

2017 ANNUAL REPORT



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

returned to campus as the Interim President in late August and thus experienced only about a third of the year at the College. Nevertheless, it was long enough to witness wonderful things taking place here. In December, construction was completed on the Cruzen-Murray Library and this wonderful new addition to the campus brought great excitement in the closing months of 2017. Finney Hall construction was also completed in December and with the earlier 2017 completion of Voorhees Hall, these remodels have transformed the residence hall life on the campus.

The C of I students are doing well in the classroom. While the College graduated an outstanding group of students in May, 253 to be exact, our returning students continue to excel as those before them. For example, one of the Northwest region's outstanding gatherings for science students each year is the annual Murdock College Science Research Conference in Spokane. Science students Camas Curran, Leonardo Trujillo, Sarah Schoultz, Tyler Truksa, Natasha Dacic, Megan Phelps, Jacob Bowman and Florence Wavreil presented posters on their experiments this year. Quite significantly, Natasha Dacic won the poster prize in Environmental Science/Geology again, as it was her second year in a row to win that prize. It is an example of how our science students have laboratory and field opportunities that undergraduates in research universities seldom experience until they are graduate students.

> In athletics, our football student athletes won five of their last six games and achieved the first winning season since 1969 (6-5 overall record) and the most wins since the 1959 team also finished with six.

My wife Leslee and I have enjoyed our short time back at the College immensely! Being around these wonderful students, and the many others here, enriches our lives and brings great joy to us!

DR. BOB HOOVER PRESIDENT

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100% of trustees made financial contributions to the College in 2017

ENDOWMENT VALUES

\$100.8 MILLION

2013

\$91.7 MILLION

2012

\$100.4 MILLION

2015

MILLION

2016 2017

MILLION

2014

\$100.3 MILLION

2017 YEAR IN REVIEW

rom a snowy January and a spring of giving to a summer of construction and an autumn full of awards and accomplishments, 2017 has been a busy and thriving year at The College of Idaho. With academic achievements in research and retention, athletic achievements on both a local and national scale, and alumni achievements across the globe, the YoteFam has once again proven that C of I shines brightly as a beacon of success in the higher education world and beyond. In a year full of exciting accomplishments, here are some of the highlights:



SNOWPOCALYPSE 2017

Record snowfall in the Treasure Valley caused some students to nickname the 2017 Winter Term as "Snowpocalypse 2017." On Jan. 4, the National Weather Service reported 14 inches of snow on the ground at the Boise Airport, with a snowfall of 6.5 inches in the valley that day, more than doubling the previous daily snowfall record set in 1951. The heavy snowfall throughout the month caused one snow day, as well as three late starts.



WINTER WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE While students in the Treasure Valley took on more snow than expected, the seven students on the College's Winter Wilderness Experience enjoyed fresh powder in Stanley, Idaho in the Sawtooth Valley. Studying literature and environmental science by morning and backcountry skiing by afternoon, students on the experience embraced the College's focus on place-based learning in a unique program offered every two years.



CRUZEN-MURRAY LIBRARY TOP-OFF

Almost one full year after the College broke ground on the Cruzen-Murray Library, the final beam of the library's roof was placed on Feb. 17, 2017. The steel shell of the new library quickly continued to fill out on schedule, growing into the expansive and architecturally splendid building it is today. Students will begin to move materials into the

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library in 2018, with the grand opening set for February 2018.



RECORD-SETTING SCHOLARSHIP GALA...AGAIN!

Not to be outdone by the record-setting numbers raised at the 2016 Scholarship Gala, the 2017 Scholarship Gala brought Mardi Gras to Boise...and again shattered the previous year's record. With the help of alumni, friends and supporters, along with their participation in live and silent auctions, prize raffles, Adopt-a-Yote paddle-ups and sponsorships, the Gala raised \$275,000 for student scholarships. Once again, the Gala continued to raise the bar. What will 2018's Gala bring?



FINNEY FAREWELL, VOORHEES REOPENING

In the 100-plus years since its original construction in 1910, Finney Hall served as a home to thousands of students. But with a \$4 million remodel on the horizon, it was time for students to say farewell to the old building as it began its transformation. The students who lived in Finney didn't have to move far to relocate, however, as Voorhees Hall had just completed its own \$4 million renovation, complete with automatic locking doors, two extra stairwells, updated flooring and furniture, and a new elevator. Everything old is new again!



DAVID DOUGLASS HIRED AS NEW ACADEMIC DEAN, VP

NO. 1 GRADUATION RATE IN IDAHO US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Bringing a creative mind and experienced leadership style to the College's administrative team, Dr. David Douglass was hired to serve as the College's new Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Douglass spent more than two decades as a professor and administrator at Willamette University developing award-winning programs on career planning and exploration, and has fit in great at the College to date as its chief academic officer.



INAUGURAL C OF I GIVING DAY RAISES \$125,000 IN 24 HOURS

C of I's students, alumni, staff, faculty and friends came together on April 11 with a simple goal: to celebrate the College through its culture of philanthropy. Twenty-four hours of generous donations, community outreach and two thrown pies later, the College's first ever Giving Day raised \$125,370 overall across multiple funds, including the Boone Fund, scholarship funds, athletics, and more. The day was celebrated on the Quad by students, who wrote thank you notes to alumni and enjoyed free food and activities.



YOTES NIGHT OUT 2017 The Yote traveled to Downtown Boise on April 7, and where our fuzzy purple mascot goes, so do our fantastic alumni, who joined him for Yotes Night Out 2017 on top of the Zions Bank building at the offices of Holland and Hart. Did you miss out on all the festivities? Don't worry...Yotes Night Out will return on April 6, 2018, this time in the brand new Cruzen-Murray Library! Mark your calendars, YoteFam!



C OF I NAMED NO. 2 SMALL COLLEGE IN AMERICA

While the C of I earned a number of accolades this year, one major accolade from Best College Review stands out. The College was named by the website as No. 2 on its 2017 list of the "Top 50 Best Small Colleges in the U.S," recognized for its strong retention and graduation rates, affordable tuition and outstanding academic offerings, with the College's distinctive PEAK Curriculum earning particular praise. C of I also earned distinctions from Forbes magazine, The Princeton Review, U.S. News & World Report, USA Today and University Research and Review.



STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS DEVELOP VR TOUR OF CHINESE MONASTERY

In January 2017, seven students traveled to the heart of China's Sichuan province for a 17-day study abroad experience as part of their special topics history course taught by Dr. Jeff Snyder-Reinke. After intensively researching Chinese religious practices and unique traits of Buddhist, Confucian and Taoist temples, the students worked together to document their visit to the Zhaojue Monastery, developing a full online virtual-reality tour of the historic temple. Their work, funded in part by the College's Mellon Foundation grant, was featured on the ThingLink platform after its completion in May 2017.



COMMENCEMENT 2017

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Nearly 300 students participated in the 2017 Commencement Ceremony, celebrating the graduating Class of 2017 on a bright and warm spring day. The Honorable Candy Wagahoff Dale '79 gave this year's keynote address, and she was also honored with an honorary doctorate of humane letters during the ceremony. The ceremony also featured remarks by graduating senior speaker Hailey Chambers. Congratulations to our graduates!



NBA LEGEND ELGIN BAYLOR LEADS 2017 CLASS AT C OF I ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME

Elgin Baylor, an 11-time NBA All-Star who got his start as a Yote in 1955, returned to Caldwell for the first time in 62 years in June to headline the 2017 C of I Athletics Hall of Fame ceremony. Baylor was joined by All-American baseball slugger Greg Schelhaas, All-American volleyball player Kristyn Price, and the 2000-2001 NAIA national runner-up women's basketball team. The College also named three Meritorious Service award winners in Ed "Buz" Bonaminio, Cisco Limbago and Graye Wolfe Sr.



KRISTINE MCDIVITT TOMPKINS '72 EARNS CARNEGIE MEDAL OF PHILANTHROPY

Kristine McDivitt Tompkins '72 become one of eight honorees to receive one of the most prestigious prizes any philanthropist can receive: the Carnegie Medal of Philanthropy, given out every two years by the Carnegie Corporation of New York to philanthropists who embody the ideals of accomplishing "real and permanent good in the world." Tompkins, who co-founded outdoor clothing company Patagonia, has dedicated her life to conservation, preserving millions of acres of parklands in Argentina and Chile since 1993.



MEN'S LACROSSE EARNS VARSITY STATUS

Following a lights-out 2017 season that saw the Yotes' men's lacrosse team march to a perfect 11-0 regular-season record and a runner-up showing in the Pacific Northwest Collegiate Lacrosse League Tournament, C of I athletic director Reagan Rossi announced the team would move from a club sport to varsity status for 2018. Lacrosse became the College's tenth men's varsity sport, giving studentathletes the ability to earn athletic-based aid and budgetary support from the athletic department instead of student fees. The team will begin PNCLL

BEST NATIONAL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES NO. 168 U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT play in 2018 as the No. 1 preseason favorite as interest in the program has tripled among high school recruits.



AHMAD ARAFAT COMPLETES DAVIS PROJECT FOR PEACE IN NATIVE PALESTINE

As a child living in the city of Nablus in the West Bank of Palestine, C of I senior Ahmad Arafat recalled the heavy tensions between occupying Israeli settlers and the comparatively larger Palestinian population. Arafat was determined to bring aid to his homeland after receiving a \$10,000 Davis Project for Peace Award, which he used to design and construct a piping system and filtrated well for the Palestinian farming village of Kafa, located 15 miles from his hometown. Arafat spent the summer in the area to complete the project, where he also raised money to aid Kafa's primary school through improvements to its existing facilities.



SUMMER RESEARCH PROJECTS IN BOONE HALL

While many students were off campus during the summer break, a handful of science students continued research projects in Boone Hall across multiple scientific disciplines. Senior health sciences major Troy Carr researched the cardiovascular system of the Daphnia magna, a small, underwater flea; biology seniors Quin McLaughlin and Hailey Boyd used crayfish to determine the toxicity of its surrounding ecosystem; chemistry senior Jason Byce and health science senior Hunter Temple researched the medicinal values of sagebrush plants. Every lab had some kind of research this summer, with much of it being funded through Idaho INBRE.



C OF I BASEBALL PLAYERS SET MLB DRAFT RECORDS

The summer of 2017 will go down as one of the most exciting in the history of the C of I baseball program. In mid-June, right-handed C of I pitcher

SOCIAL MEDIA MILESTONES 6,800+ FACEBOOK FANS 2,800+ TWITTER FOLLOWERS

737 IN-PERSON VISITS MADE BY COLLEGE RELATIONS STAFF Riley O'Brien became the highest Major League Baseball draft pick in the program's history, going in the 8th round to the Tampa Bay Rays as the 229th pick overall. The very next day, another C of I pitcher was drafted, with left-handed Zach Draper going in the 30th round to the Cleveland Indians. It's only the second time in C of I history that two players were selected during the MLB draft. Later in the summer, a third pitcher signed a free agent contract, as Mitch Viydo signed with the Seattle Mariners.



C OF I ANNOUNCES SHIFT TO SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS

After years of planning and partnership between both students and the administration, The College of Idaho began its new smoke-free policy, eliminating tobacco usage completely from its campus. Members of the Associated Students of the College of Idaho worked together for two years on a resolution calling for the end of tobacco use on campus, while members of the C of I administration had been seeking tobacco policy changes of their own. The two groups coordinated their efforts alongside Idaho's Project Filter and Southwest District Health to help the College become a smoke-free zone.



BOB HOOVER RETURNS AS C OF I INTERIM PRESIDENT

After a six year stint as its president from 2003-2009, Dr. Bob Hoover made his return to the College of Idaho in August 2017 to serve the 2017-2018 school year as its interim president following the departure of Dr. Charlotte Borst. Hoover was one of the College's most popular and successful presidents, with total enrollment increasing by 21 percent during his original tenure and helping drive \$72 million in gifts from the Albertson Foundation between 2005-2007. Hoover said he would serve as president until June 2018, or when the College's 14th president is named, whichever comes first.



DECEMBER GIVING 1,037 GIFTS \$1,944,606 RAISED

MORRISON CLOCK TOWER RECEIVES CROWDFUNDING FOR REPAIRS

"Time" was of the essence in September 2017 as the College embarked on its first-ever crowdfunding campaign in an effort to fund repairs to the Velma Morrison Centennial Clock Tower, one of the College's most central and unique landmarks. Dedicated on November 30, 1990, the 26-year-old clock tower had long since become silent, with the time on its faces frozen. With the help of the Harry W. Morrison Foundation's matching gift of \$6,000, the College raised \$6,000 of its own to help fund repairs to the tower thanks to the support of alumni and community members in just 15 days.



HOMECOMING 2017 — THE NEXT CHAPTER

Homecoming week was a big success on campus as hundreds of alumni, students, families and friends joined in celebrating the C of I. This year's activities highlighted the campus' many improvements and new projects, with guests enjoying classroom visits, class reunions, dinner in the quad, wine and cider tastings from alumni wineries, the Distinguished Alumni Awards ceremony, a special concert put on by the Alumni Choir, tailgating, the Homecoming football game (and underdog victory!) and more!



NEW C OF I WEBSITE LAUNCHED

After five years with the same design, The College of Idaho launched a comprehensive redesign to its website, making it easier than ever to keep up with all things Yote! The new website focused on ease of navigation and interaction, especially for mobile devices. For prospective and incoming students, learning more about the PEAK curriculum is made simpler with the introduction of PEAK Profiles and the PEAK Builder. Check us out at **www.** collegofidaho.edu!



STUDENTS PRESENT RESEARCH AT GSA AND MURDOCK

CLASS OF 1967 SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED DURING 50-YEAR REUNION \$29,460 RAISED

Fall was a busy season for our science students. Juniors Jake Bowman and Tyler Truksa presented their original research at the Geological Society of America's 129th Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington on Oct. 22-25, presenting at one of the largest meetings of geoscientists in the country. The two would travel with other science students on Nov. 9-10 to the Murdock College Research Conference in Spokane, Washington to present with six other students from the C of I. Senior environmental studies/mathematicsphysics double major Natasha Dacic received the Murdock Poster Prize in Environmental Science/ Geology for the second year in a row for her research in potential ozone formation in the San Joaquin Valley of California.



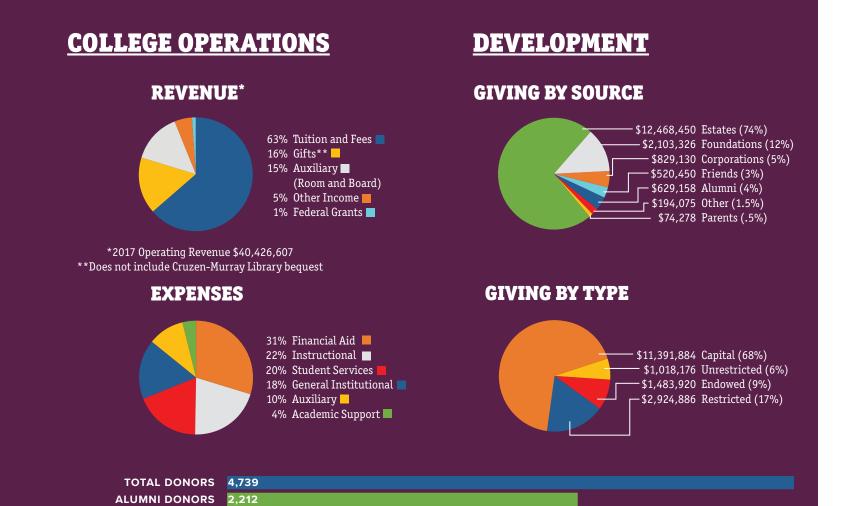
YOTES RECAPTURE THE COVETED MAYOR'S CUP

The College of Idaho men's basketball team brought the Mayor's Cup back to Caldwell with a 76-68 victory against Northwest Nazarene University, defeating their long-time rivals for the fifth straight time at home. It was a hotly anticipated game and a victory that resounded through the packed gym in the J.A. Albertson Activities Center. C of I went on to keep up their momentum following the win, going on a long winning streak against a variety of opponents.



VOLLEYBALL PROGRESSES TO NAIA QUARTERFINALS

After a stellar 28-7 season, the Lady Yotes of women's volleyball finished their year with a magical run to the NAIA Volleyball National Championship Quarterfinals. The squad advanced to that level in the tournament for the first time since 2011, with junior Jackie Van Vliet being named to the 2017 NAIA Championships All-Tournament Team.



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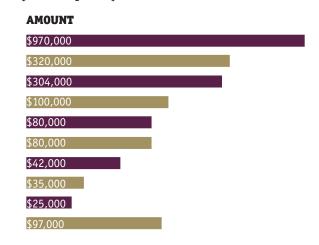
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PURPOSE

Davis World Scholars Scholarships 5-Year Research Grant (annual) Curriculum Reform (3-year) Music Scholarships Student Study Abroad Prof. Devine Star Research Scholarships Business Consultant Fellowship Various



29% ALUMNI GIVING NATIONAL AVERAGE 9% EMPLOYEES WHO CARE 86% FACULTY GIVING IN 2017 57% STAFF GIVING ALUMNI GIVING RANKINGS NO. 1 IN IDAHO

ALUMNI RELATIONS



YOTEBOOK

A new online alumni community, "The Yotebook" was launched in 2017. To get full access to the site benefits, alumni will need to create an account, which helps keep our alumni community information safe. Once verified as alumni by the site, alumni can contact other alumni via e-mail, search job postings, find alumni in different geographic areas, sign up to be a mentor or mentee, and register for events. The website will also provide a forum for the Yotes First program, starting with an alumni business directory and easy access to networking resources. To join, alumni may click the alumni tab from the College's main page or go to alumni.collegeofidaho.edu.

International & Military = 275

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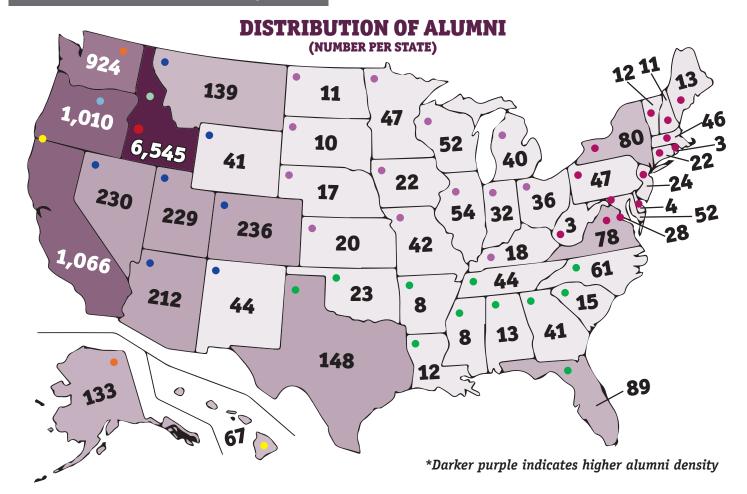
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FY2017 PARTICIPATION 80 EVENTS, 3,251 EVENT ATTENDEES (14% INCREASE OVER 2016)

HOMECOMING 2017 1,167 EVENT ATTENDEES (16% INCREASE OVER 2016)

1,347 C OF I ALUMNI FACEBOOK FANS (11% INCREASE OVER 2016)



AN EDUCATION FOR THE WHOLE PERSON

Recently I went to a medical school interview and found myself asking another applicant what he did for fun. My jaw dropped when he told me "I don't have time for fun-all I do is study," because that was not how I experienced college. At The College of Idaho, I thrived in the small classes, the top-notch education, and close relationships with professors. However, I also found a passion for medicine during a summer internship at the Stanley clinic; enjoyed adventure snorkeling on a coral reef as part of the winter term Florida trip; and became a better community member as I participated in the Ski Team.

My greatest appreciation for The College of Idaho is that while it provides an excellent academic education, it encourages students to have experiences and grow as humans too. I have a new favorite class about Henry David Thoreau that I initially never thought I would like, I have created the greatest friendships with people from all over the world, and I have grown as a person. I knew from the moment that I toured The College of Idaho that it was a special place, and I'm so thankful I chose to go to school here. I am also grateful for the donations and scholarships that have made my education possible. With all of the skills and lessons I have learned at The College of Idaho, I plan to serve others and give back to my college community.

Megan Phelps

Megan Phelps, a senior biology and Spanish major was recently accepted into the WWAMI TRUST Medical School Program and plans to practice as a bilingual physician in rural Idaho. As a Gipson Fellow, she was the recipient of a fouryear scholarship and she applied to the Gipson Fellow Fund in order to go on a medical mission to the Dominican Republic. She also received a ski scholarship and a Kathryn Albertson scholarship. At The College of Idaho, she enjoys doing research and participating in Kappa Kappa Gamma and Ski Team.

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We are proud of all our donors, and are particularly grateful for those who have made a gift for 25 or more consecutive years.

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