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# Main Hall to Main St.

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## Winning Winds Marching band rouses football team, fans

Only one thing brings football fans out of their seats as fast as a Grizzly touchdown, and that's the University of Montana Big Sky Winds Marching Band playing the school's fight song, "Up With Montana."

For decades, UM's student marching band has drummed up school spirit at football games and Homecoming parades with tunes that inspire spectators to clap their hands and sing along. Often the unsung heroes of the fall, the band members, led by music Assistant Professor Robert LedBetter, and their music are as much a part of Grizzly football tradition as the ROTC cannon's touchdown salutes and the parachutists who glide onto the field to open each home game.

"We look at our events as more than just a game," said Bill Schwanke, assistant athletic director. "College football has a certain pageantry to it; the band plays a major part in contributing to that with its enthusiasm, appearance and music."

### Striking up spirit

Assembled only for football season, the marching band signals the start of home games with "Up With Montana" as the Grizzlies storm out of the tunnel and onto the field.

The band also marks each Grizzly touchdown by playing the fight song twice, which means they master the tune quickly during a winning season.

Last year, for example, the Grizzlies scored a total of 652 points during their most successful season ever. That means the Big Sky Winds played "Up With Montana" at least 200 times during the 1995 season, including more than 20 times in the final playoff massacre of Stephen F. Austin, when the Grizzlies scored 10 touchdowns.

By then, it should have been easy to pipe out the well-rehearsed song, but band members faced their most difficult obstacle ever — combating frozen instruments as they played in single digit temperatures and subzero windchills in a typical December snow storm. The opponent's marching band gave up after five minutes of play, but the Big Sky Winds stuck it out to salute their team as it racked up record-setting points, thawing their instruments with heat blowers in between touchdowns. "We had to or we couldn't have played," LedBetter said.

### Decked out in new duds

Anticipating more December playoff games at Washington-Grizzly Stadium, LedBetter ordered matching coats for the band's new uniforms that arrived over the summer. The band's old uniforms in black and gold were 1980 vintage and wearing out. "They made us look like bees on the field," he said.



The Big Sky Winds Marching Band unveiled its new uniforms in Grizzly spirit colors for the season opener Sept. 14.

A committee of campus and community representatives selected a more colorful and professional look for the band, he said. The bee look was replaced by maroon and white uniforms with silver and gold accents and matching hats with white feather plumes and plenty of sparkling gold.

### Bigger and better

The new look might be one reason LedBetter has had more students interested in playing with the band this year than in years past.

The Big Sky Winds grew by seven members this season, making it "bigger, louder and prettier than ever before," said LedBetter, with 82 members. He had 45 members when he became director in 1990, and the band has grown every year since. His goal is to build it to its past strength of a hundred or more members.

"It's difficult in Montana to get people to do marching bands," LedBetter said, noting that not many high schools have them and students coming to UM have no experience marching while playing musical instruments. "It's physically tiring and mentally challenging for them."

Perhaps it's the excitement of playing backup to a championship team that boosted the band's membership this year. It could be the perks, like getting into football games free. Or maybe it's the chance to learn their school song by heart.

## Montana gets new major

This fall, UM became the first Montana university to offer a Native American studies major to students.

The program is "basically a cultural bridge in academia," Native American Studies Program Director Bonnie Heavy Runner Craig said.

"This is an important program for us at The University of Montana because of the significant population of Native Americans in the state and on our campus," President George Dennison said. "But it is even more important for the majority students on campus, to give them a sense of the Native American experience."

The major offers students comprehensive courses and a broader view of historical and contemporary culture than is traditionally found in liberal arts education. It is designed to give students a strong foundation for research and writing in the field, Craig said.

The curriculum features courses from varied disciplines, approaching each from an American Indian perspective.

Approved by the state Board of Regents earlier this year, the major has signed up 11 students, both Indian and non-Indian, and is expected to quickly grow to 20 or 30 students.

## Homecoming features building dedication

Business school graduates have received a special invitation to come home to UM and Missoula this October for Homecoming 1996.

This year's theme, "Takin' Care of Business," pulls together the end of current construction on campus, the dedication of the new William and Rosemary Gallagher Building for the School of Business Administration and an all-school reunion for business graduates.

The dedication begins at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11, on the east side of the new business building. Parking on campus is limited, but parking at nearby locations with free shuttle service to campus will be available. The city of Missoula will not ticket cars parked in the residential parking district of University area neighborhoods from 1 to 5 p.m. on Friday only.

Meanwhile, entry applications for the Homecoming Parade Saturday, Oct. 12, are due by 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9. Applications are available at the UM Alumni Association office on the first floor of Brantly Hall. Call 243-5211 for information.

## UM gains environmental science lab

Environmental science efforts at UM have received a major boost from a \$457,500 grant to equip an interdisciplinary laboratory for biogeochemical analysis.

The grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust allows UM to replace



Researchers James Gannon and Johnnie Moore co-wrote the grant.

outdated equipment and gain new capabilities to analyze water, soil, microorganisms, and plant and animal matter. The lab will be a great help in detecting pollution and environmental impact, said microbiologist Jim Gannon and geologist Johnnie Moore, UM professors who co-wrote the grant with help from faculty in other disciplines.

The Murdock lab represents a lifeline for UM scientists, giving them the

equipment they need to further their environmental research and compete for funds to fuel that research, Moore said.

All of the new equipment should be up and running by January, he said.

The new lab has been a long time coming — work on the proposal began in 1993 — but Moore said it was well worth the wait: "This is the best thing that has happened in my career."

The Murdock lab's best feature is its interdisciplinary approach, bringing diverse faculty together to work on common problems, Gannon said.

Equipment was painstakingly selected to meet the needs of varied departments including forestry, chemistry, environmental studies, anthropology, biological sciences and geology.

All of the Murdock money will be spent on equipment; the University will provide staffing, including a full-time lab manager, and services for a total project value of \$710,500 over three years.

The lab is a tremendous boon to students, too, giving them the opportunity to hone their research skills on state-of-the-art equipment, he said.

Starting this fall, UM will offer two environmental analysis courses per year to teach seniors and graduate students how to collect samples and do laboratory analysis.

## Homecoming Highlights

### Thursday, Oct. 10

**Art Fair**—10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, University Center Atrium.

### Friday, Oct. 11

**No Host Lunch**—taco bar, tent area south of Brantly Hall, noon; everyone welcome. Cost is \$6.

**Building Dedication**—William & Rosemary Gallagher Building for the School of Business Administration, 2 p.m.; reception to follow.

**Concert**—by UM music department, 7 p.m., Main Hall. Free.

**Singing on the Steps**—presentation of 1996 Distinguished Alumni Awards and the crowning of Homecoming Royalty, 7:30 p.m., steps of Main Hall. Join UM's Chamber Chorale, Grizzly Football Coach Mick Dennehy, Grizzly football players, cheerleaders and



UM's Big Sky Winds Marching Band for the pep rally.

Lighting of the "M" follows.

**Mixer and Dance**—music by Alumni Jazz Band, 9 p.m., Holiday Inn. Free.

### Saturday, Oct. 12

**Homecoming Parade**—Higgins and University avenues, 10 a.m.

**Tailgate Parties**—north of Washington-Grizzly Stadium, 11:30 a.m.

**Football**—Grizzlies vs. Idaho State Bengals, 1:35 p.m.

**Homecoming Fireworks**—in the new Bob Ward parking lot at Southgate Mall, 9:15 p.m. Free.



# Bear Briefs

**Books Needed**—Have a box of books you no longer want? The Friends of the Library will take them off your hands and sell them at its annual book sale Friday, Oct. 11, to benefit UM's Mansfield Library. Drop off books at the circulation desk during library hours. The sale runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the mall in front of the library.

**Tune Up**—If you play a musical instrument, now's your chance to make beautiful music with others. The Missoula Community Concert Band, a group of woodwind, brass and percussion instrumentalists from around the area, begins its sixth season with Monday evening rehearsals in late February. Anyone interested in participating should call Tom Cook, UM music department chair and the band's director, at 243-6880. Membership is limited to adults; no audition is required.

**Cyber Symposium**—The Center for the Rocky Mountain West will co-sponsor a free, public symposium on cyberspace Thursday and Friday, Oct. 3-4. James Hillman, Pulitzer Prize nominee for "Re-Visioning Psychology" and author of "The Soul's Code: In Search of Character and Calling," will discuss "Intoxicated by Hermes: The No-Place of Cyberspace," at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 3, in UM's Urey Lecture Hall.

UM philosophy Professor Albert Borgmann, author of "Crossing the Post-Modern Divide," and UM environmental studies professor Bill Chaloupka, author of "Knowing Nukes," will respond to Hillman's talk with "Home Place in Cyberspace?" from 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 4, at the Milwaukee Station.

**New Waves**—Strains of songs by Smashing Pumpkins and Soundgarden can be heard across campus and around Missoula this fall from KBCG radio. UM students took over the airwaves at 89.9 on the FM dial to provide the Missoula area with a format that is 70 percent modern rock alternative; the rest is a mixture of programming ranging from talk shows to news. The station, which has a noncommercial educational license and operates with volunteer announcers, broadcasts as far as Lolo and Frenchtown. For information, call KBCG at 243-6427.

**Arts Advocates**—The Montana Committee for the Humanities, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, will elect four new members at its November board meeting. The committee meets four times a year, and members serve four years. Members serve as volunteers, but expenses for travel to meetings are paid. To apply, send two letters of recommendation, a resume and a letter indicating your willingness to serve by Oct. 18 to: Montana Committee for the Humanities, P.O. Box 8036, Missoula, MT, 59807. Call Yvonne Gritzner, (406) 243-6022, for information.

**Power Packed**—Economics Department Chair Thomas Michael Power probes the economic importance of environmental quality in a critically acclaimed new book, "Lost Landscapes and Failed Economies: The Search for a Value of Place." The book, published this summer by Island Press, refutes the popular argument that environmental protection poses a threat to regional economies and ways of life. Power argues that protecting landscapes does not damage communities, but is instead one of the primary sources of local economic vitality. Publisher's Weekly calls Power's book "a devastating, scholarly attack on 'folk' economics" that "turns on its head much of what has become common wisdom in his field."

**New Degree**—Pharmacy students and practicing Montana pharmacists can now earn a doctor of pharmacy degree through UM. The state Board of Regents recently approved the six-year degree to start fall semester 1997. The new degree will not supplant the five-year bachelor of science degree the school already offers. UM pharmacy students can choose to study an extra year to earn the higher degree, which also is available through distance-learning technologies such as e-mail and videoconferencing to practicing Montana pharmacists.

**Record Giving**—Loyal donors and hard-working volunteers helped the UM Foundation record the best financial year in its 25-year history. Preliminary figures show a 124 percent increase in funds raised over the previous

year, with outright gifts totaling \$12.7 million for the fiscal year just ended, up from \$5.7 million in fiscal 1995.

**Timely Topic**—Scholars, clergy and politicians will come together at UM next month to probe this year's Mansfield Conference topic, "Religious Values and the Political Process." On the eve of the 1996 presidential election, the free, public lectures will give Montanans an opportunity to analyze the roles that religious values play in the electoral and governing process. Keynote speakers include the Rev. Martin Marty, a Lutheran minister and professor of history of modern Christianity at the University of Chicago's Divinity School. He will speak at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 1400 Gerald Ave.

**UM Days**—High school juniors and seniors and their families are invited to an open house on campus from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 26. Tour campus, check out the residence halls and meet with staff, faculty and students to find out about academic programs, student life and financing a college education. The program is free, but preregistration is recommended. Registration forms are available at all Montana high school counseling offices or by calling Admissions and New Student Services, (406) 243-6266 or (800) 462-8636.

**Go Griz**—Show that you back the bears by decking your business's windows and walls with Grizzly signs. The UM Alumni Association has plenty of free posters and pennants in the revived maroon and silver colors available for area merchants. Call 243-5211.

**Grizzly Territory**—Opponents probably don't enjoy spending an afternoon in Washington-Grizzly Stadium as much as the home team and its fans do. Montana's record is 57 wins, eight losses at Washington-Grizzly Stadium since the team played its first game there Oct. 18, 1986. The Grizzlies' Sept. 14 thrashing of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo was the team's 19th consecutive win at home — an NCAA Division I-AA record.

## UM Calendar

**Saturday, Sept. 28**

**Dance performance**—Site-Specific Dance Concert, 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Meet on the Oval. Free.

**Monday, Sept. 30**

**Art exhibit**—"Cross-Currents," University of Minnesota-Minneapolis Faculty/Student Print Exchange and "Navigations,"

the 1996 Southern Graphics Annual Print Conference Portfolio, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Mon.-Sat., through Oct.

19, Gallery of Visual Arts, Social Science Building. Reception, Fri. Oct. 4, 5-8 p.m. in the gallery. Free.

**Art exhibit**—Shannon Tipple-Leen, black and white photographs, noon-3 p.m., Mon.-Fri. through Oct. 11, University Center Gallery. Free.

**Thursday, Oct. 3**

**Volleyball**—Lady Griz vs. Portland State, 7:30 p.m., Harry Adams Field House. Tickets \$4.50.

**Saturday, Oct. 5**

**Football**—Grizzlies vs. Southern Utah, 1:35 p.m., Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

**Concert**—Missoula Symphony Orchestra with piano soloist Ignat Solzhenitsyn, 7:30 p.m. Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday, Wilma Theatre. Call 721-3194 for ticket information.

**Tuesday, Oct. 8**

**President's Lecture Series**—"Continuing Catastrophe: Chernobyl and How It Affects Us," by Kristin Shrader-Frechette, distinguished research professor of environmental studies and policy program and philosophy, University of South Florida, 8 p.m., Urey Lecture Hall. Free.

**Tuesday, Oct. 15**

**Drama production**—"I Hate Hamlet," 7:30 p.m. through Oct. 19. Tickets \$10/general, \$9/students and senior citizens. Call the box office at 243-4581.



"The Navigator," James Bailey-UM

## UM Capital Campaign: \$44 million and counting

The UM Capital Campaign, initially targeted to bring in \$40 million by the end of 1997, has already reached \$44 million, and donations keep rolling in.

The fund-raising campaign, "Ensuring a Tradition of Excellence," crested the \$40 million mark earlier this year through a \$1.4 million distribution from the estate of alumnus Bill Gallagher. The source of that pivotal gift is appropriate, UM Foundation Executive Director Larry Morlan said, since Gallagher and his wife, Rosemary, inspired the creation of the campaign with their 1990 gift of \$1 million toward the new business building that bears their names.

The Gallaghers' most recent gift was quickly followed by \$3.1 million in donations from other individuals and organizations. The campaign's rapid growth — bringing in nearly \$5 million in gifts in just six months — has surpassed even the most optimistic expectations, UM President George Dennison said.

"We were always confident the campaign would draw sufficient support from the University's friends and alumni to meet the goal, but our donors' belief

in the University and our vision for its future has been overwhelming," Dennison said. "I feel tremendously proud that thousands of individuals and organizations recognize the value of The University of Montana and want it to continue as a distinguished university."

The current \$44 million total is expected to reach even higher before the campaign's targeted completion date in December 1997, Morlan said.

Phyllis Washington, the campaign's national chair, embraced the effort's success but cautioned against declaring victory.

"We've met the goal," Washington said. "Now we must meet the challenge of funding the undersubscribed priorities."

She stressed the importance of including many more donors in the campaign because of the difference each individual gift makes.

"I really believe that everyone — no matter what level of gift they make — will want to be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime campaign," Washington said. "It's an opportunity to leave a legacy to future generations of students."

The most recent Gallagher gift will fund scholarships for UM students.

## Dennison names new vice president

An oncology researcher and administrator from Minnesota's Mayo Clinic will join UM in early 1997 as vice president for research and development.

Matthew Ames, 49, director for research at the Mayo Foundation and chair of the Department of Oncology's Division of Developmental Oncology Research at the Mayo Clinic and Foundation, will come to UM after the new year, President George Dennison said.

Ames will oversee UM's burgeoning research efforts and work to attract

more research funding for the institution. He replaces Raymond Murray, who retired from the position in June.

"I'm excited that we've managed to attract Dr. Ames to campus," Dennison said. "He's an outstanding researcher and research administrator. He brings the experience and talent we need."

Ames, who has been a professor of pharmacology at Mayo's medical and graduate schools since 1989, will continue to interact with graduate students in UM classrooms and laboratories as a professor in the School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences. Dennison said Ames will maintain a "small program" of oncology research at UM.

He began his Mayo career in the Department of Oncology's Division of Developmental Oncology Research in 1977 and has been the division chair since 1987.



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