday night.

He said the theme of the skit is "Star Wars: The Last Tuba." The theme references the upcoming film "Star Wars: The Last Jedi," which is set to be released Dec. 15. Tubaween has been happening since at least 1999, Waite said. He said that year, the skit was "Star Wars: The

Tuba Menace," which referenced "Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace."

The best part about the skit is not just performing it and hearing the audience reaction, but the process of creating the comedy, he said.

UI senior, theater major Gail Harder, who has participated in Tubaween in the past, said her favorite part about the event is having the opportunity to make a piece of art as a section. She said some of her favorite memories from college took place during her time creating skits for Tubaween.

"It's a room full of chaotic laughing and tired children," she said.

Harder said it is traditional for the skit to be a satire of some form of pop culture. She said the skits are usually both impromptu and improvisational.

"Satire may be one of the juiciest forms of comedy," she said. "When you can see (pop culture) flipped upside down with its pants hanging off and boxers showing, that's funny."

Harder said the tuba's unique tradition is important because it gives a chance for students to be in a creative environment and work on collaboration and problem-solving. She said it is a difficult task getting everyone together, but it is a great opportunity to get people out of their comfort zones.

Harder and Waite both said they love the level of audience involvement and engagement during Tubaween, as well as the production and the people involved.

"The tuba players are pretty grand," Waite said.

Waite said he began playing tuba his sophomore year of high school, but music was always a part

of his life. He said he took private piano lessons when he was younger, and played a few different instruments in school but decided tuba was his favorite.

"There's a certain characteristic... a certain personality about tuba players," he said. "Plus, we stick out with our huge bells."

Harder also said there is a reputation around tuba players and the tuba itself. She said tuba players are usually a little abrasive and very outspoken. She said tuba players could shrink into the weight of their instrument, but

instead use that weight to their advantage.

"We're going to do this the best we can and the loudest we can," she said.

Waite said Tubaween is a great experience for Halloween night, especially since it's a school night and there's not a lot else going

on. Harder said it's a fun opportunity to see everyone in costumes, which she said is the best part of Halloween.

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"You're definitely in for a treat if you've never seen it before," Waite said.

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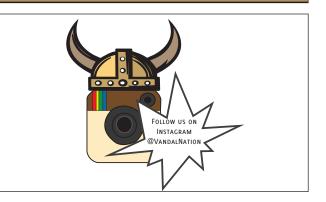




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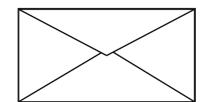
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OUR VIEW

A safe, healthy Halloween

Stick together and stay respectful during a week made for celebration

Hailey Stewart

There are certain weeks in a student's experience that are inherently "college" weeks such as Homecoming Week, Dead Week and "Halloweek."

From Labor Day to Thanksgiving, breaks and days spent away from the classroom are few and far between.

Halloween just so happens to fall right in the middle of this dry spell, bringing a very needed dose of fun and excitement to an otherwise hectic period in the fall semester.

So, it makes sense then that many college students plan to utilize the Halloweek as a way to relax and let loose.

Though Halloweekend has come and gone, the festivities and costume contests often last throughout the week. So, students should proceed with caution as Halloween events unfold on campus and around the community.

For many students, the Halloween festivities 10 years ago meant trick-or-treating

and consuming copious amounts of candy, but now, it often means party hopping and consuming copious amounts of alcohol. The way we celebrate a holiday simply changes with age. However, in order to keep Halloween more treat than trick, students should remember to have fun within their limits and help others do the same.

The best way to stay in control is by keeping track of one another. Without even realizing it, the "buddy system" that many students learned years ago is one of the most effective ways of not getting into too much trouble during holidays like Halloween. If a student plans to celebrate with friends during their Halloween outings, it is important to stay with one another and make sure that everyone settles safely into their bed by the end of the night, especially with classes and tests the next morning.

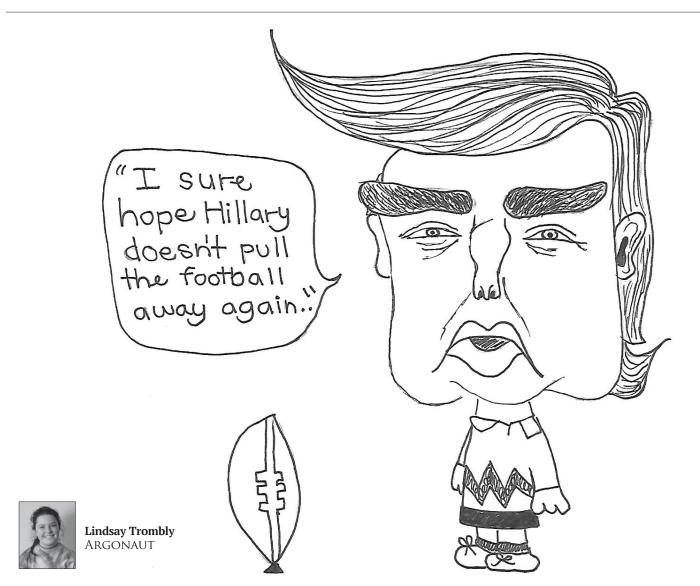
Although the holiday comes at a time when students require some extra rest and relaxation, those pesky classes still have to get in the way. There are only so many more weeks until fall break, so students should keep plugging along and chipping away at projects and textbook chapters. Once Halloween is over, grab some leftover candy and hop back on the academic train before it reaches Thanksgiving and is too late to find enough study time.

Along with respecting one's alcohol tolerance and class schedule, it is important to remember to respect the rest of Moscow's community members celebrations as well. Tuesday evening will bring out young trick-or-treaters and families with multiple costumed little ones to keep track of. While we stick with our party-going friends, let's make sure to keep everyone else safe as well.

Perhaps one of the best aspects of Halloween is picking a very Instagram-worthy costume for a night out. Through all of the costume ideas and excitement, it can be easy to forget the possible negative implications of one's costume. In a divisive political and cultural climate, take a moment to think about that carefully planned costume and attempt to alleviate anything outright offensive or derogatory.

No matter how a student celebrates Halloween, just remember to stay safe and sound throughout the week.

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Over the counter justice

Dubious pharmaceutical companies are finally paying for their crimes

U.S. prosecutors won an important battle against big pharma in what is hopefully a watershed event Thursday.

Billionaire John Kapoor founded InSys Therapeutics in 1990, and subsequently went on to make money off of selling drugs like fentanyl to Jonah Baker physicians. Kapoor did not, however, follow proper business practices along the way and eventually started bribing physicians to overprescribe his company's drugs and contribute to the opioid crisis that was recently declared as cause for emergency by President Donald Trump.

Kapoor and other defendants have been charged with fraud and racketeering, and several states are suing InSys on grounds of shady marketing practices.

InSys is only one of a wide variety of pharmaceutical companies that have taken advantage of the public for personal gain. This particular case is particularly egregious because it put lives at risk during a time in which opioid addictions are rising at an alarming rate.

For years, pharmaseutical companies have been hotbeds for shady business practices and consumer exploitation.

Martin Shkreli, former CEO of Turing Pharmaceuticals, once raised the price of a drug from \$13.50 to \$750 per pill while it can be found for as little as 10 cents in other parts of the world, according to a September 2015 New York Times article.

Blood-testing startup Theranos raised more than \$400 million by claiming that their technology would be able to revolution-

ize and personalize the blood testing and drug delivery systems of the modern day. But, the company was eventually exposed for having close to none of their promised technology.

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist John Carreyrou dug deep to find that Theranos and then-CEO Elizabeth Holmes effectively lied to investors and potential business partners, but no charges have been brought forth

against the company yet, according to the magazine Wired.

These are only the companies that have been caught or accused of taking advantage of the public with damning evidence. It seems like every miracle breakthrough made by a pharmaceutical or biotech company is paralleled by another story of fraudulent activity or mistreated patients.

The federal government must do a better job of keeping these entities in check. The charges leveled against Kapoor and others at InSys are a step in the right direction, but there is so much more that needs to be done for consumers and investors to work on a level

playing field with pharmaceutical companies. In 2015, the Public Affairs Council conducted a nationwide survey, gauging the public opinion of regulation in various industries. The survey found 46 percent of the public believes pharmaceutical companies are under-regulated. That figure was the highest of any industry in the survey. The

health insurance companies that play a big

part in widening access to opioids and other drugs are also under public scrutiny, with 36 percent of those surveyed indicating they believe health insurance providers are not regulated enough.

People like Kapoor, Shkreli and Holmes receive an abundance of negative press that keep pushing the dark side of pharmaceuticals into the spotlight. Each former CEO is responsible for decisions that put hundreds of lives in danger, and there are dozens of other big pharma companies continuously putting lives at risk for their own personal gain.

The federal justice system is just beginning to investigate the shady business practices that proliferate throughout the pharmaceutical industry. We may never truly know just how much those same companies are responsible for the opioid epidemic, but there must be increased scrutiny on these firms from the public and the government.

There are state-filed lawsuits against big pharma companies in at least five different states, citing possible misleading advertising and understatement of drug effects that lead to dangerous addictions. That number of lawsuits is only going to grow as more and more dirt on pharmaceutical companies is uncovered.

If the federal government wishes to protect the public and determine to what extent big pharma is responsible for the opioid epidemic, they must further their efforts to reprimand the disreputable companies prevalent in the industry and reevaluate how to regulate the industry as a whole.

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OFF THE CUFF

QUICK TAKES ON LIFE

What was your favorite childhood Halloween costume?

Wizarding world

One year I dressed up as Hermione Granger. My mom even knitted me a Gryffindor scarf.

Joleen

Man-eating plant

I was indeed a giant Venus Flytrap, complete with a home-made papier-mache head, a brown skirt pot and gloves with teeth. I won many a costume contest that year.

Power ranger

When I first went trick-or-treating, I went as a pretty sweet red power ranger and my brother went as a blue power ranger. It's safe to say we were very intense.

Grayson

Marie Antoinette

My mom thought it would be fun to turn a 10 year old's Disney princess dress into a crazy queen of France ghost costume. No one, including myself, knew who I was supposed to be. But, it was an early history lesson I will never forget. So, thanks Mom.

— Meredith

Disney princesses

Every year when I was little I was a different princess. Snow White, Cinderella, Belle, etc. I never wanted to be anything scary, just a princess.

Lindsay

No clue

I have no idea what I dressed up as when I was a young. I didn't really put much effort into my costumers, but I did trick-or-treat until I was way too old.

Griffen

I'm Sandra Dee

I dressed up as the sweet and wholesome version of Sandy from "Grease" when I was 13. I'm not going to lie — when I go home I still shimmy on the same pink poodle skirt every time I play

dress-up with my younger sister.

Jedi knight

An eight-year-old with a cool robe and lightsaber. What more could I ask for?

— Blake

We're not in Kansas anymore

My favorite costume as a child was my Dorothy costume my grandma made for me, complete with red sparkly shoes and all.

Nickelback

Taping a bunch of nickels to my back was either the best or worst costume ever.

— Kyle

Snow White

I thought it was so cool that a princess had hair as short as mine. So, of course I had to be Snow White — bright red apple and all.

Superman

He was really cool in the '90s.

Andrew

Frodo Baggins

I loved dressing up as Frodo from "Lord of the Rings." I got to swing a sword around, hold the ring and wear an awesome cape. It was basically my childhood dream come true.

Angela Pickles

Two years in a row I dressed as Angelica from Rugrats for Halloween — pigtails, purple dress, spotted tights and all. I also carried around her creepy doll, Cynthia. It was amazing.

– Savannah

Simply notice one another

Why we should attempt to be more observational

It is easy to spend an entire day wrapped up in our own worlds — our full attention focused on our phone or laptop, think-

phone or laptop, thinking about what needs to be done and how to get through the day. We get caught up thinking about ourselves, without entirely noticing anything about the environment surrounding us.

Everyone is so concerned with themselves, they tend to forget we're all sharing life together.

Andrew Brand

Last semester I took an advertising class that focused on creativity. My professor began the class by writing "Simply notice" on the board, this was followed by silence while everyone tried to digest what it meant. He then explained how these two words are one of the most important things to remember not only in advertising, but in life.

He encouraged us to observe people throughout the week. He said through observation we can learn an incredible amount about people and the world around us.

For the class, we would relate what we learned through observation to advertising in order to create more effective advertisements. But you don't have to be interested in advertising to benefit from observing your environment.

Everyone is beautifully unique. It is so interesting to really try to understand people. What is their

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story? It's much easier to just look at people judgingly and place them neatly in a box of stereotypes — this requires no effort and yields no rewards. The reason we organize people into stereotypes so much (often subconsciously) is because it's actually really difficult to truly understand people.

I recently watched a YouTube video of a man reviewing cameras. Even though there wasn't anything particularly special about this person, I couldn't help but notice genuineness in his eyes, and a tone of kindness in his voice. Noticing can be this simple.

While I was observing the participants for a class this week, I noticed subtle moments where people's faces would light up, and smiles would emanate joy. Even though this was a random group of people who were sitting in a room answering questions and

reacting to videos, it impacted me somehow. Now, I'm not encouraging stalking, spying or any other creepy behavior, but rather, simply noticing. And if someone notices you back, smile at them or say "hi." It's not strange. If anything, it's polite. Through the acknowledgment of those around us, we can better learn how to communicate and love with each other. We are all human.

The first step to beneficially noticing those around you is to notice yourself. You may not know that your default face could be rather grim — it might be good to become aware of your face and your posture. Notice the way you speak and the tone behind your voice. Vocal inflection has a huge impact on communication.

Once you become more aware of yourself, allow yourself to become aware of those around



you. Everyone does something in a unique way — it could be the way they sneeze, or the way they laugh. The broad array of beautiful differences in people is amazing.

If you take a moment to notice, you might find something wonderful.

We all live on this earth, let's live in awareness of each other.

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Spring semester crash course

The leaves are falling, and it's getting colder in Moscow. Students are preparing for snow, but that isn't the only thing around the corner.

Spring semester is only two months away. Registration begins Nov. 6 and you're forced to decide what classes to enroll in. Not sure what classes to sign up for even though you talked to your adviser? Don't worry — take a look at these tips first.

Majors and minors

Every major or minor is different in its own way. It is great to seek advice in other students and your professors, but it is generally best to listen to an adviser in your main area of study.

Although you should take classes that

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feel like the right fit for you, treat the expertise they give you like the Bible. Even though a well-rounded education includes varying topics, there is not always much wiggle room when signing up for your ma-

jor classes. Without these courses, the degree you work so hard for won't come to fruition.

When you sign up for classes, make sure that you plan them in a cohesive order. Some classes are only offered once a year or once every two years. Plan ahead and keep track of those schedules.

Otherwise you could be stuck not being able to take those classes you need and will risk staying in school longer then you really need to.

General intrigue

English, communication, science, math—these are just a few courses that meet the criteria you have to fulfill in your general education. These classes essentially check off the main boxes on your degree audit. Take what classes you can and when you can't take many classes geared toward your major, get your general education requirements out of the way. This will make for a much easier class load later on.

Even though general education classes might seem boring, they are more interesting than we often give them credit for. Pick out classes that interest you, and some of them may surprise you.

While taking classes that interest you, also pick out a variety of topics to study, and things that you might actually enjoy. Sometimes these classes lead you to a path

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you didn't plan on taking for the rest of your life. Most of all take things that interest you, and don't overload yourself. Take on the amount of credits that you know you can succeed in, and to the point where other classes don't suffer.

Research

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Before signing up for classes, do the research needed to fully understand the course load. Ask people about specific professors, and ask them if they enjoyed the class. You don't want to be surprised walking into a class, and realize it isn't for you.

When registration opens and the nerves hit you, just remember these tips and get excited for the semester ahead.

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