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Low waters leave kayakers without waves to shred, but not in the Alberton Gorge. Kaimin Outdoors gives you the deal, yo.

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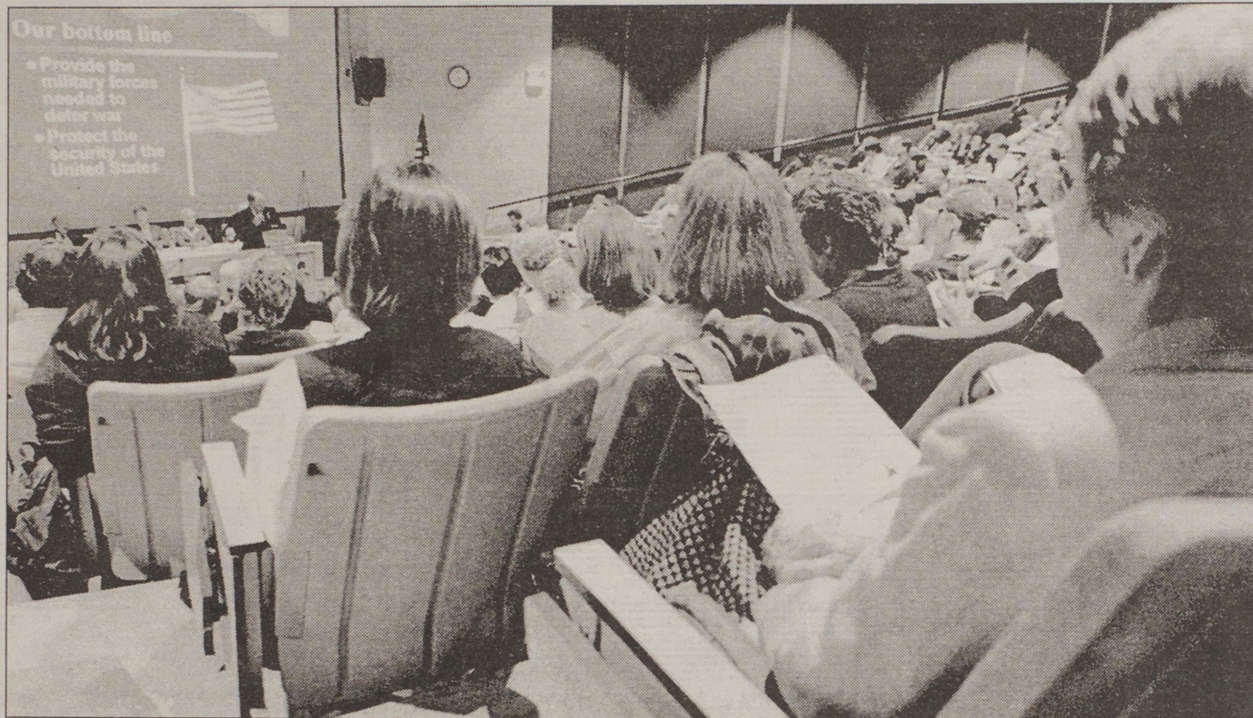
MONTANA KAIMIN

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Thursday

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Experts examine terrorism, U.S. response



Urey Lecture Hall was packed Wednesday for a community dialogue titled "Terrorism in America: What's Next?", sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Montana. The dialogue examined issues surrounding the recent tragedies in New York and Washington, D.C..

Dialogue features guests with military, terrorism and law expertise

Bryan O'Connor
Montana Kaimin

"One man's terrorist is another man's freedom fighter," said UM history professor Richard Drake at a community dialogue on terrorism Wednesday night.

The Montana World Affairs Council hosted "Terrorism in America: What's next?" for a nearly full Urey Lecture Hall. The event featured guests with military, terrorism, ambassadorship and international law backgrounds.

Mark Johnson, director of the MWAC, organized the

panel that included: Drake, who is also a terrorism expert; Sally J. Cummins, international law professor at UM; Lt. Col. James Clegg, chair of UM Department of Military Science; and retired Brig. Gen. Dale Stovall, former Deputy Commanding General of the Joint Special Operations Command.

Drake, the first speaker, concentrated on the definitions of terrorism and political violence. One of Drake's main points involved the semantics of defining terrorism, which has been disputed by academics worldwide.

"I believe the acts of terror that were perpetrated in New York and the Pentagon on Sept. 11 do not fall under the medium of moral and semantic ambiguities," Drake said. Clegg offered insightful

background on how the military and the Department of Defense operate and respond to attacks on the United States, in any form. He stressed that the military is responding to terrorism in a manner similar to any military attack.

"I firmly believe that the attacks were acts of war," Clegg said.

Stovall added some military background from a special operations viewpoint. Having also worked with national media to provide clarification of military jargon, he elaborated on several myths and misinformation commonly purveyed in the press.

"We have to be very careful in what we see and read," he said. "Because we are not going to have good sources, for good reasons."

Stovall pointed out that top military officials will not always be privy to special operations actions until just before they are about to happen, or in some cases, not until long after.

Cummins addressed international law and its role in the crises. She made it clear that the views she expressed during the discussion were personal, and not to be confused with those of the U.S. State Department, which she also works for.

Cummins highlighted the importance of the National Security Council and applauded its past and present attempts to bring Osama bin Laden to justice. She also said it is important to recognize that the United States' actions against terrorism are justified and

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ASUM makes push for student voters

Carmody Sloan
Montana Kaimin

ASUM is so serious about getting students involved in the upcoming city elections, Vice President Matthew Hayes Lindsay is willing to give up half of his paycheck and risk getting a pie in the face.

"I am offering half of my paycheck to the ASUM recognized student group that gets the most people registered to vote," Lindsay said at the ASUM meeting Wednesday evening.

He also said there is a running competition between ASUM and MontPIRG.

"If we get the most registered, we get to give them a pie in the face," Lindsay said. "If they win, they get to give Chris (Peterson, ASUM president) and me a pie in the face."

One of the main reasons ASUM is encouraging students to take an active role in city politics is to combat an occupancy ordinance that could seriously affect students. The ordinance, sent to City Council committee last week, would make it illegal for

more than two non-related people to live in the same house in the University area. The political committee has already been in contact with the Greek houses because they will most likely be hit the hardest if the ordinance passes.

Students and ASUM will have to face taking it to court if the ordinance gets passed by the City Council later this year, said Lindsay.

Senators were encouraged by Lindsay and Tricia Patten, student political action director, to hand out the registration cards in

their larger classes.

Patten spurred volunteers to go downtown. She wants to hit the bars with registration forms in hand to from nine to midnight every night this week, she said.

On Thursday the SPA group will meet at 7:30 p.m. and go to the dorms to pass out voter registration cards there.

ASUM will be registering people to vote in the UC atrium in front of the information office from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the rest of this week and all of next week.

Four wildfires burn steadily in Bob Marshall

Chris Lawrence
Montana Kaimin

Four wildfires continue to burn in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex, though the Birk Fire is only half as big as fire officials first estimated.

Using a helicopter with a global positioning system on Wednesday, fire officials discovered that the Birk Fire is only 3,028 acres in size, instead of the originally reported 6,000 acres, said Allen Rowly, spokesman for the Flathead National Forest.

"There is no immediate threat to property or resources," Rowly said, although the fire's dramatic jump in size on Tuesday — from 200 acres to more than 3,000 acres — drew heavy attention. As of Wednesday however, the acreage had no significant growth.

"It's been noticeably cooler here today," Rowly said. "And we've had 100 percent cloud cover, which reduces fire behavior this time of year."

Three other fires, the 6,825-acre Long/Bergsicker Fire, 270-acre Toboggan Fire and the 656-acre Cannon Fire are also burning steadily in the Bob Marshall area.

The Birk Fire was started by lightning on Sept. 13, and the other three were started sometime in August.

Instead of trying to contain the fires, officials are going to let them burn.

"We are waiting for the end of fire season any day," Rowly said. "I can't imagine why we would want to put people in harm's way."

Under wilderness policy, crews often let fires burn in places like the 1.1 million-acre Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex. And not only that, since no structures or private properties are threatened, the fire will be beneficial for the forests, Rowly said.

"The trees and the wilderness have evolved to the process of fire," Rowly said. "Fire built the system, and it's important to maintain the system."

Because of the fires, closures in the Lolo National Forest include the Dunham Creek Trail, the Shanley Ridge Trail, Lodgepole Creek and the Blackfoot Divide from Ross Creek to Youngs Pass, according to a press release.

In the Flathead National Forest, Spruce Creek, Ross Creek and the Blackfoot Divide from Pyramid Pass to Youngs

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OPINION

Editorial

Sculpting beauty from the rubble

Just as important as the political consequences of the Sept. 11 attack are the ways we express our feelings about the ones we've lost, the ones we blame or our own feelings of America's current state.

Words are not the only way to express emotions.

Art, in its infinite forms, has always been a release of feelings, portraying passion to audiences. We are all artists, whether it's the way a student doodles an American flag on their notebook or sings "God Bless America" at a football game. There are no restrictions on the way we can all communicate by opening up and accepting all reactions.

Whether the form is dance, sculpting, painting, photography or music, it can be considered a way to understand reality — or a way to escape from it — not knowing what is coming around the next corner.

For a brief moment in time, our world stopped. Stopped advertising, persuading, showing off and came to realize what a real-life hero was. We prayed as a nation and as a world for one intimate moment — no commercials, no music videos, just circles of silence and red, white and blue — each a quiet art in its own way.

When Napoleon invaded Spain in the early 1800s, Francisco Goya created a series of prints from wood cuts, called "The Disasters of War," so gruesome, they were not shown in public for years. These pictures of death and war atrocities are now historic. They have a huge impact on people because it is Goya's interpretation of how citizens had to deal with the war.

The public has seen pictures of people jumping out of the World Trade Center and soot-covered firefighters; that is reality. Personal, artistic interpretation of the events is needed to historically preserve reactions and emotions from Americans and around the globe.

What will be produced may seem insignificant now, but eventually it will be a way for generations to comprehend what happened to America on Sept. 11. With an uncertain future, expressions — whether observed or created — might help prepare for what is to come.

On campus, efforts are already being made to reveal feelings in an artistic manner. Red hearts decorate campus sidewalks, a choreographer is creating a 15-minute modern dance piece on war about the past, present and future, and a student concocts an abstract collage with the front page of newspapers from around the world with pictures of smoke and debris.

It's hard to fathom all the opportunities there are around this campus and town to experience or invent art. But we all have something to say about the attacks, and saying it without words can be more intense.

—Trisha Miller



Around the Oval

Do you agree with the proposed city ordinance that would make it illegal for two or more roommates who are not related to live with one another?

Follow up: Where do you live and how many people do you live with?

•Megan McDonald

freshman, liberal studies

"No. Well there are a lot of university students who are desperate and they don't have that much money and they need what they can get."

Florence, 4 roommates



•Tom Moore

senior, English

"Not particularly. I think plenty of places accommodate more than three people. So pile them in."

Rattlesnake, 4 roommates



•Libby Whittman

junior, liberal studies

"Nope. I think there should be the freedom for students to live in the U area as well."

Rattlesnake, 3 roommates



•Steve Ziegowski

sophomore, microbiology

"No. I don't think there's enough reason to support such a decline in freedom."

University Villages, with his wife

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This week in UM history

1949

A story recounting the Aug. 5 Mann Gulch Fire appeared in the first issue of the Kaimin this year, naming six students and one former student among the 13 smokejumpers who died in the blaze north of Helena.

Less than two hours after the crew jumped, the fire had grown large enough to block off their escape route across the Missouri River.

The 13 were the first to die in the 10 years since smokejumping was introduced to the area.

1956

The faculty bowling league expanded from six teams to eight this year, leaving room for 45 to 50 more faculty members in the league.

"Previous bowling experience not required," the article read.

1970

The Student Facilities Committee voted to prevent the distribution of the "Birth Control Handbook" on campus.

The handbook, produced by the Missoula Women's Liberation Committee was not distributed "because of political implications," Barbara Konigsberg of the liberation committee told the Kaimin. She described the handbook as the "frankest birth control pamphlet ever written."

The Student Facilities Committee, backed by Dr. Robert Curry said six "offensive" pictures were hindering the distribution.

Konigsberg said if the committee kept the pamphlet under wraps that the liberation committee would just "print another one."

NEWS

Wednesday's career fair met with mixed reactions

Ted Sullivan
Montana Kaimin

Darren Schuldheiss said a short chat with a company representative and self-promotion is all it takes.

A perfect resume helps too.

Schuldheiss was one of more than 1,000 UM students who were networking with around 100 companies Wednesday at the Big Sky Career Fair.

Schuldheiss, a senior majoring in finance, said students can feel pressure as they enter the real world, but he has taken steps to ease that pressure and land a job.

He is an intern with D.A. Davidson and Co., a brokerage firm, and last summer he got his broker's license as well as his investment advisor's license.

In a competitive job market, Schuldheiss is ahead of the game.

He is sporting a tie, and copies of his resume are in his hand as he chats with representatives from D.A. Davidson and Co., American Express and Edward Jones Investments.

"Ideally you come here to get a job, but it's pretty unlikely," said

Marty Jeffers, a senior majoring in marketing. "There are so many people coming to such a small fair."

Schuldheiss said he might have found an employer.

"I got some positive responses," Schuldheiss said. "I've got some interviews set up for next week."

Meeting employers gives students a chance to learn about the job market, Schuldheiss said, but he had hoped more national companies would be at the fair.

"I'm not too optimistic about a lot of the companies here," Schuldheiss said. "I kind of want to spread my wings and move out of Montana for a while."

Pam Potts, a senior majoring in marketing and management, also did some networking at the fair. She said the fair was full of companies from Montana.

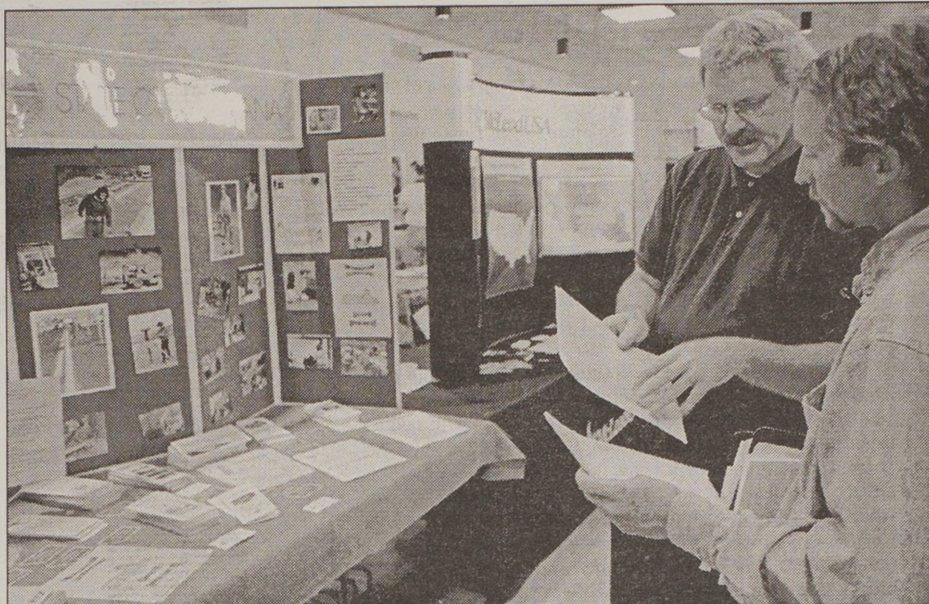
"There is not a lot of opportunities to expand out of state," Potts said. "But it's good to practice communication skills with people in the business."

She agreed that the fair is a great way to evaluate the job market.

"I'm browsing to see what is available, to see if I should go on and get a career, or if I should go to graduate school," Potts said.

Wells Fargo representatives were ready to hire.

"If we find a quality candidate,



Lisa Hornstein/Montana Kaimin

Marty Roos of the State of Montana (left) answers questions from Erik Jacobson Wednesday afternoon at the 13th annual Big Sky Career Fair on the third floor of the UC.

we'll hire them, and we'll make room for them," said Chris Goodwin, a Wells Fargo district manager. "Is it beneficial for the students? It is for the ones who prepare."

Other companies were also hiring at the fair on Wednesday.

"We've taken some applications today for current positions,"

said Carolyn DeYoung, a human resource representative for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana. "We have hired people that we've met at career fairs."

Safeway's representative was also hiring for several open positions.

"We are recruiting for all different types of positions, but it has been a little slower than we anticipated," said Christine Miller, a human resource employment specialist for Safeway.

Sarah Raymond, the program coordinator for career services,

said the fair is not geared to Montana companies and that it is open to all students.

"We really have a good mix of local, regional and national employers," Raymond said. "We have a number of companies open to any major."

It's important for students to attend the fair, Raymond said.

"The way the economy is going, there are going to be fewer jobs," Raymond said. "This is our opportunity to bring recruiters to campus where students can have access to 100 employers."

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OUTDOORS

Bow hunting is an excellent way to hone your targeting skills

Trisha Miller
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Many hunters are dropping their rifles this season, swapping them for the good old bow and arrow.

The popularity of bow hunting continues to grow as it treks into the fourth week of the season — quickly separating the dedicated, the skilled, and most importantly the accurate from rest of the pack.

Cooper Behr, a UM junior, is in his second season with a bow and can attest that it takes hunting to a whole new level.

"It's definitely more difficult. I've killed probably 20 or so deer with a rifle and this was my first with a bow, so this was a lot more challenging," Behr said. "I was excited, thankful and proud of myself."

On a solo expedition last Thursday in the Bitterroot Valley, near a private ranch that Behr had been scouting for a couple of weeks, he sat silent in a tree stand, waiting for the deer to come.

In the evenings, the deer move to the meadow to eat through the dark, and when the sun rises they leave again. "The key to being successful is pre-season scouting. If you do your pre-season scouting you'll find a good spot and see deer every time," Behr said.

The success rate of bow hunting is much lower than the chance of "bagging an animal" with a rifle, said Thomas Baumeister, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks education coordinator. While elk hunters' killing rate is between 20 and 25 percent when using a rifle, he said, bow hunters have less than a 10 percent chance for a kill.

Even though the odds of killing game with archery are reduced, the scouting, practice and six extra weeks of hunting before rifle season, keeps drawing in hunters, including college students.

"We actually get quite a few students. In the off-season, the archery team uses the lanes for practice," said

Paul Roush, manager for the Archery Center of Montana. "We do a good student business, they come in all the time. Even some of the Griz football players come down; they all bow hunt."

Six years ago, Roush said, there were fewer than 26,000 bow hunters and this year a reported 28,000 bow hunting licenses were sold.

"I like shooting a bow, even without the hunting. It's fun and it's relaxing and challenging, like chess. Mentally, you have to use a lot of concentration and hold the same form every time," Behr said.

The precise skill of archery is a primitive technique, requiring devotion to the sport year-round.

"Bow hunting is more of a traditional way to hunt and more challenging way to hunt. It takes a lot more skill and knowledge of animals," said wildlife biology senior John Hudgens.

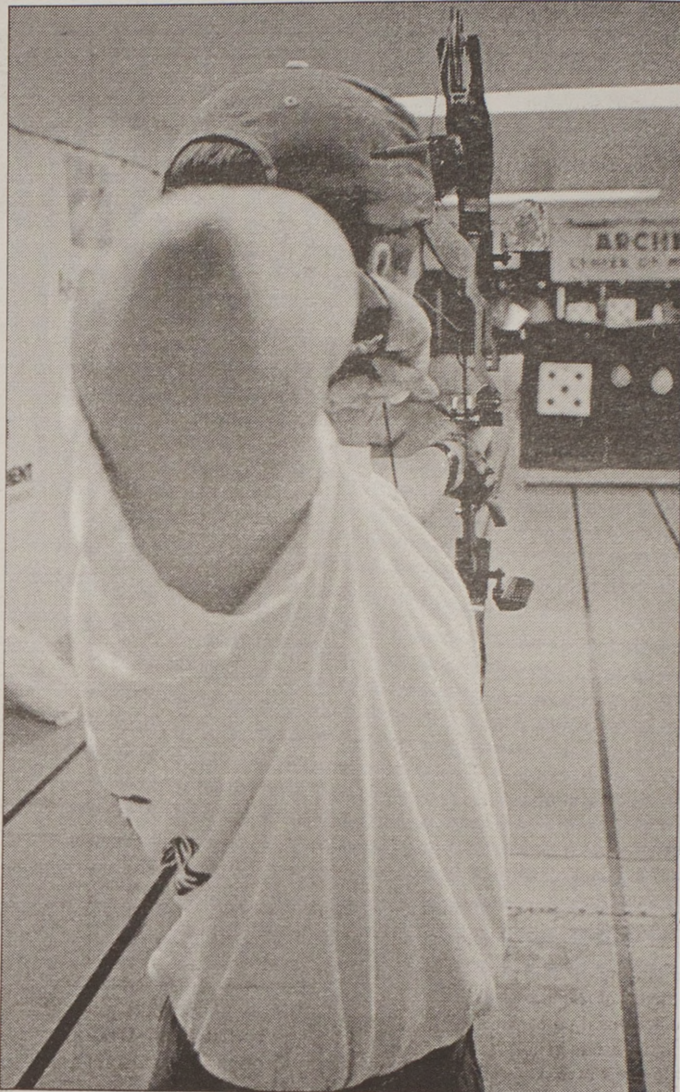
"Your opportunity to get one of those shots is much less than with a rifle. Bow hunting requires you out there all the time scouting out animals, so it's more time consuming and that makes it worthwhile," said Hudgens, a second-year bow hunter.

However, bow hunting can leave game injured if the shot is not accurate.

"You need to practice a lot so you don't hurt the animals. You have to shoot (the animal) in its vitals, a quick humane kill. It will always die when you shoot it, because it will hemorrhage to death because the arrow is so sharp," Behr said. Responsible shots will kill the animal quick so it doesn't run off too far before it dies.

Montana is considered one of the best states for bow hunting, said Baumeister, not only geographically, but Montana has some of the cheapest licenses in the Western states.

"(There is) hardly a better place for archery or hunting than Montana," he said, due to the abundance of access to land for bow hunters. The Lee Metcalf bow-hunting refuge surrounds the land around the Bitterroot River and is



UM graduate student Jake Hachmeister spends his Wednesday afternoon zoning in his ten-yard pen at Archery Center of Montana's indoor shooting range.

George C. Rogers
Montana Kaimin

open strictly for bow hunters. A general conservation license, for Montana residents, costs \$4, and another charge from \$8 to \$20 for each animal the hunter kills.

In addition to a license, bow hunters must also complete a bow hunter education course.

"There are about 150 classes every year all over Montana," Baumeister said. "You just have to take it once and it's good for life."

The four-week class, which became mandatory in 1991, must be completed by July 31, before the season begins the first week of September.

Tossin' a round



Dax Nebel putts on the eighth hole Thursday at Blue Mountain's disc golf course.

George C. Rogers/Montana Kaimin

OUTDOOR REPORT

•The gang at Campus Rec is at it again, leading outings both this weekend and next.

On Sept. 28 they'll be heading into the majestic Mission Mountains on an 11-mile backpacking trip into Heart/Turquoise lake. The cost of the trip is \$44 and includes transportation and guides.

A class on the fundamentals of rock climbing will be held on Oct. 4 at 6 p.m., with a field trip scheduled for Oct. 6, 7. The class will cover knots, rope handling, rappelling and various climbing techniques. It is sure to have you scaling walls like those cats in "Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon" in no time. The \$68 fee covers instruction and all the gear.

On Oct. 6 they'll be leading a mountain bike ride at Curry Gulch in the Rattlesnake, and it won't cost you a thing. Pre-register with the Outdoor Program.

For information about any of these outings stop by Schreiber Gym 201.

•The Alliance for the Wild Rockies will begin the 16th annual Wild Rockies Rendezvous at 7:30 p.m. this Thursday with a keynote address by former Forest Service Chief Mike Dombeck. Other events this weekend include panel discussions, workshops and media presentations.

For a full schedule of events, visit AWR's Web site at www.wildrockiesalliance.org or call them at 721-5420. The cost of the entire weekend is \$15.

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OUTDOORS

Low water doesn't mean low waves in the Clark Fork

Chris Lawrence
Montana Kaimin

Finding a great surf wave on one of Montana's rivers during a low-water year is like trying to find a mountain in Nebraska.

That is, unless you hit the Alberton Gorge, on the Clark Fork River, 40 miles west of Missoula.

About a mile and a half above Triple Bridges, a familiar kayaking put-in, flows a surfer's dream — a steep, four-foot high wave, that only shows its caps during low-water years such as this one.

"Right now this is the best surf wave in the state," said Dan Lochridge, who kayaked the wave last Thursday. "If you just want to come surf, this is it."

The wave, on the Cliff Side 2 rapid, has no formal name. But what it lacks in name, it makes up for in form.

"It's fast — real fast," said Matt Ensign, a kayaker from Billings. "It throws you around pretty good."

Ensign and several others were ripping the wave last Thursday, sometimes carving and spinning for 30 seconds or more at a time.

"It's the ideal play spot," said Jeff France, co-owner of the Board of Missoula, a local paddle and board shop. "It has good eddy service," and the water is deep near it, so if you roll over "you aren't going to lose your head."

What makes the wave so good is its v-shape, steep walls and sizable foam pile on the top, which is capable of holding even a slow boat on the wave, France said.

"I wouldn't rate it world-class, but it's pretty dang good,"



Frank Preston, a UM forestry student, watches Russ Chinske, from Missoula, carve a wave in a Riot kayak on the Cliff Side 2 rapid in the Alberton Gorge last Thursday afternoon. Considering low river flows across Montana and the Northwest, kayakers are calling this wave the best surf in the state.

France said.

On the wave, kayakers are able to pull free-style moves like spins, aerial blunts and backstabs, said France, who has heard rumors of some boaters pulling a difficult move called a flip turn.

Normally this time of year, the wave is washed out, while surfing is good on other waves like Triple Bridges

or Fang.

This year is a different story though.

Handfuls of boaters flock to Cliff Side 2 every day of the week, some just for a park-n-play. On Saturday, as many as 20 boaters lined the river-left eddy, and patiently wait-

ed — sometimes up to five minutes or more — for their chance to shred the wave.

“Right now this is the best surf wave in the state.”

Dan Lochridge
graduate student, kayaker

From 1,750 cubic feet of water per second to 1,900 cfs, the wave is prime for surfing, though it may flatten out or become too steep at other levels, France said.

Currently, the Gorge is flowing at about 1,850 cfs, while fall flows should be near 3,000 cfs, measured from the St. Regis gauge, according to the Board of Missoula Web site.

On a river, waves, holes and other features appear at different flows, but at "almost any level on the Gorge, a wave is going to be in" somewhere, France said.

"From eight feet on down,

there's always something,"

France said. Another good feature on the Gorge right now is the Split Rock hole.

The only downside to the wave is that kayakers have to paddle a mile of flatwater until the next rapid, France said.

Flows may increase by as much as 300 to 500 cfs as farmers and ranchers in Montana ease back on irrigation, which could wash out the wave. But they may already have cut back on their irrigation, France said.

"The bottom line is that we are pretty blessed here," France said. "Even at the lowest of low, we have these features."

Reminded about the wild side of Mother Nature in Glacier Park

Column by



Chris
Lawrence

I spent the first weekend in September getting a closer look at the more treacherous side of Glacier National Park.

The wildfire was expected, but a grizzly bear and her two cubs — that was another matter.

Backpacking during the fall in Glacier is incredible — even when some of it is burning. Most of the tourists are gone, cooler temperatures are great for hiking and if you're fortunate, you can still find some wild huckleberries.

What's amazing about the park is that even after a statewide drought, the plants and trees in Glacier are still green and lush.

By the time my two friends

and I arrived in Glacier, the Moose Fire had already scorched over 50,000 acres — including 10,000 acres in the park.

The fire was out of control, and fire crews weren't even close to making a dent in it.

Smoke blanketed the park, and was so thick over Logan's Pass that Heaven's Peak wasn't even visible, and the sun looked an eerie red through the haze.

Driving past McDonald Lake was surreal. What should have been a sunny, calm day on the lake was blustery and dark. Huge whitecaps rolled into the shore, some maybe even big enough to surf a kayak on. When we stopped for dinner in St. Mary's at the Park Cafe, the wind blew so many ashes through the air that we couldn't even eat outside on the patio.

Seeing the effects of the fire firsthand, it's hard to believe that the process of fire is actually good for the forest, as many fire specialists say. Despite the sketchy fire conditions though, park officials kept Glacier open.

Which was fine with my friends and I. We planned to do a two-day backpacking trip, with a 12-mile hike to a place

called Hole in the Wall, which is in the northern reaches of the park.

To get there, we crossed the border into Canada, and a took a tour boat across Waterton Lake, which traces back into Glacier.

After docking, we shouldered our packs and started the hike. Four-and-a-half hours later, counting a few huckleberry stops and a half-hour rain delay, we arrived at the campground.

Hole in the Wall is on a plateau surrounded by several peaks, including Thunderbird and Carter, overlooking a canyon leading to Bowman Lake, which sits about 2,000 feet below. Through the canyon, we had a direct view of the Moose Fire, an immense plume of black smoke rising above the mountains. Within about 10 miles, the fire was close enough for a spectacular view, yet far enough away to feel safe.

Hiking through the forest on the way out the next day, we came upon two hikers, whom we met earlier at the campground.

They had just seen two Grizzly cubs wandering down

by a dried-up lake, which was close to the trail. Ironically, the summer I worked in West Glacier as a raft guide, I always complained that I never got to see a grizzly.

By the time we looked where the cubs had been, they were gone.

Fearing that mama was still around, the two hikers, who didn't have any bear spray, decided to join us.

Around the next corner, there she was, all 400 pounds or so of her, just 50 yards away, eating berries from a bush just off the trail.

She hadn't heard us yet, perhaps because of the wind. The four of us stood behind my friend Brandon, who wielded a can of bear spray. Finally, someone made a noise, and the grizzly turned and stood up, a pose like you'd see on a show like "When Animals Attack." As the bear stood up, the five of us let out a harmonic "we're screwed" groan.

All the films I'd seen on Grizzlies never did justice to how fast they are. Here's how fast: as we backed up after she saw us, I looked behind me for a split second so I wouldn't trip. I looked up again to see if she

had charged, but she was gone.

After waiting for five minutes, we continued down the trail, where we could see footprints alluding to her escape.

It happened so fast I don't even remember being scared. There wasn't even time for an explicative. She was there, then she was gone.

With so many "humanized" grizzlies in the Park, who knows what kind of bear we could have happened upon. I've heard too many stories ... But the encounter didn't fit with how I imagined it would be. This grizzly seemed private, maybe even shy.

With all the tourists and hikers that filter through Glacier, it's easy to forget that it is, above all, wild. Seeing the Moose Fire and the grizzly firsthand were my wake-up call. After dozens of backpacking trips and peak climbs without an incident, it's easy to lose respect for wilderness areas like Glacier. For those who do, life will quickly remind them just how much is out of their hands. When venturing to the serenity of places like Glacier, preparation will help, but above all, take some humility.

News

UM's latest SPA director focused on community involvement

Carmody Sloan
Montana Kaimin

Tricia Patten, UM's new student political action director, said working as an intern at the state Legislature in Helena last spring gave her the experience she needed to take charge on campus this year.

Patten, a senior in political science, was voted the new SPA director at the Sept. 19 ASUM meeting.

One of the reasons Patten applied for the position was to get students informed about what is going on in the community. So far this semester,

she has worked to register students to vote and to educate them on this year's issues.

Her belief that students need to be more involved in politics was Patten's major motivation for pursuing the SPA director job.

While applying, she was asked what three issues she thought were most important to students.

"One was rising tuition," Patten said, "We just sort of pay our bills with student loans and not pay attention; a lot of students have a huge debt."

"Transportation too. We

need to come together to relieve some of the problems, and to promote biking and walking," she said.

The one issue Patten is most concerned with is the proposed change in occupancy standards in Missoula. It was revamped and is on the table for the City Council.

The occupancy standard would allow no more than two unrelated people to live together in the University area, she said, and no more than four anywhere in Missoula.

"Our first priority is to get people motivated," she said.

The SPA office will be distributing voter guides two weeks before the election, and on Wednesday, Oct. 14 they will be having a candidate forum to get students asking potential Missoula City Council members questions.

Patten had to field some difficult questions from the committee of ASUM senators that recommended her for the SPA director job.

"I felt like it was kind of a challenge, kind of intimidating," Patten said. "Going in, I felt pretty timid."

The interviewing committee did not see it, though.

"I think Tricia is going to do really good at a lot of things," said Heather O'Loughlin, the interviewing committee chair. "I think people are really going to listen to her."

O'Loughlin said Patten's great strengths are that she's very approachable and in touch with the community.

"We just wanted to see someone who had the knowledge of what was going on in the community and the state," O'Loughlin said.

As for weaknesses, Patten admits she has at least one.

"I like to succeed, I take on a lot and I'm really hard on myself if I fail," she said.

Her biggest challenge this year might be getting students educated on the local politics for the October election, said Patten.

"My main goal, I think, is to get campus more aware and motivated in terms of our role in local and state government," she said. "We have a powerful voice, and we want to be heard."

Many students will not be affected by the occupancy standard because, she said, if it does pass, it will not be effective until at least 2003.

"Even when you're gone, students are still going to be contributing to the community," she said. "People are going to live where it's convenient for them to go to school."

The senate has been in the UC Atrium handing out voter registration cards, and informing students of the impending ordinance all week. The deadline for voter registration is Friday, Oct. 5.

In the future, too, student support will be needed, Patten said, because the city council will not vote on the proposal until December or January.

"Even after the election is over we want people to go to City Council and tell them that this is important to us."

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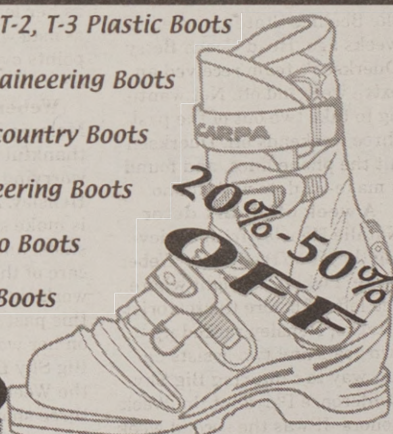


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KAIMIN SPORTS

Note to unruly Griz fans: enough is enough

Column by



Ian Costello

There's nothing better than Grizzly football —

being at the game, sitting in section 119, row one, seat seven or eight, feeling the warm sunshine on half of my face, drinking cool water and still trying to shake my hangover.

There's nothing better than Grizzly football — the crowd cheering, my head pounding, the Grizzlies winning, some jackass throwing something onto the field.

There's nothing better than ... wait a minute.

Some jackass throwing something onto the field. A pestilence on an otherwise perfect day watching Montana football.

Enough of it. I'm sick of it. Stop throwing things onto the field.

I know the little white footballs and empty beer cans aren't exactly collector's items, but no one on the field needs them either. I know that even though you might be the first to

yell "Montana!" when announcer Peter Christian says "Firrrrrst Dooooown...", you are also the first to get that look of idiocy and throw something onto the field when Christian asks you to please refrain from doing so.

And last week it got so bad, Head Football Coach Joe Glenn had to turn and yell at members of the student section to stop throwing things onto the field.

Are you six years old? Seven? Eight? If so, there is a rather competitive game of "kiss or kill" and a whole colony of ants to burn with a magnifying glass at Bonner Park most Saturdays. There's lots of events that would fit your maturity level better than hanging out with adults at a college football game.

Maybe the word "adults" raises the bar to an unacceptable level when it comes to dealing with those sitting in the student section. I don't think so. Some adults are drunk at the game, some adults yell at the refs, some adults use foul language. But no one that I would refer to as an adult throws things onto the field.

Safety of the players and field personnel aside, it's just stupid, immature and childish.



Mike Cohea/Montana Kaimin

Griz fans show their unhappiness with a referee's call during a recent Griz game.

The UM Cheer and Dance Squads deserve their fair share of blame for the situation as well. Quit throwing things into the stands you know damn well are going to be thrown right back out. How many times do we need to go over this?

Take the little white footballs and stuffed bears to the sections where families sit and distribute them there. Even though a six-year-old will get their hands

on something to throw, it is unlikely that they would be childish enough to throw it back. That activity is reserved for the jackasses in the student section.

Coach Glenn said he was disappointed in the action of some of the Montana student fans this weekend. He said he feels UM students have more class than that. And I can't help but agree. But, just like in every-

thing else in life, there is a small percentage of the group trying to ruin things for everyone.

It is time to grow up and quit acting like a spoiled elementary school kids. Start acting like an adult and stop throwing things on the field.

I would like to enjoy perfect days of Grizzly football on Saturdays for the rest of the year.

• Net News

Women's Big Sky soccer and volleyball updates

Bryan Haines

Montana Kaimin

— Soccer

Unexpectedly, Montana will be on the road Friday instead of at home, resting. After having their road trip to the Beehive State canceled two weeks ago, Head Coach Betsy Duerksen's team received an extra weekend off. Not wanting to take two out of the past three weekends off, Duerksen hit the phone lines, and found a make-up date with Idaho.

A week off didn't deter Natalie Hensley from achieving the same results for Weber State. Picking up right where she left off before the terrorist attacks, Hensley racked up two goals and two assists on her way to capturing Big Sky Conference Player of the Week honors. It was the second week in a row that Hensley has

claimed the award. Hensley has been making life miserable for opposing goalkeepers all season. She leads the Big Sky in goals, finding the back of the net six times. Hensley is also finding open teammates, as her league-leading six assists will attest to. Her 18 points overall lead the conference as well.

Weber State goalkeeper Melanie Stratford must be thankful she doesn't lose sleep worrying about stopping Hensley. All Stratford has to do is make sure she stops enough shots, and Hensley will take care of the rest. Stratford worked the net to perfection this past weekend, going 2-0 on her way to being named the Big Sky Defensive Player of the Week. Stratford stopped three shots in relief against Wyoming to register the win. She then played all 90 minutes

and made nine saves to lead WSU to a 4-1 win over Santa Clara.

If you are on, shoot. If you are off, shoot until you are on. That is the mantra that Portland State must be living by this season. The Vikings, losers of their last six, are certainly not on, but that has not stopped them from firing the ball. PSU is third in the league in shots with 76, and is second in the Big Sky with 19 corner kicks. All those shots have not resulted in goals for PSU, however, they've scored only three goals in seven games averaging one goal for every 25 shots.

— Volleyball

Hey Griz fans, in case you were wondering where the volleyball team has been and if they are ever going to play at home again, your wait is over. After spending the past three weeks on the road, living

out of suitcases and playing in front of foreign crowds, the Griz are back at home this weekend. Friday night UM plays host to Weber State, and Saturday they tangle with the Bengals of Idaho State. Friday night's start time is at 6 p.m., an hour earlier than usual. Saturday night's match will get underway at the normal 7 p.m. starting time. Both matches are in the Western Auxiliary Gym.

Titans clashed Saturday night in Eastern Washington, and for the first time in 30 matches, the home team came up short in the end. Putting a halt to the third longest home winning streak in the nation, the Montana State Bobcats also stamped an early claim in the Big Sky conference race. It did not come easy, as the Eagles took MSU to the five-game threshold. In fact, MSU

battled back from a 2-1 deficit to collect the win by the scores of 30-27, 29-31, 18-30, 30-27 and 15-11. When the scores from the match are added up, EWU actually came out ahead, 122-126. The conference title will probably be on the line when the two teams meet again on Oct. 19 in Bozeman.

Montana State is not only dominating play throughout the Big Sky Conference, the Bobcats are also making a mark nationally. MSU is fourth in the nation in blocks, sending back 3.9 a game. The Cats are also tied for first in the nation in win percentage, boasting a perfect 10-0 record. Individually, Karin Lundquist is ninth in the nation in blocks with 1.88 a game, while Julia Handwerk is 19 with 1.6. Julia Schaefer is also 10th in the nation in digs, working up 4.4 balls per game.

Rodeo Team ropes high hopes for season's last go-around

Bryan Haines

Montana Kaimin

One more weekend of aching, hurting, sprained, bruised and bleeding bodies. Only one more go around of wrestling 500-pound animals to the ground and holding on for dear life aboard a crazed horse or bull. Only one more rodeo, and then the Montana Rodeo Team can relax and mend their bodies through the winter.

But before they can do that, UM needs to remain focused through the weekend.

The final Big Sky regular season rodeo of the fall season is this weekend in Dillon, and members of the UM's rodeo team will not be just going through the motions

in order to get to the break.

"This rodeo is very important to the whole team," men's Captain Casey Olsen said. "Since standings carry over from the fall season to the spring season, everyone knows that they have to score points."

When the spring season starts in April, all the fall season statistics are carried over and from there, the top two go the College National Finals Rodeo, the Rose Bowl of college rodeo.

This year the finals are in Casper, Wyo., June 11-16.

Heading into the final rodeo of the fall season, there are several cowboys and cowgirls who are on a roll from last weekend's rodeo in Havre. Dustin Headley made

it through enough eight-second rides to score 141 points and win the bareback riding. Headley is the top bareback rider in the region heading into Dillon this weekend.

Olsen also rose from the dust in first, pairing with Travis Preuit of the University of Montana-Western to win the team-roping competition with an average time of 16.2 seconds. In team-roping, cowboys are allowed to pick their partner, no matter what college they are from.

Billy Burt was fourth in the bull riding while Ross Eckoff finished fourth in the calf roping to round out Montana's average placers.

In rodeo, there is a short go-

around and a long go-around.

The top ten in the long-go are invited back to the short-go. The overall champion is the cowboy or cowgirl who has the highest average after the two rounds.

"There are a lot of points out there for the taking in the two rounds and the average," Olsen said. "You can do really well in the long-go, but then do poorly in the short-go, hurting your overall average and you don't get many points."

In retrospect, a cowboy can hang in the middle of the pack after the long-go, then win the short-go and possibly the average, accumulating a lot of points for his or her team.

On the women's side of the

corral, UM took home top honors behind freshman Maquel Lufkin. She won the barrel racing, with an average of 33.85 seconds in the long-go and short-go. It was the third time in four outings that Lufkin won the barrels.

Teammate Heidi Wilkinson also did well in the barrels, guiding her horse around the barrel-triangle with a 33.99 average, good for third overall.

Behind those two, Montana's women's team took home first place, with 210 team points.

"The women's team is really doing well this year," said Wilkinson, the team captain. "Maquel is having a wonderful season and everyone is working hard."

NEWS

Fires

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Pass are also closed.

As of Wednesday, wildfire smoke was visible in Missoula, though some thought it was from the tire fire burning near Polson.

"The winds (on Tuesday night) brought the (wildfire) smoke right into Missoula," said Dave Levinson, a meteorologist with the Bureau of

Lands Management.

Elsewhere in Montana, the Moose Fire, burning north of Whitefish and in parts of Glacier National Park "is still rumbling," and increased to more than 70,000 acres on Wednesday, said Pat Cross, spokesman for the Department of Natural Resource Conservation. The fire is 45 percent contained.

Panel

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legal.

Laws concerning the use of force against enemies is controlled by the UN charter, she said. Article 51 of the charter states that the UN will not impair a country's inherent right to self defense from acts of war, Cummins said.

"Can it be applied to terrorism?" she asked. "Clearly what happened removed any doubt on that issue."

Johnson, who spent many years in the Middle East, said the actions of bin Laden and his allies are a gross distortion of Islam.

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"What we are seeing is not the true face of Islam," he said.

He closed by reading a passage from the Koran.

"In the long run, evil in the extreme will be the end of those who do evil," he said.

After Johnson spoke, the floor was open to the audience for questions and comments. Several questions were raised about bin Laden and the looming war, which many are struggling to understand.

One woman asked the panel if there is a threat of nuclear war.

"We are not in the nuclear business," Stovall said. "We learned that lesson."

Mt. Sentinel trails to receive facelift

Chris Lawrence
Montana Kaimin

The droves of students and community members who file up the "M" and other trails on Mt. Sentinel take a toll on the familiar hiking spot.

The near-constant use has tens the spread of many non-native plants and erodes hiking trails—especially many of the steep switchbacks.

"Whenever you look up at the hill, it's got a constant stream of people, seven days a week," said Vicki Watson, a UM environmental studies professor. "Where else do you have a trail right next to more than 10,000 people?"

As part of National Public Lands Day, several student and community volunteers will gather Saturday to help restore the natural ecosystem on Mt. Sentinel, Mt. Jumbo and Waterworks Hill.

"It's a chance for the campus community to give back to Mt. Sentinel," said Marilyn Marler, a weed control specialist at UM.

Volunteers will pull weeds, plant wildflowers and do some light trail maintenance, Watson



Damon Ristau/Montana Kaimin

Knapweed flourishes on the "M" trail on Mt. Sentinel, but volunteers will gather Saturday to help restore the hillsides of Mt. Sentinel, Mt. Jumbo and Waterworks Hill by pulling weeds, planting wildflowers, and doing light trail maintenance.

said. All the weeds that are pulled will be put in bags and hauled away.

Junior Erin Anderson, said the clean up will be positive for Mt. Sentinel.

"I try and hike the "M" or "L" at least once a week," Anderson said. "When people hike off the trail, it definitely hurts it."

Over the years, foreign plants like napweed, leafy spurge and toadflex have emerged where wildflowers

once thrived, Marler said.

"It's really a well-developed problem," Marler said. "The weeds have been up there for decades."

While the weeds spread on their own, humans—especially those who hike off designated trails—have compounded the problem.

"If people hike off the trails, it causes soil disturbance and they drag the seeds with them," Marler said.

Pulling weeds has proven to be an effective way to handle the problem—even more effective than using herbicides, Watson said.

"Humans are the only thing that can be selective in between pulling noxious weeds, and leaving the native ones," Watson said.

The event will be a good opportunity for those with a conservation mindset, Watson said.

"The hill is being loved to death just by the sheer number of people using it," Watson said. The event on Saturday will help "humans be part of the solution, rather than the problem," she said.

The clean up begins at 11 a.m. at each trailhead, and volunteers are encouraged to bring water and gloves.

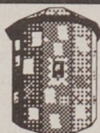
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MR HIGGINS SELLS IT ALL FOR LESS THAN \$10.00! USED - VINTAGE - COSTUMES - LEVISE! 612 S. HIGGINS Garage sale/Bike sale - UM Facilities Services (follow signs from eastside of stadium), Thursday, September 27, 2001, 8am to noon. Items for sale: desks, furniture, miscellaneous equipment, miscellaneous scientific equipment, refrigerators, computers removed from previous university service (AS-IS) and bicycles sold in a silent auction.

Full size KEGERATOR with freezer. All new components; faucet coupling tap, tubes, CO2 gauges, and drip pan, 15 lbs. CO2 tank included. \$460 Call Mike @ 370-0111

1985 Jeep Cherokee four wheel drive. Excellent hunting rig, solid winter wheels. Four extra studded tires with rims. \$2000 363-6391

AUTOMOTIVE

1994 Mazda Protégé, 5 spd. 97K miles, very dependable, \$3500. Call 728-7946

1992 Nissan Stanza XE 4 dr sedan, man. trans. New tires & new snows. 100K mi. Well maintained, excellent condition. \$3300 OBO. Ph. 549-4384

Subaru Legacy for sale. '90 sedan. Great in snow. Call 880-0633, Kelly. \$2500

FOR RENT

WEEKEND RUSTIC GETAWAY \$22-\$55/night ROCK CREEK CABINS 251-6611 lrdapscas

Country house suitable for 1 or 2 persons. On horse ranch near Frenchtown. \$500/mo. Possible exchange of rent for chores. Anita 626-2429.

Log cabins for rent. 1 & 2 BR. Cozy, furnished. Wilderness views, 2 mi. private Rock Creek frontage. 200-acre common area. All util. Pd. \$535 to \$825/mo. Dep. Rent through mid-May. No pets. 20 mi. E. of Msl. Elkhorn Guest Ranch on Rock Cr., 406-825-3220.

MISCELLANEOUS

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ALTERNATIVES TO WAR? We have information and ideas for action, and we're a place for you to share yours. Jeannette Rankin Peace Center 519 S. Higgins 543-3955

ATTN students: Golden Key Honor Society is meeting today! 5pm in DHC 117. See you there.