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# Montana KAIMIN



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## White supremacist group leader says UM membership increasing

**Courtney Lowery**  
Montana Kaimin

At least one white supremacist group says it is gaining ground at the University of Montana.

The Rev. Matt Hale, leader of the World Church of the Creator named UM and Yale University as two campuses where the World Church is gaining followers. Hale made the remarks in U.S. News and World Report this week.

Since Hale spoke to three sociology classes last semester at UM, he said he has seen increased interest with students on campus.

"I think a lot of people opened their minds to our message when I spoke there last year," Hale told the Kaimin on Thursday. "We are still reaping the benefits of that speech."

Hale said there are six or seven students at UM who are now active members of the church. Just last week, Hale said one subscribed another UM student to the World Church's newsletter.

Robert Balch, the UM sociology professor who brought Hale to UM last semester, said that recruitment is often exaggerated by leaders of white supremacist or hate groups.

"One thing about these groups is that they love to inflate their numbers," Balch said. "If they had two people express interest in their organization, to them, that would be gaining ground."

The World Church of the Creator is an anti-Semitic, white pride, anti-Christian group, and is one of the fastest growing



**Matt Hale**

white supremacist groups in the country. It boasts of large followings in Missoula and surrounding areas, as well as in Superior, Mont. where the World Church holds its annual national convention.

Last fall Hale spoke to approximately 600 people at UM, but only 15 came to Balch with feedback from the speech. Two of the 15 were

upset that Hale was given a voice at UM, but the others told Balch they thought Hale's point of view needed to be heard, Balch said.

Balch said the intention of bringing Hale to campus, besides adding interest to his course, was to present students with real-life leaders of such organizations so they could gauge their impact on society.

"I think he is representative of a new generation of leaders in the white racist movement," Balch said. "They are young, articulate and able to deal with the media well. They don't coincide with the idea that they are wild-eyed, frothing, potbellyed lunatics. Too many people have a misconception of what these people are like."

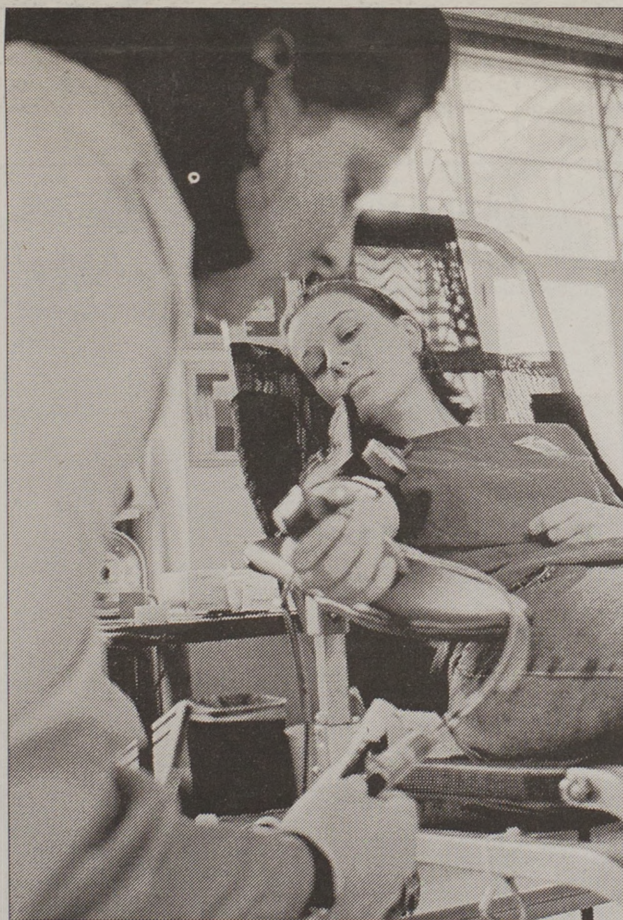
Hale, too, said that UM students might have been surprised when they attended his lecture.

"People received a different message than they expected," Hale said. "I think they were expecting a Hollywood-type approach, but instead they got a civil, intelligent and positive message."

Hale claims that membership has greatly increased in the World Church in Missoula due to mass literature drops by the Rev. Dan Hassett of Missoula, an

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### Blood letting



Social work major Emily Zimmerli donates blood at Turner Hall Thursday afternoon. Kim Stark, of the Red Cross, assists in the process. "I want to help people," said Zimmerli. "Someday I'll need it."

Junichi Kuzuoka/Kaimin

## Students unscathed by reported rape case

*No new facts in reported knife-wielding rape*

**Nate Schweber**  
Montana Kaimin

Though Missoula City Police say they have no new information about a knife-wielding man who allegedly raped a UM student in an alley three blocks from campus last Thursday, many women say the attack hasn't greatly affected their behavior.

"I haven't walked through any alleys since then," freshman Katie Ithurralde said. "But I still roam the campus alone at night."

On March 3, a UM dorm resident said she was robbed and raped in an alley between Daly and Connell streets three blocks from campus. Her assailant, police said, had a knife and wore a black ski mask. Police said the man was around 6 feet tall, white, probably in his 20s and wore a blue sweatshirt or zip-up fleece jacket.

Kari Dameron, student director of Escort Services, said despite the chilling facts, there has been absolutely no increase in the number of students requesting an escort.

"It's been kind of weird that way," Dameron said. "Usually we at least have people asking us about things like this, and they haven't been doing that. I'm not really sure why."

Dameron speculates that many people may be taking the rape allegation "with a grain of salt" after a woman recently admitted she lied about being raped in Craig Hall.

"I think it's the whole 'girl who

cried wolf,' thing," Dameron said. "It happened last year, and it happened last week. I think people are waiting for more information."

Missoula Police Detective Greg Jacobson, who is investigating the rape case, said there are "tough circumstances" surrounding the case.

"There are certain things we're looking into regarding the situation which will make it very hard to even know where to start looking for somebody," Jacobson said.

Jacobson said he realizes some people might be alarmed by the report, but said students shouldn't become outrageously paranoid.

"I'm not overly concerned that we have a person out there that's doing this on a regular basis," Jacobson said. "Of course at any time it's just not a wise idea to put yourself in a situation where you're vulnerable."

Jacobson advises taking standard precautions such as not walking home alone and staying in well-lit areas.

Senior Erin Kral said while she hasn't been doing anything differently, the rape report is on her mind.

"I think about it a lot more when I'm walking home from downtown at night," Kral said.

Senior Anthony Zuccarini said he talked to his girlfriend right after the reported rape.

"I told my girlfriend, 'Call me, I don't want you walking home alone on campus at night,'" Zuccarini said.

Senior Kate Boilek said while this particular case hasn't changed her behavior, she's cautious all the time.

"In winter especially when it's

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## Coroner: student's death caused by seizure

**Nate Schweber**  
Montana Kaimin

After more than a week of tests, the Missoula County Coroner ruled that a UM student who died in his bed Feb. 26 had a fatal seizure.

"This was a process of exclusion," Coroner Jerry Crego said. "There was no other reason for his death."

Crego said Seth Reese, who

died in his home two weekends ago, had a history of epilepsy. Crego added that Reese died with his medication at his bedside.

"It appeared he was taking it," Crego said.

Reese's body was found by his roommates on Sunday, Feb. 27. Crego estimates that Reese died the day before.

Crego said Reese probably

had a seizure when there was no one around and died from it.

"People do die from this syndrome," Crego said.

Crego added that Reese died a natural death.

Neurologist Dr. Ethan Russo said someone dying of a seizure is extremely rare. In 25 years of practicing neurology, Russo said he's only had two

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# Your vote

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# Election 2000

## Vivid choices emerge now that it's Bush vs. Gore

WASHINGTON (AP) — So much for shaded policy disagreements. Starker choices loom for voters on abortion, taxes, Social Security and more now that Democrat Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush are preparing to go head to head for the presidency.

Even when the rhetoric of both candidates seems to match, policy experts see contrasts that are likely to be magnified and be of practical consequence for the nation's future, not to mention pocketbooks.

"This is in some ways as profound an ideological difference as there has been since Reagan and Carter in 1980 if you dig into it," said Michael Franc, vice president for government relations at the conservative Heritage Foundation.

Digging is required because the vice president, a self-styled "pragmatic reinventer" of government, and

the Texas governor, a "compassionate conservative," can sound alike when they are not speaking to the ideological wings of their parties.

On health care, for one issue, Gore proposes changes that are modest by comparison with those of his vanquished Democratic rival and modest, too, alongside the grand vision of universal health care abandoned by the administration he serves.

But his plan is much more ambitious and expensive than anything Bush has put on the table.

For his part, Bush proposes across-the-

board tax cuts larger even than the congressional Republican package that Democrats attacked as too costly last year. Gore offers selective tax relief here and

there.

As well, Bush stands for partial privatization of Social Security, proposes expanded medical savings

accounts and spells out a way for parents whose kids are in failing schools to use federal money for private education ideas roundly opposed by the vice president.

Those ideas have simmered in Congress for a decade but only now are emerging with force in a presidential campaign. On the Republican side, Franc argues, that sets the governor apart from Bob Dole campaign in 1996 and President Bush in 1992.

"A lot of conservative thinking that might have been trendy or outside the envelope in the early '90s is now much more widely accepted," he said Thursday.

"Because the ground has shifted, I see Bush as being to the right of Dole, to the right of his dad."

Al From, president of the centrist Democratic Leadership Council, said the differences between Gore and Bush are more pronounced than might have been expected from two men who share a moderate impulse.

From contends that Bush built his centrist message "on the cheap," without the painstaking and often painful policy work that helped Bill Clinton move his

party beyond its old orthodoxy in 1992. That left Bush ill-equipped to stay in the center when the primaries got rough, he said.

"Clinton built his own philosophical base in the party that he could fall back on when he got in trouble," From said. "Because Bush didn't do that, he had to fall back on the people who were the establishment."

As a result, he said, Gore can draw vivid differences with Bush on some of the social and economic issues where they might otherwise have been closer.

When Gore's opponent was Bill Bradley and Bush's main rival was John McCain, policy differences tended to be minor or else overshadowed by debate over character, veracity, tactics and for Republicans religion.

Despite all the heat about abortion, Bush and McCain espoused similar positions

on one side of the issue; Gore and Bradley did the same on the other.

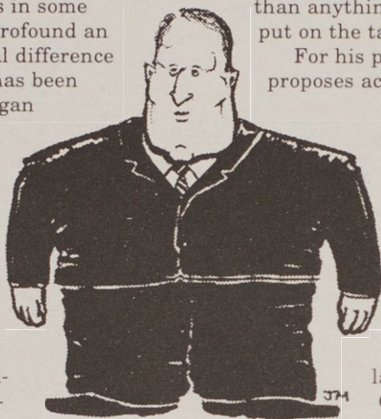
Now the choice is between a Democrat who supports the full range of abortion rights and a Republican who says abortion should be illegal except in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the pregnant woman.

Neither has committed explicitly to nominating only Supreme Court justice who share their abortion views

But Bush's formulaic comment that he would nominate "strict construction-

ists" is taken by abortion foes as a wink in their direction. And Gore's assertion in the context of judicial nominations that he would protect a woman's

"right to choose" is taken by abortion-rights advocates as an unmistakable nod to them.



## Martz' refusal to commit frustrates debate sponsors

HELENA (AP) — Less than 13 weeks before the primary election, Republican gubernatorial candidate Lt. Gov. Judy Martz has refused to commit to any debates with her GOP opponent, Rob Natelson, and some frustrated debate sponsors say they're about ready to give their podiums to Natelson alone.

"She's left The Billings Gazette debate hanging, and we're going on with a debate even if Rob Natelson comes and she's not here," said Dick Wesnick, editor of The Billings Gazette.

The Great Falls Tribune, which also sponsors debates, has criticized Martz on its editorial pages for refusing to agree on a debate date.

"We have been contacted by at least six different organizations that want to do debates," said Guy Rodgers, Natelson's campaign consultant. "It became very clear early on, and they made it clear to us, that the Martz campaign wasn't interested in com-

mitting to any debates until after March 23," the candidate filing deadline.

Shane Hedges, Martz' campaign manager, said Martz doesn't want to give the appearance that she is putting her campaign ahead of her duties as lieutenant governor.

He said Martz would have her calendar of official duties for the next three months set by the end of the month and then will schedule campaign events around these items.

"We're going to have debates," he said. "We will have multiple debates, but I can't stress enough that we're doing it on a timetable that accommodates the lieutenant governor's schedule."

Asked if Martz is afraid to debate Natelson, Hedges said: "That's absolutely ridiculous. We're not afraid of anything. We're going to debate, but we're going to do it on a timetable that accommodates the lieutenant governor's schedule."



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## Letters to the Editor

### Dear Mr. Temple, stop looking for leaders and start looking to yourself

A response to Casey Temple's article on Feb. 10 titled, "We could be the greatest generation ... if only we gave a damn." I can't help but wonder how you do not see your blatant contradictions.

Through all of your prattling about "finding" a leader, you fail to see that the leader is you. It is me. It is the individual. The "yahoo in the tree?" While you were at home slurping coke and writing crappy editorials, that "yahoo" was deep in a fight, fist raised in defiance, shouting to the nation, to the world, that they would not be silent any longer. I ask you, what can be more noble than that? In these times of pragmatic materialism, bought-and-paid-for politics, and rampant conglomerate ill-compensated capitalist swine, we must precipitate this change ourselves.

I don't want a leader. I don't need one and neither does anyone else. We simply need to get off our butts and realize that world change begins with the individual.

For the purpose of sheer dogmatism, I give you five things to start change. Today. Yourself.

1. Kick in your television. It will make a hell of a mess in the living room, but then again it's made a hell of a mess of our families. It's the only fair thing to do.

2. Cut up your credit cards. Simple enough.

3. Stop supporting big business. Whenever and wherever possible. "But they give back to

the community." Bull. They put your father out of business.

4. Close your bank accounts. We don't need someone to hold our money, tell us when and how often we can have it. Buy a safe, stuff it in your pillow. Those who love their money that much should probably be sleeping with it anyhow.

5. Write your congressman and tell them what spoon-fed idiots they really are. No congressman should make more than \$35,000 a year, or they lose touch with the common people.

Take the money away from big business and they stop buying our officials. Sweep em down at the feet!

Change begins one person at a time. No leaders. The individual is all we need. True individuals. It's up to you. You sit and cry for a leader while the "yahoo in the tree" changes their world, one person at a time.

Thank you for your time.

David Ausband

### So when is a truck not really a truck?

I see that the hard working student with the log truck is being forced to park far from campus. On the contrary, I am sure that the university will allow Jim Palmer to park his shiny new 53-foot tractor trailer bearing the UM logo on university grounds. MMMM ... Maybe we could find a way to drape the UM logo on a log truck?

John Tesdal

Junior, Computer Science

### Curse the Adams Center and its lack of leg room

Why were those goddamn bleachers left in Dahlberg Arena after it was remodeled? Was it so I could have episodes like this while watching the Lady Griz hoop it up?

"Excuse me, could you kindly remove your knee from my kidney," I asked the fat bastard sitting behind me. "Sure thing asshole," the fat bastard responded, "as soon as this Old Bag sitting behind me stops coughing up phlegm on the

back of my neck, I'll get right to your needs."

"You both need to move your head," says the Old Bag, as she took a long pull from her plastic flask, "I can't see through your giant melons ya know!"

E-gads. What a horrible display. But the seats in that end of the arena are horrible. All the money and time that went into that place and they leave those ancient ruins there? Couldn't about 200 seats been sacrificed for the comfort factor?

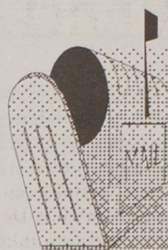
I know that they are free tickets and all and I also know that I could have got seats in the Den (very O.G. name), but I

try to stay as far from Nate "Dancing Dude" Schweber as I can and I

would gladly have forked over five extra bucks a game to have a seat with a back on it and a little leg room.

Ahhh ... piss in the wind I suppose. I'll continue to sit in the worst seats in the house and root for my teams ... God Damn It!

Kenneth Hebert  
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# UM's freshman retention rate far below regional average

40 percent of UM freshmen don't return after first year

**Courtney Lowery**  
Montana Kaimin

The Montana University System is having a hard time keeping freshmen enrolled in classes, according to a study done by U.S. News and World Report Magazine.

Only 60 percent of freshmen at UM return to campus after their first year, and 69 percent come back to Montana State, the study found. These percentages rank the Montana schools lower than many of their academic counterparts.

The University of North Dakota retains 76 percent of its freshmen, the University of Idaho retains 79 percent and the University of Washington holds a whopping 90 percent, accord-

ing to the study.

Montana's Commissioner of Higher Education Richard Crofts says the numbers, although only a few percentage points behind other universities, are low enough to cause alarm.

"This is something all of us are concerned about," Crofts said. "When students start out, and then drop out, it is a very expensive experiment."

Crofts said the university system has been brainstorming for ways to raise the return rate, including revamping the admissions criteria.

"One of the main improvements we are making is an admissions criteria that would go beyond the grade point average, class rank, and standardized test scores," Crofts said. "We want to have some specific standards in math and English proficiency as well."

The "proficiency-based admissions" would allow universities to prevent drop-outs by evaluating

whether a student could survive on a four-year campus before he or she is even accepted, Crofts said.

Crofts also said that luring more students to two-year programs, rather than four-year institutions would help raise the freshman retention numbers. The Montana University System is in the top five universities of the nation for freshmen entering a four-year university and is in the lowest five for freshmen starting out in two-year programs, Crofts said.

By encouraging students to test the water at two-year programs rather than diving into four-year programs, Crofts said the university system could ensure students return to higher education.

"There are a few too many students entering two year programs," Crofts said. "There, they could possibly be better served and really see what they want."

## Stadium suits up for another season

Cracks in the stadium undergo surgery for long-lasting repair

**Damian Ingleby**  
for the Kaimin

Cracks in Washington Grizzly Stadium are no longer a concern after nearly \$600,000 in repairs to the structure.

"It's one more thing not to worry about," said Director of Facilities Services Hugh Jesse. "The fix should be good for 30 to 40 years, we hope."

With 95 percent of the needed repairs complete, there are about \$6,000 left in the fund for minor cosmetic repairs.

As a side bonus to the repairs, the stadium received a brand new field because the old one had been torn up during construction. Jesse said that the old topsoil was taken out, replaced with new soil, new grass, a new sprinkler system and even new AstroTurf-covered team areas.

"Oh boy, it is so nice," said Assistant Athletic Director Gary Hughes. "This is the first time in maybe 10 years that we have had any grass between the hash-marks after the season ended."

Large cracks in the stadium had become a concern as early as 1997. The cracks were formed when the east and west walls began settling into the dirt, causing them to lean toward the stadium.

Unfortunately, no state funding was available at the time and the project had to be put off.

Eventually, the money was raised by bond issue, with revenue from ticket receipts being used to pay back the bonds.

The cracks were never a safety concern, Hughes said, if they had been, UM never would have allowed people inside. The situation was more like the Leaning Tower of Pisa, he said, with cracks widening maybe a 32nd of an inch a year.

Hughes also said that it may take a few years to be sure that the retrofit works the way it is supposed to.

## Miller offering brews in plastic containers

NEW YORK (AP) — Miller Time is coming your way in plastic containers.

The Milwaukee-based brewer announced on Thursday it will sell three of its best-selling beers — Miller Lite, Miller Genuine Draft and Icehouse — nationally in 16-ounce and 20-ounce plastic bottles in addition to traditional glass bottles and aluminum cans.

The nation's second-largest brewer has been testing reaction to the plastic bottles over the past 18 months.

Some say many beer drinkers find the idea of beer in plastic as cheap. Beer industry leader Anheuser-Busch Inc., had previously tested but rejected using plastic bottles.

Miller spokesman Scott Bussen conceded that there was "natural skepticism by beer drinkers to the idea of a plastic beer bottle. But his tests showed Miller that the wariness "tends to melt away when they get a chance to hold the bottle and taste the brew.

He said beer in plastic bottles will not likely take over, but the new option will enable the brewer to sell beer in sports arenas, music halls or the beach — places where glass or cans may not be permitted.

He said plastic bottles are actually more expensive to make than glass in part because they are thicker than a soda bottle, but Miller hopes to reduce the costs as more are produced.

Two recycling groups applauded the move.

Turning old bottles into new bottles is a step forward, at a time when recycling rates are steadily declining, said Pat Franklin, executive director of the Container Recycling Institute of Washington, D.C.

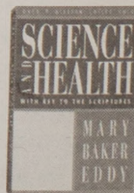
But they said the plan to use amber for the Miller Lite and Icehouse containers would boost recycling costs for some cities since they would have to be sorted and saved separately from other clear or green containers. The Miller Genuine Draft bottle is clear.

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## Heart-stopping finger-picking



James V. Shipley/Kaimin

Singer/guitarist Leo Kottke performs in front of a nearly full house at the University Theatre Thursday night.

**Ericka Schenck Smith**  
Eye Spy Editor

Leo Kottke is a man of many words, but he said nothing Thursday evening as he walked onto the University Theatre stage, plugged his acoustic six-string guitar into an amplifier and picked away.

Two songs later, tuning his guitar as he spoke, he said, "Thank you."

"I would like to say something," he added, "but I haven't thought of anything yet."

It didn't take long.

Between songs, Kottke told stories about searching for a beach in Nashville with Rickie Lee Jones, preparing for the end of the world, learning how to move his eyes independently of each other and reading the poetry of serial killer Charles Schmid — who had been murdered with a can opener by his fellow prisoners.

"He became a poet in prison," he said of Schmid. "I think that's why they stabbed him to

death."

The stories — punctuated by guitar-tuning, bits of riffs and laughter from the nearly full theater — were great, but the music was phenomenal.

Kottke's guitar-playing is difficult to describe because it's impossible to categorize. He plays a kind of folk-blues-rock-bluegrass-combined-with-something-all-his-own that would make your heart stop. And he fairly radiates as he plays; it's downright beatific.

And sexy.

Someone tried to convince me the other day that hip-hop is "gettin' it on" music, and I replied with a swift "no way." Just because a song is about gettin' nekkid doesn't mean it's a gettin' nekkid song.

No, a gettin' nekkid song has to have real soul, real musicianship, real love and at least six strings behind it: A gettin' nekkid song has to have behind it a musician who adores his instrument so much that it appears he's having

a religious experience when he plays — a musician like Leo Kottke.

But that's just me, I suppose. So let me tell you about his fingers.

I couldn't see them move as he played Thursday night. I knew they had to be moving because he played ever-so-many notes, but I could see nothing but his left hand sliding up and down the fret board and his right hand strumming just a bit.

I began to think Kottke had super-human powers but quickly realized that was silly. No, Leo Kottke is just one hell of a guitarist. And he really digs his job.

Before his encore — after nearly two hours of finger-picking and story-telling, followed by a rousing standing ovation — Kottke glanced at his watch.

"I hate people who do long, long sets," he said. "But now I understand why that happens sometimes. You get so excited."

And so does the audience.

## Opinion: Who said there isn't anything happening in Missoula?

**Celine Grumbach**  
Eye Spy Reporter

The obstacle is not bringing more cultural events to Missoula, but getting more people to attend them.

I am sick and tired of hearing people say there are no cultural events coming to Missoula. Believe me, there are enough of them that a student in the know could go broke within a month.

Besides, if we had more going on, we would have to make painful choices. Here at least, we can attend everything. Isn't that even better?

On campus alone, I can attend many concerts, dance performances and lectures. I can see, for free, painting, sculpture and photography exhibitions. Also, the New Crystal Theatre and the Wilma

Theatre, both close to campus, often offer major movies.

Who said we have no choice? To those people, I would say they have the choice not to attend cultural events!

The obstacle is not bringing more cultural events to Missoula, but getting more people to attend them.

The Wilma Theatre has been welcoming 146 people since Feb. 25 for Pedro Almodovar's best film — and probably one of the best of 1999 — "All About My Mother." Not too bad compared to other movies, right? But when you consider that there are 11,000 students at The University of Montana, 146 viewers for a masterpiece is dismal.

In addition, jazz lovers have been lucky this winter: After having the opportunity to attend exhibitions, lectures and performances about "The Jazz Age in Paris," they will also be able to attend the traditional spring UM Jazz Festival, created in 1981 by teacher Lance Boyd.

The events going on in conjunction with "Jazz Age in Paris" exhibition are numerous and valuable.

The highlight was definitely the Billy Taylor Trio jazz concert. The famous pianist performed in his youth with jazz legends like Miles Davis, Billie Holiday,

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

### Puttin' on her dancin' shoes

Erica Felsch, 12, tightens her toe shoes during Garden City Ballet's rehearsal of "Cinderella." Felsch has been dancing for four years and has participated in past performances of the "Nutcracker" and the "Christmas Jewel."

"I have always wanted to be a dancer," Felsch said. "I can't imagine doing anything else."

The ballet includes cameo roles performed by Missoula celebrities Adam Boomer, Nate Schweber, Gus Chambers, Ray Ekness, John Combs, Garrison Courtney and Paula Parks.

"Cinderella" premieres at 7 p.m.

Friday night, March 10, and runs through Sunday, March 12.

See Nate Schweber's article, below.

Lido Vizzutti/Kaimin



## Schweber trades tuba for toe shoes

Nate Schweber  
For Eye Spy

I don't want to paint myself as an uncultured knave, but until the Garden City Ballet asked me to star in their production of "Cinderella," I had no idea how much fun ballet could be.

I'd all but given up on my secret fantasy of being Rudolph Nureyev when the Garden City Ballet called to ask me to dance the role of an ugly stepsister in "Cinderella." The company wanted to add some fun to its show and draw a more diverse crowd by asking a few "noticeable Missoula people" to perform in the production. In addition to yours truly, "Cinderella" will showcase the twinkling toes of Griz linebacker Adam Boomer, Hellgate High School band czar John Combs, No. 1 Missoula weatherman Garrison Courtney, Paula Parks of Eagle 93 and Gus Chambers and Ray Ekness from the KUFM morning show. I'm speculating they asked me to be a part of this elite group because of my unique, ballet-compatible ability to pirouette with a tuba.

The best part of my role is that — because the ugly stepsisters are busty, Victorian women — I get to dress up in lavish ladies' clothing. (I like dressing in drag. No, really, I'm not kidding. And stop looking at me like that.) In costume, I look like a cross between Tammy Faye Baker and Mrs. Doubtfire. And, man, if you think I look good as a woman, you gotta see Boomer.

The good times began to roll last Saturday at Southgate Mall when I went with other cast members to perform a preview scene for afternoon shoppers.

I was decked out in full makeup, a peignoir, bloomers and an enormous bosom. Between our performances, I bought my first pair of pumps, hit on the studs working at the gyro shop and flounced about handing flyers to all passers-by who didn't recoil in terror at the sight of me.

Since it's impossible to be inconspicuous in western Montana if you're a man dressed like Marie-Antonette, I

hammed the whole thing up.



Nate Schweber

While bopping 'round the mall, I danced into Victoria's Secret and asked to try on bras.

"Um, what style would you like?" a sales associate asked.

"Oh, something lacy,

preferably in hot pink," I said as campily as I could.

"What size are you?" the befuddled associate asked.

"I'm not sure," I said poofing out the two sofa cushions resting on my chest. "You'll have to measure me."

The associate opened up a special drawer marked "Big" and said, "Well, these are the biggest we've got. Thirty-eight double-D."

She escorted me to a dressing room and helped me squeeze the magenta hammock around my hooters.

I left my nightgown with her as collateral and skipped merrily around the mall in my bloomers and bra to show my fellow cast members how

ladylike I was. Their jaws dropped in awe or horror, and they sent me flouncing back to Victoria's Secret to return the bra. Maybe it was the color.

Still, in addition to my fabulous appearance, rehearsing with the cast has been a blast. There are a few older folks and a bunch of little kids, and they can all dance me into oblivion, but my comedic role makes it possible for us to coexist. It's been especially cool working with artistic director, and UM dance instructor, Michele Antonoli. She could choreograph wal-ruses.

Me? I have some wonderful scenes. I do a couple little stunts, a few easy steps and even get lifted by a partner. All while looking totally fabulous, mind you.

This is my first time on a stage in a long time, and I absolutely love it. I was in a lot of performances in high school, and it's been what I've missed the most since coming to UM.

Sadly, I'll have to miss playing in the pep band during the big basketball playoffs, but I hear these are important games, and I'd sure hate to distract anyone from them.

If you've got a closet taste for ballet and want to indulge your jones for fun, check out "Cinderella."

Garrison Courtney and Paula Parks are performing Friday night; Adam Boomer and John Combs are dancing Saturday afternoon; Boomer and I are rocking out Saturday night; and Gus Chambers and Ray Ekness are performing the Sunday matinee.

Show times are Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday matinees are at 1 p.m. For more information or to buy a ticket, call 243-4051 or 1-888-MONTANA.

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### Happening

Ella Fitzgerald and John Coltrane — and he's also a legend in his own right.

The UM jazz bands also participated enthusiastically in the "Jazz age in Paris" festival. Last Friday, they performed jazz standards from the '30s to the '90s. The concert was delightful.

And here is what pleased me the most: the theater was packed!

To be sure, many people in the audience were friends and family of the musicians. But whatever the reason, I am glad to see crowded events when they deserve to be so.

The Montana Theatre at UM should have been as full during the five-day performance of "It Just Catches: The Hemingway Project." The play intelligently explored Hemingway's personality through the characters he created in his writings. The private and warm atmosphere set with lights and live music was fitting for the main character's mood in his relationships with women and alcohol.

I have also attended bad performances. And it's true that Missoula's cultural life is not as rich as you would find in Paris, London or New York. But some people here struggle to improve it and to draw the public. To them I say, "Thanks!" — especially to all the students who work to create an artistic atmosphere on campus.

All semester, dance performances, music concerts, opera recitals and plays are scheduled.

All over the university, art is displayed: in the UC atrium and in its conference rooms, in the Black Soup Bistro and in the numerous university galleries — the UC Gallery, the Meloy and Paxson galleries, the Gallery of Visual Arts, to name a few.

If you still have doubts about the quality of the cultural life in Missoula and on campus, just open your eyes.



# UM music students sing for their Vienna sausages



Professor Gary Funk advises the Chamber Chorale about Austrian culture to prepare them for expected culture shock when they fly to Vienna Friday.

Sarah Smith/Kaimin

**Courtney Lowery**  
Montana Kaimin

Thirty-five UM musicians are leaving Friday to study in Vienna, Austria, but to a few, the trip still seems months away.

"I don't think it will sink in 'til I'm on the plane," said Eric Alman, UM

junior.

"My first Austrian beer will be down my throat before I realize what is going on," said junior Tony Hammond with a chuckle.

Hammond and Alman are part of the Chamber Chorale, the choir that is taking the Vienna 2000 voyage.

The Vienna program sends choir members to Austria every three years for the past 20 years. Students are immersed in a different culture and given performance opportunities in a city renowned for its art.

For 10 weeks the choir will take classes such as art and architecture,

opera and music history and music education, but these are not the only subjects taught in Vienna, said director Dr. Gary Funk.

"It is a powerful experience. These students will come back absolutely changed and have a totally different perception," Funk said. "I tell the kids, 'When you go to Vienna, everything is going to be different ... except you, but that will only last about a minute because you'll start to change, too.'"

Members have been doing everything possible to prepare for the trip.

"I have friends who have studied abroad and not known anything about the language or the culture," Traum said. "What is so neat about our experience is that we have learned the language. We've been trying to learn the culture so we can not just be tourists for two months. We are doing everything we can to blend in."

The members all have personal reasons for making the trip. Hammond said he is in need of a new environment, while Alman said it's the music that's attracting him.

Alman, a physics major, finds solace in music he can't find in a classroom.

"I'm doing this because music is what keeps me sane," Alman said. "I don't get done with a physics problem and have people in the audience cry. I mean I've cried because of a physics problem before but it wasn't because how good it was. That is why I'm going."

## The Montana Kaimin ... all you ever wanted in a student newspaper

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## UM students travel miles to debate

**Jaime Larese**  
for the Kaimin

For the first time in nearly 20 years, the University of Montana is competing in debate and forensics.

This past weekend, 17 team members from UM traveled to Washington for the Whitman College Speech Tournament, which was attended by roughly 200 students from 20 colleges and universities from the Northwest. The debaters returned with experience and a few awards, as well. One team reached the quarter finals, and one competitor placed third while another placed eighth.

Due to lack of funding, the previous forensics program was suspended in 1981 and had been absent until this semester. Through a joint effort of the Department of

Communication Studies, College of Arts and Sciences and the Davidson Honors College, almost 20 students signed up for the first-ever debate course

offered in nearly two decades: Communication 395.

In earlier decades, UM enjoyed a strong tradition in intercollegiate forensics. Forensics were strong between the 1940s and 1970s when UM teams captured many state and regional championships, and also hosted a Big Sky tournament, which attracted entries from over 30 colleges annually. In the late '70s, UM saw reduced funding for higher education and forensics and when ASUM withdrew its financial support, the program was canceled, said Alan Sillars, chair of the communications department.

"Most of these students did speech and debate in high school," said Sillars.

Sillars said the program has been revived on a small scale because of funding programs. Donations from several deans at the university, the business school and personal funding paid for the trip to Washington.

"We want it to be a continuing experience," Sillars said. "We want it to be liable for the long run."

Depending on the budget, we hope to go to three or four tournaments next year."

Sillars recruited Kim Flansburg, a second year graduate student in communications, to teach and coach the UM team.

Flansburg taught high school debate and was a debater herself at Carroll College for two years.

"The style is so much different that what it used to be," said Sillars. "And Kim had the recent experience."

Flansburg said she's glad she was selected to

coach the team.

"They're a really motivated group of students," she said.

Alex Rosenleaf, a sophomore in music and history, became interested in the program because he had debated for four years at his high school in Great Falls.

"I hadn't given a competitive speech in over a year," Rosenleaf said. "It's a young program for people like me."

Flansburg said the class focuses on several components throughout the semester. They use parliamentary debate, which is an impromptu and British style of team debate (two on two). Students learn and apply skills of cross-examination, case construction, refutation and parliamentary procedure. In addition to their competition, students will conduct an on-campus symposium on a topic of concern to the campus and Missoula community.

Even though UM's team has and will only compete in one tournament this year, Sillars said that it was a great opportunity for students to become more informed.

"It will teach students to become fully aware of the world around them," he said. "They must be broadly knowledgeable about current events and public issues."

He stressed that the program is not exclusive.

"We don't want only experienced people," he said. "Any student who wants to improve their speaking skills and is willing to learn shouldn't be intimidated."

Although UM isn't attending any more competitions, the program will possibly set up scrimmages with other universities such as Carroll College, which is known for its forensics program.

"There is no substitution for competition," Rosenleaf said.



### Wanted:

Volunteers to participate in a focus group (Tuesday 3/14 or Wednesday 3/15) exploring alcohol issues on campus. FREE DINNER will be served. Please contact Nolan @ Health Enhancement Office, 243-6958 or Nolan@eelway.umt.edu.

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# Her story, cele



Professor Anya Jabour teaches her students about the importance of women in history.

Society cannot look forward, if it doesn't take the time to look back.

"History is a political tool," said Missoula activist Diane Sands, "It teaches you who you are and what is possible."

March is Women's History Month, a month to celebrate the women of the past who have fought to bring equal rights to the women of today.

Women's History Month budded in 1978 when the a task force in Sonoma County initiated a Women's History Week and in the same year, March 8 was hailed as International Women's Day. Finally in 1987, March was recognized by Congress as a national month for women's history awareness, something UM history professor Anya Jabour sees an inherent need for, even in today's evolved society.

"In an ideal world, Women's History Month and Black History Month wouldn't be necessary because we would celebrate them all the time," Jabour said. "But, we are not there yet and I don't think we're going to be there for a long time, so we still need to raise awareness."

In light of the memories of Montana women who have contributed to the plight of the females such as Janette Rankin and Jessie Bierman, UM women continue to step out of stereotypes, break new ground and do all they can to work for a better society. The stories of the influential women featured here are only a representative of the many women on and off UM's campus who are continuing the traditions their ancestors bore centuries, decades and years ago.

## Anya Jabour Professor

Her story revolves around history, but her mission is to bring more of her-story into the history.

Anya Jabour is only 30, but she has already been a UM professor for five years and she is working on her first book. She looks like a student, but carries class that is well beyond her years.

"It always freaks people out," Jabour said with a humble grin. "No one believes I'm old enough to be doing what I do."

And what she does is vor.

Jabour has taught classes in women's history, American south to her undergraduate studies in Houston, but she still calls it her home. She describes herself as a "latter-day hippie" and a "bookworm" as a child. In school, her parents were state, toting her along the last one to begeth recess, but thank for there when she needed.

"She has really been a part of my life," Jabour said. "I always doted on me and told me I would be."

And her mother said, "She still brags about me."

As a primarily woman's sor, Jabour has come to realize that her work is not one of the many to build awareness of women.

"I go on trips and people do, and I say, 'I teach women's history' and they say, 'Well, TEACH?' and sometimes they say, 'That should take a few minutes,'" Jabour said. "That is important to just tell the fact that women do in fact. Just because the history is in elementary school or high school doesn't mean that they don't."

Katie Crawley  
student

Katie Crawley says she is busy.

Yet, a day in the life of a student consists of organizing events.

meetings, volunteering for the Milltown Dam hearings, and Advocates for Justice gatherings.

"I guess I'm busy, but not really like that," Crawley said. "I'm busy because I actually do."

Crawley, a junior student from Russian, has a long list of activities, toward community service, rights and environmental issues. It's areas she finds the passion for plugging away.

"It is just very important in human rights and environmental because of their importance in our lives," Crawley said. "I figure that every person that is toward those things, in some way is them eventually get better."

As founder of the Student for Justice rights group, Crawley has organized literature drops in Missoula against the Church of the Creator and is con-



# Celebrated

Story by Courtney Lowrey

Photos by Amy Layne

And what she does, she does with fervor.

Jabour has taught classes at UM from classes in women's history to the American south to racism and sexism. She did her undergraduate study in Ohio and her graduate study at Rice University in Houston, but she calls all of the country her home. She describes her parents as "latter-day hippies" and herself as a "terrible bookworm" as a child. In elementary school, her parents skipped from state to state, toting her along. She says she was the last one to be picked for every team at recess, but thanks her mother for being there when she needed encouragement.

"She has really been the dominant figure in my life," Jabour said. "My mother always doted on me and believed in me and told me I would do wonderful things."

And her mother was right. "She still brings to all of her friends about me."

As a primary women's history professor, Jabour has come face to face with sexism, but her work is not in vain. She is one of the many bricks that is continuing to build awareness of women's history.

"I go on trips and people ask me what I do, and I say, 'I teach courses in women's history and they say 'Well, what do you TEACH?' and sometimes if they are rude, they say, 'That should take about 15 minutes,'" Jabour said. "That is why it is important to just to call attention to the fact that women do in fact have a history. Just because the history that people learn in elementary school or junior high or high school doesn't include women, doesn't mean that they don't have a history."

Katie Crawley  
student

Katie Crawley says she's not really busy.

Yet, a day in the life of Crawley consists of organizing Students for Justice meetings, volunteering for MontPIRG, helping Milltown Dam hearings, attending Missoula Advocates for Justice gatherings, and all amongst classes.

"I guess I'm busy, but I don't really think of it that way," Crawley said. "It motivates me to be that, I actually get more done." because I actually get more done. Crawley, a junior studying liberal studies and environmental studies, has a long list of activities, mostly geared toward community service dealing with human rights and environmental issues. It is in these areas she finds the passion that drives her to keep going away.

It is just very important to me to be involved in human rights and environmental issues because of their importance in our lives," Crawley said. "I figure that every person that works in those things, in some way is going to help eventually get better."

As founder of the Students for Justice human rights group, Crawley has organized anti-hatred rallies, drops in Missoula against the World Trade Center and she is continually

active in the Missoula Advocates for Justice as well.

Crawley, who grew up in Idaho where her parents still live, said her mother has been a force behind her drive to "change the world." She says her role as a strong female has been fueled by the example her mother puts forth.

As a young activist, Crawley said she has an undying need to work toward a better society, even if it means one step at a time.

"I kind of have this strange vision and I'm somewhat of an optimist," Crawley said. "I'm just trying to educate people about what is going on in their community, their country or around the world. I want to bring awareness about things most people take for granted. I think that is the first step to actually change things."

Diane Sands  
Alumna

When Diane Sands was a student at UM in the late '60s, women were required to stay in the dorms all four years, while the men were allowed to leave after one. Women had a specific dean they had to answer to and Sands was the only female in her geology classes.

"People talked about us going to college 'just in case,'" Sands said. "Just in case" meant in case something happened to your husband and you had to be the bread winner."

Sands, a local activist, former representative in the Montana Legislature, lobbyist and UM alumna, taught one of the first women's studies class at UM in 1971 and since then has been working for women's rights in every possible arena.

Sands will not take credit for being a catalyst in the feminist movement but remembers in detail every pamphlet, seminar, lecture and piece of legislation that has been influential in women's rights in Montana, because she had a hand in many of them.

She says the female plight today is much smoother than when she was growing up because of the leaps and bounds women have made in history.

"It was a different world than it is now and it is different because feminism has made it different," Sands said. "When you go watch the Lady Griz play basketball, that is feminism in action, when you pull out that credit card and it is in your own name, that is feminism in action, when you buy a house or a car and sign your own name, that is feminism in action."

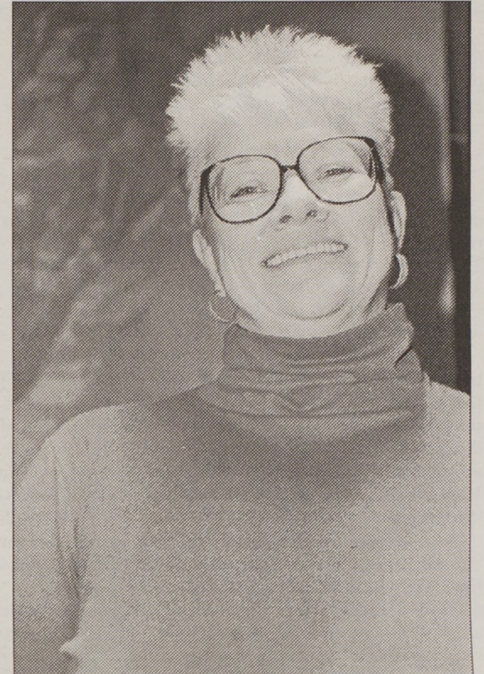
Sands adds that no matter

how smooth the road may seem for women now, there are always bumps to be dealt with and people need to fight against complacency.

Sands is currently taking a break after a long stint as a campaign manager in Oregon, but she doesn't intend to stay still for long. She is featured as a lecturer for Women's History Month this month and is aching to start a new project.

When asked what fodder fuels her fight, Sands sits back, smiles and echoes Katie Crawley's sentiments on optimism.

"What drives me is injustice and I believe it is required of me as a spiritual and moral being to change to the world and make it place where there is more justice and more kindness," Sands said. "I know I have experiences in my own life that reinforce my wanting to take on something else because I know I can do it."



Diane Sands works for the advancement of women through her community activism.



UM junior Katie Crawley is involved with many organizations and causes on campus and in the community.



## Associated Press News Briefs

## Montana News

## Montana up against Georgia for one more seat in the house

HELENA (AP) — A difference of about 900 people in the count of Montana's population during next month's census could determine whether Montana regains its second U.S. House seat, or if the seat goes to Georgia, an analysis says.

The report by the Congressional Research Service was based on population trends from 1996 to 1999, and projecting forward to 2000. The 2000 census will determine how the 435 seats in the U.S. House will be apportioned.

"Montana could become the first state in history to regain a second seat after its delegation size had been reduced to one representative (in 1990)," the report said. The 1999 estimates, however, reveal that Montana's chances of regaining that seat may be tenuous: 935 fewer persons would shift the second seat to Georgia.

"Four different straight-line projections based on Census Bureau population estimates prepared by Election Data Services, a Washington, D.C., consulting firm, suggests that Georgia may gain a second additional seat at the expense of Montana." Georgia now has 11 seats in the House.

A table in the Congressional Research Service report shows Montana, by almost the narrowest of margins, getting the 435th and final House seat based on 1999 population estimates, 935 people ahead of Georgia.

The report said if the House had been reapportioned based on the 1999 population estimates, 10 seats would have been shifted among 16 states, compared with 19 seats shifted among 21 states in 1991 after the 1990 census.

"The report shows how critical it is for Montanans to participate, especially on the reservations because Native Americans were the single largest nonreporting group in 1990," said Matt Raymond, press secretary to Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Mont.



## National News

## Wild horse killing verdict stalled without confession

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev. (AP) — The case against three young men charged in the mass killing of wild horses east of Reno now hinges on whether prosecutors can prove they shot and killed one single horse.

Anthony Merlino, 21, and two former Marines, Darien Brock, 21, and Scott Brendle, 22, were accused of shooting more than two dozen free-roaming horses in the hills east of Reno in December 1998. They admitted they shot at one horse, but denied any other involvement.

On Thursday, District Judge Michael Griffin ruled the former high school buddies from Reno can be tried in the death of only one animal. The gross misdemeanor of maiming or killing another person's animal carries a maximum penalty of up to one year in a county jail and a \$2,000 fine.

If convicted of the original charges, the three men had faced up to 10 years in prison.

"Without the admission of the defendants you have no case," Griffin told Deputy Storey County District Attorney Sharon Claassen at the conclusion of a two-hour hearing.

Claassen conceded her case was based

largely on circumstantial evidence, but argued that the defendants' presence in the area around the time of the killings and their admission to the shooting of one horse was enough to let a jury decide their guilt or innocence in the mass slaughter.

Griffin disagreed.

"You may well believe these defendants did what you think they did," Griffin said.

But the judge said there was no ballistics or other physical evidence linking the trio to the other horse killings.

Claassen said her office will decide within a week whether to appeal Griffin's ruling.

The three men are scheduled to go to trial next month. But before the case proceeds, Griffin said prosecutors will have to amend their complaint and specify exactly what each of the men did to the one remaining animal, referred to as horse No. 12.

According to investigators, Brock confessed to holding a spotlight while horses were shot on Dec. 27, 1998. Brendle admitted he shot and wounded one horse, but didn't kill it. And Merlino said he finished off one wounded horse to end its misery.

The slaughter gained national attention. After their arrests, Brock and Brendle, both former Marine lance corporals, were given the equivalent of a dishonorable discharge.

Defense lawyers, who have maintained the three men arrived on the scene after most of the horses were already dead, were pleased with Griffin's ruling.

"We've got one horse and Mr. Brock is accused of holding a spotlight," Marc Picker, Brock's attorney, said after the hearing. "I'm prepared to defend that at trial."

"We've always maintained these young men were in the wrong place at the wrong time and there was a rush to judgment," said Scott Freeman, Merlino's lawyer. "Now we have had a judge agree with us in a court of law."

## Pentagon calls military's homosexual abuse survey inaccurate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon challenged a report Thursday that anti-homosexual abuse in the armed services more than doubled in the past year, but said it had no statistics of its own.

President Clinton said neither he nor Defense Secretary William Cohen had read the report, but would "take appropriate action" if it were accurate.

They were responding to the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network report that said there were 968 incidents of harassment in the armed services in the past year, including a murder, assaults and verbal gay-bashing.

The lawyers group, which has reported on military harassment against gays annually for six years, says the problem is worse than ever, with a record percentage of women discharged for being gay last year.

At the Pentagon, Rear Adm. Craig Quigley said that in past years "a lot of their findings have tended to be anecdotal and don't provide enough concrete information for us to proceed further."

"If there are specifics in this year's survey, we will follow those up," Quigley said at a regular briefing, adding officials would try to learn whether appropriate action was taken.

The Pentagon's inspector general is scheduled to issue a report on implementation of the "don't ask, don't tell" policy in all of the services later this month. That report, based partly on a survey of military personnel, also is intended to assess the level of anti-gay harassment in the ranks.

The 75-page report says incidents in fiscal 1999 increased 142 percent from the previous year, which was double the year before that.

Quigley disputed that.

"I don't have any indicator that I can point to that shows a great increase," he said, but acknowledged later that he did not know if a count was kept on such incidents.

"You would feel it in readiness reporting. You would feel it in a variety of ways. And we've just simply not seen that," he said.

Other Pentagon officials said there are no figures showing the total number of incidents because most are handled with a warning and never reach a point where they would constitute a legal case that would be recorded.

Also, Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman pointed out that discharges for homosexuality decreased last year by 10 percent after several years of increase.

The report included an announcement that the family of Pfc. Barry Winchell at Fort Campbell, Ky., is filing a wrongful death suit in his July death, charging the military failed to protect Winchell, who was rumored to be gay.



## International News

## Philippine officials say Mayon volcano's eruption is over

LEGAZPI, Philippines (AP) — Hundreds of villagers streamed home Thursday after scientists announced the Mayon volcano had stopped erupting, ignoring warnings that it could roar back to life.

Villagers in overcrowded emergency shelters flocked back to their homes carrying pots and pans, straw sleeping mats and plastic bags filled with food rations. Impatient residents from Guinobatan, a town hit hard by the thick ash falls, did not wait for army trucks and began to walk home on foot, on roadsides still dusty with ash.

"I want to go home. This place is so noisy, my baby can't sleep," said Anita Ajero, a 32-year-old housewife, who was wrapping her family's clothes in a bedsheet in a grade school classroom in Legazpi that had been converted into an emergency shelter.

Outside, about a dozen women sat on a concrete ledge with their packed belongings, waiting for teachers to cross out their names on a list of evacuees before boarding an army truck bound for home.

Some evacuees said they wanted to stay in the shelters a few more days so they could still receive free rice and canned sardines from relief officials, along with measles vaccinations for their children.

Mayon began erupting Feb. 24, forcing more than 68,000 people to flee their homes, ravaging towns and farms with ash but causing no direct deaths.

"It's calming down, but we must not remove the possibility of another eruption," said Ronaldo Arboleda of the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology.

Mayon, about 215 miles southeast of Manila, is one of the Philippines' most active volcanoes. In the past seven days, the 8,118-foot mountain in Albay province has gradually quieted, with its sulfur dioxide emissions and tremors waning, Arboleda said.

Swollen portions of the volcano's upper slopes have also contracted, suggesting magma is no longer rising up to the crater.

At the height of its fury, Mayon belched red hot boulders and superheated ash clouds called pyroclastic flows. It

also spewed lava in spectacular fountains that lit up the night sky in bright red.

Heavy ash falls covered villages on the volcano's southwestern and western sides, dumping as much as two inches on some areas and killing the life in fishponds and destroying rice and vegetables.

Orlando Mercado, head of the National Disaster Coordinating Council, said officials would not allow villagers to return to a 3.5-mile danger zone around Mayon because of the threat of rockfalls and avalanches of freshly deposited volcanic materials.

## Russian plane crash investigation continues

MOSCOW (AP) — Investigators examined the data recorders of a wrecked passenger jet Thursday for clues to a crash that killed all nine people aboard, including a prominent journalist and a top oil executive.

The Thursday morning crash of the private Yak-40 jet at Moscow's Sheremetyevo airport dominated Russian television news programs. The extensive coverage included speculation that the crash was a terrorist act.

The capital's nerves have been on edge since apartment bombings blamed on Chechen rebels killed some 300 people in Moscow and two other Russian cities last fall.

One of the crash victims, oil executive Ziya Bazhayev, was a Chechen. Bazhayev had been pressured by Chechen separatists to help finance their war and he "was often threatened," Alexander Zdanovich, a spokesman for the Federal Security Service, told the RTR television channel.

But officials said no evidence of foul play had surfaced. RTR cited airport officials as rejecting the possibility that the crash was a terrorist act.

The plane veered sharply to the left after taking off and then crashed from a height of about 150 feet. It was carrying five crew members and four passengers, including well-known Moscow journalist Artyom Borovik, the Emergency Situations Ministry said.

The plane was headed for Kiev, the capital of Ukraine. Borovik was en route there to work on a story about a Ukrainian plant that reportedly is being taken over by a Russian financial group, the ITAR-Tass news agency said, citing a source in Borovik's publishing company, Top Secret.

The company publishes a newspaper by that name that includes investigative reports. It also produced a television program.

Along with his work in Russia, Borovik was widely recognized overseas. He was a special correspondent and interpreter in Moscow for CBS' "60 Minutes" news program. He began his career as a war correspondent in Afghanistan, and in 1992 he became the first Russian journalist to win the U.S.-based Overseas Press Club's prestigious Edward R. Murrow Award.

Journalists who worked for Borovik's newspaper promised Thursday to conduct an independent investigation into the crash, NTV television reported.

The Yak-40 is a medium-range Soviet-era aircraft that carries 20 to 30 people. Police said the aircraft's flight data recorder had been recovered and was being examined, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

So far, investigators are studying "technical aspects of the tragedy," the news agency said.

The jet was not equipped with a cockpit voice recorder, NTV reported. It had been in operation for 24 years and was to be taken out of service next year, the news agency Interfax reported.



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## House Republicans pass tax cuts in light of wage increase

*GOP says \$1 minimum wage boost could hurt businesses; Clinton vows veto to come*

WASHINGTON (AP) — To soften the impact on employers of a \$1 increase in the minimum wage, Republicans pushed a \$122 billion tax cut through the House Thursday despite a vow by President Clinton to veto it and grumbling from conservatives about the whole package.

Votes on alternative minimum wage proposals were planned later in the evening. GOP leaders made the tax measure part of the wage package to deny Democrats a stand-alone wage bill, which has strong support from Northeastern Republican moderates who want to defuse it as a campaign issue in the November elections.

"The question is whether we take a thoughtful approach and a balanced approach, or whether we have an ill-conceived bill foisted upon us," said Rep. Rick Lazio, R-N.Y., a main sponsor of the GOP bill.

The House voted 257-169 to pass the tax bill, two-thirds of which consists of cuts in estate taxes. It will be combined with legislation that would increase the \$5.15-an-hour minimum wage by \$1 over two years or a version that would increase the wage by \$1 over three years.

Even if the bill meets Clinton's wish for a two-year wage boost, the president repeated Thursday he would veto the measure if it included large tax cuts. Clinton contends the tax relief disproportionately benefits the wealthy and would consume a chunk of the projected budget surplus that could be used to shore up Social Security and Medicare.

"Once again, the Republican leadership has derailed what should be a simple vote on the minimum wage with a maximum of political maneuvering," Clinton said. "Congress should send me a bill I can sign, not one I have to veto."

Republicans, however, contended the tax package would offset the costs to business of raising the minimum wage, which many in the GOP view as a job-killer and hindrance to new investment or expansion.

"Our point is simply, let's find some tax relief to cushion the blow," said Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio.

Much of the debate centered on the estate tax cuts. Costing \$78.6 billion over 10 years, they were portrayed by Democrats as a giveaway primarily for people with incomes over \$319,000 a year. Democrats were prevented from offering their own, smaller tax package for small business.

"We're not fighting any tax relief. We're fighting for the right kind of tax relief," said Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich.

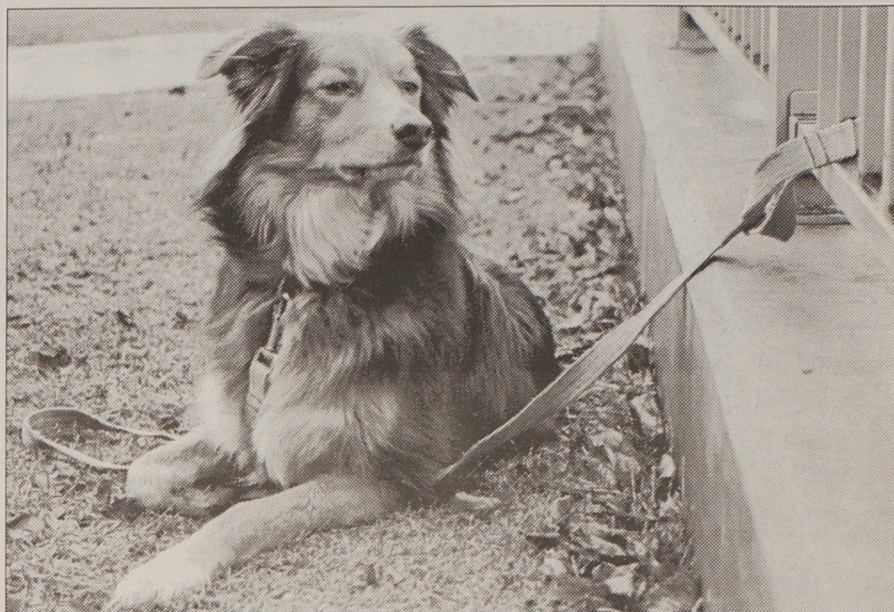
GOP sponsors said current estate taxes actually prevent small businesses and family farms from being passed down to heirs and require costly tax planning simply to ease the impact.

"The real issue is, who are the heirs?" said House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas. "The tax cut, he added, is not going to benefit the people who died."

The tax package also would gradually boost 401(k) contribution limits and make other pension changes; make health insurance premiums fully tax deductible for the self-employed sooner than under current law; increase the amount of business meals that can be deducted; and enact other tax breaks for small business.

The floor debate came after two days of intense negotiations between GOP leaders and Republican conservatives who threatened to delay the bill over their desire to allow states to choose whether to implement the wage increase. The measure had already been delayed once from last fall.

In an hourlong, closed-door meeting off the House floor at midday, Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., urged conservatives to stick with their fellow Republicans. A turning point came when one Democrat, Jim Traficant of Ohio, walked into the meeting and bluntly told Republicans that they risked losing their majority in this fall's election if the minimum wage bill went down, according to congressional sources speaking on condition of anonymity.



Senior John Mock met with a teacher while his dog Sadie waits for him outside the mathematics building Tuesday. UM has hired an animal control officer to help enforce Missoula leash laws.

Sarah Smith/Kaimin

## UM cracks down on canines

*Unattended dogs will be confiscated*

Melanthia Mitchell  
for the Kaimin

Students parking their dogs illegally on campus risk a ticket if the cuddly canines are left unattended, said Shelley Harshbarger, office manager for Campus Security.

Officers can ticket or impound any animal in violation of the city leash law. The law stems from a Missoula city ordinance making it illegal for people to leave their dogs unsupervised.

The leash law states that an owner must be with the animal. The law does not allow for the dog to be tied up without someone at the other end of the leash.

Dogs on campus can't be unattended and must be leashed at all times.

Harshbarger said in most cases when an officer spots a dog tied to a pole or a railing without its owner, the returning culprit receives a warning. If the student is a repeat offender the officer can issue a citation for \$25.

"Less than 25 tickets will be given for the school year because we mostly issue warnings," Harshbarger said.

Animal Control Supervisor

Paula Nelson said if her office is called an animal control officer will pick up the dog and leave a notice for the owner that the dog is in violation of the leash law. The dog is taken to the Animal Control Shelter where, if an owner can be contacted, they must post bail.

Fees can add up quickly, depending on if the dog is licensed, has been vaccinated or how many times the it has been picked up, Nelson said. The cost of retrieving a captured dog usually ranges between \$30 to \$120. In some situations, an owner can end up paying for their pet to be spayed or neutered.

"It's the owner's fault," Nelson said. "But we can't spay or neuter (the owners)."

Todd Jackson said he brings his dog, Rudy, to campus in the evening with a ball as his leash. So far he said he hasn't had any complaints.

A senior majoring in radio/television, he said he agrees with enforcing the leash law between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. because he doesn't think campus is a place you would want to tie up a dog.

"I don't like seeing people leaving dogs unattended," Jackson said. "If they have a dog they should at least have a house or yard where they can keep them."

Nelson said the number of calls her office receives has

decreased since UM hired its own animal control officer.

Harshbarger said campus security trained student JB Russell as an animal control officer. The training included learning how to capture loose animals and ticket those violating the leash law.

Russell said if he picks up a dog with local tags he tries to contact the owner. If the dog has no tags and the owner can't be contacted, Animal Control takes over.

Russell usually gives warnings, unless it's an extremely aggressive dog. An average of three dogs a week get busted.

"Everything's been pretty calm since I've been doing this," Russell said. "But campus security did send me to get a chicken once."

Russell said the problem is when "some big, smelly, hippy dog" tied to disability-service railing aggravates service dogs.

Because he's never been bitten, Russell said he usually doesn't have a problem capturing dogs. It's the owners he said that cause the most problems.

"People leave their dogs tied to a tree while they go to class, they come out and I have taken their dog," Russell said. "They're a pain in the butt."

"One girl left three dogs tied together outside the grizzly pool and came out just as I was taking them. I ended up issuing her a citation."

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# Poll: UM freshmen hold liberal views

Phillip Gomez  
For the Kaimin

A new poll by the American Council on Education and UCLA sheds light on UM students' political opinions compared to their peers at other institutions.

The survey was conducted at UM during the past two summers. Entering freshmen were asked during orientation to volunteer information about their political and social views.

The survey's data compares attitudes of UM freshmen with those of students at more than 600 campuses nationally.

In general, UM freshmen in the past two surveys scored between 6 and 11 percentage points higher in their self-perception of how much more liberal they were than freshmen at other public institutions. Those who considered themselves conservatives scored between 5 and 9 percent lower than their peers who identified themselves as conservative.

Some of the specific findings that validate students' perceptions of political attitudes show that:

- By substantial margins UM freshmen said they: would participate in protests and demonstrations, agreed with legalized abortion, wanted marijuana legalized, stressed promotion of racial unity and cleaning up the environment.

- UM freshmen were more likely to consider it very important to influence the political structure, and more UM freshmen said they believed it very important to keep up with political affairs.

- More UM freshmen said they had discussed politics and read newspaper editorials.

- By perhaps the largest margin of percentage points in the survey, fewer UM freshmen considered it very important "being very well-off financially."

However, when it comes to actual personal involvement, UM freshmen showed an ap-

litical streak:

- Fewer UM freshmen expected to be elected to student office.
- Fewer considered it very important to become a community leader.
- Fewer voted in student elections in high school.

The survey samples varied between 400-450 respondents for each question answered in the 1999 survey, out of a total incoming freshman class of 2,290. The 1998 survey sample was about 100 fewer respondents, out of a class of 3,388 freshmen.

Some campus leaders say that the survey may not be accurate, and others contend that UM students have shown, in recent elections, a desire to be politically active.

ASUM Student Political Action Director Erin White said the College Democrats and MONTPIRG were effective in getting out the student vote in last November's city council elections. Precinct 11, comprising the university dorms, had the highest voting rate of any precinct in Missoula, she said. She also said the precinct has the most newly registered voters, and was the main factor in swaying the City Council election of John Torma.

"We made some big waves," she said. "We're definitely not an apathetic (student body)."

UM professor Paul Miller, who teaches statistical methods in the sociology department, questioned if the poll contained a "sample bias."

The students polled were a self-selecting group who attended orientation during summer break.

"When it is given at a certain time of year, other students may be working," he said.

UC Director Gary Ratcliff, who administered the survey for UM, acknowledges the shortcomings of the surveys, "but it's all we got," he said. He said the results will be more useful over time, as more surveys are conducted and clearer patterns developed.

# College Republicans have little impact

Phillip Gomez  
For the Kaimin

At a table set up on the ground floor of the UC, junior Darcy Duncan watched passing students ignore the message she and freshman Chuck Denowh were soliciting for UM's College Republicans.

"Watching people walk by here — they don't make eye contact," Duncan said. "It's amusing to them," she said, referring to how the Republican Party image is perceived by students.

Denowh said, "I think for the most part students are more conservative than they even realize. A lot of people are turned off by the Republican Party because of what they seem (to be) from the media."

He described this media impression as "the party of corporations and big money." He said that students "just don't want to be identified with that."

Denowh claims that conservatives are better at being open-minded about political decision-making than liberals, who are often stuck in partisan, minority viewpoints.

"The majority rules," Denowh said. "Even though everyone has the right to think for themselves, the majority rules."

Another perspective comes from Rob Ramsburgh, a 21-year-old junior who considers himself a progressive. He has lived for a year in socialist Sweden and was considering voting for John McCain.

"I've always had hard feelings toward politics in this country," he said. Ramsburgh said that in Sweden personal incomes do not

vary as greatly as in the United States. "Americans don't care that that's the case," he said. "Everyone who lives comfortably is, like, 'Oh, the people who live below me don't count.'"

As for his fellow students, Ramsburgh says he doesn't think they have any idea of what's going on in the political arena.

"A lot of kids I know don't watch the news, read the newspapers or care to find out what's going on," he said. "People in this country don't really give a shit, because they don't feel they have any control over things."

Thirty-two-year-old Melissa Matteau is a history major, and an English literature major in her previous academic career.

She considers herself an Independent.

Matteau views her younger classmates as largely apathetic about politics. "They're very one-issue minded," she said. "If they're pro choice (on abortion), they're pro choice, but they don't look at the big picture," she said.

Teresa Brainard is a junior, a Republican and a conservative, but politics don't interest her much. She said that nothing much attracts the attention of other college-aged students, either, beyond abortion, environmental issues and school funding.

"I really don't pay attention to politics," she said. "It usually makes me angry ... I probably should, but I focus my time on other things instead."

After a long pause, she added, "I kind of feel bad, now, that I don't know more about it."

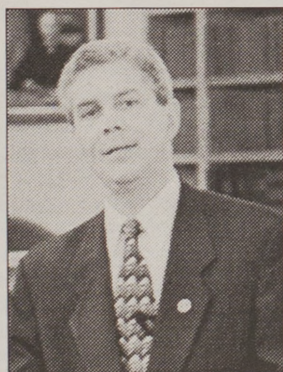
# Cooney: education is top concern for Montana

Jacob Hepner  
for the Kaimin

Montana Secretary of State and gubernatorial candidate Mike Cooney told a group of UM students and faculty Thursday that, if elected, he will improve the quality of the Montana educational system, encourage economic development and preserve what he called Montana's "natural heritage."

"Last session the legislature did a little better in funding kindergarten through high school," Cooney said. "They gave a little more assistance than they have in the past, but the hole is so deep we still have a long way to go."

Cooney spoke as a part of a lecture series sponsored by the Women's Law Caucus in the UM Law School.



Mike Cooney

"If we are not educating our young people so that they can go out and compete in an ever changing world, than we are not doing them any favors whatsoever," Cooney said. "Education is the key."

Cooney outlined a plan consisting of three "primary concerns." Besides education, he

spoke of the need for Montana to develop economically by attracting high technology companies and the infrastructure necessary for them to operate in Montana.

"It is painfully clear that the economy that we have been dependent on in Montana including natural resource, extractive industries and agriculture have all really changed over the last few years. We really cannot depend on those to be the mainstay of our economy any more. They are all a part of the global economy now, and we do not control the prices."

Cooney's third primary con-

cern was with what he called Montana's "natural heritage." This includes management of environmental concerns and quality of life.

"I'm talking about our clean air and our clean water, our remaining open spaces, and our small family farms and ranches and how we can preserve those, because that has a lot to do with who we are as people."

Cooney and his lieutenant governor hopeful Diana Wyatt who was not at the talk are one of three pairs of Democrats vying for the office of governor. Cooney is the second candidate to speak as a part of this lecture series.

In a question and answer period after the talk, students and faculty had an opportunity to voice their opinions and ask questions of the candidate.

Students expressed interests over environmental issues including the culling of bison from the Yellowstone herd, a situation that Cooney believes was mishandled by the state.

Education was also on the top of the list, specifically teachers' salaries, which Cooney stated were 46th in the nation.

"Education has been given the leftovers," Cooney said. "We need to give them what they need."

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## Lady Griz one win away from the Big Dance

Matt Thompson  
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She didn't even see it coming. When Montana's freshman Julie Demming took an elbow from Weber State's Stephanie Stanger, she went straight to the floor with a broken nose. But after leaving the arena for 10 minutes, Demming, nicknamed Juice, recharged herself and returned with a face mask and swollen eyes to score eight points on the night and spark Montana's stagnant offense as the Lady Griz defeated the Wildcats 70-60.

"I was so mad," Demming said. "I just ran up to the training room and ran back to the game. I was literally running the entire time. I was just so mad."

And just like Demming's nose, it wasn't pretty, but the No. 1 seeded Montana Lady Griz escaped Thursday night and advanced to finals of the women's Big Sky

tournament. UM will take on Cal State-Northridge in the championship game at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Dahlberg Arena.

Maybe it was first game jitters. Maybe it too much rest. Maybe it was just Weber State. The Wildcats, who squeaked by Northern Arizona the day before with a last-second shot, played as though they had nothing to lose against heavily-favored Montana, who has not lost to a Big Sky opponent in Dahlberg Arena since 1992.

But Weber refused to back down, knocking passes out of bounds, forcing jump balls and scoring just enough to stay within striking distance.

"We figured it would be a hard-fought battle and it was," said Montana head coach Robin Selvig. "We came in maybe a little too excited. But there are stretches where you don't make shots."

Selvig's comment may be the understatement of the tournament. Both UM and WSU struggled from the field to start off. In fact, they were as cold as Moscow's Red Square in the middle of February. Both teams shot 39 percent on the night. At one point you could see Selvig's hair actually turning grayer as the Lady Griz went 2 for 14 in the first half. But Weber State wouldn't be outdone, as they were 2 for 16 at one point.

The lone Grizzly who didn't fall victim to the frigid shooting was guard Cheryl Keller. The sophomore went 2 for 3 from three-point land and scored eight points in the first half. Keller also pulled down five boards as well.

"Didn't it seem like there were two or three Cheryls out?" Selvig asked after the game.

Montana led the entire first half, but like an annoying little brother, WSU wouldn't go away. Senior Shelley Olson helped keep it close when she attempted a deep three-pointer and was fouled by Lauren Cooper as the halftime buzzer sounded. Olson made two of three free throws among the many boo's to cut UM's lead to four, making it 26-22.

Some of the poor shooting could be attributed to the stellar defense. Montana, whose nationally ranked defense has stymied almost every team this season, swallowed WSU at times with the infamous "Robin Selvig Zone," as Weber coach Carla Taylor described it. The Wildcats countered Montana's slug-it-out tempo with their full court,

helter-skelter pressure.

"Their zone was all over the place tonight," Taylor said. "I thought it was a very well played game defensively by both teams."

Weber struggled to get the ball inside to its start center Crystal Howe, who scored 27 points against NAU, but finally got the 6-foot-4 freshman into the mix. Howe led the Wildcats with 14 points and grabbed six rebounds in 32 minutes of play.

The real battle took place in the backcourt.

Olson constantly harassed UM point guard Megan Harrington, but her effort would not be enough. Harrington scored eight points and broke WSU's back with some spectacular court-length passes which led to easy lay ups.

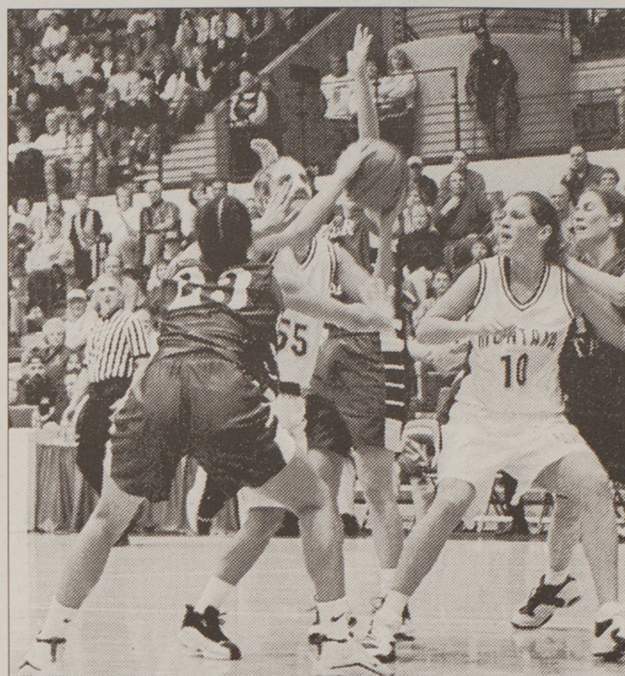
"She's a good point guard and handles the ball well," Olson said. "Our main goal was to try to force her to not see the pass. I think we did a pretty good job on her, but we did have some breakdowns."

Montana handled the Weber State's 40 minutes of hell pretty well for the most part, turning the ball over only 15 times.

"They're a tough, pressuring team and you just have to take care of the ball and be patient with it," Keller said.

Montana took care of the ball, but also got some offense from senior forward and conference MVP Linda Weyler. She scored all of 17 points in the second half.

"In the first, I have a habit of rushing my shot," Weyler said. "So I decided not to flail and rush as much. I just concentrated on how I should be shooting and we got some nice layups at the end."



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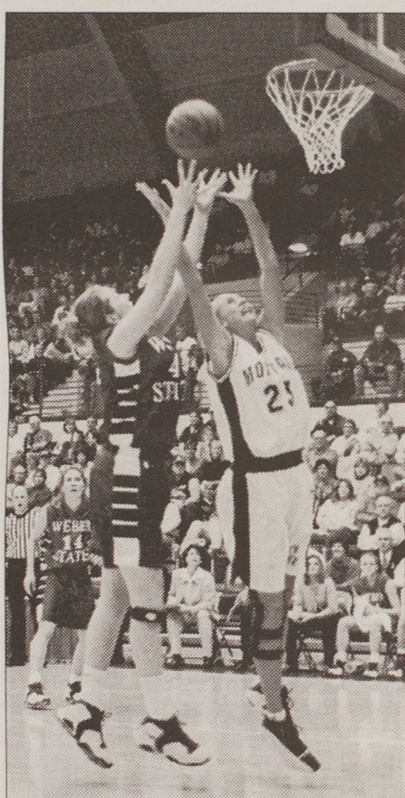
After getting a broken nose from a Weber State player, Julie Demming rages vengeance by taking on two Weber players and powering to the net. Demming had to play the rest of the game with a face mask but that didn't stop her from scoring eight points to spark a Grizzly run.

Despite Weyler's hot hand, the Wildcats were still in the game with five minutes left in regulation. But when Demming stole an inbounds pass and then drove the length of the court only to be fouled, Taylor threw her jacket in disgust and was called for a technical foul. Weyler made three of four from the line to give the Lady Griz a 56-49 lead and they would never look back.

"I take full responsibility for that," Taylor said. "Obviously it wasn't a good time for that. I really wasn't even screaming at the officials. I was pretty upset, frustrated, but there's still no excuse and in my mind I think it cost us the game."

Montana iced the game from there, going 11 for 11 from the free throw line. Montana faces Cal State-Northridge, a team they split with during the regular season.

"They equal to us a lot. They're quick at the guards. They got great defense at the top and bottom. We'll just have to make sure we come out the same way we did defensively."



Lido Vizzutti/Kaimin

Lady Griz forward Krista Redpath pushes off the floor to outreach a Weber opponent during last night's game against Weber State.

## Northridge to face Lady Griz in championship

Casey Temple  
Montana Kaimin

Thanks to some key shots in critical times, Cal State-Northridge defeated Idaho State 70-62, to advance to the Big Sky championship game Saturday afternoon.

Cal State-Northridge is looking to repeat as champions. The Lady Griz are the only team keeping them from back-to-back titles.

"(UM is) going to be looking to regain what they held onto for a very long time, and we are looking to defend our title," Northridge head coach Frozena Jerro said.

And if it weren't for some critical shots, Idaho State might be in the championship game. It seemed that every time the Bengals made a drive, Northridge would answer with a clutch basket.

Trailing by six with the eight minutes to go, Idaho State point guard Angela Minger hit a three to cut the Matador lead to six. But Daphne Verrept answered back with a three of her own and added another 18 seconds later to deflate the Bengals' run.

"They were big, that's for sure, but that's normally not her thing," Jerro said of Verrept's clutch shots. "When she shot the first one, I was like, 'No, no, no.' She then shot another one and hit that one, so she stepped up big time."

"They were huge, huge three's for us. But those were kind of out of the ordinary for her," he said.

Idaho State cut the Matadors lead to 62-61 with under a minute to go, but Keisha Harris hit a jumper to put Northridge up by three. That was all she wrote for Idaho State.

ReShawnda Richardson hit six free-throws in the final minute to seal the Matador victory and put them back in the championship.

"They had some people step up and make some key shots at critical times," said Idaho State coach Ardie McNelly. "I applaud them, and know they held tough and are a very good team. If we kept it a little closer, we might have had a chance for a last second shot or something, but it didn't happen."

Northridge only led by four, but their speed was just too much for the Bengals. A trapping full-court defense wore out a bigger, more physical Bengal team that just couldn't get their shots to drop.

"What we did is picked up our pressure a little bit in the full-court and I think it really got them out of their offensive rhythm," Jerro said.

Forward Nada Milic led Northridge with 17 points and Lynda Amari had 15 before fouling out with a minute to go. Bengals Mandi Carver, from Dillon, Mont., led all scorers with 18 points and 12 rebounds. Ashley Toner added 13 points and seven rebounds for Idaho State, while Munger had 11 points and six assists, with three steals in a gritty performance.



Amy Layne/Kaimin

Idaho State's Chris Urbanski struggles with Cal State player Daphne Verrept (21) for possession of the ball during Thursday's playoff game at the Adams Center.

Northridge will face UM at 2 p.m. Saturday to decide who team will go to the NCAA tournament.



# Warhank turned doubters into believers

Ryan Divish  
Montana Kaimin

Dahlberg Arena is quiet now.

Thirty minutes earlier, it was filled with the sound of squeaking shoes, shrieking whistles and the carnival-like atmosphere of a University of Montana men's basketball practice.

But now the only sound is the echoing thud of a lone basketball being dribbled and then shot. In the background, Don Holst's voice can be heard as he speaks with a couple of friends.

Despite the trio's presence, Mike Warhank is alone on the floor dribbling and shooting, just the way he likes it.

Warhank is impervious to Holst's presence in the same way Holst doesn't need to look up to know who the last person to leave practice is.

"Maybe we should have practiced longer," Holst hollers to his senior.

Warhank shoots back a toothy grin. This isn't practice. This is his time alone.

He doesn't exactly remember where it started but Mike Warhank has always been a gym rat, a basketball junkie who can't get enough.

"My dad was a high school coach when I was younger," Warhank said. "So I was

always in the gym, going on road trips, just always around the game. It was never forced on me but I always enjoyed being around it."

It was a more than just something, Warhank and a basketball clicked. He loved the game and for the most part the game loved him back. And the best part for him was he could play it even when there was no one else around.

"I found some really good alone time when I was younger," Warhank said. "In junior high and high school, I would go to the gym or go out in my driveway and shoot and do some thinking—kind of sort things out. It was good for me."

But during his high school years, most people would have thought Warhank had life pretty much figured out. As a freshman, he started for the Great Falls High Bison and would do so for the next three years earning four letters and helping the Bison win two state championships. His senior year was a dream, a perfect 21-0 season, of course a state championship, a 25 point per game scoring average and Montana's Gatorade Player of the Year honors as well as being named the state's "Mr. Basketball."

From a fan's viewpoint, life for Mike must have been a breeze. But every day there he was shooting by himself, still trying to sort things out.

The golden age of high school sports ends quickly, and the one thing that Warhank wanted more than anything else, a basketball scholarship to a Division I school, didn't really want him. There were plenty of offers from NAA schools, Carroll College, Montana Tech and Montana State-Northern. Three or four Division II schools were calling as well. But Warhank knew he could play at the higher level.

"I kind of had my mind set to either play Division or just attend school," Warhank said.

"Both Montana and Montana State wanted me to walk-on without a scholarship and my parents said they would pay for school if I wanted to walk on."

The best basketball player in the state of Montana in 1995 did the unthinkable and walked-on at the University of Montana.

There were whispers everywhere: "What's he doing?" "Why pass up a free education and go some place where he won't play?" "He's just too slow to play at that level."

Warhank heard the whispers but paid them no mind. He just kept shooting.

"There were lots of people that didn't think I could play here," Warhank said. "but there were a good number of people that thought I could play here if I just got the opportunity."

But the opportunity never came. Warhank redshirted as expected and worked on getting quicker and stronger while showing then coach Blaine Taylor he was capable of playing at this level. But Taylor didn't see it and told Warhank he didn't have a scholarship for him after his first year but wanted him to continue being a Grizzly and continue paying his own tuition.

"I was really disappointed because I felt like I had proven I could play here," Warhank said. "But I always felt like it was something I wanted to do and I understood that there were going to be some valleys and I just had to stick through it."

Perhaps it wasn't worth it. Literally paying for hours upon hours of shooting, absurd footwork drills, weightlifting and of course school.

Eventually it began to pay off. The next year some players were injured and Warhank began to play and contribute. Eight points one game. A couple of threes in the next.

"I didn't feel like I was ever going to be the MVP of the league," Warhank said. "But I felt I could contribute."

Things started to look up for Mike, a full scholarship would soon follow, a 33-point coming out party versus Eastern Washington and three or four game winning shots marked his second full season on the Grizzlies.

Basketball and Warhank made sense again. But

as he prepared for his junior season, the Grizzly basketball program was turned upside down. For the 1998-99 season the Griz would be playing their home games at Sentinel High School as Dahlberg Arena received a facelift. Then coach Blaine Taylor retreated to Stanford to join former coach Mike Montgomery. Longtime Griz assistant Don Holst would be the interim coach for the season. And

**"It never came to pass, but if they would have brought in a whole new staff, I was just going to finish up school and call it a career."**

— Mike Warhank,  
senior guard

then there were the five junior college transfers who still needed to mix with the returning Griz. It was back to shooting by himself and sorting things out.

The Grizzlies

struggled losing several close games and finishing with a losing record for the first time in 21 seasons.

And on a night when the Griz could salvage the season and make the conference tournament, Eastern Washington dealt them a crushing six point loss ending their season. While the team had steadily improved, Holst's job was still in question. The players wanted him back, the fans wanted him back but the Athletics Department was still hedging. Warhank took it upon himself to make a stand. Following the Eastern game, Warhank told the Kaimin that it would be his last game if Holst and staff weren't retained. It was that simple.

"I meant it wholeheartedly," Warhank said thinking back. "It never came to pass but if they would have brought in a whole new staff, I was just going to finish up school and call it a career."

Said Holst: "I didn't ask him or any of the players to say that. But it shows how loyal he was to our team and our program."

Warhank's senior year season is much like his high school one, a dream. A Big Sky conference title, Honorable Mention All-Conference and scoring his 1000th point have made it worth remembering.

Holst gives all the credit to Warhank's hard work and perseverance.

"He epitomizes the student-athlete," Holst said. "He walks-on and has to prove himself every night out that he is a Division I player."

Holst is never short of compliments when talking about Warhank. Leadership, guts, intelligence are just some of the adjectives that fill Holst's sentences. The hug from Holst on senior night was genuine and so were the words, "You did it the hard way, and proved a lot of people wrong."

Holst talks of all Warhank's intangibles that make him a great player. Most of them don't deal with running fast or jumping high. He talks of Warhank the excellent student, Warhank the quality human being and after pause Warhank the perfect representative of Grizzly basketball.

But with all of this seasons success, Warhank still doesn't forget his days of being a walk-on or last season's disappointment. He even gets a little reminiscent talking about it all.

"I guess I want to be remembered as a classy player," he said. "A player who went out played hard every night and played the game the way it should be played."

## Big Sky tournament action

### Friday men's

■ No. 2 (seeded) Eastern Washington vs. No. 3 Northern Arizona at 7:05 p.m. @ Dahlberg Arena.

■ No. 1 Montana vs. No. 2 Cal State-Northridge 30 minutes following game one.

### Saturday men's

■ Big Sky championship @ 8:30 p.m.

### Saturday women's

■ Big Sky Championship: Montana vs. Cal State-Northridge @ 2 p.m.

## UM tennis hoping to improve against Eastern Washington

Casey Temple  
Montana Kaimin

The men's tennis team will try to improve on its 4-8 record when it entertains Eastern Washington Friday for the first home match of the spring season.

UM head tennis coach Kris Nord said the Griz are unhappy with their record, but believes the team will get better now that they are able to practice outside. The tennis team had been practicing inside because of weather and because of full court times, the team had to start practice at 10 p.m.

"There's no other team in the conference or in the area that has 10 to midnight practice times and we won't improve until it gets nice," Nord said.

But Nord is looking for improvement from the doubles teams.

"We haven't played good doubles all year," he said. "We need to see who clicks there and who doesn't."

The team also needs to solidify the number five and six singles spot, and Nord said he's trying to find someone consistent to fill it. But it's hard for the team to find consistency, when so many the players have been out with illness and injury.

Nord said that everyone will be back for the Eastern match, except Ryan Daley and Peter Smart, who will be out for another two weeks with injuries.

While the Griz look to improve and add some wins to their record, they might have a difficult time with Eastern Washington.

The Eagles are traditionally one of the weaker teams in the conference and UM usually defeats their conference foe, but UM tennis head coach Kris Nord said this is the best Eastern team he has seen.

Nord said that the Eagles have

been building a solid team the past few years, and they Griz won't have such an easy time with them.

"We've beaten them year in and year out," Nord said. "But this year they have a real solid team and should be a challenge."

Nord said that number two singles player Eric Goldstein has recently been playing the best for the Griz. Goldstein was the only Griz player to pick up multiple victories at the Air Force Invitational last weekend.

The match will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Robert O. Lindsay tennis courts.



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## Supremacist

associate member who spreads the gospel according to Hale.

Many human rights organizations, such as the Missoula Advocates for Justice and the Montana Human Rights Network, said they have been working feverishly to hinder World Church's support, offering anti-hate workshops and seminars and dropping counter-literature.

But Hale said that although he's heard of the opposition in Missoula, it all works toward his efforts.

"Even if there is opposition, it works in our favor," Hale said. "The more debate there is in the public eye, the more people are exposed to our message."

However, Balch said the exposure is not likely to rope UM students into the organization, and that the number of actual followers is probably not that staggering.

Although he has no way of gauging how many students found Hale's message appealing, Balch said that after Hale left Missoula, Hale called him to ask if he would send him a notebook he had left in Main Hall. The book contained a list of students interested in the World Church, but Balch said he found no recently recruited names on the list.

"I seriously doubt that they are having any great success here," Balch said.

**Zachary Braun**  
for the Kaimin

UM Productions continues its 30-year tradition of bringing the student body a variety of educational and enjoyable showcases.

"We try and appeal to the typical Missoulian, with performing arts, public speakers and with a variety of good and entertaining music," said Randy Seltzer, concert coordinator at UM Productions.

With concerts this spring ranging from Bob Dylan to Ani Di Franco in the wake of such acts as Pearl Jam and Phish, UM Productions works hard to lure big-time performers to Missoula's small venue.

Seltzer said that Bob Dylan's promoter contacted UM seeking to fulfill a tour of

shows in cities where Dylan has never been before. Dylan is been a long-time performer and asks anywhere from \$40,000 to \$50,000 for a show.

"We can't afford to buy a show of that magnitude, so a promoter got together and paid for the show's production," said Seltzer.

With help from Vootie Productions and Avalanche Productions, Missoulians and Dylan fans from across the state will enjoy hearing the legend perform live for the first time in Montana.

Seltzer said that the two production companies have bought the rights to the concert, leaving UM Productions with the responsibility of security, advertisements, stage management and anything Dylan needs.

"If the show flops, it's no skin off our backs because we didn't put up the money," said Seltzer. "Though they will not lose any money, because the show sold out in a matter of hours."

UM Productions has sold 5,000 tickets to the concert and recently opened more seating behind the stage at the behest of the production companies. Tickets are still available.

Unlike Dylan, Ani Di Franco had to be persuaded to play in Missoula. Since Di Franco charges less than Dylan, UM Productions could afford to purchase the show without any outsiders.

Seltzer said that Pollstar Concert Hotwire Publication gives information as to who will be in the area and when.

Assuming there is an audience for this act, UM Productions will contact the musicians' agents and begin negotiations.

Both Dylan and Di Franco kick off their tours in Missoula. UM Productions is very optimistic about Di Franco's Missoula show, with ticket sales already over 3,000.

Zack Vicks, office assistant at UM Productions, said there are plans for a summer Grizzly Stadium concert. Although no groups have confirmed yet.

Some students feel UM Productions should bring a more diverse range of music to Missoula.

"They do bring in some good shows, but how about bringing in some hip-hop or blues musicians, or better yet Jimmy Buffet?" said Eric Torstenson, a UM senior.

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## Rape

dark out, I make sure I call for someone to pick me up when I'm leaving campus," Boilek said.

Senior Ti Kaufmann said she is doing little things to stay alert.

"I definitely keep my eyes open when

I'm out on campus walking to night classes," Kaufmann said. "And I keep my keys in my hand."

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## Reese

patients die of a seizure.

Russo said a seizure represents an abnormal spread of electricity on the surface of the brain. It's physical symptoms are convulsions, jerking movements and occasionally a loss of consciousness.

Russo said minor seizures don't often do much damage but they can be dangerous when they are prolonged or severe.

Russo said it's rare for someone to die of a seizure. Usually, Russo said, the person dies

because they're in a situation where they can't help themselves, like a pool or a bathtub. Also, Russo said, sometimes the person having a seizure asphyxiates on vomit.

Russo said statistically, one in

200 people has a seizure disorder. Russo said if someone does have a seizure, lay them on their side so they can't knock into things and they don't choke on vomit. Do not, Russo said, jam things in their mouth.



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### LOST AND FOUND

**LOST:** Green Prescription Sunglasses with green case "Sergio E." Badly Misted... **REWARD!!!** Call Nichole ext. 3465

**FOUND:** Everything from swimsuits to prescription sun glasses. If you lost anything in around or near the Galliger Business building come identify it at GBB 352.

**FOUND:** Woman's silver watch found on the corner of Arthur and Daly Wednesday Morning call 829-9813.