

# BYU Cambodian Oral History Project connects generations

By EMMA BENSON

Chea Raet, an 83-year-old woman who lives in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, clearly remembers the horrific events surrounding the Cambodian genocide under the Khmer Rouge regime.

Her husband, a soldier during the French period, died under the demanding work of maneuvering motorboats to help soldiers cross the river.

"I just cried and cried," she said. She remembers moaning, "My husband is dead. If my kids die, I will too."

Her children were taken from her under false pretenses and deceitful government officials told her they would be going to school. But she soon saw them giving her kids' clothes out to others, and she knew they had been killed.

She recalls being taken by Khmer Rouge soldiers, hit in the head with a farming tool and thrown into a deep pit on top of a pile of bodies. But, unlike so many others, she lived to tell her story.

From 1975 to 1979, Raet and the country of Cambodia lived in terror under the reign of the Khmer Rouge communist party and its leader, Pol Pot. Millions of Cambodian people were kicked out of their homes, forced to labor in rice fields without adequate food or rest and dragged to treacherous prisons where they were tortured and later executed.

Those seen as potential threats, specifically educated people, were targeted: teachers, doctors, even those who wore glasses. Nearly two million Cambodian lives, one-fourth of the country's population at that time, were destroyed.

For various reasons, including a lack of records and especially painful and traumatic memories, some of the survivors have never shared the stories of



Matt Boyd

Him Hen stands with his daughter, Him Sophea and his grandchild. The family is part of the Cambodian Oral History Project. Scan the photo with the *Universe Plus* app to watch a video from the project.



their past. Until now.

The Cambodian Oral History Project, formally launched in 2016, aims to capture stories like those of Chea Raet and others who lived through the Khmer Rouge regime and keep them from fading, according to director of the project Dana Scott Bourgerie, a BYU professor and chair of the Department of Asian

and Near Eastern Languages.

According to the Cambodian Oral History Project website, "One-third of the adult population (was) killed during the purges," and many records were destroyed. Because the remainder of Khmer Rouge survivors are currently dying off, their stories are inevitably lost, and "many of Cambodia's younger

generation hardly know their families' backgrounds."

To document these stories, Bourgerie created a specific approach to the project. "We have young people (natives in Cambodia) do interviews with their parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts," he said.

Peer mentors in Cambodia train

youths in interview skills and techniques, which they use to interview their family members. The interview protocol includes basic demographic questions, such as birthdate and hometown, although some don't even remember when they were born.

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## Utah Cold Case Coalition declares August Cold Case Month

By SYDNEE GONZALEZ

Two decades ago Stephanie Farrell's mother dropped her off at a friend's house while she ran some errands. Farrell, who was 5 years old at the time, would never see her mother again. "I fell asleep at the window waiting for her to come home," said Farrell. "She never came home."

Over 20 years later, Farrell still searches for answers. "This is my whole life," said Farrell. "My whole life has been spent trying to answer what happened to my mom."

Farrell isn't alone in her search for answers. Family members of over 200 Utah cold case victims fight for closure — usually for years and sometimes decades.

The Utah Cold Case Coalition is taking on the task of solving these cases. At a press conference on July 31, it announced a \$3000 reward for information leading to a conviction and a campaign for "Cold Case Month" throughout August.

Family members present hope the coalition's efforts will bring them closer to the closure they've been longing for.

"My hope is with the reward that somebody will come forward with information allowing us to find a body or her alive," said Farrell.

Ogden Police Captain Danielle Croyle said in order to solve these cases they need help from the public. "We need resources. We need information from the community. We need to have support networks so we can make sure families continue to get closure."

Karra Porter, one of the coalition's founders, echoed this statement. "We need people who have services or who have skills no matter what they are."

Porter said that despite having "a



Abigail Keenan

Andrew and Ina Rodriguez hold pictures of Cody Rodriguez, who died from a bullet wound to the head in September 2008.

very solid lead" on the location of a body and being authorized by local law enforcement — who don't have the resources to find the body — they have been unable to find a company willing to perform ground penetration services. She hopes people will volunteer to help the coalition overcome difficulties like this one.

Tom Harvey — one of the coalition's founders and a former Salt Lake Tribune reporter — also encouraged individuals who have had their DNA tested to donate their genetic information to GEDMatch.com.

Harvey said that other cold cases have been solved as a result of genetic matches, including the Golden State killer case, which had been cold for

nearly four decades. The coalition hopes to replicate this in Utah cold cases.

Individuals with leads on any cold cases should call the coalition's 24/7 tip line: 385-CLUE-313 or visit its Facebook page.

Nancy Montoya lost her sister-in-law nearly 40 years ago. Joyce "Tina" Gallegos was later found in the Ogden dam in 1982 with two bullet wounds to the head. Montoya hopes people will use the coalition's resources to speak up about what they know.

"After all these years it still hurts," said Montoya. "I would hope that someone would come forward. I know there are people that know information. I just hope that it gets solved."

## New leadership forming at BYU football camp

By ABIGAIL KEENAN

BYU football's first official practice was held on August 3. Though the results of the coming season are up in the air, signs of hope and changes in the coaching staff and team roster indicate high energy.

The practice fields were covered in navy and white uniforms, mixing offensive and defensive players for an end-of-practice scrimmage.

Since a set quarterback hasn't been assigned for the season, Joe Critchlow, Tanner Mangum, Baylor Romney and Zach Wilson all took turns making plays. Each player ran a different set against the teams and successfully carried on amid the constant changeup.

One quarterback who isn't in the mix this year is Beau Hoge. He recently switched positions to running back and will not be wearing a green jersey this season.

"It's great. I love seeing him out there. He's always been a strong, muscular specimen. So to see him on the backfield — it fits him," Mangum said.

Coach Kalani Sitake also commended Hoge for his strong performance in practice.

"I think he has the genes for it. I thought he fit really comfortable and did some really good things in the past routes and protections. I'm really excited to see him in that position," he said.

Though secure spots for positions haven't been determined, Sitake likes the energy and competitiveness it brings to the team. Critchlow said the current competition is challenging each player to be better.

"We push each other in different ways. All the quarterbacks here,



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Tanner Mangum throws a pass during his first official practice of the season. The BYU Cougars are currently preparing for the 2018 football season.

they're great guys, have a lot of talent. I feel like with such a wide variety of talent and skills, it motivates and pushes us all to get better," Critchlow said.

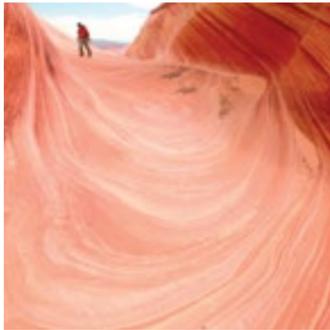
Defensive leadership roles are being determined as well. Senior linebacker Butch Pau'u commended fellow linebacker Zayne Anderson for taking charge.

"Zayne Anderson has taken the role of making sure that us as linebackers can move well and have great hit mobility and be light on our feet," he said.

The Cougars' 2018 season will kick off in Tucson, Arizona, against the University of Arizona on September 1.

# UNIVERSE news briefs

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## Missing Boy Scout found OK in eastern Utah

A 15-year-old Boy Scout who had been reported missing since going mountain biking with his troop near Moab in eastern Utah has been found safe and in good condition.

The Grand County Sheriff's Office says Kyler Wood of Vineyard was spotted on August 4 by a state Department of Public Safety helicopter.

The boy was reported missing on August 3.

The Sheriff's Office said he was found in the Gemini Bridges area about 10 miles (16 kilometers) northwest of Moab.



## Trump reimposes sanctions on Iran

President Donald Trump signed an executive order August 6 reimposing many sanctions on Iran, three months after pulling out of the Iran nuclear deal, saying the U.S. policy is to levy "maximum economic pressure" on the country.

Trump said in a statement the 2015 international accord to freeze Iran's nuclear program in return for lifting sanctions was a "horrible, one-sided deal" and said it left the Iranian government flush with cash to use to fuel conflict in the Middle East.



## Thousands left homeless by quake in Indonesia

Thousands of people were left homeless by a powerful quake on August 6 that ruptured roads and flattened buildings on the Indonesian tourist island of Lombok sheltered in makeshift tents. Authorities said rescuers hadn't yet reached all devastated areas and expect the toll of 98 dead to climb.

It was the second deadly quake in a week to hit Lombok, a less-developed island compared with its more famous neighbor Bali, where the tremors caused panic and damaged buildings.



## Poland defender Piszczek quits after World Cup

Poland defender Lukas Piszczek says he is quitting the national team following a poor World Cup performance. He wrote on Instagram that he was taking a "hard but rational" decision and was ending his "adventure with the representation."

In an interview for Wirtualna Polska news portal, the 33-year-old Borussia Dortmund defender said his performance was a "great surprise" to him and that his physical condition failed him at the tournament in Russia.

Poland was eliminated in the group stage.



## New caps on MoviePass discount tix plan

MoviePass, a discount service for movie tickets, is walking back a planned 50 percent price increase following a subscriber backlash. But it will soon impose a cap of three movies per month, instead of one every day.

It's not immediately clear whether MoviePass is completely rescinding a recent policy of barring viewings of most major releases during the first two weeks. MoviePass has grown to 3 million subscribers, from about 20,000, since it slashed monthly rates nearly a year ago to \$10.

## CAMBODIAN

### BYU project records Cambodian history

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Youths also ask interviewees about the hardest time in their lives, what they remember about the Khmer Rouge period, and what they want their children and grandchildren to know. Most of them want their posterity to be "good," "happy" and "have hope," even though life is difficult.

Slowly survivors are opening up and sharing their experiences, and youth are learning more about their family history.

Bourgerie explained that several people think this project is solely about the Khmer Rouge. "But it's not all about that," he said. "It's about their daily lives too. Where they grew up, where they got married, how they met their spouse, what's important to them. It's about getting to know what their life was about."

The interviews are recorded and then uploaded to the cloud. "Some are short, some are long, but they are (all) important in their own way," said Bourgerie.

Bourgerie acknowledged the difficulty of transcribing languages that aren't your own, especially in a foreign language like Khmer. Consequently, only native Cambodians transcribe the interviews. Many local Cambodians and BYU volunteers, including those who served LDS missions in Khmer-speaking areas, assist in the translation

from Khmer to English. So far, over 1,700 interviews have been recorded and are in the process of transcription and translation.

The audio and visual interview transcripts are located on the project's website, and the family of the interviewee receives a copy.

The project has not only affected those in Cambodia and those working on translations but has sparked the interest of others as well.

Bourgerie said he's had a number of contacts intrigued by the academic side of the project, including journalists, folklorists, oral historians and people involved in trauma studies.

Additionally, the project has also caught the attention of LDS genealogy website FamilySearch, which collects stories and information to make them accessible for family history purposes.

Bourgerie also said he and project members have even made a proposal for the coming year to RootsTech, an annual family history conference in Salt Lake City.

"People ask me all the time why I (direct the project). How it's going to help my promotions. But sometimes you don't do things for promotions. It just seemed like the right thing to do," Bourgerie said.

Recently Bourgerie and project members have reached out to Cambodians in Long Beach, California, which is the largest Cambodian refugee community in the United States. Those people want their stories told, too.

The results of the on-going project have already made a

considerable impact. The project not only preserves Cambodian history but connects families and generations.

Keo Somaly, who lives in Phnom Penh and is the current project coordinator in Cambodia, works directly with in-country interns to advance the goals of the project. Through the project, she has learned more about Cambodian history. "I love listening to people's stories," she said in a blog post. "I hope this work will get more and more people to share their family histories."

Somaly explained that through the project, youth can learn more about their own family history. "This project strengthens the relationships between youth and their ancestors," she said. When she works on the project and interviews her own family members, Somaly said she feels close to her ancestors even though she has never met them.

A blog post on the project's website related the experience of Cambodian LDS Church leader Eng Bunhuoch, who interviewed his mother.

"I want to express my gratitude for the oral history (project) My mother passed away recently, and I really miss her. Listening to her voice that I recorded for your program really makes me feel that she is still with me. I can listen to her voice as much as I want to. I can learn and know more about her history and my great-grandparents' and my grandparents' history. I am so grateful for this thoughtful program to record voice to keep for their generations to learn about. Once again, thank you for this program."

## Campus News



EFY health counselors

### COLLEGE OF Nursing

BYU students from the College of Nursing have been working as counselors and health counselors this summer for LDS religious camp Especially for Youth (EFY). Combined, the nursing student counselors have participated in sessions in 14 out of the 18 states where they are held.

Read about the students' experiences on the College of Nursing blog.

### COLLEGE OF Family, Home and Social Sciences

BYU researchers conducted

a study on how prayer impacts family relationships. The results showed that the majority of the 198 Christian, Jewish and Muslim family participants referenced prayer as a means of strengthening family bonds and unity, addressing concerns and resolving conflicts, and teaching children an important ritual.

### MARRIOTT SCHOOL OF Business

BYU Marriott School of Business recently sent out admission decisions to those who applied to various programs within the school. Diana Hilton is one of 80 out of more than 200 undergraduate stu-



Diana Hilton

dents accepted into the global supply chain program, her top choice of major. Global supply chain is one of 10 majors in the Marriott School of Business offered to undergraduate students.

### COLLEGE OF Fine Arts and Communications

One hundred and seventy-four graduates from BYU's College of Fine Arts and Communications will be recognized during the convocation ceremonies on August 17. Scheduled to take place on the deJong Concert Hall stage in the HFAC, four graduates will speak and one will perform a musical number during the ceremony.

## Police Beat

### BYU

#### CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

An unknown individual spray painted images on the staircase wall at the Botany Pond.

#### THEFT

An individual reported a missing or stolen license plate from a vehicle in lot 31. The license plate is listed on the theft national database.

#### THEFT

An individual reported that tools were taken from the MSR.

#### THEFT

An individual reported a book taken from the Hinckley Center.

#### THEFT

An individual reported a wallet taken from a backpack left in a locker room in the Smith Fieldhouse.

#### THEFT

An individual reported a secured bicycle taken from the covered bike racks outside the Jesse Knight Building.

#### STALKING

An individual reported unwanted

continual contact with a former friend in the Jesse Knight Building.

#### FIREWORKS

An officer responded to a report of individuals using fireworks at the Y Trailhead. The officer after speaking with individuals in the area determined that the persons using fireworks had left the area.

#### PROVO

#### FATAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Officers were dispatched to the 2300 block of South State Street for a single-vehicle accident. The vehicle drove into oncoming traffic and struck a power pole. The driver was identified as 47-year-old Rachel Anderson. She was transported to the hospital, where she died.

#### FATAL ACCIDENT

Officers were dispatched to 750 S. Meadow Drive for an accident involving a self-made go-kart. On arrival, officers and medical personnel gave aid to 46-year-old Chad Norton. He was transported to Utah Valley

Hospital, where he was declared dead. Through investigation and witness statements, Norton was traveling south on 700 West when he went over a speed bump, lost control and was thrown from his go-kart.

#### MISSING PERSON

An individual was located by Provo Police. He is safe and at home with his family. Original post: Provo Police asking for assistance in locating a missing adult male, Scott Clayton, W/M, 51 yrs. old, approx. 5'9 thin build weighing approx. 150 lbs., blonde/grey hair. He was last seen in south Provo on July 24. His family is concerned for his welfare. He was last seen wearing a blue baseball cap, blue shirt, and jeans. If you see Scott or know his current whereabouts please contact Provo Police at 801-852-6210 and reference case number 18PR18857.

#### OREM

#### WARRANT ARREST

A man called about a nearly \$400 fraudulent transaction on his credit card. Orem Police is looking into the video surveillance.

#### WARRANT ARREST

A man was arrested after he stole an iPhone.

#### WARRANT ARREST

Three men went into Target and stole \$1,000 worth of DVDs. Two of the three men have been arrested and taken to jail and the third now has a warrant out for his arrest.

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# BYU first university to win accounting award

By ANNA JOHNSON

Brigham Young University is the first university to receive the Institute of Certified Management Accountants Board of Regents Recognition Award.

The ICMA Board of Regents award was received by Parker Davis — a 2015 accounting graduate and former Institute of Management Accountants student chapter officer — on behalf of BYU at the ICMA's Annual Conference and Expo on June 17.

This award and recognition is due to the dedication and focus BYU invests in students taking the Certified Management Accountant exam. Monte Swain, the Deloitte professor of accounting at BYU, said the drive to take the CMA exam takes place in BYU's IMA student chapter.

"We're building out our portfolio of education with this IMA award. We're as strong in management accounting now as we are in financial and tax accounting. We're a triple threat," he said.

Swain also said BYU's IMA student chapter resembles a student rally. "The one thing that makes it unique to what you see with other student clubs is they jointly decided we are going to do the CMA exam, and we are going to support each other in it. They've established this kind of collegial approach."

The collegial approach the

students are taking in the chapter shows overwhelmingly positive results on the CMA exam.

In 2017, BYU had an 89 percent pass rate with 58 individuals who took the exam. For the U.S., the average pass rate is between 50 to 60 percent, which is up from 40 to 50 percent worldwide.

BYU also has many more students who take the exam compared to other universities.

"These students work hard, they're brilliant, and they're collegial, they're in fellowship with each other, and they're not in competition with each other here," Swain said. "Hard work, great work ethic, natively bright, just the bench strength is terrific, and they work together. You can't beat that."

The student chapter is sponsored by the IMA and endorsed by the BYU School of Accountancy. Three faculty advisors — Swain, Bill Tayler, and Steve Smith — helped establish the group.

Christian Hildebrandt, a CMA preparation officer in the chapter, said the club members strengthen each other.

"I think we're all united in the purpose of wanting to succeed together and then also wanting to give back to BYU's good name. I think that's the reason why instead of it being like a competition between students at BYU, we work together to try to help each other make sure we pass the exam," he said.

Cameron Prestwich, the club's marketing officer, also said the group feels like a



BYU IMA student chapter

From left: Rich Swindler, Doug Jepsen, Tyler Day, and Brady Chambers were some of the leaders involved in BYU's IMA student chapter in 2017. Student leaders help other accounting students prepare to take the CMA exam and be successful in their future careers.

family. Older, more experienced members often take the time to help orient new members.

"It's definitely much more of a family atmosphere. I feel like the presidents of this last year, who just graduated, I feel like they definitely kind of took us under their wings and showed us the ropes," he said. "I could

really feel a sincere desire from them that kind of trickled down to everyone else."

The chapter is designed to help BYU students become members of the IMA, receive the CMA certification, and prepare them for a career in accounting.

The activities that the student leadership of the chapter

organizes include information sessions with companies who are looking to hire accountants, case competitions, plant tours, CMA preparation sessions, service activities, and professional development workshops.

Kyle Nordhagen, the president of the chapter, said they're "trying to help students and allow the club to flourish."

BYU is consistently one of the most highly rated recruiting schools of the world's accounting firms, according to Hildebrandt.

"In accounting terms, we've got great raw materials coming in and we've got a great work-in-process. What comes out at the end is wonderful," Swain said.

Student members also attribute a large portion of the success to BYU's program and professors.

"As the officers of the IMA chapter here at BYU, we try to do a lot of events, but honestly, the reason why BYU students do so well is because the accounting program at BYU is amazing," Hildebrandt said. "It really deserves that ranking because the professors here at BYU in accounting are amazing. They're experienced. They're knowledgeable. They're great at teaching."

Receiving the award will only encourage the student chapter to continue to support one another in their future careers and to bring recognition to BYU.

Former BYU IMA co-president Doug Jepsen said "the IMA has been a fantastic experience for my personal career and also for being involved in school. It was a great opportunity for me to get out of the day-to-day of classes and actually be involved in something much bigger than yourself. It was a great group. I received fantastic training, and I'd recommend it to anybody."

# New program could bolster Provo's economy

By SYDNEE GONZALEZ

A new federal program gives investors a tax incentive to invest in low-income areas. Despite mixed feedback from the public, investors and state and city officials are hopeful the program will bolster Utah's economy.

The Opportunity Zones Program was introduced as part of the 2017 federal tax reform legislation. It allows investors to defer federal tax liability on capital gains by placing their profits in Qualified Opportunity Funds.

These funds are set up as partnerships or corporations that will invest in eligible areas, called Opportunity Zones, which are characterized by economic distress. Provo is one of those zones.

Some worry that the program will only reward investors for making investments that they would have made anyway.

According to Ginger Chinn, the managing director of Urban and Rural Business Services in the Utah Governor's Office of Economic Development, this isn't true. "There may be areas where investors see projects that they may not otherwise see."

Jeff Danley, the co-founder of the Utah based venture

company Peak Ventures, said the program "will encourage investment in those opportunity zones where otherwise there might not have been as much development."

Val Hale, the Governor's Office's executive director, agrees with Chinn and Burningham. Hale said usually investors won't spend money in areas that are not doing well economically, but that this will change with the program.

"This program opens the door for investment to flow into some of these distressed areas," Hale said. "I think you will see money flowing into those areas."

According to Danley, a lot of people are still unraveling the program. "We're having a hard time figuring out how to make opportunity zones work for us and I think that's true for a lot of developments and investors."

Danley said the program doesn't quite fit into what they're used to doing.

"We're trying to find the best companies to invest in," said Danley "We're not in the business of telling them where they have to locate. If we happen to find an investment located in an investment zone that's great."

Due to challenges like this, Planning Director for Mountainland Association of Governments Shawn Seager

believes that each city needs to decide how to market the individual opportunity zones within their boundaries.

"There really is no action that we can take as an organization on these opportunity zones," said Seager. "It's really left up to the cities to try to pursue the tax initiatives that are offered."

Provo City Business Development Coordinator Cameron Christensen said the city is currently coming up with a strategy on how to market the city's opportunity zones.

"This is a fairly new program," Christensen said. "We're still kind of going down that road of how to properly market them and how to make developers aware of the locations in Provo."

Even though the program is in its infancy, Christensen is hopeful. "Provo is in a unique position," said Christensen. "We're looking at all types of investments in Provo. We're always willing to have a conversation with any type of investor."

Possible types of developments range from affordable housing to retail spaces. Christensen said that specific development types will be a question of zoning.

One common criticism of the program is that it will only serve to make the 'rich' richer. Christensen said that's not the

case.

"It's not just appealing to the rich, Christensen said. "If Sally Sue and Joe Shmoe want to take the capital interest from selling their house and invest it into these opportunity zones, they can absolutely can do that.

It's all under the umbrella."

Chinn said it's possible, but she believes it's still too early on to see how things will play out.

"A lot of the rules to the game have not been established," she said, referencing the fact that

the nation is still waiting on the U.S. Treasury to disseminate all the information on how the program will play out.

Regardless of what information has yet to be released, Chinn said "it behooves us to try to see how it will work."

## TODAY

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This event will also be broadcast to the JSB Auditorium.



**Eric D. Huntsman**

BYU Professor, Ancient Scripture

Eric Huntsman graduated from BYU in 1990 with a double major in classical Greek and Latin. He then completed his MA and PhD in ancient history from the University of Pennsylvania. After teaching classics at BYU from 1994 to 2003, he then transferred to Religious Education, where he is a professor of ancient scripture. His teaching emphasis and scholarly work focuses on the New Testament Gospels, especially the Gospel of John.

After teaching at the BYU Jerusalem Center from 2011 to 2012, he was appointed coordinator of the Ancient Near Eastern Studies program in the Kennedy

Center for International Studies. This fall he begins a two-year appointment as one of the co-chairs of the Faculty Advisory Committee and is scheduled to return to Jerusalem for a two-year appointment as the academic director of the Jerusalem Center Program in 2020.

Brother Huntsman has served as a full-time missionary in the Thailand Bangkok Mission and as a bishop in Provo, Utah. He is currently an ordinance worker in the Provo Temple and has been singing with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir since 2003. He and his wife, Elaine, are the parents of two children.

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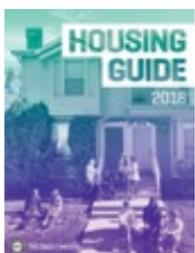
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# BYU grads help families struggling with infertility

By ANNA JOHNSON

Makayla Andrus hoped to have children once she completed her major in elementary education and graduated from BYU. After her first and second miscarriages, people told her, “You’re OK. It happens to everyone.”

But the miscarriages continued. Andrus was soon diagnosed with balanced translocation, a genetic disorder that ends 80 percent of pregnancies in miscarriage.

Makayla and her husband, Kyle, determined in vitro fertilization treatments would cost them \$20,000 with a 10 percent chance of success. But two weeks before starting the IVF treatments, Makayla got pregnant. This time, the pregnancy went full-term.

After seeing the high costs associated with IVF procedure, Makayla and her brother-in-law, Braden Andrus, founded Declan Roe. Their objective is to help finance families struggling with infertility so they can afford IVF, adoption or surrogacy.

“We made a vow then that if we were ever in a position to help couples that are struggling with the cost of infertility that we would do something to help. We’re hoping that Declan Roe is the answer to that commitment,” Makayla said.

Declan Roe launched in April 2018 and specializes in selling clothing for babies and children. Declan Roe donates 15 percent of its profits to families experiencing infertility. Makayla credits Kyle with the idea to go into business for a good cause.

“He had the idea at like 2:30



Declan Roe

From left: Braden Andrus, Makayla Andrus holding her 21-month-old son, and Kyle Andrus. Braden and Makayla are dedicated to helping families struggling with infertility through their company Declan Roe.

in the morning when I was sleeping and he woke me up and was like, ‘You’ve got to hear this idea.’ I somehow went for it. It wasn’t really like me. I’m a more cautious, let-me-think-about-it kind of person. Something just snapped inside of me and I was like, ‘That is it. Let’s do it,’” Makayla said.

Braden, who majored in accounting at BYU, had his own experience that helped turn his attention towards adoption. While in school, he

went on a study abroad to a maternal clinic in Ghana.

Braden heard many stories about how the women were getting abortions in physically gruesome ways because they did not have the financial means to provide for children. Hearing these stories made Braden reflect on adoption and how he could help lessen the financial burden on those trying to adopt.

“Because of those two unique circumstances, we

decided to start something that we think can really help people in the future,” he said.

Declan Roe is focused on making shopping for children’s clothes an all-around good experience. The Andruses also make sure clothing and accessory prices are manageable for buyers.

“It’s a deal site, so we want to make sure it’s a good deal,” Braden said.

Declan Roe partnered with volunteer-based non-profit

organization Bundled Blessings to help distribute the funds donated to families in need.

“The more we grow, the more we can give. I would love to be able to give to several different families all throughout the U.S. grants for infertility, intrauterine insemination, IVFs, surrogacy, adoption or whatever their method of extending their family is,” Makayla said.

Santanna Kaiserman, the

marketing specialist for Bundled Blessings, said, “We’re super appreciative for Declan Roe. We’re just really excited for these upcoming months in awarding more grants to families.”

Declan Roe has already provided a \$5,000 IVF grant for Bundled Blessings to award in September.

“We’re all volunteers. We don’t take any of the funds for ourselves. It’s purely because we care about this and we want to help people,” Kaiserman said.

One of the most rewarding parts of starting Declan Roe for Makayla and Braden has been the positive response they have received. Makayla features #declanstories on Declan Roe’s Instagram account that highlight real stories submitted by women about infertility and motherhood.

“I get messages of people saying, ‘That was basically me you’re talking about. Thank you for sharing because today I was feeling like a failure, and now I have some hope and confidence in myself just to know that I’m not alone. There’s a community of women here who are rooting for me to succeed,’” Makayla said.

To BYU students who are dealing with infertility, Makayla gives the advice to not be afraid to tell their story and ask for help. Kaiserman, who has also had her own struggle with infertility, counsels them to find their support in family and friends.

Makayla and Braden invite everyone to “shop with a purpose.” Declan Roe’s website can be found at declanroe.com. To find more about Bundled Blessings visit bundledblessingsfertility.com.

## BYU professors unravel Supreme Court ruling on travel ban

By SYDNEE GONZALEZ

Some BYU professors agree the Supreme Court’s 5-4 ruling that upheld President Donald Trump’s travel ban may have negative legal, ethical and constitutional implications.

The ruling came after waves of controversy on both ends of the political spectrum. The travel ban restricts travel from seven countries, five of which have Muslim majorities.

President Trump and his supporters argue the ban protects the United States from terrorism and secures the border, while others claim that the ban exposes an anti-Muslim agenda, tears apart families and deviates from American values.

The New York Times reported various New York City officials declaring that the Supreme Court was on the “wrong side of history” when announced its ruling.

However, according to BYU immigration law professor Carolina Núñez, instead of looking to the future or present to understand this ruling, it’s more important to look back at the country’s history of immigration.

Starting with the Chinese Exclusion Act, nation’s immigration law has been founded on a “notion of discrimination,” Núñez said. Over the past century, the law has moved away from discriminatory rulings “little by little.”

Núñez said those who study immigration law were particularly interested in this case and saw it as an opportunity to finally step away from a long history of discriminatory immigration law. She also said it’s still too early to tell if this decision was a step backward, but it was definitely not the opportunity for change many were hoping for.

“We wanted to see if the Supreme Court would once and for all say that some of the protections of the constitution apply to people who are coming for the first time to the United States,” Núñez said.

Instead, she said this ruling suggests Congress and the



Sydnee Gonzalez

Law professor Justin Collings shares his take on the Supreme Court’s ruling on President Trump’s travel ban. Collings and other BYU professors say the ruling could have negative ethical, constitutional and legal implications.

president can deal with incoming immigrants in a manner that would be unacceptable if it were applied to individuals in the U.S.

Núñez said the ruling also changed individuals’ perceptions of immigration law. “It is a step backward in people’s expectations of what the law is.”

BYU ethics professor Travis Anderson said the ruling is “problematic” not only legally but ethically.

“I doubt very much that there is any coherent or consistent reference to any particular ethical approach,” Anderson said.

Anderson based this idea on common decision-making patterns. “Most people tend to act with some degree of consistency in terms of the decisions they make,” Anderson said. He added that this has not been the case with Trump and his administration.

According to Anderson, the ruling paints the government as an organization that can no

longer be trusted to operate consistently. It may also open the door to legitimizing one or more religious beliefs over others, which could lead to more prejudice and bias.

BYU constitutional law professor Justin Collings said the most important thing to keep in mind is that the Supreme Court’s decision is not declaring Trump’s biases or motives. Instead, their decision analyzed two main constitutional issues of the ban.

The first issue begged the question of whether the presidents have the authority to make this kind of executive order. Collings said that the justices answered this question easily and in the affirmative.

The “harder issue,” he said, is whether the ban goes against the religious establishment clause of the Constitution, which prohibits the biased governmental action for or against a religion.

According to Collings, this is the issue that the dissenting justices spent most of their

time addressing. In other words, this is what divided the court.

“I think it’s important to realize that the majority is not endorsing anything the president has done,” Collings said. “This opinion should be read more as a statement of the limits of judicial review than the constitutionality of the president’s actions.”

Despite this, Collings believes the court should have done more, given that what he said was an obvious bias on Trump’s part.

“I think that when it’s clear that officials are acting with a religious bias, that the court’s review should be a little bit more searching,” Collings said.

For now, immigrants and citizens alike will have to live with the consequences of the ruling.

“People are always asking me questions about the future of immigration law, and I think the only real answer is that it’s very unpredictable at this point,” Núñez said.

## Doctors warn against going down slides with children



Ty Mullen

Doctors warn against adults riding down slides with children on their laps. The action could cause serious injury to the child.

By STEPHANIE MACIAS

It’s common to see a parent sliding down a slide with a child on his or her lap, but doctors are warning against it after a recent study was highlighted as a part of the American Academy of Pediatrics September 2017 conference.

The study, led by researcher Charles A. Jennissen, said the action puts children at high risk of lower-extremity injuries. Often the child’s foot can be caught on the side of the slide while the adult’s momentum moves him or her forward.

“Many parents and caregivers go down a slide with a young child on their lap without giving it a second thought,” Jennissen said in a press release.

Over 350,000 children 5-years-old or younger were injured on a slide between 2002 and 2015, according to the study titled “Playground slide-related injuries in preschool children: increased risk of lower extremity injuries when riding on laps.”

The study states more injuries were seen in children 3-years-old or younger. Children were also 12 times more likely to be on someone’s lap at the time of the injury. The most frequent injury was a fracture.

“Most adults may be unaware of the risks

associated with putting a young child on their lap to go down a slide,” the study stated. “Few have received safety information or counseling regarding this issue.”

The warning has taken some parents by surprise. Kimmy May, a mother from Highland, said she was unaware of the risks before hearing of the study.

“I had never even thought about it before. I can see how that can happen, though. In the future, I’ll have (my child) close and make sure their legs are on top of mine so there is no way their foot can get caught,” May said.

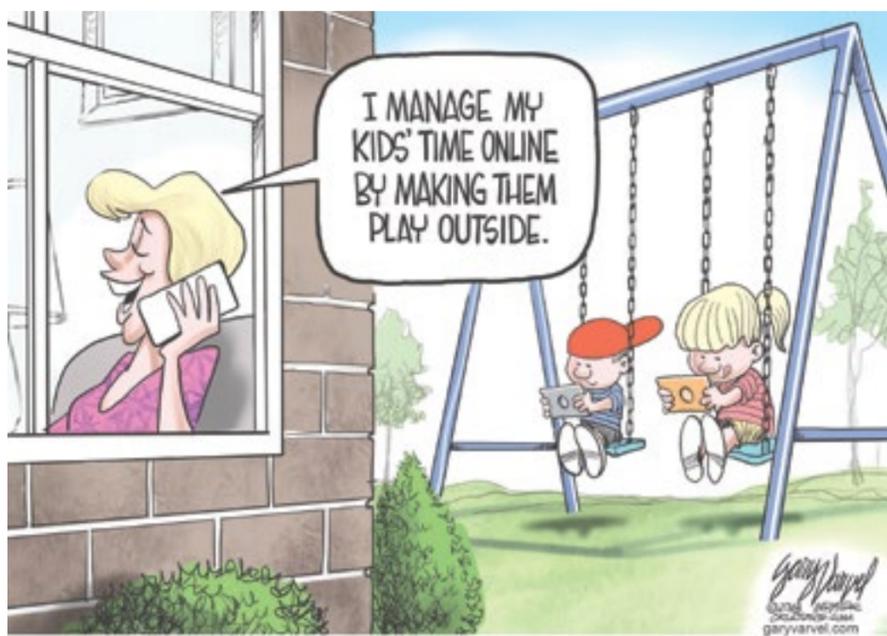
Karen Weatherston of Boise, Idaho takes her child to play at the park often and was initially very surprised to hear the dangers of slides at playgrounds.

“It seems so innocent. But when you think about it, it makes a lot of sense because those little legs can break,” Weatherston said.

If parents choose to slide with a child on their lap, it’s recommended they be aware of the risks.

“Based on our findings, we would recommend that young children not go down a slide on another person’s lap,” the study says. “If they elect to engage in this activity, extreme caution is necessary, and the child’s legs need be secured such that their feet will not catch the slide’s surfaces.”

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@ChillMormons



When you're a returned missionary, tall, nice, temple worthy, active in ur church calling, got a car & a job and she still don't want you

@yourstrulyrmckay

I don't know what I've read more times: The first chapter of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, or 1 Nephi chapter 1.

@douglas\_walton

The Sunday School president in my ward goes by the name Taber. It's short for Tabernacle. What in thunder are you people in Utah thinking giving your kids those names? @heardatbyu

@HaileySkinner

Provo actually does have a lot of recycling, it's just all in the dating scene

@lindsaydorrett

a noncommittal makeout at McDonalds: a McNcmo

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"If you're not listening to the Spirit, then listen to your wife." - My Bishop

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"I looked up at the clock and saw that there was only 2 minutes left, but I knew that I couldn't let this opportunity get away from me to talk about how grateful I am..." \*talks for 10 min\*

@TuttleKevin

@HeardAtBYU Random dude at freshman orientation: "yeh my mom wants me to get married by the end of this year. And she wants me to get married to an orphan so she can be like her mom"

@elysemariel

Utah boy: My name's Tim!

Me: Is that short for Timothy?

Him: ...

Me: ...

Him: \*whispers\* Timpanogos

@miriamcastle



how my ward does the Lord's work <3

@hattie\_jeann

BYU is like Hogwarts because there's no safer place than the Lord's university. @HeardAtBYU

@mads\_davis7

"while reading scriptures in Sunday school I'm really glad we don't have to do sacrifices anymore, like what would the vegans do? Sacrifice eggplants or something?" -guy in my ward

@JaggedLandon

The Lord moves in mysterious ways but you don't have to. Please use your blinker.

## Trending topics

INFOWARS

@MikeStuchbery

Infowars being banned from Facebook has nothing to do with free speech. Jones and Watson are free to make as much constitutionally-protected noise as they want. What this does show is that Facebook, as a platform, have chosen to draw a line on (some) hate speech & misinformation.

@gilbertjasono

Ugh, Facebook and Twitter banning Infowars means the only place I can read insane right-wing conspiracy theories is in official White House press releases

@Liberty070476

The freedom of speech protects popular and unpopular speech. Apple has no right to decide what can or cannot be said on a podcast. In my opinion people who do not like Alex Jones or Infowars don't have to listen or download the podcast. #Apple #InfoWars

@Pappiness

Apple has removed the majority of Alex Jones and Infowars' six podcasts from iTunes, so now his listeners will have to rely on frequencies beamed directly to their tinfoil hats.

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# [ OPINION OUTPOST ]

The Opinion Outpost features opinions and commentary on the latest hot topics from national news sources.

## North Korean denuclearization

The North will insist on further U.S. concessions for even the smallest step toward denuclearization. So far the North hasn't even turned over a complete list of its weapons and facilities. Meanwhile, with Mr. Trump bragging that he has ended the North Korean nuclear threat, the global sanctions regime erodes because Russia and China feel no pressure to enforce them. The prospect of complete, verifiable and irreversible denuclearization looks further away now than it was before Singapore.

—Editorial Board  
The Wall Street Journal

## Capital punishment

Pope Francis's condemnation of capital punishment is simple and unambiguous: It is

inadmissible. ... For those who have long opposed capital punishment as cruel and pointless ... the only lingering question is why the Catholic Church or any religious denomination that still condones executions would take so long to recognize that they are simply inadmissible. The same can be asked of Americans, whose Constitution so clearly prohibits cruel and unusual punishment.

—Editorial Board  
The New York Times

Though the legislative tide is clearly running against the death penalty, attitudes towards it track one of the most important fault lines in contemporary politics. It is one of the litmus tests of social conservatism. The death penalty is the ultimate assertion of the primacy of collective interests over those of the individual. ... The ability to define what is "unchanging" and what is merely "development" is necessary to give apparently unchanging institutions the flexibility they need to change and to survive.

—Editorial Board  
The Guardian

## Government shutdown

The "all-or-nothing" false choice of the continuing resolution, which purports the only options are to pass the omnibus or shut down the government, is a massive deception on the part of both political parties, leadership in both houses and the executive branch. ... The president really is telling Congress to do its job. And Congress, if it wishes to eliminate the threat of a shutdown, has the power to do just that — by doing its job the way it is supposed to be done.

—Editorial Board  
Deseret News

## Citizenship

(A citizenship question on the agenda) goes hand in hand with efforts to purge voters and restrict voting rights; with moves to strip citizenship from American citizens; and with schemes to revoke birthright citizenship, which is guaranteed by the 14th Amendment.

—Editorial Board  
The New York Times

## Plastic pollution

While Americans have been proudly giving up plastic straws, other countries have taken better stock of the scope of the problem and enacted far-reaching bans on single-use plastic items. Meanwhile, even the measly anti-straw movement has become another front in the culture war, with conservative media decrying the criminalization of plastic straws as evidence of liberal overkill. ... That's too bad because it suggests the real work ahead — seriously reducing plastic packaging — is going to break on ideological lines, much as climate change does now.

—Editorial Board  
Los Angeles Times

## Anxiety in youth

Communities must first, and fundamentally, acknowledge that anxiety is a genuine phenomenon. While its sources may be ambiguous, there is no disputing that youths today suffer from the real physical and mental symptoms of anxiety. To invalidate their experience by dismissing anxiety as a limitation of coping or resilience exacerbates the problem rather than getting at the key needs of youths — to be seen, heard and helped. Instead, all must assume a new responsibility to educate themselves about modern anxiety disorders and recognize that participating in meaningful support networks is the best way to assist loved ones

struggling with the symptoms.  
—Editorial Board  
Deseret News

## Utah LGBT support

There is fear that ... some of the recent decisions supporting marriage equality and other rights for LGBT Americans may be at risk. But we see in Utah some reason to hope that, with or without those rulings, a tide has turned and that support for all our people may, in astonishingly short order, have become normal, even for conservative Republicans in at least one very red state.

—Editorial Board  
The Salt Lake Tribune

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# Tour of Utah connects professional and recreational cyclists

By STEPHANIE MACIAS

Utah is an ideal venue for cycling. It offers challenging terrain with canyon roads that wind and climb through beautiful mountains. It offers miles of open roads that allow riders to accelerate for extended periods of time, increasing their endurance and stamina.

The high elevation challenges riders to build strength and improve their climbing skills and the beauty of Utah's scenic roads and byways is second to none.

Each year the Larry H. Miller Tour of Utah race is held in Utah, taking advantage of everything Utah has to offer.

The professional cycling race originally began in 2000 as the Thanksgiving Point Stage Race, and it only attracted recreational riders. The race changed to the Tour of Utah in 2004.

Today, the race attracts professional teams and riders from all over the world. It is a seven-day event with a new challenging stage beginning each day in a different part of Utah.

One thing that makes the Tour of Utah interesting is the opportunity recreational cyclists have to participate in one of the stages on the same day as the professional cyclists.

"The Ultimate Challenge," or "Queen Stage," is the second-to-last stage of the race and is a grueling event spanning 98 miles and climbing over 10,000 feet in elevation.

"A bond exists between cyclists, but this is truly a shared experience for recreational and professional riders as they tackle the challenging Queen Stage on the same day," said John Kimball, the managing director of the Tour



Jonathan Devich  
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH PLUS

The Tour of Utah brings professional and recreational cyclists together as they face "the ultimate challenge," a rigorous climb, on the same day. Scan the photo with the **Universe Plus** app to listen to a Portuguese translation.

of Utah.

"The public gets a chance to finish in front of big crowds on the official course at Snowbird Resort and then watch the professionals climb Little Cottonwood Canyon," Kimball said.

This year the Ultimate Challenge will begin in Park City and will run through Summit and Wasatch County communities before climbing up Guardsman Pass and over the mountain to Snowbird Ski Resort.

"The atmosphere is quite memorable, and the sense of accomplishment is palpable for everyone. The Ultimate Challenge should be on every rider's bucket list," Kimball said.

Andrew Smart is a recreational cyclist from Las Vegas, Nevada, and has raced in the Ultimate Challenge multiple times.

"I love the feeling of starting out early with hundreds of other cyclists who have trained and are ready for a

fun event," Smart said.

"The course is really challenging, but there's nothing better than riding on the same course as the pros up the canyon and through the finish line where the crowd is gathering to watch."

Lori Birchall of Highland, Utah, has watched the Tour of Utah as a spectator with her family many times.

"It's super exciting. The whole vibe around the race is just awesome," said Birchall. "I am in awe of the way

we can push our bodies and what our bodies can do. To watch these people climb Little Cottonwood Canyon — it's incredible to me."

The Ultimate Challenge stage of the Tour of Utah will take place on August 11. Those interested in watching professional cyclists race to the finish line at Snowbird are encouraged to be there well in advance since the road closes while the professional riders are in the canyon. The event is free for spectators.

# Provo cultivates a rich soccer culture



Aldo Macias

Each day players meet at a place determined on the "Provo Soccer" Facebook page — often the Richards Building fields at BYU — to play a game of pickup soccer. The diverse blend of players contributes to a unique soccer game.

By STEPHANIE MACIAS

Soccer is not the most popular sport in the United States, but Provo has a vibrant, authentic soccer culture that many may not know about.

Because of its affiliation with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, BYU draws students from diverse parts of the world where soccer reigns supreme above all other sports. Though from completely different backgrounds, these students find commonality in playing "the beautiful game" together.

"The soccer culture in Provo is cool because we have a variety of college students that play, and many of these college students who play are not from the United States," Provo native Arturo Lazareno said. "There are some from Brazil, Belize, France — you get a bunch of cultures and it is just so different. A lot of people have their own style."

This diversity contributes to a unique blend of talented players who come together from all over the world to play a universal game they all

love. These impromptu games are set up quickly and attract players from almost everywhere imaginable.

"Provo soccer is a lot more diverse than in the South where I am from. There are just people from all over," said Joseph Sanders, a BYU psychology student from Georgia. "Soccer is the universal sport, and Provo is such a diverse place, so I think that's why there's so much interest here."

LDS returned missionaries living in Provo, who served in countries where soccer is beloved, make strong contributions to the soccer scene that is thriving here. Those returned missionaries bring home a love for soccer that developed while living and serving people who have a deep-rooted history and love for the game. Their love of soccer might be, in a way, a reflection of their identity to the country where they served and their love for people who live there.

The "Provo Soccer" Facebook group serves as a valuable social link, bringing like-minded local soccer enthusiasts together to play soccer. The page started small six years ago, but it has since grown. It currently has 2,010 members.

"It's a Facebook page for people who play soccer to communicate. Players will post where they're playing and what time they're playing. That's what Provo soccer is all about," Lazareno said.

The players coordinate on the Facebook page and come ready to play at the decided location — often the Richards Building fields at BYU. Often so many players will show to play that two separate games will be created to accommodate everyone.

"We have a lot of members, and it's just getting bigger and bigger. Ever since the World Cup, a bunch of people has jumped in, and the fields are full of players. It's a lot of fun," Lazareno said.

Aadesh Neupane, a computer science doctoral student from Nepal, said playing pickup soccer has made it easy for him to connect with people who share one of his interests.

"The thing I love most about playing pickup soccer is meeting new people and playing with them. The playing style in Provo is different from Nepal, but the pickup games we used to play at the university in Nepal is similar to here in Provo," Neupane said.

# Hard work pays off at BYU football fall camp

By STEPHANIE MACIAS

Experience and hard work pay dividends as BYU football players compete for playing time in the second day of fall camp.

Everyone wants to know who will be the starting quarterback this fall when the Cougars take the field. The answer to that question, along with many others, is still under wraps even after BYU finished its second day of fall practice.

New and experienced players alike have the opportunity to impress coaches and compete for playing time during the fall. Coaches and players were both impressed following day two.

"Having Moroni (Laulu-Pututau) and Matt Bushman out there and getting a lot of young guys looks is good," Head Coach Kalani Sitake said. "Moroni is a guy who's had tons of reps and has played a lot of games for us. The injury was unfortunate last year, but he looks really good right now."

Tight end Laulu-Pututau missed all of last season due to a Lisfranc injury in his ankle. He said he is 100 percent healed from the injury. At the tight end position, other players have been stepping up and playing well in camp.

"JJ (Nwigwe)'s been solid at tight end. He's improved quite a bit. To see Dallin Holker on the field, as well, Hank Tuipulotu — those guys are doing great things," Sitake said.

After praising the tight ends, Sitake discussed the defensive line's shortcomings.

"All the tight ends had a great day today, and so being a guy who's going to be involved with the defense a little bit, I'm going to go in there and kind of yell at the backers for not getting the right depth and covering," Sitake said. "But I think the quarterbacks are making some good throws and we have some really good tight ends who can catch the ball."

Identifying the center — a position played by Tejan Koroma the past four years — is another critical decision coaches need to make soon. "Tejan is hard to replace, but Jake Jimenez has a lot of reps. He's played before, and James Empey is doing a good job, so



BYU Photo

Joe Critchlow is one of the QBs fighting for the starting position at BYU football fall camp. Many other positions also have significant competition as camp heads into its second week.

there's competition there that's good, and we'll get that sorted out as soon as possible," Sitake said.

Defensive coordinator Ilaisa Tuiaki said the team needs to be patient and not over- or underreact until they have a chance to see everything in context.

"It's not as good as you think when you leave the field, and it's not as bad as you think," Tuiaki said. "Some things that stick out as a negative in my mind, I'll go look at on film and I'll say, 'OK, that wasn't that bad,' or we'll be super excited about the interception at the end, but we'll look at the film and say, 'That was just a bad throw.' You just have to make sure you stay even keel the whole way through."

Austin Hoyt, who has played in 38 games during his first three years at BYU, said BYU's offensive line is in good shape for next season.

"We worked a lot during the summer knowing the plays and how to execute them. That's carried over. We haven't had a lot of false starts this fall, no lapse in assignments. I think our work over the summer puts us at a really good point right now," said Hoyt.

BYU will start the season by traveling to Tucson to play the University of Arizona Wildcats on September 1. Kickoff is at 7:45 p.m. PST, and the game will be broadcast live on ESPN.



# BYU students develop businesses to improve lives, save money

By ANNA JOHNSON

Korey Hocker, CEO of SignGlasses and a BYU graduate, was at a trade show displaying technology his then-brand-new company designed to dramatically improve deaf and hard of hearing students' educational experience.

He said a blonde Texan woman in her 40s approached Hocker and to his surprise, gave him a hug. With tears in her eyes she said, "I have a deaf daughter, and this would greatly impact her education. Please never stop doing what you're doing."

BYU students are no longer only concerned about starting businesses that are financially strong. Many are focused on solving social problems to make the world a better place.

The Social Venture Academy, a program hosted by the Marriott School of Business, helps turn student entrepreneurs' socially-minded ideas into successful business ventures.

Being socially-minded and looking to improve the world around them has not always been a focus for students, and it now seems to be purely generational, according to Ballard Center Associate Managing Director Aaron Miller.

"They don't care as much about being rich as they do about their life's work having meaning to them and to the people around them," Miller said. "There's never been a time in the history of the world where a single person can have more leverage for good."

The academy specifically focuses on providing resources and giving valuable knowledge to student entrepreneurs with a business venture idea that is

socially-minded.

"Our preference is that your social impact is so deeply embedded that you can't separate the social impact from the venture," Miller said.

That is the case for SignGlasses, which has created smart glasses that deaf and hard-of-hearing students can wear in classrooms for better comprehension.

The glasses provide remote, sign-language interpretation right in the students' eyes so they don't need an interpreter with them in the classroom.

This is how it works: A deaf student has a camera that sits on top of a computer, and the professor wears a microphone. The audio and video are then sent to a live interpreter who can be sitting at home interpreting what is going on in the classroom. The interpreter's signing is then broadcast to the glasses, which can be worn in any classroom.

"They can choose to look at the interpretation that's in their glasses, and it's a live person. And because it's overlaid in real-time, they can also choose to look through that interpretation, so in a sense it's a bit like virtual reality," Hocker said.

There is no lag time in receiving the hand-signed words from the off-site interpreter, Hocker said. "It's actually just as fast as a student looking back and forth at a live interpreter. They no longer have to look back and forth because they have it right in their eye."

While Hocker was testing his glasses at the Missionary Training Center in Provo, he met a deaf missionary from Bolivia. The missionary put on the glasses as an interpreter signed in a different room.

"He started crying instantly, and he said, 'Is this available in Bolivia? This would change



Cristina Bolaños

Korey Hocker, CEO of SignGlasses, wants to improve deaf and hard of hearing students' academic experience.

my life.' And we had to tell him, 'Not yet, but hopefully when you get back from your mission,'" Hocker said.

Another benefit to SignGlasses is the video, audio and correlating sign language are stored forever, so deaf students can go back and re-watch classroom lectures as they are studying for exams or finals instead of having to borrow someone else's notes.

SignGlasses is piloting its technology at four universities and four K-12 school districts this fall. They hope to roll the product out across the nation within a year.

Hocker said being part of the Academy and starting SignGlasses has taught him to be more aware of what others are going through.

Speaking of deaf students' resilience in a world that is

designed for those who hear, Hocker said, "It's inspiring for me to see especially students who have made it to the university level because a lot of them don't. It's just really difficult. I learn a lot from them every day, and if I could ever give back and if this could help their experience, then that's why we do it."

Miller said the academy is seeing more and more tech-based ventures like SignGlasses using technology to solve social problems.

Another business venture in the academy that uses technology to improve the world is Trash Talk.

Matt Little, the CEO of Trash Talk and a BYU alum, designed sensors that attach to commercial dumpsters and help with container collection optimization. The sensors are connected to the cellular

network and to the internet, and they monitor how full each container is.

The sensors' data is then sent to Trash Talk's web portal, where collectors can see which containers need to be picked up that day and which ones can be skipped to save time and money.

"I really envision Trash Talk and this technology disrupting and changing the waste and recycling industry and being a part of the push towards just getting that much closer to zero waste, helping improve recycling opportunities and just making the collection process more efficient and less polluted," Little said.

Little said Trash Talk will dramatically increase the efficiency with which waste and recycling are collected, which means a reduction in carbon dioxide and methane emissions

and better use of collectors' time and means.

Little also said his experience in the academy has helped him look beyond himself. "One big thing that I've learned is that it's about people, and everything is about people and making the world better for people."

The academy offers many resources to BYU students like Hocker and Little who are starting their socially-minded ventures. The resources include funding, mentors, advice from judges, knowledge, guidance and networking connections.

"Because at its root, entrepreneurship is just daily problem-solving, and there are problem-solving practices that work better than others. That is what we try to help them with," Miller said.

Both SignGlasses and Trash Talk won the academy's "Best Venture" in 2017.

Universities are doing a better job of supporting entrepreneurship by providing resources. Miller said BYU is consistently ranked in the top 10 in the nation for entrepreneurship.

"There is something unique about BYU students that they are more entrepreneurially minded than the average college student," Miller said.

There are many ways to get involved with the Social Venture Academy. Even if a student does not have a business idea, he or she can connect with the Academy and have a meaningful experience. Students can sign up at [socialventure.byu.edu](http://socialventure.byu.edu).

"I'm grateful that we have this generation that is seeing the opportunities in front of them and choosing the ones that make people's lives flourish," Miller said.

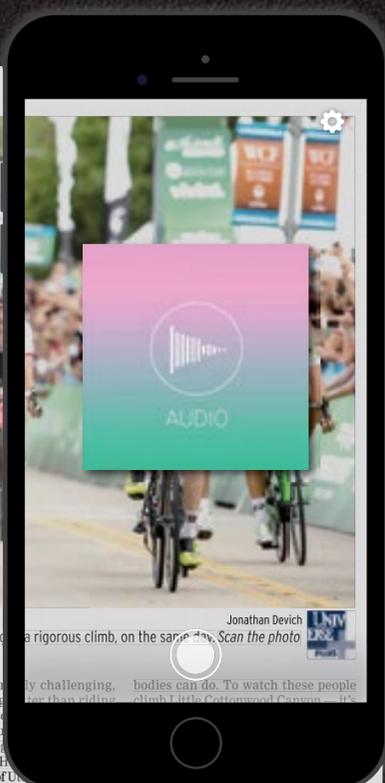


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