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MONTANA KAIMIN

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Got air?



Rob Brabo catches some air at the Backwoods Trails behind the Backwoods BMX track.

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UM journalism student receives money, backing from national media organization

National journalism organizations support UM journalism student in fight against city attorney

Erik Olson
Montana Kaimin

Three national journalism organizations said journalists are defined broadly, contradicting the Missoula city attorney's office claim that UM senior Linda Tracy isn't a

journalist. One of those groups gave her funding for her legal defense.

The Society of Professional Journalists gave \$1,000 to Tracy for legal funds, said Ian Marquand, freedom of information committee chair and special projects coordinator of KPAX television.

Tracy said funds would help in the legal battle.

"I appreciate all the support I've gotten from all the journalistic organizations," Tracy said.

Marquand said the Montana shield law, an act

that protects journalists from surrendering their unedited footage or notes, defines "journalist" too narrowly because it limits who they are by where they work.

SPJ "does not define what a journalist is," Marquand said. "We believe that once you start defining what would be a journalist, you run into problems."

Missoula Deputy City Attorney Gary Henricks argued that Tracy shouldn't be protected under the shield law because she doesn't have a journalism degree and her

small business, Turtle Majik Productions, is not defined as an investigative journalism agency.

The city attorney's office is trying to subpoena Tracy's outtake footage of the Hells Angels riots last July.

Some states have shield laws that define journalists as people who work for media outlets, while other states define them as people who gather and disseminate information to the public, said Lucy Dalglish, executive director of the Reporters' Commission for the Freedom

of the Press.

"The question is, what was (Tracy's) purpose in doing it?" Dalglish said. "This is a classic situation where a judge is going to have to decide if she's a journalist."

Dalglish added the shield law can't protect everyone. For example, take pictures for personal use, they can't use the shield law as a defense if they are subpoenaed.

Dalglish defined a journalist as an "independent observer of the news who disseminates

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Keenan focuses on education, receives Williams' endorsement

Suzanne Colonna
Montana Kaimin

Nancy Keenan told a crowd in the UC Wednesday that education will take top priority if she is elected to the U.S. House of Representatives next Tuesday.

"I believe that education is the best investment we can make in Montana's economy," Keenan, a Democrat, said.

At the same time, she said the cost to attend college in Montana has become too high.

"I think it's unconscionable that since 1992 your tuition has doubled," Keenan said. She said the state needs to increase Montana University System funding to keep tuition costs low. She said she wants to make sure Pell Grants, loan programs and other financial aid remain available to help students pay for college.

Keenan said her own experience as a teacher and the state superintendent of public instruction make her well-suited to fight for education in Washington, D.C.

Keenan said she wants more college graduates to stay in Montana and work. She said unless more job opportunities are created in Montana, students will continue to leave the state after their education. At the same time, she said, the economy can't improve without educated employees.

Before Keenan's speech in the UC, former Representative from Montana Pat Williams publicly endorsed Keenan.

"Montana gets one member of the House of Representatives—we have to be careful about (who we pick)," Williams said. He added that he likes both candidates, but he believes Keenan would be better for the job.

see KEENAN, page 8

ASUM endorses smoking ban in all UM dorm rooms

Erik Olson
Montana Kaimin

The ASUM Senate passed a resolution Wednesday to support a ban on smoking in all dorms.

"We're not discriminating against smokers; rather, we're holding up the health rights of students in the dorms," said Sen. Jon Swan, co-author of the resolution.

Miller, Craig, Jesse and Duniway halls currently allow smoking in the rooms with the doors shut and the windows open.

President Molly Moon Neitzel added an amendment urging Residence Life to look at designated smoking areas after some senators brought up the issue of smokers' rights.

Sen. Jared Choc was the strongest opponent against the resolution.

"We need to be very careful in dealing with this because we're dealing with people's rights," Choc said, adding because alcohol consumption by students over age 21 is allowed in the dorms, tobacco should also be allowed.

However, Swan argued alcohol is different from smoking, because cigarette smoke can directly affect other dorm residents. Because freshmen have no other living options, they should not be forced to live in a smoky environment, he said.

Sen. Mario Schulzke said although he supported the legislation, other arrangements must be made for smokers.

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OPINION

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President Gore?

Gore turned out to be a terrible candidate

Damian Ingleby

In a time of unparalleled peace and prosperity, Al Gore should be miles ahead of George W. Bush, but instead we have a race that is so close the media has begun bizarre and unusual election scenarios.

This week's issue of Time magazine included possible election outcomes, from an electoral tie to an electoral win without gaining the popular vote. Statistically these possibilities are remote in the extreme, so why did they feel the need to talk about it at all? Because Al Gore has turned out to be a terrible candidate.

Though most Americans agree with Gore on the issues, they see him as being too mean and end up leaning toward Bush's lightweight, let's-go-have-a-beer approach to politics. This shows Gore's failure to resonate with voters on any level other than an intellectual one. And, as we saw with Bill Clinton, voters want a candidate they can relate to.

Gore, for all his competence and his unfailing grasp of the complex issues, lacks the kind of charisma that can be seen on camera. This may be a product of a shallow TV generation that goes for what looks good, but a true candidate would have been able to overcome this.

As Time put it, Gore has "remade himself as a Rock'em Sock'em Robot just at the moment people were

saying they were tired of all the fighting in Washington." That would probably be OK if he were consistent about it. But, he has vacillated between nice guy and pit bull so people aren't sure whether or not they can believe him. In light of Clinton's repeated bending of the truth this is a deadly impression to give voters.

On the other hand, maybe it's not Gore's fault. The race is close, and insurgent Green Party candidate Ralph Nader has been drawing away traditional Democratic support in key states like Oregon and Washington.

But if Gore were a stronger candidate, he wouldn't have lost the radically liberal wing of the Democratic Party and you wouldn't have such strong Nader support.

"If Al Gore cannot beat a bumbling governor from Texas with that terrible a record, what good is he to begin with?" Nader said Monday on ABC's Nightline.

I couldn't agree with Nader more. I love Gore on the issues and will vote for him next Tuesday, but if he ends up losing this election, it will be his fault, not that Bush is the stronger candidate.

The hardest working politician you'll never love

Mike Quinn

As we embark on the most hotly contested presidential election in 30 years, where are all the College Democrats brimming with pride? We are living in an economic boom, largely foisted upon us by the stewardship of the Clinton/Gore administration.

Simply stated, everything good is up and everything bad is down, yet "Gore 2000" pins have been replaced by the Naderites' "Gore makes me

wanna Ralph" pins.

Despite popular opinion, Gore is not a robot. He has run a marathon, been to boot camp and lost a father.

Gore has already made a bold move for the coun-

try by choosing Joe Lieberman, an Orthodox Jew, as a running mate.

In '92 Clinton had voters eating out of his hand as he danced around the pot smoking issue. Unlike Clinton, who claimed he didn't inhale, Gore looked the reporter in the eye and said, "I smoked pot. I smoked it when I was in the military. I smoked it in Vietnam."

Yeah Vietnam, a topic that good-old-boy politicians Clinton and Bush would really rather not talk about.

But Gore handled the reporter's question with the resolve that we need in our

next president.

Al Gore, like his father before him, is a Democrat. The party of Mike Mansfield, racial equality, women's rights and the blue-collared class. As a young politician during the Reagan Era, he stayed true to his party when it could have been political suicide. Later, he transcended party lines by voting for Desert Storm when he felt it was the right thing to do. The New York Times and The Washington Post have endorsed Gore, enough said.

The traditionally stagnant job of the vice presidency does not apply. Gore cast the key Senate votes on both current economic policy and gun legislation. Moreover, the complexities of governing this country necessitate a policy wonk. Gore doesn't labor over the ins and outs of legislative policies because it's fun. He does it because it's his job and he does his job well.

Gore is the hardest working politician you'll never love. Gore needs to relax, and that doesn't mean wearing more earth tones. Admittedly, even his shirt cuffs appeared to be calculated and rolled to an exact measurement in his cover shot on last month's Rolling Stone.

Tragically unhip? Maybe. But think back to when he was climbing a glacier in Montana with our beloved Pat Williams and then cast your vote.

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Around the Oval

Are you planning on voting Tuesday? Why or why not?

• Dustin Allred
freshman, diesel mechanics

Yep. Because it's the first time I'll have a chance mostly. I'm also voting for higher minimum wage and more jobs.

• Linh Le
freshman, general education

Right now, no because I don't know anything about it. If I do, it will be over the internet so I can find out who's who.

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Israel, Palestinians halt violence for now

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel will hold off on retaliation against the Palestinians for the deaths of three Israeli soldiers, the government announced early Thursday, after Cabinet minister Shimon Peres met Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, defusing an explosive situation at least temporarily.

Israel radio reported the two sides would take agreed steps in the morning, and at midday, Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak would address their people by radio and announce an end to all violence.

The soldiers were the first to die in combat since Oct. 1. Six Palestinians were also killed, as armed clashes intensified in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Denouncing what he called "grave escalation initiated by the Palestinian Authority," Barak convened a special session of his Cabinet. Barak's office released a statement saying that "the Cabinet decided on a number of appropriate steps."

But the Peres-Arafat meeting led to the decision to hold the fire, at least for now. Barak's office said the meeting resulted in "agreement on a series of steps ... designed to renew security cooperation and an end to violence and incitement."

The statement said retaliatory measures decided on by the Cabinet would be held up to give a chance for the violence to be stopped.

Each side blames the other for the violence. Israel says its forces have responded with restraint to Palestinian attacks. The Palestinians charge that Israel has used excessive force in putting down demonstrations.

Peres, who shared the 1994 Nobel Peace Prize with Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, traveled to Gaza for the meeting in Arafat's office. It was the first high level face-to-face contact between the two sides since Palestinian rioting erupted Sept. 28.

Peres said he discussed implementation of the cease-fire understandings reached at an Oct. 16-17 summit at Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, with President Clinton. Peres said the contacts would continue.

Arafat said Israel must agree to an international inquiry into the conflict, according to a Palestinian official who took part in the meeting. Refusing to be identified, he said the Palestinians are requesting United Nations protection against the Israeli military.

The Israeli decision appeared to douse the fuse of a conflict that was heading quickly toward further escalation. After a month of riots punctuated by exchanges of gunfire, the emphasis suddenly reversed Wednesday, when intense firefights erupted in many parts of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In a three-hour pitched battle next to the village of Al Khader, near Bethlehem, two Israeli sol-

diers and three Palestinians were killed. Four Israeli soldiers were wounded. Heavy Palestinian gunfire prevented Israeli forces from reaching the soldiers who were hit, so the Israelis sent attack helicopters to rake the village with machine guns while tanks provided covering fire for an armored vehicle to retrieve the soldiers.

Israeli attack helicopters and tanks fired at Palestinian intelligence headquarters in Jericho, retaliation for Palestinian gunfire at an Israeli army outpost where a reserve army officer was killed, the military said.

Three Palestinians were killed in a battle at the Karni crossing point in Gaza. In 35 days of clashes, at least 160 people have been killed, most of them Palestinians.

Monday, Israeli helicopters rocketed Palestinian militia headquarters in four cities in the West Bank and Gaza, retaliation for the killing of two Israeli civilians. On Oct. 12, Israeli helicopters struck Palestinian police and security headquarters after two Israeli reserve soldiers were brutally killed when they entered Ramallah by mistake.

The only other soldier killed in combat in this conflict was a paramilitary border policeman.

Unplugged in the UC



Larry Pattis, center, plays a guitar duet with El McMeen Wednesday afternoon in the UC. Pattis and McMeen are currently touring through Utah, Montana and Idaho. They stopped in Missoula on their way to Polson and Whitefish to play the one-hour gig and sell CDs.

Lido Vizzutti/Kaimin

Nader supporters divided in Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A split within the Green Party over Ralph Nader's presidential run erupted into a shouting match Wednesday after four party members said they will vote for Al Gore.

"If George Bush is elected president we (the Green Party) are going to be forced back into reactive mode," said Gary Houser, one of the four who is switching from

Nader — the Green Party candidate — to Gore.

At the news conference, three Nader stalwarts stood at the back of the room shouting at the four new Gore backers — accusing them of being "Gore operatives" and questioning Houser's membership in the Green Party.

Houser pulled out a card that showed he is a member of

the Green Party.

A sharp division has opened up within the Green Party over whether to heed Gore's appeals to vote for him to keep George W. Bush from getting elected.

The division is especially visible in Oregon, considered one of the most environmentally minded states in the nation.

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Crumbling like Cornflakes in the Maize

Column by



Nate Schweber

There I was shrieking like a 12-year-old girl at an N'Sync concert as a man in a hockey mask came at me with a chainsaw in the middle of a blackened cornfield.

Jeepers was I having fun. Last week I rolled down Highway 93 to the Corn Maze (the Maize Maze) north of Hamilton. I went with three fellow Kaiminites, Courtney, Casey and Laurie the Designer (LTD). We also brought Courtney's 13-year-old little sister, Jacque, a match from Missoula Big Brothers and Sisters.

Cruising on the highway, Courtney, Casey and I reminisced about a spook-filled night we spent in haunted Jeannette Rankin Hall last Halloween. We were looking for ghosts for another one of my columns and boy did we find them.

"You guys, I'm really scared," Jacque said listening to our tales of things that went bump in Jeannette Rankin Hall.

"Don't worry," I reassured her. "We're old pros at dealing with spooky stuff. Whatever's in this maze, we can handle it."

We parked alongside 4X4 pickups and a couple RV's and paid the \$4.50 (with a Griz card!) admission to the maze.

I led the posse into the dark, spooky, twisty cornstalks fearing no ghost, ghou or minotaur.

"Dude Nate," Casey said angrily. "You're going the wrong way, you're get-

ting us totally lost!"

"Casey" I said. "We're in a maze, we're supposed to be lost!"

The deeper we went, the more my cockiness abated. All I could see in was rows of dead corn leading into utter blackness. Occasionally a white-faced fellow mazer would appear in the darkness running the opposite direction.

Using the excuse of conserving body heat, I latched onto LTD's arm. Feigning a loss of navigational ability, I let Casey take the lead.

"If someone's gonna die in the corn, it's gonna be Casey because he's from Indiana," I thought to myself.

We were gravitating to the middle of the maze where the screams were loudest, lights flashed and things roared. It was the haunted house section.

At first, the scares weren't too bad. I was able to keep my composure in front of Jacque and even crack a few jokes.

"Oooh look, it's the Conrad Burns section of the maze," I said as we passed by a toxic waste dump.

Still, when a dude walked out of the corn wearing a Scream mask, I shrieked like a banshee.

"AAAAAAA! AAAAAAA! AAAAAAA!" I howled as the thing walked by giving me a puzzled look.

"Whoa there Nate," LTD said. "My arm is going numb."

Just then, a creature leapt out of the corn at us.

"AAAAAAA! AAAAAAA!"

AAAAAAA! I wailed as I squeezed LTD and yanked Casey's sweatshirt toward me.

"Ha-ha suckers!" a pubescent punk taunted, "I really scared you!"

"Aak Nate," Casey gasped tugging his shirt. "You're choking me dude!"

Casey mocked my screams and, like the pubescent dudes trailing us, talked about how scary the haunted house really was.

"I'm not afraid of this place," Casey said charging into a blackened tunnel.

Casey backed out three seconds later with considerably less facial color.

"Dude, it's kinda scary in there," Casey said.

With a vice-grip on LTD, I rolled through the spider-webbed tunnel. When I got to the other side, a pair of hands put a human skull in mine.

"AAAAAA! AAAAAA! AAAAAA!" I yowled.

"Dude, I just gave that dude a plastic skull and he totally freaked out!" the same pubescent punk laughed to his buddies.

Let it seem like I was the only one truly terrified, Courtney and Jacque got so spooked out they fell over when a body dropped from an overhang.

From hangman's bridge, we descended deep into a dark path between tall stalks of twisted, spooky, dead corn. The further we went, the more the hair on my neck stood up and the tighter I grasped LTD.

Casey led the way followed by Courtney and Jacque. LTD and I, meekly, tailed Courtney.

Suddenly, Courtney froze in her tracks. She turned around slowly with the corners

of her mouth pulled tight and her eyebrows parted down the middle of her face. Like a scene from your favorite horror movie, she

spoke the now infamous lines:

"You guys, it smells like two-cycle gasoline," Courtney whined. "That means there's a chainsaw around here."

That's what she gets for growing up on farm — supreme knowledge of machinery. "BRRROOOOWWRRRRRR!!!!" went the instrument of death.

On cue, the cornstalks parted and the chainsaw roared. A man in a Friday the 13th mask leapt from the darkness and charged at us.

"AAAAAAA! AAAAAAA!" I shrieked with what I was sure would be my last breath.

Somehow LTD got the feeling in her arm back. Somehow Casey stopped laughing at me.

"You guys, don't laugh," I pleaded. "This is really scary."

Just then, something else jumped out of the corn.

"AAAAAAA! AAAAAAA! AAAAAA!" I screamed.

"Oh man," laughed the pubescent punk. "This guy is so easy to scare, we should just hang around these people all night!"

MAIZE STATS:
Amount of time to get through the maze: 45 minutes.

Miles south of Missoula the maze lies: 36

Number of times Courtney got lost in the maze: 1

Number of unsuccessful forays Casey and I made to find her: 6

Number of times we considered leaving her: 6

Number of bona-fide ghouls in the maze: 5

Number of times Nate shrieked (very funny, Casey): a whole bunch.

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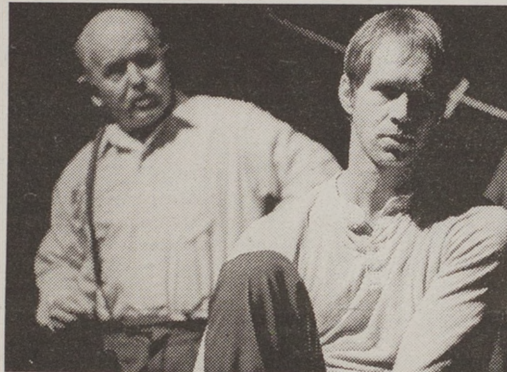


Photos by Lido Vizzutti

Top:
Kelly Boulware pauses before his scene during Wednesday's dress rehearsal of "It's a Wonderful Life" at the University Theatre.

Right:
Gary Fish (Clarence Oddbody) left, and Boulware (George Bailey) rehearse an opening scene in "It's a Wonderful Life" Wednesday evening at the University Theater.

The Montana Repertory Theatre will give a farewell performance of the play 7:30 p.m. Friday after two years of touring. Admission is free. Doors and seating in the University Theatre will open at 6:30 p.m.



Weber brings original guitar music to Missoula

Eric Lynn
Kaimin Arts Writer

Classical guitarist and composer Stuart Weber said the isolation and solitude of Montana life is what keeps his music original. Weber is a Montana native; he was born in Great Falls, spent several years in Missoula, and now lives near the foot of the ski mountain Bridger Bowl, just outside Bozeman.

Weber describes his style as a combination of straightforward classical guitar and modern American folk guitar.

"Metropolitan areas like Denver, Salt Lake (City), and Seattle are filled with many more opportunities for a musician, but moving would mean I'd have to leave behind the core essence of my inspiration," Weber said.

He said the reason people like his music is because

it's original, and the reason that it's original is simply because he is not around a lot of other people who could rub off on him.

His music is played by one man, one acoustic guitar, no vocals and no accompaniment, but Weber's manager, Joanne Eaton, said "People always tell me (Weber's) finger styling is magnificent to behold in concert for guitar players and non-players alike."

Weber, who is in his early 40s, practices 4 or 5 hours every day. He describes his guitar-playing saying: "I'm in love with the craft, and music is the medium to display this craft."

Missoulians may have seen some of Weber's five self-produced CDs in Rockin' Rudy's or may have heard his music played on KUFM, and now they have a chance to see him displaying his craft live.

Weber will perform Thursday at the MCT Center for the Performing Arts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10.



Poet, editor featured at creative writing reading

Eric Lynn
Kaimin Arts Writer

When it comes to poetry, it's always better to read it for oneself than to listen to other people talk about it. We're going to let Christopher Howell's poetry speak to herself.

Howell is the editor for Lynx House Press and Willow Springs Magazine — both based out of Eastern Washington University in Cheney Wash. He is also the recipient of a plethora of awards and the author of six collections of poems, most recently "Memory and Heaven," 1996.

UM's English Department will host Howell reading from his work Friday night at 8 p.m. in the Dell Brown Room in Turner Hall.

This prize-winning poem is more recent than his last book. It was originally published in The Pushcart Prize Anthology 2000, Volume XXIV.

Enjoy.

A Party on the Way to Rome Christopher Howell

In rouge of night lanterns
I saw four of them rise, one trailing
a blanket, and steal to a bunk near
where I pretended sleep.
Beyond the bulkheads and decks the sea
was a rushing dirge by which they cast
that blanket over the man there and began
to hit, hissing "How's this you fucking
faggot bastard?"

Most of us little more than boys, taken off
to war in the usual way, lay listening
to the curses and cries,
When they were done, Chuck, the leader, saw me
watching and could not clear his face of angry, shamed
confusion, a man caught between what was
and what was wrong. Meanwhile,
the beaten one began to scream,
"You let them
do it, you just let them!" Then he went weeping
and bleeding up the ladder, the compartment behind him
quiet as an empty church.

When the MAA, taking his time, came among us,
his flashlight could not wake a single witness
so he left, shrugging, promising Justice.
Aenas endured the distant smoke he knew was Dido
burning. Poor wench. But nothing could sway him
from the path appointed. That is, the free
right life, even the very fruits of empire, was not
so far or difficult to reach, we knew, if one held
steady, unnoticed and on course, if one obeyed
necessity's goddess and could pay
with the kind of fear that pleased her. So smoke
drifted beyond horizon's palpable secret and nothing more
came of it. So on our very own ship a man
had dared not to sail
from whatever called him down to what he was.
So he loved men,
it was more than you could say
for the rest of us.

'Charlie's Angels' kicking serious ass

Review by Dustin Blanchet
Kaimin Arts Writer

Hot girls. Ass kicking. Hot girls kicking ass.

Gentlemen, your attention please. If you value your manhood, you will be in line, frothing at the mouth in the wee hours of the morning the day tickets go on sale for "Charlie's Angels," much the same as Cat-Griz time.

A free of charge (for those with tickets) advance screening of "Charlie's Angels" brought joy to men and women alike Wednesday night in the UC Theater. Prizes were given away before the start of the show to warm up the

audience, but only after the show started did things get hot.

Starring Cameron Diaz, Drew Barrymore and Lucy Liu as the angels, heaven never looked so good.

This action packed film does not deliver tremendous acting, deep philosophy or a powerful message. It delivers 100 percent pure entertainment. Comic relief comes almost as fast and furious as the roundhouse kicks and karate chops, especially with Bill Murray playing the Angel's supervisor, Bosley. Never mind the extended slow motion shots of Diaz and Liu shaking out their hair like a Clairol commercial. At times, the corny nature of some scenes are exploited just

for the purpose of more laughs.

With all the hype surrounding the movie, the great soundtrack may get overshadowed. Destiny's Child, Sir Mix-A-Lot, Fatboy Slim and Aerosmith are hard to ignore and the soundtrack fits the movie to a "T."

Director McG (yes, that's his name) uses Matrix-like camerawork to highlight the bad-assness of the three ladies. The fight scenes go from riveting to somewhat ridiculous, but at no detriment to the action. McG does a great job of transforming three apparently fragile beautiful models into smart, bad-guy-defeating heroines.

Not like they don't know they're beautiful though. Throughout the movie they use every curve to their advantage to gain the upper hand. Now, some women will probably argue that this is demeaning and exploitation of the female body. This movie could not be further from that case. Female empowerment is taken to a new level as these girls shed the typical image of the male hero rescuing a helpless maiden, and become the heroines trying to protect their boss - say it in unison now - "Charlie!"

Did I say that Charlie's Angels didn't deliver a powerful message? Maybe it does. Girls do kick ass.

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Halloween mischief and petty crimes abound at UM

Nate Schweber
Montana Kaimin

While most trick-or-treaters in the University Area behaved themselves, campus was hit by a slew of petty crimes on the most bewitching night of the year.

According to police reports, someone robbed a dorm room, a parked car was hit near Jesse Hall and an unidentified man was knock-

ing on doors clad only in a towel.

A laptop computer was also reported stolen from Knowles Hall dorm room at 12:43 a.m., records report. Lt. Charles Gatewood said the thief entered the room through an unlocked window.

"It's not attributed to Halloween," Gatewood said. "It's attributed to someone not locking their windows."

"It's (computer theft) not attributed to Halloween. It's attributed to someone not locking their windows."

— Lt. Charles Gatewood
Public Safety

Gatewood said public safety officers dusted for fingerprints but couldn't find any.

The stolen computer's serial number was entered into a nationwide database of stolen items.

A car parked near Jesse Hall was damaged in a reported hit-and-run, Gatewood said. According to police records, a group of people videotaped a car hitting a parked car in a lot near the dorm. Gatewood said police are investigating and searching for the video tape. The incident happened

just after 11 p.m.

Around the same time, Public Safety received a report of a man dressed only in a towel knocking on doors around Greek row. Gatewood said officers checked the area and didn't find the man.

Public Safety also received a report of juveniles throwing eggs near Jacob's Island. Gatewood said the juveniles were gone by the time Public Safety officers arrived.

Jazzin' up the Java Bus



Freshman Travis Taylor, a student in MaryAnn Bonjorni's introductory painting class, helps paint the Java Bus in time for the "Day of the Dead" parade Thursday night.

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Griz take on league-leading Hornets

Ryan Divish
Montana Kaimin

There is no time like now for the UM volleyball team to start making their push for the Big Sky Conference tournament.

The Grizzlies will travel to Sacramento to take on the first place Sac State Hornets on Thursday.

UM, 14-11 overall and 6-6 in the conference, is sitting on the proverbial bubble. Only the top six teams get an invitation to the conference tourney and UM is currently sixth. However, a single loss separates the Griz from the fifth and seventh place teams. UM needs to pick up a few wins to solidify their spot and also to gain momentum before heading into the tournament.

Griz head coach Nikki Best said that while wins are important a greater concern will be to make sure her team is playing consistently in the final weeks.

UM is coming off a three-set loss to Northern Arizona and heads into

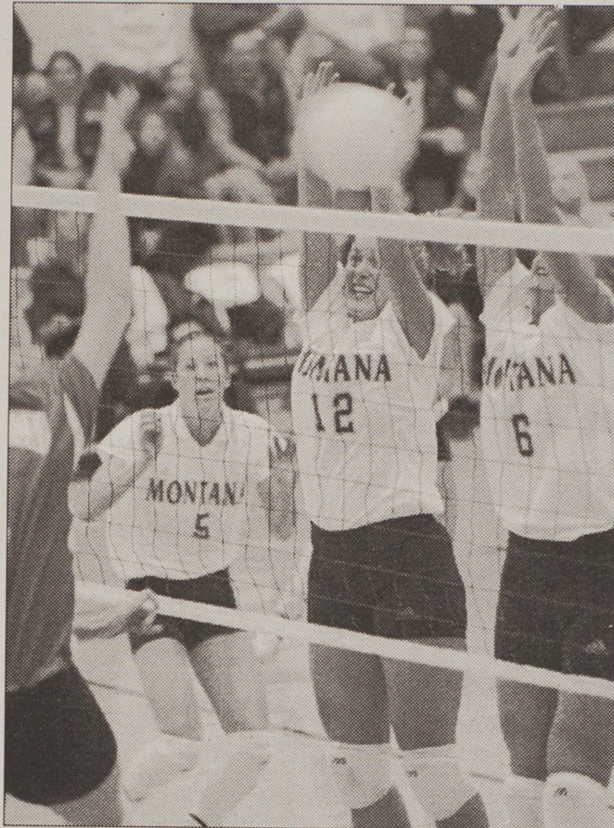
Sacramento having lost to the Hornets in Missoula 1-3 on Oct. 12.

The Griz will be looking for increased production out of its middle specifically Kodi Taylor and Teresa Stringer. The two combined for only nine kills in their last match and Best said they need more output from their middle to maintain offensive balance.

Besides Taylor and Stringer, Erin Adams and Tara Conner must continue their steady play for the Grizzlies to knock off Sac State.

Montana will also have to stop the Hornet's Tasman Dwyer. The senior middle blocker leads the Sac State in kills at 3.81 per game and also leads her team in hitting percentage (.298) and blocks per game (1.50).

After facing Sac State, UM will return home to face Montana State on Saturday in the Montana Classic at 7 p.m. In the Western Auxiliary Gym.



Sophomore middle blocker Teresa Stringer, center, and senior outside hitter Erin Adams, right, spring up to block a spike during Sunday's game against Northern Arizona in the Western Auxiliary Gym.

Lido Vizzutti/Kaimin

OSU's Erickson denies USC rumors

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) - Oregon State coach Dennis Erickson has said it loud enough for Los Angeles to hear: He likes his job and doesn't plan to leave for Southern California.

Rumors have abounded that Trojans coach Paul Hackett, whose team is 0-5 in the Pac-10, will be fired at the end of the season. Erickson, who has guided the Beavers back to respectability and likely will take them to an unprecedented second straight bowl game, has emerged as a possible candidate to replace Hackett.

The issue was pressed further this week when Torrance (Calif.) Daily Breeze columnist Mike Waldner wrote that a deal to bring Erickson to USC was "all but done."

Erickson angrily dismissed the notion at his weekly media conference Tuesday.

"It's amazing, in my opinion that people can write things . . . that are totally not truthful," he said. "I just hate to see it happen, and I don't want my name linked with anything like that. I'm happy here, as I've said many times."

Erickson is in the first year of a five-year contract that pays him about \$600,000 annually, including incentives. Earlier this week, athletic director Mitch Barnhart said he was in the process of reworking Erickson's contract, apparently in an effort to preempt offers from other schools.

Last season, his first at OSU, Erickson helped the Beavers end a streak of 28 straight losing seasons and go to their first bowl game since 1965. He reportedly was offered the job at Louisiana State.

That position went to former Michigan State coach Nick Saban.

Alabama's head coach to resign after season

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) - Alabama football coach Mike DuBose will resign at the end of the season, ending a turbulent and disappointing four-year run.

Athletic director Mal Moore announced the resignation during a news conference Wednesday.

"We both agreed that new leadership is needed to move the program forward," Moore said.

Moore said DuBose would be paid his salary and benefits through January 2002 and there would be "no lump sum payment."

DuBose, 47, a former Alabama player and longtime assistant coach, is under contract through Jan. 31, 2004. His total annual compensation is \$525,000.

DuBose is 24-20 in four seasons as head coach.

Moore said a search would be undertaken for an experienced head coach to replace DuBose, who had never been a college head coach when he took control of one of the country's most prominent football programs.

The athletic director said he would pick a successor without a search committee. He declined to identify any possible successors but said "you always have coaches in mind in these situations."

He said he hopes the announcement will have a positive impact and the team wins the remainder of its games.

DuBose, who worked out final details of the resignation agreement with Moore at mid-day, met with the team Wednesday afternoon prior to the announcement.

He did not attend the news conference, but issued a statement saying he had been fortunate to be part of the Alabama tradition for much of three decades. He thanked players, assistant coaches, fans and alumni for support and commitment.

"Most importantly, I thank God for all the opportunities he give me each and every day," DuBose said.

Moore said that as the season went along it appeared "we were starting a slide or downward spiral" that DuBose could not stop.

University president Andrew Sorensen said DuBose had given a "great effort" but that all agreed "a change in leadership is warranted."

DuBose led the Crimson Tide to the Southeastern Conference crown last year, a season that

began under a cloud after DuBose nearly lost his job in an embarrassing sexual harassment scandal. But with the SEC title, he was touting his team as a national championship contender before the season, which opened with Alabama ranked No. 3 nationally.

The free fall began immediately. The Tide lost three of their first four games and have fallen to 3-5, losing all three nonconference games for the first time since 1955.

"If God intends me to do something, then I will do that," DuBose said.

"Or if I look in the eyes of these young men and know I'm not doing the things I should be doing to help them be a better player, a better student and a better person. And I believe we're doing that."

Grizzlies put six on All-Conference squad

Ryan Divish
Montana Kaimin

To the victor goes the spoils.

And right now the UM soccer team is grabbing all the spoils. Six Grizzlies garnered all-conference selections along with senior Jodi Campbell picking up the conference offensive MVP.

Joining Campbell on the all-conference first team was junior forward Heather Olson and senior midfielder Shannon Forslund. Freshman forward Amy Wronski and senior defend-

er Kerri Houck were named to the second team while freshman Nikki Bolstad was named honorable mention.

Campbell, who hails from Seattle, was second in the league in assists with 11 and she also scored five goals, four of which were game winners. It was the second year in a

row Campbell was named to first team.

Olson also picked up the Golden Boot award that goes to the leading scorer in the



Jodi Campbell



Shannon Forslund



Heather Olson

conference. The Helena native scored 13 goals on the season to run her career goal total to

30 placing her third all-time in Montana history.

Forslund, a Tacoma native, makes her fourth appearance on the first team. She has been also picked up Big Sky

Newcomer of the Year honors, made four appearances on the Big Sky all-tourney team and named team MVP twice in her stellar career.

Wronski was named this year's Newcomer of the year after scoring 12 goals on the season and providing another scoring threat besides Olson and Campbell.

Houck picks up her first all-conference honors. She was the backbone of a defense that allowed only 1.12 goals per game on the season.

Bolstad, only a freshman, is superior athlete who the Griz expects big things from in the future.

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Keenan

Keenan said most of her campaign staff is under the age of 27, and the input of young people has brought an important perspective to her campaign.

Kerri Schneider, a junior in political science and an intern for the Keenan campaign, said she thought it was important that Keenan addressed people on campus about education.

"It's great that students know she's the education candidate," Schneider said.

Keenan said hearing the voices of young people is important both in Montana and in the nation's capital. Therefore, she said, it is crucial they vote.

"I believe that young people can actually make the differ-



Nancy Keenan, Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives speaks in the UC Wednesday to rally votes from students.

ence in this election, whether I win or not," Keenan said.

Sage Yardley, a student involved with YouthVote 2000, said although YouthVote is a nonpartisan effort, she was glad Keenan was on campus to address students and encourage an end to voting apathy.

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"That's absolutely ridiculous," Hiestand said, adding no licensing requirement exists to be a journalist.

Hiestand agreed with Marquand that it's difficult to define journalist.

Anyone with a pen and paper who is gathering news with the intent to distribute it to others could fit the definition, Hiestand said.

The older model of a journalist is changing, Hiestand said, because of the Internet and its potential to disseminate news.

Tracy, however, offered a much simpler definition.

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Schulzke, a resident assistant in Craig Hall, said the rule requiring smokers to stay 25 feet away from buildings is difficult to enforce, illustrated by the amount of smokers congregate right outside dorm entrances.

Business Manager Tyler Disburg, co-author of the resolution, said students give up certain rights upon entering the university, because they agree to adhere to the student conduct code. He said if the resolution helped one student quit smoking, he would be happy.

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