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No. 15 men's, women's basketball head to WCC tournament

By SYDNEY FLEMING

The 2019-20 BYU men's basketball season has been a whirlwind, ranging from injuries and suspensions to beating top teams in the nation, while the women's campaign gained momentum as the season grew older.

The men's season began with senior Yoeli Childs' NCAA suspension after paperwork errors following his decision to withdraw from the NBA draft and return to BYU for his senior season. The NCAA prohibited Childs from playing in the first nine non-conference games for the 2019-20 season. Childs averaged 21.2 points and 9.7 rebounds the previous season.

Injuries also plagued the team before the season started with senior TJ Haws' knee injury, senior Zac Seljaas' broken foot and sophomore Gavin Baxter's shoulder injury, which required him to miss the majority of the season. Haws and Seljaas didn't miss any regular-season games, but Baxter wasn't so lucky, as he made his season debut against San Francisco on Feb. 8.

In the nine non-conference games without Childs, BYU went 6-3 against some of its toughest opponents of the year. The team's first big win of the season came in Houston, when BYU beat the Cougars 72-71 off a game-winning jumper from Haws. Houston is now ranked No. 21 in the AP Poll behind BYU. The Cougars also beat No. 27 UCLA and Virginia Tech at the Maui Jim Invitation, adding two quad-two wins to the BYU's resume.

But the losses BYU suffered were especially heartbreaking. The first loss was to now No. 5 San Diego State in the Marriott Center, losing 76-71 without Childs' aid. The other losses were to Boise State in a thrilling 72-68



Paisley Johnson left, and Alex Barcello, right, look to help their team to WCC championship titles. The men's team will start tournament play in the semifinals and the women's team will start in the quarterfinals.

overtime loss and to now No. 1 Kansas at the Maui Invitational. BYU eventually went on to win more non-conference games, such as Utah State and Nevada, but also lost to Utah 105-98 in overtime. Out of the four total non-conference losses, three were decided by seven points or less.

While non-conference play could

be seen as a series of up-and-downs, BYU's conference play was anything but mediocre. BYU boasts a 13-3 conference record and 24-7 overall record, but the Cougars' winning record didn't come without struggles and upsets. After a 63-38 win over Loyola Marymount in the conference opener in Provo, BYU fell to rival Saint Mary's



Hannah Miner

87-84 in an overtime loss. This loss came without Childs' help, as he dislocated his finger in practice a few days before the matchup. Childs then sat out the next three games, which included wins versus Portland and San Diego, but a 92-69 loss to No. 2 Gonzaga.

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Church takes precautions against coronavirus

By SADEY LUDLOW

The Church is taking cautionary steps against the coronavirus, including discouraging international travel to the April 2020 General Conference, postponing or reassigning missions to certain countries and adjusting Sunday and temple worship schedules in high-risk areas.

"The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has been carefully monitoring these developments and is taking steps in several areas to provide assistance, help missionaries be safe and effective, address concerns regarding member safety and plan for upcoming events," reads an official statement released on Feb. 27. "These steps are being taken to comply with best practices or direction provided by the public health organizations of various national governments."

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Official Church statement

The Church discouraged members living outside the U.S. from traveling to Salt Lake for April's General Conference, but the First Presidency of the Church expressed its gratitude for technology that allows members worldwide to view the conference even if they cannot attend in person.

Leadership sessions for General Authorities, Area Seventies and General Officers previously scheduled for April were postponed until October, when the next General Conference will take place. "General Authorities serving outside of the United States and all Area Seventies are excused from attending the General Conference in Salt Lake City," the official statement reads.

The Church has also directed changes in 13 missions across Japan, Cambodia, Korea, Singapore, Thailand and Mongolia. Some missionaries, especially senior missionaries who are more susceptible to the coronavirus due to their age, are being reassigned. Others are being sent home early with instruction to self-isolate for at least two weeks following their return. Prospective missionaries will either postpone their start date or receive a temporary assignment in a different location.

Four temples in Taiwan, Korea and Japan have been temporarily closed as a precaution to protect all members, especially temple workers of ages especially susceptible to the coronavirus.

Some regions in Hong Kong, Mongolia, Korea and Japan have temporarily shortened or canceled Sunday worship services under the direction of local Church leaders.

Since its initial donations of medical supplies to China, the Church has also received numerous requests for similar assistance. According to the Church, those requests are being evaluated and addressed, but its ability to fulfill them is limited by global demand.

"With great compassion, we pray for all whose lives have been affected by this illness," the First Presidency said in a statement.

Honor Code update causing conflict online and on campus

By SYDNEE GONZALEZ

Tensions over changes to the BYU Honor Code have flared up online and on campus since BYU officials announced changes to the Honor Code concerning wording on homosexual behavior and feelings.

Those affiliated with BYU have taken to Twitter to express their opinions over the Honor Code using hashtags like #SaveBYU, #TakeBackBYU and #DezNat.

Wednesday, Feb. 24 students also gathered on campus to participate in, observe or oppose a reading of "The Family: A Proclamation to the World."

A handful of students stood outside the Joseph F. Smith Building and read the proclamation. Halfway through the reading, other students with pride gear started singing hymns in an attempt to drown out the reading, with one student playing the ukulele. The proclamation is an official statement by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints that emphasizes the importance of gender and the differing roles of men and women in God's plan for his children.

After the group concluded its reading, some observers questioned why the group had decided to hold the reading on Rainbow Day, an annual celebration of support for members of the LGBT community on campus. The students who participated in the reading denied that there was any connection between their timing and Rainbow Day. Those reading the proclamation accused those who were unsupportive of the reading of not being aligned with the prophet or the Church.

The gathering soon grew to several dozen individuals as people stopped to see what was going on. Students quickly broke off into groups, debating their views on what the Honor Code



Sydnee Gonzalez

Allison Baker, left, and Lily Bitter, right, take a photo in front of a reading of The Family: A Proclamation to the World. Scan the photo with the Universe Plus app to read a Spanish translation of the story.

changes mean and how they reflect Church policy and doctrine.

The one thing that both sides of the argument agreed on is that there has been a lack of clarity from the university on what the changes to the Honor Code mean and what that means for those of the LGBT community. BYU officials announced changes to the Honor Code Feb. 19 for all Church-owned campuses, but did not specify what they were. The campus community quickly learned that a section of the Honor Code on homosexual behavior had been removed. Despite speculation on campus and in the media, officials have not clarified questions about whether gay dating is now allowed but have said the Honor Code Office will deal with students on a "case by case" basis.

Freshman Allison Baker — who said she was happy when the change was announced because she felt it was more

in line with the Church policy's on heterosexual and homosexual immorality — said she's disappointed in the university for its lack of communication.

"I feel like they're going back and forth and taking things back and not being super clear about it because, I don't know, maybe they don't want to seem like they're condoning it or something," she said. "I wish they'd be more open with the students and more open to discussion. ... It seems like all of their attempts at communication are just falling short."

Nick Lush, a mechanical engineering senior, said he was motivated to read the proclamation to make a statement and ensure that all opinions on the issue are stated. He said some of the negative responses he received from other students observing the reading were expected.

"Both sides are very passionate about

what they believe in and on those that feel that there has been an allowance given, I think there's a lot of excitement behind that and those that are on the other side, I think that that's that's kind of the opposite reaction," he said.

He agreed with Baker that the university's communication regarding the Honor Code has lacked clarity and said a meeting with the Honor Code Office that had been previously publicized for students would be a great idea.

"If there was an opportunity for such a presentation, even if it was in a statement, but to at least address the issue, I think that it would at least give people the feeling that they're being heard," he said.

Lush added that he also understands where the university is coming from.

"I think that the changes did not have the anticipated reaction that they imagined, and I think that there's time that's being taken to make sure to get the best response to the current situation," he said.

Junior Aremondo Palma said the way the university has handled the changes has created conflict on campus.

"As a result of the way they've handled the situation, both sides of the argument feel like they're being attacked, and that is a probable source of division and conflict — and that's something we don't need at this university," he said. "What we're left to do is squabble with one another in situations like this when they probably have a solution."

He added that he hopes both sides can recognize the common ground they share in a respectful manner.

"It's a very touchy issue, but we really do have a lot of common ground," Palma said. "Just from talking to everyone here, I've been trying to make bridges between both sides. We all really seem to have the same idea of what's going on here."

UNIVERSE news briefs

FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Trump seeks court approval to speed deportations

The Trump administration is seeking a sweeping ruling that it could potentially use to deport millions of people, even those arrested far from the border and who have been in the country for years, according to experts.

The Justice Department contends in its Supreme Court filings that immigrants have no constitutional rights regarding their application to enter the United States under high court rulings. The limited review that Congress provided is sufficient, the administration said.



US, Taliban sign deal aimed at ending war

The United States on Saturday, Feb. 29, signed a peace agreement with the Taliban that is aimed at ending America's longest war and bringing U.S. troops home from Afghanistan more than 18 years after they invaded in the wake of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

The historic deal, signed by chief negotiators from the two sides and witnessed by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, could see the withdrawal of all American and allied forces in the next 14 months. But it could also easily unravel.



Pro sports leagues monitoring coronavirus

Major North American professional sports leagues, including the NBA, NHL and MLB, are talking to health officials and informing teams about the coronavirus outbreak that has led to the first reported death in the U.S.

There are no immediate plans to cancel or postpone games or have them held in empty stadiums or arenas. Some of those contingencies have been taken in other countries, including Italy, where soccer matches were postponed until May.



Refugees mass as fighting escalates in Turkey, Syria

Thousands of migrants and refugees have massed at Turkey's western frontier, trying to enter Greece by land and sea after Turkey said its borders were open to those hoping to head to Europe.

Turkey's decision to ease border restrictions came amid a Russia-backed Syrian government offensive into Syria's northwestern Idlib province. That offensive led to a surge of nearly a million Syrian civilians fleeing the fighting toward Turkey's sealed border.



Democrat candidate pool narrows as campaigns end

Billionaire activist Tom Steyer, former South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg, and Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar announced their campaigns have come to an end.

Their announcements come after Joe Biden scored a resounding victory in South Carolina, which sparked new pressure on the party's moderate wing to coalesce behind the former vice president. Bernie Sanders is seen as the other front runner ahead of the Democratic National Convention in July.

Student invents self-cleaning water bottle

By ERIKA MAGAOAY

BYU student Willy Hogan has always loved water, and anyone watching the young surfer carve Laguna Beach's waves would agree. Now, Hogan is taking unique strides to make clean water accessible and reduce marine debris through a self-cleaning water bottle he invented.

Hogan grew up in Laguna Beach where he spent his free time in the ocean. "I've developed a very strong relationship with the environment, specifically the ocean and sea life," he said.

He was an ocean lifeguard for Laguna Beach for three years, where he enforced ocean safety, and ocean preservation acts and helped preserve sea life. "I'm just so crazy about water," Hogan said. "I think it's the most essential part of life."

Though Hogan spent almost every day outdoors, he was haunted by microscopic organisms — germs. "When I was younger, I would not grab door handles; I would never share food or drinks," he said. "Public areas, buses, planes all freaked me out. I thought germs were out to get me."

Then one day on a camping trip, Hogan was gifted a UV wand that purified water. "I was super fascinated that a UV light wand could get rid of my primary worry of bacteria in my water," he said. That led to the idea for the Luma Bottle.

By the time Hogan came to BYU in 2017, he had moved on from some of his more extreme bacteria-avoidance behaviors. But when he began to notice an incessant odor in his Hydro-flask, he began to question the



Willy Hogan studies with a Luma Bottle at his side. Hogan utilized campus resources and connections to develop the Luma Bottle.

Erika Magaoay

cleanliness of his bottle and the water inside.

"I looked it up," Hogan recalled. "I was surprised to know that a lot of bacteria — more than your dog toy at home — is growing in your bottle." Knowing that the

smell was created by a build-up of germs, he came up with a solution: integrating UV light in the bottle.

Hogan knew he needed help bringing his vision to life. He immediately signed up for the

Student Innovator of the Year competition to receive funding to start. A friend recommended Brett Fotheringham, a BYU student studying mechanical engineering at the time, as someone who could help him design the bottle.

When the two first met in the step-down lounge in the Clyde Engineering Building, Fotheringham recalled being impressed by two things — Hogan's vision and youth. Hogan had recently returned from a mission in Milan, Italy, and was in his first semester at BYU. "He was super young and I felt like I was five years older than him, but I wasn't," Fotheringham said. "He was really dedicated to delivering something that accomplished what he was thinking about, and I really liked that."

That year, they got together each week to bring Luma Bottle to life. "I studied mechanical engineering, but I didn't know a lot about UV light sterilization," Fotheringham said. They read scientific papers and reached out to professors who could help.

"It goes a long way, just opening your mouth," Hogan said. "If you try and set up an appointment with the professor, they'll meet with you. They'll tell you who to go to. If you just walk into a building and talk to a student, you'll be surprised to know how much they know and what skills they have. It was so much easier than I thought."

Fotheringham recalled the first time they tested the idea.

"If I'm not mistaken, we actually built this bottle using the type for keeping beer cold," he said. "We used exactly that because you can screw off the bottom, and so we put all of the lights and electronics in the bottom screw off bit."

When lab results came back, the two found out that their bottle killed over 99 percent of bacteria, according to Fotheringham. "I was just so excited that it actually worked almost exactly how we predicted," he said. "It was really cool to see that number and the email from them. Like, 'wait, this could actually work.'"

Once Hogan realized what the bottle could do, he saw its potential to change lives, specifically in third world countries where access to clean water is sparse. In fact, he said he put the light at the bottom of the bottle so that eventually, he can add a filter on the top for dirt and rocks.

Hogan hopes to develop a version of Luma Bottle that could be used to purify water for communities in need. "If I can make this work, I'll feel like I've fulfilled and done something that follows my passion," he said. "It's a long process, and it might take a lot of years. But I'm getting close to that."

For now, a portion of Luma Bottle's proceeds are donated to Waves for Water, a non-profit organization that develops clean water sources for areas without.

"To be able to have a tiny bit of advantage or power in my hands to make a difference, I'm

just running for it," Hogan said. "I want to help make a difference and bring clean water to people because I think it's so sad that so many people don't have access to it."

Hogan is also passionate about keeping plastic out of the ocean. "So many water bottles are used every day and it's really unnecessary," he said. "A lot of those bottles end up in the ocean. It turns it to micro-plastics, it harms the sea life and then it ends up where we are, into the food that we eat. It's not good for us and for the environment."

Eight million metric tons of plastic end up in the ocean each year and that number could double by 2025, according to a study published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

BYU plant and wildlife professor Steve Petersen said much of the plastic debris remains afloat on the surface of the ocean, creating swirling masses of trash. "It makes sense considering how much is produced, how much is discarded," he said. "And if over the years we keep dumping all this plastic into the ocean, it's going to accumulate. Some will settle down, but a bunch of it's going to stay right there."

Petersen's teaching assistant David Lariviere said even once plastic is broken down, it doesn't disappear. "It's not going to break down into biodegradable, useful nutrients. It's going to break down into harmful micro-plastics, which lots of things, like jellyfish or whales or certain types of fish, are going to ingest," he said. "Then those micro-plastics will accumulate as those things are eaten and the higher you go up the food chain. So eventually we're eating our own waste."

Hogan is hopeful that the Luma Bottle will encourage people to eliminate single-use plastic bottles. "All companies are attempting to solve that issue just by creating a reusable bottle," he said. "I've made it very loud and clear that's who we are. We are concerned about it, and we're going to do everything we can to help solve this problem."

Petersen said everything people do to prevent the amount of plastic being used from growing makes a difference. "You have to do something," he said. "Otherwise, you just continue to add to the problem to the point of just exhausting resources or polluting the earth so much that you can't really even get that back again."

According to Hogan, people are already ordering the Luma Bottle, with over \$100,000 raised on Kickstarter and Indiegogo. The bottles are scheduled to be shipped this summer.

"If people buy them because they're just another thing to buy, then it contributes to the problem," Lariviere said. "But if people use them, it's great, even if it cuts back on one water bottle every week."

Hogan is hopeful for the future of Luma Bottle, and is happy knowing he's made an impact. "I'm so excited no matter what."

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Hannah Miner

An piece on display in the A Studio of her Own: Women Artists exhibit in the BYU Museum of Art.

Campus celebrates suffrage movement through women's art

By EMILY ANDERSEN

A giant charm bracelet made of fabric hangs from the wall. It includes a hot dog in a baguette, a crepe pan and a cross among other things.

To the left is a wall that has questions such as "How can we better support women?" and "Who is a female role model to you, and why?" surrounded by colorful bits of paper on which people have written their answers.

To the right there are several rooms filled with paintings, photographs and other forms of art created purely by women.

This is "A Studio of Her Own," one of the current exhibits in the BYU Museum of Art. The exhibit will be up until Sept. 12. It was created specifically for 2020 to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of women's suffrage in the United States. According to gallery curator, Janalee Emmer the museum has never had a gallery quite like this one before.

"I wanted to get people interested and excited about these women artists who I think have made really wonderful and important contributions," Emmer said.

She said one of the real showstoppers is an installation piece by Rebecca Campbell titled "Two year supply: Clean." The piece consists of several shelves stocked with Mason jars filled with different dilutions of Windex and moving images that are projected onto the jars. Emmer said Campbell created the piece to honor her mother, who would clean whenever she felt the need to re-center herself.

While artists can have many different reasons for what they do, a lot of artists use their art to promote social change, according to Emmer. On campus there are a variety of examples of different kinds of artists who are trying to start conversations about womanhood.

Juniper Taylor, a BYU junior and pre-acting major from Lehi, recently performed in a play called "Suffrage" that was part of the Theatre and Media Arts Department's "Contemporary Voices" event. The play tells the story of two polygamist women in the 1890s, when Utah was fighting for statehood. Juniper's character, Ruth, was a suffragette.

The territory of Utah granted women the right to vote 50 years before Congress passed the 19th Amendment, and the first woman to ever vote in the United States was from Utah, but the Edmunds-Tucker Act of 1887 took away that right. When it came time for Utah to become a state, the question of whether or not to give women the vote was an important topic, and the play examines this time period from the perspective of polygamists.

Juniper said while the play is about women who fought for

their rights a long time ago, she believes it can be part of the conversation about feminism today.

"(Women) can work, and they can have lives and provide in that way as well as do things at home, just like men have been doing for years," she said.

Juniper said one of the reasons she wants to act is because she believes art can change people's minds about issues like feminism. She also said she is impressed with the way the TMA department strives to include women, like with the 50/50 casting rule that requires all productions to have an equal number of women and men.

Madelyn Taylor, a senior majoring in English, said she believes BYU is doing a good job trying to make sure everyone's voices are heard, but that there is always room for improvement.

Madelyn helps run the "Saturday Night Slam Series," a slam poetry event that takes place once a month at The Wall. She said she wants the slams to help women — and men — express themselves through art.

"It's all about people's individual experiences and individual journeys. If the slams are a space for those kinds of storytelling, then it is because of the people who are willing to tell their stories there," Madelyn said. "It's mostly about making sure there is a place where it's not only allowed, but it is encouraged to start conversations that are difficult to start."

Emmer said that telling women's stories is a big part of the "A Studio of Her Own" exhibition as well, which is why she made a point of including art forms that have typically been associated with women. The gallery contains needlepoint pieces, quilts, blankets and other things that have typically been seen as crafts rather than art. She also said some of the labels that go with the artwork are longer than normal because she wanted to have space to share parts of the women's biographies.

"I think it really is in celebrating women and showing their work and having exhibitions like these that hopefully we can inspire people to take more interest in women as artists," Emmer said.

Mother, daughter pursue degrees together



Rebecca Nissen

Cynthia Richards, left, and Jen Richards study together for their Success in College Reading class. Scan the photo with the **Universe Plus** app to read a Spanish translation of the story.

By NICK GLEDHILL

The two students in the back corner of the Success in College Reading class sit together every Monday and Wednesday. They make the same hand gestures, have the same laugh and scrunch their faces the same way when they're thinking.

They are almost indistinguishable from each other, yet there is a marked age difference between them. They talk as though they are the best of friends, but they're not roommates or sisters.

Cynthia and Jen Richards are mother and daughter.

For the past three semesters, Cynthia and Jen have taken at least one class together at BYU.

"It started when I decided I wanted to go back and finish my degree," said Cynthia, a Pleasant Grove mother of four. "I got married my junior year at BYU and left school to start our family."

Now she's pursuing a bachelor's degree in music. She said she is grateful to her family for supporting her decision. Psychology major and daughter Jen said she feels proud to have her mother in school with her.

"I love having my mom be my study buddy," she said.

During the 2019 Winter Semester, Cynthia and Jen both registered for Physical Science 100, knowing that they would need to keep each other accountable in attending class and completing the assigned work.

"We survived that class because of each other," Cynthia said. "We studied together all the time outside of class, and we owe a lot of our success to our working together."

"Plus," added Jen, "We didn't have to try and make new friends in class."

Cynthia and Jen enjoyed studying together so much that they registered for the same interior design class the following semester.

"Our minds work in such similar ways that we couldn't not register for another class together," Cynthia said.

This semester, Cynthia and Jen are in Success in College Reading, a student development class that helps students better comprehend college textbooks. The two agreed that attending class together helps them keep up on the required reading logs.

While some college students might feel embarrassed to have a parent as a classmate,

Jen loves having her mother and classmate supporting her through school.

"I think people want or expect me to be embarrassed about my mom being in school with me, but my mom is one of my best friends," Jen said. "I don't live at home, so it gives us a good excuse to see each other all the time."

The two also agree that having a family member as a classmate isn't without its challenges.

"Sometimes Jen will crash my on-campus lunch dates with my husband," Cynthia said.

"I do," Jen said, as the two burst into laughter.

While many students may not share the same parent-child relationship as Cynthia and Jen do, the mother and daughter acknowledged that their sharing classes isn't the only thing that contributes to their relationship.

"I think for us, it took understanding and respect," Cynthia said. "My daughter is all grown up and I'm happy to be both her mom and her friend."

"My mom is great, and I'm so glad she's in my life, but I'm glad she's allowed me to have the space to be my own person as well," Jen said.

TODAY

UNIVERSITY DEVOTIONAL
Tuesday, March 3,
11:05 a.m., Marriott Center

This event will also be broadcast to the JSB Auditorium.



President M. Russell Ballard

Acting President of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

President M. Russell Ballard is currently Acting President of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He has been serving as an apostle since October 1985, traveling throughout the earth to instruct Church members and direct day-to-day affairs of the worldwide Church.

As a young man he served a mission in England, where he was a counselor in the mission presidency. He has also served as a bishop twice.

In 1974 he was called as president of the Canada Toronto Mission, where he was serving when called to the First Quorum of the Seventy

in April 1976. As a member of the Seventy he supervised and trained leaders in his assigned geographic regions. He later served as a member of the Presidency of the Seventy from February 1980 to October 1985, overseeing the Church's Quorums of the Seventy. Much of his ministry has been focused on missionary work.

Prior to his call as a full-time Church leader, President Ballard had interests in the automotive, real estate, and investment businesses. He has served on many Church and civic committees and boards.

He and his wife, Barbara Bowen, are the parents of two sons and five daughters.

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BYU arts

BYU's foreign language programs continue to top other universities, promote cultural awareness

By EMMA BENSON

Spanish. Danish. Arabic. Thai. Croatian. Kiribati. Welsh.

These are only a few of the 131 languages spoken on the BYU campus.

Last year, The Chronicle of Higher Education reported that BYU was ranked No. 3 overall for producing the most graduates with foreign language degrees. As the only private institution in the top 10 schools ranked, BYU was also named the top producer for foreign language degrees in Arabic, Russian and Portuguese. BYU also came in at No. 4 for Korean and No. 6 for French.

Out of the 33,633 enrolled full-time BYU students, 65% speak at least two languages. BYU also regularly teaches 63 foreign language courses, with another 30 languages which can be offered with sufficient interest.

"We have more advanced language classes than any other university in the country," said Rebecca Brazzale, the assistant director of the BYU Center for Language Studies.

In the state of Utah alone, BYU teaches more foreign languages than the other universities combined.

One of the contributing factors to language diversity on the BYU campus is the number of returned missionaries. According to the university, 45% of BYU students who served missions learned a second language and can speak it proficiently.

"One of our goals is to teach all of the languages that returned missionaries speak on campus," Brazzale said. BYU sits at about the 93-95% range for the same languages taught on campus as



Emma Benson

Spain native Maider Valdes, left, Mexico native Fernanda Zamora, Portugal native Ruth Baptista and China native Alia Wang are Master's students who teach in BYU's highly ranked foreign language program.

in the MTC.

"We're always missing two or three, so that's why we keep adding," Brazzale said.

She noted that the requirements for adding a new foreign language class include a qualified instructor, funding and sufficient student demand.

She said BYU recently added a Kiribati class. "BYU is the first university in the world to offer a university-level Kiribati class."

Brazzale emphasized the importance of learning a foreign language to gain understanding of different cultures and to become more marketable for job positions.

"We feel like learning a foreign language is very marketable. It's

related to cultural sensitivity and awareness. We call it the 'hallmark' of a BYU education—it's a core competency that really cannot be reproduced anywhere else."

The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages reported last year that nine out of ten U.S. employers rely on employees with language skills other than English, and one in four U.S. employers lost business due to a lack of foreign language skills.

Brazzale also pointed out that learning a foreign language not only helps one intellectually but also spiritually, and BYU aims to fulfill that goal by providing opportunities for students to

learn foreign languages.

"At BYU, we have the privilege of thinking about things from both a spiritual and a secular perspective. If you think about the mandate that everyone will learn the gospel in their own tongue, that is a beautiful statement. But now I have a very intimate understanding of how much work is involved for that to happen," Brazzale said.

She said that by learning a foreign language, "the opportunities we have to serve are tremendous."

Brazzale said BYU is the only university that offers free certification in 18 languages to allow students to have a foreign language proficiency endorsement

on their transcripts.

The Center for Language Studies also offers the Foreign Language Student Residence program in 11 languages for students to live in a residence with other speakers of the language.

BYU pre-business student Jared Ward returned from his mission in Romania last summer. He said each of his roommates who speaks a foreign language speaks a different language from each other.

"We've got Romanian, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog and Chinese all in one room."

"It's just an interesting experience that you get to see where all these languages come from and see how they interact. It's a nice

mesh of culture," he said. "You can see what those differences are and how they interact with each other."

Ruth Baptista is a student instructor who teaches in the Spanish and Portuguese Department.

Baptista and her students worked on a project with The Daily Universe for three years, translating published articles into Portuguese. "I really enjoyed it because the projects that we worked on were so diverse."

Baptista said when she first came to the United States as an undergraduate student, she was shocked by a student's ignorant comment.

"I remember that a student asked me, 'Where are you from?' and I said, 'Portugal,' and she said, 'Oh, that's by India, right?'"

Baptista said she thinks BYU has improved since then in terms of helping increase student awareness of countries and cultures.

"I do believe that campus is becoming much better and I think the language programs definitely help. They're designed to help us help students become a little bit more open to not have those rigid thoughts about what a South African should look like, or a Portuguese person should look like or what a Bolivian should look like. Definitely our language programs help."

Niels Christensen, a BYU Hispanic literature master's student and one of Baptista's former students, agrees. "I think that the language program, at the very least, elicits some sort of interest in diversity and diverse cultures and in opening up the conversation for more inclusive conversation."

Clothing businesses use Provo culture to attract customers

By SIERRA FREELAND

Provo culture has influenced clothing brands like Royal Army Brand and Stakeconf to incorporate the unique aspects of Provo into apparel for members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and BYU fans around the world.

Stakeconf was created by BYU students in 2017 for members of the Church who wanted to show off their faith without being overbearing. Founding members Franz Osborne, Wyatt Hall and Sam Osborne own the brand.

"We wanted to have something cool to wear that represents our faith a little but not be stupid. Something that we would want to wear," Sam Osborne said.

Taking that small bit of culture into its brand, Stakeconf was able to create a product that showed a message without being too forward.

"We want something different; we want something cool. We



Stakeconf

Stakeconf is a clothing line made by two brothers who wanted a way to represent their faith while keeping it simple.

want for the cool kids in Provo to wear it," Franz Osborne said.

The black hat, black hoodie and pink long sleeve shirt are the most popular items sold by Stakeconf. These items follow the minimalistic clothing trends

in mainstream media while including the small insignia of the angel Moroni.

Stakeconf was able to use the Provo culture to target a larger demographic by combining a simple design widely known in

the Latter-day Saint culture and inspiration from larger brands.

BYU student James Macedone likes Stakeconf because of its ability to make clothes people want to wear while successfully sending the messages the

companies and their customers want to send.

"I love that Provo and the Church as a whole are moving into mainstream culture," Macedone said. "It shows that the Church can meet the needs of the members without compromising the message or the mission."

Different clothing brands have taken into consideration the variety of personalities in Provo and used that variety to distance themselves from the basic style. These companies have helped fashion-forward students break the mold.

"Provo culture is vibrant. It's full of life, from temple Tuesdays to Fuego Fridays," BYU student Payge Cuthbertson said. "People wear a wide variety of brands so they are able to express themselves through their clothes."

Royal Army Brand was created by CEO Kevin Wilson in the summer of 2017 as an attempt to escape the "sea of sameness."

"We get a lot of our ideas from BYU's unique culture," Wilson said, "That includes the cool and quirky, and really anything is

game from LDS Primary songs to Brigham himself."

Royal Army Brand spotlighted the legacy of BYU sports while embracing the culture that comes with the fans and school. This brand has been able to introduce new designs using BYU jargon such as "let 'em hear you up north" and "Saturday is a special day."

One of the most prominent designs they have created is their flat brim Brigham shirt. This shirt takes the original Brigham Young face and combines it with a fashion-forward flat brim hat. This combination of new and old Provo culture has created a unique design that is different than what's traditionally been with different BYU logos.

"We are creating something that speaks to and about us, our culture, our school and our teams," Wilson said.

By taking the culture of Provo and its community to mind when creating products, these clothing brands have been able to keep fans of the company happy with unique, quality products.

Simple Bites

Recipe Column

Ingredients	For 1	For 2	For 4	Directions:
Boneless, skinless chicken breasts cut in half	1 small	1 large	2 large	Mix flour with salt and pepper in small bowl. Scramble egg with milk in a small bowl. Mix bread crumbs, garlic salt, pepper, italian seasoning, red pepper flakes and parmesan cheese together in a shallow bowl. Coat chicken pieces with flour mixture, dip into egg mixture then place in bread crumbs & coat both sides. Heat oil in skillet and place coated chicken pieces into skillet. Cook until golden brown, turn over & cook other side until golden brown, remove from skillet. Drain excess oil leaving about 2 tablespoons, add onion and garlic, saute until onion is clear. Add marinara sauce and mix well. Place chicken in sauce mixture, top with mozzarella cheese and place in oven until cheese is melted. Top with fresh basil and serve over warm pasta.
Flour	2 tbsp	1/4 cup	1/2 cup	
Salt	1/4 tsp	1/2 tsp	1 tsp	
Pepper	1/4 tsp	1/2 tsp	1 tsp	
Egg	1 egg	1 egg	2 eggs	
Milk	2 tsp	1/2 tbsp	1 tbsp	
Bread crumbs	1/4 cup	1/2 cup	1 cup	
Garlic salt	1/2 tsp	1 tsp	2 tsp	
Pepper	1/2 tsp	1/2 tsp	1 tsp	
Italian seasoning	1/2 tsp	1 tsp	2 tsp	
Parmesan cheese	2 tbsp	1/4 cup	1/2 cup	
Oil for cooking	1/8 cup	1/4 cup	1/2 cup	
Diced onion	1/4 onion	1/2 onion	1 onion	
Minced garlic	2 tsp	1/2 tbsp	1 tbsp	
Marinara sauce	1/2 cup	1 cup	2 cups	
Mozzarella cheese	2 oz	4 oz	8 oz	
Chopped fresh basil	2 tsp	1 tbsp	2 tbsp	

This week:
Chicken Parmesan



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Associated Press

Marijuana grows at an indoor cannabis farm in Gardena, California. Utah's first medical marijuana dispensary opened Monday, March 2.

First medical marijuana dispensary opens in Utah

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah's first medical marijuana dispensary opened Monday, March 2, as the state begins a slow rollout of a program that will allow residents with certain health conditions to use pot for medicinal purposes.

The online application process for people to get medical marijuana cards started on Sunday.

To get cards, people must first receive a recommendation from one of 60 approved health professionals, said Rich Oborn, director of the state's Center for Medical Cannabis. The group includes doctors, nurse practitioners and physician assistants who received training to approve patient cards.

The first dispensary is Dragonfly Wellness in Salt Lake City. A second dispensary is expected to open in March and seven more by June. The final five dispensaries, which will be called pharmacies, will open after July, Oborn said.

Patients with qualifying conditions have been able to use marijuana with a doctor's letter since December 2018, but they had to go to other states to get it. Those letters are valid through the end of 2020, but they don't allow patients to buy

medical marijuana products in Utah.

People seeking medical marijuana cards are most likely to cite having chronic pain condition, defined as pain that lasts longer than two weeks, Oborn said.

Utah became the 33rd state to legalize medical marijuana after voters passed a ballot initiative in November 2018 that legalized doctor-approved marijuana treatment for certain health conditions including cancer, chronic pain and epilepsy.

State lawmakers then replaced the measure with a law they said puts tighter controls on the production, distribution and use of the drug. It was part of a compromise involving The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The Church had long frowned upon medical marijuana use because of the Word of Wisdom, which prohibits coffee as well as alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs. The Church also worried that allowing medical marijuana could lead to broader use in Utah.

But as opinion polls indicated that majority of the state's voters would approve the 2018 medical-legalization measure, leaders publicly came out in support of patients using the drug if prescribed by a doctor, saying it can alleviate pain and suffering.

BYU students start website to combat racial bias on campus



Derrick Trotman and Taylor Galbraith

Joel Joseph, an actor for the Check Your Blindspot project, poses in a video made to increase awareness of racial bias on campus.

BY JENNY GOLDSBERRY

BYU advertising students Kofi Aidoo and Evelyn Harper have launched a website to help educate people about unconscious racial bias on campus.

The site is called "Check Your Blindspot" and defines unconscious biases as "social stereotypes about certain groups of people that individuals form outside their own conscious awareness."

"Everyone holds unconscious beliefs about various social and identity groups," the site reads, "and these biases stem from one's tendency to organize social worlds by categorizing."

Aidoo is the strategist and Harper is the creative director. The website, checkyourblindspot.org, has been in the works since February 2019. A third student, Harrison Brownell, also helped get the project off the ground. It started off with a lot of surveys, secondary research and interviews.

They found that the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System reported that 1% of BYU students are black or African American. The BYU Multicultural Student Services Center told them 63% of these students do not graduate from BYU; they either transfer schools or don't

graduate at all.

The site also features videos created by BYU students, including actor Joel Joseph, producer Whitney Merrill, videographers Derrick Trotman and Taylor Galbraith and editor Steele Palombo.

The project was made with BYU faculty and staff as the intended audience. "The people who work at BYU, stay at BYU and work to keep the culture the way it is," Harper said to describe the target audience. She believes the best way to solve these issues is through a formal training for staff.

Aidoo said they choose to campaign via a website because they wanted to fit a lot of content in one place. "We wanted to do a multimedia campaign with long pieces and short pieces that are shareable."

Harper said their content is not very straight forward. "A lot of our pieces are very introspective because we wanted to give people the opportunity to really think about it instead of just being told," Harper said. Their goal was to "(show) that it's not hard to learn. It might be hard to change, but it's not hard to learn."

The site also calls for allies and identifies them as "a mouth to speak out against injustice. A nose to sniff out implicit bias. Eyes to identify privilege. Ears to listen to the POC (people of color) experience.

A heart to cultivate empathy for the oppressed. Hands to take action and make a change."

Harper and Aidoo had a lot of help, and they didn't work exclusively with black students. "It's about 50 people who have a stake in helping us create this project," Harper said. "About 47 of those people are white."

"A lot of all of our content had to do with their input as well," Harper said. "I don't think it would have been as powerful without their ideas and their help. They relate more to the audience more than they do to us in some ways."

Aidoo agreed. "It was nice to have a piece of the audience working on the project," he said.

The pair doesn't plan on adding anything to the website anytime soon, but they are considering recreating a similar website for another marginalized group on campus, like female students or students with disabilities.

Harper believes a project like this aligns well with BYU's values. "Being allies doesn't mean that you're not Christian," she said. "I believe that God is the author of diversity and Christ is the publisher of peace. If God made us all different for a reason, He would expect us to be inclusive of everyone."



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Sen. Dan McCay arrives for a news conference at the Utah State Capitol Monday, Feb. 24, in Salt Lake City.

Utah abortion ban proposal gets early nod from lawmakers

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah would ban most abortions if the U.S. legal landscape changes under a proposal that has gotten an early nod of approval at the Legislature.

A panel of lawmakers on Wednesday, Feb. 26, approved the plan to make performing an abortion a felony punishable by up to 15 years in prison. It has exceptions for cases of rape, incest or serious threat to the health of the mother.

The vote was 4-2, with four Republican men voting for the measure and two Democratic women voting against it. It now moves to the Senate floor.

"My opinion, my sense, my belief is the fetus has as much right to life as the mother would have for her choice," said Republican Sen. Scott Sandall, according to the Salt Lake Tribune.

The legislation would come on top of a long list of restrictions

Utah has already placed on abortion, said Marina Lowe, with the American Civil Liberties Union of Utah. This year, lawmakers also are considering requiring clinics to do an ultrasound before performing an abortion and to cremate or bury fetal remains.

The measure to ban most abortions contains a so-called trigger clause, which means it wouldn't go into effect unless the U.S. Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 case that legalized abortion. Several states have abortion bans that would kick in if the ruling is overturned.

If it goes into effect, Republican sponsor Sen. Dan McCay said women who wanted an abortion could still travel to other states like Colorado or Oregon.

Utah last year passed a ban on the procedure after 18 weeks of pregnancy, though it's been blocked in court. It was one of several states emboldened by new conservatives on the Supreme Court to pass abortion restrictions.



MIXTAPE

Broadway Gems

The lyrics for this musical were written by none other than Sara Bareilles, your favorite love song singer. This particular song is about how at the end of the day, we all just want someone to love and care about us. The guitar intro is flawless and the harmony between the leads are so beautifully blended. The whole soundtrack is great, but this is a superb stand-alone song.



"One Last Time"

Christopher Jackson, Lin-Manuel Miranda

Hamilton

Could I really do this list without including something from *Hamilton*? Of course not. There is a reason that *Hamilton* has been such a big hit. It is so different than any other show. The historical accuracy, the incredibly complex musicality, and the fun presentation is the perfect combination. This song literally gets me every time. It reminds me of how amazing it is that America ever came to be and how inspired George Washington was. It is a freaking killer song that is beautifully sung.



"You Matter to Me"

Jessie Mueller, Drew Gehling

Waitress

This week:



Hannah



"Waving Through a Window"

Ben Platt

Dear Evan Hansen

This musical has been one of the most popular musicals on Broadway in the past few years, only second to *Hamilton*, and with good reason. It is the story of a teenage boy who lies about being friends with a bully after the bullies dies, in an effort to console his family. This song is the second in the whole show and is so powerful. Contemplating what his life would be like if he had friends instead of bullies. Just listen to it.

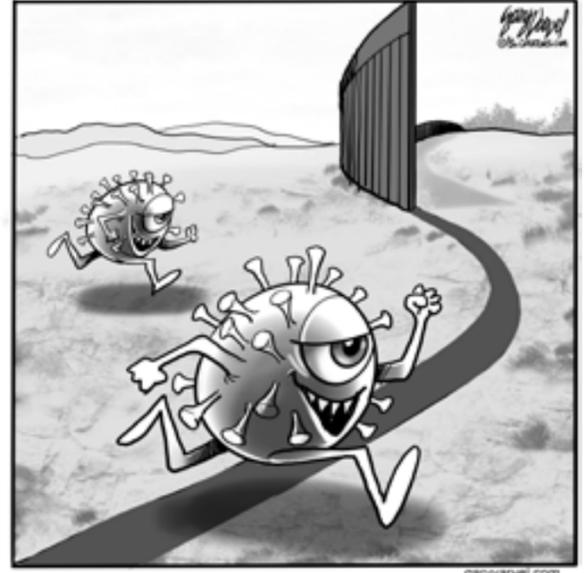
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@FarmerSariah

@HeardAtBYU "I teach this class because I don't want you guys to get divorced and be a statistic."

@jschwaalvarez

My professor in a very serious tone: "You know those moments when someone says the phrase, 'give it here, Malfoy!'" @HeardAtBYU @byuprofessors

@EanEanPrice

"I can't believe I got an 87 on the test. That's now my lowest test score in college. I'm ticked." @HeardAtBYU

@katiynset

"Professor, how are your home remodeling projects for your wife going? Are you done yet?" Professor: "Girl, have you ever read 'If you give a mouse a cookie'?"

@laney0g

"Professor pulling up a video of an old experiment" "This is the boring-est thing I have ever seen in my life, but I have to show you something academic-y." @HeardAtBYU @byuprofessors

@ChannyMill

Really love (hate) how "Midterm Week" at BYU lasts about 9 weeks from the 3rd week of the semester until finals

@j_swervis

There I am, minding my own business and having a lovely day... and BAM I think of the heartless people who took the Del Taco on Bulldog from us

@chandlerhansen

& plz bless this Taco Bell cheesy Gordita crunch with a dlt shell & a medium Baja blast to nourish & strengthen my body..

@sainoor_

"i'm a firm believer that crabs are smarter than we give them credit for" @HeardAtBYU

@molly_moo_who

Not to sound like a sales bro but I really need to make bank this summer

@autumndaun

do people from Utah know that there are bodies of water that exist other than lake Powell and Utah lake

@_blackberryjam

anatomy ta holding a hollow, dead eyeball: "guys this one is dope!!" @HeardAtBYU

@thoughtsofhahn

professor, lighthearted: "I can't believe this is the last day we'll see each other until April! You're all going to do so great in practicum!"

professor, suddenly serious: "my biggest piece of advice is...just whatever you do...DO NOT hit the kids"

@HeardAtBYU @byuprofessors

@kyra_marriner

"I GOT MY FIVE DOLLAR BIGGIE BAG AND MY LADY. THATS ALL U NEED" -Zane @HeardAtBYU

@Cameronstageman

"I'm starting to think we should invest in a batman like figure"

"Well there are enough presidential promises going around right now we might as well add one more"

@HeardAtBYU

@phiamenina

"my soul is just WAY out of her league" @heardatbyu

@kelseyestop

"Be like the I-15 and never ever stop working on yourself" -dude speaking in my ward

@brookelyn_kay

how was i able to wake up at 5 for seminary and then go to 6 hours of high school and 2 hours of volleyball practice and then do homework and then stay up until 2 am and then do it again the next day and now i can't even wake up for an 11am class without taking a 4 hour nap

@ChrisMESA96

"If you did not see Shrek, that's okay, it won't be on the test." - Dr. Rugh @HeardAtBYU

@pnwkw

"sits down to do some reading for class tomorrow"

My brain: what if you try finishing that song you've been writing for three months right now instead??

@Tessa_Lara

BYU girls will post pictures of them and their roommates on insta with the caption "thanks for the adventures" and it's just them in front of the Provo temple.

@tristan_mcafee

"Today I only ran like 18 miles because I forgot to set my alarm"

@HeardAtBYU

@zachary_ibarra

studying in periodicals for the first time in a while and no one is whisper talking?? Feeling old and out of place.

@Dragleagon4800

"She was like, 'It seems like you wrote it the day it was due.' And I was like, 'Well, I did write it the day it was due.'" @HeardAtBYU

@allisonmarieb1

My prof talking about depression: "just shake off the negative vibes!" @HeardAtBYU @byuprofessors

Tweets ARE unedited.

READERS' FORUM

The disadvantages of specialization

In his book "Range", David Epstein outlines a problem he discovered while studying the world's top performers: "The challenge we all face is how to maintain the benefits of breadth, diverse experience, interdisciplinary thinking, and delayed concentration in a world that increasingly incentivizes, even demands, hyperspecialization." While specialization is necessary, I would contend that we put too much emphasis on specializing and too little on gaining new and differing perspectives. Are we doing ourselves a disservice by becoming too specialized?

After reading this book my eyes were opened to the possibility that those who see only through the lens of their specific specialization may lose valuable opportunities because of their one-sided perspective. I initially felt like this ran directly counter to what college is all about. Pick a major, learn all the available knowledge on the subject, become competent at that one specific thing, and then rake in the paychecks of the immediate post-graduation hire. I realized however that this is the wrong way to view a college education.

Students do not enter college to learn one skill and then stop learning forever but rather to create habits of lifelong learning. Continuous learning is the antidote to hyperspecialization. There is certainly a need for doctors who know how to be doctors and contractors who know how to be contractors. Specialization is not a bad principle, but by constantly pushing for security through experience and non-stop specialization, we stunt our capacity to confront challenges.

When it comes to careers, our majors are not the most important aspect of our resumes. Instead it is our perspective and capacity for growth. By spending our lives in pursuit of learning, hyperspecialization no longer needs to be the cause of missed opportunity.

—Reese Hunsaker
Filer, Idaho

Provo dating culture

We've all witnessed, or even experienced, the atrocity that Provo dating culture is. We're sick of the game, but know it needs to be played if we ever want to tie the knot. Scrolling through our newsfeeds and seeing updates from our friends such as, 'in a relationship', 'got engaged to' or, worst of all, 'got married to', only perpetuates that desire for our own meaningful, lasting connection. But two prevailing extremes of dating in Provo prevent us from pursuing many relationships that could otherwise be really great: the NCMO, and what we could call the ACC. And no, I'm not talking basketball.

What I'm talking about is an 'Automatic Commitment Complex.' Many people are under the impression that agreeing to go on a date automatically means you're interested in pursuing a committed relationship. This is not the case. As one of our beloved professors concludes, "it's just dinner."

If Jake from your Bio 100 class asks you out, he is under no obligation to take you on a second date or be your boyfriend. There is no automatic

commitment, so let's take things slow and eliminate the ACC!

Conversely, this all-in attitude of many BYU students may be causing what we now call 'Non-Committal Make Outs.' People have become so afraid, perhaps after the rattling experience of a third date proposal, that they feel they have to jump to the opposite extreme in dating. This end of the spectrum consists of being so careless, casual and comfortable that the relationship never has a chance to progress.

So, to prevent the emotional damage that comes from NCMOs, we need to take the pressure off those first few dates. Boys, that means actually asking the girl on a date! Girls, don't put that added pressure on guys to jump into an 'official' relationship after only one or two dates. Your time for that will come. But for now, let's spend more time getting to know people at a deeper level and take things one step at a time.

—Abbey Flora
Eagle Mountain, Utah

Women's divine roles and representation

Throughout history, literature has excluded women from the narrative. While in recent centuries women's rights have taken monumental strides (made evident through representation in literature), past inequality still affects our worship today. The Bible is the most widespread piece of literature, yet accounts of feminine reality are numbered.

Women's representation in the realm of revelation should be further discussed in order to demonstrate the encompassing love God provides to all of his children, regardless of gender.

Raised reading both the Bible and the Book of Mormon, we base our faith around the countless examples of men receiving revelation. Locating accounts of women is futile when seeing that only 8% of scriptural figures are women. The lack of a prophetic and accounts of women's connection to heaven fosters the question: Is gender indicative of a person's accessibility to heaven? While I have come to know for myself that we all have the same claims to the mysteries of God, the stories and experiences we share from scriptures do not relay the same message.

Women are missing from the celestial light found in the pages of scripture; few are mentioned by name and account for a meager percentage of the divine found within. Despite the few narratives of female prophetesses and righteous women, we hear more about the seduction of Bathsheba than the courage of Esther or the wisdom of Miriam.

While my intent isn't to rewrite a keystone book of religion, it mirrors an archaic time when women were not part of society in a fundamental way. However, I propose we start discussing women's divine roles, addressing impactful women and breaking the unfounded silence around our Mother in Heaven. Representation of strong, faithful women would've helped me as a child, and it will strengthen women of the church for decades to come.

—Dain Harper
Tulsa, Oklahoma

OPINION OUTPOST

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

#MeToo movement

What does the hard-won, long-overdue conviction of Harvey Weinstein demonstrate?

It shows how difficult it can be to bring abusers to justice, particularly when they are wealthy and powerful. It shows how much the #MeToo movement has changed American life. And it shows how far society still has to go.

If a more balanced legal approach to sexual assault is going to become the norm instead of the exception, then, for a start, the law needs

to change. State statutes of limitations need to be extended or eliminated to give victims the opportunity to come forward even years after a traumatic assault.

—Editorial Board
The New York Times

Family history cures loneliness

Conservative commentator and social scientist David Brooks made waves in a recent Atlantic cover story critiquing the nuclear family and advocating for "forged families" — a close-knit group of kin, friends and neighbors who share love and responsibility for one another. At its heart, family history connects the present to what was

and reminds each person that they are part of a larger story. That, in an age of loneliness, is a major step toward inclusion and belonging.

Engaging in family history work, then, promotes the very "forged family" Brooks calls for, as individuals learn they are forged together through shared experience, culture and blood. They can rely on the power of knowing their story and draw strength from those who have gone before.

—Editorial Board
Deseret News

Coronavirus mixed messages

Steering the country through a pandemic demands a clear

and consistent message from leaders. President Trump is right to want a calm and serious atmosphere in discussing it. But he and his administration have delivered mixed messages that only add to public confusion. They need to get their act together.

—Editorial Board
The Washington Post

March primary madness

Fourteen states hold primaries on Mar. 3, but millions of votes will already have been cast for those contests. Democrats over the years have pushed to expand early voting to help their candidates, but they may soon

ruer the results. Super Crazy March is possible.

Forty or so states now let voters cast ballots before Election Day either at polling places or via mail. The average early voting period is about three weeks, though some allow as many as six.

—Editorial Board
The Wall Street Journal

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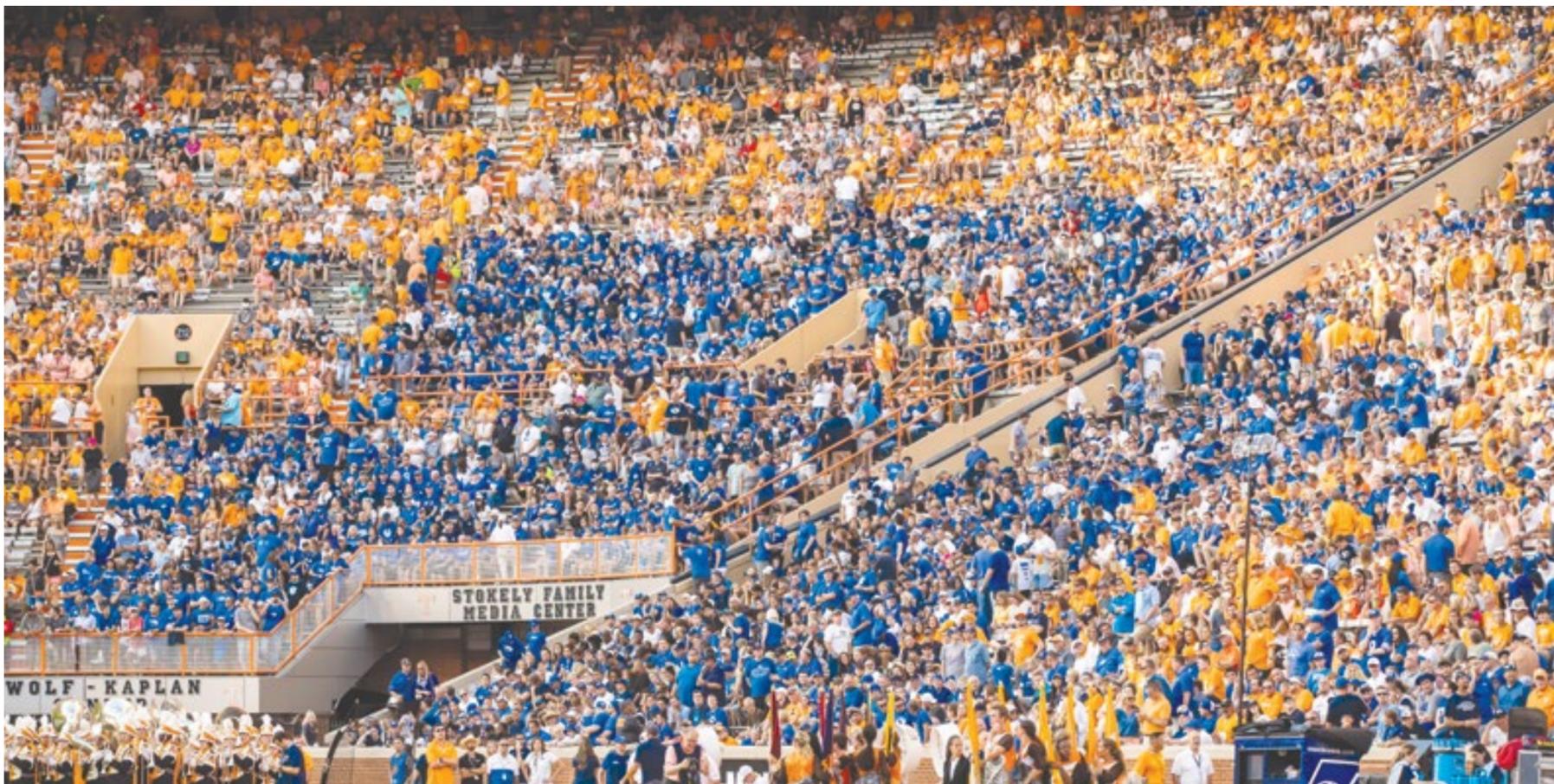
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'Every game is a home game' for BYU Football



BYU fans fill the stands at historic Neyland Stadium in Knoxville, Tennessee. An estimated 4,500-5,000 fans attended a tailgate held by BYU Alumni Association before the game. The attendance at this game is similar to attendance at away games throughout the country. Scan the photo with the **Universe Plus** app to read a Spanish translation of the story.



By SYDNEY TOWNSEND

BYU seems to own the phrase “every game a home game” because of the large number of BYU fans around the world. The BYU athletics marketing team has come up with new ways to reach and engage with those fans.

David Almodova, BYU Athletics assistant director of marketing and promotions, has the opportunity to constantly work on new and exciting projects that have the ability to ignite fans’ excitement.

One project, his favorite, was a social media marketing campaign called BYU50. The campaign started six years ago when 25 BYU merchandise boxes were dropped all over the state of Utah in one day. BYU Athletics posted photos

that hinted at the locations of the dropped boxes on social media and swarms of people showed up to claim each box.

“The feedback we got from other fans around the country was very overwhelming,” Almodova said. “So the second year, we went nationwide with it and pulled off all 50 states.”

BYU collaborated with Nike to present BYU swag boxes that were dropped in at least one city in every state, including Alaska and Hawaii. Tennessee was one state in particular that produced a lot of fan engagement.

Seth Killingbeck serves on the BYU Alumni Board and currently lives in Franklin, Tennessee, with his family. He has been connected with Almodova for almost a decade and was chosen as a contact for the Tennessee drop.

Fans in middle Tennessee were hungry for the prizes and went to

extravagant lengths to claim BYU 50 boxes. Friends of Killingbeck were suspicious of his involvement in the campaign and even lingered around his house to follow him to the box drop location.

“There was almost a car wreck in downtown Nashville that year,” Killingbeck said. “One guy pulled across three to four lanes of oncoming traffic to try to be the first one to the box.”

The overwhelmingly enthusiastic responses from fans in Tennessee and other states proved that the marketing team could entertain fans across the country from an office in Provo.

Killingbeck took part in other marketing events that have been incredibly successful to out-of-state fans. In the summer of 2019, BYU Fan Fest came to middle Tennessee. This proved to be a great way to spark interest for fans to attend the game in Knoxville, Tennessee,

since BYU played the University of Tennessee in September 2019.

“We had fans and families that came from surrounding states,” Killingbeck said. “There was even a family who drove all night from Florida.”

There was a tremendous turnout from BYU fans at the game in September. The BYU Alumni Association held a tailgate that an estimated 4,500 to 5,000 fans attended.

Killingbeck’s wife, Gretchen, had designed a shirt displaying word “y’all” and the stretch Y logo that sold for months leading up to, during and after the tailgate. Many of the thousands of fans that attended the game wore the shirt and sparked a lot of buzz.

“The feedback on the tailgate has been very gratifying,” Killingbeck said. “It took a lot of work from a lot of people to pull that off.”

BYU athletic marketing captured fans attention across the nation with the social media series Behind the Game. The series gave fans an inside scoop on each home game and select away games. It featured exclusive content from Cougar Canyon and the locker room as well as players and coaches. It gave fans who were unable to attend a chance to feel like they were a part of game day.

“It was really to reach those fans that weren’t local,” said Joel Marion, a senior from Greeley, Colorado, and series cohost.

Marion said he thoroughly enjoyed being the social media talent that was able to reach so many fans. Over the course of the season, the series had 4.4 million impressions and 2 million more impressions than the second-best campaign that BYU Cougars’ social media had put out.

Marketing revitalizes game day experience

By SYDNEY TOWNSEND

It’s the first home football game of the season and the streets of Provo are flooded with passionate fans shuffling around LaVell Edwards Stadium. Little kids beam with excitement after they high five their favorite football player as the team completes the Cougar Walk into the stadium.

As a fan, those memories of the game and environment are cherished and remembered. But who is responsible for making sure those preserved memories are happy ones?

The third floor of the Student Athlete Building is home to the BYU athletic marketing team, which strives to create those special game day experiences. David Almodova, assistant athletic director of marketing and promotions, has been working for BYU for 13 years and is always thinking of new ways to spark interest among the BYU fan base.

An issue that is plaguing the college football landscape is how to retain attendance throughout the season and the during entire games. The BYU fan base presents an interesting challenge for Almodova and his team.

“We have to make sure we are catering to the students and the season ticket holders,” Almodova said. “They range from 21 to 91 years old.”

BYU athletic marketing relies heavily on the work of their interns. Joel Marion from Greeley, Colorado, is studying applied statistics and is one of those



Hannah Miner

BYU football fans enjoy activities at Cougar Canyon. The pregame event was created in an attempt to increase attendance at games as digital viewing options become increasingly popular.

interns. He has focused on “giving them (fans) enough of an experience where coming back isn’t an option — it’s what they are going to do.”

With a world that is becoming increasingly digital, Almodova said it’s a battle between the at-home experience and the in-game experience. Streaming

services allow students, adults and families to watch the game from the comfort of their own home, on their own time. Along with making the in-stadium

experience worthwhile and enjoyable, the marketing team also focuses on supplemental activities that will enhance the game day experience.

“The football game is the main course,” Almodova said. “But what are we supplying as the appetizers and side dishes?”

Athletics Marketing Coordinator Jordan Blad wanted to tackle this issue by creating an event that would entice fans to come early and stay throughout the game. Effective advertising for all home events is a key part of her job.

For the 2019 season, Blad helped launch Cougar Canyon, an interactive tailgate for fans of all ages that starts three hours before the game. It featured games, a live band, food trucks and a massive video board showing other games going on. It promoted BYU as a family-friendly, interactive brand, Blad said.

There had been fans that yearned for more game day experiences like Cougar Canyon for some time. Listening to those voices on social media and other platforms is valuable feedback for the marketing team, which Almodova gladly accepted.

The people who pay for the tickets and go to the games become the best people to help enact change, Almodova said. Stepping up in-game promotions and traditions such as the “Y clap” and singing “Turbulence” were the answer.

“I don’t think watching from home beats watching it from the stadium,” Blad said. “You just can’t beat live sports.”



Hannah Miner

Zach Eschenberg celebrates with his team after scoring a point in a Feb. 8 game against Pepperdine.

BYU volleyball's Zach Eschenberg is finishing senior season strong

By HANNAH MINER

Senior Zach Eschenberg learned the value of hard work, diligence and focus during his time on BYU's volleyball team.

Eschenberg grew up in Newbury Park, California, and was introduced to volleyball in elementary school. When he first started playing, volleyball was a casual hobby. His main focus was basketball.

"I liked playing basketball more than anything," Eschenberg said. "I was never super interested in volleyball at that point."

His focus remained on basketball until high school, when the environment of the basketball program became less enjoyable to him and volleyball became more appealing. The energetic environment that volleyball provided encouraged him to turn his attention to that rather than basketball. He had good relationships with his teammates and coach, and opportunities started to open up for him in volleyball.

"Everything started working out for volleyball," Eschenberg said. "It was kind of amazing, actually, how the pieces all lined up together."

BYU was always Eschenberg's first choice for college — his parents both attended BYU, and his dad played on the JV basketball team. The senior's original goal was to play basketball at BYU, but once that was out of the picture, he started working hard to be able to play college volleyball. His coaches helped him

get in contact with the coaches at BYU, and although Eschenberg had a few other schools reaching out to him, he knew he wanted to go to BYU.

The outside hitter joined BYU's roster in 2017. During his freshman season, he played in three games. This season, he has played and started in 14 games. He has 100 kills, 62 digs and 122.5 points this season as of Feb. 24, and owns a .32 hitting percentage. His career totals include 162 points, 131 kills and 85 digs.

BYU head coach Shawn Olmstead said Eschenberg has improved tremendously since his first year on the team.

"All the credit is to him because he's the one that's put the work in and he's been diligent through the entire process," Olmstead said. "He's been able to just grow through the process and be patient with it and allow it to come."

Eschenberg said his time at BYU taught him the value of patience, diligence, focus and hard work. He added that when he first arrived at BYU, he felt like he would never get to play because the other players on the team were so talented. As he worked hard every day, he was able to play more.

One person who has been influential during Eschenberg's journey at BYU is his wife, Kennedy Eschenberg, who plays on BYU's women's volleyball team.

"She's such a hard worker and I saw it pay off for her," Eschenberg said. "She was always there supporting me, helping me, listening to me when I came to her with frustrations or concerns. She was

always very helpful."

In addition to his wife, Eschenberg said his family and coaches have been influential. He added that assistant coach Micah Naone has been especially helpful. They became close during Eschenberg's sophomore year when Naone was a volunteer assistant.

"He was one of the first ones where I could really see that he believed in me," Eschenberg said. "The other coaches were a lot more focused on the older guys. Micah would stay back with the guys who didn't travel and would help us run practice and stuff."

Naone said Eschenberg brings positive energy to the court, both in practice and matches. He is always looking to improve and willing to work hard.

"He never makes like an excuse for something," Naone said. "It's always, 'How can I get better in this situation? How can I improve who I am in this moment?' I just saw that all the time. He's deserved every bit he's getting right now."

Eschenberg is looking forward to taking one game at a time during the remainder of his final season at BYU. He is excited to get better every game and to play to compete.

"This is the most fun I've had any season at BYU. Playing with these guys and in general is so much fun," Eschenberg said. "I'm looking forward to going out and competing each and every game, getting better and obviously battling with all my brothers."

BASKETBALL

Men's, women's basketball begin postseason play

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With Childs back in the lineup the next week, BYU still lost to San Francisco 82-81. This is the only time BYU lost with Childs playing the entire game. After San Francisco, the Cougars went on a nine-game win streak to finish out the season, the longest regular-season conference win streak since the 2007-08 season.

In those nine games, BYU defeated rival Saint Mary's 81-79 in Provo after Haws hit a game winning three with nine seconds on the clock, his second game-winning shot of the season. If not for Haws' two game-winners, BYU's NCAA tournament resume wouldn't be anywhere near as impressive, as Houston and Saint Mary's are two of BYU's highest-caliber wins.

The win over the Gaels wouldn't be the Cougars' biggest win of the season. On Feb. 22, No. 23 BYU defeated No. 2 Gonzaga 91-78 in the Marriott Center on Senior Night in the first ranked matchup between the two teams in series history. The win came after BYU received its first ranking in the AP Poll since the 2011 season. BYU moved up to No. 17 in the poll after the win, and currently sit at No. 15.

The Cougars finished the regular season with a win over quad-two opponent Pepperdine on Feb. 29, securing the No. 2 seed going into the WCC tournament. Not only is BYU finishing the season ranked No. 15 in the poll, but the Cougars also went 8-0 in February games, the first time BYU has gone undefeated in the month of February in program history. BYU also finished conference with its NCAA NET ranking at No. 10, the highest ranking for the Cougars so far this season.

Compared to its WCC opponents, BYU finished the season leading in three-point shooting percentage, making 42.4% of shots taken. BYU is also ranked No. 1 in the country in three-point shooting, and has maintained that spot for the past several weeks. The Cougars also lead the WCC in assists per game with 17.7, while coming in at No. 2 in scoring and field goal percentage, with 80.6 points per game and shooting 50.4% from the field.

Also notable on the leaderboard is Gonzaga, which won the WCC outright and has been ranked nationally in the top 10 for the entirety of the season. Gonzaga boasts a 15-1 conference record, 29-2 overall, and leads the WCC in points per game, rebounds, field goal percentage and steals. The Zags claim No. 2 in assists and blocks per game. If BYU wins its semifinal game, it will most likely meet Gonzaga in the title game on Mar. 10.

As for individual accolades, Childs tops the leaderboard in points per game with 22.2 and rebounds per game with 8.9. Childs is second in the WCC in field goal percentage, shooting 58.1%. But as a whole, Childs, Haws and senior Jake Toolson all cracked the top-10 in points per game.

For three-point shooting, junior Alex Barcello and Toolson claimed No. 1 and No. 2 on the list above Gonzaga's Corey Kispert, shooting 48.6% and 47.1%, respectively.

Coming into the 2019-20 season there was uncertainty on how the team would compare against the teams it played. With a completely new coaching staff, transfers Barcello and Toolson added to the starting lineup and last year's disappointing output, the uncertainty was warranted.

But the Cougars came out to prove themselves, despite the various roadblocks along the way. After having one of the best regular-seasons in almost a decade, the Cougars find themselves as a No. 2 heading into the WCC tournament, looking to play their first postseason game on March 9 in the semifinals where they hope to see the women's team on the court for their own match up earlier that day.

BYU women's basketball head coach Jeff Judkins leads Cougars to a strong finish, snagging third place in the West Coast Conference.

The Cougars started the season off slow with a 7-7 record after 14 games. What looked like a disappointing start after going 11-3 in the first 14 games just the season before was quickly turned around after the Cougars won six straight before finishing the final eight games with a 5-3 record. BYU would finish the regular season with a 13-5 conference record while going 18-10 overall, finishing only behind Gonzaga and San Diego in the WCC.

The Cougars were led in scoring this season by junior Paisley Johnson and senior Brenna Chase Drollinger. Johnson is averaging 15.2 points per contest and Chase Drollinger is adding 12.3 points.

Johnson shot the ball extremely well all season and is leading the guards in shooting with 40.4 percent from within the arch and 38.7 percent from beyond the arch.

The Cougars proved to be a team that was fundamentally sound on both sides of the ball, with 6-foot-7 center Sara Hamson leading the way defensively. Hamson lead the Cougars in rebounding this season with 8.1 and finished the season with 133 blocked shots. Hamson is leading the NCAA in blocks per game with 4.6.

Opponents scored an average of 54.5 points per game against the Cougars, while the Cougars put up an average of 60.5 points per game against their opponents, outscoring their opponents on average by six points per contest.

The Cougars are preparing for the West Coast Conference tournament with high hopes of repeating what they did in 2019.

The Cougars made their way back to the NCAA Tournament last year for the first time since 2016 by winning the West Coast Conference tournament championship.

The Cougars outlasted Gonzaga in the conference championship with the final score of 82-68.

BYU's 2018-19 season ended in the NCAA tournament with a second round 72-63 loss to Stanford.

No. 11 Gonzaga will likely be a familiar face in the West Coast Conference tournament for BYU. Gonzaga was led this year

in scoring by junior guard Jill Townsend.

Townsend had seven points, three rebounds and added two assists in a Gonzaga win over BYU earlier this season in their first contest. In the second matchup of BYU vs. Gonzaga, Townsend added 16 points and three rebounds in what led to another Gonzaga victory.

Another worthy matchup to watch for in the West Coast Conference tournament will be BYU vs. San Diego. San Diego ended up in second in the WCC standings with BYU taking third.

The Cougars are 1-1 against San Diego this year. In the first matchup the Cougars won 52-36, led by senior guard Chase Drollinger who finished this matchup with 13 points and 9 rebounds.

San Diego won the second matchup over BYU by six points. San Diego was led by strong scoring off the bench courtesy of Leticia Soares who finished with 13 points and 10 rebounds.

BYU is coming off a big win at home over LMU when it celebrated senior day by winning 57-42 over the Lions.

No. 3 seeded BYU will likely face off with No. 6 seeded Pepperdine in the quarterfinals, but No. 7 seeded Saint Mary's and No. 10 seeded LMU are also possibilities for the Cougars. The Cougars posted a perfect 6-0 record against these opponents this season, winning by an average score of 62-49.

The Cougars saw themselves walk out of Malibu with a 22-point win over Pepperdine in the teams' first matchup, but second matchup didn't come easy for BYU. BYU was down 64-63 until Johnson made a pair of free throws that gave BYU a one-point lead with a little over 30 seconds remaining in the game.

Coach Judkins subbed Sara Hamson back into the game in hopes to get a defensive stop to end the game. The final desperation shot for Pepperdine was taken by Mia Satie on the baseline — a well-guarded shot that resulted in an airball. Jasmine Moody of BYU handled the loose ball and was fouled with one second remaining. Moody sunk one of the two free throws, and the desperate half-court shot by Pepperdine was no good. The Cougars would hold onto a close one, winning by just one bucket, 66-64.

If BYU wins its quarterfinal matchup, part three of the BYU vs. San Diego trilogy would take place in The Orleans Arena in Las Vegas on Monday, March 9 at 2 p.m.

Men's basketball

ranked number 2 in the WCC, will start tournament play in the semifinal round Monday, Mar. 9 at 6:30 p.m. The game will be broadcast on ESPN2.

Women's basketball

ranked number 3 in the WCC, will start tournament play in the quarterfinal round Saturday, Mar. 7 at 3 p.m. The game will be broadcast on BYUtv.

#BYU hacks

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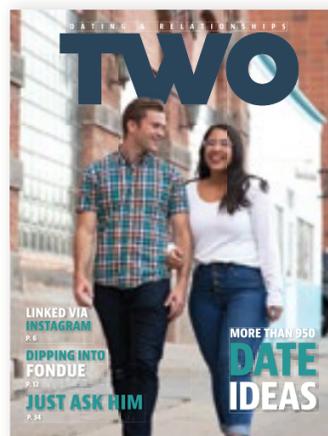


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Panel 3: SO I ROUNDED IT OFF TO 100% AND ENJOYED MY WEEK.

Panel 4: WHY DO I WORK HERE?? WHY???

Panel 5: I HAVE A BAD CASE OF IMPOSTOR SYNDROME.

Panel 6: I FEEL AS IF I'M ONLY PRETENDING TO BE A GOOD MANAGER, AND SOMEDAY EVERYONE WILL FIND OUT IT'S AN ACT.

Panel 7: IF IT MAKES YOU FEEL ANY BETTER, WE FIGURED THAT OUT A WHILE AGO.

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Panel 1: YOU WANT ME TO WRITE A LETTER RECOMMENDING YOU FOR NEIGHBORHOOD DOG OF THE YEAR?

Panel 2: I CAN'T DO IT... I DON'T THINK THAT YOU REALLY ARE TYPICAL OF A NEIGHBORHOOD DOG...

Panel 3: ZIP!

Panel 4: THIS IS BLACKMAIL!!

Panel 5: I would like to recommend Snoopy for Neighborhood Dog of the Year.

Panel 6: He is truly a dog among dogs.

Panel 7: HOW'S THAT?

Panel 8: GREAT!

Panel 9: WHAT A WAY TO GET YOUR BLANKET BACK!

Panel 10: WHAT A WAY TO GET A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION!

Garfield®

Panel 1: BECAUSE IT'S MONDAY, THAT'S WHY.

Panel 2: LISTEN TO THIS...

Panel 3: IRMA'S DINER CLOSED TODAY.

Panel 4: SOME SORT OF EMERGENCY... OH, NO! THEY RAN OUT OF GREASE!

Panel 5: GRAMPA, HOW COME YOU'RE EATING POPCORN ON A FRISBEE?

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Panel 1: SHARE THE WEALTH JOB EXPO

Panel 2: HIMM... STANDARD AMERICAN EDUCATION... LOOKS GOOD!

Panel 3: HOW DOES A KEY POSITION IN A MULTINATIONAL CORPORATION SOUND?

Panel 4: YES!

Panel 5: WOULD YOU LIKE THAT SUPER-SIZED?

Panel 6: MOM, CAN I HAVE FRIENDS OVER TONIGHT FOR A STUDY GROUP?

Panel 7: SURE!

Panel 8: SHOULD'NT YOU BE PANICKING ABOUT HAVING ENOUGH SNACKS BY NOW?

Panel 9: CAN I HAVE A SIP OF COFFEE FIRST?

Panel 10: YES, I SUPPOSE THE OWNER MIGHT HAVE A TEENAGE SON TAKING ON SOME OF THE STORE'S MANAGEMENT. WHY DO YOU ASK?

Panel 11: JEREMY, WHEN ARE YOUR FRIENDS COMING OVER TO STUDY?

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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

- iPhone downloads
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner
- The "A" in A&E
- Stumble
- Lit, as a lantern
- Season to be full of cheer
- Gaucha's weapon
- *Sinister genius in a series of Sax Rohmer novels
- With, en français
- Luau garland
- Los Angeles hoopster
- *Quick-tempered, gun-toting, rabbit-hating toon
- "You betchul!"
- Taxis
- Illuminated sign in a studio
- Exchange of negative commercials

DOWN

- Choose
- *"Stupid is as stupid ___" (line from "Forrest Gump")
- *Dudley Do-Right's enemy in old TV cartoons
- You can usually see right through it
- Electric ___
- Brought about
- Cyberbusiness, briefly
- "Right away!"
- Owens
- *Chief pirate in Neverland
- Part of an old Apple commercial tagline
- 1600 Pennsylvania (D.C. address)
- Letter in a Viking inscription

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

GOBIG GAME ACTS
 UMAMI AMEN WORE
 SATAN GILD ONYX
 SNICKERDOODLE
 YIN GRE DRE SAT
 COMEDYSKETCH
 PAPA ALI EYORE
 SEARS SAN DIGIT
 AIRACE NET NADA
 LOTTODRAWING
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 LEON WIRE HURON
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- Sigh of satisfaction
- Longtime SeaWorld attraction
- University of Florida athlete
- Less than forthcoming
- Yakked and yakked
- Get hitched hastily
- "The wart stops here" sloganer
- Suit coat feature
- "Cimarron" novelist Ferber
- Impolite looks
- Leonardo da Vinci's "___ Lisa"
- Zoom up
- Civil rights activist with a Harlem thoroughfare named after him

DOWN

- It begins on Ash Wednesday
- 7'1" Shaquille
- For
- Mine cart contents
- Cutting-edge technology?
- Masters of meditation
- So-called "millennials"
- White-feathered wader
- Squander
- New Deal inits.
- Dungeons & Dragons monster
- Copycat's drink order
- Keyboard shortcut for "undo," on a PC
- Ireland, to an Irish poet
- Stow, as cargo
- Birds' bills

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ISMS CAMP UNCLE
 MEAT ACAT SEOUL
 GENE PERT IAMS
 ASTERISK INLET
 MALLET ORG LSD
 EWE CABALS CAFE
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- Internet connection device
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- San Antonio mission
- Branch of mathematics concerned with Möbius strips and Klein bottles
- Body scan for a claustrophobe

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- Archetypically villainous features possessed by the answers to the starred clues
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- Foes of elves, in Tolkien
- Tennis star ___ Osaka
- Lots and lots
- Track or swimming competition
- Typical middle schooler, agewise
- Ending with ticker or masking
- Held in check
- Utah city of more than 100,000
- Stacks
- Total ditz
- Fill-in-the-blanks story
- White-plumed herons
- Title role for Jude Law in a 2004 remake
- Reed who sang "Walk on the Wild Side"
- Certain bachelor, in personals
- Tolstoy's "___ Karenina"
- Nutty/marshmallowy ice cream flavor
- [Giggle]
- Commit a fine-dining faux pas
- ___ mater

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

13 Takes a breather

18 One with a shortened sentence

22 Camera type, in brief

26 State animal of South Dakota

28 Synagogue singer

29 Function

30 ___ capita

34 Like most vegetables at a salad bar

36 Personal identity

37 Majesty

38 Parlor ink, for short

39 Suffix meaning "approximately"

40 Fence off

41 Awful pun

45 Stick up

46 Chin dimples

48 Colored part of the iris

49 Ballroom dance that originated in France

50 Menu selection

52 Poke fun at

53 Kinshasa's country, formerly

57 Fort ___ (gold depository)

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- Tennis star ___ Osaka
- Lots and lots
- Track or swimming competition
- Typical middle schooler, agewise
- Ending with ticker or masking
- Held in check
- Utah city of more than 100,000
- Stacks
- Total ditz
- Fill-in-the-blanks story
- White-plumed herons
- Title role for Jude Law in a 2004 remake
- Reed who sang "Walk on the Wild Side"
- Certain bachelor, in personals
- Tolstoy's "___ Karenina"
- Nutty/marshmallowy ice cream flavor
- [Giggle]
- Commit a fine-dining faux pas
- ___ mater

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

13 Takes a breather

18 One with a shortened sentence

22 Camera type, in brief

26 State animal of South Dakota

28 Synagogue singer

29 Function

30 ___ capita

34 Like most vegetables at a salad bar

36 Personal identity

37 Majesty

38 Parlor ink, for short

39 Suffix meaning "approximately"

40 Fence off

41 Awful pun

45 Stick up

46 Chin dimples

48 Colored part of the iris

49 Ballroom dance that originated in France

50 Menu selection

52 Poke fun at

53 Kinshasa's country, formerly

57 Fort ___ (gold depository)

58 Put money in the bank

61 You'll trip if you drop it

63 Took the reins

Half of world's sandy beaches at risk from climate change

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BERLIN — Scientists say that half of the world's sandy beaches could disappear by the end of the century if climate change continues unchecked.

Researchers at the European Union's Joint Research Center in Ispra, Italy, used satellite images to track the way beaches have changed over the past 30 years and simulated how global warming might affect them in the future.

"What we find is that by the end of the century around half of the beaches in the world will experience erosion that is more than 100 meters," said Michalis Voudoukas. "It's likely that they will be lost."

The study, published Mar. 2 in the journal *Nature Climate Change*, found that the extent to which beaches are at risk depends on how much average global temperatures increase by the year 2100. Greater temperature increases mean more sea level rise and more violent storms in some regions, causing more beaches to vanish beneath the waves.

"The projected shoreline changes will substantially impact the shape of the world's coastline," more than a third of which is sandy beach, the authors wrote.

Beaches are valuable for recreation, tourism and wildlife, while also providing a natural barrier that protects coastal communities from waves and storms.

Many coastal areas, including beaches, are already heavily affected by human activity such as seashore construction and inland dams, which reduce the amount of silt flowing into



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A man fishes along the receding banks of the Salton Sea near Bombay Beach, California. Scientists say that half of the world's sandy beaches are at risk of disappearing by the end of the century if climate changes continues unchecked.

oceans that's crucial for beach recovery.

Some countries will be more affected than others, the researchers said. Gambia and Guinea-Bissau in West Africa could lose more than 60% of their beaches, while predictions for Pakistan, the island of Jersey in the English Channel and the Comoros Islands are similarly dire.

Australia would be hardest-hit in terms of total beach coastline lost, with over 11,400

kilometers (7,080 miles) at risk. The United States, Canada, Mexico, China, Russia, Argentina and Chile would also lose thousands of kilometers (miles) of beach, according to the study.

Andres Payo, an expert on coastal hazards and resilience at the British Geological Survey, said that while the study's methods were sound, its claims should be treated with caution.

"There are many assumptions and generalizations that

could change the outcome of the analysis both qualitatively and quantitatively," said Payo, who wasn't involved in the study.

However, Voudoukas said the amount of beach loss estimated by his team was in fact "a bit conservative" and could be higher.

The group considered two different warming scenarios — one in which average global temperatures rise by 2.4 degrees Celsius (4.3

Fahrenheit) by the end of the century and another that predicts an increase twice as high. The Paris climate accord's most ambitious target, of capping warming at 1.5 C, wasn't considered because scientists consider it unlikely to be achieved, Voudoukas said.

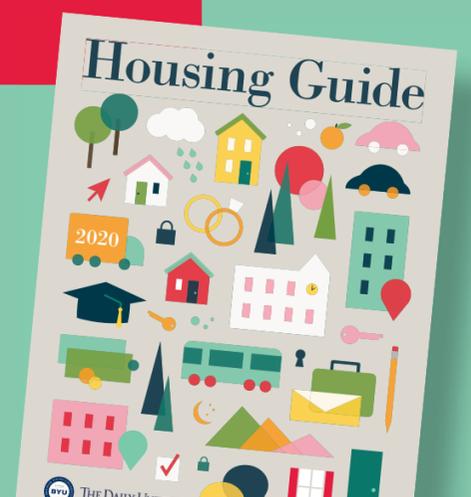
The study's authors calculated that up to 40% of shoreline retreat could be prevented by reducing the greenhouse gas emissions that are driving climate change, but said that

large and growing populations living along the coast will also need to be protected through other measures.

Citing the example of the Netherlands, which has battled the sea for centuries and even reclaimed substantial areas of low-lying land, the authors said "past experience has shown that effective site-specific coastal planning can mitigate beach erosion, eventually resulting in a stable coastline."

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