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MONTANA KAIMIN

Kaimin is a Salish word for paper

Thursday

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Let it snow



Angie Fox battles the cold weather in the Oval Wednesday afternoon on her way to class.

Lisa Hornstein/Montana Kaimin

UM departments asked to adopt families for Christmas

Ted Sullivan
Montana Kaimin

In the spirit of the holiday season, UM's Volunteer Action Services is asking departments to adopt a family for Christmas and donate presents to families in Missoula that can't afford their own.

"It's the season of giving and this is a pretty easy way to do it," said Afton Russell, community service project coordinator for VAS. "Most of the families don't have much income, so they appreciate any help they can get."

Missoula's Salvation Army sponsors 850 families in the Adopt-A-Family program and VAS is asking for UM departments to adopt 35 families.

"We're just asking each department to call us up," Russell said. "They can have one family, or they can have four or five families."

Each family in need contacts the Salvation Army and fills out an application. The Salvation Army screens their income level and gets information on what the family would like for Christmas, said Nancy O'Connell, the Adopt-A-Family coordinator.

"There is a lot more people in need here than we realize," O'Connell said. "For families receiving (donations), it gives them the message that other people in the community care about them."

Most families ask for clothing, food for Christmas dinner and gifts for their children. Even \$5 can be a significant contribution, Russell said.

"Instead of donating to a charity, they're actually purchasing gifts for a family," O'Connell said.

Volunteer Action Services wanted to help the Salvation Army sponsor the program to make it easier for departments to get involved in the Christmas season, Russell

ASUM VP resigns, replaced by Sen. O'Loughlin

Carmody Sloan
Montana Kaimin

ASUM's vice president announced his resignation at Wednesday's senate meeting because he will graduate at the end of the semester.

Christopher Peterson, ASUM president, brought Matthew Hayes Lindsay's resignation up in his report and called on Sen. Heather O'Loughlin to replace him. It was seconded and voted on by the senate, making O'Loughlin the vice president to be sworn in next Wednesday.

While Peterson said jokingly he is excited that he finally gets

the teal chairs from Lindsay's office, he said he was disappointed when Hayes came to him on Wednesday, but that he sort of expected it.

"I was suspecting he wanted to graduate for the past couple of weeks," he said. "I'd actually thought about the potential of Hayes resigning."

Lindsay originally was going to get his degree in political science and then stay next semester and finish another degree in art.

"I decided that I'm going to wait to get my second degree, so I'll be graduating this next

month," he said. "I need a break from school."

But he isn't turning over his gavel, hitting the road and not looking back.

"I'll be involved the rest of the time this semester," he said. "I'll be showing Heather the ropes."

The future is up in the air for now, Lindsay said. He'll be looking for a job somewhere, and leaving Missoula for a while.

"The hardest part of graduating is leaving ASUM," he said. "But I'm leaving it in good hands."

The office of vice president will be taken care of well, Peterson said. He has a good relationship

with the senators and is confident in the decision he made.

"Heather has shown, for the past three years I've known her, to be organized, diligent, and has the ultimate student good in mind," Peterson said.

He consulted Jon Swan, the business manager, and Lindsay about who to put in the office and both of them had O'Loughlin as a possible choice as well, Lindsay said.

"I'd thought about who would be best to fill my position, as well," he said. "And Heather was at the top of my list. I think she's

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Resolution against calendar change gets ASUM's nod

Carmody Sloan
Montana Kaimin

The ASUM senate passed a resolution Wednesday that takes a stand against the administration shortening intersession.

The resolution by Sen. Ali Tabibnejad, which voiced the same sentiment as the faculty senate and the calendar change committee, stated that the stu-

dents wanted to keep the intersession long.

Sen. Jacob Otoupalik was the only senator voting against the resolution.

One of the arguments against the change was that students use that time to make money for the upcoming semester.

"You're all students, and you know how bad you are at saving

money," Tabibnejad said. "Money that you make at the beginning of the summer you probably won't be saving."

Sen. Henry Griffith said the faculty and students depend on that break.

"Many departments on campus have built their programs around the five-week intersession," he said.

One of the senators, Stephen Sticka, sat on the calendar task force, which Dennison appointed to examine the idea of taking three weeks off intersession and adding it to the end of the semester.

"All but two on the task force were against a calendar change," he said.

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OPINION

Editorial

This Christmas, give gifts to the most appreciative

Last Friday, the annual madness and complete insanity known as Christmas shopping officially began, with the busiest day of shopping coming the day after Thanksgiving.

Droves of people, with most carrying around an extra 10 pounds of turkey and sweet potatoes in them, were lining up at 5 a.m. or earlier at stores like Target and ShopKo to get the best selection and prices on gifts.

Christmas invokes thoughts of Santa, Rudolph, Frosty, trees, lights and eggnog. But when it comes down to it, Christmas is all about the gifts.

It's all about what you got, how cool it is, how much you got and what your new toys can do.

People may say that Christmas is supposed to be spending time with loved ones and friends, but those people had better damn well be giving you a DVD player or there will be hell to play.

America's infatuation with gifts begins at an early age, as elementary kids in school instantly compare what one other got the moment they get back from Christmas break. It was like this way back when we were in elementary.

The kid who got the coolest Transformer or the brand new Nintendo game was instantly popular, mostly because we wanted to go over to his house and play with everything he got.

That gift-giving spirit, or more accurately, the need to receive gifts, carries with us throughout our life.

Unfortunately, there are kids who spend every Christmas with an empty tree. Kids who aren't visited by Santa, or even their own parents for that matter.

It doesn't have to be that way, or at least not that bad.

All over Missoula there are organizations set up that donate gifts to underprivileged youth. In Southgate Mall there are Toys-For-Tots bins set up in front of Sears, Kay-Bee Toys, and J.C. Penny's where you can drop off toys for children.

If you think that one toy will not matter to a child, you are wrong.

Last year, each member of the Missoula pool of the Montana Officials Association donated a gift to Big Brothers and Big Sisters to be distributed to needy children. When the organization came to pick up the gifts at one of the meetings, a couple of kids came with. When they got there, the pool gave a gift to each of the kids to open early.

A 7-year-old boy eagerly opened his and, after ripping the wrapping to shreds, his eyes and face instantly lit up.

His gift: a three-pack that had a basketball, football and a soccer ball in it. By his reaction, you would have thought he had just been given the entire Digimon action figure collection.

The kid was just ecstatic to have something of his very own.

All over campus, thousands of students will be buying gifts to give to family and friends. While gift giving is great and something that is fun, stop and think a minute when you are at Hastings or wherever your shopping adventures take you. Sure, your best friend would probably like a new CD, but do they really need it? Instead, why not give a gift to a kid who truly needs it, and will greatly appreciate it.

Every child deserves something on Christmas, no matter how small it is.

—Bryan Haines



Around the Oval

Now that winter is here, what do you think about the drastic drop in temperature?

Follow up: How cold do you think it is today?

Note: When the questions were asked, Wednesday's temperature was 24 degrees, with a wind chill of 8 degrees.



•Deonna Klein
junior, communications

Why didn't I go to school in Arizona or California? Eighteen degrees.



•J. Bob Yarger
senior, Spanish

It's the on coming of snow, so I like it. Ten to 15 degrees, maybe with the wind chill below zero.



•Erik Berreke
sophomore, general studies

I was gone and just got back and I was very surprised at the weekend changes in the weather. Without the wind chill I think it's 30 degrees.



•Lisa Troisi
senior, liberal arts

It's not bad actually. I feel pretty good. I'd say it's 34 degrees with a wind chill factor of a lot.



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This week in UM history

1929

"Hi-Jinx Act Restored by Women's Censorship Group," headlined the Kaimin.

At a time when fraternities and sororities were at full power at UM, they put on a "Razz Production" every December. The girls had to get the dirt on the hottest guys on campus and they'd dish it in a play they wrote for the guys to perform.

This year's theme: "Horrrifying the American Girl."

A women's censorship committee believed it to be, "highly personal in nature," however they allowed the show to go on.

Men in the show stated, "The show will be the cleanest ever produced ... Personalities will be gone into and reputations ruined, but it will be all good clean fun."

What would the censorship committee think of the "Vagina Monologues"?

1951

Les Brown's "Band of Renown" visits UM for the quarter's second big dance. The big band will be sporting zoot suits while playing 'til midnight. The University permitted women to be out until 1 a.m.

If you were looking for a good weekend date, gas up the ol' jalopy for 28 cents a gallon and take your date to see "The Birds" by Alfred Hitchcock.

1975

Montana schools may soon adopt a semester system, reported the Kaimin. "Doonesbury" is featured in the Kaimin. Missoula was dubbed "Biking Capital of the World" by Bikecentennial, a nationwide bicycling group. Environmentalists were protesting sheep ranchers for setting poison traps to kill coyotes. And finally ... Rusty Rhodes came to UM to lecture on the Kennedy assassination conspiracy.

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OPINION

Letters to the editor

Stop bombing in Afghanistan

Winter approaches in Afghanistan. As the United States' war in Afghanistan enters its fifth week, increasingly dire warnings can be heard around the globe. Last week the United Nations announced that seven million human beings in Afghanistan are in risk of starvation this winter and an immediate cease to hostilities is necessary so that aid convoys can reach remote villages before snowfall closes mountain passes.

Seven million lives. Not soldiers, not terrorists, but women, children, men, every life sacred. Human beings trapped in a desolate landscape torn by 20 years of warfare.

The Mujahedeen were Reagan's "freedom fighters," like the contras in Nicaragua, these warriors served as American mercenaries in the cold war. Proxy wars fought far from our soil, but with the full military and financial support of the United States government.

The desperation of hunger and fear, bodies huddle against the cold. People who life in mud huts barricading themselves against the onslaught of \$10,000 bombs. These are the realities that our actions create.

George W. Bush assures us

that we are in the right. This is the interplay of good and evil and will arise triumphant. Seven million lives at risk and American bombs continue to fall. Let us show the greatness of our nation. Let us exercise wisdom, compassion and reflection. Let the bombing stop and the aid convoys begin. Winter approaches.

Ray Vinkey
graduate student,
wildlife biology

Letter had no point

I usually hold the writers of editorials (letters) in high esteem, that is, when they at least have a point. As for David Werner's thoughts on skateboarding and Britney Spears, I wonder if those are the only issues in his life that are important to take the time and write an editorial letter about. I knew people liked the sound of their own voice, but I did not know that people also liked the sight of their own words. Maybe I should direct this to the Kaimin for deeming the editorial (letter) newsworthy, or maybe it's just me.

Paul Howie
sophomore, geography

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ters@kaimin.org. Remember to keep your thoughts under 300 words and leave a phone number for verification purposes.

Models in media unhealthy for society

I recently did a speech on role models in the media, specifically Britney Spears. I just wanted to raise people's awareness on how bad role models, like Britney Spears, are for the youth of America. She is not only a sexual icon for the children of America, but she is also promoting an ideal body image that is almost impossible to attain.

Britney's body is a symbol of perfection. In our society body image is huge and people like Britney portray to our youth what the perfect body should look like. Britney's body, like many women in the media, is not perfect, it's unhealthy. Statistics and reports show how body conscious our society is, what our youth does to become thin and how role models instill these body image attitudes.

According to Rader Programs, specializing in the treatment of compulsive overeating, anorexia and bulimia, 81 percent of 10-year-old girls are afraid of being fat. Twenty years ago the average fashion model ate 8 percent less than the average woman, today she weighs 23 percent less than the average woman, one-half of fourth-grade girls are on a diet to be thin, and 51 percent of 9- and 10-year-old girls stated they felt better about themselves when they were adhering to a diet. Colleen

Thompson of EDSA Canada wrote about teenagers and eating disorders. She says, "Teenagers are under a lot of pressure to succeed and fit in ... They desperately try to conform to society's unattainable "ideal" body image." "Many teenagers need a role model... And some will resort to dangerous methods of weight control to try and look like their idols." One way that Britney has directly affected the youth of America is by getting breast implants, creating an attitude among young girls that their breast size is inadequate.

Girls around the country look at Britney and think that is how their body should look, not knowing that their body is built completely different from hers. With Britney's body being a symbol of perfection in society, many children are unsatisfied with their own bodies and resort to unhealthy methods to be like their idol. We need to educate our children and make them understand that Britney Spears is not perfect ... Our children are perfect.

Katie Lyons
Missoula

College of Technology should help all students

I am a student attending the University of Montana, College of Technology in Hamilton. The College of Technology has made a limited number of courses available to prospective students in the Bitterroot Valley, who might not otherwise be able to attend classes in Missoula. These classes are held at various locations. I attend at the new Hamilton High School.

Although we are considered full-fledged students at the

College of Technology, it seems that the off-campus students here in Hamilton cannot gain access to College of Technology services or staff time here in Hamilton. The students in Hamilton, who pay for their courses and materials, just like the students in Missoula, do not avail themselves of the College Technology student services, primarily because of the fact that they are geographically removed from the main campus many, like myself, also work full time, which makes it difficult to take the time to drive the 45 or 50 miles to Missoula.

I have been attempting to access some of these student services and have been in contact with both the associate dean and the Career Services coordinator. To his credit, the associate dean has been receptive to the possibility of providing some off-campus student services. As of the date of this letter, I have not heard if this possibility will come to fruition.

The off-campus students place little, if any, demand on College of Technology staff or services and because of this are more profitable to the College of Technology on a per capita basis, than the on-campus students. The off-campus students should not be excluded from access to staff and student opportunities, that the larger, on-campus student body enjoys.

The College of Technology feels it is appropriate to extend itself into surrounding communities and offer educational opportunities to those that might not otherwise be able to participate. I agree with these efforts. However, we need to strive for inclusion, for ALL students, both on and off campus in those areas where a need is recognized.

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NEWS

Germany warns U.S. on new targets

BERLIN (AP) — German leaders voiced concern Wednesday that the United States might seek new military targets in the war on terrorism, warning such a move could ignite a broader conflict.

German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer said "all European nations would view a widening of the conflict with great skepticism."

"We should try to solve regional conflicts politically," Fischer said during a parliamentary debate. "We've explained that very thoroughly and precisely to the United States."

Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder also urged an end to the growing debate on whether countries such as Iraq and Somalia should be targeted after Afghanistan.

"In particular, we should be very careful about discussing new targets in the Middle East," Schroeder told parliament. "More could blow up around our ears that any of us are able to deal with."

Speculation that the United States could move against Iraq was renewed Monday when U.S. President George W. Bush warned Iraqi President Saddam Hussein that he should let U.N. weapons inspectors back into the country "to prove to the world he's not developing weapons of mass destruction."

Asked what would happen if Saddam refused, Bush replied: "He'll find out."

Harry Potter enchants the young at heart

Even college students and faculty flock to film

Liam Gallagher
Montana Kaimin

"Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" raked in more than \$188 million in its first 10 days at the box office, filling theaters with wizards, witches and warlocks of all ages.

Garon Smith, a UM chemistry professor, was one such wizard.

Smith, who often goes by "G Wiz" (which stands for Garon the Wizard) said he was first introduced to the realm of Harry Potter by his daughter Amy, a 5th grader.

Smith is renowned in Missoula for his magic shows, which he takes on the road to area schools and fund-raisers.

"We decided to read it aloud while we drove to Iowa," Smith said. "And it took about two chapters and I was hooked."

Smith said he has been a fan of fantasy and science fiction since he was a child and that with Harry Potter in theaters and the Lord of the Rings movie on the way, there's no better time

to be a wizard.

"I always identify with Harry," Smith said.

Smith said he also thinks he would fit right in if he were a teacher at Hogwarts, the school of wizardry Potter attends.

"If I were a professor at Hogwarts, I'd teach potions," Smith said. "That's what I teach here, except they call it

Chemistry 151."

Smith said he's been practicing wizardry since he began teaching in 1977 and that with the help of his wand and a few choice words he can perform a little magic of his own.

"I can freeze anything," Smith said. "If I cast the right spell."

Like Smith, Potter is a wizard, and the new movie, based on the series of novels written by J.K. Rowling, follows the adventures of Harry as he learns all there is to know about spells, potions and life as a wizard.

Potter has been enchanting both young and old since the books hit the shelves in 1999 and with record-breaking box

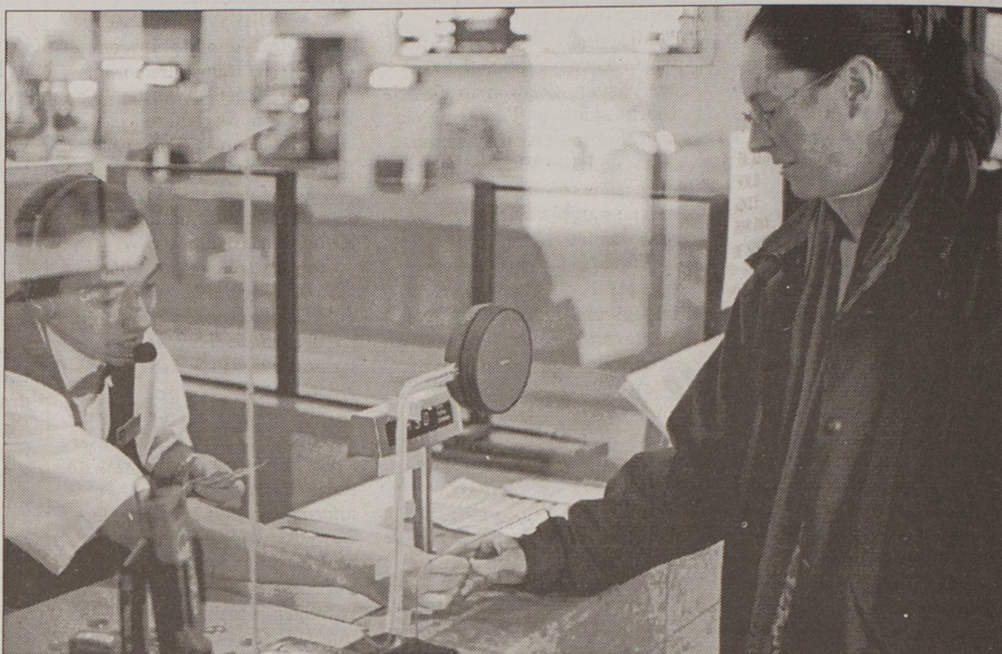
office revenues, it appears the movie has the same appeal.

Kelsi Shully, a UM senior, saw the movie during Thanksgiving break and said she wasn't the only one her age in the theater.

"There were 3-year-olds and us 21-year-olds," Shully said. "It just appealed to everybody's imagination."

Shully hasn't read any of the Harry Potter books, but said after seeing the movie she understands why the wee little wizard has taken the country by storm.

"I didn't know the big deal about Harry Potter before, I'm obsessed with it now," Shully said. "I was sitting there with my eyes wide open. I felt like a kid again."



Despite blizzard-like conditions Wednesday afternoon, the crowds still came out to see "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." Here Missoula resident Janet Robertson purchases a ticket at the Carmike 10 theater Wednesday.

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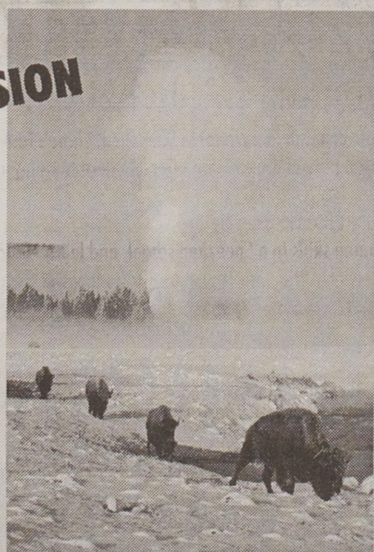
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NEWS

U.S. sends infantry for protection

WASHINGTON (AP) — Infantry from the Army's 10th Mountain Division have crossed from Uzbekistan into northern Afghanistan to help protect other Americans in dangerous areas near two air bases, military officials said Wednesday.

One force near Mazar-e-Sharif is made up of no more than two dozen soldiers, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity. The other unit at the Bagram airfield north of Kabul has about the same number, officials said.

More such rapid response teams probably will be used in other areas of Afghanistan, one official said.

The 10th Mountain has had about 1,000 of its soldiers providing security at an air base across the border in southern Uzbekistan for several weeks, the officials said.

The 10th Mountain soldiers will provide security for U.S. personnel helping to repair runways, set up humanitarian relief and advise anti-Taliban forces at both locations, one official said. The security forces are used with the permission of anti-Taliban commanders in the area, the official said.

The rapid-reaction force apparently was not in the Mazar-e-Sharif area when Taliban prisoners staged a bloody prison revolt Sunday. The CIA confirmed Wednesday that one of its officers, Johnny "Mike" Spann, was killed in the riot. Spann, a native of Winfield, Ala., who lived in a Virginia suburb, was the first American known to be killed in Afghanistan since U.S. bombing began Oct. 7.

Bagram's airfield might eventually be used to launch combat operations, officials said, although it was not clear whether that would be by strike aircraft like Air Force F-15s or by ground troops.

Several hundred Army and Air Force special operations forces have been inside Afghanistan for weeks, working in small teams linked with opposition forces in northern and southern parts of the country.

The only other U.S. ground troops known to be in Afghanistan are Marines set-

ting up a base near the southern city of Kandahar.

More Marines and equipment arrived at the base Wednesday, bringing the number to between 750 and 800, Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke said. The Pentagon has said that number may increase to about 1,100 Marines, whose purpose is to deny southern escape routes for Taliban and al-Qaida fighters.

The Marines are the only substantial U.S. ground force in Afghanistan, although the Pentagon has not ruled out eventually putting more Army troops there if the current approach to rooting out al-Qaida and Taliban leadership fails. For now, the Pentagon is content to seek intelligence from local Afghans on the enemy's whereabouts and to bomb the caves, tunnels and other facilities in which they might be hiding.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld alluded to the possibility of more ground forces Tuesday when he visited the Tampa, Fla., headquarters of U.S. Central Command, which is managing the war effort. "Our efforts, of course, will be shifting from cities at some point to hunting down and rooting out terrorists where they hide," he said. "This is difficult work. It's dangerous work."

An Afghan woman was killed Tuesday when bundles of wheat, blankets and cold-weather gear fell on a house about 120 miles northeast of Mazar-e-Sharif, the military said Wednesday. Although a U.S. Central Command statement said a child also died in the mishap, a spokesman later said that the child had been knocked unconscious, not killed.

"The U.S. deeply regrets any loss of life," the statement said. "Great time and care goes into the selection of sites for the delivery of humanitarian assistance."

Pentagon officials, meanwhile, said leaflets dropped by American planes over

Afghanistan are helping persuade some Taliban troops to give up their fight.

"We're happy about that," Rear Adm. John Stufflebeem, deputy operations director for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told a Pentagon news conference.

Stufflebeem said planes continue to drop leaflets with a number of messages, including those giving information on humanitarian aid, wanted posters on Taliban and al-Qaida leaders and some to prompt defections in the few remaining parts of the country where fighters are still resisting opposition forces.

"We are starting to see some success from those," Stufflebeem said. "In having interviews with those who are detained, there is information that is coming forward that they are having a positive effect."

Stufflebeem said the Pentagon is looking into reports that U.S. forces may have witnessed anti-Taliban fighters executing more than 100 captured Taliban soldiers.

The Pentagon also reported that U.S. airstrikes damaged a compound southeast of Kandahar believed used by senior Taliban or al-Qaida figures but it was unclear whether any were killed.

"They had a confluence of intelligence which led us to believe there was senior leadership in the building," said Clarke.

"We do not have names, we don't have a sense of exactly who was in there. We do not have any sense that Omar was there," she said referring to Taliban head Mullah Mohammed Omar.

Weekend convention lets folks vent on land issues

Candy Buster
Montana Kaimin

In a soap box session at the Montana Wilderness Association gathering this weekend people will have two minutes to say what is on their minds about wilderness and land issues.

The soap box session is part of the 43rd annual MWA convention that will be held in Missoula this year at the Double Tree Inn. The theme for this year's program is "Celebrating Wild Places and People of Passion," and it will run from Nov. 30 starting at 1 p.m. to Dec. 1. Tickets cost \$15 for students and \$25 for the general public.

Susan Miles, education coordinator of MWA, said they hold the event in a different place each year and it has been a long time since they have been to Missoula.

"We go to different communities so we have a presence around the entire state," Miles said. "We try to really bring the convention where our members are."

Miles said the MWA convention is a very educational experience. It is a spirited gathering because people come together with a common interest in wildlife protection. It is a good opportunity for people to become new members, Miles said. Missoula currently has about 400 MWA members, Miles

said.

Speakers will discuss a wide range of topics that cover the history of wildlife protection all the way back to Theodore Roosevelt, up to recent public land and wilderness issues, she said.

The convention is also a fund-raiser for the organization. There will be a silent auction of about 125 items donated by local people, businesses and members across the state. The items include art, books, photographs, ceramics and other crafts that have to do with wilderness, Miles said.

"It's a wonderful combination of things donated by businesses and members across the state," she said.

Miles said one highlight of the weekend will be a photographic tour of unprotected lands in the Bitterroot presented by several advocate groups. The soap box session is always a favorite, Miles said. The time slot for the session is only a half an hour, so the first 15 people who sign up get to rant about whatever they want, she said. Some people talk about fun, light-hearted things, while others choose to speak about hard-hitting issues, she said.

"It's just a very fast-moving spirited half hour," Miles said. "It's just a great time."

Miles expects 350 to 400 people to attend the convention. For more information, contact (406) 443-7350.

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NEWS

Grant-writing workshop to assist students

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Amy Colson knows how important grant writing can be.

Before becoming a graduate student in media arts at UM, grant writing was a way of life for her when she worked as a non-profit documentary film maker.

"There's a lot of money that's available," Colson said. "People don't realize how much. It's just a matter of knowing how to get it."

Colson plans to attend a grant-writing workshop on Saturday being offered by the Graduate Student Association, and hopes the experience will help her find the funds she needs when the time comes.

Colson hopes the workshop will help her understand the viewpoint of the grant-givers.

"Grant writing is about knowing how to ask," said Colson. "It's about persistence and doing research into finding what they are looking for. When I saw the workshop, I thought it would be practical. I'm hoping to get a little more understanding of the funder's perspective on grant writing."

The workshop, now in its third year, aims not only to teach those in academia about the art of grant proposal writing, but anyone from the public interested as well.

The workshop will consist of an introductory session about grant writing, and then four sessions of discussion dealing with these particular fields: sciences, social sciences, education and humanities/arts, said Taren Grass, chair of the Graduate Student Association, which hosts the event.

The workshop runs from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday in the Skaggs North Lobby, and is free. The event happens once a year in the fall.

"The reason it's done in the fall," said Grass, "is because a lot of deadlines for grants are due in the spring."

Ty Smucker, a graduate student at UM, plans to attend the workshop but wishes it happened a little earlier. He is already in the process of writing some grants, one of which is due the same day of the workshop.

"It actually would have been best to have it a few weeks before this," Smucker said. However, Smucker was excited to take the wisdom learned in the workshop and apply it to grant proposals with later deadlines.

For graduate students, the importance of knowing how to write grants cannot be underestimated, said Judy Fredenberg, executive assistant to vice-president of Research and Federal Relations.

"For these graduate students to learn rudimentary grant-writing skills is critical," said Fredenberg. "It's daunting, and it's huge, and some people panic and say 'I don't even know where to start, I can't do this.'"

This general introduction can be very constructive for them." Graduate students who attend can also enter a drawing with awards of at least \$100 to use toward traveling to professional conferences.

"A lot of graduate students travel to conferences," said Grass. "There's limited funds available in the University for travel. This is a way to take some of the funding the GSA has raised and use it for something that benefits grad students."

Knowing how to write grants is a useful skill for more than just graduate students.

Holly Miller is an undergraduate in environmental studies, and probably isn't going to go into graduate work right after college, but she's still interested in how to write a good grant proposal.

"(Grant writing) wasn't addressed in any classes I have taken," Miller said. "It's an extremely important part of environmental studies."

Colson also hoped others would take advantage of the opportunity.

"It's a fantastic opportunity for anybody," Colson said. "There are so many fields that have (grants available). It just takes a little bit of leg work and a little bit of time. I'm thrilled that (the workshop) is available and I hope that it's full."

Students interested in attending should contact the Graduate Student Association at gsa@selway.umt.edu or 243-5375.

CDC officials: Chile anthrax different than NY strain

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anthrax found in a letter mailed to Chile is not from the same strain discovered in letters received in the United States, investigators said Wednesday.

Officials at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said further tests were needed to determine whether the anthrax specimen they tested came from the letter mailed to a Chilean doctor or if it was contaminated by the Chilean lab that performed the initial tests.

But at this point in the investigation, it appears that the Chilean letter is not related to the bioterrorism attacks in the United States, CDC spokesman Tom Skinner said from Atlanta.

This strain does not match the strain associated with the contaminated mail in the United States and therefore does not appear to be linked to the situation in the United States, he said.

The anthrax found in New York, Washington, New Jersey and Florida has been linked to the same Ames strain.

The Chilean lab has anthrax on its premises and could have contaminated the

specimen during the testing process, before it was sent to the CDC.

U.S. officials have not examined the letter itself, which remains in Chile, but hope to, Skinner said.

CDC officials, who planned to continue working with Chilean health authorities, want to compare the Chilean laboratory's previously existing strain of anthrax with that believed found on the letter. A match would suggest that positive tests for anthrax resulted from contamination inside the lab.

Dr. Antonio Banfi, a pediatrician in Santiago, Chile, received the letter two weeks ago. It was mailed from Mosby Inc., a publisher of medical journals, in Orlando, Fla. Dr. Segaran Pillai, director of the Florida Department of Health lab in Miami, said he was told that the letter contained a pamphlet with medical literature.

The letter had a Swiss postmark, apparently because it passed through the New York branch of a Swiss postal service, which competes with private companies like Federal Express to handle international bulk mailings for U.S. companies.

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NEWS

UM group receives more land to grow 'PEAS' and carrots

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A student organization that grew 30,000 pounds of vegetables last year and donated them to Missoula's Food Bank has new land to begin farming this spring.

UM's Program in Ecology, Agriculture and Society has leased 6.5 acres of land in the Rattlesnake Wilderness to continue growing their vegetables, moving their farm from its former location at Fort Missoula and increasing its size by 2.5 acres.

"To make this move happen requires a lot of labor and it's been done with a lot of student help," said Josh Slotnick, director of PEAS. "It exists only because of student interest. It really is a student fund and student project."

PEAS has farmed carrots, lettuce and potatoes at Fort Missoula for five years, but the program is moving because of worries that it might lose the existing farm. Fort Missoula's land is at the center of a planning discussion for future use, he said.

"I didn't feel we had a good chance at long-term security there, and it was in our best



Jacob Hepner works at the PEAS farm at Fort Missoula earlier this summer.

Nicole Jarvis/for the Kaimin

interest ... to move somewhere else."

At Fort Missoula, the farm had two separate plots of land and one greenhouse. At the new Rattlesnake location, there will be one plot of land and a barn to store tools and distribute vegetables, Slotnick said.

"Right now building this barn is a big project," he said. "We'll have a centralized site to store our stuff and meet up and have a classroom."

The barn will be a post-and-beam barn with straw bale insulation, Slotnick said.

"It's also where we eat lunch," he said. "In the summer time, the PEAS students cook and eat lunch together."

Missoula's school district owns the land and they're leasing it to the city. The city is subleasing the land to Garden City Harvest, which is a PEAS partner. It costs PEAS nothing to farm on the land, Slotnick said.

Every semester PEAS offers a one-credit lecture course and a two-credit field internship to teach people how to grow organic food and sustain a farm. Students can register for the courses on CyberBEAR in the environmental studies, forestry, philosophy and sociology departments, Slotnick said, or contact the continuing education department.

Students may begin working on the farm in February.

Visiting prof to discuss changes of Lewis and Clark trail

Liam Gallagher
Montana Kaimin

An expert on the natural history of the Lewis and Clark trail will discuss the ecological and environmental changes that the trail has seen over the last two centuries at a lecture this Thursday.

Daniel Botkin's presentation is sponsored by UM Earth Observing System Education Project and the O'Connor Center for the Rocky Mountain West.

Botkin has an extensive resume, which includes working as a research professor in the department of ecology, evolution and marine biology at the University of California, Santa Barbara, being the president of a non-profit environmental organization, teaching biology at George Mason University and serving as a visiting scholar at UM this semester.

Botkin has also published a number of books that have won him international acclaim as a respected historian, scientist and author.

During his stint in Montana, Botkin has lectured across the state, providing a look at the history of the Lewis and Clark trail and the changes it has undergone since the expedition first made its way across the country.

"It's that glimpse back to the Lewis and Clark trail that we don't usually have," said Kandy Raup, of UM's EOS education project.

Raup and EOS have been working closely with Botkin throughout the year in their study of the Lewis and Clark trail and Raup expects the lecture to be very interesting.

Botkin said he plans to talk about salmon in the Pacific Northwest, forestry and management of major rivers. He said the lecture will also address "how we understand our relationship to nature."

The event will begin at 7 p.m. in Urey Lecture Hall.

North Korea rejects U.S. warnings against weapon production

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea rejected U.S. warnings against producing weapons of mass destruction, saying it is now compelled to take unspecified "countermeasures" against what the reclusive Marxist government sees as Washington's hostile policy toward it.

"Under this circumstances, we can no longer sit idle, and we will thus be compelled to take proper countermeasures," North Korea's state news agency, KCNA, quoted an unidentified Foreign Ministry spokesman as saying.

The statement was monitored in Seoul on Thursday.

"All circumstances show that the prospects of resolving problems through a dialogue with the United States have in fact become remote," the statement said.

The tough talk from the North came after President Bush on Monday warned Iraq and North Korea there would be unspecified consequences

for producing weapons of mass destruction.

"If they develop weapons of mass destruction that will be used to terrorize nations, they will be held accountable," Bush said. He said North Korea must allow weapons inspectors into the country if Pyongyang hoped for better ties with Washington.

The spokesman denounced Washington for continuing what was termed the United States' decades-old hostile policy toward North Korea, which he claimed was unrelated to the U.S. war on terrorism.

The North, which is included on a U.S. list of nations that sponsor terrorism, has called the Sept. 11 terror attacks in the United States "very regrettable and tragic." It also signed two United Nations treaties barring the financing of terrorism and the taking of hostages.

But Pyongyang is opposed to the U.S.-led war in Afghanistan over concerns about civilian casualties.

"It is nonsense that the United States, which has put a hat of terror on us, is talking about our cooperation for anti-terrorism," the

spokesman said.

The statement also rejected Bush's demand for an outside inspection of North Korean suspected nuclear weapons program, frozen under a 1994 agreement with the United States. As a reward for the freeze, a U.S.-led Western consortium is building two safe nuclear reactors in North Korea.

Despite Pyongyang's denial, some U.S. experts think that North Korea might have secretly stockpiled enough plutonium to make one or two atomic bombs before it shut down its old Soviet-made reactors.

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NEWS

Poll: News media values improving

WASHINGTON (AP) — The public's opinions of news media standards of values and morality — down sharply during the Monica Lewinsky scandal — have improved significantly since the terrorist attacks, a poll says.

Public assessments of the news media fare better in almost every area, including the media's role and perceptions of performance, according to the poll released by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press.

Public opinion about the overall performance of the news industry had declined gradually over the past 15 years, said Andrew Kohut, director of the Pew Research Center. But he said opinion about the media's values and morality plummeted in the late 1990s during news coverage of then-President Clinton's sexual involvement with Lewinsky, a White House intern.

"The public thinks the media have performed well and feel better about the media's values

than they did in the 1990s," said Kohut. "They had gotten disillusioned about whether the media was moral, was protecting our democracy and standing up for America."

Now the news business is covering stories — the war on terrorism and protecting the home front — that are seen as relevant to the lives of Americans.

"People who were more worried about personal attacks gave the media a better grade," Kohut said.

Just over half said cable television was a leading source of news for them and about a third listed newspapers as a principal source. Older Americans were twice as likely as young adults to look to newspapers as a primary source of coverage.

Almost two-thirds in the poll now say those in the news business stand up for America and help protect democracy. These are the highest levels on those measures in the center's 15 years of polling on the news industry. Fewer than half felt that way before the attacks.

TV newscasters were openly patriotic in the weeks immediately after the attacks, wearing American flag pins on their lapels and talking frequently about the importance of remaining united behind the anti-terrorism effort.

Past surveys have shown public opinion about journalists' honesty and ethical standards were at the lower end of the scale of occupations, along with politicians, lawyers and insurance salesmen. About one in five were likely to give high marks to those occupations for ethics and honesty in a Gallup poll taken a year ago. A solid majority — six in 10 — felt doctors, pharmacists and members of the clergy had high ethical standards.

There were some reservations in the new poll, however.

A majority, by a 53-39 margin, said it's more important for the government to be able to censor stories it thinks threaten national security than for reporters to be allowed to report stories they think are in the national interest. About half said the news media are politically biased, down from six in 10 who felt that way before the attacks. Republicans remained more likely than Democrats or independents to think the media are biased.

The poll of 1,500 adults was taken Nov. 13-19 and has an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

First American killed in Afghanistan in combat

WINFIELD, Ala. (AP) — CIA officer Johnny "Mike" Spann, the first American known to be killed in combat in Afghanistan, grew up in a small Alabama town with dreams of serving his country.

"He wanted to be in the FBI or CIA. That's what he always wanted to do," said Billy Mack Spann, a relative. "He got in the service and went from there."

Spann, 32, who entered the Marine Corps and then joined the CIA in June 1999, was killed in action during a prison riot at Mazar-e-Sharif. His body was recovered Wednesday, the CIA said, without providing details on the circumstances of Spann's death.

Relatives learned over the weekend that Spann was missing, but few people in town knew he worked for the CIA until hearing news of his death. Flags in his hometown were lowered to half-staff Wednesday, and a black bow was on the door of his father's real estate business.

"We consider him a hero," said Spann's father, Johnny Spann, who fought back tears during a late-afternoon news conference. "His favorite words to me were, 'That's the right thing to do, daddy.'"

The elder Spann expressed anger that his son's name and

job with the CIA were disclosed by some news organizations while he was still listed as missing. He said the family feared such disclosures could cost the younger Spann his life.

"They would have killed him if he wasn't already dead," the father said. "I think people need to realize there's a time for everything. You wait sometimes. Sometimes you need to speak, and sometimes you need to shut up."

In Washington, Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., said he spoke to Mike Spann's wife.

"She said that when I saw people, I should tell them her husband cared about America, cared about the future of America, and cared about the security of Americans," Shelby said, fighting back tears.

"This week has really brought home the war to Winfield," said Tracy Estes, a family friend and news editor of the town's biweekly newspaper, The Journal Record.

Married with three young children, Spann played football at Winfield City High School, graduating in 1987. He attended Auburn University, earning a degree in criminal justice and law enforcement. Like many in the town of about 4,500, he set his sights on something bigger and earned a post in America's foreign intelligence agency.

CIA Director George J. Tenet called Spann an American hero.

Many Winfield residents would not speak with reporters, apparently out of respect for the family's wishes.

After the CIA confirmed Spann was dead, a local radio station broadcast two special reports.

"What are the odds?" said David Richards, program director at WKXM, as he pondered the fact that the first American combat death in this new war would have come from Winfield, about 75 miles northwest of Birmingham.



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NEWS

House passes \$20 billion anti-terrorism package

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House overwhelmingly approved a \$20 billion anti-terrorism package Wednesday after derauling a Democratic drive to defy President Bush and add billions for domestic security, defense and aid to New York.

The popular \$318 billion defense bill, to which the terrorism funds were added, was approved by 406-20. The \$20 billion is to finance the war in Afghanistan and the battle against domestic terrorism and to help New York and other areas recovering from the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

The fight now moves to the Senate. Majority Democrats plan initial votes there next week on whether to challenge Bush's threat to veto any spending beyond the \$20 billion.

In the day's key showdown, majority Republicans suffered just four defections in a 216-211 victory that blocked Democrats from even offering amendments

to increase anti-terrorism funds. Bush has cast the fight as a test of fiscal austerity, coupling that with a promise to seek more money early next year if needed.

"Congress will respond" when more money is requested, said Rep. Ray LaHood, R-Ill. "But we need to be responsible about these things."

Democrats said now was the time to lay out more money to buy vaccines, hire sky marshals, secure Russian nuclear material, increase food inspections and otherwise thwart terrorists.

"We're going after the snake," Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., said about the U.S.-led hunt for Osama bin Laden and other suspected terrorist leaders in Afghanistan. "They're going to try to retaliate."

The vote underlined the strong pull the widely popular Bush has on GOP lawmakers. That influence, plus pressure from party leaders, let them withstand lobbying by unions, mail-order businesses, ports and other groups that stood to benefit from the Democrats' proposal.

Analyst to grain growers: 'Get a second job, in town...'

GREAT FALLS (AP) — An agricultural analyst told members of the Montana Grain Growers Association Wednesday they should go to town and get a second job, in part because farming doesn't require the time it formerly did.

The result is farmers who do nothing but work the land find themselves underemployed, Dan Manternach told the opening session of the MGGA's annual convention, which continues Thursday.

The outside income also is beneficial, since there is growing pressure to spread farm payments over a wider base of producers and that could mean smaller federal payments, he said.

Any assumption that government payments will remain unchanged as Congress rewrites farm policy is "naivete at its worst," Manternach said. "You're going to have to fight like junkyard dogs to have a sane farm bill," he warned.

Manternach is vice president of marketing/sales and analysis coordinator for the Memphis-based Sparks Co. It provides agricultural and commodity market research, analysis and consulting.

He acknowledged some of his message wouldn't be well received, but said farmers must realize that innovations in farming have drastically cut the amount of time it takes to plant and harvest a crop.

In 1949, it took 19 hours of work to grow an acre of corn, Manternach said. In 1999, it took just one hour — a reduction of about 95 percent.

Yet some farmers expect "full-time income from what has become a part-time operation," Manternach said.

He predicted many factors will prompt a shift in farm-bill philosophy, not least among them the recent effort by the Environmental Working Group to disclose the size of federal sub-

sidies given to American farmers.

Two-thirds of the subsidies go to just 10 percent of the country's 2 million farmers, and in towns where newspapers published names next to dollar amounts, "this is causing a firestorm," Manternach said.

He also suggested farmers need to eliminate the "culture of whining" that pervades their industry if they want their children to follow in their footsteps.

Too often at the dinner table, Manternach said, sons and daughters hear "nothing but what a godforsaken business" agriculture is. He said they shouldn't be surprised when children go off to college to major in the furthest thing from farming.

Seminar gives avalanche advice for those hitting slopes

Candy Buster
Montana Kaimin

Before powder hounds rush to the slopes after a fresh deposit of deep glistening snow, they should consider the level of avalanche hazard, said Dudley Improta of campus recreation.

Improta, the assistant director of programs at campus rec, explained the warning signs of avalanches at a seminar Wednesday night. The audience of about 30 people was full of skiers, snowboarders and a few snowmobilers.

Another avalanche seminar will be held at 7 p.m. in the Social Sciences Building in room 356 on Dec. 5.

"We're finally getting the key ingredient for avalanches," Improta said. "A little snow is falling out there."

Although not many people have been killed by avalanches in the last few years around Missoula, the area does have heavy avalanche terrain, Improta said. The three main factors that can affect avalanche dangers are terrain, weather and snowpack.

Slopes that are 30 degrees or steeper have high avalanche potential, Improta said. The most common slope for avalanches is 38 degrees, he said. Back-country adventurers need to be particularly cautious, but even places like Snowbowl have avalanches, he said. When people are in the back country, they should be careful where they hike, Improta said.

"Try to pick your routes wisely," he said. "Be careful where you stop to have lunch."

Improta said traversing ridges and gradual slopes are good ways to avoid avalanches. Skiers and riders should beware of terrain that can trap them from being able to get away from a snow slide, he warned.

"Even a small avalanche can hurt you very badly if it presses you up against a tree or rock or takes you into a gully," Improta said.

When there is a less steep slope, trees, rocks and grass anchor the snow, and there is less chance of an avalanche on that type of terrain, he said.

Significant changes in weather increase avalanche danger. During and immediately after a storm are the most unstable times,



George C. Rogers/Montana Kaimin

Dudley Improta, assistant campus recreation director, gives a slide show presentation on avalanche awareness Wednesday night at the Social Sciences Building.

because the new snow has not had time to bond with the old snowpack, Improta said. Unfortunately, some of the best powder also means the most danger, he said. The deeper the snowpack and the colder the temperature, the higher the chance of avalanches, he said.

"If you increase the snow in smaller increments, it's more likely to be a stable snowpack," Improta said.

Through a series of slides, Improta detailed types of snow that should set off warning signals for people, including fractures in the snow. He showed pictures of previous avalanche activity, which is a major indicator, he said.

Improta also said skiers and riders should be careful when it is windy. Any wind strong enough to move snow is dangerous, he said.

"Wind is a prime architect of avalanches," he said.

Improta seemed especially excited to hit the slopes, but said skiers and riders should be aware of the signals Mother Nature is giving about avalanches.

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KAIMIN SPORTS

Montana hangs on down the stretch to declaw Cougars

Brittany Hageman
Montana Kaimin

His lead was falling as fast as his big men were fouling out. Griz head coach Don Holst looked down at the end of his bench Wednesday for someone with fouls to give.

His eyes landed on the only available big man left, Ryan Pederson.

Little did Holst know, Pederson would turn out to be the team's savior.

Pederson, who prior to Wednesday's game saw only 19 minutes of action in four games, scored six points in the final minute and 46 seconds of play to lift the Griz to a 75-71 over Pacific Northwest State.

"We fouled out four big guys, but Pederson came off the bench and was a hero for us," said Holst. "He's such a smart guy who's always ready to play."

Pederson played only five minutes, but contributed a clutch three-pointer and went three of four from the charity stripe in the last moments of the game.

With the Griz trailing by one at 59-60, Pederson, who had passed up an open three moments earlier, buried one from the top of the key, giving the lead back to Montana.

Pederson would then hit three clutch free throws down the stretch to preserve the win.

"I went into the game mental-

ly prepared," said Pederson. "And hitting the free throws, that was just a matter of concentration and confidence."

The Griz led nearly the entire game, but with no more than a nine-point gap separating them from WSU.

Forward Mike Bush from WSU certainly didn't play with two left feet as he led all scores with 24 points and was nine for 11 from the free-throw line. But it was Bush's right foot that drew concern when he momentarily lost his shoe during a play in the first half.

The Griz shot nearly 60 percent from the floor and nearly 80 percent from the free-throw line in the first half. At halftime the Griz had the edge, leading 35-31.

In the lockerroom at halftime, Holst said he told the Griz he was pleased with their play, but that they could be leading by 15 points if they'd cut down turnovers.

"Turnovers are still a sore in my side," said Holst. "But if we tighten them up and keep rebounding well, we'll be set."

Beginning the second half the Griz were forced to burn a timeout before the ball was inbounded because forward Ryan Slider couldn't find an open man.

Full court pressure late in the second half flustered the Griz a bit, forcing nine turnovers. But as the game wound down, and WSU was trailing, level-headed play and patience from point guard Sam Riddle forced WSU

players to foul.

"Sam's got eyes in the back of his head," said junior forward Brent Cummings of a dish pass Riddle tossed to him under the hoop. "I would have dunked it, but I'm white," said Cummings.

Cummings paced the Griz with 17 points and was six-for-six from the free-throw line.

"Brent has become one of our go-to guys at crunch time," said Holst. "He's really one of those guys that makes the other four look good."

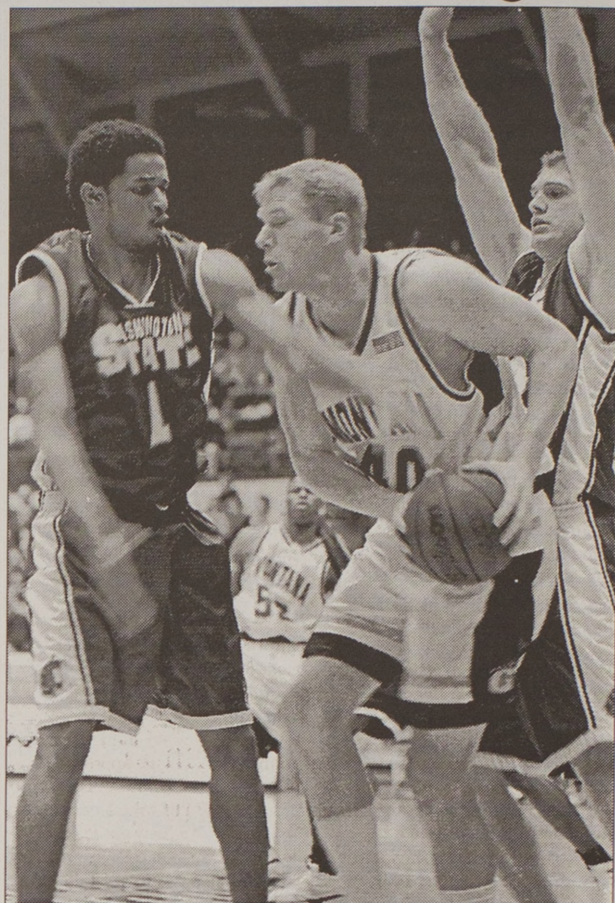
Cummings said he attributes the win against WSU to the players' dedication and hard work in practice.

"Practice paid off, and we got the results we were looking for tonight," said Cummings.

Shooting guard David Bell adding 13 points for the Griz, but was cold from three-point land — his specialty — making only one for eight. But Bell made three the hard way twice, scoring on two drives while getting fouled and making the free throws that followed.

While Coach Holst told his team that the win over WSU wouldn't be their biggest win of the year, he said the win bolstered the team's confidence.

"Now we know we can beat a good Division I team," said Holst. "We played at the right pace tonight and hopefully we can use this game as a springboard to our next win."



Lisa Hornstein/Montana Kaimin

Senior Travis Greenwalt (center) prepares to go up for two while being double teamed by Washington State's Marcus Moore (left) and J. Lockier (right). The Griz defeated the Cougars 75-71 Wednesday night in the Dahlberg Arena.

Sports Briefs

Off the AP wire



• Columbus, Ohio

Bellisari to serve three days for drunken driving after Outback Bowl

(AP) — Ohio State quarterback Steve Bellisari pleaded no contest Wednesday to a drunken driving charge and will serve three days in jail after the Buckeyes play in the Outback Bowl on Jan. 1.

The 21-year-old senior co-captain also was sentenced to three days in an alcohol diversion program.

"It was his call because he wanted to get it over with," said defense attorney Sam Weiner.

A second, less-severe drunken driving charge and two traffic misdemeanors were dismissed by Judge H. William Pollitt Jr.

Bellisari, a three-year starter, was arrested Nov. 16 by campus police. They said he failed three roadside sobriety tests and tested 0.22 on the blood-alcohol scale, more than twice the 0.10 level to be considered legally drunk in Ohio.

Coach Jim Tressel suspended him for one game, against Illinois. Bellisari was reinstated in time for the game Saturday against archrival Michigan but did not play. Ohio State won 26-20.

Pollitt suspended Bellisari's driver's license for six months, fined him \$350, put him on probation for two years and sentenced him to 180 days in jail, then suspended all but six of those days.

"If you violate your probation, you have 174 days on the shelf that you must serve," Pollitt said.

Bellisari, who barely spoke during the hearing, said as he left court that he would now focus on his football career.

Weiner told the judge that Bellisari did "one stupid, unthinkable thing and it has cost him dearly."

Bellisari, of Boca Raton, Fla., will serve his jail time Jan. 11-13.

He struggled early in the season, but played at his best in the two games before the arrest, wins over Minnesota and Purdue. In nine games, Bellisari went 98-of-185 passing for 1,599 yards with eight touchdowns and six interceptions.

Bellisari's hardest hits have come from Ohio State fans. He was loudly booed and ridiculed by callers to radio shows after completing only eight of 21 passes for 209 yards in a 29-27 loss at Penn State three weeks ago.

Bellisari's brother, Greg, was co-captain of the 1996 Buckeyes team that was 11-1 and ended up No. 2 in the polls. He is currently a graduate assistant with the Ohio State defense.

• Net News

New faces on Griz basketball teams looking good

Bryan Haines
Montana Kaimin

Women's Basketball

True Freshman Hollie

Tyler is taking no time at all getting accustomed to the college game. In three outings this year, Tyler is averaging a double-double. Tyler was named MVP of the Texas-Pan American Classic, scoring 35 points and grabbing 21 rebounds in leading Montana to two opening season wins over Southeast Missouri State and Arkansas-Little Rock.

Last Saturday against Western Kentucky, Tyler came off the bench and scored 13 points while corralling 11 boards in a losing effort.

Tyler currently leads the Big Sky in rebounds, grabbing close to 11 a contest. She is also second in the conference in scoring, averaging close to 16 a game.

Teamed with fellow freshman center Crystal Baird, the duo is dominating inside, averaging 23.7 points and 16 boards a game.

Three coaches are new to the Big Sky this season, and two have had a rough start in their new digs.

Montana State's new head coach Robin Potera has MSU off to a 1-3 start. Among those losses was a 73-65 overtime loss to No. 25 Washington.

Potera inherited a talented but troubled Lady 'Cat squad. The 'Cats, who finished second in the regular season last year, feature one of the top point guards in the league, Rebecca

Alvidrez, and two solid post players in Isabella Stubbs and Jessica Blake.

However, Potera's hiring came under controversy, as interim head coach Frank McCarthy talked to one of the members of the hiring committee, effectively taking his name out of consideration. McCarthy was the front-runner to be named the head coach.

Potera was the head coach at Texas Wesleyan University for two seasons and Austin College for five before that, for a combined 104-57 record in seven seasons.

Wendy Schuller takes over for the departed Jocelyn Pfeifer at Eastern Washington this season. It is Schuller's first head-coaching spot, and she is currently 1-4 with the Lady Eagles.

The final new coach in the group is Shirley Huyett, who is in the most comfortable position of the three. That is because she is stepping in for Ardie McNelly at defending league champion Idaho State. McNelly didn't exactly leave the cupboards bare for Huyett either. League MVP Mandi Carver is back for her senior season, as is fellow post player Ashley Toner. Toner leads the Big Sky, scoring close to 18.5 a game, while Carver is sixth, chipping in close to 15.

Mens Basketball

Scooter's ride to the top of the Montana's assist record has gotten a flat. Shane Christensen needs only three assists to move into ninth

place all time on the Grizzly record board but those three won't come for at least a week or two as he nurses a broken finger back to health.

Christensen currently has 311 assists. Shane Belnap is ninth with 313. Christensen trails all-time assist leader Travis DeCuire by 124 assists. Griz head coach Don Holst said he expects Christensen to be back for the Idaho game on Dec. 8.

Christensen was dishing out 4.3 assists per game before he was injured.

Washington State has dominated the series with Montana, holding a 75-27 overall advantage. Last year the Cougars upended the Griz 67-54 with freshman guard Marcus Moore leading the way. Moore paced all scorers, ripping the net for 25 points. Dan Trammel was the only Griz player in double figures, scoring 16. However, the last time that Washington State visited Dahlberg Arena, they left empty handed, losing 71-65.

Junior college transfer David Bell was brought in to shoot the long ball, and so far he hasn't disappointed. Of the 18 field goals Bell has made this season, 14 of those have come from long range and he leads the Big Sky in trifectas. At this current pace, Bell would finish the season with close to 90 bombs from long range. Last year's Griz squad finished with 172 shots from deep, led by Jared Buckmaster's 59.

KAIMIN SPORTS

Montanan hoping to repeat NCAA wrestling upset

BILLINGS (AP) — Wrestling fans remember him as a four-time Montana prep champion. Those who stay close to the sport know he pulled off a big upset at the NCAA championships last year.

So it's doubtful anyone has forgotten who Mike Zadick is. This year the University of Iowa senior is gunning to win the NCAA wrestling championship at 149 pounds. In the Oct. 15 issue of Wrestling USA magazine, Zadick, a two-time All-American, was forecast to win the title. He speaks humbly about the possibility.

"I had higher goals when I was younger to win four of them," said the Great Falls native. "But I have one chance now and this is it. I'm looking forward to getting after it."

Iowa starts its season by traveling to the University of Pennsylvania on Nov. 30. A key to Zadick's success this season will be "total domination on the mat."

Last year at the national meet in Iowa City, an unseeded Zadick stunned No. 1 seed Reggie Wright of Oklahoma State, 8-6, in a come-from-behind win. In an Associated Press story, Iowa head coach Jim Zalesky said, "Zadick's win was huge. He's wrestling like he's finally supposed to."

After the win, which was the first upset of a No. 1 seed in the tourney, Zadick (who went on to place third in the nation) said it gave his team a spark and a reason to celebrate. He also said the ability to win was always in him,

he just had to push harder.

One of Zadick's coaches at Iowa is Tom Brands, who was a four-time All-American at Iowa from 1989-92, and an Olympic gold medalist in freestyle wrestling at 136.5 pounds in 1996. Brands works with Zadick during practices by motivating him and "doing what it takes to get him to the top." Brands thinks Zadick has a legitimate shot to win the national title.

"I think he's put himself in that position. He was always capable," said Brands.

Since stepping onto the mats at Iowa in 1998 when he red-shirted and wrestled unattached at 134 pounds, Zadick has seen some improvements in his game.

"I think I've improved on being more aggressive early on in a match," said Zadick. "A lot of guys just go out there and get a feel the first two minutes."

Brands has noticed a mental improvement in Zadick over the past few seasons. Brands feels Zadick now knows that talent will only carry you so far.

"He's improved on his approach to the sport and his approach to learning," said Brands. "The jump from high school to college is a new approach; it's a new game. The guys are better in college, and they don't make as many mistakes. And I don't know if he realized that right away. Now Mike Zadick knows he has to work to win."

At Iowa, wrestling is as important as football is to the

University of Miami Hurricanes. In fact, the Hawkeyes have won the NCAA title nine of the past 11 seasons and the Big Ten title 26 of the last 28 years.

Last year Minnesota won the NCAA team championship, and Iowa was second. The Hawkeyes, predicted by Wrestling USA to take fifth, lost five of last year's starters to graduation. Those lost had amassed 13 All-American honors and five individual national titles. But Zadick, one of the wrestlers expected to anchor Iowa, thinks this year's wrestlers have learned from the best.

"We have a young team. There's a lot of excited kids and younger guys that are revving to go," said Zadick. "Four of the guys we lost were all ranked No. 1, so their backups are for sure tough because they've been wrestling with them the past few years."

After what he hopes will be a NCAA title-clinching year, Zadick hopes to qualify for the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece. He probably has a pretty good shot at it. It seems like anything the Zadicks do, they do right.

Just after hunting season started, Mike and his brother Bill (another four-time prep champion) came home to Montana for a hunting trip. Bill and his mom, dad and sister all shot elk. Mike Zadick ended up with a 4-point deer.

A hunting trip full of success. Just like a wrestling career full of wins.

Montana gets nine men on Big Sky All-Conference team

Ian Costello
Montana Kaimin

Even a week after the turkey, stuffing, pumpkin pie and John Madden circling legs on the turkdukin, it seems there are still a few things for Grizzly football fans to be thankful for.

Currently preparing for a first-round playoff game against the Northwestern State Demons, Montana placed nine members on the Big Sky All-Conference football team as released by the conference office late Tuesday.

Montana safety Vince Huntsberger was named the conference defensive player of the year by the coaches for his efforts this season. Huntsberger finished the regular season with 110 tackles and five forced fumbles. It is the second time in three years Huntsberger has been honored as the league's top defender. He was also selected in 1999.

Including Huntsberger, Montana led the way with first-team selections much as it led the Big Sky for the entire season.

Offensive lineman Thatcher Szalay was named to the team as a unanimous selection and makes his third appearance on the first-team list in his

four years as a Grizzly. Szalay became the 33rd player in conference history to make the first team three times.

High octane wide receiver Etu Molden of Montana also returned to the conference first team as a unanimous selection.

Grizzly tailback Yohance Humphrey, tight end Spencer Frederick, fullback John Fitzgerald, placekicker Chris Snyder, outside linebacker Matt Steinau and cornerback Calvin Coleman rounded out the first-team selections for Montana.

Eastern Washington's running back Jesse Chatman was named the conference's offensive player of the year as he finished the season with 2,096 yards and 24 touchdowns and set a new single-season scoring record in for the Big Sky with 172 points this season. Chatman is currently fifth on the depth chart of available running backs in the NFL draft, according to several sources.

Newcomer-of-the-year honors went to Portland State's Ryan Fuqua, who amassed 909 rushing yards in his last three games against for the Vikings. Fuqua finished the year averaging 144.2 yards rushing per game, good enough for fifth in Division I-AA.

Eastern Washington return man Lamont Brightful joins Szalay, making his third appearance on the All-Conference first team.

With their nine selections Montana had two more players named to the team than second place Eastern Washington who landed seven. Montana State added four to the first-team roster while Idaho state added three. Northern Arizona, Portland State and Weber State each sent two players and Sacramento State had one.

Montana also placed several members on both the second team and honorable mention teams.

Dylan McFarland, Jonny Varona, Ciche Pitcher and Trey Young made the second team while Lavander Segars and Tim Bush made the honorable mention squads.

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News

Christmas

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said.

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"All of us are one pay day or one person away from that situation," O'Connell said. "That connection with real people makes it more personal."

Intercession

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Other colleges, UC Berkeley in particular, had the same thing happen, said one of ASUM's advisers, professor Hayden Ausland.

"To sort of make a third semester in the summer," he said. "So they could run the operation year round." But he doesn't think that is the case here.

Business manager, Jon Swan, said he's been researching a change off and on all semester. He and most of the student senate said they didn't think most of the students wanted the change and believe it is their jobs to represent them.

"It doesn't matter if (students) just want to keep their five weeks or if they're taking technical writing in the Forestry Building," Swan said. "They don't want calendar changes and we're here to support them."

Resignation

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right for the unbiased position that this office has to have."

When Peterson called O'Loughlin at work Wednesday afternoon to spring it on her, she said she was sad because she's become quite close to Lindsay. But she looks at the position as something she could do for ASUM.

"It was something that I felt was crucial," she said. "That somebody is in this position by next week."

The decision to accept the appointment was not something she took lightly. She had discussed with Peterson at length what would be expected from her.

"Chris talked to me Wednesday afternoon, and we discussed it for a couple of hours," she said.

Man seeks reversal on dwarf tossing law

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A 3-foot-2-inch radio personality sued Wednesday, seeking to overturn Florida's ban on dwarf tossing so he can earn money in the barroom attraction.

Dave Flood, who appears on a morning radio talk show as "Dave the Dwarf," said he doesn't think the state can dictate how he earns his living.

"They assume because you have some physical handicap you can't make decisions for yourself," Flood said. "I don't have a mental handicap. I don't like the government telling me what I can and cannot do."

The lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court names Gov. Jeb Bush and the head of the state agency that enforces the 1989 law. The law allows the state to revoke the liquor license or fine a bar that allows dwarf tossing, an activity that was

popular in some Florida bars in the late 1980s.

Flood wants to wear a harness with handles so patrons at bars can pay to pick him up and toss him onto an air mattress or a padded area, his lawsuit said. The lawsuit, which does not seek damages, contends the ban is unconstitutional.

Neither Bush nor the state agency had seen the lawsuit and would not comment on it. Only Florida and New York have laws banning dwarf tossing in bars.

Cara Egan, vice president of public relations for Little People of America in Lubbock, Texas, called Flood's lawsuit a publicity stunt that ignores the physical dangers of dwarf tossing.

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