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The President's House has undergone major changes in its nearly 100-year life span.

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A residence for future presidents

It's slated to be finished this fall, but outgoing president Chuck Staben doesn't plan to live there

Kyle Pfannenstiel ARGONAUT

The University of Idaho president's house is meant to lodge the university's highestranking administrator and provide a space for university events and fundraisers.

However, outgoing President Chuck Staben didn't live in it, nor does he plan to live in the new one slated to be finished this fall, though he did say through a spokesperson he'll use the house to host events.

"It will be a huge benefit to the univer-

That's because, just before he came to UI, the university got approval to begin a project to demolish the previous house built in 1966 and erect a new one in the same location on Nez Perce Drive near the water tower. Costs later came in just under \$2 million.

To house the incoming administrator

coming from the University of South Dakota, the university purchased a home for Staben to use in Moscow, located on 6th Street, said Jodi Walker, director of communications.

The university paid \$478,000 for the home, which was built prior to the purchase, Walker said.

Figures that high aren't out of the ordinary to house university presidents, public officials and company executives. just to live at his own ranch outside Boise, the Idaho Press Tribune reports.

An Idaho Education News article reported the new presidents of Idaho State University and Lewis-Clark State College were provided on-campus president's residence, and Boise State University's now retired

president was paid a \$26,000-a-year housing allowance.

Retired UI professor of architecture, Rees Nels, who was also director of facilities for a time, said the new house's cost of construction isn't worth gawking at, especially considering the current housing market. The median price of homes listed for sale in Moscow

is \$275,000, only \$20,000 below that same

executives in Moscow," but he estimated company executives in Boise have homes upwards of \$1.5 million.

Staben, UI's 18th President, will have been at UI for 5 years when his contract ends June 30, 2019. It's the latest in short tenures for UI presidents and other top administrators.

The announcement of his departure came following reports of Title IX violations by UI Athletic Director Rob Spear, a push by athletics boosters for Staben's departure and over half a year after he was a finalist for president of the University of New Mexico.

CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Months before Staben came aboard in early 2014, the university received approval



sity to have this new house," Staben, who announced in May his contract would not be renewed, said in a prepared statement. "It will be an asset in recruiting the next president and will serve the needs of the next presidential family."

An Inside Higher Ed study last year found most presidents lived in universityprovided homes, but those that were offered stipends could support a \$1 million mortgage. The state of Idaho, for instance, pays outgoing Gov. Butch Otter \$54,000 a year

figure in Boise, according to Zillow's analysis of June listings.

"\$2 million is not much in today's market," Reese said. "I mean, just average homes in Moscow are selling from \$250,000 to \$500,000. We don't have many (company) to embark on a project to design and build a new president's house that would replace the previous one.

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STUDENT LIFE he students' view: Ul's new president

Students around Moscow voice their opinions on the selection of Ul's future leader

Brandon Hill

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What started as a bombshell quickly turned to speculation, as the Idaho State Board of Education rocked the University of Idaho campus with the news President Chuck Staben would not return for the 2019-2020 school year.

While the decision was presented as "mutual" between Staben and SBOE, many UI students saw the future change in administration as a chance to voice their opinions on who should lead the university in 2019 and beyond.

ASUI Vice President Carlos Vazquez said communication would be key in the new president's developing relationship with both the Senate and student body.

"For now, I'd hope that she/he is open to having a good professional relationship where we are able to work off of each other in our current and future goals," he said. "We understand that it is vital that the Senate and all of ASUI have a good relationship with our administration."

Vazquez said he wished the next administration would put the needs of UI's students first, and transparency was an area which definitely needed improvement, especially after recent controversy surrounding the Athletic Department's past mishandlings of Title IX.

Vicky Dilone, a student at UI, said the scandal should be a driving force in choosing an administration that will focus on student safety.

"I would like UI to become a safer environment for students, especially after the Spear incident," she said. "I would like to see Title IX be made more clear to students and staff."

Sean Collins, chief of staff for ASUI, took a more logistical approach, urging the university to push for higher graduation rates and changes regarding academic advising.

"I would make changes to how advisors currently operate moving away from course scheduling as a focus instead moving towards a case management style for the advising office to ensure students have a central point of contact on all problems," Collins said. "Though the current changes in the comprehensive plan being made are a



Chuck Staben, who will leave this year, speaks to UI.

step in the right direction."

Both Collins and Vazquez agreed constant changes in the administration over the past few decades have made it difficult for UI to maintain a consistent strategic plan. With four different individuals occupying the Office of the President since 2000, Collins said he expected this upcoming year to be a difficult one in terms of implementing beneficial change, since the current administration will not be around for long.

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A Crumbs recipe

Cheesy chicken enchiladas

Once you have the recipe memorized and a few ingredients ready to go in your fridge, this will easily become part of your weekly routine. It will last for a few meals and can be spiced up in many different ways.

Ingredients

- 10 flour tortillas (use 12 corn tortillas for smaller enchiladas)
- 4 cups of shredded chicken
- 4 cups of enchilada sauce
- 4 cups of shredded cheese
- 1/2 cup of chopped onion
- 1/4 cup of chopped tomatoes
- 1 tablespoon of minced garlic
- 2 avocados
- Sour cream and olives

1.) In a large saucepan, combine the pre-cooked shredded chicken, 2 cups of enchilada sauce, onion and tomato garlic. Heat until warm and the flavors have combined.

Directions

2) Fill each tortilla with the chicken mixture and the cheese, then roll the enchiladas. Save one cup of cheese for the top. Place them in a shallow casserole dish seam-side down.

3) Pour the remaining sauce over the enchiladas and sprinkle the remaining cheese.

4) Place in the oven for 30 minutes, or until the cheese is golden brown.

5) Garnish with avocado, sour cream and olives.

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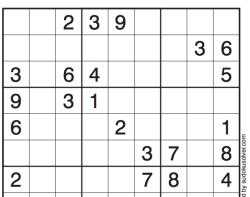




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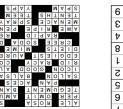
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ASUI President Nicole Skinner discovers she and running mate Carlos Vazquez won the election by a narrow margin of 39 votes April 11.

Finding her passion in politics

ASUI President Nicole Skinner discusses the importance of student involvement

Olivia Heersink Argonaut

Nicole Skinner, 20, considered a handful of colleges before choosing the University of Idaho. The deciding factor — a campus visit.

"It immediately felt like home and I could easily see myself discovering who I am here," the UI third-year said. "It's the perfect size because I knew I would always have something new to try while never fearing that I would slip through the cracks."

Skinner, who is majoring in economics and political science, said she was able to strengthen that sense of "home" through student involvement, specifically ASUI.

She said she became a senator at the end of her first year after a friend asked if she was interested in running. At the time, she hadn't really heard of the governing body, but decided to give it a shot. Last spring, Skinner was elected as the ASUI president alongside running mate Carlos Vazquez, winning by 39 votes — a 1.8 percent margin over candidates Austin O'Neill and Sean Collins.

She said she enjoyed being a senator, but wanted to have an even bigger impact, leading her to campaign for her current position.

"I quickly realized how crucial it is to have students involved in decisions across campus and the tangible impact that student government has on the university," Skinner said. "It's an honor and isn't a job that should be taken lightly. I have the opportunity to advocate for students, to make their experience here as amazing as possible."

Skinner said she would like to extend that impact beyond UI by partnering with other public colleges and universities in Idaho to create a report card with legislators' views on higher education issues, which will hopefully yield "greater advocacy and more state funding."

She also wants to improve and increase student spaces, as well as raise student

turnout in local elections by having a "Party at the Polls" event and revamping voter registration efforts.

UI students are currently able to sign-up at uidaho.turbovote.org and get election reminders.

"It's crucial that you register to vote and make your voice heard in elections," Skinner said. "Both local and national elections affect our lives in countless ways and voting is one of the easiest opportunities to impact the world around you."

Aside from student government, Skinner has worked at the UI Women's Center for two years, assisting with sexual assault programs on campus. She also helped with voter registration drives through the UI Center for Volunteerism and Social Action and is a member of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

"I like to dabble in a little bit of everything — involvement comes in many forms," Skinner said.

After graduation, she said she hopes to attend law school and later become an ad-

vocate for sexual assault survivors, manage political campaigns or run for office herself.

Skinner said she would've never devised these career goals if she didn't attend UI or get involved with the Women's Center and ASUI.

"Getting involved is the best thing you can do for yourself as a student," Skinner said. "Involved students have the best grades and the most enjoyable experience at college."

Skinner said she encourages all students to branch out and challenge themselves by joining a new organization or attending a campus event, adding "it's never too late to get involved."

"I know plenty of people who realized the value of involvement during their final year or semester and made the most of it," Skinner said. "The benefits of involvement will last far beyond your time here — it's a chance for you to grow as a person and discover what truly drives you."

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Moscow Market



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CAMPUS CLUB

An appetite for knowledge

The Food Science Club is open to lovers of all food

Max Rothenberg ARGONAUT

The Food Science Club isn't just for students in the major. Regardless of background or experience, any student who has even the smallest love of food should look no further.

Heather Carbon, president of the food science club and University of Idaho, junior, said student involvement is their main priority for the upcoming school year.

'We're a very, very open club. There's no requirements to be a part of it," Carbon said. "Really we just want people to attend the meetings to know about us and everything we can offer for students."

Former club president and UI senior Ivy Kloepfer said there are a number of different opportunities available to all students.

"It's not just for people interested in food science," Kloepfer said. "This would be a great experience for business majors, sales majors, people interested in sales and other aspects of the food industry, because there is real diversity here."

The club is a chapter of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), the professional organization that works with both the club and the major.

"There's anywhere between 50-60 chapters around the nation, and we serve as representatives for food science majors," Carbon said.

IFT hosts an annual meeting each summer, open to all club members, and this year, Carbon and Kloepfer were among thousands in attendance.

Kloepfer said they work hand-in-hand with the professional development portion of IFT to make sure students know what they can expect.

The club's product development team was a national finalist at the event, and Carbon said one of the doctorate students in the program came in second place.

second at this level, so we're really representing here," she said. "We really work hard to get where we're at, but we all have a common goal."

Another goal for the upcoming year is to help fund club members to be able to not only join IFT, but attend the annual meeting as well, Carbon said.

The club is a joint program with Washington State University, although the UI club meets separately. However, social events are commonly held for both colleges.

Heather Carbon "I really worked on fostering a relationship with WSU while I was president last year," Kloepfer said. "Really just working with them and connecting better."

Carbon said club turnout is generally very good at the beginning of the school year. With anywhere from 15-20 members regularly attending meetings, she said these are one of her favorite parts of the club.

"I just really love them, I think the

"That's a really big deal for her to place meetings themselves are just so much fun," Carbon said. "We usually try to make some sort of potluck theme where everyone brings breakfast for dinner or something like that."

The Food Science club puts on different events and fundraisers throughout the school year, with Kloepfer's personal favorite being their grape picking event.

"It's actually a lot of hard work, but it's a really great opportunity to just kind of spend the day with the other club members and get to know them better," Kloepfer said.

While Carbon was recently elected president in April, she said she is greatly looking forward to the upcoming year.

"We have so many goals for the upcoming year, so many fundraisers," Carbon said. "We just have a lot of different things we are definitely excited to discuss and make into part of our plan."

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An unconventional path

Many UI students find themselves chasing their education in a myriad of ways

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As anxious future Vandals filed in to the Bruce M. Pitman Center, David Cavell sat alone at a table, going over the countless fliers and pamphlets presented to new and prospective students.

UIdaho Bound, an event aimed at preparing freshmen for their college experience, often caters to the average first-year: fresh out of high school, usually 18 years old and with very little real-life experiences.

Cavell, on the other hand, took a trip around the block before joining the Silver and Gold.

"I was going to go to school in Louisiana before, but the last semester of my senior year I switched to go to the military," he said. "It was nice, but it was time to move on. Eventually, I want to have a family, and I don't want to be moving around with my kids. I don't want to be 40 and have to drop down to the civilian work force."

Cavell served under a five-year contract with the U.S. Navy, based out of San Diego. The experience was one he wouldn't soon forget. However, he said as his time in the service went on, he and a friend pondered what the next chapter in their lives would be.

That was when a fellow shipman from the Gem State recommended the University of Idaho. Cavell, a Louisiana native, said he looked into the Moscow campus and was quickly hooked.

"It's a good area here. Soda Springs has a lot more earthquake activity, like every other week or so," he said. "The

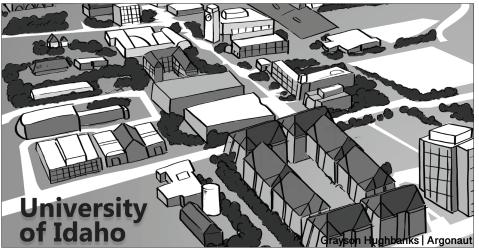
Northwest is, I feel going towards geology, I feel like I can get more out of it there than other places."

Cavell, who said he wants to study geography and geology, said being a nontraditional student in a traditional student setting was jarring at first, but he quickly adapted. Now, he said he's more excited than

Blaine Eckles

ever to begin his education, even at age 23. Dean of Students Blaine Eckles said he was glad students like Cavell decided to attend the event. According to him, UIdaho Bound is a can't-miss opportunity to get ac-

quainted with opportunities on campus. "It's a great way for them to feel connected and understand they're coming into the Vandal family," Eckles said. "It's also a great



opportunity for us to connect with their family members that this also a great supportive place for them, so that when they're bringing their most treasured egg to us, we're going to be taking care of them once they get here on campus."

Shawn Dowiak, UI's director of fraternity and sorority life, agreed that UIdaho Bound provides exceptional value to new students and can give future Vandals a glimpse into life on campus before they've even moved in, including Greek life.

"Fraternity and Sorority life is an involvement opportunity on campus. It's presented very much as an involvement option in the leadership experience," Dowiak said. "For IFC and Panhellenic chapters, we also talk about the housing component as well.

As for Cavell, he said he was excited to move into his new apartment and was so far impressed with the welcoming vibes he received after arriving on the Palouse.

"I love it here," he said. "We both love to go hiking, and we have plans to go camping and stuff out here."

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This week's news in brief

Hailey Stewart Argonaut

Permits and Parking

Students, faculty and staff looking to park on the University of Idaho campus next year can now buy 2018-2019 parking permits. Greek students can purchase Greek-specified permits after completing recruitment. This year, however, they will find a new parking zone and a few changes.

With the addition of the new Orange Lot, parking zones have changed. Robert Mitchell, parking and transportation services information specialist, said by increasing the price and capping the number of permits sold to orange lots, drivers should see an increase in parking availability.

"(The Orange Lot permits) are selling quickly, with more than a third of the total having sold in the first two days of online sales," Mitchell said.

Zones:

Blue (\$64), Red (\$172) and Orange (\$250) — These parking zones and passes are for students who live off campus and commuting employees.

Silver (\$196) — This zone belongs to stu-

dents who live in residence halls on campus. Green (\$196) — This zone is for students who live in University Apartments or the Elmwood Apartments.

Purple (\$196) — This zone is permitted for presidents of fraternities and sororities.

Purple Economy (\$35) — This zone belongs to all other students living on the UI campus.

Gold (\$338) — This zone is available specifically for board-appointed employees only.

Annual Disability parking permits cost \$64 for the year. Photo identification and a state-issued disability permit must be provided when purchasing this permit.

Mitchell said students who are on the fence about buying a permit can meet with Parking and Transportation personnel to find the best fit for them.

"If you don't absolutely need to have a vehicle here, go vehicle-free. Save money and stress," Mitchell said.

Students can find alternative transportation options at the Transportation and Parking Services website.

"You can get almost anywhere you need to go via alternative transportation and those options are rapidly expanding in the next few months," Mitchell said. Cars parked on the UI campus during the first day of school, Aug. 20, must have a parking permit.

Permits can be purchased on campus at the Parking and Transportation Center or online at www.uidaho.edu/parking.

Say goodbye to Student ID Numbers

The University of Idaho will slowly discontinue the Student ID Number and begin utilizing students' Vandal Numbers, or V-Numbers.

The announcement came from Information Technology Services (ITS) last week, noting some differences for students enrolled with the university before July 11 and students enrolled after.

The Student ID Number has a dash, while the Vandal Number does not.

The largest difference will come in the form of the student Vandal Card.

Every UI student — until July 11 — had both a Student ID Number and a Vandal Number. The ID Number could be found on a Vandal Card, while both the ID Number and the Vandal Number could be found on VandalWeb.

ITS said students should try to remember their Vandal Number, especially those

Plenty of planned changes will likely affect new UI students this fall semester

who do not have it printed on their Vandal Card. However, Vandal Cards without the Vandal Number will still give students entry to their dorms, buildings, games and more. The card should work just like before.

However, students, ITS said, should still find their Vandal Number and keep it memorized or with them. As of July 11, the Vandal Number will now be the main resource for filling out financial aid forms and miscellaneous paperwork that once required an ID Number.

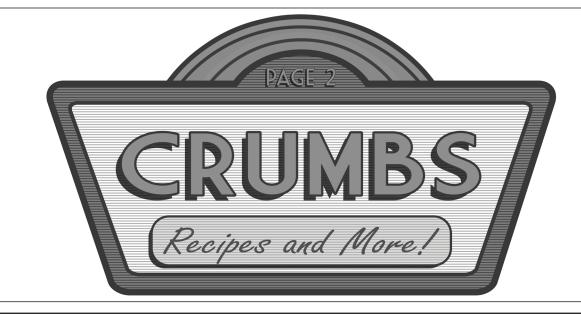
Old Vandal Cards will still work, but they can be replaced for free with the Vandal Card Office on the First Floor of the Pitman Center.

Students admitted to UI before July 11 can still be searchable in the university system via their ID Number.

To access their Vandal Number, students can log on to VandalWeb, click on the "Students" tab and click on "Student Profile." The nine-digit Vandal Number will appear on that page.

For help or questions about the change, ITS asks students to call (208) 885-4357, or send a question to support.uidaho.edu.

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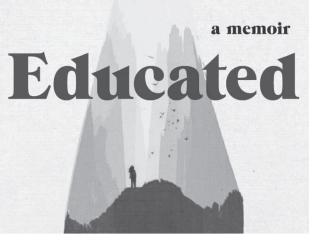
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When it came to Greek life, Pi Beta Phi Fraternity President Jacob Lockhart said Staben's administration failed to establish a healthy relationship with the Greek community, which only deteriorated with time.

"Greek life helps promote a stronger university, and a stronger university helps promotes a stronger Greek community. The next president should be a strong proponent of Greek life," Lockhart said. "They should also focus on building trusting relations with Greek members and develop a clear understanding of issues Greek members face."

Vazquez urged UI to find a president capable of understanding what exactly it means to be a Vandal. An effective president, according to Vazquez, is one that is proud of not just the students' success, but the entire university's.

"I feel at our university specifically, we have great pride in our community and the strength of diversity that comes with it," he said. "So having a president that is willing to take the Vandal Family mantel and continue to grow on it."

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HOME

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Officials said the university decided they should build a new residence instead of repairing the previous one after cost estimates to repair and upgrade came in near half a million dollars.

The new house is in the same location as the previous one, on Nez Perce Drive just a short walk away from the UI water tower. UI Facilities Director Ray Pankoff estimates it'll be complete in late October or early November.

Contractors first broke ground on the project last fall. Several years passed between project approval and construction as administrators mulled bids from several different contractors based on designs from an architectural firm, which Pankopf said came in above the project budget.

"It became very difficult to find a way forward using that existing structure," he said.

The design and bidding process was estimated to cost \$30,000 beforehand, according to Pankopf; expenditure figures weren't readily available. The total project budget was \$1.95 million, with \$1.3 million coming from the donation-funded UI Foundation.

Instead of the original process of having firm design plans and having contractors bid to do the job, he said the university opted to find a team of architects and contractors together. Then they set a project budget and outlined their needs, Pankopf explained, tasking them with "coming up with a design solution that meets the budget."

After that, the university began looking before solidifying plans in October 2016 for the new house with two companies led by Vandal alumni: Golis Construction, in Moscow, and Zimmeray Studios, in Seattle.

On top of the previous structure being about 60 years old, another sizeable driver for the replacement was its layout and split-level structure.

"The house itself as it was originally designed and built was kind of tight and a bit cramped," Pankopf said.

Nels, who was director of facilities for eight years before teaching architecture for nearly two decades, agreed.

"If you did a public event, you were always infringing on the family's life," he said.

In a press release announcing the

start of construction last September, the university said the new house will be designed in a more contemporary manner, with living spaces doubling as entertainment areas for small gatherings. The house itself is 5,200 square feet. Several aspects of the 1966 home are being used in the new residence, including its footings, foundations, masonry fireplace and Basque-carved entry doors.

UI'S HISTORY OF PRESIDENTIAL HOUSING

The 1996-home was the first on-campus house built for UI presidents to live in, according to Nels, a Vandal alumnus who serves as the Vice Chair of the Moscow Historic Preservation Commission.

Before that, the previous home, called the "President's Residence," was located on First Street. It was built in 1921 and occupied until 1955, according to the UI library's campus collection.

Nels, who graduated from UI in 1962, said he lived a few doors down from the house and wasn't the least impressed.

"It was a nice, fairly large house, but it wasn't very distinctive," he said.

He said there was one previous house for UI presidents before then, also off campus, but said it was only occupied f for a few years.

"My presumption is that the presidents lived in some house close to the university (before then), but no one seems to talk about it very much," Nels said. "Really, the first house on campus for the president, I believe, was the one in 1966."

The former Moscow planning and zoning commissioner said that's because, unlike some other Idaho public colleges, University of Idaho isn't near a residential or historic area. He noted that Boise State University is in the same boat, and now-retired President Bob Kustra lived off campus.

"Usually the presidents either get a home or (the university) purchases a home or they pay them a stipend so they can rent a place," Nels said. "LCSC and ISU have rather handsome historic homes that the presidents live in. Our campus ... isn't contiguous to a historic place or a residential area, so (the university) decided in 1966 to build an oncampus house."

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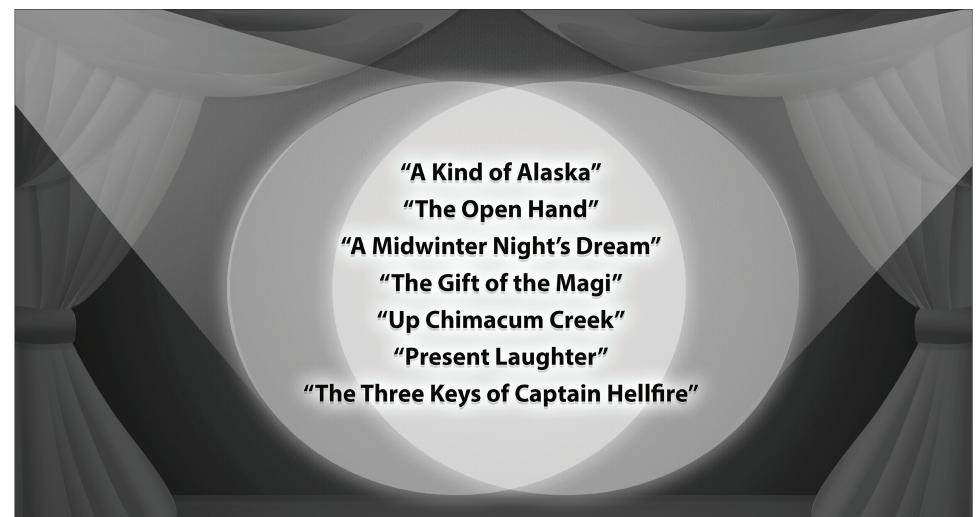
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Prepare to play this fall semster

The upcoming productions with the University of Idaho Theatre *Department in 2018-2019*

Hailey Stewart ARGONAUT

Seven University of Idaho Department of Theatre Arts productions are planned for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year.

Ann Hoste, chair of the Theatre Arts Department, said of the 120 theater students on campus each year, about 75 percent of them study acting. The department holds auditions roughly four times a year and will begin the season in August.

Fall season auditions begin at 10 a.m. and will end around 2 p.m. Aug. 18.

All students are welcome to audition and should prepare two, one-minute monologues to perform, including one contemporary piece and one Shakespeare piece. Performers must also sing 30 bars of a song of their choice.

"Ultimately, our season is based on a variety of factors - variety of genre, feasibility, educational opportunities for students, community appeal," Hoste said.

"A Kind of Alaska"

Showing Sept. 12 through Sept. 23 at UI's Arena Theatre, "A Kind of Alaska" will be directed by Ricky Kimball, a director with the theatre department.

Originally written by Harold Pinter in 1982, this production depicts accounts of patients waking up from decades-long comas. The one act play follows character Deborah after she wakes from a 29-year slumber.

"The Open Hand"

Showing Oct. 12 through Octo. 21 at UI's Forge Theatre, "The Open Hand" was written and will be directed by Robert Caisley.

The production follows the life of character Allison, a woman who never accepts gifts. When she forgets her wallet and can't with the theater department in past years.

This production is a holiday interpretation of a classic Shakespearean tale. The department encourages all ages to attend.

"The Gift of the Magi"

Showing Nov. 30 through Dec. 9 at UI's Forge Theatre, "The Gift of the Magi" will be directed by Kelly Quinnett, a professor and head of acting with the department.

An adaptation, this production shows the love story of a young couple without the means to buy holiday presents for one another during their first Christmas together.

"Up Chimacum Creek"

Showing Jan. 30 through Feb. 3 at UI's Forge Theatre, "Up Chimacum Creek" was created by Ben Gonzales.

This coming-of-age tale depicts life, love and loss in the Pacific Northwest. This production follows character Willie Almeida and his friends as they witness a shocking

life crisis. Garry Essendine juggles his exwife, an eccentric playwright and his friends' personal lives in this light-hearted comedy.

"The Three Keys of Captain Hellfire"

Showing April 19 through April 27 at UI's Hartung Theatre, "The Three Keys of Captain Hellfire" was created by Ari Burns with songs written by Shandeen.

This production follows the life of a secret female pirate, Captain Hellfire of the pirate ship the Early Revenge. This comedy depicts the captain dealing with protecting her treasures and crew.

"There are opportunities for all UI students, in all areas, at all levels," Hoste said. "Theater is a great way to explore new ideas, learn new skills and expand your creativity."

Hoste said all UI students can sign up for production classes and learn to build scenery or design costumes or audition for a role in one of the seven productions.

Hoste said she believes the upcoming

Auditionees should bring a resume and headshot. Audition callbacks will take place Aug. 19.

More information on fall season auditions can be found at www.uitheatre.com.

Hoste said the department's selection committee includes faculty and students that pick productions almost a year in advance.

pay for lunch with a friend, she learns what moment that changes their lives forever. it means to accept generosity.

"A Midwinter Night's Dream"

Showing Nov. 30 through Dec. 9 at UI's Hartung Theatre, "A Midwinter Night's Dream" will be adapted and directed by Stephen John. John has produced and directed several plays

"Present Laughter"

Showing March 1 through March 10 at UI's Hartung Theatre, "Present Laughter" was created by Noel Coward.

This classic comedy showcases a self-absorbed actor who is in the middle of a midtheater seasons hosts a wide variety of productions and will bring in talented directors and creators.

"This promises to be a terrific season," Hoste said. "I look forward to it all."

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CAMPUS LIFE

Bridging an architectural gap

Max Rothenberg ARGONAUT

Typically when students think of a highcredit course, four or six is the number that springs to mind. Yet, this summer that number is even higher.

The University of Idaho Architecture BootCamp is a rigorous, 10-credit summer course, designed to give students advanced standing in UI's architecture program.

Students began the course June 11, and have since been participating four days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. This will continue until Aug. 3, when the course ends.

'The goals for the program are really trying to give students a strong sense of basic design techniques and basic design specific to architecture and interior design," said Randall Teal, program head of architecture and associate professor of architecture at UI. "So when you get down to it, we're really focusing on architecture fundamentals."

Teal said the goal is to put students on strong enough footing so they can grow into the same level of expertise that third-year students have.

"In a sense we're trying to catch people coming from these different backgrounds in a sort of common net, and provide them with a certain skill set so that they can move forward and they don't have to start from scratch," Teal said. "Ultimately it's a living portfolio, we want to see where they're at and put them in the right position."

The program is open to internal transfers, community college transfers and anyone with a finished degree. Additionally, even those who might not meet these criteria are welcome.

"It's sort of the same concern as teaching any introductory course, in the sense

that you do certain introductory things, and some people might find that more remedial and some might find it more advanced," Teal said. "But hopefully once you sort of get past the initial introductory part it all blends together."

Teal said the dynamic begins to change when a level of interac-

tivity and physicality is injected into the program.

"It resonates with a lot of people, and we try the best we can, but the ambiguities of that can freak some people out," he said. "There's a workshop quality to it, and that helps. If we sat around having eighthour lectures that would be problematic, but they're having field trips, doing hands on exercises and so on. There a good mixture, and in a way it's sort of indicative of the profession."

The program has been around for a few years now, and while it has progressively grown larger, it is still considered new. Teal said initially there were only three or four

students, but this year there are 20.

"Unlike stereotypical summer school, the students here are generally highly energetic, upbeat and excited, so that actually really helps the entire class," Teal said. "They do end up kind of helping each other, bonding together as a group to achieve their common goal."

While some projects are done individu-

ally, the students oftentimes have to work in a group or partner environment.

Mathew Vollendorf, a UI graduate student, and Tyler Schram, a nontraditional transfer from Boise, are just two examples of students utilizing the bootcamp to catch up.

The two students were partnered up for a site analysis for their materials and methods class, given a general location on campus behind the Hartung Building and instructed to place an art gallery there. Research included the many environmental factors, existing structures and vegetation that was present, although the project was not to scale.

The duo said they worked very well together, and if given the chance, would be glad to team up together again.

"I do like the eight hours a day, because it forces you to learn," Vollendorf said. "To be quite frank, we're paying for this out of pocket because you don't qualify for financial aid over the summer. I want to take ad-

UI Architecture BootCamp helps propel architectural education

vantage of it as much as possible, and this forces you into the academic mindset when everyone else is having fun."

Schram said that while the program is rigorous, he sees the immense value in it, and learned more in the first few weeks than he did in his last semester of classes.

'That's kind of the principle with this program though, not just bootcamp but architecture in general," Schram said. "You end up doing a lot of it outside, and I think we wrote our summers off when we signed up for it, but it's worth it and it helps us get caught up."

The students go through two years in this short time frame. The first year consists of arts studio and some introductory architecture courses, while the second year focuses on foundational architecture studios, and architecture and interior design.

"There's not answers in the same way there are in a math class, so sometimes you'll get new students saying 'Well what do you want me to do? Is this right?" Teal said. "You have to tell me. You have to tell me what you're trying to do, and then we'll talk about how to do it stronger as you go forward. It can be an uncomfortable space for some students, but getting used to this is almost as important as the actual skillset and principles being taught."

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Danh Pham conducts the Palouse Brass band in the UI Arboretum in front of hundreds of Moscow and Palouse residents.

A summer of sweetness

Dan Bukvich

The UI Arboretum fills with the sound of music during the hot summer months

Brandon Hill ARGONAUT

From the depths of the vibrantly colored Arboretum, the odd and sometimes random sounds of brass echoed across the densely forested hills.

While a bee buzzes across the neatly trimmed lawn and well-manicured vegetation, an assortment of musicians adds their own tunes to the summer sounds of the forest located on the southern side of the University of Idaho campus. Just in front of one of the Arb's many ponds, dozens of musicians begin unpacking their instruments, from massive cellos to trumpets glimmering in the late afternoon sun.

As the 18th Annual Arboretum Concert gets underway, Dan Bukvich watches with approval from the shade of a nearby Juniper tree. Bukvich, a professor of percussion and

music theory at UI's Lionel Hampton School and Pullman." of Music, has organized the event every year for nearly two decades.

"They came to me 18 years ago and said, 'Would you be interested in organizing a concert in the Arboretum?' That's how it started," Bukvich said.

Bukvich looked on as Kris Roby, president of the UI Arboretum Associates, introduced the event to the hundreds of Moscow residents anxiously waiting for the concert to begin. Roby began her introduction by thanking the more than 50 performers from across the Palouse

and beyond that decided to offer their talents to the concert.

"As you know, this is a labor of love for Daniel Bukvich, professor of music, and all of the musicians that are here," Roby said. "We have musicians tonight from the University of Idaho, Washington State University, Central Washington University, the Spokane Symphony, from Spain and faculty and community members from Moscow



Palouse Brass, one of the first bands to perform during the concert, put forth a lengthy set of orchestral music, which reverberated off the surrounding trees and flowers, drawing a raucous applause from the audience.

Danh Pham, conductor of the WSU Symphony, said music began to call him ever since taking classes in the seventh grade. Now, he said he enjoys spending time off in the summer performing with his fellow colleagues from both WSU, UI, and Central Washington.

"They are mostly professors from both institutions, professors or they're affiliated with the institutions for both WSU and Idaho," Pham said. "Some are either students, former students graduate students. A lot of players have played for both institutions quite a bit."

Bukvich, meanwhile, said he appreciated the growing interest of the concert. While the event started as a little-known sum-

mertime event, he said the number of both performers and audience members quickly took off in recent years, leading to more involvement in the event on his part and the Arboretum Associates.

"When we first started doing it, there might have been 15 or 20 performers," he said. "For the last couple years, we've had over 50, and I think this year we have 80 or some. There's a lot of performers."

Nevertheless, Bukvich maintained that the spirit of the concert had not been lost. At its core, it had remained the same for its 18 years.

"It's developed a weird little reputation where people drive from Spokane and Central Washington University to be in it," Bukvich said. "People travel a fair ways to see it. There aren't many concerts where there are a mish-mash of a lot of different, crazy styles."

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A music-filled summer

Moscow welcomes back its annual concert series

Rendezvous in the Park

The annual Rendezvous in the Park will run from July 19 through July 21.

The concert series will be held at East City Park on the corner of Third Street and Monroe Street. From Thursday to Saturday, gates open at 4:30 p.m. and music begins at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday Concerts:

Dirty Revival, the Portland-based band of seven will take the park stage Thursday evening. The band's style combines funk and soul music with a contemporary twist.

Del Valle, a group of artists from the Moscow area, are set to perform Thursday evening. The group of five all live in different states, but will come back together for a reunion show with their rock, funk, blues and pop covers.

Tone Sober, a local Palouse band, will perform Thursday evening and showcase classic rock songs.

Friday Concerts:

Bob Schneider will perform Friday evening on the park stage. The Texas-based

singer has seven studio albums and won roll and funk, plans to release a debut album awards in Austin, Texas, ranging from "Best Musician," "Best Male Vocals" and "Best Songwriter."

Northwest band Rust on the Rails will perform at Rendezvous in the Park Thursday evening. The band of three artists will showcase their mixture of rock, blues and folk music.

Saturday Concerts:

Waker, a band of seven from Nashville, Tennessee, will perform Saturday evening on the park stage. The group, which will showcase musical styles such as soul, rock &

this year.

Massy Ferguson, a group of three from Seattle, will bring their sound of Americana to the park stage Saturday evening.

Will Fontaine and the Vital Signs, a local Palouse band that formed just two years ago, will perform Saturday evening.

Rendezvous in the Park attendees can bring chairs and blankets for seating on the grass. The concerts will go on rain or shine. Hailey Stewart can be reached at arg-arts@uidaho.edu

Horoscopes

Leo 7/23-8/22

Just finish the last pages of your book already. Jeez.



Virgo 8/23-9/22

It's time to take fate into your own hands, Virgo. Stop taking "No" for an answer, and go get what you want. Don't let others tell you what to do with your life, unless it's your mom or the police.



Feeling under the weather? It might be a cold or it might be the idea that school is drawing closer and you're totally under prepared. Still, there's a cure for everything — a gallon of ice cream and your favorite movie.



Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Scorpio, it's time to officially enact that savings plan you created four years ago and never really started. Begin small and cut out any extra purchases you might be making. Stop shelling out cash for your coffee addiction, clothing addictions and textbooks and you should have saved enough for a worldly trip next year.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

It's time to start thinking about your school-year wardrobe, Sagittarius. Do something unexpected something you've never done before. I know what you're thinking. But, I wouldn't go as far as animal costumes. Although, that would be unexpected.

Capricorn 12/22-1/19

If you start meal-prepping now, you'll have enough food stocked up for the whole school year, Capricorn. Or, if you just go home to see your parents for a weekend, they'll probably do the same. Mom vs. independence. You know what to choose.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18 \approx

Remember those classes you picked months ago? Calculus, physics and self-motivated workouts. Well, remember your sanity and add in even more flavor to your week. There isn't a class that revolves around ice cream, but you'll find something.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

Pisces, your summer has felt a little bland. But there's still time to fix that. It's all about your mindset. Don't listen to those daily horoscopes that only tell you negative things about your life. You know they are never correct ...

Cancer 6/21-7/22

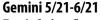
The travel bug is going to hit hard this week, Cancer. If your wallet is tight, stay away from maps or Instagram. If you're feeling a little adventurous, hit the internet and start planning.

Aries 3/21-4/19

Do not walk near ladders, pet a black cat, look in a mirror, uncross your fingers, pick up that shiny penny or take a sip of that new coffee you've been dying to try. I don't know what you did to the stars, but they just do not like you this week. Go ahead and thank a Taurus for your troubles.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

Try your luck this week, Taurus. For some reason, the stars decided to skip over Aries and give all the goods to you. Share a little, won't you?



Don't feel so flustered Gemini. There is still nearly a month left of summer. Is it ideal that all you have done is walk from your bed to the fridge? No. Is anyone going to judge you for it? Maybe.



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MOVIE REVIEW These reboots were made for walking

"Ocean's 8" provides great casting and a fun plot, but leaves little to the imagination



"Ocean's 8" is good. But it's just not "Ocean's 11" good.

There are both negatives and positives to that sentiment.

"Ocean's 8" was supposed to be different from "Ocean's 11," but still follow the same general rule for a widely-successful heist movie: band together a number of skilled thieves, roll beautiful footage of luxury, throw in a few moments of comedy and steal what was meant to be stolen. All this is done with mostly ease and a second or two of "can they do it?"

This was done with the original "Ocean's

11" featuring the Rat Pack in the early '60s. Writers followed the formula with all three "Ocean's 11" films from 2001 to 2007. And the formula, for the most part, succeeded with "Ocean's 8."

The thing is, "Ocean's 8" wasn't different enough and it didn't get the dazzle its cast of brilliant stars deserved. But, that's what kept this film alive and pretty successful at the box office, starring — in no particular order because they are all great in their own respect - Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett, Rihanna, Anne Hathaway, Sarah Paulson, Mindy Kaling, Awkwafina and Helena Bonham Carter.

The film starts out in true "Ocean's" fashion with Debbie Ocean, played by Bullock, leaving jail and still looking like she spent the day relaxing - much like George Clooney did in the first "Ocean's 11" installment.

Because she's an Ocean, her thirst for thievery and a good heist still prevails. The years she spent in prison were essential in planning the pinnacle of all heists - stealing millions of dollars of jewelry at the annual Met Gala, right from under the nose of every hot celebrity in the world.

So, just like Danny, Debbie puts together a gang of women who all happen to be lovely, yet highly skilled in the art of thievery.

This film does nearly everything right. It has a good cast, a few noticeable but not too "in your face" cameos and a flare for fun musical interludes. But, plot-wise, it feels like less went into the making of this film than other installments of the series. It might be seen in the money spent on the film, which was \$15 million less than the \$85 million that went into making "Ocean's 11."

The heist itself was a good one. There was little room for error in the group's devious plan. But, that's what originally made the "Ocean's 11" movies so intriguing. The film kept viewers wondering, Will they pull this off?"

Maybe it's because we have full faith in the heist when the cast is comprised of all women. But, there was no "ahh" moment. The women didn't line up in front of the Bellagio fountains sighing a breath of relief and



millions of dollars richer.

"Ocean's 8" may not have needed a more intricate, treacherous heist. It may not have needed a bigger budget than its original cohorts. But, "Ocean's 8" deserved an "ahh" moment — it deserved its moment in front of the Bellagio fountain.

Even if "Ocean's 8" isn't the most memorable of all the installments, spinoffs and remakes, it really does add a flare of fun. In an effort to make the all-female film a lasting piece of Hollywood history, "Ocean's 8" needed a little less sparkle and a bit more care.

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BOOK REVIEW Martin's song of waiting and wonder

When you read "A Game of Thrones," you just win

Brandon Hill ARGONAUT

As Cersie Lannister says in the midst of "A Game of Thrones," "When you play the game of thrones, you either win or you die."

After completing the first novel in the now renowned series, I can safely assert that there is no losing when it comes to diving into this immersive series, although be prepared for plenty of death.

As a disclaimer, I approached the first novel in George R.R. Martin's series "A Song of Ice and Fire" after watching the entire HBO series. After completing the first seven seasons, I was prepared for a rehash of what I had witnessed in the show's inaugural episodes.

Instead, I was treated to an immersive experience that by far shattered my expectations.

As with any great fantasy novel, the core of storytelling lies within building a world the readers can firmly plant their feet in. "Harry Potter" and the "Lord of the Rings" might prove as the best examples of this, with their stories giving the audience a slightly twisted version of our own world, complete with different languages and history ripe for discovery at the turn of a page.

Martin's work just might take the cake when it comes to building a world. As he says in his acknowledgements, the devil is in the details, and there is no shortage of details in "A Game of Thrones."

Sitting at more than 800 pages, "A Game of Thrones" is no casual read. The epic tale centers around the Starks, a royal family that rules over the northern portion of seven kingdoms. The Starks, along with the

Lannisters, Baratheons and Targaryens, are the four major players in the lengthy tale.

In a world where seasons can last decades, the entire kingdom is preparing for the arrival of winter, with the first three families mentioned above struggling to keep the peace among themselves. Meanwhile, the Targaryens, an exiled family that once ruled over the kingdoms, plans their revenge from afar.

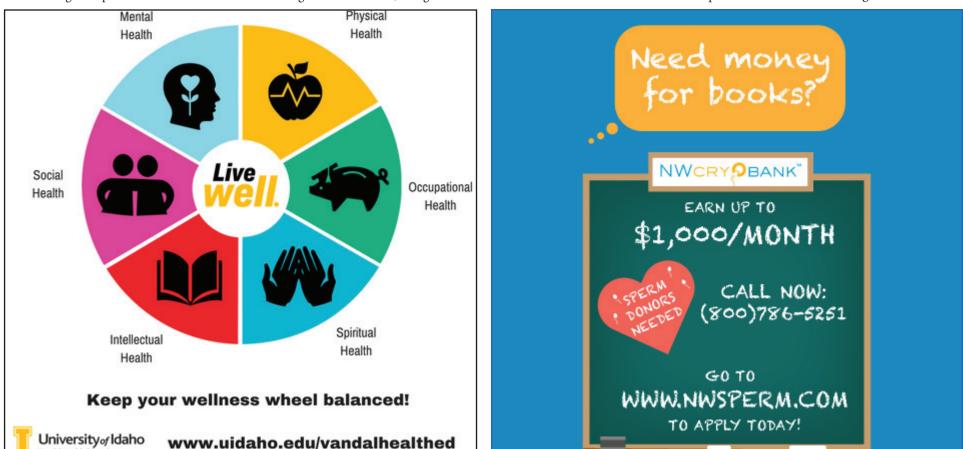
As each family fights for power, the narrative is constantly changing perspectives, from the head of the Stark family, Eddard, to his illegitimate son Jon, and then back to the dwarf Lannister son Tyrion before zooming across the continent to the last surviving Targaryen, Daenerys.

This is where Martin's writing really shines. While each chapter tells a story from a different character's perspective, there is no hint of Martin himself. His voice disappears with each perspective, and instead the reader is treated to a chapter that genuinely feels like the voice of a unique character.

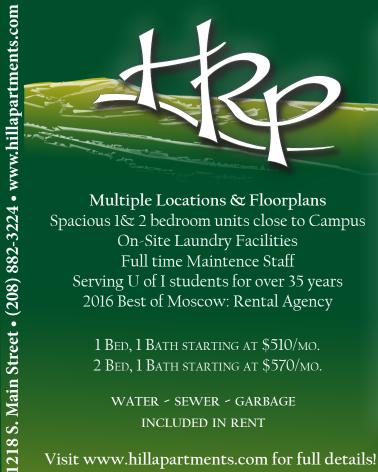
Eight characters comprise the core storytellers in "A Game of Thrones," and each has their own unique way of conveying the action to the reader. Whether it's Tyrion's snarky misdeeds, or Eddard's noble adventures, each chapter provides another layer to an already dense novel.

So be prepared. Set aside a least a month to make your way through an enchanting first installment of a winning series. Don't just settle for the HBO adaption. While the show might prove useful in envisioning some of the characters, it pales in comparison to the fully fleshed out world Martin has created.

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FALL INTRAMURALS Sports on the Side

The fall semester brings a host of *intramurals for sporty* Vandals

Jonah Baker ARGONAUT

Summer has the NBA Finals, the World Cup, and plenty of baseball. The stakes may be substantially lower in intramural sports, but there is still plenty for Vandals to get excited about this fall.

Campus Recreation will offer 24 different organized sports throughout the fall for students to relive the glory days and show some competitive spirit.

Fan favorites soccer and flag football both open up registration toward the end of August while temperatures are still reasonable outside. Entries for soccer teams are due Aug. 29, and flag football team entries are due a week later on Sept. 5. Both sports are living group sports, meaning that teams are drawn from Greek houses and residential living communities. These sports make it easier to aggregate teams and can be great incubators for new friendships.

For those looking for something off the beaten path, the Rec has a few uncommon opportunities as well.

Two separate cornhole seasons are scheduled for those that need some practice for tailgating season. A tournament-only offering opens up Aug. 24 with registration closing on the 22nd. For those who have not quite had enough, another full cornhole season closes registration Sept. 6 and starts the following day. ESPN2 neither confirmed nor denied whether Idaho's cornhole champion will receive an invite to the World Championships of Cornhole, but the winners will definitely receive bragging rights and a free shirt. Frisbee golf gives Vandals an opportunity to enjoy the University's 9-hole frisbee golf course in early September. Twoperson golf starts Sept. 22

as a perfect excuse to try Idaho's golf course before the frost descends upon it. Co-rec softball, co-rec tennis and kickball round out the outdoor intramural season as the calendar moves into October.

As winter moves in, the Rec itself becomes the epicenter of on-campus organized sports.

Dodgeball kicks off the indoor season on Oct. 15 for those who just really want to hit a person in the face without repercussion. Floor hockey and 3-on-3 basketball are also great ways to stay active during October while still providing an outlet for controlled physical aggression.

There are also plenty of opportunities for those who may not have an athletically motivated group to play with. The Rec offers badminton and billiards in singles and doubles classifications, and there is even the possibility of a swim meet scheduled for Oct. 27 at the University of Idaho Swim Center.

Pending enough entrants, each sport offers two divisions to cater to desired intensity. Recreational pools are usually larger, but competitive divisions are better suited for dedicated athletes or particularly confident fraternity members. Each sport requires an entry form for the interested individual or team, and the due dates for entries vary. Larger endeavors with more participants and teams like ultimate frisbee and kickball require entry forms up to a week before play starts, and the captains of each team are encouraged to show up to the informative captain's meetings before the first games. More information regarding schedules, rules, and entry forms can be found on the Rec Center's website.

File Photo | Argonaut Wide receiver Jacob Sannon checks his position with the referee before the snap.

Something new

Vandal football is on the brink of a new and exciting era in the Big Sky Conference

Brandon Hill

Argonaut September is right around the corner.

While Idaho football grinds away under the hot summer sun in Moscow, Silver and Gold fans may be wondering how the Vandals' return to the Big Sky will play out. After a miraculous season in 2016, Idaho fell short of a second bowl berth last season, it's final one in the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Now, a new era approaches, as well as a new slate of opponents.

Idaho @ Fresno State

Sept. 1 — Fresno, California

Wasn't this supposed to be the season of FCS opponents? Idaho first game in the Big Sky begins with an old WAC rival. The Bulldogs are coming team to continue dominating the rest ence, the Vandals might earn a muchof the season. Lose, and — well, expect a rough start to an unpredictable year.

Western New Mexico @ Idaho

Sept. 8 — Moscow, Idaho

The home season officially kicks off for the Vandals against not an FBS team, not an FCS team, but a Division II team. The Mustangs, a part of the Lone Star conference, finished last season at 4-7, with a measly 1-4 record while playing away from home. Opponents outscored Western New Mexico by 10 points on average. With the Kibbie Dome filled to the brim with anxious students and alumni eager to get the season underway, expect the Vandals to channel that energy for an exciting home opener.

Idaho @ California Davis

Sept. 22 — Davis, California

At long last, the Vandals make their debut into the conference they once called home. The Aggies fought their way through last season, almost breakneeded break against Portland State. The Hornets could not get a footing in 2017, failing to win a single game. Outscored by an average of 20 points, Portland State committed a host to turnovers, which opponents were able to score 101 points off of throughout last season. The run defense also failed to gain any traction, as opponents were able to score 36 touchdowns on the ground. A malleable defense combined with inconsistent starters on offense may spell doom for the Hornets when Idaho pays a visit.

Idaho @ Idaho State

Oct. 6 — Pocatello, Idaho

The first game of October could prove to be the birth of a new rivalry for both the Vandals and Bengals. After a 4-7 season, Idaho State will be looking to finally be considered a serious contender in the Big Sky, while the Vandals will want to establish their dominance over their sister school early. To add to intrigue, former Idaho backup quarterback Gunnar Amos transferred to Idaho State after the conclusion of the 2016 season. The one-time Vandal proved to be a viable option for the Bengals, generating as much yards on the ground as through the air. Idaho State will also have returning starting running back James Madison, who averaged 93 yards per game and five yards per rush. Quarterback Tanner Gueller will also make a return, hoping to improve on his 22-touchdown mark from 2017.



The Rec makes a concerted effort to create fun opportunities for just about everyone. Whether it is reliving the glory days or trying something new, there is a fall intramural sport for any occasion.

Jonah Baker can be reached at arg-sports@uidaho.edu off a 10-4 season in the Mountain West, with three of their losses last season coming from heavy hitters like Boise State, Alabama and Washington. With returning senior quarterback Marcus McMaryion and senior running back Dejonte O'Neal, expect Fresno State's offense to be white-hot on gameday. The Vandals struggled to stop the air attack last season, and with McMaryion's one turnover in six games last season, don't expect the Bulldogs to cough up the football easily.

This will be a make-or-break game for the Vandals, with minimal time for preparation. Win in a miraculous upset and expect a confident Idaho ing .500 with a 5-6 record, but struggled against Big Sky, winning only 3 of 8. Despite the losses, UC Davis did not shy away from lighting up the scoreboard, averaging 33.6 points per game. The offensive-minded Aggies put forth a balanced attack, notching 136 yards on the ground per game, while averaging 348 through the air. With junior quarterback Jake Maier making a return after a productive 2017, the Aggies won't shy away from attacking the newest member of the Big Sky.

Portland State @ Idaho Sept. 29 — Moscow, Idaho After a not-so-easy start to confer-

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SPORTS BRIEFS Idaho athletics set to get underway this fall

The Vandals make staffing changes ahead of the fall season

Meredith Spelbring ARGONAUT

Soccer hires new head coach Jeremy Clevenger

Idaho has named the program's fifth head coach. Jeremy Clevenger is set to take the reins at Idaho, with over 10 years of collegiate coaching experience under his belt.

"I was blown away by the University and the people in the athletics department," Clevenger said in a news release. "I am looking forward to getting to work with this talented team and building on their success."

Before joining the Vandal squad, Clevenger spent two seasons at Northern Iowa and led the program to unprecedented success. The team under Clevenger won 14 games in 2017, most in program history, recorded 11 shutouts and advanced to the MVC Tournament Championship game.

With just weeks to go until the start of his first season at Idaho, he is no stranger to successful first seasons. In his first year at UNI, the Panthers finished the season with the highest conference finish in program history at the time.

Before UNI, Clevenger was the head coach at Western State College in Gunnison, Colo. and spent one season as the assistant coach at Fort Hays State.

Blake takes pro deal overseas

After a summer in the NBA Summer League with the Cleveland Cavaliers, Brayon

Blake is set to play in Germany with Löwen Braunschweig in the German Basketball Bundeslinga.

The former Vandal is averaging 3 points per game and 2.6 boards per game for the Cavs in summer league play. Blake and the Cavaliers faced the Los Angeles Lakers in the semi-finals of summer league play

Monday, losing 121-109.

Braunschweig finished in 12th in the Bundesliga, the German league, last season with a 14-20 record.

Idaho football ranked fourth and fifth in pre-season polls

In its return to the Big Sky, Idaho football is projected to finish fourth in the Preseason Coaches' Poll and fifth in the media polls.



Courtesy | Idaho Athletics

Idaho's newest head soccer coach Jeremy Clevenger coaches a game for UNI.

Red-shirt sophomore kicker Cade Coffey, senior Kaden Elliss, and junior Noah Johnson were named to the Pre-Season All-Big Sky team Monday.

Idaho garnered 101 points in the coaches' poll, including one first place vote. In the media poll, the team earned 4883 points with three first-place votes. The 2018 AllConference team was selected by media professionals who cover the league. The team is made up of 31 student-athletes -15 on offense, 12 on defense, and four on special teams.







STUDENT LIFE



Courtesy | Jordyn Howell

Jordyn Howell took to the stage during an un-aired portion of "American Ninja Warrior," filmed by NBC. Despite earning a chance to compete, Howell failed to advance.

Vandal turned true ninja

UI senior discusses her unique experience competing on the TV show "American Ninja Warrior"

Olivia Heersink ARGONAUT

Jordyn Howell, 22, never expected to get a call back, let alone appear on "American Ninja Warrior," sending in an application to the show on a whim.

"I didn't think there was any harm in applying," said the University of Idaho senior. "I honestly thought I wouldn't make it."

Howell, who is studying marketing, said she has been a fan of the endurance competition for years and decided to give the obstacle course a shot once she realized she was of age to apply.

The show first aired in December 2012 as a spinoff of a popular Japanese television series, Sasuke, according to NBC's website. People compete across the U.S. in the hopes of making it to the final competition in Las Vegas, Nevada.

In May, Howell's impulse paid off she would be competing in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Howell said she went to playgrounds and skate parks to prepare for the "grueling" course, adding it was hard to properly train for the show.

She said she is also a member of The Boneyard Gym in Moscow, which served as her main source of "confidence to even send in the application."

Howell's episode aired July 9 on NBC. She didn't complete the course this time around, saying she intends to come back in the future and give it another try.

'I've got a taste of it and now I want more. ... It's definitely something I'll never forget," Howell said. "I met the most amazing people there, even the competitors who have been

there season after season were so humble and were willing to give me tips and pointers since it was my first time competing."

Howell said she's currently in contact with people who want to become her mentor to help her get better, motivating her to return.

She said she encourages anyone interested in competing to apply, adding the experience can help introduce new opportunities.

"It takes you out of your comfort zone. It's scary but it's worth it in the end," she said. "It opened so many doors for me. I can only imagine how it could help someone else in any way."

Howell said getting involved with things like American Ninja Warrior, or even something as simple as joining a gym or an intramural team, can allow one to meet a lot of new people. Who can provide a different perspective on life.

"It's always good to try new things.

Sometimes they work out and sometimes they don't," Howell said. "You have to keep pushing your boundaries, it helps you in so many ways."

Howell said she tries to play at least one or two sports a semester - mainly basketball and volleyball, while also keeping up her regular gym routine.

She said she regrets not getting involved on campus sooner, but attests "it's never too late" to try something new.

"I didn't get that involved until late my sophomore year. I didn't want to step out of my little bubble," Howell said. "I just wanted to get my degree and get out. Now, I'm wishing it would slow down just a bit, so I can enjoy it a little longer before real 'adulthood' begins."

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MEN'S BASKETBALL



The Vandals' Brayon Blake fights off a defender during a game against Portland State Jan. 6 in the Cowan Spectrum.

Courtesy | Idaho Athletics

Summer ballin' in Sin City

Four former Vandals traveled to the NBA Summer League for professional exposure

Jonah Baker Argonaut

There are plenty of distractions to experience in Las Vegas, but four Idaho basketball alumni traveled to Sin City for a more focused reason.

Victor Sanders, Brayon Blake and Mike Scott made their first forays into Summer League, while Jeff Ledbetter started his second stint with the San Antonio Spurs. All four Vandals got the opportunity to watch and play against the NBA's stars of tomorrow. **Vic Sanders**

After a historic career at Idaho, Sanders went undrafted and eventually signed with the Denver Nuggets to play in Summer League. Sanders played in only two games, but he was on the floor for an average of 20 minutes in each game. He finished his time in Las Vegas shooting 36 percent from the floor and averaging three rebounds and 1.5 assists per game.

Brayon Blake

Blake also went undrafted before signing with the Cleveland Cavaliers. The

forward saw playing time in five of Cleveland's six matches prior to the Summer League playoffs, averaging 11.2 minutes in each contest. Blake is averaging three points and 2.6 assists per game, and he may see further playing time as the Cavaliers advance deeper in the playoffs.

Mike Scott

Scott made his debut in Summer League three years after his final appearance for Idaho. Through three games played, Scott averaged five minutes per game and put up 1.3 points per game for the Chicago Bulls.

Jeff Ledbetter

The elder statesman of Idaho's profes-

sional representation, Jeff Ledbetter performed well in his second Summer League tour. Ledbetter averaged 6.2 points and 2.6 assists per game for the San Antonio Spurs through five games. Ledbetter played for the Vandals from 2009-11 before making stops in Brazil, Mexico and Switzerland to play basketball.

Summer League will wrap up on July 17 and the NBA Preseason kicks off Sept. 29.

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SOCCER PREVIEW Ouality chance to go all the way

Idaho Women's soccer team has all the tools for a Big Sky run this upcoming 2018 season

Idaho @ Utah

Aug. 10 — Salt Lake City, Utah

The Vandals kick off the season with a trip down to Salt Lake City to face the Utes for a match up with the Pac-12 conference. Utah had a record of 5-11-3 last season, and 0-9-2 in conference play. The Utes landed a star recruit, Hailey Stodden from Broomfield Colorado, who was selected to the All-USA First Team as a forward coming out of high school. This will be a great test for the Vandals to start off the year. With new firepower on the attack, Idaho will show that this will be a very special year for the squad.

Central Washington @ Idaho

Aug. 14 — Moscow, Idaho

Idaho will then make a stop back in Moscow for a matchup with Central Washington. Central Washington is coming off a 2-12-3 season, going 1-9-2 in the GNAC. This will be a game of discipline: being able to come out and run the game plan and finish the game. As long as Idaho comes out and everyone does their jobs this should be a great win for the home opener.

Idaho @ Nevada

Aug. 17 — Reno, Nevada

Although these two schools met last season, the game was played under unusual circumstances. Nevada had a host of injuries and by the time the game was over, there were only seven players available to play. This match should be much different with Nevada having something to prove. Idaho however, is simply too strong and disciplined and will come out of Reno with the win.

Idaho @ Boise State

Aug. 19 — Boise, Idaho

The biggest rivalry in Idaho will be renewed once again, this time in the City of Trees. Whenever these two schools meet, expect a physical match with effort for all 90 minutes. Boise State went 13-6-3 last season and 7-2-2 in conference, and the last matchup in the fall ended in a 1-1 draw, with the Vandals scoring in the final seconds of regulation.

Grambling State @ Idaho

Aug. 24 — Moscow, Idaho

Idaho then comes back home to the Kibbie Dome to host the Grambling State Tigers. This could be a sneaky opponent that many people overlook, and could very well pull off the upset in Moscow. With losing just four seniors last season, the Tigers could give the Vandals a run for their money.

North Dakota vs. Idaho

Aug. 31 — Missoula, Montana

Idaho will compete in the Montana Invite this year and play two games. The first will be against the now former Big Sky North Dakota Fighting Hawks. Idaho came out with a 2-1 win last season during conference play with senior Katie Moller leading scorer from 2017 to the line up, this will be another interesting matchup for Kelly Dopke's defensive unit. But as with most games this season, it will ultimately come down to the scoring ability of Idaho to decide these matches. the 59th minute to secure the win. Oregon went 8-11 last season, winning all of their games either at home or at a neutral field. With the game being played in Eugene on the Duck's home turf, this will be a test for Idaho that could set the bar for Big Sky play.

Portland State @ Idaho

Sept. 21 — Moscow, Idaho

Idaho kicks off their Big Sky conference play against the Portland State Vikings in Moscow. Portland State went to the Big Sky semi-finals last season to go along with a 5-4-1 conference record, which included a 2-1 win against Idaho.

Sacramento State @ Idaho

Sept. 23 — Moscow, Idaho

The Sacramento State Hornets are going to be buzzing their way into Moscow and looking to pull out a win against Idaho. When these two schools met last season, it ended in a 0-0 draw, leaving both teams with an unsatisfying feeling. Both schools play a physical brand of soccer, with Idaho having 28 yellow cards last season and Sacramento State having 22. The referee might try to calm the game early between these two heavyweights, meaning the more disciplined team that can control the game (and tempers) should be able to come out with the win.

Idaho @ Northern Colorado

Sept. 28 — Greeley, Colorado

The Vandals will hit the road to travel down to Northern Colorado. The Bears went 5-3-2 in the Big Sky last season, with one of those wins coming against Idaho in Greeley. Both teams scored almost an identical amount of goals on near identical shots: Idaho with 29 goals off 284 shots and Northern Colorado with 30 goals off 286 shots. The defense from either team could be the deciding factor.

Idaho @ Montana

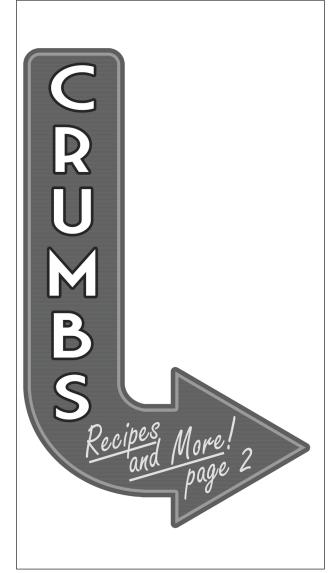
Sept. 30 — Missoula, Montana

The second game on this late September road trip will be in Montana to take on the Grizzlies. Bears in back to back weeks, oof, but it's nothing the Vandals can't handle. Montana finished as the 2-seed last year in the Big Sky with a conference record of 5-2-3, defeating Idaho in the Kibbie Dome 1-0 in overtime. With virtually everyone on the pitch being a threat to score, players will need to be able to seize any open opportunities to score, as they might be limited.

Eastern Washington @ Idaho

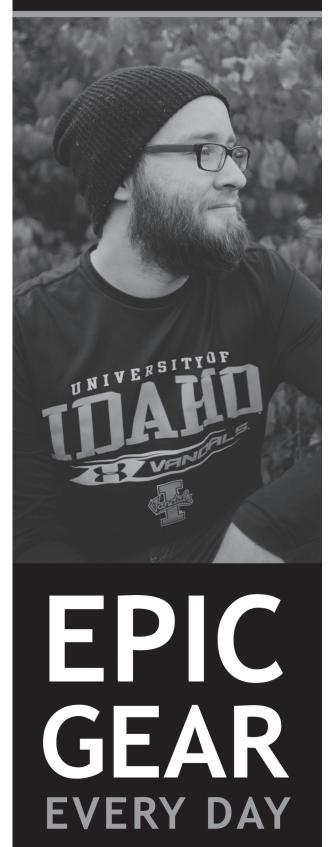
Oct. 7 — Moscow, Idaho

The defending Big Sky champions are coming to town and are looking to keep the crown. The Eastern Washington Eagles finished with a 8-1-1 conference record last season, with their lone loss coming at the hands of the Vandals in Moscow on the last game of the season with a final score of 2-1. Eastern Washington scored 48 goals last season, and is





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Vermont vs. Idaho

Sep. 2 — Missoula, Montana

The Montana Invite quickly wraps up against the Vermont Catamounts. The Catamounts are yet another team looking to bounce back from an exciting, but unsatisfying finish last season, losing in the America East Championship game while going 3-4-1 in conference, even though they gave up 281 shots to opponents last season. This will be a great game for senior forward Bridget Daley to establish her offensive game and score for the Vandals.

Idaho @ Washington State

Sept. 6 — Pullman, Washington

The Battle of the Palouse: Cougars against Vandals. Idaho will travel across the border to enter the harsh environment in Pullman. This will be the second of three matchups against a Pac-12 school, and this won't be easy. Washington State put together an impressive series of wins last year against No. 14 Nebraska, No. 2 UCLA, winning two games in the NCAA tournament, while scoring 26 goals and only allowing 18. This will require an all-around effort from the goal keeping, all the way up to the forwards, with all 11 players giving everything they're got to find the win.

UC Riverside @ Idaho

Sept. 9 — Moscow, Idaho

The UC Riverside Highlanders come to town for the last home game before conference play starts. These two teams met last season in Riverside, California, with Idaho able to pull out a 1-0 win with redshirt sophomore Taylor Brust netting a late goal in the 89th minute.

Idaho @ Seattle University

Sept. 13 — Seattle, Washington

The Vandals will be in the Emerald City to face-off against the Seattle University Redhawks. Seattle went 9-8-4 overall and 3-2-2 in conference, with one of their overall wins coming in the Kibbie Dome in a 5-3 win over Idaho. This season's game might be the polar opposite of what transpired last year.

Idaho @ Oregon

Sept. 16 — Eugene, Oregon

The Oregon Ducks will be the last matchup Idaho will have before conference play starts again and the third (and final) Pac-12 team on the schedule. These two also faced off last season, with the Ducks able to net the only goal in looking to have the same amount of success offensively this season. Senior goalkeeper Makayla Presgrave will be at the top of her game against this offensive powerhouse.

Idaho State @ Idaho

Oct. 12 — Moscow, Idaho

Get ready for another in state rivalry as the Idaho State Bengals come roaring into town. The Bengals went 2-7-1 in conference last year and will be looking to bounce back and try to make the tournament. In the meeting last season, Idaho was able to pull out a 2-1 win while outshooting Idaho State 12-4 in the second half.

Weber State @ Idaho

Oct. 14 — Moscow, Idaho

Senior Night in Moscow will be played against the Weber State Wildcats. Idaho will have nine graduating seniors. The Vandals will look to send these seniors out on a high note from the Kibbie Dome. Weber State had a record of 2-5-3 in the Big Sky and lost their game to Idaho in Ogden. The Wildcats did not play very well away from home, and with the intense environment that Idaho will have for Senior Night, homefield advantage could be the difference maker.

Idaho @ Southern Utah

Oct. 19 — Cedar City, Utah

The Vandals will hit the road to take on Southern Utah in the home stretch of Big Sky conference play. The Thunderbirds won the matchup last season by a score of 3-1, with senior goalkeeper Kaitlyn Caldera making 11 saves. The match between these two brick wall goalkeepers should make for one of the most interesting bouts this season.

Idaho @ Northern Arizona

Oct. 21 — Flagstaff, Arizona

The conclusion of the 2018 season will go down in Flagstaff against the Northern Arizona Lumberjacks, where a physical matchup is sure to take place. Both teams committed over 200 fouls last season, showing both teams play hard and don't allow any easy opportunities. Northern Arizona finished 4-6-1 in the Big Sky last season to make the tournament. With six seniors on the roster and it being the Lumberjacks Senior Night, everything will be put out on the field for these two competitive teams.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Geraldine McCorkell goes pro

Geraldine McCorkell earns a contract in Norrköping, Sweden

Meredith Spelbring ARGONAUT

After spending her first four years in an Idaho jersey, Geraldine McCorkell will be wearing a new one.

McCorkell is set to take the next step in her basketball career after signing her first professional contract with the Norrköping Dolphins in Sweden. "I am very fond of this opportunity and have always dreamed about playing professional basketball outside of Australia," McCorkell said in Norrköping's news release. "I searched around Google and Youtube and got pictures on Norrköping — it seems to be a great city."

The Dolphins, located in Norrköping just southeast of Stockholm, play in the countries top league, Basketligan dam. The Dolphins finished the last season ranked seventh with an 8-14 record.

Before transitioning to a career overseas, Mc-Corkell notched 1,552 career points as a Vandal, the eighth-most in program history. At the cap of her senior season, McCorkell ranked 12th in the NCAA with an 88.8 free-throw percentage. She played 128 games, the third-most in Idaho history. The Melbourne, Australia native notched 17 double-doubles, 6.1 rebounds per game, and averaged a career-high 16.5 points per game in her final season, raising her career average to 12.1. "I am really proud of Geri for all she accomplished as a Vandal," Idaho Head Coach Jon Newlee said in a news release. "Being able to continue her career professionally is awesome. I'm sure she will have a fantastic experience at the pro level as so many of my players have had. She will be a great representation of our Vandal program at the highest level."

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Leslie Kiebert | Argonaut ^{at} Geraldine McCorkell dribbles past a Sacramento State defender during a Jan. 4 game in the Cowan Spectrum.

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Elliss nabbed one of two spots on the All-Conference team at outside linebacker. He joins Preseason Defensive Player of the Year Josh Buss of Montana.

The rising senior is no stranger to conference accolades. Elliss earned All-Sun Belt recognition each of the past two seasons. With just weeks to go before the start of his senior season, Elliss has already tallied 228 career tackles, five pass interceptions, forced five fumbles, and blocked a kick. Elliss is expected to dabble on the offensive side at tight end, where he recorded seven passes last season for 156 yards and two touchdowns.

Coffey returns to the gridiron after USA Today named him a Freshman All-American. His 2017 44.6 yard-per-punt average would have led the Big Sky. Coffey kicked 20 of his 66 punts at least 50 yards and put the opponent's offense inside its 20 on 23 different times. Johnson is one of five offensive linemen on the All-Big Sky Preseason team. Ahead of his junior season, he already started in 22 games at Idaho and was named All-Sun Belt Second Team in 2017. In 2016, he was named to the Sun Belt All-Newcomer Team. The 2018 season is just weeks away. Fall camp begins the first week of August, with the season opener at Fresno State Sept. 1. Idaho will get things going in the Kibbie Dome Sept. 8 against Western New Mexico.

bachelor's degree in molecular biology in the spring of 2017, finishing with a 3.82 GPA. In her final season as a Vandal, Solo had a 4.0 GPA as a graduate student working toward a master's degree in plant pathology.

On the court, Solo notched in all 33 games, with 24 starts. The Zenica, Bosnia, native hit 55.9 percent from the floor to lead Idaho and concluded her career with the fifth-best field goal percentage in program history at 52.6 percent.

Kovacs graduated having earned Big Sky All-Academic honors all four years of his Idaho career. As a double-major in business economics and finance, he earned a 4.0 GPA in his final semester and graduated Cum Laude. His final cumulative GPA was 3.69.

Kovacs went equally above and beyond on the court. At the end of his Vandal career, he was a five-time All-Big Sky performer and the program record holder for individual victories at 97. Kovacs was named to the All-Big sky First team in both singles and doubles play the past two years. He helped lead Idaho to three Big Sky Championships in his time. He and partner Carlos Longhi Neto were ranked No. 4 in the ITA Mountain Region in doubles at the end of Kovac's senior season.

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Idaho @ Montana State

Oct. 13 — Bozeman, Montana

The road trip for Idaho continues with a visit to the Bobcats of Montana State. Another middle-of-the-pack Big Sky team, the Bobcats struggled with consistency, failing to string together more than two wins. However, they did notch a signature win over North Dakota in their highest scoring affair of the year, winning 49-21. Montana State put up above-average numbers on the ground, averaging 249.5 per game, but did not find as much success in the passing game. Quarterback Chirs Murray is guilty on both accounts, serving as last year's leading rusher and passer. If the Vandals can contain Murray's dual-threat attack, the rest of the Bobcats' offense may prove ineffective.

fair amount of grit to keep pace with the rest of the Big Sky teams, especially if the Silver and Gold want a ticket to the FCS Playoffs.

North Dakota @ Idaho

Nov. 3 — Moscow, Idaho

With just two home games left in the season, Idaho will be looking to put an exclamation point on the end of the year. The Fighting Hawks may find themselves at a disadvantage when they pay a visit to the Kibbie Dome, with a 1-5 away record last year. North Dakota won just two games in Big Sky play last year, and it seems that unlucky streak will continue in Moscow, especially as the season wears on and teams begin to feel the fatigue.

Montana @ Idaho

Nov. 10 — Moscow, Idaho

Senior day on the Palouse might pose a larger challenge than expected. The Grizzlies came a few games away from punching a ticket to the FCS Playoffs last year, and no doubt the team will fight tooth and nail to avoid a repeat. Luckily for the Vandals, a home game will mean the Grizzlies will have to adapt to a new climate. Montana only managed to win two away games last year, and the Dome will surely be emotionally charged on Senior Day. With Idaho's relatively new experience in the Big Sky combined with Montana's hunger for a postseason berth, expect a back-and-forth nail biter that could have playoff implications.

Vandal men's basketball adds Ray-Quawndis to roster

Idaho added another player to its 2018-2019 roster June 27 when Ray-Quawndis Mitchell signed his letter of intent to play as a Vandal.

"We are really excited to add Ray-Quawndis to our program," Idaho Head Coach Don Verlin said in a news release. "We saw him play AAU in April and immediately began working to place him in a prep school with the hopes of signing him in the 2019 class. When we had a scholarship open up a few weeks ago, we arranged for him to come on a visit and he committed to us while he was here."

Mitchell averaged 22.1 points per game, 6.7 assists, and nearly 10 rebounds per game in his senior year at Blaine High School. He earned All-Conference honors to cap off his high school career.

"His skill level and natural position is as a combo guard, but his size and length will allow him to play all three perimeter positions for us," Verlin said.

Idaho athletes recognized in Big Sky Scholar-Athletes of the Year accolades

Idaho graduates Mark Kovacs (men's tennis) and Nejra Solo (women's basketball) were acknowledged as Idaho's Big Sky Scholar-Athletes of the Year.

The award is given to one male and one female annually from each Big Sky school.

Solo excelled on and off the court in her senior season as a Vandal, earning her

Vandal Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2018 is set

Nine individuals will be welcomed into the Vandal Athletics Hall of Fame as the Class of 2018, seven former athletes and two life-long financial supporters.

The 2018 class was selected by a committee after the nominations were solicited by the public.

Honorees include Dennis Erickson (football coach), Emily Faurholt (women's basketball athlete), Howard and Tere Foley (contributors), Allix Lee-Painter (women's track and field/cross-country athlete), Kayla Mortellaro (women's golf athlete), Don Newman (men's basketball athlete), Melinda Owen (women's track and field athlete) and Chelsea Small (women's soccer athlete).

The 2018 ceremony will take place Sept. 7 in the Bruce M. Pitman Center.

Football season opener to air on ELEVEN SPORTS

Idaho's season opener against UC Davis on Sept. 22 will air on ELEVEN SPORTS, the league and network announced Monday.

It will be the fourth game picked up by a Big Sky television partner. Idaho's contest with Montana State (Oct. 13), Eastern Washington (Oct. 27) and Montana (Nov. 10) will all air on ROOT SPORTS.

ELEVEN SPORTS broadcasts on Big Sky football game a week from Sept. 15 through Nov. 17. The channel is available on DIRECTV channel 623, Verizon Fios channel 597 and AT&T U-verse channel 1665. All Big Sky Conference games throughout the season will be available on WatchBigSky.com and Pluto TV.

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Southern Utah @ Idaho

Oct. 20 — Moscow, Idaho

The Big Sky competition ramps up against the Thunderbirds. Finishing last season at 9-3, Southern Utah closed 2017 with three consecutive blowouts against conference opponents. The Thunderbirds rolled over North Dakota 47-21, proceeded to dominate UC Davis 47-27 before thumping Northern Arizona 48-20. The team has not faced a regular season loss since last September. After a first round defeat by Weber State in the FCS Playoffs, the Thunderbirds will be eager to make a repeat trip once the second half of the season rolls around. The road to the Big Sky crown goes through Southern Utah.

Idaho @ Eastern Washington

Oct. 27 — Cheney, Washington

As the season drags on, Idaho meets yet another Big Sky opponent. While the Eagles of Eastern Washington may not pose as big of a threat as Southern Utah, the mere fact that the Vandals will be playing on a bright red turf speaks to the Eagles' homefield advantage. As Idaho heads into the final stretch of the season, every conference game matters, and the competition in Cheney is no exception. With the Vandals' bye week relatively early in the season, it will take a



Idaho @ Florida

Nov. 17 — Gainesville, Florida

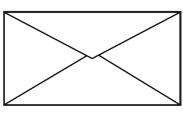
Yes, that Florida. The Gators, Tebow's alma mater. The SEC Gators. Interestingly, this game comes via a weather-related cancellation back in 2014. The Vandals paid a visit to the Swamp, but minutes after kickoff, the game was cancelled due to unsafe playing conditions and was promptly rescheduled. Four years later, Idaho will once again head down south. Any game against an SEC opponent will take a huge amount of effort to win, and with the FCS postseason likely set at this point, the Vandals may not have the energy, nor the willpower, to prevail over the Gators' loaded roster.

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New year, new beginnings

Be prepared for a Moscow school year filled with self-discovery, adversity and adventure

While the end of July approaches, the last gasps of summer make way for thoughts and dreams of college life.

Some Vandals may be returning for their second, third or fourth year, while others may be anxiously waiting at home, nervous for their first steps onto the Moscow campus as an official University of Idaho student.

Looking back on our time as Vandals, it can be easy to lump all freshmen into a single category: graduating high school seniors with little to no idea on how to approach life in college.

However, throughout the years, UI has seen students from many walks of life grace the sidewalks of campus, and no two firstyear students are quite alike.

Students come in with entirely unique mindsets and experiences that have shaped their lives, and therefore, it can be difficult to offer advice on how to best approach this new chapter of education.

The best we can do is draw from our own experiences, and hopefully offer a glimpse into what life as a Vandal may look like for future generations that choose to don the Silver and Gold.

First, plan for change. All too often, eager freshmen approach their studies with a concrete idea of their educational journey. Four-year plans are drawn up, credits are calculated, and it can feel like the end is already in sight.

In reality, those plans rarely reach fruition. College is about discovery, both in education and internal exploration. Don't be surprised to discover that one degree is a completely wrong fit, while another area of study seems like destiny.

Despite what students sometimes hear, change can be a good thing, and it can come in many different shapes and sizes. Sometimes the best course of action is to go back to the drawing board and start fresh.

To prepare for inevitable change, broaden horizons and explore every nook and cranny of your interests. Take as many introductory courses as possible, dipping your toes into as many educational pools as your schedule will allow. The first year of college is vital in finding out not only who you are, but who you want to become.

The same can be said for life outside the

classroom. While studies may help develop passions within the career field, extracurriculars aid in developing social skills.

Many lifelong friends are met in college, often in the unlikeliest of places. Without outside exploration and discovery, it can become more difficult to forge these longlasting relationships.

In other words, get involved on campus. Check out the wide variety of intramurals UI offers. Join a club, participate in student government or even apply for a job at the student newspaper. The avenues of creativity and self-expression are endless, it just takes some time to explore outside the confines of a dorm room and classroom to fully discover all that campus life has to offer.

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COLUMN Some advice Esports — it's in the name

simply no advice at all

Giving advice is deceptively complex. For my dad to advise me on getting grass stains out of my favorite pair of jeans, he would need to do three things.

First, he would need to have some experience laundering grass stains. Second, he would need to have consolidated that experience into a general method – say applying a mixture of vinegar and laundry detergent to the stain. Finally, he would need to consider whether or not his solution works on denim.

It doesn't all happen at once, but giving advice usually follows this three step process: one reflects on one's experiences, comes to general principles and then applies those principles to a particular situation.

But often the process becomes muddy and the advice becomes bad, especially when the topic goes beyond something as immediate and practical as laundry.

Say I ask a friend whether or not I should stay in a relationship with someone who is about to study abroad in Morocco.

My friend will first reflect on her experiences with long-distance relationships, which might consist of anything from having been in one to having seen "The Notebook."

Then she will come to general principles about long-distance relationships based on her experiences. Maybe she had a significant other who cheated on her while they were apart and feels few people can be trusted enough to make longdistance relationships work. Maybe Ryan Gosling convinced her distant love is the truest love.

Finally – if I'm lucky – she will give me specific advice regarding my particular relationship rather than

But at every step of the way, the advice-giving process leaves room for miscommunication and irrelevance.

People can draw very different principles from the same experiences. From a failed long-distance relationship one can decide that the couple was incompatible, that they were too many time zones apart, that one of them was a bad person or any number of conclusions that might lead to very different pieces of advice in the futur

Further, people can apply the same principle to the same situa-

tion differently. I might agree with my friend that few people can be trusted enough to make longdistance relationships work. But maybe I feel my significant other is among them while my friend sus-Danny Bugingo ARGONAUT pects my partner's eye will wander on the hot Moroc-

can beaches. In the end, it makes more sense

for my friend to share her experiences instead of her advice, and to leave the analysis and interpretation to me.

Good advice is specific, practical and tends to come from someone who knows the person asking for advice pretty well. It tells people things like which professor to take organic chemistry from, where the best Mexican food in the area is or how to get grass stains out of one's favorite jeans.

Sadly, good advice is also rare because people prefer to deliver the type of broad pronouncement we hear in commencement speeches and on Dr. Phil.

We are more effective when we tell people what we have seen and done instead of telling them what to do. At least that's my experience.

Danny Bugingo can be reached at arg-opinion@uidaho.edu offering varsity esports programs to students

In 2014, Illinois' Robert Morris University established the first varsity esports program. The program initially only catered to the videogame "League of Legends", but offered competitive players substantial scholarships.

Four years later, more than sixty colleges have set up similar programs, officially recognized by the National Association of Collegiate

Esports (NACE). While a recent

Forbes article showed esports scholarships are not on the same level as traditional sports scholarships, these scholarships can still range from \$2000 to \$25,000. In total, however, students have already received over \$5 million in scholarship packages since 2014.

It's not just colleges offering the scholarships either. For example, Blizzard, the creator of both "Overwatch" and "Hearthstone", has partnered with Tespa to offer students up to \$1 million in scholarships per year.

This is a step in the right direction, but there is still a long way to go. Many colleges are unaware of the booming esports market, and how much revenue these programs can generate.

According to market researcher Newzoo, esports made almost \$800 million in revenue last year. 2020 projections show this figure will reach at least \$1.5 billion, and viewership will likely exceed 500 million.

Additionally, with booming player bases in a variety of eliesports enthusiasts are now considering their options more carefully than ever, looking at colleges that can better cater to their needs.

Esports does not just apply to League of Legends. Other video games include Overwatch, Counterstrike, Rocket League and Hearthstone, just to name a few.

Even if a program is not recognized by NACE, it can still be successful. Oftentimes these programs still include generous

scholarships as well. One such example is UC Berkeley, which uses the college's own Rec Sports system to support and develop collegiate players.

In an engadget interview with Kyle Feng, coach of UC Berkeley's Overwatch

team, he said that all universities should have gaming rooms and varsity esports programs.

"Expanding at a collegiate level is extremely smart right now because it's such a big industry," Feng said.

Idaho is no stranger to varsity esports expansion as well. Boise State University added a varsity esports program in fall 2017, with school-sponsored teams competing in five different games. In addition to the program, the college built an esports arena and computer facility.

BSU's program is one of many that does not rely on the athletic department for funding and other needs. Instead, this particular program is backed by both the College of Innovation and Design and the College of Education.

The League of Legends team has played several exhibition matches against competing college teams, both before and during BSU football and basketball matches. These matches are streamed live to the public.

Robert Rippee, a professor at University of Nevada, Las Vegas, said in an interview with KTNV this is done to help the public better understand competitive gaming.

"It doesn't take a lot of watching...to intuitively get caught up in the action," Rippee said. "It's exciting, and you can see the momentum switching between the teams."

UNLV played against BSU in the inaugural Mountain West Esports Showdown, which resulted in a UNLV victory.

More recently, a showmatch between BSU and University of Idaho's junior varsity team was streamed live at the 2018 Spring Vandal Overnight Games, with BSU beating UI 2-0. While UI has a League of Legends Club, the college does not offer a varsity esports program.

Esports are going to keep growing. Just a few months ago, BSU hosted the first tournament for high school students in Idaho, and it was considered a great success.

Other colleges, including UI, should be worried about falling too far behind to the point of no return. It's not too late to establish a varsity esports program. Even if a collegiate team can't immediately compete with other established schools, that's OK. Many of these programs start out small, but the potential for growth is always present in student viewership, college revenue and brand recognition. Step aside, football.

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OPINION

It starts with a straw

Why we shouldn't wait for Starbucks to change our minds about straws

When I buy a sugary drink, I don't necessarily love the feeling of all that sugar hitting the front of my teeth. So, I'll use a straw.

When my straw ends up tangled among other forms of plastic on a secluded beach somewhere, the sea turtle doesn't necessarily love the feeling of being choked and prodded by what seems like the tiniest cylindrical tube.

It's a simple analogy, and one we might not have to think about forever with some thought and preparedness.

With a little help from the city of Seattle and giant corporations like Starbucks, we might have to worry a bit more about sugar but a bit less about ocean life. I'll take it.

But we should have taken the change a long time ago.

Seattle banned the use of plastic straws and utensils in late June. The city has become the first major metropolitan area to make this sort of change, according to The Seattle Times.

The nearly 5,000 restaurants in Seattle will now have to use reusable or compostable utensils and straws. However, the city is encouraging establishments to stay away from plastic altogether by switching to paper or using only reusable utensils.

It would seem the home of Starbucks made an impression on the coffee company. Nearly a week later, Starbucks announced it would end using single-use plastic straws by 2020.

Instead of the iconic green straws in each frappe, mocha and latte, a new lid will allow customers to drink without a straw. Yes, it looks like an adult sippy cup. But, it's better than the alternative. This is all a huge push for environmentalism, focused mainly on the Pacific Northwest. But, it's not the only company making changes. Hyatt hotels, American Airlines, Alaska Airlines and SeaWorld Entertainment are all moving away from the singleuse pieces of plastic.

It's a bit of a risk for the companies and Seattle to make such a big change, but it will be worth the adjustment.

Still, Seattle is just one city and those companies, although massive, are just companies. At this point in the environmentalist conversation, it's going to sound cliche — but until 2020, we can each do more to help end the spread of single-use plastic. We should have been doing more all along.

Consumerism took over, and after a while, we forgot how even the smallest straw can make the largest of impacts. It's the same as plastic water bottles and plastic grocery bags. We might be able to use them again, but the probability we will is low. Skip the straw. Bring a

reusable bag. Drink from glass. If you find other ways to lessen your impact, then share it with friends. Although it helps, we can't rely on the next big change to come from a worldwide corporation alone.

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Straws may be small, but eliminating them from our daily lives could lead to eliminating plastic water bottles, utensils, bags and the other items that might seem integral but really aren't.

Making active life changes aren't always simple. But, sometimes, skipping a straw is as simple as being OK with a little extra sugar on your teeth. Or next time, just go with water.

A single straw takes nearly 200 years to fully break down in our environment — let's not take that long. *Hailey Stewart*

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Time to Switch



Brandon Hill | Argonaut The Nintendo Switch shattered sales records a year after its release. Can Nintendo maintain 2017's momentum?

A year after the Switch's release, it's time for Nintendo to rethink its current business model

Last March, the video game company Nintendo seemed to pull itself away from the brink of collapse with a game-changing console.

The Nintendo Switch hit shelves to hordes of positive reviews and hungry gamers eager to get their hands on the brand-new hardware.

To fully understand the impact the Switch had, it's important to look at the past few decades Nintendo went through. In the early 2000s, the company followed up its most iconic console, the N64, with a mediocre home system, the GameCube. The Game-Cube was about as basic as you could get: four plug-ins for controllers and a disk drive to play games.

The graphical power was never resounding and the look of thirdparty games paled in comparison to other heavy hitters like the Xbox and PlayStation. However, what kept the GameCube selling was Nintendo's firstparty games. Almost everyone recognizes iconic characters like Link from "The Legend of Zelda" and the red-capped Italian plumber Mario. Those two combined with the "Metriod" series and a few games from the Pokemon universe sprinkled in, Nintendo-lovers like myself were more than happy to make a GameCube purchase.

Nintendo then followed up with the Wii. Like the GameCube, the power just wasn't there. But what it lacked in graphics, it made up for in uniqueness, paving the way for motion-controlled games that families everywhere could enjoy. More first-party Nintendo classics made their way to the Wii, and it seemed like all was well.

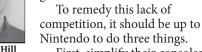
However, the Wii's sequel, the Wii U, disappointed nearly everyone. It's release and marketing were unclear. No one seemed to understand what the console was, and very few iconic games were released with the console at launch. In short, it bombed, selling just under 14 million units. Enter the Switch. With the future game of the year "Breath of the Wild" released alongside the console at launch, Nintendo's newest console flew off the shelves, selling more than 14 million units in just its first year. "Super Mario: Odyssey" came out not long after, and a port of Mario Kart kept fans happy during the inaugural year.

game companies go from here?

There are a few avenues that could continue to drive Switch sales long into its lifetime, but in order to fully take advantage, Nintendo needs to rethink just about everything.

Ever since the Wii, Nintendo has tried to set itself apart from other consoles with what I consider fads. This would be motion controls on the Wii and Switch, as well as the second screen present on the Wii U controller. While these features may seem new and innovative at first, it eventually makes it harder for third-party developers to take their talents to the

Japan-based company. Meanwhile, the Xbox and Playstation iterations continue to sell well because of the vast library of games.



Brandon Hill Argonaut

First, simplify their consoles. Do away with shoe-horned motion controls. Focus instead

on building a powerful console that improves pure in-game experience. That's where Nintendo excels, making games. Therefore, they should do just that, make great games that pair well with a basic yet impressive console.

Second, Nintendo should reestablish its role as the leader in local multiplayer. Some of my best memories come from my childhood battles on the GameCube with my friends. It was so simple: plug in the controller and play. Now, Nintendo charges up to \$70 for an additional controller, seriously disincentivizing the ability to host Mario Kart parties or Super Smash Bros. tournaments.

Finally, to fully rise to the top of the game market, Nintendo needs to embrace nostalgia. With the emergence of Nintedo's online store, the possibilities for emulators and ports of games long past

It just doesn't make any cents

A paycheck is great to have every week, but it isn't true happiness

Lindsay Trombly Argonaut

College students have a weight carried on their shoulders. Debt. Bills. It all revolves around one thing in life — cold, hard cash.

After another summer of working at a full time job five days a week, I've come to a realization that money doesn't buy happiness. No matter how much money you make at the end of the day, happiness doesn't prevail. Maybe it does for a bit once you realized you got paid — but afterwards the feeling fades.

The digits in your bank account are just a number. These numbers buy us things. Food, a roof over your head and even small possessions that ultimately don't matter.

Do these small things make Lindsay Tromb you happy? Some material things ARGONAUT people buy make them happy for a short time — maybe even a long time — time. but they are just 'things.' W

Things we buy with money can be a small knickknack on your dresser or even a new outfit that was on sale. These don't last long, and we don't keep those things forever. They often go to a new home, or are thrown into the garbage.

Objects aren't happiness. Happiness isn't in a paper box with a bow on it. Happiness is an emotion, and that's how you feel good deep down on the inside: involving people you love.

You can't buy happiness with money, no matter how you earn it.

Getting paid well at a job you hate really isn't the way to live life. Every situtation can be different, however. Some may need a steady income to survive. But, the question is does it make you happy? If the answer is no — then rethink what you're doing.

College is a way for people to get degrees

for their dream job, but for some it's a way to get a high paying job to attain simple, small green sheets of paper.

Money rules our lives.

Ultimately, humans are slaves to the green paper.

It doesn't have to be that way for you. Take your life in your own hands and don't let it run by how much money goes into your bank account every week.

There are many steps you can take to achieve happiness that don't involve money.

The first step to happiness is in the workplace. You need to find a career or task that you love to do — regardless of the pay rate. You'll find that you'll be much happier.



Working in a job doesn't always have its perks. Sometimes you find people in the environment that you don't click well with. This is when you need to get away and take some time for yourself.

Trombly Every once in a while make sure to take some days off and do something you love in your free time. Working isn't all there is to life.

While discussing this theory of money and happiness with some of my co-workers, they brought up the idea of experience. It buys that. Right?

Sure it does, in a way. But, these experiences only last for a short time and eventually they come to an end. Money isn't the driving force behind the making of fond memories. Instead, it is up to the people we are surrounded by. Those are the ones who can make us truely happy.

Money is a necessity to everything. Want food? You need money. New car? More money. An apartment? Much more money.

The amount of money you have or want to attain shouldn't drive your life. Remember, money comes and goes. Happiness lasts a lifetime.

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But where does one of the oldest video

could seriously drive sales. There could be an HD remake of "Ocarina of Time" and "Majora's Mask," just as two examples.

GameBoy emulators on the Switch could help relive the excitement of the original Pokemon games, and who wouldn't want to replay "Super Mario Galaxy" on the new console?

Nintendo might be the most unique technology company out there, but without some serious consideration, it may always sit as a perennial second player. Brandon Hill can be reached at

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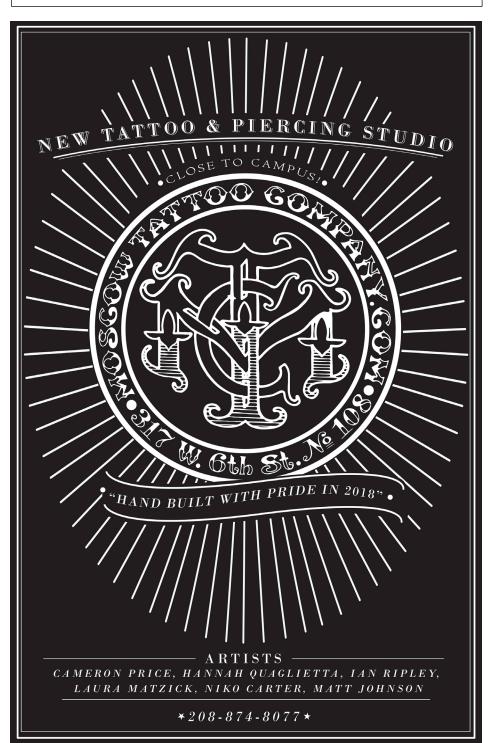
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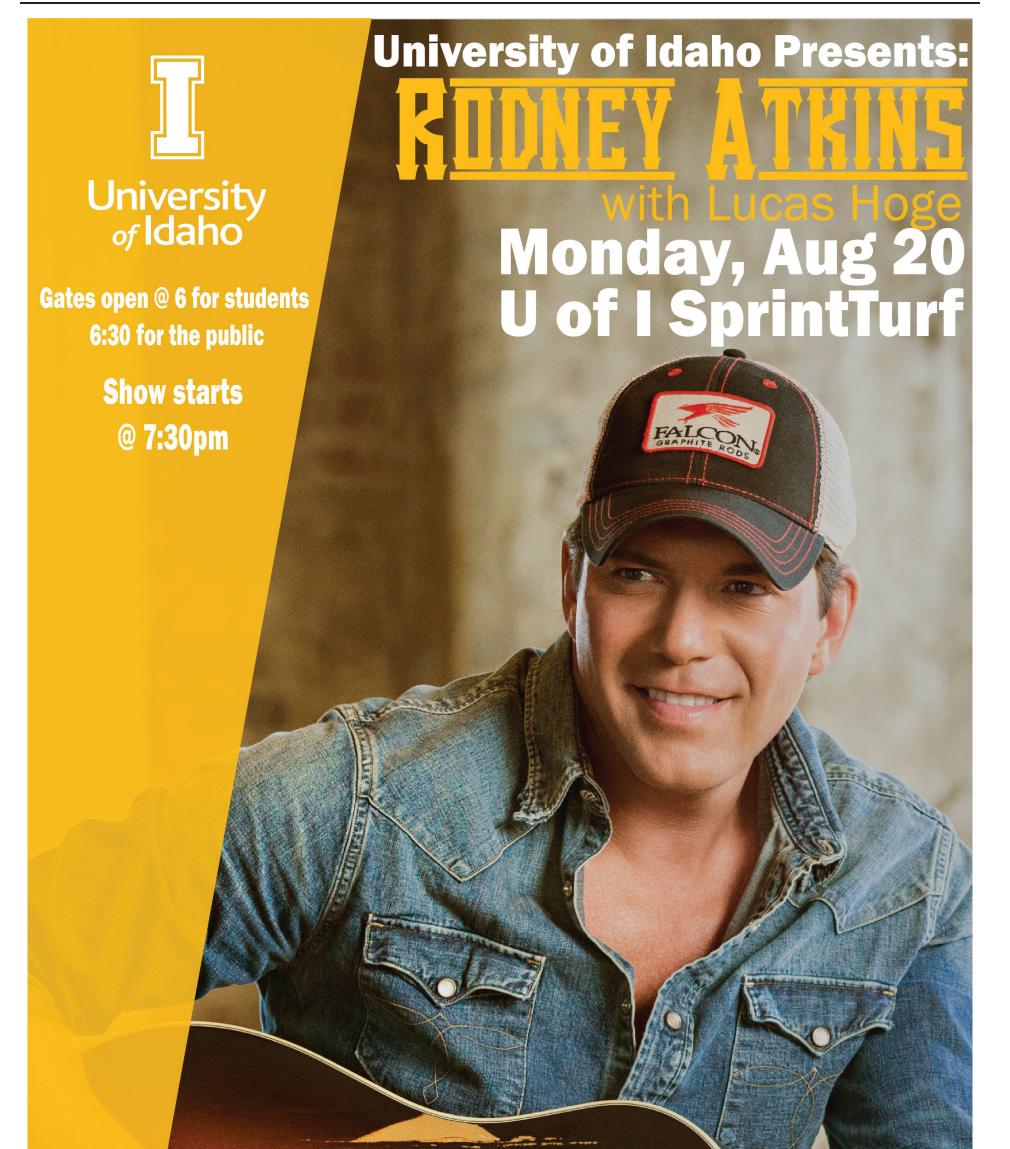
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