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Church videos bring Book of Mormon to life

By EMMA BENSON

BYU graduate and Mexico native Liliana Corona originally auditioned for a part in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' videos depicting scenes from the Bible. Although she had the acting ability, she was told her physical features didn't match the Mediterranean figures from the Bible. Since then, she has been eagerly awaiting the filming of the Book of Mormon videos, since the Book of Mormon is a "record of God's dealings with ancient inhabitants of the Americas," according to the book's introduction.

The Church's website states, "The Book of Mormon is another witness of Jesus Christ and confirms the truths found in the Holy Bible. Far from undermining the Bible, the Book of Mormon supports its testimony of Jesus Christ."

Corona, who plays the wife of Book of Mormon Lamanite king Lamoni, said she's been waiting 10 years for the production.

"It's such an honor to be cast as the queen. It's an epic role — one of the few females in the Book of Mormon," Corona said.

After three years of planning, casting, writing and filming, the crew has nearly completed three seasons of the Book of Mormon video series. Season one's first episode, detailing the experiences of Lehi and Nephi and their family leaving Jerusalem, will be released Sept. 20. Unlike the Bible videos, which contain segments that are just a few minutes each, the Book of Mormon videos will be released as weekly 13- to 20-minute episodes.

Corona, as well as other cast and crew members, spoke with reporters at a media day Tuesday, Sept. 3, at an LDS Motion Picture Studio set in Provo.

Elder LeGrand R. Curtis Jr., a General Authority Seventy, and Sister



Addie Blacker

Book of Mormon actors and actresses rehearse a scene in King Noah's court for the new videos produced by the Church.

Reyna I. Aburto, Second Counselor in the Relief Society General Presidency, are two of the ecclesiastical advisers over the project.

Curtis said he and Aburto read over the scripts, watch the rough drafts of the videos and suggest changes.

"We want to make sure it corresponds completely with what the Book of Mormon says," he explained.

Curtis said that like the Bible videos, the Book of Mormon video library will be used in many different ways, including missionary work, seminary classes and family and individual study.

"Missionaries will have them to use when they explain the Book of Mormon so they can show a piece of it to help introduce who the characters are

to help emphasize teaching," he said. "Most importantly, families and individuals will have them in their homes."

Adam Anderegg, one of several directors for the films, said he has been "blown away" by the impact of rewatching scenes and said he feels like he's sitting in the same room as the real Book of Mormon figures.

Anderegg emphasized these videos are not a dramatization like most modern movies, but rather a visualization of the Book of Mormon.

Anderegg noted that the main purpose of these video productions is to help enhance viewers' comprehension of the Book of Mormon and also provide spiritual experiences for them.

"It's been very impactful to me, both

spiritually and also just in understanding and comprehending what happened," he said.

Corona also expressed the impact the project has had on her personally and the impact she hopes it will have on viewers.

"I hope that these videos will inspire (people) enough to spark an interest to read the Book of Mormon, because the Book of Mormon is so powerful and it's changed my life, and I want to be able to share it with the whole world," Corona said. "And what better way to use media to share these stories visually finally — not just orally, and not just written, but now it's visual."

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Students discuss experiential learning options

By KIMBERLY PETERSEN

Nearly 60% of majors at BYU require some type of internship to graduate. In 2016, BYU President Kevin J. Worthen introduced a new initiative focused on "inspiring learning." This initiative focuses on experiential learning, encouraging students to take advantage of opportunities such as internships, student employment, volunteer work and study abroad programs.

The Office of Experiential Learning website says, "Experiential education is characterized by intentionality and thoughtful reflection that support an active learning experience."

In order to graduate with an active learning experience, students can apply through their college or through the Kennedy Center for an internship, study abroad, or for direct enrollment or field school. With so many options, some students struggle deciding what will be most beneficial for finding a job or gaining experience. These three experiences from past and current BYU students may help.

Internship

Karmen Kodja is a senior studying news media on the broadcast track.

"I've always had an interest in television," Kodja said. "I just love the news culture and knowing what's going on around me. (Plus) I'm very interested in people's stories."

Although an internship is required for her major, Kodja said she can't get an off-campus paid internship, or job for that matter, because she's an international student. Kodja is from Sweden, and after four years in Utah and two years at BYU, she learned of an internship opportunity with BYUtv. Kodja applied for a media production specialist position and got the job.

"What I learn at school, I see it live at work," she said.

Kodja mainly works as a lighting technician and camera operator for BYU Sports Nation and Studio C, though she works on other shows and often gets to shadow the producers as well.

Kodja said her internship is 20 hours a week of hard work and deadlines.

"Working for Studio C is cool," Kodja said, "But you have to put in a lot of time and work. But then every other week on Friday, called show week, we have live audiences and everything comes together. It's great satisfaction to watch and say, 'I helped with that.'"

Kodja said she loves being in front of and behind the camera.

"I would love to host my own show in the future," she explained. "I would actually want to start behind the camera as a producer."

Kodja said she wishes her internship would allow her the chance to produce a segment of one of the shows. While she only gets to shadow, she said she's loving the experience.

"It helps me because I get to network with people who are on TV and others behind the camera. I love that I get to work in a setting that I want to be in when I'm older," Kodja said.

She explained that she's pursuing her internship largely to expand her knowledge of television and learn more of what she wants to do in the future. For example, when she started out, she had her heart set on anchoring the news, but now she's thinking more about working in entertainment.

Until she graduates and starts her career, Kodja said she loves learning and the opportunity to be creative at BYUtv.

Field school

"If I were to do an internship in archaeology, I don't think I would've received the same level of experience from that internship as I did at the field school," said Jake Hubbert, a BYU student who graduated last May in anthropology with an emphasis in archaeology. Hubbert recently returned from his third field school in Petra, Jordan.

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BYU's international relations open doors

By RACHEL KEELER

BYU is no stranger to international relations. It doesn't reside on a coast and Provo isn't an international hub, but BYU has a surprisingly large international campus in terms of language and international experience.

Jeffrey R. Ringer, director of the David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, said BYU is one of the most internationally connected campuses in North America outside of New York and California.

According to a 2019 BYU report, BYU has 206 study abroad programs available in 75 countries, and almost 50% of all BYU students have lived outside of the United States. Approximately 258 ambassadors from 104 countries have spoken on campus since 1996.

The report also says that more than 65% of students at BYU speak a second language, and 128 languages are spoken on campus with 62 taught regularly. There are also more than 1,500 international students representing 105 countries at BYU.

The university has a longstanding objective and deep history of inspiring learning, represented by BYU's motto, "Enter to learn, go forth to serve." Since becoming president of BYU, President Kevin J. Worthen has greatly emphasized this objective and pushed BYU to progress on that path.

"(Inspiring learning) means to not only learn things in a classroom but also by faith and especially through experience," President Worthen said as he spoke in China while touring with BYU performers this spring. "The Great Wall of China is a perfect example. You can see it. You can understand it. But when you're here,



Jaren Wilkey/BYU Photo

A Chinese performer embraces BYU folk dancer Kierica McPherson after the collaboration session between their universities ended.

it's a different feeling — it's a different kind of experience."

Trips that students and faculty take to China and other countries across the globe are possible because of the international ties BYU has created and strengthened throughout the years.

Ringer said the most important reason for BYU to make and maintain international relations is to benefit students and faculty. This, he said, is why BYU engages in international commitments.

He said opportunities arise for students to study abroad, intern and pursue graduate and undergraduate degrees abroad because of these strong international ties, which increases experiential learning outside of the classroom. Faculty members also have the chance to build

research relationships and gain access to resources that will help them excel.

Ringer explained that universities can sign paper agreements with other countries to officially create international relationships, but BYU doesn't often enter into such agreements because it simply makes for a nice press release rather than signaling a true commitment.

"We are not interested in entering those just to say we have 412 agreements," Ringer said. "We are pretty selective about entering into agreements. It may look like we're reluctant, but we are very heavily involved."

Ed Adams, dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communications, said many of the international commitments within his college have been created through collaborations with

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UK prime minister suspends Parliament

Prime Minister Boris Johnson insisted Sept. 9 that a new Brexit deal can be reached to ensure Britain leaves the European Union by the Oct. 31 deadline.

He made the announcement while preparing to suspend Parliament and send rebellious lawmakers home until two weeks before the country is supposed to leave the bloc.

Lawmakers used the hours before the suspension to deliver new blows to Johnson's teetering authority.



Hong Kong officials warn against U.S. involvement

Students formed human chains outside schools across Hong Kong on Sept. 9 to show solidarity after violent weekend clashes between police and activists.

Protesters in their Sunday march appealed to President Donald Trump to "stand with Hong Kong" and ensure Congress passes a bill that would impose economic sanctions and penalties on Hong Kong and mainland China officials.

Hong Kong's government expressed regret over the U.S. bill.



Volkswagen rolls out new electric car

Volkswagen is rolling out what it bills as the breakthrough electric car for the masses.

The cars are the result of massive investments in battery technology and new factories driven by environmental regulation and concerns about global warming.

But it's not at all clear whether consumers are ready to buy them.

Electric cars remain a niche product with less than 2% of the market due to higher prices and worries about a lack of places to charge.



Mexican women fight for greater safety

Mexican women are clamoring for greater safety in one of the most dangerous countries in the world to be a female, and vandalism during recent protests has prompted widespread discussion about how best to draw attention to what many agree is a pressing issue.

Hundreds took to the streets of Mexico City again Sept. 8 to demand justice for women who have been killed, kidnapped and sexually assaulted. They were led by family members who lost loved ones.



The Black Keys plans to return to music world

When the Black Keys last played a festival together in 2015, there was no grand plan to go on an indefinite hiatus. They just stopped booking shows and they went home to Nashville, Tennessee to sleep in their own beds.

Now four years after their performance at Outside Lands in San Francisco, Dan Auerbach and Patrick Carney are more than ready to hit the stage again with their first new record in five years, "Let's Rock" and a new tour starting Sept. 19 in Los Angeles.

Students consider textbook options

By NATHAN WANLASS

The pressure to work for a successful college education while maintaining financial stability can be tough on every student, particularly those who are just starting their BYU career. Textbooks, in particular, can be a pricey investment, but one which can be absolutely necessary for success in the classroom.

There is a lot to consider when making textbook purchases. Many new students might wonder whether they should rent books or buy them. Others may wonder where they should buy them.

However, there are a variety of options, and BYU is trying to make the textbook purchasing process as simple as possible.

BYU Store

My Book List is generally the first place a student should

check to see what textbooks they need for the semester. While this is often a reliable way to buy the books needed, it might not always be the cheapest.

BYU Store director Mark Clegg talked about how store employees and administrators are trying to make it easier for students to find cheaper textbook options.

"We see the textbook business as a service to the students, not a revenue or profit-building aspect of the BYU Store," Clegg said. "We show Amazon and Redshelf prices; we show all competitive pricing. We try to be as transparent as possible."

The BYU Store also offers textbook rentals, similar to other sources shown on My Book List, though it can be fairly competitive to get the books needed for additional renting options.

"We are currently looking at a number of sales models to ease the financial stress on

students — including a possible rent-only model," Clegg said.

Online sources

Another way to buy physical textbooks is through various online sources like Amazon, Chegg or ThriftBooks. These places offer great deals on textbooks that many colleges use; Amazon prices are even displayed on My Book List.

For computer science major Alexander Steimle, these online options are the best way to go when it comes to buying or renting textbooks.

"When I started at BYU, I was thinking of so many other things, I didn't stop to think about the prices of my books," Steimle said. "I had no idea how easy it was to rent and buy in other ways. For example, Amazon Rentals includes free shipping once you are done with your textbook, which made life a lot easier for me."

However without more expensive shipping options, it may take one or two weeks for books to show up in the mail, which might be a major drawback for those who want their books quickly.

E-books

A digital textbook is also a valid option for people who don't want to carry multiple heavy textbooks with them from class to class. E-books not only provide students with information on-the-go but they also have many useful study features that might make life easier for students.

Price and convenience are often the biggest factors for students when purchasing textbooks, and having an e-book is especially useful in both of these ways. This is especially



Hannah Miner

BYU student Karl Magwood browses textbooks in the BYU Store and searches for an option best suited to his academic needs.

true since e-books can be rented instead of purchased from sources like Google and Amazon.

Sophomore Beau Hunsaker, had her own experiences with transitioning to using e-books.

"Nothing would come in the mail fast enough, and BYU was out of stock when I needed a book," Hunsaker said. "So I bought it on Google Play and things worked out better for me; it was cheaper too."

Despite the many benefits of using e-books, some students say they still aren't a perfect replacement to a physical copy,

especially during long study sessions.

"The one thing I like better about hard copies is that I don't get headaches," Hunsaker said. "Staring at a screen hurts my head, so sometimes I prefer to stare at a paper copy instead."

There is not a universal perfect way to buy textbooks. Many students at BYU have tried all of these textbook variants, and each has its own advantages.

Renting is generally the cheapest way to go, but some students prefer to buy textbooks they find helpful for

their major or future career. E-books are useful and cheap, but having more than a couple might strain your eyes over long periods of studying. Online orders are often cheaper but may not arrive when you want them to.

No matter the choice, textbooks are an investment worth making. They help students learn independently, and provide opportunities to excel in class and beyond their college education. It may be worth spending the money now for even greater rewards in the future.

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Lime Ricki struggles against Chinese knockoffs

By LAUREN LETHBRIDGE

Collette Callister and her two sisters launched Lime Ricki in 2007 after recognizing what they called a need for “cute and modest” swimsuits.

Eleven years later, in June 2018, Lime Ricki experienced a sudden drop in sales. The drop was especially strange, Callister said, since it occurred during the company’s most successful month.

She said she was shocked when she first saw photos of her company’s products on a knock-off website called Beach Sissi.

“What we started seeing was a super aggressive marketing campaign toward all our customers on all social (media) platforms,” Callister said.

Most of the campaigns targeting Lime Ricki would use exact photos taken from Lime Ricki’s website and sell knockoff copies of Lime Ricki swimsuits for a fraction of the original price.

“It’s really, really hard to compete,” said Callister. “It’s just stealing, and I think the average customer doesn’t really realize that. We didn’t realize it for a long time.”

Lime Ricki purchases most of its fabric from Chinese supply chains since they are typically less expensive. The companies in China print the patterns and fabric and send them to production sites where the suits are sewn together.

Callister said Lime Ricki does its own prints and styles, working with a pattern maker in Los Angeles. As the process of creating a line is laborious, they begin months in advance, Callister explained.

Lime Ricki pays for photographers, videographers, models, and hair and makeup stylists when preparing to launch a line. Callister said considerable time and resources go into the line before a single swimsuit is sold.

Knockoff companies simply steal the photos and slap a cheap price tag onto their suits in order to avoid all production costs, she explained.

“They can do it for really cheap because they don’t have all of those upfront costs that everyone who is in the business (has),” Callister said.

According to Callister, the knockoffs have had hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of an impact on Lime Ricki’s sales.

Callister said her company initially struggled to decide how to fight the knockoff companies. Once they took a deeper look into the situation, she said, they realized there were dozens of Chinese companies selling cheap copies.

“Frustratingly, you can’t really sue a company in China ever,” Callister said. “It’s just a bottomless pit because they are backed by government and lots of money.”

BYU law professor Clark Asay said copyright law is territorial. Typically, a copyright must be obtained in the U.S. and China if a company wants to enforce it in



Colette Callister

From left, Nicole Bruderer, Jennifer Anderson and Colette Callister started Lime Ricki in 2007. More than 10 years later they are facing numerous knockoff companies who are stealing their photos and copying and selling knockoffs of their products.

Chinese courts.

“There’s some sort of tendency for Chinese courts to protect their own,” Asay said.

Callister estimates there are 20 companies stealing from Lime Ricki. At one point she considered using copyright as a solution, however quickly found it to be ineffective.

“Copyright is not supposed to protect functionality, and design is often very functional,” Asay said.

But, in the 2017 Supreme Court case *Star Athletica, LLC v. Varsity Brands, Inc.*, the court ruled that design elements on clothing could be copyrightable if the element could be separately identified and exist independent from the clothing as a form of art. If the design on a swimsuit could be imagined separately from that swimsuit, then the design can be copyrighted.

Asay said still, no one is quite certain about what can be protected by copyright in fashion.

Callister began reaching out to social media companies like Pinterest and Instagram.

“Anytime we see it (a knockoff post), we report it, and everyone but Facebook will pull it off,” she said.

Callister said she is not sure why Facebook doesn’t remove the posts.

Anne Yeh, an employee over communications at Instagram, which is an app owned by Facebook, said fraudulent goods don’t have a place on Facebook. All products and services sold on both Facebook and Instagram must comply with their commerce policies and community standards.

Though Callister is able to get social media sites to remove posts, the knockoff companies

just create new ones. Callister said lodging a complaint with the U.S. government would be costly and is something they haven’t yet done.

This is happening to companies both global and local. “We just don’t put forth the resources that a company like Apple might,” Callister said about combating copies.

Callister is working with Utah Sen. Mike Lee’s office and the Office of the United States Trade Representative and said she is looking into using watermarks on photos and working with other countries for printing.

Mike Hendron, a professor in the Marriott School of Business, said one trick to avoiding knockoffs is to find a trusted person who can represent you in China and deal with manufacturers.

Hendron works directly with students who are starting their own businesses. He teaches his students the best defense against imitators is to have a solid business model.

“I think you’re better off focusing on improving sales. You find better partnerships, alliances and other retail channels you can use; focus on growing the business,” Hendron said.

Despite Callister’s current efforts, Lime Ricki has begun to cut back on production while also spending extra time reporting fraudulent posts on social media.

“There have just been challenges all along the way of one kind or another,” Callister said. “(But) challenges present opportunities for us to look at things a different way and to change, improve and get better. There’s always, always lots to learn and do better.”

OPTIONS

Experiential learning prepares students for the future

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Hubbert explained that the biggest difference between an internship and field school is that field school is not done through a large company or corporation. Field school is an internal program, whereas many internships are external, meaning students go outside the university to work for a company.

The first time Hubbert went to Petra was for a six-week trip in 2017. He said he went in with “little to no expectations” and was mostly hoping to learn about archaeology and site-see. Additionally, he took a BYU class for field school credit which required him to do several reading assignments and a write-up.

Hubbert said his second trip to Petra was a seven-and-a-half week trip in 2018 when he was able to go as an aide. He explained that sometimes archaeologists will pay for someone to come back if they liked them the first time. Unlike his first time as a student, as an aid, his travel and housing were paid for.

The third time was in 2019 for a six-and-a-half week trip, again as an aid to help the other students.

“This last time I kind of had a much more matured idea of how this could help me. So I went with the expectation of just gaining, not only more experience but experience specifically in certain areas such as improving languages like Arabic and improving archaeology skills,” Hubbert explained.

He said one of his most memorable experiences was getting to help excavate a gravesite.

While waking up at 6 a.m. to hike up to a hot, dusty site 30-40

minutes away to work for hours in the dirt may not sound like fun to some, Hubbert said the experience only confirmed his love for archaeology.

Study abroad

Alex Bollinger, a junior studying international relations, also chose to go the international route to fulfill her graduation requirement. She went on a study abroad to Fang, Thailand, through direct enrollment, which means the program was independent of BYU.

The foundation she went with is a nonprofit organization called Help International, which specializes in entrepreneurship and business, public health, education and infrastructure development projects around the world.

After receiving help from the Kennedy Center to complete the application, Bollinger got the news that she was accepted to go on the three-month experience.

“I almost didn’t believe it,” Bollinger said. “I’ve never been outside the country before, so I had no idea what my experience was going to be like, and I was super excited.”

She said she was asked to take an online class to receive BYU internship credit during her study abroad. For the class, she chose to learn about sex trafficking in Thailand. This meant that amid long and sweaty hours of humanitarian work with Help International, she also traveled to other cities and interviewed non-governmental organizations that were working to combat sex trafficking.

Bollinger said a typical day on her study abroad began with waking up at 7 or 8 a.m. to discuss the projects for that day, with the weather factoring into their activities. They would then pile into a couple of pick-up trucks and drive up the mountains to different villages.

Bollinger said she was impressed by the way Help International encouraged self-sufficiency in those they were helping.

“It wasn’t really like we were just serving them,” Bollinger explained. “It was more like we were working beside them. It’s not about giving them hand-outs; it’s about helping them to get out of poverty on their own.”

Some of those projects consisted of rebuilding roofs, making playgrounds, teaching English and teaching health lessons.

One of her favorite projects was building a water pipeline in a mountain village.

“It was a really long hike, and the weather was super humid and there were a lot of bugs,” she said, but clarified that serving was worth the inconveniences.

She later posted about the experience on Instagram, saying, “I have discovered that I am weak in comparison to the hardworking and loving Thai people that we work with. They are crazy innovative, smart and accepting. I may be helping and providing opportunities for change, but they make that change happen for their families and neighbors. They do all the work and I am humbled to be taught by them.”

Bollinger said the experience was life-changing. “People are the same everywhere,” Bollinger said. “I think we like to notice the differences in our cultures, but I don’t think we like to realize the similarities that every family has in every part of the world. Just the ability to connect with another human being, even if you don’t speak the same language, you can still laugh with them and you can still communicate with them.”

Bollinger said going on her study abroad made her rethink what she wants to do with her future. “I originally went into my major thinking I was just going to work for the government,” she said, “But I think it moved me more toward working in a non-governmental organization. Maybe doing more humanitarian work or something focused more on human rights. Even if it doesn’t pay as much, it’s something that’s important to me.”

TODAY

UNIVERSITY DEVOTIONAL
Tuesday, September 10,
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This event will be broadcast to the JSB Auditorium.



President Kevin J Worthen
Sister Peggy Worthen

Brigham Young University has framed much of Kevin J Worthen’s life. From a childhood fascination with Cougar sports to his years as a student, professor, and administrator, the 13th president of BYU has been inspired by the mission and ideals of the university.

Born and raised in Carbon County, Utah, President Worthen received an associate degree at the College of Eastern Utah, where he was a co-captain of the basketball team. At BYU he received a bachelor’s degree in political science and a juris doctor degree before leaving in 1982 to clerk for Judge Malcolm R. Wilkey of the D.C. Circuit Court and then for Justice Byron R. White of the U.S. Supreme Court. After a brief career at a law firm, Worthen returned to BYU in 1987 as a law professor. He was

dean of the Law School for four years before being named BYU’s advancement vice president in 2008. In May 2014 he became president of the university.

President Worthen has been a bishop and stake president and currently serves as an Area Seventy. He dated and married Peggy Sealey after his mission to Monterrey, Mexico. When the last of their children started school, Sister Worthen began pursuing a degree in English at BYU, graduating in 2003. She is known for her sense of humor, abundant energy, and a variety of interests, from sewing to hiking to reading. She has filled numerous Church assignments, including many years as a Young Women camp leader. The Worthens have three children and five grandchildren.

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False claims blur line between mass shootings, 2020 politics

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WASHINGTON — Minutes after media outlets identified the gunman who killed seven people in West Texas, a Twitter account that may be automated began spreading baseless information linking the shooter to Democratic presidential candidate Beto O'Rourke.

"The Odessa Shooter's name is Seth Ator, a Democrat Socialist who had a Beto sticker on his truck, said the post, which also appeared on Facebook.

No such sticker was found on either of the vehicles, one a stolen mail truck, that Ator used during his rampage, according to Sgt. Oscar Villarreal, a Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman.

Still, the groundless conjecture after the shooting was spread by thousands online and even retweeted by Anthony Shaffer, a former Defense Intelligence Agency officer and a member of President Donald Trump's 2020 campaign advisory board.

The breakneck speed of the misinformation — and just how far it spread — illustrates an eagerness to blame such events on political ideologies, regardless of whether the facts support that. It's also an early indication of how difficult it will be for campaigns to combat virulent falsehoods ahead of a 2020 presidential campaign that could be full of them.

Social media users are unlikely to take the time to research misinformation they encounter online. And even when campaigns try to stamp out potential misinformation, voters might not see or believe the corrections, said Rita Kirk, a communications professor at



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Law enforcement officials process the crime scene from the Aug. 31 shooting, which ended with the shooter, Seth Ator, being shot dead by police in a stolen mail van, in Odessa, Texas.

Southern Methodist University.

"A whole lot of people are just living their lives. They don't have time to go and fact-check a statement," Kirk said. "Truth has been the victim of social media campaigns."

O'Rourke's campaign, which is based in El Paso, home of a mass shooting last month, first received word of misinformation about the candidate early Monday morning from the Democratic National Committee. The campaign then watched the message spread for hours, eventually becoming Google's second-highest trending search query related to O'Rourke in a week.

The DNC monitors for such activity, as well as providing resources for campaigns that want to report or respond to online misinformation as part

of the party's larger educational and guidance efforts.

"This kind of thing is a reality that social media has created," said Daniel Wessel, a DNC spokesman. "We all have to stay vigilant in order to combat it."

The first tweet linking O'Rourke to the Odessa shooter appears to have come in shortly after 1 p.m. Central time on Sunday from an account with bot-like tendencies, said Nir Hauser, the chief technology officer for VineSight, which tracks viral misinformation trending online.

Twitter temporarily suspended the offending account Wednesday only to eventually reinstate it. But by then the claim was widely shared on social media. Twitter did not respond to a request for

comment.

Shaffer was among those who retweeted it, adding: "It sounds again like the 'system' failed — Seth Ator had a criminal record and was a @BetoORourke supporter ... this supports my belief that Progressives should be prohibited from owning or having access to weapons — they clearly cannot be trusted with this responsibility."

In the days since the shooting, the claim has continued to morph into new status updates and posts on social media. Some Facebook users posted a picture of a white truck with a "Beto 2020" sticker on the back window, saying it belonged to Ator.

That image actually came from an online retailer who sells campaign decals. Its owner, Stacy Pyle, said via email that the photo originated

from her Etsy store website. But she said she did not sell any version of that decal and had "no clue" the image was being used to spread misinformation.

Unproven statements that the shooter was a "registered Democrat" also spread quickly on social media hours after the rampage. Texas voting records list the 36-year-old Ator registered as an unaffiliated voter in 2012, his most recent record.

O'Rourke's campaign manager, Jen O'Malley Dillon, described the bumper sticker claim on Twitter as a "completely false rumor" but acknowledged that the campaign could do comparatively little to squash it and instead implored social media giants to act.

"These companies claim to be powerless to stop false stories like these from spreading — but their employees are the most sophisticated engineers on the planet, capable of rooting out all kinds of nefarious content," O'Malley Dillon said in a statement to The Associated Press. "They refuse to act on this because they're afraid of the political consequences."

Shaffer didn't answer a message on Twitter, and Trump's reelection campaign did not respond to messages asking if he had specific information on the Odessa shooter being an O'Rourke supporter.

Some mass shootings have had political connections. For example, police say the shooter suspected of killing 22 people at an El Paso Walmart confessed to targeting people of Mexican descent and is believed to have written an anti-Hispanic rant before gunning down mostly Latino shoppers. The same screed reiterated some of Trump's anti-immigrant and anti-Hispanic language.

When 66-year-old James

Hodgkinson opened fire on Republican members of Congress during a 2017 baseball practice, police did not provide a motive but said he was "angered by" Trump's election.

In recent months, however, social media users have rushed to mistakenly link shooters and politics in cases where ideology was not believed to play a role.

Some Facebook and Twitter users attempted to suggest a motive for the mass shooting in Dayton, Ohio, last month by highlighting tweets from an account that appeared to belong to the shooter, which bemoaned Trump's election and supported Democratic Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, also a presidential candidate.

Authorities have not established a political connection to the shooter's apparent motive, but that didn't stop the posts from spreading or Trump from repeatedly noting the shooter's apparent political leanings.

In June, when 20-year-old Brandon Webber was fatally shot by U.S. marshals during an attempted arrest in Memphis, social media users erroneously circulated a photo of a man wearing a Trump shirt to claim he was the officer responsible for killing Webber. The image was actually a truck driver who frequently posts videos on YouTube. U.S. marshals have not named the officers involved in the incident.

Such inaccurate claims are successful because people want to believe they don't share similarities with a shooter, said Kirk, the communications professor.

"We never want to see somebody that commits those kind of atrocities to be like us," Kirk said. "In this political climate, where there's so much of 'us versus them,' it continues to make a huge divide in our culture."

VIDEOS

Book of Mormon cast and crew share experiences

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"It's not really about me, it's about the story. It's about the testimonies that were given and what it's going to do for people and how it's going to inspire them," Corona explained.

Corona said she feels blessed and honored to play this role and hopes it will impact all generations.

"It's been really rewarding because growing up, I didn't see a lot of women of color on TV," Corona said. "And so it's been really rewarding to be able to take on this role and feel empowered and also just for the children to be able to see, 'Hey, our people are being

highlighted finally. Our faith and our stories are finally being told on the screen."

Iffer Mitchell is an assistant costume designer for the project. A professional seamstress of 43 years, Mitchell spends around eight to 12 hours each day working on costumes for the actors and actresses.

According to Mitchell, a costume takes between one and three days to complete.

"There are hundreds of costumes with thousands of pieces," she said.

Mitchell noted the difficulty of creating costumes when no one knows exactly what the figures in the Book of Mormon might have worn.

"We pray a lot," she said. "We pray each day for inspiration, and we feel like the inspiration comes in the form of the fabrics, (which) just kind of tell us what they want to be and they fit together just beautifully. So it's a lot of inspiration."

Mitchell said the ultimate

reward for her efforts is watching the actors wear the costumes on camera.

"I hope that the costumes are not distracting. I hope the costumes are beautiful enough and they seem authentic enough to the viewer that they're caught up in the spirit of the movie and not distracted by anything that the costume is or isn't. We just want the costumes to enhance the spiritual experience, which will be the Book of Mormon video library series."

Actor Ryan Wood said it typically takes around an hour to get ready for his 7 a.m. call time, including dressing in his costume, applying makeup, and putting on his wig and contacts.

Wood plays the Book of Mormon character Abinadi. He has previously played the roles of Hyrum Smith in "The Work and the Glory" and Oliver Cowdery in "Joseph Smith: The Prophet of the Restoration."

"I have really loved when what I would call the 'more powerful parts' of (Abinadi's) story come out," Wood said, citing an experience when after he delivered Abinadi's word, there was a silence on the set, even after it was over.

Amber Weiss portrays Abish in the films, a servant in King Lamoni's palace who secretly converted to the Lord. Weiss flew out from Oklahoma for a week and a half to film her scenes.

Weiss said that since Abish is rarely mentioned in the Book of Mormon, her character is easy to overlook.

"I knew who she was before. But I didn't realize how awesome she was," she said. "We just kind of overlook her role even though it is so influential."

Weiss recounted the story of Abish and her conversion, which she said was a catalyst for others' conversions.

"When I think of my own personal experience with conversion, there was kind of like a big turning point in my life where I felt that," Weiss said. "It is a very personal experience, and there's a lot of power that comes from it. So I really identified with Abish in that respect and really came to respect her ability to seize opportunities to do the Lord's work and to be a huge influence in that regard, but also to be very humble about it."

Weiss said her favorite part of being involved with the videos has been meeting people

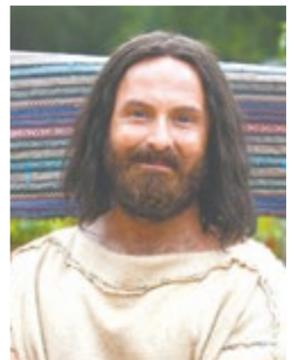


Addie Blacker

Liliana Corona plays King Lamoni's wife in the new Book of Mormon videos.

and hearing their stories. "A lot of the people who we had here were Native Americans, and to hear their stories and how much they identify with the Book of Mormon people has been just really awesome to hear. There's been a really special reverence and spirit here for the work that we're doing," she said.

Corona also noted the feeling on the set and the closeness she's felt with the cast members since she says they are all descendants of the Lamanites. "Here were so many clans



Addie Blacker

Ryan Wood plays the role of Abinadi in the new Book of Mormon videos.

and countries and indigenous people sharing of their culture and their customs, working together to tell one story, and you felt that unity and that love. There were no more walls; we were all just united," Corona said. "It was such a privilege to be able to be a part of this production, and I can't even imagine what these stories are going to do. I can't even comprehend it. But once we actually see it, I think the impact that it's going to have will go on for generations. And what a blessing."



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Simple Bites

Recipe Column

This week: **Pineapple Mango Salsa**

Ingredients	For 1	For 2	4 or more
Fresh roma tomatoes	1 med	2 med	4 med
Green onion	2 stalks	4 stalks	1 small bunch
Cilantro	1 tbsp	2 tbsp	1/2 bunch (no stems)
Jalepeno pepper	1/4 med	1/2 med	1 med
Garlic salt	1/4 tsp	1/2 tsp	1 tsp
Lime juice	1/4 lime	1/2 lime	1 lime
Fresh pineapple	1/8 cup	1/4 cup	1/2 cup
Fresh mango	1/8 cup	1/4 cup	1/2 cup

Directions

Dice tomatoes into small pieces, place in mixing bowl. Slice green onion into small slices including the green tops, place in bowl with tomatoes.

Finely chop cilantro, add to bowl. Finely dice jalepeno pepper (add more for more heat, less for more mild). Cut lime in half and squeeze juice into mixture. Add garlic salt and mix together.

Cut pineapple into small pieces, add to mixture. Dice mango into small pieces and add to mixture. Carefully mix until blended.

Serve cold with chips or with chicken or sweet pork tacos

Scan this photo with the Universe Plus app to see our video of how to make the Mango Salsa.

Retired war dogs continue to heal lives

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALT LAKE CITY — Rep. Chris Stewart's town hall meeting was rowdy. Some shouted. Some cried. People argued about gun control and President Donald Trump. Stewart even threatened to leave unless people were more civil. But one thing managed to bring a moment of peace and unity.

Stewart introduced a pair in the back who have struggled to adjust after serving in Kuwait. The crowd turned to see two retired war dogs, German shepherds Mazzie and Geli, who tucked their tails and looked down, unsettled by the raucous crowd.

Such "dogs were being abandoned, sometimes euthanized because there wasn't money appropriated to pay \$2,000 to ship a dog home" after their handlers left, Stewart said. "How can you do that to any animal, any dog, let alone one who saved American lives?"

That divisive audience then paused to give Mazzie and Geli a heartfelt ovation.

"They do touch people's hearts," says Linda Crismer, who with her husband, Jim, adopted the dogs. She says even in retirement, the pets still save lives and help heal damaged people everywhere from gatherings of veterans to school assemblies, parades, visits to the sick or, in this case, an unruly town hall meeting.

Like many human vets, the dogs were traumatized by their service abroad — especially Mazzie, the first dog the Crismers adopted.

Linda Crismer, a 4th grade teacher nearing retirement, read to her students about the plight of such retired "contract dogs," used abroad by contractors serving the military and often left in kennels when no longer used without medical care or much human interaction.

"When I announced I was retiring, the kids said, 'Well you ought to get one because you won't have anything to do,'" she says. So the Crismers applied to Mission K9 Rescue, a Texas-based nonprofit. Nine months later they were offered Mazzie. They don't know much about his service, other than he was in Kuwait and was likely a drug-finding dog.

He had been neglected after his service ended. He was so



Associated Press

Jim and Linda Crismer, who adopted two Veteran military canines Mazzie and Geli from Kuwait, are photographed Wednesday, Aug. 28.

underweight that he had been placed in a Texas foster home for three months, but even in those improved conditions didn't eat much.

The Crismers found Mazzie preferred to stay in his crate. He would not sleep in the soft pet bed they bought him, only on hard floors. He did not want to leave their garage. He did not want to go on walks.

The Crismers reached out to a business run by Jeremy Varela, a former Davis County Sheriff deputy who trains and has handled police dogs.

"At one point, I told Jeremy, 'I'd like to know what Mazzie has seen.' He said, 'No. You really don't want to know what that dog has done or seen or how he's been treated,'" Linda says. "After we'd had him about six months, Jeremy told Jim this was the most seriously damaged dog mentally that he's ever seen. Now he's just a big baby."

Mazzie now scampers and plays around the Crismer's home in Fruit Heights with the younger Geli.

"This is his safe spot," Jim says about Mazzie. But away from there, he still tucks his tail and avoids looking at people.

Linda recalls the first time Mazzie met a human veteran, when they took him to a pet-friendly sporting goods store hoping to help reduce his fear

of people. Mazzie was wearing a vest identifying him as a retired war dog.

That made a passing Vietnam War veteran do a double-

He got down on his knees and was holding Mazzie's face," Linda says. "He told Mazzie, 'I know what it's like to have been in a foreign country and be treated bad.' Then he said, 'But your mom and dad will make sure that you're taken care of the rest of your life.'"

Jim Crismer
Veteran

take, and then stop to talk.

After he heard how Mazzie apparently had been abused, "He got down on his knees and was holding Mazzie's face," Linda says. "He told Mazzie, 'I know what it's like to have been in a foreign country and be treated bad.' Then he said, 'But

your mom and dad will make sure that you're taken care of the rest of your life.'"

The Crismers said it was the beginning of a discovery that Mazzie — and Geli when they also adopted her — seem to have a special bond with veterans.

Jim Crismer says he saw that in another recent veteran's parade in Colorado Springs, the home of several military installations. Mazzie and Geli were on a float with other retired war dogs.

"Veterans would stand up and salute that float," Jim says. "One guy wearing a Marines T-shirt walked up and saluted, and said, 'Those dogs saved my life.'"

Once a vet insisted on donating his old sergeant stripes for the vest that Mazzie wears (even though the dog was technically a civilian working for government contractors), and his wife donated her Air Force stripes to Geli.

"He came back a little later and says, 'I have one more thing to ask,'" Linda Crismer remembers. He handed them old steel bracelets used to remember prisoners of war or those missing in action. "These were for two of his comrades who were killed. So each dog now wears one on its vest."

Mazzie and Geli have been adopted into Utah chapters of the Vietnam Veterans

Association and the American Legion and are invited to many of their events.

Mazzie is soon to receive another honor on behalf of fallen war dogs. He has been chosen to be the model for a statue at Layton's replica of the Vietnam War Memorial wall.

"About 4,000 war dogs were left when the United States withdrew from Vietnam. Probably the majority of them were euthanized," Linda says. "That's kind of a black mark against our government that we left all those dogs there. So they've decided to add a dog statue at the Vietnam War Memorial in Layton."

The dogs also help civilians, not just vets. Jim says he surprised how many people cry and hug him when they hear the pair are retired war dogs, and how much children love them in school visits.

After one news story about them, a woman in Colorado started corresponding with the Crismers about the dogs.

"She told me she just found out she has cancer. She said, 'But now my life is complete because I met Mazzie.' It was heartbreaking and heartwarming at the same time," Linda says. Later the lady called to say she changed her will to give money to the nonprofit that saves the dogs.

Jim says the dogs met Stewart, the congressman, at a veterans event. The Crismers told him about a retired war dog in Korea that could not be brought home to his old handler — despite laws requiring it — because money had not been appropriated. Stewart, a member of the House Appropriations Committee and a veteran himself, said he would see what he could do.

"Like within a week, he had an amendment to the defense spending bill to appropriate \$200,000 a year for military dogs," Jim says. "And then within two weeks it passed the House, which is amazing since he is a Republican and Democrats control the House." It soon passed the Senate. Stewart said the money — while it is still a lot to most people — is a drop in the bucket for appropriators. "And to save 100 or 150 of these animals and bring them home, it's a cool thing."

He pointing to the Crismers during the rowdy town hall meeting and said, "You are heroes. Thanks to people like you for bringing them home."

BYU tops list of colleges 'worth the cost'

By REBECCA NISSEN

BYU along with the U.S. Naval Academy currently hold the top spot in The Wall Street Journal's list of colleges across the country that are "worth the cost," according to data collected by the Wall Street Journal and Times Higher Education. The data was released in an article by The Wall Street Journal Sept. 5

According to the Wall Street Journal, the data was collected over a two-year period from students survey results. Students ranked their institutions on whether they think their experience will be worth the cost, and explicated this on a 10-point scale.

BYU and the U.S. Naval Academy both ranked 9.6 out of 10. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, which ranked in the top five, scored 9.2. The Virginia Military Institute received 9, followed closely by Princeton at 8.9.

BYU's yearly tuition and fees hang at around \$5,500 a year.

BYU chemistry professor Todd Bronson, addressed the tuition's benefit on students.

"Other colleges, their tendency is to leave with a lot of debt — much more than (students) can afford. I don't think the education is that different, but leaving without student debt would be the biggest thing you can hope for."

BYU senior Nathan Johnson, said he believes BYU's low cost coupled with the university's overall experience makes the school well worth it.

"Considering the facilities, quality of instruction, community and the pretty (low) subsidized cost that we get, I think that it's a very good value," Johnson said.

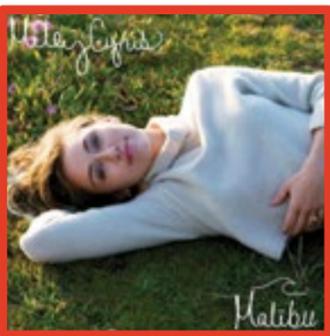
MIXTAPE

Windows Down, Wind in Your Hair: Road Trip Music

This week:



Alena



"Malibu"
Miley Cyrus
Younger Now

Miley Cyrus' comeback song from 2017 was a hit as soon as it was released. She toned down the theatrics with this one, which surprised fans, allowing the song to take a front seat. Everything about this song just screams summer! It's a perfect mix, with chill lyrics and a fast-paced tempo, it makes this the perfect song for a long road trip.

This song is all about positive vibes and living life to the fullest. As you're loading the car with your favorite snacks, make sure you've loaded this on your playlist as well. An awesome playlist + good friends + a fun destination = memory-worthy adventures. "I Lived" will enhance those memories, making it the perfect accompaniment to any road trip.



"I Lived"
One Republic
Native



"Barcelona"
Ed Sheeran
Divide

What better song to drive to than one that transports you out of the car and into an exotic country? Listening to this song creates a vision of dancing in the streets of the beautiful city Barcelona. Ed Sheeran brings in some authentic Spanish flair by singing the bridge in Spanish. Not bad for an Irish guy. Turn it on, turn it up and let the music take you away.

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Wed., Oct. 2, 7:30 p.m.
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Choir Showcase
Thurs., Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.
de Jong Concert Hall

With Two Wings
Wed.-Fri., Oct. 9-11, 16-18, 7:00 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 12, 19, 2:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m.
Nelke Theatre

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NADLER & PELOSI'S WHO'S ON FIRST?



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"Come December, snow will be here, and some of you will be engaged to someone you haven't even met yet!" - @hankrsmith @HeardAtBYU

@JamesSchow
If you think I'm ever walking up the LSB stairs this semester you couldn't be more wrong.

@mollie_petersen
NSO Freshman girl: "Yeah he sat by me during the opening hymn and I just know we're meant to be together." @HeardAtBYU

@stars_on_parade
I used to think any open seat was good enough for me in the cougar eat - but I sat next to these girls sharing pictures and stories of grotesque medical procedures and bypasses when I'm just trying to get my food to bypass my gag reflexes.
Lesson learned

@autumndaun_kang
"I'm sick of Provo already."
@HeardAtBYU

@totscheetos
Nobody:
My landlord: Reminder rent is due today

@_nizzy_
@HeardAtBYU
Some girl talking to her friend:
"Yeah, he was a great missionary but not a good boyfriend."
Provo strikes again.

@hankrsmith
Your Christianity should influence the way you drive.

@loganflinders
"I'm sorry you have to have grades in this class. I don't have tenure, so these are the rules." - Poli Philosophy Prof @HeardAtBYU

@murfyslurtz
One time I met a non-member who genuinely believed that Mormon temples had zero-gravity machines inside them.

@mazinlife
First day of school at BYU:
Professor - "What's something fun you did this summer?"
50% of the class who isn't already married - "I got engaged/married!" @HeardAtBYU

@fremlo_
my first class today isn't until 3 and I think that's beautiful

@Brandon96571097
Is it considered cheating if you match with a girl on mutual one week and the next week she's engaged? @basicprovobro

@autumndaun_kang
"When you walk into my class, I want you to think: Am I in a 1970's party?"
@HeardAtBYU
@byuprofessors

@LatterdayLikes
BYU ought to hire a mom to come talk to the football team after a loss
"I'm not mad; I'm just disappointed"

@basicprovobro
I like to play this game whenever I'm at Disneyland. It's called, "Mormon or Old Navy model?"

@LordTaylorField
"I'm here not to be your teacher, but a guide in Statistics." BYU hired this guy straight out of PMG ch. 10. #iykyk @HeardAtBYU

@KendelleKindle
Summer sales: missionary work with an inferior product #byu @HeardAtBYU

@victoriagarvin
professor: "what's the most common question in provo?"
guy: "are you married?"
@HeardAtBYU

@KylaPadbury
me:
my dad: have you gone on any dates lately

@poetickate
"picks 10 outfits for a 3 day trip "just in case"
*wears the same shirt all 3 days"

@todd_hall97
Professor: "@BillClinton gets paid a million dollars for giving a speech for an hour."
Me: "calls up bishop" "Imma need \$1000 to talk in church this week, if that's too much I can do \$500 for 10 minutes."
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@natmadscomedy

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READERS' FORUM

Christopher Columbus

Nek 'n-ew Roni Jo Draper. I teach multicultural education for people becoming teachers. I am a Yurok tribal member. A while back, I entered my BYU classroom, passed out candy and said to my students, "Happy Indigenous Peoples' Day." Most students smiled and took the candy. One student raised her hand and, in a voice generally reserved for scolding others, told me how the Book of Mormon testifies of Columbus, and that I should show more appreciation for him. After class, she followed me to my office where she shared her earnest feelings about the sanctity of Columbus and how her mother venerated him and told stories about him at their dinner table. Finally, my student insisted that I give Columbus equal time in my classroom.

"Columbus has had his time," I began. I turned in my chair and pointed to a photo hanging on my wall. In it, a young Native man holds an infant wrapped in a blanket and secured in a cradle basket. "This is a picture of my father and me." I explained that my dinner table was laid with salmon and berries gathered by my family from the reservation. And our family conversations about Columbus recognized him as the forerunner of generational losses of our people—our land, our resources, our language, our ceremonies and our lives.

I share this story because as a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who also knows the history, erasure and pain of my Indigenous ancestors, I find the continued admiration of Christopher Columbus difficult to reconcile with Church messages that condemn white supremacist attitudes. I understand that readers of the First Presidency's message condemning white supremacy may not connect the acritical celebration of Columbus to the acceptance of a white supremacist attitude. To illuminate my point, I set my remarks against the recent Daily Universe story highlighting Clark Hinckley's presentation about Columbus to Education Week participants and an article written by Hinckley for LDS Living.

Hinckley claims that Columbus is the gentle prophesied of in 1 Nephi 13:12. Hinckley appears to base this assumption on the geography described in the verse. But why must "the Great Waters" represent the Atlantic Ocean? For Indigenous peoples of the Americas, there are many "Great Waters." We know, for example, the vastness of the

Pacific Ocean. We are also aware of islands dotted throughout the Pacific peopled by great boat builders and ocean navigators. The speculation that this "Great Spirit" mentioned in the Book of Mormon must be European represents biases that assume the supremacy of white people.

Hinckley rightly acknowledges that Columbus didn't discover the Americas. Hinckley does praise Columbus for opening the Americas to trade. Yet, this trade has disproportionately benefited white people at the expense of people of color—both Indigenous peoples who were never the recipients of the wealth taken from them and their land, and the African peoples who were deemed property fit to build the New World, suffered under this trade.

A popular narrative surrounding the colonization of the Americas, and one that Hinckley repeats, is that Indigenous peoples are better off since the arrival of white settlers who came from Spain, Portugal, and other regions of Europe. Reader, please understand that suggesting that the cultures of non-white peoples were "primitive," "savage," "amoral" or otherwise "uncivilized" until the white people "discovered them" and "fixed them" is a narrative steeped in white supremacy. Indeed, Hinckley's claim that one of Columbus's legacies is a new "race" of people called "Latinos" is a classic white supremacist idea. Let's understand that the early Indigenous peoples were enslaved, driven out, and/or massacred. Any genetic shifting of the population (if this is indeed what Hinckley means by "race") was due in large part to rape or inter-racial marriage that was deemed immoral and/or illegal by white settlers. Any cultural shifting was due to policies of forced removal, the separation of children from their parents, the prohibition of language and ceremonies and so forth designed specifically to solve the "Indian problem."

I can have a testimony of the Restoration, I can have a testimony of Jesus Christ, and I can have a testimony of the Book of Mormon without having a testimony of Christopher Columbus. Please understand that I will give Columbus no more time, and please understand that when I see others do so, I will also see them propping up white supremacist attitudes that I do not believe have place in a gospel authored by Christ.

—Roni Jo Draper, Ph.D.
Professor, BYU Department of Teacher Education

IN OUR OPINION

The importance of enjoying and not rushing the BYU experience

Every freshman, or any college student for that matter, experiences the daunting pressure of deciding what to major in and what to do after graduation.

As a freshman at Snow College, I was asked, "What are you going to do in the future?" more times than I could count. When I returned home from my mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, I transferred to BYU and realized I wasn't sure I wanted to continue to pursue the same major I had looked into as a freshman. I decided to take a variety of classes at BYU in subjects that intrigued me to not only help me decide what I wanted to study, but also enhance my knowledge and broaden my skillset.

I am still not entirely positive what I will be doing in the future, and I think that's OK. The purpose of college is to learn and explore your options.

The Aims of a BYU Education states, "... BYU seeks to develop students of faith, intellect and character who have the skills and the desire to continue learning and to serve others throughout

their lives."

Sure, some students may have good reason for trying to get through college and into the work field quickly, and that's respectable. But I think college is a once-in-a-lifetime experience, when you have the unique opportunity to be a student and learn every day. I have talked to several people who said now that they work full-time, they miss being a student at a university.

Though being a successful student is of utmost importance, college is also meant to be enjoyable. Go to a sporting event, get involved with a club, take a class to learn a new instrument or if you love traveling, look into a study abroad.

There are so many opportunities and resources available for college students here at BYU. Take advantage of your experience here, and remember, especially if it's your first semester, don't worry about choosing a major right off the bat—taking a new class that catches your interest or trying out a club may help you decide.

—Emma Benson
Senior reporter

OPINION OUTPOST

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

Hong Kong protests

With every passing week, what began as a popular protest against a proposed extradition law has hardened into a struggle for the soul of Hong Kong, dimming the potential for a negotiated resolution.

Carrie Lam, Hong Kong's embattled chief executive, said she was withdrawing the extradition bill, but it was not clear if this would appease the demonstrators, who have several grievances with the government.

—Editorial Board
The New York Times

Climate change

The federal government must not fail to take the lessons

Hurricane Dorian teaches about the changing planet.

It is already clear that global warming tends to make hurricanes stronger and wetter, driven by warm waters that have soaked up the excess solar energy humans have trapped with greenhouse gas emissions. A responsible government would minimize the risk by restraining greenhouse gas emissions.

—Editorial Board
The Washington Post

Air pollution

In the next five years or so, the No. 1 source of air pollution along the Wasatch Front is going to switch from vehicles to buildings.

We can't just demand the changes in building standards and pass along the costs to consumers. And we can't just subsidize the changes with tax money. They're too expensive. But there is a role for government in both

discouraging the worst practices and incentivizing the best ones. That applies to industry as well, which still produces a sizable chunk of the air pollution.

—Editorial Board
The Salt Lake Tribune

What America can learn from Brexit

Brexit is hard to make sense of. Nevertheless, the process holds lessons for Americans that shouldn't be overlooked.

While the U.S. isn't pulling out of a conglomerate political relationship, the stalemate in Parliament resembles Congress' inability to deal with immigration, the national debt and health care costs, and it sends a warning to American leadership: Prioritize consensus building before warring political interests render the government all but useless to respond to domestic crises.

—Editorial Board
Deseret News

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Looking ahead: BYU football receives new hope with 1-1 record

By AARON FITZNER

The season-opening loss to Utah seems almost like a distant memory as BYU football took down Tennessee in an exciting double-overtime win in Knoxville on Sept. 7.

With one minute to go, ESPN deemed it virtually impossible for BYU to beat Tennessee, giving the Vols a 99.9% chance to win. With just 18 seconds on the clock, BYU had the ball on their own 20-yard line on third down with six yards to go. A blown assignment gave BYU wide receiver Micah Simon some open space and Zach Wilson connected with him for a 64-yard pass. A 33-yard field goal from BYU kicker Jake Oldroyd then sent the game into overtime where BYU prevailed.

Marching into SEC country and leaving with a victory is no easy feat, especially when playing in a packed Neyland Stadium with a maximum capacity of 102,455, but BYU found a way to do so dramatic fashion.

A potential 0-2 record quickly turned into a 1-1 record with the win, and BYU has received a new hope going into a key matchup against undefeated USC on Sept. 14. Here is a look at the 10 games remaining in the schedule after week two:

- **USC (2-0):** wins against Fresno State (0-2) and No. 24 Stanford (1-1)
- **Washington (1-1):** win against Eastern Washington (1-1), loss to California (2-0)
- **Toledo (0-1):** loss to Kentucky (2-0)
- **USF (0-2):** losses to Wisconsin (2-0) and Georgia Tech (1-1)
- **No. 22 Boise State (2-0):** wins over Florida State (1-1) and Marshall (1-1)
- **Utah State (1-1):** loss to Wake Forest (2-0), win over Stony Brook (1-1)
- **Liberty (0-2):** losses to No. 22 Syracuse (1-1) and LA-Lafayette (1-1)
- **Idaho State (1-0):** win over Western State
- **UMass (0-2):** losses to Rutgers (1-1) and Southern Illinois (1-1)
- **San Diego State (2-0):** wins over Weber State (1-1) and UCLA (0-2)

USC is coming off a massive victory over No. 24 Stanford on Sept. 7. The Trojans lost their starting quarterback to an ACL in week one, but true freshman Kedon Slovis looked like a seasoned veteran in his debut. Slovis went 28 of 33 for 377 yards and three touchdowns in his first NCAA start, helping USC to a week two victory over No. 24 Stanford. This gave the Trojans their first national ranking of the season at No. 24.

Other key matchups for the Cougars



Jaren Wilkey/BYU Photo

Freshman kicker Jake Oldroyd celebrates his extra point kick in the first overtime. BYU would go on to beat the Vols 29-26 in double overtime at Neyland Stadium.

include a trio of state schools — No. 22 Boise State, Utah State and San Diego State.

Boise State's biggest victory of the young 2019 season came in week one against Florida State. Trailing most of the game, Boise State made a fourth-quarter comeback to secure a 36-31 victory. The Broncos are also starting a true freshman quarterback — Hank Bachmeier — and like Slovis, he is making statements early on in his NCAA career. Bachmeier has gone a combined 52 of 85 for 689 yards and two touchdowns over his first two games, while also throwing for two interceptions. Aside from his strong throwing arm, the freshman has been praised for his grit and effort over the first two games, particularly as he soared headfirst into the endzone for a late first-half touchdown against Marshall on Sept. 5.

Utah State got off to a slow start with a loss to Wake Forest but quickly found its footing against Stony Brook with a 62-7 win, though Stony Brook

is an FCS team. Utah State used three quarterbacks against Stony Brook who combined for three touchdowns through the air. The Aggies added four rushing touchdowns and 717 total yards, so it seems as if their offense has returned to form.

San Diego State is a team that doesn't make a lot of headlines but continues to impress. The Aztecs shutout Weber State, an FCS team, in the first week of play and won by two scores against UCLA on Sept. 7. Like the Aggies, San Diego State is starting a quarterback that has much more experience than both the Boise State and USC quarterbacks, Ryan Agnew. In his most recent showing, Agnew went 23 of 31 for 293 yards and one touchdown. Agnew has yet to throw an interception this season.

Kickoff for BYU vs. No. 24 USC is set for 1:30 p.m. at LaVell Edwards Stadium on Saturday, Sept. 14. USC is 2-0 all-time against BYU, with the two meetings coming in the 2003 and 2004 seasons.



Addie Blacker

Zach Wilson throws to his right, adding to his 208 throwing yards while playing against Utah on Aug. 29.

NCAA upholds decision, BYU basketball vacates two seasons worth of wins

By AARON FITZNER

The NCAA decided to deny BYU's appeal regarding the vacation of two seasons worth of BYU basketballs wins, according to an NCAA news release.

The origin of the penalty was Nick Emery knowingly receiving improper benefits from BYU boosters, including money, vacations, golf outings and vehicle use. BYU tried to appeal the case, claiming that former BYU basketball head coach Dave Rose had properly monitored the situation and had no knowledge of Emery breaking NCAA rules, but the appeal went seemingly unheard.

"The NCAA wrongly suggests that case precedent supports this decision, but the undisputed fact is that this is the first time ever that the NCAA Committee on Infractions has vacated team records where the institution itself was not aware of and had no involvement in the violations," BYU said in a press release.

Though other penalties were given to BYU by the NCAA in addition to self-imposed penalties by the university, the vacation of wins was the only penalty BYU tried to appeal. BYU athletic director Tom Holmoe said in his February media address.

"We're waiting for the time where

we'll have our voice — I feel really good about where it is," Holmoe said during his February address. "The vacation of wins didn't feel like it was an accurate adjudication based on the details of the case, and that's the appeal."

Since the appeal was upheld, BYU is forced to vacate wins from two full seasons — all of the wins that Emery participated in while being ineligible.

"Brigham Young shall vacate all regular season, conference tournament and NCAA postseason competition records and participation in which the ineligible student-athlete competed from the time he became ineligible, through the time he was reinstated as eligible for competition," the NCAA said in its press release.

BYU said it was appealing this decision because it felt the NCAA was being unfair given the fact that Emery was the sole beneficiary of the benefits given by boosters. Rose and BYU had no knowledge of the situation despite proper monitoring. BYU said the penalty is harmful and unprecedented.

"BYU is concerned about the harmful precedent that this case sets and the message it sends to NCAA membership, who may now be punished with a vacation of records, regardless of whether the institution knew about or participated in the violations. BYU strongly disagrees with the NCAA imposing



Hannah Miner

Coaches Dave Rose and TJ Fredette direct their team in the second round of The Basketball Tournament held in July.

this penalty in a case that included clear findings that there was no lack of institutional control, no failure to monitor and no head coach responsibility for the violations," BYU said.

BYU quoted the mission of the NCAA,

saying, "A key mission of the NCAA's infractions program is 'to prescribe fair and appropriate penalties.' Today's decision is unprecedented and unfair to BYU and other institutions committed to compliance."

USC athletic director Lynn Swann abruptly resigns

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LOS ANGELES — Southern California athletic director Lynn Swann has resigned after three years on the job at his alma mater.

USC President Carol Folt announced the decision in a letter Monday.

Dave Roberts will serve as interim athletic director. He is a special adviser to Folt, who assumed her position in July.

The 67-year-old Swann was hired in 2016 despite no significant experience in athletic administration. The Pro Football Hall of Fame receiver spent nine years with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

USC's athletic department has faced several setbacks during Swann's stay, notably involvement in the widespread college admissions scandal and the college basketball corruption scandal.

Swann also soured many USC fans by backing football coach Clay Helton, who was retained after the Trojans went 5-7 last season.

MIT scandal highlights thorny ethics of university donations



Associated Press

In this April 3, 2017 file photo, students walk past the "Great Dome" atop Building 10 on the Massachusetts Institute of Technology campus in Cambridge, Mass. MIT said Media Lab director Joi Ito resigned Saturday, Sept. 7, after reports he had a more extensive fundraising relationship with disgraced financier Jeffrey Epstein than previously acknowledged.

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school announced a review of the gifts in July but declined to provide an update Monday.

Epstein's ties to academia are coming under renewed scrutiny amid allegations that a prestigious research lab at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology had a more extensive fundraising relationship with Epstein than it previously acknowledged and tried to conceal the extent of the relationship.

The allegations, first reported Friday by The New Yorker, spurred MIT's president to bring in an outside law firm to investigate. In a letter to campus Saturday, President Rafael Reif called the accusations "deeply disturbing" and "extremely serious."

Reif previously announced that MIT had received about \$800,000 from Epstein over two decades and would donate the same amount to a charity that benefits victims of sexual abuse.

Other schools have said they didn't even know donations they received came from Epstein. His \$50,000 to the University of Arizona to pay for a science conference came through a charity he operated, Gratitude America, Ltd. School officials said they were unaware of his ties to the charity at the time.

Epstein's \$25,000 to the

BOSTON — While MIT grapples with new allegations about its financial ties to Jeffrey Epstein, other universities that accepted donations from the disgraced financier say they have no plans to return the money.

The turmoil at MIT has sent shockwaves through the world of education and highlights the challenges universities face as they screen potential donors and decide whether to keep money that's tainted by its benefactor's misdeeds.

Epstein was arrested in July on federal sex-trafficking charges, drawing new attention to old allegations that he had sexually abused women and girls. He killed himself in jail in August while awaiting trial.

Harvard University says it already spent \$6.5 million that Epstein donated in 2003. The University of Arizona says it isn't returning \$50,000 it received in 2003. The University of British Columbia is not giving back \$25,000 it got from an Epstein charity in 2011.

Ohio State University has not said what will come of its funding from Epstein, including \$2.5 million donated in 2007. The

University of British Columbia came through another of his foundations, Enhanced Education. The school says none of the gift's documentation, "nor the university's due diligence," indicated a link to Epstein, who pleaded guilty in 2008 to soliciting a minor for prostitution in Florida under a deal that required him to serve 13 months in jail and register as a sex offender.

"The crimes Mr. Epstein was convicted of, and the later accusations, are abhorrent and the university would not have accepted the donation in 2011 if it had been aware of a link between him and Enhanced Education," Kurt Heinrich, a university spokesman, said in a statement.

Harvard has refused to disclose exactly how much it received from Epstein but says the largest gift was \$6.5 million, given to the school's Program for Evolutionary Dynamics in 2003. A Harvard spokesman said the school did not receive any gifts from Epstein after 2007.

Disputes over tainted money are common at universities and other nonprofits that rely on philanthropy, experts say. Many schools appoint ethics boards to screen donors, but there are no hard rules when it comes to deciding whether to accept a gift.

"Universities have to determine for themselves what is or is not acceptable," said Leslie Lenkowsky, a professor emeritus at Indiana University who specializes in philanthropy. "There are no clear standards."

The decision often comes down to weighing the financial benefit against the risk to the university's reputation, Lenkowsky said. Some nonprofit leaders err on the side of caution, he said, but some believe that even "tainted" figures deserve a chance at redemption.

At MIT, it appears there was a breakdown in the system for evaluating donors. According to The New Yorker, the Media Lab continued to accept money from Epstein even after the university labeled him as

a "disqualified" donor. MIT says Media Lab director Joi Ito resigned Saturday. Ito, who was also a visiting professor at Harvard Law School, also resigned from that position.

Reif's message on Saturday said the acceptance of Epstein's gifts "involved a mistake of judgment." He added that the school is assessing how to improve policies and prevent similar mistakes in the future.

At Brown University, a fundraising director was placed on administrative leave following a report that accused him of helping cover up Epstein's connections to the MIT Media Lab. Brown spokesman Brian Clark told The Providence Journal Sunday that Peter Cohen, director of development for computer and data science, is on leave pending a review. Clark said Brown hasn't received donations from Epstein. Cohen did not respond to a phone call seeking comment Monday.

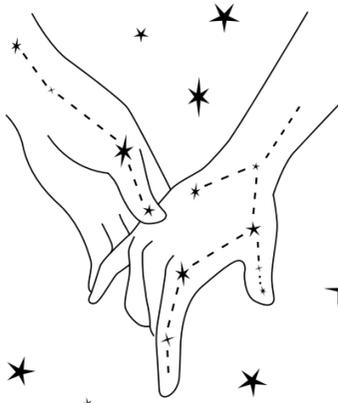
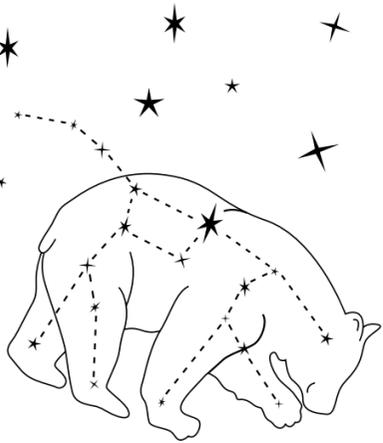
The fallout over Epstein's funding is only the latest in a long list of similar disputes. In

2017, the University of Southern California rejected a \$5 million donation from Harvey Weinstein after he was accused of sexual misconduct. Weinstein has denied all accusations of non-consensual sex.

Purdue University returned an \$8 million donation from the founder of the Papa John's pizza chain last year after he allegedly used a racial slur. In 2016, Ohio University returned \$500,000 from former Fox News CEO Roger Ailes after he was accused of sexual harassment, allegations that Ailes denied.

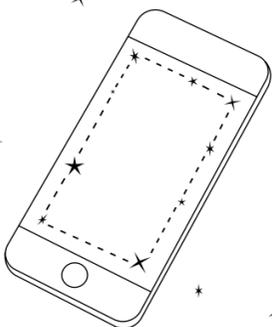
Students and faculty at Harvard, Yale and other universities have been pressing leaders to reject funding from the Sackler family, which owns Purdue Pharma, maker of Oxycontin, and has been blamed for contributing to the opioid crisis. The Sacklers have called some of the accusations against the company misleading and said that the family has been wrongly vilified, while trying to distance themselves from the workings of the company.

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IT TURNS OUT THAT THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF UNHAPPINESS IS "OTHER PEOPLE."

THAT'S DUMB. SAID THE OTHER PERSON.

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SOME EXERCISE.

ANY EXERCISE? DOES TELLING YOU TO SHUT YOUR PIEHOLE COUNT?

I CAN'T FIND MY KEYS.

OR MY SHOES.

OR MY PANTS. AAAND THERE GOES YOUR DIGNITY.

SNAP!

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ANYTHING IN THE MAIL FOR ME?

A CARD FROM THE OPTOMETRIST SAYING YOU'RE DUE FOR AN EYE EXAM.

I DON'T NEED AN EYE EXAM. I CAN SEE JUST FINE.

SHE'S AFRAID IF SHE SEES ANY BETTER SHE'LL HAVE TO DUST MORE OFTEN.

THERE WAS A FLY IN THE HOUSE. IT WAS DRIVING ME CRAZY.

I TRAPPED IT IN THE BATHROOM AND TRIED TO KILL IT WITH AIR FRESHENER SPRAY.

DID IT WORK?

NO, IT'S STILL BUZZING AROUND, BUT IT'S FRESHENING THE AIR AS IT GOES.

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I THINK WE'VE FOUND THE ANTIDOTE FOR STATUS CLIMBING.

COACH CLASS. FIRST CLASS. NO CLASS BUT LOTS OF MONEY. GATE B-13.

I GUESS SOME JUDGES HAVE MORE DIFFICULTY FINDING THINGS TO DO IN RETIREMENT THAN OTHERS.

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WILL YOU ASK HIM?

THIS WAS YOUR IDEA... YOU ASK HIM!

FINE.

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IS THIS SOME KIND OF IRONY TEST?

JEREMY, THIS ISN'T ABOUT YOU, OKAY?

BUT SOMETIMES I THINK YOU ACT LIKE A TOTAL NIMROD.

UM... HEY, THIS IS MY PROBLEM! DON'T MAKE IT ABOUT YOU!

Sudoku

Use the numbers 1-9 once in each row, column and marked grid of 9. Puzzles increase in difficulty from left to right. Solutions are at universe.byu.edu/sudoku.

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The New York Times Crossword

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ACROSS

- Group in a play
- Plasterwork backing
- Bracket securer
- Arthur with a stadium named after him
- Feeling flush, in a way
- "_ me" ("Go along with it")
- the Man (old baseball nickname)
- Be overrun (with)
- "E" on a gas gauge
- Pre-snap powwow
- Garden munchkin
- "How was _ know?"
- 2012 Best Picture winner set in Iran
- Kind of toy that moves when you turn a key

DOWN

- Redeem, as a savings bond
- Uncommonly perceptive
- Air-punching pugilist
- Manage, as a bar
- "Ciao"
- Unreturned tennis serve
- 2006 Matt Damon spy film
- Song sung on Sunday
- Place with beakers and Bunsen burners
- Measure of light's brightness
- Electric guitar accessory
- Drunkard

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

BIGIF SKIN WEST
 ARESO TACO EXPO
 BALLPLAYER REIN
 ANTE ERA TERRE
 GETBUSY EBAN
 ATALL HEE LEAK
 TRIALCOURT JUDGE
 EELS ASH ICARE
 TONS MILKMAN
 ADIOS USE BAAS
 PENN ONTHEBENCH
 ALEE ROSA BANTU
 NES STOP QUEST

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ACROSS

- Means of surveillance, for short
- Co-conspirator with Brutus and Cassius
- Banter jokingly
- "I got it! I got it!"
- What's standard, with "the"
- _ breve
- Litter noises
- Bottom coat?
- Slammer
- Word before and after "a"
- Had people over for dinner, say
- Habitat for a walrus
- "_ seen worse"
- Actor Dennis or Randy

DOWN

- Sports org. that plays in the winter
- Co-workers of TV's Don Draper
- Spending jags
- Locale of the anvil and stirrup
- Cincinnati sluggers
- Its motto, translated from Latin, is "If you wish for peace, prepare for war"
- Fill with cargo
- A.M.A. members
- Messed with, with "around"
- Avoid the clutches of
- Early nuclear org.
- Esther of "Good Times"
- TV show set in Westeros, for short
- Drill bit alloy
- Untouched, as an artifact

PUZZLE BY TRACY GRAY

13 Jimmy (open)

21 Lecturer's implement with a light at the end

23 Is indebted to

26 Fills, as tile joints

28 Popular yoga pose ... or a literal hint to the ends of 3-, 7-, 9- and 21-Down

29 The "U" in I.C.U.

30 Cribbage scorekeepers

32 Letter after sigma

34 Nap south of the border

39 Pampering places

40 Bus. concern

43 Persian Gulf country, for short

46 Actress Kendrick

51 What "woof" or "meow" may mean

52 Talked back to with "tude

54 Best effort, informally

56 Colorful flower with a "face"

59 Pump or oxford

61 Smidgen

62 Helper during taxing times, for short?

63 Triceps location

64 Poke fun at

66 Marry

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ACROSS

- Good name for a girl born on December 24?
- 1963 Bobby Vinton hit ... or a hint to both halves of 18-, 23-, 37- and 54-Across
- Surgeons' subj.
- Focusing aid
- Something to believe in
- Ballet leap
- Whence the Three Wise Men, with "the"
- Defeated by a hair
- Fired

DOWN

- Pioneering personal computers
- "Come on, things aren't so bad"
- Limousine
- Bygone kind of tape
- Like the numbers 8, 27 and 64
- How one's much-loved nephew might be treated
- Periscope site
- Low island
- Leader of Athens?
- Thriller set around Amity Island
- Quaint
- Like LPs and some dresses
- Coagulates
- Actress Chaplin of 53-Across
- YouTube upload

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SLOT AXIS BASKS
 TASE PITT DINAH
 RUIN RIGAMAROLE
 IRENE ISAY WED
 PARISHPRIESTS
 STOOLES AUTO
 CAB ARMS FOXIER
 STARTUP CAPITAL
 IMBUES DENT SLY
 SOYS PROTIPER
 BERNIESANDERS
 FLU HOLA GINUP
 ROMEO ROMEO DELA
 AMPED TOTO DRED
 TESLA SNAP YORE

The New York Times Crossword

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ACROSS

- Unit of measure with the same Latin origin as "inch"
- Jacket material
- Superlative ending with grass or glass
- Reprimand to a dog
- Big galoot
- Best-selling Steely Dan album

DOWN

- Unlike most physicians' handwriting, stereotypically
- Home of Anne of Green Gables
- Old Nissan autos
- Something that may be used before a blessing
- Put on a pedestal
- Struck out a dog
- Reprimage to a dog
- Part of a biblical citation
- YouTube upload

PUZZLE BY JON OLSEN

24 Like wedding cakes, typically

25 Posh neighborhood of London or New York

26 Spirit

31 Problem in an old wooden building

33 Guitarist Barrett

35 British rule over India, once

38 Spirited steed

39 Part of a biblical citation

40 Unlike most physicians' handwriting, stereotypically

41 Home of Anne of Green Gables

42 Old Nissan autos

45 Something that may be used before a blessing

46 Put on a pedestal

47 Struck out a dog

49 Outside: Prefix

51 A dependent one might start with "that"

55 Unit of measure with the same Latin origin as "inch"

56 Jacket material

58 Superlative ending with grass or glass

62 Reprimand to a dog

63 Big galoot

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Utah street performer finds joy after battling homelessness



Associated Press

Scott Schwarz smiles as a passerby dances while he performs along Center Street in downtown Provo.

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OREM — A chorus of honking, braking and speeding vehicles in Orem is often supplanted by the sound of a drum echoing through downtown.

The source of the noise is a 6-foot-9 man wearing a “Free Hugs” shirt, drumming on a single construction bucket while riding his bike.

Scott Schwarz, 35, has become a local celebrity known as “The Road Drummer” for his energetic street performances, the Daily Herald reports.

Before his rise to fame, Schwarz battled alcoholism and homelessness.

The turning point in his life came in his mid-20s when he lost his house and broke up with his girlfriend, he said.

“I continued to hit rock bottom. When you’re only familiar with digging, you just keep on digging. It’s incredibly, incredibly powerful,”

Schwarz said of addiction. “It is all about short-term pleasure rather than long-term joy.”

Schwarz says he moved in with his sister in Washington state, where he tried to take his own life. The attempt, he said, was his wake-up call. He checked himself into a rehab facility in Orem soon after.

“A lot of people are forced in by the state, or they’re forced in by their families, or they’re forced in by all these other circumstances,” he said. “I think one of the only reasons I’m a success is because I checked myself in.”

He picked up his drumming hobby about two years ago while transitioning out of rehab.

The street performers in Portland, Oregon, where Schwarz grew up, had always fascinated him, he said.

So, he went to a hardware store for a bucket, got a pair of drum sticks and began practicing.

“If you want something that you’ve never had, you’re going

to have to do something that you’ve never done,” Schwarz said.

The experiment wasn’t a success at first.

“I would ride by and people were like, ‘Dude, what’s wrong with you?’ Like, I look like a fool,” Schwarz said. “One of the beautiful things about it is it taught me to be OK with failing in public with great regularity.”

He didn’t quit, like he had in the past.

“That was just so huge for me, because I was such a perfectionist in my addiction. I would rather not complete a project, than have it not be perfect,” Schwarz said.

Now, Schwarz’s performances draw small crowds of people dancing and cheering him on.

“I get videotaped all the time on the streets, and people will scream and yell at me from their cars,” Schwarz said. “I’m a party. I bring so much joy to other people, and it was so worth that re-occurring public failure.”

Oil drilling plan near Utah monument draws tribal opposition

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SALT LAKE CITY — The U.S. government will allow oil and gas companies to make lease bids Monday on lands considered archaeologically sensitive near a national monument stretching across the Utah-Colorado border that houses sacred tribal sites.

Included in the Bureau of Land Management’s September oil and gas lease sale is about 47 square miles (122 square kilometers) of land north of Hovenweep National Monument, a group of prehistoric villages overlooking a canyon with connections to several indigenous tribes throughout the U.S. Southwest. The parcels for lease are about five to 20 miles (eight to 32 kilometers) north of the monument.

The sale comes amid an ongoing debate over drilling in states like Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, where a coalition of tribes are calling for a halt on energy development near land that Native Americans consider sacred.

The Trump administration has pushed to open vast expanses of public lands to oil and gas drilling, speed up the construction of petroleum pipelines and ease federal environmental regulations, dismissing calls from scientists in and out of government that immediate cuts in oil, gas and coal emissions are required to stave off the worst of climate change.

The plan was met with criticism from environmentalists and tribal organizations, who argued drilling on the high desert would damage the prehistoric structures and pollute the air.

“When this oil and gas leasing happens on or near sacred lands, it risks de-stabilizing the bedrock (of the structures),” said Ahjani Yepa, a member of Utah Diné Bikéyah, a Navajo grass-roots organization. “Hovenweep is in all of our stories, and to threaten the integrity of these structures jeopardizes everything we’ve carried forward as resilient people.”

Environmentalists and local business owners have also expressed concern over the impacts on water resources in rural communities and tourism from outdoor recreation that helps local economies.

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as an International Dark Sky Park in 2014 by the International Dark-Sky Association, recognized for its striking night skies and star-gazing opportunities. Southeast Utah is known for its sweeping desert landscapes and expansive night skies. The state has 11 internationally recognized “Dark Sky Parks,” the most of any state.

Business owners in Bluff said the dark skies drive tourism to Hovenweep, and feared industrial light pollution, as well as the sounds and smells of energy development, could drive visitors away.

Kathleen Sgamma of the oil industry trade group Western Energy Alliance countered that the plans are far from the boundaries of the monument.

“They’re making sure companies are operating in a responsible way while meeting the call from Congress to expand oil and gas development,” she said.

Kimberly Finch, a Bureau of Land Management spokeswoman, said every lease includes a cultural resource protection requirement that allows the agency to modify plans if impacts to cultural resources can’t be avoided or minimized.

The agency says in planning documents that companies should take steps to protect the environmental and cultural landscape of the area, including limiting the use of artificial light at drilling sites and protecting useable groundwater aquifers from drilling.

Companies must obtain permits and go through environmental reviews before they

begin construction or drilling. Some leases go years before drilling or expire before any activity occurs.

Still, environmentalists and Native Americans invested in the land said such documents fail to address a larger trend of leasing increasingly more land on or near sensitive tribal landscapes. Parcels near Hovenweep were offered, then deferred, in a March BLM lease sale, and new documents for an upcoming December lease sale show more land will be up for grabs.

Juana Charlie, a member of the Pueblo of Acoma, said it’s been difficult to negotiate with the BLM on cultural protections.

“At least we have our little foot in the door, but that’s as far as we’ve gotten,” she said. “They argue these lands are abandoned, but they’re not, we use them in our prayers, we visit them. You wouldn’t like it if I went into your home, your land, and started digging.”

The Bureau of Land Management would benefit from more community outreach and long-term planning to lease parcels on sensitive landscapes, said Erika Pollard, an associate director with the National Parks Conservation Association. But the new “energy-dominated era” she said we’re in has made public input on these processes harder.

“When you drive by Hovenweep, it feels like you’re traveling back in time. Having that landscape dotted with oil rigs and factories changes everything,” she said. “We have to think, ‘what legacy do we want to leave in Utah?’”

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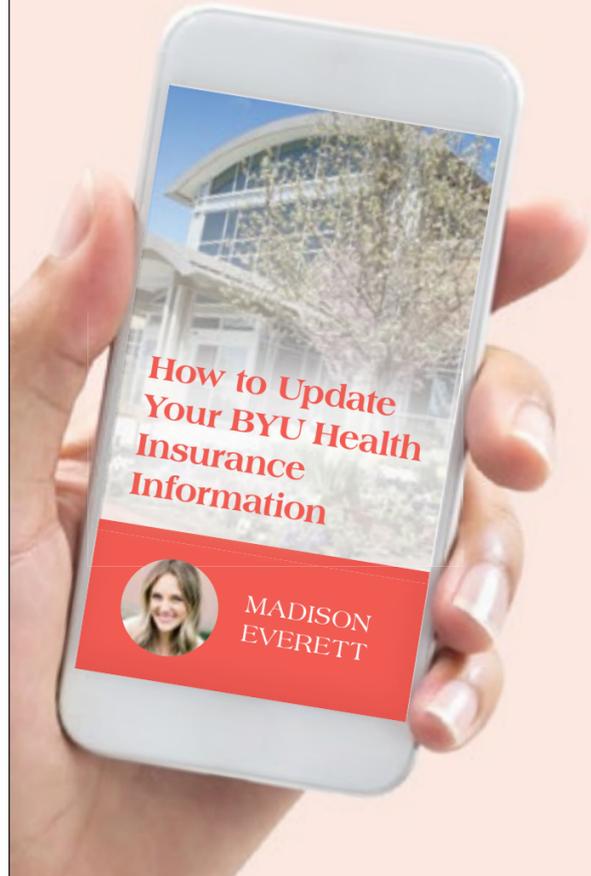


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