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A guide to the Nov. 3 election

Voter registration will close Oct. 9, early voting begins Oct. 13

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As the voting population of the U.S. prepares for the upcoming election, The Argonaut has prepared a guide on voting in Latah County.

The quickest and easiest way to request a mailed ballot is to submit a request online at idahovotes.gov, Latah County Clerk, Auditor and Recorder Henriette Westberg said. Voters can also complete the absentee ballot request form and return it by placing it in the elections drop box at the Latah County Courthouse parking lot or by mailing it to Latah County Elections, PO Box 8068, Moscow ID 83843.

Westberg asks voters to request a mail ballot by 5 p.m. Oct. 23. The county will start mailing requested ballots Sept. 18.

Important dates

The first big deadline for voters is Oct. 9, when voter registration will close.

While the election isn't until Nov. 3, those who live in Moscow and intend to vote accordingly need to register to vote at the address they want their ballot sent to before the Oct. 9 deadline. Otherwise, they will have to register during the early voting period or in person on Election Day, which Westberg said she doesn't advise.

"I really don't want to see people at the polls because of COVID-19," Westberg said. "If you don't register by Oct. 9, then you have to stand in this long line on Nov. 3 to register and then go

stand in another line to get your ballot and vote."

Now, let's say someone forgets the Oct. 9 deadline. Instead of voting in person on Election Day, voters can participate in early voting by registering to vote and filling out their ballots at the Latah County Courthouse. To do so, voters must bring proof of their address and that they have lived in Latah County for 30 days prior to the election, Westberg said.

Early voting is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays Oct. 13-30 and two Saturdays, Oct. 17 and 24.

After Oct. 30, those who missed the Oct. 9 deadline must vote in person on Election Day. The election will take place Tuesday, Nov. 3 and polling locations will be open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Polling locations

Latah County has 18 precincts, the boundaries of which determine where citizens can vote on Election Day. Of those 18 precincts, four are in and around the University of Idaho. The UI polling location has temporarily moved from the Bruce M. Pitman Center to the Student Recreation Center (SRC). Voters from precincts 1, 8, 16 and 18 can vote at the SRC.

"The Vandal Ballroom is where they initially said we could have a polling place," Westberg said. "When COVID-19 hit, they needed that space for students to social distance in the classroom."

Voters in precincts 2, 3, 4 and 17 can vote at the Hamilton-Lowe Aquatic Center. Moscow's 10 remaining precincts can vote at the Latah County Fairgrounds.

Face masks and social distancing are required for in-person voting, according to Westberg, who is strongly encouraging absentee voting for this election.

Voting Locations



Student Recreation Center:
Precincts 1, 8, 16, 18



Hamilton-Lowe Aquatic Center:
Precincts 2, 3, 4, 17



Latah County Fairgrounds:
Precincts 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

Dates to remember

Oct. 9: deadline for voter registration
Oct. 13-30: early voting period
Nov. 3: Election Day

"We'll have three polling locations on Nov. 3, but please, request an absentee ballot," Westberg said. "I can't stress that enough."

Westberg said she typically has a large amount of elderly poll workers who now can't work, so she's recruited younger poll

workers. The new workers will go through training and work with an experienced poll worker to learn the ropes.

"At first I didn't know if we'd have enough, but we have enough now," Westberg said. "I think people generously rallied and said, 'I can do this.'"

Absentee ballots

While some are concerned about the delays of mail ballots due to an expected increase in absentee ballots, Westberg said she doesn't expect any issues.

She spoke with U.S Postal Service officials in Latah County and Seattle, who said they feel comfortable about election materials being mailed and don't anticipate problems, according to Westberg. Latah County pays first-class return postage and marks election mail so post offices know its importance. In addition, the idahovotes.gov website allows voters to track the status of their absentee ballot request.

After each election, Westberg said she reviews all ballots which arrived too late to be counted, and has only found two ballots mailed in time for the election which failed to reach her office by Election Day.

"It's very important to me that everyone who casts a ballot has their ballot counted," Westberg said. "That's one of my goals. I also think having a good relationship with our postmasters in the rural areas and in Moscow is helpful."

In Latah County, there are three precincts which always get their ballots by mail, according to Westberg. If a precinct has 125 people or less, it's called a mail ballot precinct.

"We've been mailing them their ballots for years, and they've been mailing them back and we haven't had any problems," Westberg said. "Not one single problem, and these are our most rural voters."

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MEMORIAL

Mourners gather at vigil in Ginsburg's honor



A mourner protects their candle from the breeze Saturday night at a vigil held for Ruth Bader Ginsburg in Moscow.

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Nearly one hundred gathered outside the Federal Building in Moscow for vigil

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The death of the second woman appointed to the Supreme Court, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, has only added uncertainty to the upcoming presidential election as Congress prepares to fight over who will replace her.

In honor of Justice Ginsburg's legacy, Americans across the country attended vigils Saturday night to pay their respects to a woman they saw as a champion of equal rights.

With candles, flashlights and cardboard signs in hand, nearly 100 people gathered near the steps of the Federal Building in Moscow to do just that.

Christine Gilmore, who helped organize the memorial,

said she was urged on by organizers of the Women's March, who called women to gather at local courthouses at 8 p.m. Saturday.

"The email encouraged us to gather peacefully, and I thought, 'Why not, it's Moscow, people will do it,'" Gilmore said. "I felt that it's important to our town."

In attendance was City Councilor Sandra Kelly, who said she saw friends on social media expressing profound sadness and disbelief over Justice Ginsburg's death. When she heard the news, Kelly said it felt like a dagger went through her heart.

"Because of COVID-19, everything is harder," Kelly said. "It's not like you can just grab your friends and go have some coffee together and talk about it. It's important to grieve together."

According to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Justice Ginsburg's body will lie in state in the

United States Capitol on Friday, an unusual honor which has never before been granted to a woman. The distinction has not been bestowed since the death of William Howard Taft in 1930, who served as chief justice from 1921 until his death after having served as president.

Despite the somber mood, the vigil ended with a call to action. When Gilmore reminded the crowd, she reminded them of what's at stake in November.

"For tonight, reflect, pray and rest," Gilmore said. "But tomorrow, we carry her message and her legacy far and wide. In November, when you go to the polls, tell them that Ruth sent you."

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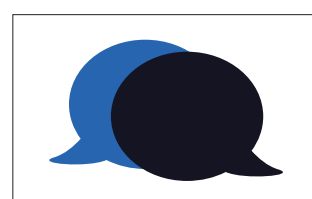
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Team entries are due Sept. 24 by 9 p.m. at the SRC

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UI Recwell

A Crumbs recipe

Tuna Salad

Need lunch in a pinch? Try whipping up a quick and easy tuna salad. This recipe will help curb your hunger and won't hurt your wallet.



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Ingredients:

- Can of tuna
- 1/3 cup of mayo
- 1 tablespoon of mustard
- 1 tablespoon of dill relish
- Red onion (optional)
- Celery (optional)
- Ritz crackers

Directions:

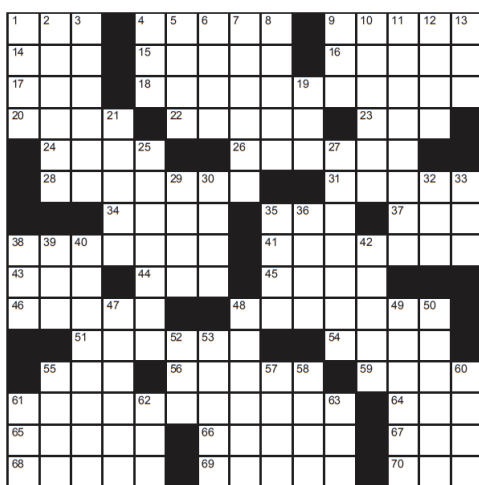
1. Open can of tuna and scoop into a medium bowl.
2. Separate chunks of tuna with a fork.
3. Add mayo, mustard and relish to tuna.
4. Mix ingredients with a fork until well-combined.
5. Optional: chop vegetables, add to the bowl and mix until well combined.
6. Serve with Ritz Crackers and enjoy

Cook Time: 10 Minutes
Serving Size: One to two servings

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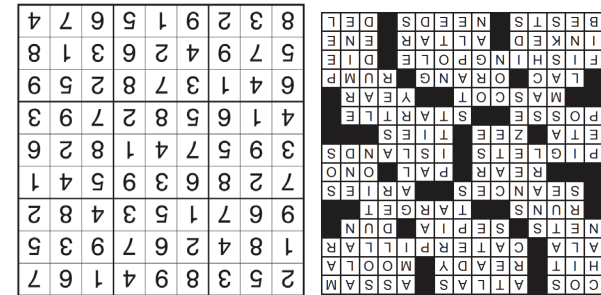
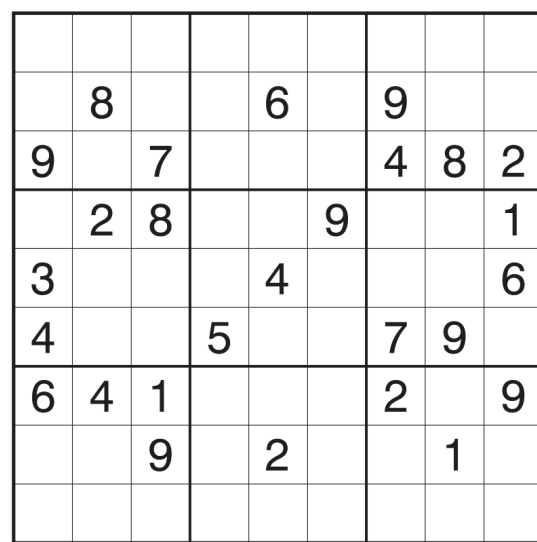
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OBITUARY

A life lived beautifully

Remembering Hailey King

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Before departing on a trip home, Hailey King said goodbye and hugged her friend Azia Maund on Delta Gamma's front lawn.

Maund didn't know it at the time, but this would be the last time she saw her old soccer teammate, who she called a sister.

"We told each other how much we loved one another and just hugged for the longest time," Maund said. "I am thankful for that moment. I wish I could have hugged her a little bit longer that day, but I know (King) knew how loved she was."

King, a senior studying animal and veterinary science, died Aug. 28 from injuries suffered in a car crash seven days earlier. A member of the University of Idaho Delta Gamma sorority chapter, King was known for being well-rounded, compassionate and above all, kind.

According to family friend Laurie Chase Murdoch, the first thing you'd notice about King is how much she valued those around her.

"One summer, (King) was showing a sheep for the first time at the Caldwell Rodeo," Murdoch said. "I was so proud of her, she did so well. But when she found out the fate of the sheep after the sale, she was heartbroken."

Chris Reynolds, King's high school soccer coach, shared a story of her resilience through a photograph.

The picture shows King on the field in her white Kuna soccer uniform, sporting a black eye and bandage from a collision with an opposing player in a high school match.

"When I ran out to (King) on the field, I was concerned about her well-being," Reynolds said. "She was concerned that she was bleeding all over her white uniform."

King never missed a practice. The day after the collision, she caught a lot of "you should have seen the other guy" jokes from teammates. While King made out with a black eye and stitches, the other girl lost several teeth, according to Reynolds.

That soccer team is where Maund first befriended King. After going their separate ways later in high school, the two reconnected at UI on the first day of fraternity and sorority life recruitment. They remained close friends until King's death.

King was always quoting funny movies and doing TikTok dances, Maund said.

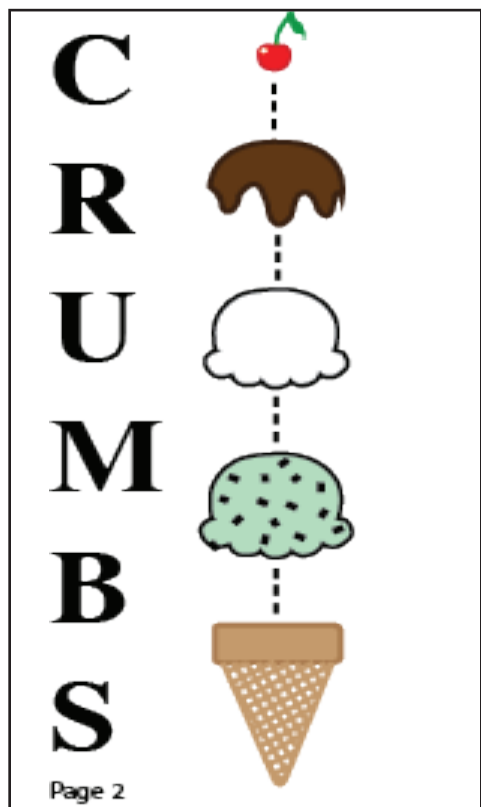
"When I picture (King) in my head, the first thing that pops up is her big blue eyes as she dances around and sings country songs with me," Maund said. "She showed everyone how to live life beautifully."

A fundraiser on GoFundMe, organized by Delta Gamma President Payton Orem, was created to help King's family pay for medical costs associated with the car accident. Since its creation Sept. 2, the Family Support Fund for Hailey King has raised nearly \$32,000.

King is survived by her father, Dave King, mother, Cathe King, brother, Travis King, sister, Tianna King, and grandfather, John King, along with many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends whose hearts she touched deeply, according to a tribute on Cloverdale's Funeral Home's website.

A Celebration of Life will be held later due to COVID-19 concerns, Tianna King said.

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EMERGENCY

UI's emergency rescue plans include considerations for all



Residents of the Wallace dorm await instructions after evacuating the building on Sept. 12 for a fire alarm.

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UI's emergency rescue plans keep those who need help evacuating buildings in mind

Anteia McCollum
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Emergency plans inclusive to those with disabilities at the University of Idaho have a lot of variables. UI's solution has been to create a list of self-identified disabled people who would need help exiting the building in the event of an emergency, like a fire.

According to a template of UI's emergency evacuation plan, this list contains the self-identified person's full name, UI phone number, cell phone number and the building and room number of the building they work or reside in.

Todd Perry, executive director of Public Safety and Security, said each building has its own evacuation plan. Each floor or department, depending on the building, has a fire warden, or someone responsible for making sure people are educated on how to evacuate and keep order during an evacuation. All buildings have posters and maps pointing to the nearest exit.

"In the (Administration) Building you couldn't (divide responsibilities of fire wardens) by each floor because they are so large," Perry said. "You would have each individual department on that floor have their own person responsible to make sure people are trained, that they know what to do when a fire alarm goes off, but also keep

track of those with special needs and inform them."

During an evacuation, those who need assistance evacuating are expected to go to designated areas inside each building to wait for help. This allows for smoother evacuations because personnel know where to find people who need help evacuating.

The laws which prevent the university from revealing medical information about students or employees also prevent others from asking about medical needs, even in a time of crisis. Fire Safety Specialist Kelvin Daniels said if a person with a disability requires help in an emergency, they need to self-identify as such on paper or in-person, even if someone not affiliated with the university is the one helping them.

The emergency evacuation plan template outlines what people who need assistance evacuating should do in the case of an emergency and how others should help them. It repeatedly instructs evacuees to utilize the "buddy system" to make sure people are responsible for each other.

The template also mentions some disabilities may not always be obvious, categorizing ailments like arthritis, cardiac conditions, back problems and learning disabilities as "hidden" disabilities. Though the template does not have specific instructions for helping those with hidden disabilities, as it does with others like blindness or deafness, Daniels said fire wardens would designate someone to help those on the list of self-

identified disabled people.

"We encourage all departments to update their lists (of self-identified disabled people) at least annually," Daniels said.

Perry said on top of lists being updated annually, fire wardens are responsible for keeping track of those with temporary disabilities.

"If they had a knee replacement, they aren't always going to be in a wheelchair or on crutches or a cane, but for that temporary time they'll need to know where those evacuation areas are and areas of assistance they can go to where the fire department will be looking for them in order to help them out of the building," Perry said.

Daniels said UI is required to have four fire drills annually. Each semester, the university holds one daytime drill and one evening drill. He said this year has been a little different because of the need to incorporate social distancing while getting everyone out of each building as soon as possible. Most students even bring their masks with them as they leave the building, Daniels said.

"Fire drills this year have been great," Daniels said. "Even with the adjustments made because of (COVID-19), (the team) has managed to get everyone out within the time standards."

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COVID-19

Palousafest continues with new design



Representatives for Omega Delta Phi fraternity talking to students at Palousafest 2020

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COVID-19 adaptations cause UI signature event to extend over a week

Carter Kolpitke
ARGONAUT

Palousafest Deconstructed aims to deliver a traditional Palousafest experience despite the increased regulations of COVID-19 and altered organization.

Instead of the event occurring relatively early in the semester over the course of a single day, University of Idaho's annual signature event has been held since Sept. 21. Each day of this week has focused on specific categories of campus activities.

Monday featured academic, leadership and honors organizations. Tuesday focused on multicultural and international student organizations along with the equity and diversity units. Wednesday, government, political and civic engagement organizations took the stage. Thursday, sports organizations, both competitive and recreational, will have the floor. Friday will focus on special interest and faith-based organizations. Each day begins at 11 a.m. and end at 1 p.m.

The schedule of events can be found

under the "Events" tab on the Department of Student Involvement's (DSI) website.

Laurel Meyer, the head of operations for this year's festivities and the events and marketing coordinator of DSI, said the changes to Palousafest have been in the works since the middle of the summer.

"What it came to was we didn't feel confident in our ability to manage the typical crowd size that Palousafest draws, which is typically between 3,000 and 5,000 students," Meyer said. "We just couldn't account for controlling a crowd of that size and ensuring a crowd of that size were all wearing masks."

Each day has a maximum of 20 tables, with one person per table. Furthermore, tables are six feet away from each other, hand sanitizer is present on each table and food and giveaways are not allowed, Meyer said.

In addition to the in-person alterations, a virtual fair was held Sept. 18 over Engage Idaho, DSI's platform of choice. Students could browse clubs or departments and speak to members of said clubs or departments virtually.

There is potential for this virtual fair to return in the following years.

"It depends on how well it goes and how

long (COVID-19) lasts," Meyer said. "If this is a few years of needing to offer virtual fairs in order to reduce capacity of in-person fairs, and if it grows in popularity, maybe it's something we'll decide to keep."

ASUI hosted a booth on Wednesday. According to Julie Attinger, the chief of staff and the person who ran the table, the organization went into the event expecting a smaller turnout compared to other years, but still hoped to reach interested students.

On a normal year, Palousafest garners mass attention from the student body. While COVID-19 guidelines may cause a drop in attendance, students are still encouraged to attend.

"This is such a weird year to try and get involved in things, but it's such a great year to do that because a lot of things you normally do aren't quite the same," Lauren Carlsen, ASUI president, said. "I've only benefited from being involved in things like this and you won't do that unless you go to Palousafest and figure it out."

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ADMINISTRATION

UI Title IX hearing process changes due to federal policy

"The opportunity to be heard is going to look like a day in court."

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The U.S. Department of Education (ED) announced new regulations regarding how institutions handle Title IX-related investigations this May. In accordance with these new regulations, University of Idaho worked with students, staff and faculty to develop new Title IX policies.

The changes are intended to ensure a more reliable adjudication process, according to DE. While the law itself did not change, institution-specific regulations needed to be adjusted to ensure they remained in alignment with federal policy. The 2,000-page-long document draft had 28 pages of regulations.

"We knew something was coming, we just didn't know exactly what it looked like," Title IX Coordinator Erin Agidius said.

Agidius, who is also the director of the Office of Civil Rights and Investigations (OCRI), ensures UI complies with Title IX regulations and ensures OCRI investigates issues as they arise.

Adjusted UI regulations needed to be implemented by Aug. 14. Since Faculty

Senate does not meet throughout the summer, Agidius used an emergency policy.

Various meetings were held throughout the summer with a large advisory board consisting of students, faculty, staff council, Dean of Students Blaine Eckles, Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse and others. A core group focused on drafting the policies.

The biggest policy change was live cross-examination, Agidius said.

"If a case goes to a live hearing, there will be cross-examination by the party's advisors," Agidius said. "The university has to provide an advisor if the individual doesn't have their own. The purpose for that advisor is to conduct that cross-examination."

Emily Null, a senior studying criminology and sociology, believes this will prevent victims from coming forward.

"In a live trial, you're having to sit in front of the person that did these things to you against your will, so you're revictimizing these victims for no reason," Null said. "I feel like you can still get a good trial without the victim and the offender being in the same room."

If an individual does not want to participate in the hearing, none of their statements can be admitted or

considered by the panel unless they submit to cross-examination, Agidius said. This is another change. Before, individuals could simply submit a statement.

Other hearing policy changes include: a single process will be used for all students and employees, every question asked has to wait for the hearing chair to determine relevancy and those who do not wish to participate in the university's formal disciplinary process may choose to participate in an informal resolution process upon filing a formal complaint.

Null said victims may not feel UI is adequately protecting them, which could result in a sense of dread.

"One of the biggest challenges was figuring how we can create a system and support the individuals who are participating in a Title IX process feel supported while also maintaining compliances," Agidius said.

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POLITICS

Census deadline approaching

A brief guide on how to respond and where to find more information.

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While most conversations about civic duty have shifted to focus on Election Day, those who have yet to respond to the 2020 Census have another, more imminent task to complete.

According to the census website, "all offices are (scheduled) to complete their work by Sept. 30, 2020." This means those who have yet to respond still have about a week to turn in their forms. The census is intended to count everyone living in the U.S. and its five territories. One person should respond for each place of residence and be able to provide general information about each person living there.

Respondents should count where they lived and slept most of the time as of April 1, 2020 and count all others who were living and sleeping in the same residence, including young children, foster children, roommates, family members and friends, even those living there temporarily.

College students who returned home early due to COVID-19 should still be counted as residing at their college, according to the census website.

"If they live in student housing, the college will count them," the census website stated. "If they live off campus, they should complete the census for their off-campus address and include any roommates or other people living there."

Respondents can complete the census online, by phone or by mail. To complete the census online, visit the census website and respond to the online questionnaire in one sitting.

To respond by phone, call 844-330-2020 or call the number associated with the respondent's preferred language. Numbers for additional languages are available on the census website.

To respond by mail, complete the paper questionnaire in blue or black ink and return it in the envelope provided or in an envelope addressed to the U.S. Census Bureau, National Processing Center, 1201 E 10th Street, Jeffersonville, IN, 47132.

Language support is available online and by phone in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Russian, Arabic, Tagalog, Polish, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese and Japanese. Guides are also offered in 59 non-English languages, including American Sign Language, Braille and large print. For more information about how to respond to the 2020 Census, visit the census website.

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DIVERSITY

Educating the next generation of Black scholars

Meet the Freemans, active faculty and activists for Black community members in Moscow

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Six years ago, two college sweethearts moved from Alabama to Idaho in August 2015. They both found roles as University of Idaho faculty members and avid activists for the Black community on and off campus. Those two sweethearts, now a married couple, are Sydney and Lynda Freeman.

Sydney holds both a master's and doctorate in educational leadership from Auburn University while Lynda holds two master's degrees, one in business administration and one in public health, from University of Alabama at Birmingham and a doctorate in health science from Nova Southeastern University.

Now, Sydney is an associate professor in the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences and Lynda is a clinical faculty member and academic specialist for the WWAMI Medical Education Program. Sydney is the only American Descendants of Slaves (ADOS) tenured faculty member at UI's Moscow campus.

ADOS refers to descendants of enslaved people in North America who cannot trace their ancestral roots to specific countries or tribes of Africa.

UI's Moscow campus has faculty from the Caribbean and Africa who do have tenure.

Tenure is a privilege given to faculty after rigorous evaluations and service to the university, Sydney said. The process is different at each institution.

"And so that gives, in this context, it gives me the privilege to speak out on issues of race and racism in ways that maybe others may not feel as comfortable doing," Sydney said.

Both Sydney and Lynda are involved in the UI Black Student Union and Black Lives Matter advocacy. And the Black Lives Matter Advisory Comity is addressing issues and concerns unique to employees of African origin and promoting the full inclusion of people of African descent at UI. They are establishing their charter and inviting more Black faculty, staff and administration to join.

As part of her job, Lynda provides healthcare services to rural Black communities where people have limited access to high quality healthcare. But the challenges of finding resources as a Black community member are not limited to rural areas; they exist in Moscow, too.

Lynda takes care of her hair by herself because there are no salons nearby which cater to Black hair. Both Sydney and Lynda encourage Black students to join the Black Student Union

so their voices are better represented on campus, but the couple also thinks more comprehensive therapy and counseling resources for racially diverse people would be a benefit to the area as well.

"It's okay to try to find somebody else to talk to," Lynda said. "I guess, the issue would be 'is there anybody else available.' In my experience, trying to find a therapist does get us around race and racism."

Finding a counselor who relates to the experience of being Black in Idaho is especially important for students, Lynda said. Ideally, this counselor would work full-time and online with faculty, staff and students, Sydney said.

"They could identify with our experiences to be at the table and a part of thinking about (the) Black population on campus as a whole," Sydney said. "I think that not just Black students, but Black faculty and staff may want to go (see) somebody. But who do they go to? There's no point person that they can go to if they have challenges?"

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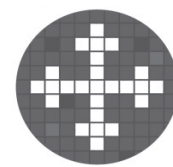
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PROFILE

Fighting fires with science

Meet UI Alum
Phinehas Lampman, a
wildfire firefighter

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Phinehas Lampman, a 2018 University of Idaho graduate, was always curious about fire and firefighting.

From a young age, he remembers watching his dad, who was a wildfire firefighter get ready for his shift early in the morning.

Today Lampman continues his father's career after his retirement along with his youngest brother, Isaiah Lampman, who both work as wildfire firefighters.

Lampman was accepted into one of the most competitive branches of wildfire firefighting. He was scheduled to begin his training for smoke jumping—a form of firefighting requiring responders to parachute from helicopters and planes into select areas of forests to clear brush and debris to restrict the spread of the fire as well as deliver supplies to other firefighters in the area.

"Fire is a cool field to be in because there are so many

niches," Lampman said. "It's really up to you what you do and how you use your background."

Lampman studied majored in fire ecology and forestry, but he is adamant when he says he does not believe a college degree is needed or should be required to work in firefighting. Lampman's education, he claims, has little to do with the work he is doing now.

Being ready to start his training at the beginning of the season this year, in March Lampman suffered a knee injury off the job. He had to postpone his smoke jumper training until the next fire season where he will be given his original position in Grangeville. In the meantime, he has been working at the Grangeville Fire Dispatch while he recovers from his injury.

"It's been really interesting working in dispatch instead of being out there," Lampman said. "I'm not one who likes sitting still and not being outside doing something."

Lampman says that it's a staple for people who get into firefighting to have a passionate relationship with the wilderness, outdoor activities and to not be afraid of physical labor. But for Lampman, his recovery means not participating in much of the above.

"I've never been one to like being in one place," Lampman said. "I never wanted an office job. I learned that from sitting in a lab all day my first year of college."

Lampman began his career at UI as a bio-energy engineering student but quickly made the switch after what he described as "being very Idaho" and counting potato lab samples under a microscope. Desperate for a change he applied for a summer job in 2014 at the Clearwater-Potlatch Timber Protective Association (CPTPA) in Elk River Idaho wanting to work in the outdoors and achieve his childhood dream of becoming a firefighter like his dad.

After working for the summer, Lampman continued to be involved with wildfire firefighting, which ultimately influenced his course of study at

UI and his career path as well as future goals.

"There's a huge gap between firefighting and the science—most of what we know is from the 60s and 70s," Lampman said. "Climate change and the expansion of humans are the two big things affecting the severity of wildfires today, but it's hard to understand without more research."

Lampman's goal is to try to bridge the gap between wildfire fighting and science by bringing together his two worlds in academia and his boots on the ground experience fighting fires. He ultimately wants to complete his smoke jumping training and work in the field if he can before going back to school and getting a doctorate degree.

He wants to contribute more research to the field and dreams of one day helping create and work in a wildfire team that has a mix of experienced first responders as well as scientists and students.

"It would be amazing to have like some university students on a team like that," Lampman said. "That way they could get up close to the fires, and researches could see them up close to better understand it."

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Life Hacks



Things to do on the Palouse

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Students, community members and those of the Palouse – we have lined up the best virtual and in-person events you should be attending for the week. Whether you are a cook, athlete or someone who is ready for a good time, we have you covered. Remember to wear a mask and social distance while out and about to slow the spread of COVID-19.



Palousafest Table

TIME: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

DATE: Sept. 24

PLACE: ISUB

PRICE: Free

Many may have seen Palousafest Deconstructed tables throughout the week. If you missed it, that's alright. Visit the women's club soccer table and learn about their club. Students can come to sign up or ask questions.



Watercolor and Wood Art

TIME: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

DATE: Sept. 24 – Sept. 27

PLACE: Artisans at the Dahmen Barn

PRICE: Various purchasing

Local artists will be showing their art collaboratively for the first time at the barn. Vern and Danny Tietz, father and son have worked together to show their exhibit. Pieces include items made on the wood turner and whimsical watercolor art. The barn will not allow large groups into the building and all patrons must be wearing masks upon arrival.



Late Night Mini Golf

TIME: 10 – 11 p.m.

DATE: Sept. 25

PLACE: Student Recreation Center (SRC)

PRICE: Free

Who would have thought there is a mini golf course in Moscow? This Friday, mini golf connoisseurs can play around on a nine hole mini golf course at the SRC. Those who want to play must register on Sept. 24 to score a spot during the game. They must wear face masks and use hand sanitizer before and after the round.

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HISTORY

"Four Girls on a Homestead"

The historical society invites all to their new book club

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The Latah County Historical Society (LCHS) is an active organization, according to Nancy Ruth Peterson, secretary and past president of the historical society. And they have had to find creative ways to reach out to the community.

In a normal year, the historical society hosts one to two events every month, but having felt the effects of 2020, most events have been canceled.

The historical society will be starting a new book club, which was planned to begin in March but was pushed to October because of the shelter-in-place order. Peterson has had several people ask her about having a historical related book club sponsored through the historical society. As part of the LCHS board of directors, Peterson and LCHS Vice President Denise Thomson decided to make that idea a reality several months ago.

The Palouse has several book clubs and a strong interest in reading history, Thomson said. The new book club will test the waters and see how much interest the concept will spark.

Its first meeting was Sept. 23 on the McConnell Mansion lawn. Attendees were able to bring their own blankets, chairs and passion about history to the meeting. Wearing masks was encouraged and the lawn's open space made social distancing a breeze. The attendees discussed the October book choice, "Four Girls on a Homestead," written by local Carol Rylie Brink, whom Brink Hall is named after.

Community members who want to join the book club, regardless of whether they attended the first meeting, can borrow a copy of "Four Girls on a Homestead" from the historical society



Latah County Historical Society Sept. 6, 2020

Kim Stager | Argonaut

or purchase their own copy.

The book club is still determining its focus. The club will either read worldwide history or focus on Pacific Northwest history. Peterson has a hunch members will be interested in regional history.

The historical society has been documenting 2020 in the form of historical records to let the community record its experiences with the pandemic.

"We are finding creative ways to reach out to our membership, to the community and to the county, because we are a county historical society," Peterson said. "One of the things that we're asking people to do is to document their experience of the pandemic, and to provide that written document for us, so that it can go into the

historical record."

Peterson, a past English teacher has dove into her large section of books and has read over 150 books since March. She has written an academic contribution to the archive. Thomson has been writing haikus every day of the pandemic and has seen a shift in her tone. A couple of her poems will go into the historical records.

To find more LCHS events, visit the LCHS website. Book club meetings are listed on the event page.

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AWARENESS

5K for suicide awareness

Vandal Health ensures that their 5K does not falter.

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Wildfire smoke was the cherry on top of canceling in-person events but the “We Got Your Back 5k for Suicide Awareness” still prevailed to find a way to continue.

For four years, Vandal Health has put on the “We Got Your Back 5K for Suicide Awareness.” This event is a part of Suicide Awareness Week, which is also centered around World Suicide Prevention Day on Sept. 10.

Due to COVID-19, Vandal Health offered a virtual option for people to do the 5K. This meant runners could sign up online and could do the 5K either by running on a treadmill, or by doing their own 5K route. The goal was to complete the 5K by Sept. 12, when the in-person 5K was supposed to be – then the smoke hit.

“We knew that smoke and air quality was becoming a factor,” Amanda Ferstead, Vandal Health Education mental health promotion program coordinator, said. “So, we’ve extended the date out so that if they do want to go outside and do that, they can.”

The suicide awareness 5K has now been extended to Sept. 26. Registration is open to all. There is no fee to register, however if participants want a t-shirt to show they ran the 5K, they can purchase it. T-shirts run \$7 for students and \$10 for non-students.

Participants don’t have to purchase a t-shirt though; they can still register online

for free and do the 5K. Participants can also submit photos of their 5K.

“If they want to take a picture along their route, maybe a really nice view or some folks will do their pets, or maybe something that is a reason why they wanted to the 5K in the first place,” Ferstead said. “We’ll put them all together at the end to bring everybody together that participated.”

So far at least 150 people have signed up for the 5K. Ferstead says that she hopes that the air quality will clear up next week, but participants can use the treadmills at the Student Recreation Center.

The Vandal Health Center also offers other programs for Suicide Awareness Week. On Sept. 10, they offered Question, Persuade and Refer (QPR) training which is open to faculty, staff and students. It trains participants to recognize the warning signs of suicide and teaches them how to have a conversation with said person and how to get someone connected to help. They will offer the class monthly, and the next one will be Oct. 6.

On Oct. 17, they have a Metal Health First Aid training that is open to all as well. Every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. they host recovery Coffee Hour in the Panorama Room on the 4th floor of the Student Union Building (ISUB).

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TITLE IX

Posters promoting consent cover UI’s campus

There are many different creative and informative poster designs to choose from

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Several colorful posters depicting cartoon animals, flowers and speech bubbles with educational puns now cover the University of Idaho campus. A part of the Women’s Center’s consent campaign, their goal is to teach students the importance of clear consent.

The Women’s Center partners with multiple organizations across campus and the Moscow community to use funds from the department of justice grant to do violence prevention and advocacy work.

“The consent campaign fulfills part of the grant goals for the Women’s Center’s current Office on Violence Against Women grant,” Lysa Salsbury, director of the Women’s Center, said.

This almost \$300,000 grant must be renewed every third year.

This year should be a renewal year but because of COVID-19 and a few other factors, UI was given an extension to spend the money from their last term, as well as a renewal.

“We just found out a couple weeks ago, it’s not official yet, but we were refunded for an additional three years,” Salsbury said.

There is a core group of people who have been working on aspects of this campaign for the past three and a half years. This group is made up of the Women’s Center, Alternatives to Violence of the Palouse, Title IX Coordinator, the Office of Civil Rights and Investigations (OCRI) and local law enforcement.

The posters are a part of a larger scale incentive to demystify the concept of consent and set an example of what it is and isn’t.

Erin Agidius is the OCRI director and a part of the subcommittee in charge of the poster campaign.

“Consent is probably one of the number one things that we, I think, people really struggle with,” Agidius said. “And not just students. I think a lot of people struggle with, what is consent and what does it look like.”

Because consent is such an important aspect of any relationship but also an awkward conversation for some, the design team felt it was important to make the posters fun, colorful and clever to catch the eye of those who pass by.

The result was a series of cartoon animations of bigfoot saying “consent is not a myth,” and a bird and a bee saying “talk birdie to me. No consent? Buzz off!” among other creative “dad jokes” as Emilie McLarnan, associate director of Violence Prevention in the Dean of Students’ Office, put it.

These posters are meant to lead people to the Violence Prevention section on the UI website which has a tab labeled consent.

After clicking the link, patrons are directed to a webpage that explains the definition of consent, how to ask for it, examples, verbal signals, nonverbal signals and what consent looks like when alcohol is involved.

This website also includes printable posters for anyone who wants can have one as a reminder.

“We have lots of copies of these posters in the Women’s Center, and so if anyone wants one for their personal space or for their residence hall or for their lab or for wherever they would like,” Salsbury said. “Even if they just want one for their room, they can come to the Women’s Center and get one. We’ve got lots of really nice copies of these posters to give away. We just want students to put them up.”


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BUSINESS

Local business cancels future events



One World Cafe location on campus
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One World Cafe takes COVID-19 precautions to heart with decision to postpone events

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One World Cafe has been notable for holding musical performances and events but given the ongoing pandemic it has made the decision to cancel all musical events going forward.

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced many businesses to make difficult decisions regarding their operations and their protocols. Tables and general seating have been expanded to encourage social distancing or have closed off entire areas, menus are disposable or online, just to name a few examples. Restaurants and cafes have been forced to make decisions regarding holding events, and this holds true for One World Cafe.

“Given that enclosed spaces and singing are both higher risk activities as far as spreading COVID-19, we decided that that in order to protect our staff and the community at large, we need to hold off on live events for now,” Brandy Sullivan, part owner of One World Cafe said.

They do plan on resuming events in the future, even though there is no set-in-stone date to resume them, Sullivan said. Even though this is encouraging

regarding businesses taking COVID-19 safety seriously, it is unfortunate that a business so synonymous with those types of events can no longer hold them. One World Cafe is taking other COVID-19 protocols to ensure safety for staff and consumers.

“We have our tables 10 feet apart, have removed our soft furniture (couches, armchairs) for now, we’ve reduced sitting by half...and the kid’s area is closed,” Sullivan said.

In addition, there are markers on the tables to show whether they are clean or dirty, they turn on fans for air circulation, they offer curbside delivery or pickup and they only allow three parties to be inside at one time with stickers to indicate the line and have expanded outdoor seating and sticker-indicated lines on 6th Street.

Though having events postponed at a cafe, locally famous for having them, it is encouraging that restaurants and local businesses chose not to move forward with events that are potentially dangerous during the pandemic. If all businesses are taking COVID-19 this seriously – hopefully we can get back to normal and jazz nights in no time.

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MUSIC

Griselda continues to drop consistently great releases

“From King to a GOD” shows that Griselda is not slowing down anytime soon

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The Griselda music label has been dominating the rap genre over the last couple years with consistently great and frequent releases. When it comes to rap a lot of times it’s a choice between quantity or quality, but Griselda has found a way to accomplish both. This trend continues with Conway the Machine’s latest album “From King to a GOD.”

Conway has already dropped one of the best albums of 2020 with “LULU,” that had one of the best singles of the year with “Shoot Sideways” featuring production from The Alchemist and lyrics from ScHoolboy Q. Conway also lent his lyrics for features on projects by Freddie Gibbs, Curren\$y and will be featured on Juicy J’s upcoming album. If Conway did not drop another album or single the rest of the year, he already would’ve had one of the strongest outputs for 2020 in rap. However, taking the foot off the pedal is not the Griselda style.

The one bad thing about having a roster of artists that drop far more frequently than most artists is that it’s hard to differentiate and find stand-out albums among numerous solid releases. When someone only drops great projects and does it at such a high volume it’s difficult to pick and choose what is the best. This is not necessarily a bad problem to have, but it presents a weird situation for any new listener trying to get into the Buffalo, NY collective’s music. However, Conway tries to make this album stand out in a way almost no Griselda album has done.

In the intro track “From King” it becomes obvious that “From King to a GOD” has a slightly more commercial sound than almost all of Griselda’s other musical outputs. With that being such

a far and stark contrast from the rest of Griselda’s respective sounds, it would be very easy for this endeavor to just fall flat on its face. This album never falls in the trap of trying to shoehorn too many radio-style songs onto the album and instead holds true to the gruff and gritty Griselda tone, despite being an accessible project to listen to throughout.

The quality of features helps in this endeavor. Dej Loaf, Method Man, Lloyd Banks and Freddie Gibbs are just a few of the features on “From King to a GOD,” and none of them fall flat. Griselda artists seem to have a way of elevating artists on their tracks – whether it be the artists previously mentioned or even their own labelmates.

Even the track “Spurs 3” featuring fellow Griselda titans Westside Gunn and Benny the Butcher stands out as one of the best tracks the three have appeared on together – and that’s a decent-sized list.

Other tracks like “Seen Everything but Jesus” and “Juvenile Hell” are probably the most successful results of this general experiment as they are the most-true to the almost-grimy Griselda sound while being songs I could genuinely see on any type of rap fan’s playlist.

Though the two tracks are the standouts, no track fully abandons one in favor of the other in terms of the obvious accessibility. This album is gunning forward compared to the trademark sound of the collective that has come to represent the rap scene in Buffalo, NY.

“From King to a GOD” is the most balanced form of rap that Griselda has put out, and it finally gives the collective a body of work that can be shown to any style of rap fan as a starting point to getting into the label’s music. On that level, this album is the greatest success of the group.

“From King to a GOD” gets a 9/10.

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Makeshift Drink Monday

Caramel Macchiato

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The caramel macchiato is a popular Starbucks drink, but is easy to make at home. It’s a simple espresso drink with a small amount of foamed milk, caramel and vanilla syrup for a sweet taste. If you go out of your way to stop to buy this drink every day, try making this recipe at home to save some cash.

Ingredients :

- 14 ounces reduced fat or whole milk
- 2 tablespoons vanilla syrup
- 2 ounces espresso
- 2 tablespoons caramel syrup

Begin by brewing your espresso with an espresso maker, French press or

whatever is available.

Next warm up the milk by using a frother. If you don’t have one, use a whisk over the stove on low heat until foam forms.

Add vanilla syrup, caramel syrup and milk to a cup or mug. Pour the espresso on top of the frothy milk and top with caramel drizzle if you desire.

Enjoy hot or put in the fridge overnight.

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OUTDOOR

Fly Fishing trip to the St. Joe River



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Outdoor Program is set to embark on a fly fishing trip in order to teach fly fishing on the St. Joe River

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The Outdoor Program at the University of Idaho is offering an Intro to Fly Fishing class followed by a boating day trip on the St. Joe River.

The purpose of the class is to learn the basics of fly fishing and practice fly fishing skills.

The St. Joe River is a 140 mile long tributary located on Coeur d'Alene Lake. It stretches from the Northern Bitterroot Range of eastern Shoshone County and flows west through the St. Joe River Valley and the communities of Avery and Calder.

"For the past few years we have partnered with White Pine Outfitters here in Moscow since they're an outfitter that runs up on the St. Joe and down on the Salmon River," Director of Outdoor Programs Trevor Fulton said. "We partner with them to offer this to students at a reduced cost."

For students, the cost of the trip is \$100 and the price bumps up to \$150 for all others. All equipment is offered as part of the cost but participants can use their own equipment as well. White Pine Outfitters supply fly fishing equipment along with some members of the Outdoor Program. The only thing participants are responsible for bringing is lunch.

The Outdoor Program will bring three boats on the river with a maximum of six participants able to register.



(Top) The Lady Gaga Fly is made from Marabou feathers and is meant to catch steelhead. (Bottom) A small fly made to catch half pound steelhead.

Saydee Brass | Argonaut

Inexperienced participants learn how to cast and tie the correct knots while experienced participants are able to fish. Several guides accompany participants on the trip.

"Typically, I would be giving instruction but I am personally not doing it this year," Fulton said. "My colleague, Nathan Moody is the representative from our program. Joining him is the owner of White Pine Outfitters, Tyler Nash, and then one of his guides will join too. So there's somebody on each boat that has the ability to give basic instruction."

The guides will explain safety and give an introduction during the pre-trip meeting. Guides will go over clothing, general equipment and general fly fishing technique.

"It's been very successful in the last couple of years, and we're excited to do it this year," Fulton said. "September can be a great time to be up there fishing. Some years you can catch a lot of fish, and some years you don't. It just depends on a lot of factors that are out of our control but we usually have a good time. Our goal is for everybody to hook into a fish and hopefully get some experience on the water."

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OUTDOOR

Three outdoor activities to do in Moscow

Here's a few locations great for staying active on the palouse

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Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, many people have been staying inside their homes. Activity levels for many people have gone down and with health being an utmost importance, staying active has never been more important.

Whether you're someone who's active or not, a new student or returning, here are three activities that will help keep you active in Moscow.

The University of Idaho Arboretum & Botanical Garden

The University of Idaho Arboretum & Garden offers many walking trails accompanied by a scenery of trees that can help people stay active while getting the chance to see some beautiful scenery close to campus. The loop distance around the Arboretum is 1.4 miles and allows people to get exercise while pondering multiple different views. It also has benches that people can sit on to relax and study.

Paradise Path Trail

The Paradise Path is a trail that forms a link between the Latah Trail and the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail. The western part

of the trail goes through the UI campus offering a pathway for students, staff and visitors to walk through campus while enjoying time outside.

The eastern part of the trail opens into farmland, but offers a scenic view of Berman Creekside Park which contains a collection of trees and flowers for people to see. The trail can be walked or cycled on whichever is preferred.

East Moscow Mountain

East Moscow Mountain is the former site of a forest service that has long been abandoned. East Moscow Mountain offers people the experience of exploring the outdoors without the need to travel

far. The area offers people the chance to climb, hike or camp on the range. It's great physical activity for those who feel adventurous. People can camp at the Robinson Park Campground where they offer tent camping or just hike the mountain as they enjoy the outdoors and scenery.

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FALL SPORTS

Fall Sport championships moving to 2021

FBS and FCS move fall championships to spring 2021 with altered schedules for each sport

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Although talks to move fall sports to the spring have been prevalent for months, a major plan approval brings the transition one step closer to fruition.

The NCAA Division I Board of Directors approved a plan to conduct fall sports championships in spring 2021. This decision includes the Football Championship Series (FCS), which the University of Idaho joined in 2017.

According to the NCAA, the plan for men's and women's cross country, field hockey, men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball and men's water polo was developed by the Division I Competition Oversight Committee in conjunction with other sport committees. The plan for the FCS was created by the Division I Football Oversight Committee in conjunction with the FCS committee.

"The plan sent to us by the Division I Council provides the maximum number of opportunities to fall student-athletes to participate in NCAA championships while still being fiscally responsible," Denise Trauth, acting board member and Texas State president, said in an NCAA press release. "We look forward to the spring, understanding things will look a little different but knowing the competitions will be just as meaningful as in normal circumstances."

At the University of Idaho, football, men's and women's cross country, women's soccer and volleyball have been set for spring competition.

Cross country is set to start Jan. 23, soccer starts Feb. 3 and volleyball begins Jan. 22. Championships for cross country will begin March 15, soccer playoffs will conclude by mid-May and volleyball's postseason is set to end in the third week of

NCAA Championships	Playoff Bracket Size	Automatic Playoff Qualifiers	Open Playoff Spots	First Practice	First Competition	Seeding Selections	Championship Dates
Men's and Women's Cross Country	225 per gender	N/A	255 per gender	Institutional Discretion	Jan. 23	March 6	March 15
Football	16	11	5	Institutional Discretion	Institutional Discretion	April 18	May 14-16 (exact date TBD)
Women's Soccer	48	31	17	Institutional Discretion	Feb. 3	April 18	May 13-17
Women's Volleyball	48	32	16	Institutional Discretion	Jan. 22	April 4	April 23-25

Joey Cisneros | Argonaut

Data from NCAA

March. All sports will follow an alternate schedule format for regular season and playoff competition. Playoff selections will be revealed two to four weeks before the championships depending on the sport.

According to the NCAA, the board concluded that venues for each postseason must be predetermined and sites for preliminary playoff rounds should be reduced to support health and safety and operational management of the championships this spring.

Practices for all sports will be decided by each school with Sept. 21 as the start date for on-field football practice.

For football, an eight game regular season will be played in a 13 week period with the last regular season game occurring no later than April 17. The FCS football playoff bracket will be cut from 24 teams to 16. 11 teams will earn an automatic playoff berth as their conference's champions. Conference

championship games can be added and there is still potential bowl game appearances.

FCS competition begins at each school's discretion, football playoffs begin April 18 and will be played through May 15 according to a proposal made by the NCAA Division I Council on Wednesday. The plan will need to be approved by the Division I Board of Directors next week.

UI Athletics is currently working on when teams will officially begin practice as opposed to the current offseason workouts.

"At this point, football is moving forward with its offseason (traditional spring ball)," Joe St. Pierre, Director of UI Athletic Communications, said. "Obviously a lot will look very different, and we're definitely still figuring all that out, but it is nice to see things moving forward. We're incredibly proud of our protocols and the way the student-athletes and staffs have responded to the adjustments."

In 2020-21, programs have the choice between "fall ball" or "spring practice" but not both. Programs participating in fall ball cannot have preseason practice or competition before Jan. 1. Programs participating in fall ball during Fall 2020 must follow the spring practice model. Any midyear enrollees for FCS programs will be prohibited from competition in the spring season. This ruling will apply to FBS programs as well.

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FOOTBALL

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl



Nevada's Wide Receiver Elijah Cooks gets tackled by tow Ohio players during the Potato Bowl on Jan. 3.

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Plans for the 2021 Potato Bowl are unsure amid the pandemic

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The Famous Idaho Potato Bowl has been an annual game for over 20 years, hosting a variety of colleges and being the longest-running cold weather bowl game for college football, but its playing streak might be interrupted this season.

While a date for the game has not been announced yet, Events Coordinator Katy Murphee said that they don't know whether they will actually have one or not.

"We don't have a definitive answer from ESPN," Murphee said. "We just don't know what's going to happen with Mountain West, if they're trying to play

again. There's just a lot of things up in the air and things that change."

If the event is hosted, it's sure to see some changes compared to how games have gone in the past, whether it is adhering to safety protocols or being outright canceled.

Anna Negron, senior publicist at ESPN, said in the case of the Potato Bowl continuing, guidelines from the CDC, NCAA and the state will all affect the plans for the game.

As reported by KTVB, an email was sent out to BSU season ticket holders with information about COVID-19 safety protocols.

Negron said local guidelines would dictate ticket plans. With social distancing and universal masking implemented, as well as a no-bag policy, the number

of tickets being sold could significantly decrease.

"Ticket sales represent an important piece of the overall financial framework," Negron said.

CDC guidelines for playing sports include bringing personal equipment, reducing physical closeness wherever possible, wearing a mask, players washing hands before and after practices as well as after sharing equipment. If a player feels sick, they should tell their coach or stay home, according to the CDC.

The NCAA guidelines get into more detail by going over the best ways to prevent community spread. According to the guidelines, testing strategies should be in place for all athletic activities, daily self-health checks, social distancing, masks or face shields, a two-week

quarantine for those considered high risk, outdoor training or competition and hand sanitation are all among the protocols for college athletics. These apply to all athletics, employees and student-athletes.

With Idaho currently in Stage 4 of Idaho Rebounds, any size gathering is allowed, but people in attendance are expected to social distance, wear a mask, wash their hands as often as possible and stay home if they feel ill.

"ESPN Events continues to evaluate the next steps for our owned and operated events as conferences make decisions on their seasons," ESPN said in a statement.

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ATHLETICS

How UI athletic trainers brought back student athletes

Chris Walsh, UI head athletic trainer, awarded Athletic Trainer of the Week for his efforts in helping student athletes during COVID-19 pandemic

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Athletes and coaches are the most commonly celebrated individuals when it comes to sports but the ones who treat the athletes are barely recognized. Chris Walsh, UI director of Athletic Training Services, adapted to the revolving situation around COVID-19 testing and treatment. His efforts were recognized and he was named Athletic Trainer of the Week on Aug. 31 by Mueller Sports Medicine.

"The award is cool to get but we don't do what we do to get awards," Walsh said. "It's really the job itself, getting to work with student athletes is the rewarding part."

Walsh has been the head athletic trainer for UI since January 2019 and serves as the co-chair of the Big Sky Conference health and safety committee. Walsh trained under National Athletic Training Association Hall of Famer Barrie Steele and was promoted after Steele retired in 2019.

Athletic trainers like Walsh across every college program in the country had to adjust how they were going to assess student athletes, and what the safest alternatives were in COVID-19 testing and treating injuries.

Walsh and his staff adapted to these changes by brainstorming a plan to decide what the next action to take was.

"From about the beginning of April on, we have been brainstorming and planning how to get student athletes back in a safe manner," Walsh said. "A lot of time and effort was put into that from my staff and the department as a whole. We were very methodical about how we brought student athletes back."

Walsh sat down with UI Director of Athletics Terry Gawlik and Vandal Health Clinic provider Dr. Jacob Christensen to discuss a way to bring

athletes back. When formulating a new plan, the group wasn't able to decide when looking at other schools, with some programs not testing athletes and having different protocols.

"We thought 'If we are going to do this, we are going to do this the right way,'" Walsh said. "Terry was 100% on board, the campus has been 100% on board and the President (C. Scott Green) has as well. That took a lot of uncertainty out of what the cost would be which was nice. We were doing the right thing."

With the relationship with Gritman Medical Center and Moscow Family Medicine, setting up testing was not a problem. Walsh said that all athletes that returned during the summer were screened after their quarantine period. Walsh and his staff have continuously followed protocols from the CDC, public health and the NCAA.

"There were some positives in those mixes, but this is why we test," Walsh said. "We test so that we can find the positives, handle it and have that information."

This process allowed for Walsh and his staff to safely bring student athletes back to campus with every athlete being tested. They will continue to surveillance test for student athletes, but that does depend on the sport. High contact sports like football, soccer, basketball and volleyball will have increased surveillance testing, and it could increase if the NCAA makes changes Walsh said. The athletic training room has limited their hours and changed their open door policy this year. They will now be scheduling appointments, and the amount of people in the athletic training room will be more controlled in order to maintain safety.

Athletes participating in team activities are required to go through daily temperature screenings along with COVID-19 symptom checks.

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BSC

Vandal Spirit Squad plans for the year

Despite uncertainty among events, Vandal Spirit Squad continues to train and prepare

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Following the cancellation of Big Sky's fall sports and other events this semester, the Vandal Spirit Squad is adapting to the pandemic to continue performances.

The squad is working with the University of Idaho to participate at events where they are able to maintain COVID-19 guidelines.

As of now, Head Coach Katie Doman said the team still plans on performing for basketball games this semester.

Doman said the squad is performing at events as requested, including an upcoming residence hall event and performances related to homecoming. As an alternative to in-person showings, the squad will also be doing some performances virtually.

"It's a little different since we don't have anyone to perform for right now," Doman said. "But we're keeping our fingers crossed for spring."

Practices have been adjusted to follow university protocols for social distancing and other precautions. The squad is also taking into account protocols from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Varsity Spirit, an organization for dance and cheer.

In addition to enforcing masks, precautions include monitoring for symptoms, checking temperatures and breaking up practices into smaller groups.

At the squad's main practice area, the Student Recreation Center, Doman said cheer specific and dance specific practices are being held to help limit the number of people.

Each smaller group has practice twice a week with a full program practice once a week. Doman has been using cones to mark and maintain social distancing outdoors with the full practice group of roughly 30 students. Morning workouts are being

replaced by online High Intensity Interval Training that can be completed at home.

"We feel that in place all of these protocols will help keep our athletes safe, healthy and continue to progress our level of skill and fitness," Spirit Squad Assistant Coach Morgan McGee said.

McGee said the coaching staff has created different practice plans to adapt as situations may change with COVID-19.

"Some of our roles as the Spirit Squad for the University of Idaho are to motivate, inspire and entertain Vandal Fans at games and events," McGee said. "With Big Sky being postponed until spring we are definitely having to revamp and reimagine how this is done."

According to McGee, one way the squad is trying to stay engaged with the community is through social media, with the team's Facebook, Instagram and TikTok.

Doman wants to keep students' health, both physical and mental, in mind during a particularly stressful semester.

"We are trying to be as flexible and adaptable as possible," Doman said. "To make sure we are keeping students safe and healthy, being understanding."

Amid concerns due to the pandemic, Doman said she hopes to continue providing members of the squad with the experience that gives them a break from their academics.

"My overall hope is just that students are enjoying themselves and have a creative outlet," Doman said. "The biggest thing is for us to give them that resource."

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Opinion

No transparency without clarity

If we are going to call ourselves "brave and bold" we need to act like it

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The University of Idaho has been lagging behind other universities in the state when creating plans for COVID-19 and presenting test results. The lack of clear communication and transparency has led to result numbers being unclear and simply not up to par with other schools.

Boise State University has both the accumulative cases and new cases for their campus testing divided into demographics, while Idaho State University shows new cases weekly from each of its campuses in the state. The College of Idaho and Lewis-Clark State College have similar measures for presenting data, none being perfect, but all being preferable over UI's.

The testing numbers that are being published show total positive tests for that week, with no indication if those include positive tests from prior weeks and how many students have recovered. Rather than clarify, they post disclaimers stating that the results posted do not represent the total number of swabs collected, the total number of unique individuals tested or the number of infectious cases. We are left to assume what

the disclaimers mean when compared to the published results, but that is the issue. There should be no assumptions on what data represents, especially when it comes to COVID-19.

President C. Scott Green ran on a platform of not only being a Vandal, but being an open door to the UI community, showing not just the final outcome, but the decisions leading to it.

The UI administration has shown time and time again that while they preach transparency, they don't practice it. They demonstrated their lack of openness all summer when they did not clearly tell all students, faculty and staff about plans for Fall 2020. All we heard were vague hints.

Barely a month before the start of classes, on July 16, Green sent out a memo which stated "We will be delivering excellent in-person education beginning Aug. 24. It will look a bit different, of course, and will require flexibility and agility by each of us."

This was the same memo that announced all classes after Thanksgiving Break would be online, along with the cancellation of winter commencement. Going through all of the president's memos,

the lead of other universities in similar situations, and rather poorly at that. If UI is going to be a follower, why is the administration not following the reporting model that everyone else is doing?

We want clarity and we want it before final decisions are being made, not after the storm hits us.

We aren't saying everything UI is doing is bad. The fact we're testing at all is a good thing, and there is not a university out there doing everything perfectly.

The reality is, no matter how much we prepared, a worldwide pandemic isn't how we expected 2020 to go down.

Nobody expected to be releasing the number of infected students or to suddenly have to learn how to teach on a video platform, and we're still adjusting.

However, just because we're doing something right does not mean we're doing nothing wrong. There's always something that can be improved, and the university should be

making efforts to do the work to improve it.

Comprehensive and comparable testing numbers are important not only to journalists, but to the students, faculty, staff and community members in the Moscow area. UI can do better, and if we're really going to call ourselves "brave and bold," we need to strive to do better.

It is the university's job to keep students, faculty, staff and community members informed. We must be doing this in the most precise and comprehensible way.

President Green ran with transparency in his platform. We must stop creating situations where people need to ask questions to understand what is being conveyed. COVID-19 testing must communicate current results in an orderly fashion which can be easily understood, not expecting others to assume what it actually represents.

Give the community clear accumulative records, positive and negative tests and results over time. The current system is not transparent and must be updated daily, or at least three times a week. Covid19questions@uidaho.edu can only do so much.

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this is not the first or last time he talked about something important so vaguely.

UI claims to be leading the way, being the host of brave and bold decisions, but all of these decisions are following

SHE DEAD

RBG lives on through legacy

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg leaves an unforgettable footprint on America

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I've always enjoyed the idea that someone can live an eternity as long as they are remembered after they die. I find motivation in the thought of being remembered for who I am and what I did long after I die. Hopefully those left behind would find motivation in their memories of me too. I will strive to become someone like this as I continue to live.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is one of those people whose life will be continued through memory for a very, very long time. She led a life of action, becoming an idol in modern America for her legal, cultural and feministic accomplishments.

The Supreme Court announced Ginsburg had died on Sept. 18 from complications with pancreatic cancer at the age of 87. She had first been diagnosed with early stage pancreatic cancer in 2009.

Ginsburg took an open seat on the Supreme Court in 1993, becoming the second woman to do so. Six years later she had her first public medical issue with a surgery treating colon cancer. Over the years, Ginsburg remained a powerful force on the bench despite her increasing health complications.

Ginsburg's legacy of strength did not begin with the battle for health or her seat on the Supreme Court. Her historic headway in feminism began in the 70s with her promotion of gender equality in the courts.

Ginsburg became the first female tenured professor at Columbia Law School after struggling through her studies and motherhood simultaneously. She strived for equal rights throughout her entire career, especially when it came to interpreting the 14th Amendment.

"The words of the 14th Amendment's equal protection clause — 'nor shall any state deny to any person the equal

protection of the laws,'" Ginsburg said in an interview with National Public Radio. "Well that word, 'any person,' covers women as well as men. And the Supreme Court woke up to that reality in 1971." We see the effects of this rendition of the 14th Amendment today. Women have more control over their bodies as the years go on. Women have better access to health care and birth control. Women can join the armed forces and, more than that, they can join the forces in a combat role.

That last one affects me on an incredibly deep level. I love my job as a combat engineer. Joining the Army has been so beneficial for my financial, social and mental health, and I couldn't imagine my life being any other way. I wouldn't have been able to do this if Ginsburg hadn't helped create this view of equality for all people, not just men.

Ginsburg is now lying in state in the U.S. Capitol, and is the first woman to do so. Even in death she continues to meet what used to seem like unreachable milestones for women.

Ginsburg is the embodiment of strength, endurance, confidence and equality. Her legacy has changed this country forever. She has led the way to a new America for everyone—a better America.

Don't let Ginsburg's death, and the surely horrendous political aftermath, subtract from all that she has built up. Fight like she did for women's rights, equal rights and gender equality.

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POLITICS

America's Greatest Threat to Freedom of Thought

Trump's notion of forcefully teaching pro-American values perpetuates a dangerous precedent

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A "pro-American curriculum" is the closest American politics has come toward resorting to fascism.

On Sept. 17, President Donald Trump announced a program dubbed the 1776 Commission. Described as a pro-American curriculum, this so-called patriotic education would aim to rid American's education system of its "twisted web of lies."

This twisted web of lies originates from the growing political divide ridden in American ideology. One side of the debate argues for America's supremacy over other countries in terms of well-being and personal freedom. The other critiques. And, of course, there is everyone in between.

America's history is overwhelmingly controlled by atrocities and hypocrisy. Manifest destiny, Native American genocide, slavery, indoctrination, WWI, WWII, corrupted politicians, homophobia, the AIDs epidemic, a broken judicial system, a broken healthcare system, Vietnam, unequal distributions of wealth. The list could carry on and on.

There is a lot of confusion when it comes to distinguishing the very fine line between patriotism and nationalism. As it stands, America is a land of nationalists. A land of men and women who refuse to admit America's failings of the past and of the present. There is nothing patriotic about ignoring the truth.

Patriotism is recognizing our failings and aiming to do right by them, apologizing for our faults, mending our cracks and listening with empathy. Patriotism is wanting the best for America, but not settling for what it is now.

When the man in charge, the one who is supposed to be the most

American of all of us, refuses to acknowledge our wrong doings, the future image of America fractures. When the man in charge wishes to perpetuate the same ignorant notion to impressionable children, he has failed the future of America.

Students should learn ALL of America's history in order to hold a properly informed opinion. If a student chooses to dislike and critique America based on its entire history, that is their own jurisdiction. As the same for a student who would choose to like and approve of America.

The issue with patriotic education is not wanting children to like America. The issue is that they aren't given the choice. We were built on choosing. We were built on freedom—the freedom of speech, the freedom of thought, the freedom to be free.

Historically, similar patriotic education systems exist in fascist settings. The 1776 Commission could infamously be compared to Hitler Youth. Are we at that stage? No, nowhere close. But it shouldn't even be in our conversations.

Letting Americans learn our distasteful past will only result in progression. Setting a consistent pro-America norm will result in an aggressive cycle of arrogance.

Nonetheless, the federal government has no jurisdiction in determining what schools teach. We are in unprecedented times, however. Keeping our thoughts within the wheelhouse will help aid the fight against this notion.

Be wary of the future. Be open to the past. There is no shame in teaching our faults. Be patriotic, not nationalist.

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COVID-19

Panic v. Responsibility

Trump's had more choices than lying and panic



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It recently came to light the White House cancelled the U.S. Postal Service's plans to send 650 million masks to U.S. residents last April. This plan would've put five reusable face masks in every post office box across the country. The idea was courtesy of the Department of Health and Human Services, which is a Republican controlled department.

The postmaster general at the time, Megan J. Brennan, said her department was, "uniquely suited to undertake this historic mission of delivering face coverings to every American household in the fight against the COVID-19 virus."

So, what was the reason for canceling this great program? According to Vice President Mike Pence's office, "households receiving masks might create concern or panic."

The fear of inciting panic has been an ongoing excuse from this administration. In President Donald Trump's interview with Bob Woodward, a former journalist for The Washington Post, he claimed downplaying the virus was his way of avoiding widespread panic. Forgetting for a moment while he was keeping people from panicking about COVID-19, he was inciting panic towards peaceful Black Lives Matter protesters.

What I want to bring your attention to is the president's options weren't limited to just panic. He wasn't caught up between a rock and a hard place trying to decide whether lying or inciting panic was better. What he should've done (and I guarantee you he never considered) was take responsibility.

If you listened to Fox News in

the wake of the publishing of Woodward's book, you would've heard the sounds of them bending over backwards to support the president's decisions. If you asked the Fox News "All Star Panel," Trump had no choice except to lie to the American people.

One of these "all stars," The Washington Times Opinion Editor Charles Hurt, defended Trump, saying "I do understand why the president doesn't walk out and say oh my gosh, we have got a pandemic. Everything is on fire."

But the thing is, he didn't have to say that. All he had to do was listen to Dr. Anthony Fauci. Fauci wasn't inciting panic. He was advising people to start taking protective measures for themselves and others to prevent contracting COVID-19. Fauci found the illusive middle ground between panic and misinformation Trump and Fox News can't seem to track down.

Considering this, why did Trump handle COVID-19 the way he did? Why did he choose to misinform everyone about the dangers and how to stop it? Why didn't the White House follow through with plans to deliver five masks to every P.O. box? One word. Appearances.

That's what this has all been about. Trump is afraid if he admits there is a problem, it would reflect badly on him. It's the same reason why he reduced testing. If it appears like our country is failing at containing the pandemic, people might not want to vote for him. Trump is willing to sacrifice real human lives for his own public image. No matter how much Trump spends to get reelected, the real cost was 199,462 American lives lost to the pandemic, as of Sept. 22 according to the CDC. That number should be hard for anyone to swallow.

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ENVIRONMENT

Wildfires won't go away

Climate change is causing these wildfires but we're still blaming the trees



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Last week the skies in my hometown turned red, then black. My family evacuated our home in Canby, Oregon, loading what they could into our small camper and leaving to stay with friends on the west side of the Willamette River. From 300 miles away in Moscow, there was next to nothing I could do for them while they wondered whether they would have a home to go back to the next day.

They're back home now, safe and sound, and the recent rain has cleared the smoke out of the air. Things can go back to normal, for now. But what about next time? I spent all summer working to assess the damage wrought on our forests by poor forest management practices, and it just all became very personal, very quickly.

Fire is a natural part of our ecosystem here in the North American West. Our forests, lakes, streams and wildlife HAVE adapted to it. Or they HAD, until we established a policy of complete fire suppression for nearly a century, while simultaneously turning up the climate thermostat.

Now, the historic fire cycle has evolved. Instead of hundred-year megafires, we're lucky if we get a few years off. Invasive grasses that thrive in fire-razed landscapes proliferate, then dry up just in time to facilitate the next big burn. The climate gets warmer and drier, and the fires keep coming.

We crave an easy solution, a magic shield that will keep our homes and families safe from wildfire. But removing already established invasive plants is incredibly difficult, if not impossible. Fixing climate change would require our state leaders to acknowledge that such a phenomenon exists in the first

place. Instead, we turn to the myth of forest management for comfort.

There is not convincing evidence that logging prevents wildfires, but that doesn't stop the Forest Service from using our fear of wildfire to justify selling our National Forest land for logging. Preventative thinning projects remove tree species they deem too vulnerable to fire. Already-burnt stands of trees are "salvage" harvested, because we can't let all of that timber go to waste. Some "at risk" acres are clear-cut entirely, in the name of protecting the forest from wildfire.

True — absent trees can't burn. However, in the process of logging, more roads are constructed to access these work sites, which stir up dust and spread non-native species. And, by removing huge swaths of our forests at a time, we are chopping away at one of Earth's biggest absorbers of carbon dioxide and our lifeline in the single biggest crisis of our lifetimes.

Fire-scorched trees are essential habitat components for Idaho's wildlife. A rich, dense understory composition is part of a healthy old growth stand. Trees thin themselves naturally, through competition for light, and the trees that die recycle their nutrients back into the soil for the next generation of trees. None of our fire-prevention strategies should interfere with these processes that nature keeps in balance on our behalf. Forest management should focus on preserving these critical processes, rather than finding sneaky back doors into timber sales in the name of fire management.

The solution, if we get to it in time, will come from addressing climate change. Every day we distract ourselves with red-herring solutions, our time to slow planetary warming melts away. We, in the western United States, are experiencing a sample of what's to come if we fail to act — now is our time to rise up as climate advocates and ensure that this does not become our new normal.

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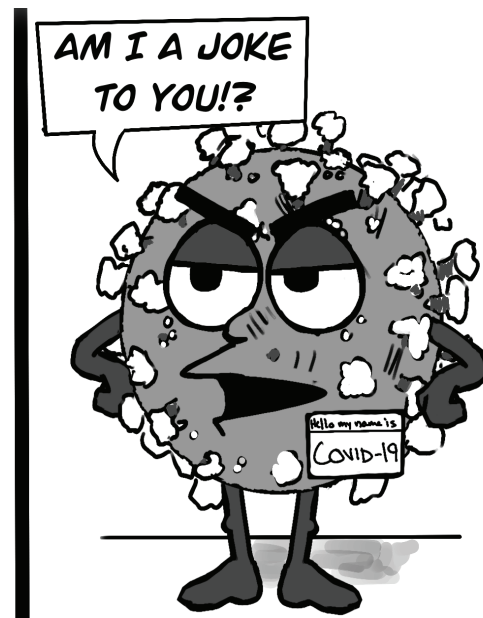
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