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UM dancers make campus their stage for site specific dance

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UM football player charged in attack on dorm resident

Cornerback Damon Parker allegedly assaults track team member in Craig Hall

Jim Wilkson
Montana Kaimin

Grizzly football player Damon Parker has been charged with misdemeanor assault after allegedly attacking a fellow student in Craig Hall on Sept. 27.



Damon Parker

The incident occurred last Monday night when Parker overheard comments made by track runner Jason

Hauns, according to court records and a witness.

Parker was asking a female student in Craig Hall for a ride when Hauns

apparently mocked Parker's lack of transportation, according to Cassie Gaddy, who lives in the room where the incident took place.

Parker, who was with two other football players, then became angry and rushed in the room and attacked Hauns, Gaddy said.

She said that Parker didn't stick around after hitting Hauns.

"He started wailing on him, then he ran off," Gaddy said.

"It should have never happened and no one realizes that more than D.P. (Damon Parker). He is very remorseful over the incident, and to my knowledge he has never been in one ounce of trouble since his arrival on campus."

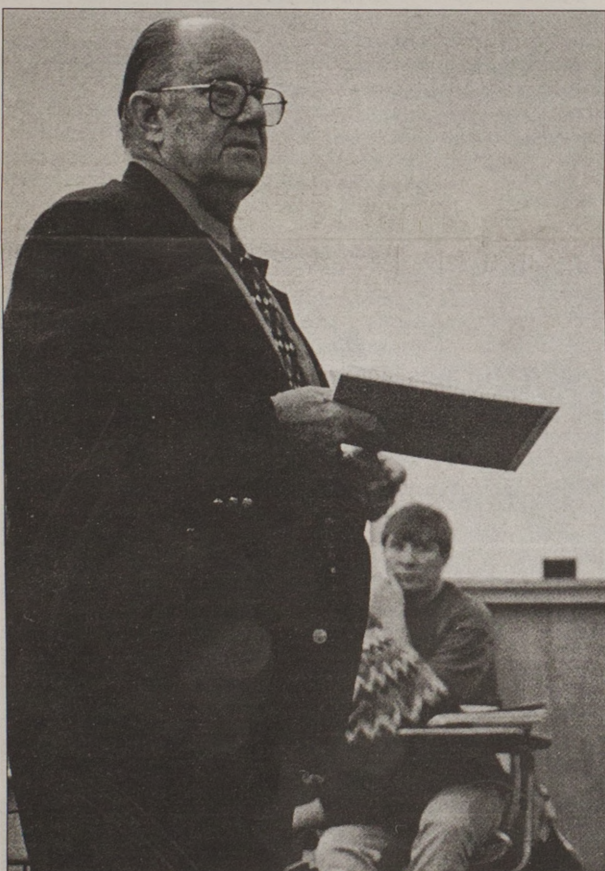
—Mick Dennehy, UM head football coach

Parker could not be reached for comment.

The football team is currently reviewing the incident.

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Dean James Flightner begins teaching his class Monday afternoon. Flightner, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, is retiring this June.

Dean of 12 years says farewell to position

James Flightner retires from College of Arts and Sciences after years of dedicated service

Emily Phillips
Kaimin Reporter

James Flightner drove to UM from his home in the Bitterroot when he was 16. He stayed for half a century.

After finishing his undergraduate degree, Flightner joined the service. When he got back, he earned a master's degree in Spanish at UM and was offered a teaching position upon graduation. That was 37 years ago.

Flightner will retire this June. He has been the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences for the last 12 years.

Flightner's colleagues say his vision, honesty and commitment to diversity have stood out during his leadership of the largest college on campus.

"The dean has to do this incredible act of juggling ... to

keep most people happy most of the time," said James Scott, College of Arts and Sciences associate dean.

He added he will miss Flightner's "encyclopedic" knowledge of the college.

"It's just amazing," he said.

Tom Roy, director of environmental studies, said Flightner works harder at being fair than anyone else he knows.

"The single most powerful effect Flightner has had is that he's a guy just loaded with integrity," he said.

Roy said that though Flightner's reputation as a man who gets emotionally involved is accurate, he is quick to admit when he's wrong.

"He can on occasion have a short fuse but he has a very nice ability to see and understand himself," Roy said.

Flightner said one of his passions at UM has been

retaining students with academic problems. When he was an undergraduate, he said, he was "floundering," changing his major several times before deciding what he wanted to do.

"You have to give them a little time, a little attention, and we're getting less apt to do that in this culture," he said.

UM has changed a lot since 1950, when he first enrolled, Flightner said.

Upper-level education is more "commercialized," he

said, making universities more flexible and willing to change depending on public opinion.

Flightner also mentioned an issue under national debate — the increasing number of adjunct faculty members teaching on college campuses. When Flightner started at the university, the College of Arts

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—Tom Roy, director of environmental studies

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Campus Week of Dialogue takes a hard look at diversity in Montana

Topics range from Native American education to UM's employment policy

Khris Carlson
Montana Kaimin

UM will participate in a national week of dialogue Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 6-7, exploring issues pertinent to creating a more diverse campus.

The UM Campus Week of Dialogue is part of President Clinton's national Initiative on Race, aimed at raising aware-

ness about race, sexual harassment and gender discrimination as well as other topics relevant to college campus diversity.

Scheduled events include lectures, panel discussions and a campuswide meeting featuring local and regional legal experts as well as UM faculty and students.

Wednesday's afternoon events will begin with a keynote address by attorney Dan Decker.

Decker, a former attorney for the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, will give

his talk, "The Challenge of Tribal Nation Building in the 21st Century," at 1:15 p.m. in the Castles Center of the UM Law School.

Decker's speech will be followed by a student-faculty response panel exploring Decker's ideas and filling in any gaps he may not have addressed, UM Law Professor Raymond Cross said.

Cross is one of four on the panel composed of higher education lawyers and legal educators that will discuss recent higher education court decisions related to topics within

the scope of campus diversity. Their talks will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Castles Center.

Cross, an expert in Indian law and Indian education, will give a talk about strategies in maintaining and elevating representation of minorities in universities.

Cross will also discuss federal law and how it relates to Indian communities in terms of education.

"The federal law has always focused, not on representation, but on community building," he said.

Accompanying Cross will be

David Aronofsky, UM's legal counsel. Aronofsky will explore recent court cases involving university race and employment decisions.

Jean Sagin, a private attorney in Anchorage, Alaska, and expert in higher education disability law, will cover case law and legal obligations with respect to students with disabilities.

Steve Hirschfeld, a San Francisco-based attorney, is an expert in higher education

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OPINION

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Salaries

Administration's raises add insult to staff's injury

What could an extra \$8,000 a year buy?
It could get a UM staff member off of food stamps.
It could buy a UM staff member a used car they might use to drive their children to the doctor. An extra \$8,000 could make a nice dent in a mortgage.
Of course, no staff member will ever see a raise like that one.
But that's exactly the raise that Richard Crofts, commissioner of higher education for Montana, received from the Board of Regents, and in turn, from Montana taxpayers last month.
Crofts, along with UM President George Dennison and MSU President Mike Malone, will take home a hefty 5.9 percent raise this year. That increase means that Crofts will make \$128,038 next year, while Dennison and Malone will haul in \$127,509 each.
Meantime, classified staff members and faculty members at campuses across the state will see pay raises that average around 3 percent. Based on that figure, an employee making \$20,000 last year would gain about \$600 more this year.
All last school year, Montana higher education officials said they stood behind staff members. Those employees were fed up with wages that lagged an average of 16 percent behind wages in the private sector. Many UM staffers were working and are still working two jobs just to survive.
In his State of the University address last year, Dennison said that in 1998, staff members wouldn't be forgotten. Crofts also said staff salary raises would be a priority.
To give lip service to the employees who type their memos and clean their offices and then request a raise nearly double what most staff members will see this year is shameful.
The regents sat in the UC last November and heard staff members tell them what it's like to apply for food stamps after working a 40-hour week. Maybe the Legislature didn't come through with more money for staffers, but the only message the administrative raises sends to the staff is "Sorry, but you're just not worth it."
This school would grind to a halt if staffers didn't run it. It wouldn't matter one bit how many alumni hands Dennison shook or how many research conferences he drew to UM if there wasn't someone standing behind him processing paperwork and trimming the trees in the Oval.
Crofts, Dennison and Malone went to school for years and toiled in higher education for many more years to get their jobs. But they still don't work any harder than anyone else on this campus.
They're just better compensated.

—Paige Parker

Notes from the Big Nowhere

Portland: Went for big brother, stayed for the ambience

Column by



Chad Dundas

I had three reasons for visiting Portland, Ore. this weekend. I wanted to see a football game, I wanted to see the North By Northwest independent music festival and, foremost, I wanted to see my brother, Zach.
Zach, my senior by three years, has been living in Portland since May. Like me, he's a journalist, except he has a real job, as the music editor of Portland's weekly newspaper. Since he's moved I haven't had much of a chance to see big brother in person, and that coupled with football and rock 'n' roll was more than enough to get a landlocked, hayseed bumpkin out to the big city for a weekend of wild fun.
As a kid from the sticks I don't get much chance to spend time in the concrete jungle; in fact I usually try to avoid it. But when there's family involved, you really don't have much choice other than plugging the nose and plunging in feet first.
The first thing I learned about Portland is that you don't call it Portland, not if you want to be cool. You call it PDX or Rip City or Puddle Town or one of any number of nicknames that the locals have for it.
The second thing I learned about Portland is that being cool is very important in Rip City. To go out on the town you better either wear your Sunday best, or have some dime-store bowling shirts lying around. Anything in between won't cut it. This marked the first time in my life that I've felt underdressed in a bar. My weathered Adidas sweatshirt and beat-up Nikes were as good as having "Out-Of-Towner" stamped on my forehead.
The third thing I learned about Portland is that despite its pretentious, politically-correct overtones, PDX is a pretty cool town. Of the major American cities I've spent time in, it is one of a handful I could see myself ever spending a lengthy amount of time in. I

mean, without turning into a sandwich-board-wearing street preacher with a message of the impending apocalypse and a styrofoam cup for my spare change.
Sure, P-City has its fair share of cookie-cutter hipsters and annoying cell phone-toting, adolescent Internet millionaires, but I kind of like the place, in spite of myself.
Since my brother's job dictates that he spends most of his evenings out on the town, my mini vacation afforded me the opportunity to have some very non-Montana experiences.
At NXNW I saw Irish bands from the Pac West, hip hop acts from South Seattle and North Portland, and even really, really bad "alternative" bands from Austin, Tex.
I hailed a taxi as a legitimate means of transportation. Cab rides in Missoula are usually unplanned and most of the time are not easily recollected.
Heck, I even had to watch our beloved Grizzly football team drop a game to a conference foe. A rare occurrence indeed.
That said, I feel that I should mention that the last thing I learned is that there really is no place like home. It might be sappy and stupid to say out loud, but I love Missoula. One of my favorite feelings in life is, after a lengthy road trip, finally seeing the lights of the valley spilling out in front of me. I can't help myself. I get giddy every time I see it.
I know the place isn't perfect. We've got the market cornered on the three-income household and the local political environment is largely influenced by torch- and pitchfork-wielding neighborhood counsels. But counting the drawbacks around here is like splitting hairs.
Someday I'll probably leave this place, at least for a little while, but it won't be because I've "outgrown" it or because I think greener pastures await in the big city. I'm sure at some point I'll need a change of pace. You can only stare at the same piece of paper for so long before the corners start to yellow.
Maybe when I go, I'll try Portland. I better start looking for dime-store shirts that will fit me.
Chad "Backwoods" Dundas imparted this bit of small-town wisdom while he was in Missoula for his monthly bath. He currently lives in a straw-bale house in Potomac.



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Around the Oval

Should the Griz have gone for a 2-point conversion in Saturday's loss to Portland State?



•Brennan Hughes
Freshman, Business

No. Go for the tie and win in overtime. Better safe than sorry.



•Cassidy Agan
Sophomore, undeclared

Yes. Double your money.

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Letters to the Editor

What's the deal with the sprinklers?

Okay, so we spent the first three weeks running these damn sprinklers in the heat of the day when the most evaporation will take place. Now, the sun isn't even out and we are still sprinkling our sidewalks and students. The new entertainment on campus is watching the dodging game as students try to escape the spraying water.

First, is the grass in danger of dying if it not watered every day? Secondly, why are the sprinklers located in places where half the circumference includes the walkways? I'm sorry but I think we are wasting our water and money, watering our precious grass.

*Sarah Canepa
Junior, Resource
Conservation*

Nuclear incinerator should not be built

I am writing this letter as an act of protest against a Mixed Nuclear and Hazardous Waste Incinerator that the Department of Energy (DOE) is planning to build at the

INEEL laboratory near Great Falls, Idaho. The DOE attempted to build a similar incinerator at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California but were forced to cancel the project because of public opposition and the final report of the Internal Panel of scientists which concluded that: "We view incineration as a violation of the cardinal principle of radioactive waste treatment; namely, containing radioactivity rather than spreading it." Idaho was chosen for its small population, remote location, and anticipated minor public outcry.

British Nuclear Fuels Limited — contracted to construct and operate the incinerator by the DOE prior to public consent of the project — has a similar incinerator in Oakridge Tenn., which opened its emergency vent four times in three months, releasing unknown amounts of unprocessed waste into the airshed. BNFL also runs a reprocessing plant in Sellafield, Great Britain where higher rates of radioactive Americium and Uranium particles have been found in the surrounding soil than in equivalent soil samples from Chernobyl.

We are talking about RADIATION, CANCER, LEUKEMIA, etc. The incinerator would be 70 miles west of Yellowstone and prevailing winds would blow unfiltered radioactive particles into Yellowstone, Wyoming, and parts of Montana. For more info check out www.yellowstonenuclearfree.com. We do not know enough about incineration of radioactive waste to implement it. Let us reconsider this crucial and potentially fatal decision that the DOE made for us. Write letters to the governors, sign the petition that's going around, and if nothing else BE AWARE of our new neighbor. Cheerio for nuclear power!

Stuart Abel

Abstinence program won't stop teen sex

The state of Montana is using the money, some of which, maybe even most of which, is coming from tax dollars, to fund a program that is trying to encourage sexually mature people from having sex? Did I get that right? Using our money to promote abstinence?

nence?

Young people, albeit sexually mature, are having sex, exchanging fluids, making babies, getting sick. "Oh no! We better tell them to just not do it!" (Insert deity here) forbid we should make the most of the situation by supporting young people, instead of treating them like they are diseased or criminals. Maybe teen pregnancies wouldn't be such a "problem" if our culture didn't place such a negative stigma on it. Culture that places moral righteousness over biological and evolutionary fact and that again and again spouts the idiot rhetoric "you have a choice whether or not to have kids," while all along being unsupportive of its members that do have kids. What is wrong with having kids? What is wrong with taking that natural step in one's life?

Why aren't there men in this culture who are role models of fatherhood and responsibility? Why do we promote the adolescent behavior of men well into their adult life? Why must we be dragged, kicking and screaming, into a bureaucratic arrangement with young women who are "stuck" with the children? Though this is

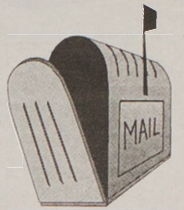
often the perception, that perception has weight and sometimes imbeds a resentful, victim's attitude in the young single teen mother. "Why am I the one stuck with this?" Where is the responsible man? But more so, where is the supportive culture? Let's look at what we are promoting, people. Look at what kind of culture we've created.

*Stuart Morgan Kunkle
Junior, Native American
Studies*

Administrator raises are a slap to staff

We all now know that President Dennison, President Malone and Mr. Crofts will each receive several thousands of new dollars in their paychecks this year. Icing on their cake. We (staff) were asking only for bread and butter. Actions do speak louder than words. This was a kick in the solar plexus.

*Karen Kaley
Longtime UM staff member*



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Stepping around campus

Courtney Lowery
Eye Spy Reporter

The UM dancers on location gave a unique, diverse and animated production Saturday and Sunday with their eighth annual site-specific dance concert.

The first site we visited was the Library Courtyard, with a dance titled "Once Upon a Hill," choreographed by Janine McCain. "Once Upon a Hill" was a variety show, the dancers flipping from cave-women to flappers to cowboys. The performance

was wild, just a wee bit raunchy and truly fun.

My personal favorite in the site sequence was "Tree Tale," which was performed among the limbs of elm tree. "Tree Tale" was choreographed by Karen Kaufmann, the concert's producer. The athleticism and dramatic abilities of the dancers in the tree gave the performance flair — and a "wow" factor that made it especially noteworthy for the audience.

"Framing the Inside Out," performed in the Men's locker room of Schreiber Gym, fea-

tured text by choreographer and dancer Andre Bouchard. The text had a Shel Silverstein-like appeal for the giggling children below, but I got an eerie feeling in my gut as I watched the silent dancers.

The locker room was an ideal place for such a performance: intensely private and intimate, a seemingly safe place. The pointed performance gave allusions to sexual and physical violence toward children. Many in the audience chuckled and chorled at the scene, and many



On Sunday afternoon, UM site-specific dancers in "Once Upon A Hill" prepare to settle a score once and for all on the courtyard grass outside the library.
Photo by Samuel Anthony

were dazed as they walked out of the dark locker room. I was one of the dazed.

Wholly, the concert was a

sweet little weekend retreat.

I will be struggling to wait until next year.

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CALENDAR

Editor's Note: Here at Eye Spy, we're all about helping those who help themselves. In honor of that spirit, we present you with a few upcoming events for which we received a press release, press packet, CD, numerous phone calls, or all of the above.

TUESDAY

•Fern Glass Boyd will wow you with her cello during a Faculty Recital in the Music Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

•ALL AGES SHOW!!!! Japanese punkers Guitar Wolf headline the show. Cowboy Bar at 8:30 p.m. \$7.

THURSDAY

•Catch some ultra-cool sitar music without even leaving campus. Kartik Seshadri, a young yet renowned classical musician from India, plays the Music Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the UC Box Office: \$6 with a Griz card and \$8 without.

FRIDAY

•Homecoming dance. If you aren't cool enough to be royalty or groovy enough to do a back spin, you can still have a smashing good time. At the UC Commons at about 8-ish? \$6

SATURDAY

•Homecoming Art Fair in the UC Atrium. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free.
•Amy Brown gives a senior clarinet recital at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall.
•The Ying quartet will wow the MRH as well. 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the UC Box Office: \$16 for students and youth, \$17 for faculty and staff and \$18 for the general public.
•Swing over to the Ritz Saturday night to check out Jesus Presley. They even have their own Christmas album ... Give them a try! (OK, so they sent me a bumper sticker ...)

SUNDAY

•MCT Community Theatre holds auditions for "The Sound of Music." At the MCT Center for the Performing Arts from 1 to 3 p.m. if you're a kid over 7, or from 3 to 6 p.m. if you're an adult. For more information, call 728-1911.
•The Crystal, Le Cercle Francais and ASUM present the third film of their French series, "Un Frere" ("A Brother"). "Un Frere" is the story of an overprotective brother, his "sparkly" younger sister and their battles. 5 p.m. \$1 with your Griz card.

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Student working to provide a voice for UM Republicans

UM freshman takes on task of forming College Republicans

Christina Quinn
Montana Kaimin

No one can question Chuk Denowh's courage, as he sits alone in the University Center behind a card table covered with conservative bumper stickers and Republican signs.

The freshman from northeast Montana didn't know about university procedure — that he had to be recognized by the university before he could call himself the chairman of the College Republicans and set up a table at Wednesday's Extra Curricular Extravaganza. But considering the circumstances, ASUM representatives let it slide.

It's been three years since the College Republicans have done as much as hold up a sign on campus. Once the paperwork is taken care of by Denowh, it will again become an official club.

"I think it's great," said Jeff Brown, president of the College Democrats. "The most important thing is to have student involvement in politics."

Denowh's been involved in politics since high school. He went to Washington, D.C., two years ago, and has been a member of Young America's Foundation and American Politics club. But as he quickly found out, organizing a college conservative club is a little different.

Wednesday was his first day of recruiting, and already he said he has dealt with vandals drawing on his signs and pranksters pretending to be interested and signing up. Still, none of that bothers Denowh.

"I like the responsibility," he said. "Some of the headache that goes with it

is what I thrive on. I think most everybody around here is pretty open-minded and willing to accept our views."

Denowh recruited 15 students Wednesday.

"Most of them I talked to seemed really excited," he said.

Patrick Boyle, senior in business management, said he has been waiting four years for this, and was impressed by Denowh's gumption.

"He is doing this whole thing, he's taking charge," Boyle said.

Denowh says the club will hold weekly meetings, work on campaigns and invite guest speakers to campus. He added he hopes to attract conservatives such as Charlton Heston and Oliver North.

"We're going to do what we can to try and present the other side," Denowh said.

His effort is just part of a statewide conservative movement. Last year, there were three College Republican clubs in Montana. By the end of next week, there should be eight or nine, according to Cory Swanson, chairman of the Montana College Republican Federation. New leadership and upcoming elections have spurred the expansion, he said.

Swanson said he doesn't expect Denowh to win over the University of Montana from the Democrats, who have 150 members, just to provide a voice for conservatives who are sometimes misunderstood.

"It's an opportunity to learn leadership skills while educating the public on conservative beliefs," Denowh said.

The first meeting of UM's College Republicans will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, the University Center, Room 207. Interested persons can contact Denowh at chuk@uswest.net.

North Korea demands U.S. apology for war killings

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea on Monday criticized the alleged mass killing of civilian refugees by U.S. soldiers in the early days of the Korean War and demanded that Washington apologize.

It was the first official reaction from the communist state on last week's news report on the alleged killings in No Gun Ri village in July 1950.

"The truth of history cannot be distorted and covered," said Pyongyang's Rodong Sinmun, the

main newspaper of the North's ruling Workers' Party of Korea.

It said the U.S. forces committed massacres not only in No Gun Ri but also in other areas during the 1950-53 war.

Historians say North Korean troops committed far more atrocities, summarily executing U.S. prisoners of war and slaughtering large numbers of South Korean civilians.

Last week, the Associated Press reported accounts by American veterans and South

Korean villagers who said they saw U.S. soldiers kill up to 400 civilians under a railroad bridge at No Gun Ri, South Korea.

The news agency also found once-classified documents showing that U.S. commanders ordered their troops to shoot civilians as a defense against disguised enemy soldiers.

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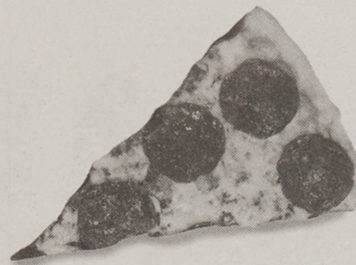
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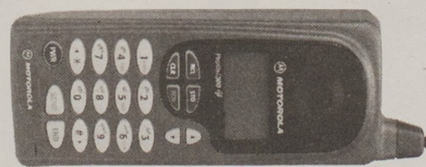
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Assault

Parker)," said UM head football coach Mick Dennehy in a press release. "He is very remorseful over the incident, and to my knowledge he has never been in one ounce of trouble since his arrival on campus."

After the attack, Hauns was conscious, but in pretty bad shape, Gaddy said.

Hauns declined to comment on the incident because of pending litigation.

Student Health Services sent Hauns to St. Patrick's Hospital to get a CAT scan after treating him for a broken nose. Gaddy said that

Hauns was found to be suffering from a concussion and mild amnesia, in addition to lacerations to the head.

She said he is fine now, though.

University Police responded to the event the night it happened, but by the time they were called to the scene Hauns was at the hospital. The following day, Gaddy said that she went with Hauns to file the report at the Campus Security office. The event appears in the police records on the 30th, even though it took place on the 27th.

"We started investigating the case as soon as we were notified of it," said UM Police Sergeant Charles Gatewood. Charges were filed with Missoula County Oct. 1.

Possible consequences for Parker on the football field are unknown at this point.

"I'm aware of the situation, and we're going to deal with it," Dennehy said.

"I've got a meeting with housing officials on campus tomorrow (Tuesday) to discuss the facts of the matter, which more than likely will result in some sort of disci-

plinary action," he said.

Parker, a junior from Tallahassee, Fla., has started all four games at left cornerback for the Grizzlies. Parker has until Oct. 8 to appear in court regarding the charges. If a trial is necessary, it will probably not take place until January or February, according to Missoula Municipal court representatives.

—Mike Fegely and Matt Gouras contributed to this story.

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Overtime loss drops Griz to eighth in poll

Scot Heisel
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Despite an impressive offensive showing Saturday night at Portland State, a single blocked extra point has the Montana Grizzly football team sitting at second place in the conference and slipping down the national polls.

UM gained 590 yards of total offense and scored 48 points in the game, but PSU's Brad Ransom came through for the Vikings when it counted most.

Ransom's block of a potential game-tying PAT in overtime and a subsequent run-back by teammate Travis Cole lifted PSU over Montana 51-48.

The Montana defense gave up 696 yards in the loss, 276 of which came on 12 receptions by PSU receiver Terry Charles.

Montana's two top receivers, Jeremy Watkins and Jim Farris, combined for 275 yards on 20 receptions.

With the win, the Vikings remained unbeaten in Big Sky play and grabbed sole possession of first place in the league with a record of 4-1 (3-0 in conference). The Grizzlies fell to 3-1 (2-1).

Montana was ranked No. 2 in the Associated Press Division I-AA poll going into Saturday's game, but the loss dropped them to No. 8 in the most recent version of the poll released Monday.

The previously unranked Vikings moved up to No. 20 with the win.

The Eagles of Eastern Washington moved into the top 25 as well for the first time this year with their own Big Sky upset win over Northern Arizona. EWU tight end Dan Curley caught a 23-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter to give the Eagles a 14-10 victory at Flagstaff, Ariz.

NAU dropped from No. 15 to No. 23 in the AP poll, while EWU moved into the 25th spot.

Volleyball team back in conference hunt

Greg Rachac
Montana Kaimin

The Lady Griz volleyball team made a serious statement this weekend. The message? We won't go out quietly.

Montana managed to win both opening conference home matches, defeating Northern Arizona Friday and knocking off Cal State-Northridge on Saturday at the Adams Center West Auxiliary Gym.

Against previously unbeaten NAU, the Grizzlies split the first four games, then won the nail-biting fifth game 15-12. The final point came on an ace from junior setter Tara Conner.

The Lumberjacks came into Missoula with a 4-0 conference record, the lone undefeated team in the Big Sky.

It was a win the team desperately needed after falling to

0-2 early in conference play.

"It is so nice," Conner said after the game. "It is a big relief. We're glad (the 0-2 start) is over and now we can keep moving ahead."

The Grizzlies were led by a 24-kill performance from Sarah Parsons and a 28-dig showing from Erin Adams. Katie Almquist added 15 kills for Montana.

"I'm glad we pulled it off and stayed mentally strong," said Parsons. "When you pull together as a team like we did, you're unbeatable. This will jump-start us. We just need to take the momentum from the win and move on to the next ones."

On Saturday, UM again split the first four games against Northridge, then won another down-to-the-wire fifth game 17-15.

Almquist had another solid match, recording 25 kills (a season high) to go along with 15 digs. Kodi Taylor added 16 kills, 12 digs, one solo block and nine block assists.

The win propelled Montana to an 11-3 overall record and evened their conference mark at 2-2.

"We've had a tough week and a long week and we needed to break through in conference," said Colleen Frohlich, interim head coach. "It's good to kind of see where we stand in conference."

Frohlich was handed the reins to the team after head

coach Dick Scott was placed on a leave of absence last week following the first road trip.

"Fifth games are fifth games," Frohlich said of the two close games. "The fifth game is about composure. That's the key. You have to play with the same aggressive mentality."

After the two big Big Sky Conference victories, the Grizzlies will again take their act on the road for matches Thursday at Portland State University (2-13, 0-6) and Saturday at Eastern Washington University (12-3, 5-1).

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Flightner

and Sciences had only two such professors. Now there are 90 to 100, he said.

"That's a very large management problem that didn't exist before," he said.

The future of UM is going to depend on adding more technical training and computer skills to the liberal arts education UM offers. He also said UM should offer more technical options in computer science and health sciences.

UM's strength is its tolerance and academic free-

doms, Flightner said. No matter what your position is, "you're free to say what you want."

Flightner, who will be 67 when he retires, will teach part-time afterwards to stay in touch with the university that has been his life's work.

"It's been a lot of fun," Flightner said.

Roy said Flightner will be most remembered because he's a "great guy."

"You can't help but love him," he said. "He's a great big teddy bear of a guy."

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Diversity

gender discrimination and harassment laws. He will focus his talk on gender and the law within the university setting.

There will be a two-hour break at the end of the panelists' discussions. At 7 p.m. in the UC Commons, Darrell Kipp will lecture on "Nizi Puhwah Sin (Real Speak) Schools." Kipp is the co-founder of the Piegan Institute which began building a school immersion program for the Blackfeet in 1994. Since that year, two schools have been erected, hosting 40 children from pre-school through the fourth grade, giving leeway to teach Blackfeet language and increase its use within the tribe.

On Thursday from 6-7:30 p.m. in the UC Lounge, the ASUM Diversity Committee will host its first meeting, bringing members of the

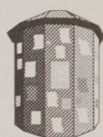
university community together to explore goals and strategies for creating a more diverse campus.

ASUM Vice President Jerry Lamb says UM is more diverse than other Montana schools. But on paper, UM is still too low in minority representation.

"Overall, UM is accepting of diversity, but we have a long way to go," he said.

Lamb drafted a resolution this fall to create the ASUM Diversity Committee. It will meet at least twice a semester to discuss student concerns, goals, problems and other pertinent matters on campus.

"We all have similar concerns and problems. (The ASUM Diversity Committee) will open communication between people to help them achieve success," Lamb said.



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