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MONTANA KAIMIN

Kaimin is a Salish word for paper

Thursday

September 5, 2002 — Issue 3

Fiery preachers stir up students

Proselytizing family draws range of emotions on Oval

Chris Rodkey
Montana Kaimin

Their motivation is the ever-impending judgment day. Their signs are hard to miss. And their message and voices are loud and clear.

"You are born a worthless sinner headed for hell!" one sign read. Another read, "Seek Jesus, not a job."

Yet another read, "A friend of the world is an enemy of God."

They are the Warnecki Family, and they were the ones seen around UM's campus on Wednesday.

The Warnecki family, eight in all, has dedicated their lives to preaching the New Testament. They travel full time, and said they have no organized religious affiliation. Missoula was just one stop on their never-ending trek across the country.

Michael Warnecki stood on a bench near Grizzly Circle yelling while his wife and a few of his young children handed out pieces of literature.

"You're a bunch of little wimps," he shouted to passing students, some of whom stopped to pay attention. "Your parents are divorced, and your lives are a disaster. You can laugh, but you'll be burning in hell."

A young man who had been sitting quietly for a few moments bolted forward and confronted Warnecki, pointing a finger in his face and shouting, inches away from Warnecki's face, "Who the fuck are you to say we'll burn in hell?"

Warnecki seemed nonchalant about the angry question.

"You kids are so stupid, it's unbelievable," he said, staring past the young man and out toward the transient crowd of 50 students.

"Mommy and Daddy are glad to see you out of the house."

Soon the young man left, and Warnecki continued to preach.

Confrontation is nothing new to the family, Warnecki said. What others may see as a waste of breath, he and his family see as a chance to help young people find salvation.

"Jesus said they would hate me," Warnecki said. "I pray for them, and I pray for their forgiveness."

Grace Johnson, a wildlife biology major, was studying her math homework while sitting in the Oval about 50 feet from the Warneckis. She said the family was there when she showed up, and she assumed they'd be there when she left.

Johnson described herself as not believing in God or Jesus.

"I don't like how religious groups push their views on people," she said, "because it just creates more angry people. We can't change people's minds by carrying around signs."

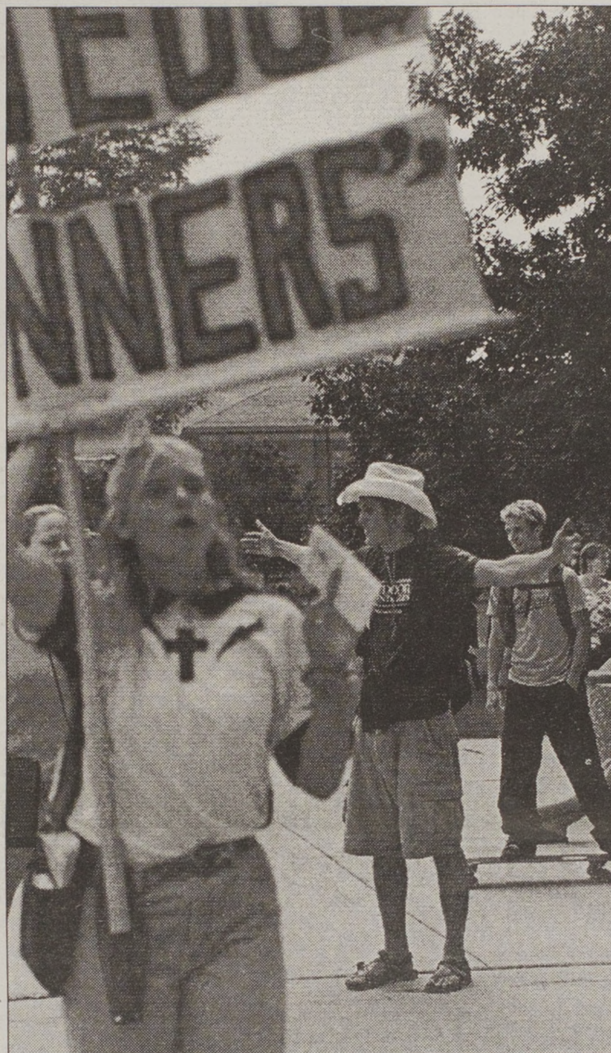
Johnson said she thought about confronting the family but then realized that "it's just going to end up with an argument, and nobody's going to win. And I'm just going to end up getting angrier."

Elizabeth Warnecki, 17, held a sign and preached to students at the south end of the Oval.

"People sometimes are offended when we proclaim loudly or when we share during some exchanges," she said, but according to scripture, she has been told to "raise her voice loudly like a trumpet."

In the midst of the hubbub, sophomore biology major Ben Little took a seat on a large rock in the Oval to do his homework. He said the shouting didn't bother him too much, but it was a little out of place.

"They've got a good message," he said, "but they're going about it the wrong way. People will seek out Christ when they're ready. They're not going to have (religion) forced upon them."



Lisa Hornstein/Montana Kaimin
Sophomore Sam Kulla stands in the Oval on Wednesday afternoon with arms out, offering hugs while Elizabeth Warnecki preaches and holds a giant banner. Kulla asks, "Wouldn't you prefer a hug rather than being told you are going to hell?"

But for the Warneckis, confrontation is simply the best way to send their message.

"What we're doing may seem radical, but the world is radical," Elizabeth Warnecki said.

Michael Warnecki said he wasn't sure when he will leave Missoula, but for now he wants to reach as many students as possible.

"If we find any open hearts, we stay," he said.

New plan a blueprint for facelift

Ten-year guidelines forecast building development at UM

Chris Rodkey
Montana Kaimin

UM students need not worry about new buildings or parking lots taking over the Oval, according to a new master plan outlining the future of campus growth.

The plan, which is the newest and most comprehensive since 1993, was released recently after a nearly yearlong study considering all aspects of campus growth and the University's anticipated needs.

The plan is designed to last 10 years and sets down a clear guide for the University to follow when developing new buildings or making improvements to existing ones. The plan also makes recommendations for transportation, housing and community affairs, along with other areas of concern.

Just because these ideas are written out in the master plan, however, doesn't mean UM has any schedule to complete them, said Rosi Keller, associate vice president of administration and finance at UM. The plan is simply a central guideline of recommendations for the University to follow.

For example, the plan identifies various locations on campus where new buildings could be built and the architectural styles to be used when designing them.

"It's kind of just setting us up for the next 10 years so that we

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Club Nocturnal to bring downtown to campus

Mystery dance venue scheduled to open Friday night

Natalie Storey
Montana Kaimin

Club Nocturnal, the new dance club in the University Center, opens Friday, but exactly what the club looks like inside will remain a secret until the doors open at 10 p.m.

"We wanted it to be a mystery until the club opens," said Stephen Sticka, Club Nocturnal's coordinator.

The club will provide what its organizers say is a "much-needed" place for University students to hang out on the weekend.

"One of the first concerns brought to my attention when I came here in 2001 was that there wasn't a consistent source of night life on campus," said Joel Zarr,

director of the UC. "Now we can provide our students an exciting and contemporary nightlife scene for them to partake in."

Admission to the club is \$2. To enter, students must have their Griz Card or be with someone who has one. The club is located on the second floor of the UC and is open from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. every Friday.

"We want to make the UC the place to be on Friday night," Zarr said.

Musical entertainment in the club will be provided mostly by DJs, though Sticka also wants to have local bands perform at the club.

Sticka said he and his colleagues surveyed UM students and received positive reactions to the

idea of the club last spring.

"We found out that people don't want high school students to be there, so we are going to do everything we can to keep high school students out," he said.

Sticka also mentioned many students requested that alcohol be served in the club — a wish that has been granted.

"We are going to provide alcohol for those that are over 21 in the Bistro," Zarr said. "But we are also going to promote responsible drinking."

Zarr added there will most likely be a limit of one drink per hour per student placed in effect once the club is opened. Students who are of age can purchase beer and wine.

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Nightclub will serve beer, wine

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

As Club Nocturnal organizers prepare to open the doors Friday, they also prepare to answer a nagging question: Can UM handle serving alcohol to students?

"We are going to be very careful," said Steve Langley, the program advisor for the club. "But, obviously, we are aware no system is foolproof."

That system will be tested this weekend as the University Center fulfills the wishes of three-fourths of the student body surveyed that said they would be attracted to an on-campus club that served alcohol.

"With these survey results, we are responsible to meet the needs

of students and provide a safe alternative to downtown," Langley said. "Even underage kids didn't want a high school atmosphere."

Langley, Stephen Sticka, the coordinator of Club Nocturnal, and Dining Services worked together to implement a program that would allow them to sell alcohol.

The program is an attempt to serve alcohol while monitoring of-age drinking, preventing underage drinking and controlling the venue where the drinking occurs, which will be the Bistro.

The UM campus is not dry. If a student is over 21, he or she is welcome to bring alcohol into a dorm room. But, Langley said,

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OPINION

Editorial

Bush should come clean about Iraq intentions

Yesterday, President Bush said he wouldn't attack Iraq without first telling Congress about it and asking for its approval.

But he stopped short of saying that he would listen to Congress if it said no.

And his lawyers have said he doesn't technically need congressional approval anyway.

Even some Republicans in Congress have been strongly critical of an attack without a consensus agreement from Capitol Hill.

Bush has also told our international allies that they better go along with the idea or risk losing "credibility."

Credibility is just what Bush will lose if he pays no heed to the advice of sensible people.

Only Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair has come out in support of an invasion of Iraq, which has been enormously unpopular in the UK.

So why is it that Bush is so set on attacking Iraq at all costs? Saddam Hussein is obviously a bad sot, and it is in no one's best interest to let him build weapons of mass destruction.

The thing is, most of the world agrees on that. Most countries support weapons inspections.

But the thing the rest of the world (minus Blair) doesn't support is a pre-emptive attack when there isn't an imminent danger.

The Bush administration has said, "trust us, there's danger," and cited a need for secrecy as the reason for not telling exactly what the danger is.

But virtually every other country in the world isn't sold on the idea, and most of these countries are a whole lot closer to Iraq than we are.

A Saddam Hussein with weapons of mass destruction is probably more dangerous to Europe than the comparatively distant United States.

Yet these same countries are asking for some restraint on the part of the U.S., if there isn't an obvious reason to attack.

We can't win a war half the world away by ourselves, and threatening our way to getting consent from our allies will only add further injury to our already tarnished reputation abroad.

And we are all left to ponder why Bush is so bent on busting Iraq.

Is it oil? Upcoming elections? Or maybe it really is the deep dark secret about Iraq's plans for our destruction, that if Bush could only tell us about it, we'd be all for an attack.

But he asks us to trust him, and implicit trust is a risk our system of checks and balances is supposed to avoid.

Let us hope that Bush's message yesterday to Congress will be just the first step in an effort to make decisions through consensus, not by impudence. We are too cynical a society to be left wondering.

— Paul Queneau

MT Drug Policy Summit a sign of the future

Column by



Jessie Childress

It started as a whisper that many ignored but now it is a full-fledged discussion that only keeps getting louder.

Decriminalization of marijuana has been spreading through much of the Western world and now the debate is drawing nearer to home.

California was among the first, but now Nevada, Arizona, Ohio, Michigan, Washington D.C. and other communities and states around the nation all have citizen initiatives on the ballot that address decriminalization of the dirty dope. A Canadian senate committee recommended Wednesday that marijuana be legalized. In Britain and Portugal criminal punishments for marijuana have been done away with.

Slowly but surely it seems the pendulum of public opinion is swinging toward decriminalization. People are realizing that marijuana is not something we should be spending millions of dollars and hours pursuing. They're seeing that after decades of the federal government waging a war on marijuana we have little to show for it besides empty pockets and full jails. They're beginning to understand that there are other issues, like dangerous crime or even alcohol abuse, that warrant more attention. And it's about time.

Today and Friday on campus the Montana Drug Policy Summit will convene, bringing national speakers to discuss federal drug policy and the war on drugs. People from throughout the community will gather to learn about what's happening in the realm of decriminalization. They'll also discuss the future of decriminalizing marijuana in Montana and the possibility of a medical marijuana initiative going to the ballot.

John Masterson, an organizer of the summit and the director of Montana NORML (National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws), says that the dawn of decriminalizing marijuana is coming—albeit after a very long night.

"It's the culture that has changed," he told me Wednesday on the phone. "It's not a politician or a rock band. The national consciousness is switching; public sentimentality is shifting."

The signs of this are everywhere. In Nevada an initiative proposing legalization of marijuana is the latest development in this growing trend. Possession of up to three ounces of marijuana would be legal and the state would start programs for growing, distributing, selling and taxing it. Supporters and opponents of the plan are neck-to-neck and have the nation's drug czar, John Walters, in a tizzy. He's making the same idle threats that have been made for decades: legalization of marijuana will ruin communities, families, individuals. It's dangerous, he says; it's necessary to lock users up so they don't take down the rest of the world with them.

These threats are wearing thin. What is really breaking up communities and families is the \$500,000 people busted every year for a drug that is less toxic than alcohol and less addictive than cigarettes.

Twelve million people have been busted for marijuana since 1965; that's 12 million who have paid fines, served jail time, lost their voting rights and were left with a criminal record.

Besides this, the billions of tax dollars that have been dumped into busting and incarcerating marijuana users haven't done a thing to decrease marijuana usage across the nation. Even the drug war's staunchest supporters can't argue with the fact that it has been a total policy failure.

The Montana Drug Policy Summit is a great way for Missoulians and Montanans to start exploring the issues and possibilities of the future of marijuana legalization. While decriminalization in Montana and the United States may be a long time coming, the more it is discussed the sooner we can start turning our current drug policies into sane, effective and fair policies.

Small steps like today's summit are essential.

By learning about the history, the current debates and the future of marijuana decriminalization, people at UM and around Montana may be one step closer to changing our own laws.

Masterson also said the summit is important to show the national decriminalization movement that Montana is on the move, too.

Much of the Western world is ahead of the United States in terms of decriminalization, but the rumblings across the nation promise to develop.

Today on campus we have our own way to add to the discussion. Go to the North Underground Lecture Hall at 7 p.m. tonight to learn, give your input and become a part of the future.

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This week in UM history

Prior to 1992, UM ran on a quarter system instead of the semester system, and the school year didn't begin until the third week of September.

1992

The Kaimin reported that autumn semester enrollment is expected to reach a new record high of more than 11,000 students. Out-of-state tuition rose to \$5,629, and 264 additional parking spaces were planned for the influx of students.

1994

In response to the Missoula City Council's family definition ordinance that limited the number of people living in a home based on their blood relation, Ross Best suggested, in a column, that people hire their roommates as chefs or personal astrologers. The ordinance, later abolished, contained a caveat allowing non-related "household servants" to live with a family.

1996

Mike Kadas took over as Missoula mayor after Dan Kemmis stepped down to take over as director of UM's Center for the Rocky Mountain West. The Kaimin reported that Kadas would earn a salary of \$42,000 a year.

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NEWS

Dorm overcrowding down, still inconvenient

Kristen Inbody
Montana Kaimin

Sophomore transfer student Ross Mittelman has found a few advantages to living in the first-floor Knowles Hall study lounge with three other guys while waiting for a dorm room to open up.

For one, there's an excellent view.

Mittelman said he uses the study lounge's picture windows — "the best windows on campus" — to stimulate his social life.

"I talk to the passerbys, mainly women. Ninety percent," Mittelman said, "I yell out sexually suggestive comments. No, just kidding, it's just 'Hi, how are you doing?'"

The rent is about \$3 cheaper per night than for a double-occupancy dorm room, but best of all is the elegant cardboard furniture.

Instead of the University-issue cardboard box he is currently using as a dresser, he would prefer wooden furniture, Mittelman said.

"I'm trying to put down roots, and I can't even unpack," Mittelman said.

This year, like every year but one since 1995, UM has faced over-crowded dorms, meaning students end up sleeping in dorm study lounges while they



Seth Dahl (left) and Ross Mittelman relax in a study lounge in Knowles Hall while they wait to find out their dorm assignments.

wait for cancellations to open up beds in a regular room.

This year, however, even as enrollment has increased, the number of students suffering the fate of the dorm-roomless is down.

Ron Brunell, director of Residence Life, said that as of the first day of class, 55 students were staying in interim housing. This time last year, 77 students were waiting for rooms.

Of the 55 students in the study lounges, 18 are women

and 37 are men. Though women make up about 52 percent of the student body, they make up only 33 percent of the students in interim housing. The reason, Brunell said, is that "You ladies plan better than we men, so you get your applications in earlier."

Mittelman applied for his room last week.

Based on the gender make-up of applications received by May, Brunell chose who would fill a reserved floor in both Aber and Jesse dorms.

The University partially accommodated the increase in the number of enrolled students by turning the larger-than-average Craig Hall dorm rooms into triple occupancy and by making all Duniway Hall rooms double rooms, adding 135 places to sleep at UM.

UM renovated the extremely large Craig Hall rooms to add floor space and made the built-in furniture more efficient, Brunell said. The rent is the same as for a standard double dorm room.

Stefanie Scott, a freshman in prenursing, lives in a Craig Hall room with two roommates. She has found the room anything but extremely large.

"It's not big enough," Scott said. "It's too cramped in here. Two would be a lot better."

A bookcase is situated in the middle of Scott's dorm room, and there is only about two feet between the end of her roommate's bed and the front of her desk. Things are cozy, and Scott anticipates problems studying and sleeping with the disruption of one more person in the space that used to be reserved for two.

"I would prefer a normal double room because it would work better with the space you have," she said.

There are no plans for alleviating the crowding with an additional dorm, Brunell said. The trend is toward apartment-style housing, like the new building planned at the south end of Dornblaser Field, he said.

The 12-building complex will

house 432 upper-classmen and graduate students. Brunell hopes that will draw some of the approximately 33 percent of dorm dwellers who aren't freshmen, opening up dorm space.

He said the new building might not solve the annual fall dorm overcrowding because of enrollment increases and the possible passing of a housing ordinance that would limit the number of students who can live in one house in the University area.

"We don't know how much of a solution it will be because it's not up yet," Brunell said.

Dorms usually fill up by mid-June, but that's when the stream of cancellations begin. In addition, 1 percent of students who sign up for dorm rooms — about 24 students — register for housing and don't show up.

"If it's the normal no-show rate, we will be able to quickly house about half of the interim students," Brunell said. He defined quickly as within the next week to 10 days. After 30 days in a study lounge, Freshmen have the option of moving off-campus due to an ASUM resolution passed during the 2000-2001 school year.

To guarantee a dorm room for next year, Brunell recommends putting in a housing application before November. The deadline to reserve "squatting rights" to keep the room the student is currently in for the next year is Oct. 31.

"There will be space beyond that, but if they want a specific space, the application should be in as early as October," Brunell said.

Last year, every student was out of interim housing by early November. However, the thought of two months in the Knowles study lounge has no appeal to Ross Mittelman.

He answered that news with a string of expletives.

Wildfire sweeps southeastern Montana

EKALAKA (AP) — A wildfire spread across 40,000 acres in southeast Montana on Wednesday, threatening several ranches as it fed on dry prairie grass and pine trees covering rocky buttes.

The fire started Friday by lightning and crept into western South Dakota Wednesday afternoon, said Jack Conner, the fire information officer. It was about 30 miles southeast of Ekalaka.

The fire was about 18 miles

long and six miles wide, but was considered 40 percent contained, he said. The Kraft Springs Fire, as it was named, was mostly on federal land.

At least 250 fire personnel were assigned to the blaze, and additional help was ordered. On Wednesday, firefighters took advantage of lighter winds to reinforce lines and conduct "back burns" in some areas, Conner said.

"The challenge lies in the type of fuel we're dealing with. It's so dry with the drought," he said. "It's really hard to predict, with the rough topography and the wind changes, what the fire might do. It's one of the most difficult fire conditions you can have."

High winds over the weekend spurred the fire to its massive size, he said.

No buildings had been destroyed, but two ranches near the fire's east flank were of concern because of the changeable winds. Air tankers concentrated on that area, Conner said.

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NEWS

Private study: Removing four Snake River dams could create 15,000 jobs

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Four lower Snake River dams could be breached to re-open a natural channel and bolster migrating salmon and steelhead without harming the Northwest's economy, a private study says.

The RAND Corp., a nonpartisan think tank, rebutted Bush administration claims Wednesday that returning the lower Snake to a natural channel would cost jobs. Its report contends the impacts, including saving the fish, would create 15,000 new jobs.

"This new report shows clearly that we don't have to make a choice between saving salmon and doing what's best for people," said Bill Sedivy, executive director of the Idaho Rivers United advocacy group. "If we remove the lower Snake River dams, we can have a healthy economy, healthy energy supplies, healthy salmon populations and a healthy Snake River ecosystem."

RAND concluded the region can diversify its power mix with investments in energy efficiency, new wind turbine farms and other alternative energy by 2020 for about the same cost as the current sources.

Replacing 20 percent of the proposed new natural gas-fired generators would fight global warming by avoiding the release of more than 45 million tons of carbon dioxide, the amount 7.5 million cars produce, in one year.

"Most likely, the economy will grow at the same rate whether the business-as-usual occurs or 20 percent of the expansion is replaced with alternative energy sources," RAND analysts said.

An Energy Information Administration study found that 82 percent of the Northwest's power generating capacity in 1999 came from the huge dams on the Snake and Columbia rivers.

The RAND report concluded hydroelectric production has hit a ceiling in the Northwest and will not support future growth.

The National Marine Fisheries Service, the federal agency in charge of restoring fish listed under the Endangered Species Act, recommended against breaching the Snake River dams in December 2000.

It released an alternative plan, labeled "aggressive non-breath," that called for leaving the dams in place while restoring spawning streams, reforming hatcheries to reduce harm to wild fish by hatchery-born fish, and increasing fishing restrictions.

The federal plan says breaching should again be considered if specific goals are not met by 2003, 2005 and 2008.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and other Idaho leaders oppose breaching.

Jim Caswell, director of Kempthorne's Office of Species Conservation, said the RAND review runs counter to an economic analysis by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"It's just a matter of who's the latest expert of the day," he said. "Two different conclusions. What can I say?"

The General Accounting Office last month said federal agencies have spent more than \$3.3 billion on salmon recovery methods over the past 20 years while the fish remain on the brink of extinction.

RAND contends the renewable-energy industry would create up to 15,000 new jobs over 20 years.

Drug policy summit hits UM tonight

Kristen Inbody
Montana Kaimin

It's war on the war on drugs at the University of Montana.

UM is hosting the two-day Montana Drug Policy Summit, which will discuss current drug policy and alternatives.

The conference is co-organized by John Masterson, director of the Montana NORML (the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws), and Frances DeForrest, a local nurse.

Organizers said the goal of the summit is to showcase a growing movement to dismantle federal drug policy.

Masterson hopes the summit will appeal to a group of people who don't normally engage in discussions about drug policies.

"I've been preaching to the choir at NORML," Masterson said. "What we want to do is expand the audience."

Masterson said he thinks the summit will appeal to a wide range of local citizens. Students, professors and many other professional members of Missoula care about the issues the summit will address, he said.

"Right now we have a policy of arrest and incarceration," Masterson said. "We're treating people with drug problems like criminals."

He said he would like to see drug abusers treated similar to the way alcoholics are, like people needing medical help. He also wants to see marijuana decriminalized for adult users.

The summit precedes the seventh annual Missoula Hempfest and Alternative Living Faire, a downtown event designed to promote hemp products. The timing is no coincidence, as summit organizers hope to attract like-minded individuals from the hempfest. Masterson said speakers from the summit will also get a chance to stick around for the hempfest.

The Montana Drug Policy Summit will kick off tonight at 7 p.m. in the

North Urey Underground Lecture Hall with a presentation by Scott Crichton of the Montana ACLU.

Former Missoulian Dan Baum, author of "Smoke and Mirrors," an examination of the war on drugs in the United States, will discuss the war on drugs. In his book, Baum calls the drug policy "as expensive, ineffective, delusional and destructive as government gets." He examines the ineffectiveness of drug policies and explains why at least 85 percent of Americans oppose drug legalization.

Another speaker with ties to Missoula is local neurologist Ethan Russo, who advocates the use of marijuana as medicine.

Kevin Zeese, president of Common Sense for Drug Policy (CSDP), will lay out a plan for an alternative national drug policy.

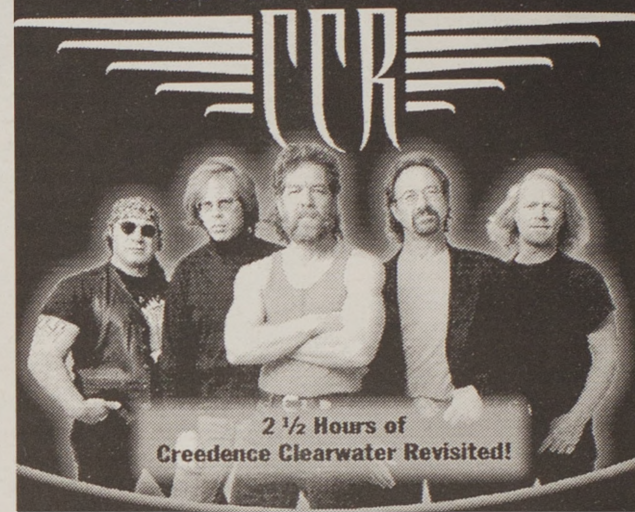
Zeese and speaker Nora Callahan are involved with the November Coalition based in Colville, Wash. The coalition tries to bring attention to people in prison on drug charges.

"We've got really talented speakers who are very knowledgeable on the topics," Masterson said.

On Friday, Ronn Mann will present his film, "Grass," which is about the legalization of marijuana.

For more information or a detailed schedule, visit: www.montanadrugpolicy.org or email info@montanadrugpolicy.org.

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News

Coffee cart relocates to south side of campus

Service to include food, other drinks

Ramey Corn
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Students on the south side of campus can now grab a cup of joe, breakfast or even lunch, thanks to the Think Tank, a mini-mart espresso stand.

The coffee cart moved from its location in the Mansfield Library to the small building adjacent the Urey Lecture Hall.

"We are here for the students," said Hilary Cox, supervisor of the Think Tank.

Last spring the Dining Services budget committee decided that it would be more profitable and beneficial to students to move the stand to the southern end of campus. The committee decided to expand what the stand offers from just coffee to food and other drinks to more efficiently benefit the student body.

"We couldn't sell food in the library, and we knew that if we

could move somewhere where we could, it would be much more profitable," said Ken Arledge, the assistant director for cash opportunities for Dining Services.

Students can escape the sun by sitting near the Urey Lecture Hall bike racks under canvas umbrellas on new picnic tables.

Currently the stand offers juice, soda, bagels, salads, snacks and subs. But when the weather cools down, Cox hopes to add homemade chicken noodle and tomato soups to the menu.

In the future, an awning and another espresso sign will also be added to the stand.

The first day of business in the new location drew students from around campus.

"They have Italian sodas, and I came all the way over from the Music Building to get one," said Tyler Major, a freshman majoring in music.

Cox emphasized the idea of a quick grab-and-go type of stand. She is training more employees to work at the Think Tank so



The Think Tank has moved from the Mansfield Library to the south exit of the Urey Lecture Hall and has outside seating complete with umbrellas.

customers' waits in line are kept to a minimum.

"We want to be really quick

and efficient for the students," said Cox.

The hours for the Think Tank

are 7:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 7:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays.

ASUM holds first meeting, plans for the year

Natalie Storey
Montana Kaimin

ASUM had its first meeting of the school year in the UC Wednesday night.

"I think the first meeting was pretty uneventful," said ASUM President Jon Swan. "But I also think there was a lot of information assimilated that will spur things in the future. I think we really have a

strong unit this year."

ASUM discussed expanding its Get Out the Vote program into the dorms. The program encourages students to vote and helps register those who aren't. This year, ASUM is asking resident assistants to distribute voter registration cards to dorm residents.

Also discussed at the meeting was the rescheduling of the ASUM retreat because only nine senators

were signed up to attend. The retreat is held annually to educate senators on issues and procedures.

Committee appointments were approved as well as last night's meeting.

The resignation of senator Blair Stone was announced.

"Blair had a different commitment that conflicted too much with ASUM, and she felt it wasn't fair to the students," said ASUM Vice

President Christy Schilke.

Stone's resignation, along with the previously announced resignation of senator Nathan Queener, leaves two senate seats empty. All students are encouraged to apply. The deadline for applications is Sept. 11.

ASUM is also looking to hire a student political action director. The deadline for that application is Sept. 13.

"It is a key position," said Schilke. "That person will become very important in the legislative process."

ASUM senate meetings are held every Wednesday on the third floor of the UC at 6 p.m. in Rooms 332 and 333.

Next week, ASUM will be discussing student concerns they will choose to express at the Montana Board of Regents meeting Sept. 18-20.

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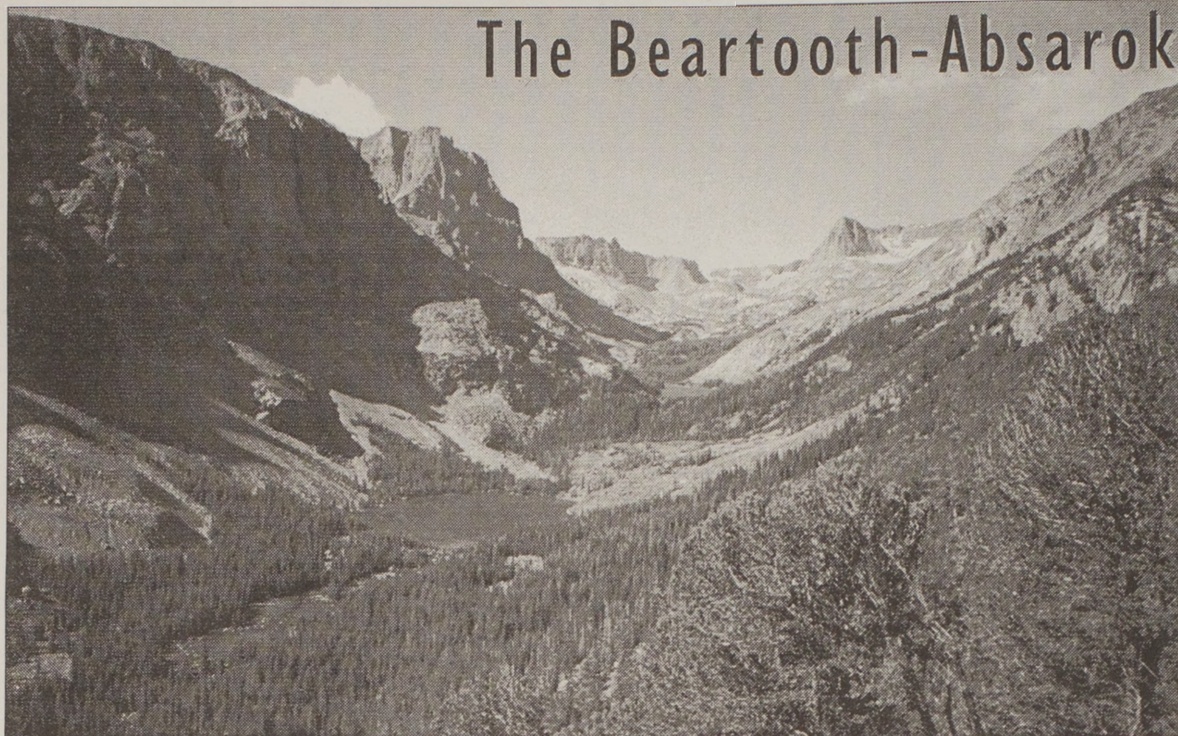
The Beartooth-Absaroka Wilderness

A glimpse into the rugged
and oft overlooked
wilderness they call
"The Beartooths"



THE AUTHOR at 9,950 feet with Sugar by his side and September Morn Lake in the background.

Story and Photos
by
Bryan O'Connor



THE SPOT. First Rock and Second Rock lakes in the Lake Fork drainage near Red Lodge.

Summer is winding down and classes are starting up but there is just enough time left to take a wilderness adventure that could change the way you think about Montana.

The last two weeks of August through the first two weeks of September are a prime time to take a trip into the stunning Beartooth-Absaroka Wilderness area in south-central Montana. Because of the high altitude of most of the area, snowfall prevents easy access to the wilderness area for the rest of the year.

The 943,626 acres that contain 944 lakes, 700 miles of trails, numerous streams and most of the highest peaks in the state were designated a wilderness area by Congress in 1978. About 23,000 acres of that area are in Wyoming, bordering

Yellowstone National Park.

With so much attention given to the national parks and the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area, the Beartooths are sometimes overlooked. But this is to the advantage of hikers, climbers, fishermen, hunters and other outdoor enthusiasts. Many of the trails offer complete solitude, and having a lake to one's self for the weekend is not a difficult task in this gigantic high-altitude playland.

The wilderness is home to the second largest contiguous area above 10,000 feet in the United States. It also showcases the highest peak in the state — Granite Peak — towering 12,799 feet above sea level.

But there are hundreds of peaks ranging from 10 to 12 thousand feet scattered throughout the high plateaus, some of which

do not require extensive climbing gear to summit.

The trailheads generally begin at altitudes higher than 7,000 feet, so

the hikes to the plateaus are not very difficult. But come prepared; the weather changes fast up there, and can get real nasty—real quick.

The lakes are teeming with fish, and are willing to take just about any fly on your vest. There are lake, brown, rainbow, cutthroat, brook and golden trout as well as arctic grayling scattered in many of the lakes and streams.

For climbers, the wilderness has innumerable possibilities. There is more granite than you can shake an ice axe at, not to mention a host of glaciers.

For the less adventurous, the vistas from the plateaus include an array of rugged, toothlike spires rising into space for photo opportunities.

The wildlife is varied, ranging from mountain goats in the high country to moose in the lower drainages. Once above 10,000 feet, the likelihood of seeing a bear is almost nil, since there are only sparse grasses, lichens and grasshoppers. There are outstanding birdwatching areas and some wild-berry picking opportunities in the lower elevations as well.

The white pines near the treeline are some of the most unique and disfigured trees you will ever encounter. Above that, there are a variety of shrubs and surprisingly enough, grasshoppers.

The somewhat fragile ecosystem and

moderate traffic into this area requires zero-impact camping. Study up on all the local rules and regulations before starting out to make sure you keep this area looking beautiful for generations to come.

Before you start, or on the way, you should also contact the ranger station nearest your point of entry into the wilderness. There

are ranger stations in Big Timber, Livingston or Red Lodge that can help you out.

You should go very prepared when heading into the Beartooth Absaroka Wilderness. This means mentally and

physically. If you are not an experienced backcountry enthusiast, don't go alone. Go with people who know the area or know what they are doing.

A pack full of gear is necessary when heading in. Shake everything down and make sure you know how to use it. USGS topographic maps are essential, and a GPS unit could save your life. Take everything you can think of that you might need, because you probably will.

Some say the national parks in this country are the crown jewel of our undeveloped land, but take a trip to the Beartooth-Absaroka Wilderness area to see a real gem. It is an absolute paradise with unlimited possibilities for anyone who dares to explore it. There is nothing like it in the rest of the state, or the world.



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Mountain biking at Marshall Mountain



Missoula resident Bernie Fanelli swings high on a corner during his run of the Biker Cross Wednesday evening. Fanelli finished with a time of 35.63 seconds, giving him a seed time and place for the race next week.

The Biker Cross is a six-week series that began on Wednesday night and will run through October 9th. The track was the idea of Pro Leisure Tour member Garrett Hobbs, but getting the series up and running was the result of collaborative efforts from a number of locals.

"This was made possible by Marshall Mountain and a bunch of sponsors," said Hobbs.

The first race drew quite a crowd and the series is sure to pick up steam in the coming weeks. The winning time went to Hobbs, who tore through the course in 30.58 seconds. For more information contact

Photos by
Lisa Hornstein



UM senior Nate Warner flies through the air at Marshall Mountain. Warner finished with a time of 35.62 seconds.

OUTDOORS

Missoula may have lost some luster, but it still shines brighter than most

Column by



Liam Gallagher

Not so many years ago I wandered into Missoula a bright-eyed and bushy-haired high schooler looking for a little breathing room. It had been raining in my home town of Portland, Ore., for, well about 18 years, and I was pretty damn fed up with the tropical rain forest that is Oregon for nine months of the year.

Somehow I caught word of Missoula and UM in my great search for a college. I'd heard it had mountains aplenty, real winter weather and a ski resort only 30 minutes from campus. I was intrigued and couldn't wait to visit the city I'd heard so much about.

That day came in early October. When we left Portland the skies were gray, the streets were wet and I could feel the grips of seasonal affective disorder growing ever tighter.

I was ready for a change, bigger mountains to climb, fresher air to breathe and few people to see.

Driving into the Missoula valley, I was less than impressed. Frenchtown was depressing, the hills burnt brown and the skies as cloudy as I'd left them in Portland. I was beginning to wonder just what all the hype was about.

But, it wasn't long before I found out.

Sometime around 10 p.m. that first night I was in town it began to snow. In the coming hours the snow continued and by morning some eight inches had accumulated throughout town. The entire valley had been instantly transformed into the winter wonderland I'd always dreamed of.

In an instant I was sold on Missoula and couldn't wait to make it my home.

Years have passed, seasons come and gone, fish caught and lost, peaks bagged, rivers run and more miles than I could've ever imagined have been traveled. I now spend my summers in West Glacier and plan to live in the Flathead Valley after my days of academia are over. Over the last four years I've made Montana my home and plan on keeping it that

way for quite some time.

And while I can't think of a better state to stake my claim in, I must admit Missoula is beginning to lose a little bit of its luster. I don't know exactly what it is, but this fall I've been less than enthusiastic about returning to the mountainous mecca of Missoula.

I attribute this rather jaded outlook on life in Missoula to the two summers in Glacier National Park. Life out of the city and amidst the wilds of Glacier spoiled the hell out of me. From May to August, I spent my days on the river, my nights under the stars and almost all the in between out of doors. The air was clean, the days were long and the most traffic I saw was a result of two black bears that wandered through town.

And now, having returned to Missoula, I've found I spend my days in the classroom and my nights at a computer. The air is unpleasantly pungent and it seems as if the congestion that has stricken Malfun Junction for so many years is now common place at intersections around the city.

I'm left asking myself, "Where has the Missoula of my youth gone?" Okay, it sounds a bit melo-

dramatic, but bear with me.

Sure Missoula is heralded as one of the best cities to live and more importantly play in, but somehow over the last couple of years my once romantic ideas of this town don't seem quite as brilliant under the inversion-caused cloud cover. Not to mention the perpetually poisoned "Dark" Fork River has all but washed away the pristine Montana mystic. And then there's the solitude the state once promised that seems to have been driven out by all those driving in.

But, you know, now that I think about it, the situation might not be as grim as my cynical tone might lead you to believe, because while the last couple years have revealed all that Missoula isn't praised for, in the time I've spent here I've also learned that all that's written, rumored or fabled about this area can never completely convey just how good we've all got it here.

There are more mountains to climb, rivers to swim, boat or fish and trails to tromp on within 15 minutes, than most unfortunate big city dwellers have within a days' drive of them.

And tomorrow, the sun will cast the shadows of mountains, rather than 40-story buildings over the valley floor. The morning air will be cooler and cleaner than in most cities. The rivers will continue to boil while trophy trout slurping the surface. The city will come alive, most likely later than most cities do. Businessmen and women will bustle to and fro at a slower pace than the men and women in similar positions in not-so-similar cities. And it'll all be business as usual and just another lousy day in one of the many mountain town paradises of Montana.

It's good to be back in the town I fell in love with not so many years ago.



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Missoula City Police officers assist Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks employees in loading a tranquilized black bear into a truck to be relocated.

Black bears wander UM campus, Missoula

Casey Trang
Montana Kaimin

On Monday night new students weren't the only ones seen wandering around the University of Montana campus. Two black bears were spotted near the Madison Street Bridge and cut a trail through the edge of campus.

"They come out this time of year for the fruit trees and earlier for garbage cans," said Chuck Jonkel of the Great Bear Foundation.

Police arrived and found the bear and her cub in a tree near the practice field.

"They were pretty much out in the practice fields by themselves," Kelly said. "So, nobody was in any real danger."

Soon after the arrival of Public Safety the bears climbed down the tree and crossed the practice field where they climbed another tree near the foot bridge.

"We kept them treed," said Public Safety Officer Paul Kelly, "and called fish and game."

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

showed up on the scene with darts and two separate traps, while a crowd of 15 to 20 people gathered around the ruckus. The onlookers were in little danger as Public Safety kept them about 100 yards away.

The only people close to the bears, Kelly said, were the two Public Safety officers and the two wildlife specialists.

"A lot of times we got to protect the bears from people doing foolish things," said James Jonkel, wildlife specialist for MFWP.

After MFWP arrived, the bears were darted, caged and kept overnight. The bears were released the next day in a remote location away from Missoula.

The ordeal lasted two, maybe three hours, Kelly said.

The north end of Missoula has had the biggest problem with bears recently.

"There's been a lot of trouble with the lower Rattlesnake," Chuck Jonkel said about recent bear sightings.

Bears come into town through Greenough Park, Chuck Jonkel said.

Then they wander through people's gardens and orchards. The biggest problem with bears has been around areas adjacent to mountains, such as the University district and the Rattlesnake Valley.

However, residents in those areas have little to worry about if they take a couple of precautions. People should keep dog food inside, James Jonkel said, and pick their apples as soon as they're ripe. Missoula residents also need to be careful with their bird feeders.

"We recommend people don't use bird feeders at all during summer, spring and fall," James Jonkel said.

Since bears primarily come near town at night, many residents see no clues of their existence around town. Bears come around campus probably two nights a week during this time of the year, Chuck Jonkel said.

For students and others new to the area who aren't used to encountering black bears and other wildlife, James Jonkel only has one greeting:

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KAIMIN SPORTS

Volleyball star looks forward to teaching

Brittany Hageman
Montana Kaimin

Ten years from now, in a grade school gymnasium far, far away, little Billy Jones has a question for his P.E. teacher.

"Miss Stringer," the tender-hearted third-grader asks, "who are all those girls with the mean faces on this poster?"

Billy's teacher turns from her desk and glances back sort of cock-eyed at the 2002 UM Griz volleyball poster she's kept in her office all these years.

"Those were my teammates and my friends from when I was in college," Stringer says. "We really made a name for ourselves that season; we went undefeated."

"Don't you miss playing with them?" Billy asks.

Before Stringer answers, she looks up at her cork board with the umpteen school pictures grade schoolers have given her through the years — most with missing teeth — and then at the "World's Best Teacher" mug on her desk.

"Yes, Billy, I miss it," she answers, "but I'd miss teaching you more."

Becoming a P.E. teacher is something that Teresa Stringer, senior middle blocker for the Griz volleyball team, has always wanted to do.

"I just love being with little kids," Stringer said. "They just tickle my pickle."

A bona fide stud in volleyball, track and basketball, Stringer hopes to use her health and human performance major to teach youngsters the fundamentals of athletics.

But competing as an athlete without sustaining a major injury is like driving a car around the world and not getting a flat.

For Stringer, her blowout occurred on Sept. 28, 2001, during a volleyball game against Weber State.

Stringer, who was leading her team in blocks at the time of her injury, went up to kill the ball off a set from teammate Claire Thompson during the second play of the game. But when Stringer came down, her left leg hit stiffly on the court, then hyperextended.

"I heard a popping, sort of crunching sound," Stringer said, "and then I thought, 'Oh, no, this isn't going to be something that's going to heal in just a couple of weeks.'"

The doctors told Stringer she had torn her ACL, partial MCL and some meniscus in her knee.

Stringer was out for most of the volleyball season, and head volleyball coach Nikki Best had to come up with someone to fill Stringer's knee pads.

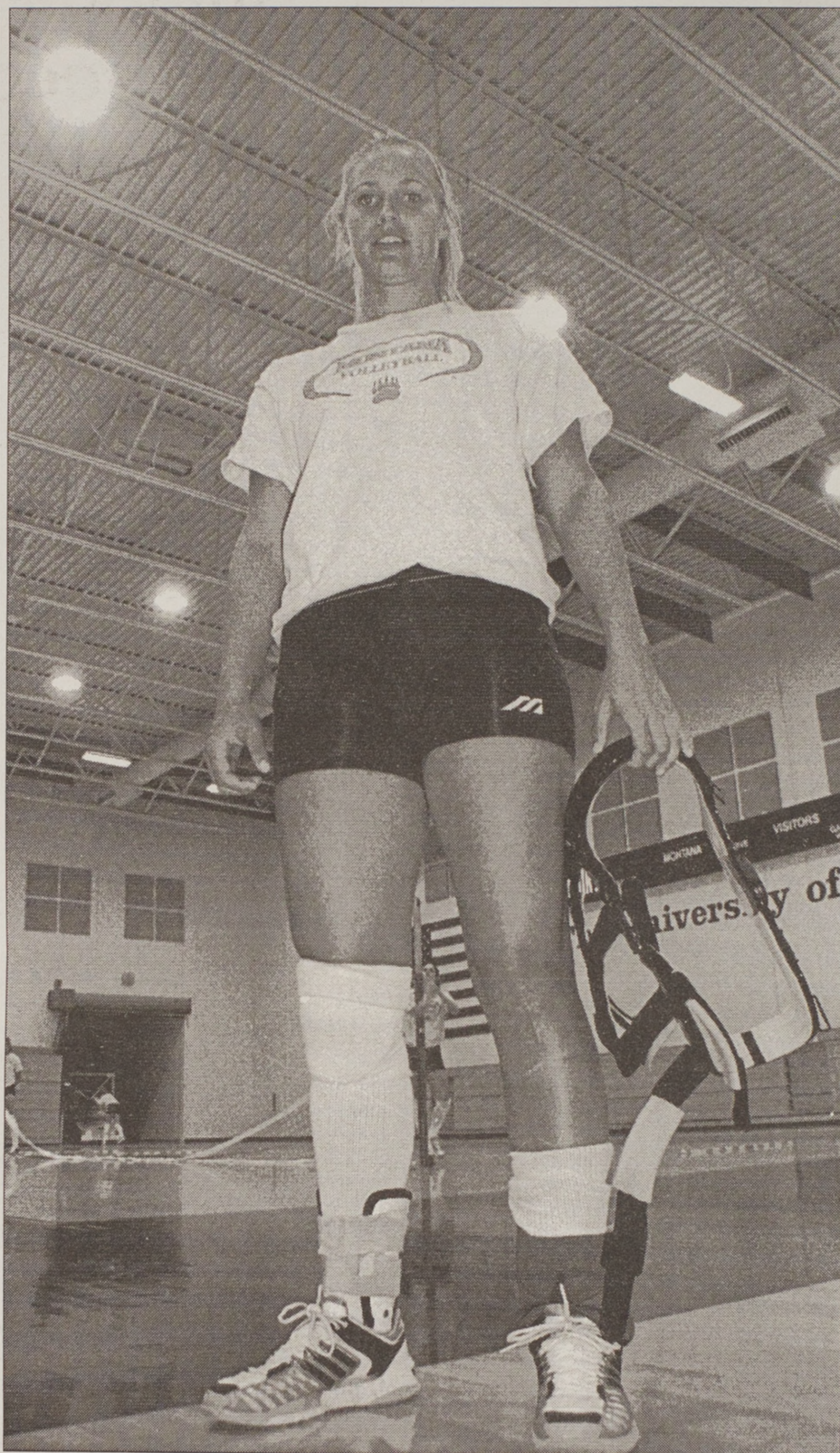
"We had no way to replace her," Best said. "Teresa is so strong at the net, and places her hits well."

But that's not even half the reason why Stringer was indispensable. "She is such a leader," Best said. "She gets the team riled up during the game and has a great attitude."

And when practice is over and everyone else hits the showers, Stringer takes extra time with freshman hitters who want to work more on their form, Best said.

Nearly a year after the injury, Best said that while Stringer's knee might not be back at 100 percent yet, her game is.

"Rehabilitating was just another



Teresa Stringer is back in the Griz volleyball lineup after recovering from surgery.

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day for her." Best said. "She's tough."

But Stringer would prove she was both tough and stubborn, because under Stringer's beaming smile, she was hurting.

"I'd say that I'm tough and that I'll be OK," Stringer said, "but watching everyone else play and being away from the game made it hard."

It was Stringer's parents who gave her the confidence and support she needed to make a return to the Griz lineup.

Though Stringer now dons a knee brace during matches, she says it doesn't hinder her jump.

Besides the brace, another way to distinguish Stringer from other players on the court is by her colorful, fun use of hair accessories and glitter.

Some people watch "Hoosiers" before they play; some people listen

to a special song. Teresa Stringer makes hair ties out of fabric and fastens them to her long, blond hair.

And on road trips, Stringer would never be without her favorite plush animal, a gigantic stuffed moose fondly named "Moosie," given to her by someone who had no room for the creature when he was moving out of the dorms.

In addition to Moosie, Stringer loves dogs, especially her two Brittany Spaniels living at home with her parents in Phoenix.

Stringer enjoyed high school at Barry Goldwater High School in Phoenix, where she was a three-year letterman in basketball, not to mention an MVP for both volleyball and track.

A multi-sport talent, Stringer decided to pursue a collegiate volleyball career because she excelled in the sport the most and got a scholarship from UM.

With her scholarship up by the end of this year, Stringer said she's sad about leaving the team, but also itching to take the plunge into the work force.

"I'm so excited to help little kids," Stringer said, "I just know working with them will bring me so much joy."

And hopefully, all the "little Billeys" of the world won't give Miss Stringer much guff.

Moments of silence on Sept. 11

(AP) — All major league baseball night games on Sept. 11 will pause at 9:11 p.m. local time for a moment of silence in remembrance of last year's terrorist attacks.

NFL fans, meanwhile, will hear an address this week on last year's events from President Bush and team personnel will wear logos commemorating the events.

Following the moment of silence at the baseball games, a videotape will be shown in memory of those who died. During afternoon games on Sept. 11, the moment of silence will be held during the seventh-inning stretch, and the video will follow.

"All of us in baseball were devastated by the horrific attack on our country last September 11, and it is with a great deal of sadness and grief that we will mark the first anniversary," commissioner Bud Selig said Wednesday.

"We take this opportunity to honor the memories of those lost and to pay tribute to the firefighters, police officers, rescue workers and all those who sacrificed their lives trying to save others," Selig said.

Bush's talk to NFL fans will be shown on CBS and FOX telecasts and played on stadium screens for the 10 season-opening games Sunday that start at 1 p.m. EDT. It will be followed by the Marine Corps Band playing "America The Beautiful."

In addition, sideline personnel from all the teams will wear a 9/11 patch on their clothing along with an American flag.

Members of the New York Giants and Jets will wear caps with the initials or logos of the New York fire and police departments or the New York/New Jersey Port Authority personnel. The Giants open the season Thursday night against San Francisco, part of the celebration of Sept. 11.

The Washington Redskins will wear caps with a Pentagon logo.

During the baseball games, a special logo will be displayed on the field, outfield walls, bases and lineup cards, incorporating the Stars and Stripes, the major league baseball logo, a red-white-and-blue ribbon and the phrase "We Shall Not Forget." Players' caps and outerwear that day will include the American flag, and each fan attending a game that day will receive a commemorative T-shirt that features the logo.

Fans will be encouraged to wear the T-shirt during the game, specifically for the moment of silence.

In addition, New York Knicks players Allan Houston and Charlie Ward will sponsor an event at Madison Square Garden on Sept. 11 called "A Tribute to Grace and Hope."

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NBA-powered U.S. team finally falls

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Argentina pulled off a victory that until recently seemed nearly impossible, beating the United States 87-80 Wednesday night in the World Championships.

It was the first loss for a U.S. team in 59 games since the Americans began sending NBA players to international tournaments in 1992. The defeat did not knock the U.S. team out of the tournament, but gave them a lower seed for the medal round where the nations could meet again.

"We'll be back to win the gold," defiant guard Baron Davis said.

Argentina's victory was shocking enough, but what made it even more incredible was the manner in which it accomplished it. The United States never led, trailed by as many as 20 and couldn't mount an adequate comeback down the stretch.

The Argentines leaped and hugged each other as the final buzzer sounded while the American players stood around and congratulated them. The Argentines then formed a tight huddle for several seconds before emerging with their hands raised to salute a small but vocal contingent of their fans in the lower seats at Conseco Fieldhouse.

This U.S. team had said it wanted to keep the unbeaten streak intact, but it also knew that the competition from around the world is getting better. Like the

U.S. team, Argentina won its first five games in the World Championships to set up a meeting of the only two nations with unblemished records.

Now, there's only one team with a perfect record.

It's Argentina.

"They were a lot better than we thought," Davis said. "They were just beating us every which way."

U.S. teams had two close calls in the past two years, defeating Lithuania by just two points in the 2000 Olympics and needing overtime to beat Brazil in the 2001 Goodwill Games.

Many of the best American players declined to participate in this tournament, and this version of Team USA looked quite vulnerable over the past week — especially against nations that now have their own NBA players.

"We are human beings and we dream. To say we were going to beat them, I did not know. I knew we had one of the best chances," Argentina guard Pepe Sanchez said. "We came to play, we came to compete. As the game unfolded, we said, 'Wow, we could really do this.'"

The first sign that emotions were high came less than four minutes into the game, when Paul Pierce was knocked down by Hugo Sconochini and then stuck his leg out in a deliberate attempt to trip him.

Pierce continued to go after Sconochini and was whistled for

two holding fouls in the span of one second. That deprived the U.S. team of its most consistent offensive player, and the Americans did not make a field goal for the next five minutes.

The emotional outbursts from the U.S. team kept coming.

Jermaine O'Neal picked up a flagrant foul late in the first quarter for shoving Scola to the ground after Scola rejected his dunk attempt, and the U.S. coaching staff ran onto the court at the end of the quarter to complain when Reggie Miller didn't get a call.

The frustration continued in the second quarter, when the Americans had trouble getting off decent shots. Argentina, on the other hand, used its crisp passing to repeatedly find players open under the basket for layups and dunks.

Andres Nocioni, who had a memorable dunk over Kevin Garnett and Tim Duncan in the 1999 Olympic qualifier, unleashed another impressive jam over Ben Wallace early in the second quarter. He then stole the ensuing inbound pass at midcourt and made two foul shots for a 41-23 lead.

A driving layup by Emanuel Ginobili gave Argentina a 52-32 lead with 1:14 left in the half.

"They have better talent, they have better training, but I think we played better today, forward Luis Scola said. "You got to believe."

Injuries pester UM soccer team

Marina Mackrow
Montana Kaimin

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to know that having six injured key players on the bench is going to disrupt any coach's game plan. But it might take one to figure out a new game strategy while trying to win games.

This is the quandary the UM women's soccer head coach, Betsy Duerksen and her coaching staff have found themselves in as they enter the 2002 season.

"We have not figured out strengths yet with our injuries," Duerksen said. "We need a system to fit the players we have."

What she has is freshmen Kate Sloan, Shawn Destafney, Katie Roberts and activated red-shirt Kai Sharbono stepping into large roles quickly.

"They are getting a lot of information fast," Duerksen said. "But they are stepping up."

Duerksen originally thought this year's team would be an attacking team with a "power group" consisting of returning forwards Tammy Hartong and Liz Roberts and mid-fielder Nikki Bolstad.

However, those plans have drastically changed. Hartong arrived from summer vacation with bronchitis that only worsened as she continued to play. Bolstad is sitting

on the bench with a bone contusion in her femur and has yet to play this season. And now, Roberts is on the bench after colliding with Washington State's goalkeeper last Monday and is awaiting the results of her MRI. Therefore, Duerksen's "power group" needs some serious recharging.

Also injured on the Grizzlies' team is Tara Schwager with a quad pull. Kate Sloan is playing with a bruise in her ankle and a quad pull. Bemoni Alidjani has a torn ACL and is the only player who seems to be out for the long term, according to Duerksen.

"You can't measure us right now," Duerksen said. "We are not 100 percent on the field."

Also stepping into larger shoes to replace a veteran is red-shirt freshman Sarah Braseth, who replaced goalkeeper Katie Peck after she left for personal reasons.

"Sarah is stepping up," Duerksen said. However, the coach would like to find a backup keeper for Braseth.

The Grizzlies know the next few weeks will be harsh as they continue to play tough non-conference teams and try to develop a strategy that will win games.

"The tough schedule will make us better," Duerksen said. "The more top 20 teams we play the better our chances are of knocking one off. It prepares us for the conference."

In the conference, Duerksen says Idaho State and Weber State have been strong. Idaho State finished last season with an overall record of 11-7-2, and Weber State finished last season with a 10-8-1 record compared to Montana's 8-8 record.

"We have a great rivalry with Idaho State and Weber State," she said.

For the first time in UM soccer history, the Grizzlies were not ranked No. 1 in the Big Sky at the beginning of the season. But Duerksen says it's nice to be the underdog.

"It gives us motivation, and we get fired up," she said.

In addition to the freshmen being thrust into playing roles, the Grizzlies also have returning talent available.

Wendy Stuker and McKenzie Zajonc, the Big Sky Defensive Most Valuable Player last season, are Montana's dominating defenders. Montana's offense is led by Erin Smith, whom Duerksen describes as a leader and an organizer; Liz Roberts, an attacking leader; and Bolstad, who is injured.

Duerksen said the Grizzlies are a young defensive group and mature on offense.

With the injuries and young players, Montana needs to establish leadership on the field, Duerksen said. Off the field, the players spent nine hours while on a retreat to the University Center's place at Salmon Lake, laying out the team's goals and rules.

"They are a committed group," Duerksen said. "They put the time and energy into it. But they have yet to do it on the field."

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13 hecklers removed from World Summit

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Unfurling banners and shouting "Shame on Bush," dozens of activists at the World Summit heckled Secretary of State Colin Powell on Wednesday as he defended America's record on the environment and helping the developing world.

Thirteen activists were dragged from the room.

Boos from the rear of the summit's main hall repeatedly interrupted Powell's five-minute speech to an audience of 1,500 government leaders and delegates.

"The American soul has always harbored a deep desire to help people build better lives for themselves and their children," Powell said. "We have always understood that our own well-being depends on the well-being of our fellow inhabitants of this planet Earth."

The United States joined 190 other nations on the summit's last day Wednesday in adopting an action plan aimed at improving the lives of the poor and reversing the destruction of the planet.

But Washington was widely accused in 10 days of tough negotiations of shirking past commitments and trying to avoid new ones.

Government officials and activists have strongly criticized the United States for rejecting the 1997 Kyoto Protocol, which seeks to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide and other gases that trap heat in the atmosphere. Many countries view the accord as crucial for reversing global warming, which has been blamed for cataclysmic storms, floods and droughts.

President Bush has said the United States is taking other actions to fight climate change, but the international agreement's strict-

tures are inappropriate and too costly for the U.S. economy.

Washington has also been hampered by some here for opposing binding targets to increase the use of solar and wind power and other renewable energy sources.

During Powell's speech, dozens of American, Australian and other activists in the audience jeered and shouted "Shame on Bush."

Some held up banners reading "Bush: People and Planet, Not Big Business."

South African Foreign Minister Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, who was chairing the session, banged her gavel and yelled at the hecklers to stop. Security forcibly removed 13 people from the hall.

Powell looked annoyed, answering back at one point: "I have now heard you," before going on.

The heckling started when Powell criticized Zimbabwe for pursuing land reform policies that have exacerbated the food crisis there and pushed "millions of people to the brink of starvation." The comments brought some cheers from the audience as well.

He also criticized Zambia, which is also facing widespread hunger, for rejecting genetically engineered corn that Americans eat every day.

However, much of his speech focused on America's commitment to the developing world and the environment.

"We have reaffirmed the principle that sound economic management, investment in people and responsible stewardship of our environment are crucial for development," he said.

Powell also repeated the U.S. explanation for opposing specific targets in the summit's action plan, saying projects were more important than paper agreements.

WorldCom expected to face more charges

NEW YORK (AP) — The WorldCom accounting investigation will be expanded with new charges and possibly more defendants, federal prosecutors said Wednesday.

Assistant U.S. Attorney David Anders said in federal court he intends to file a new indictment in the case that has already branded five WorldCom executives as co-conspirators in the largest accounting scandal in U.S. history.

"The government is continuing its investigation, and we do plan to supersede at some point, to add charges ... and to potentially add defendants," Anders said after U.S. District Court Judge Barbara Jones asked him if he was prepared to set a trial date.

Anders spoke to the judge during the arraignment of former WorldCom chief financial officer Scott Sullivan

and accounting executive Buford Yates Jr.

Both men pleaded innocent to securities fraud charges, and a pretrial hearing was scheduled for Dec. 9. Sullivan remains free on \$10 million bail while Yates, making his first court appearance, was released on a \$500,000 bond.

Yates' attorney David Schertler said he will soon file papers seeking to have his client's trial moved out of New York. If the request is granted, that could lead to a separate trial for Yates, 46, who lives in Brandon, Miss.

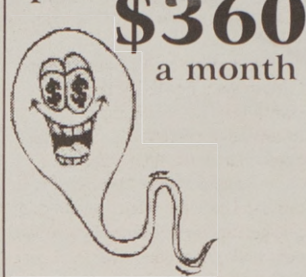
Outside court, Schertler declined to comment further.

Sullivan and his lawyer left court without speaking to reporters.

Sullivan's lawyer, Irv Nathan, has said previously his client was a victim of a "rush to judgment."

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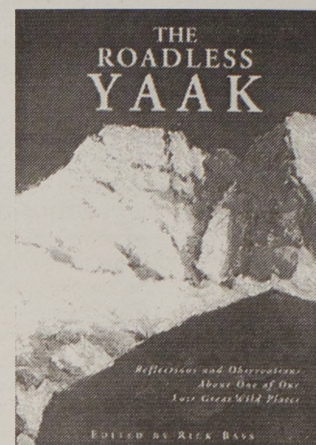


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Peddler problems persist

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

Credit card vendors have begun popping up around campus despite a UM policy that limits them.

A solicitor with Citigroup was asked to leave the Oval on Tuesday only to show up in front of Craig Hall hours later, said Lt. Jim Lemcke, the assistant director of Public Safety.

This situation is routine on campus because of UM's policy on credit card vendors.

"It doesn't say anywhere that they are not allowed," said Adrienne Donald, the assistant director for operations in the UC. "All it says is on recommendation of ASUM and the UC Board ... we reserve the right to limit the number of vendors."

MBNA is the only credit card company allowed on campus, and Donald said that is because it is an

alumni card, which it donates money to the University.

But that doesn't prevent vendors from bringing their own tables to campus and soliciting until they are kicked out, Donald said.

"Every credit card vendor knows they are not supposed to be here, but it's such a hot market and a captive audience," UC Event Coordinator Tara Castellucci said.

Oftentimes vendors come to campus offering gifts in exchange for a student filling out a credit card application, which Donald said should be against the law.

"It should be illegal to give away umbrellas, t-shirts and sports bottles and having people getting credit cards that have no business getting them," Donald said.

Joyce Morgan, the educator-marketing presenter with Consumer Credit Counseling, said that while it

would be nice to limit incentives for credit cards, there is no way to stop it.

She said getting students educated about debt is key and pointed to the hit each student's credit report takes when they apply for a credit card.

"Every time you fill out an inquiry on a credit card, it is points against your credit score," Morgan said.

If a student is filling out applications to get a free teddy bear or T-shirt it may cost them higher car insurance or prevent them from getting a loan in the future, she said.

Vendors continue to come to campus and know the rules, Donald said. She gets so frustrated she has stopped confronting them and calls Public Safety.

"The only thing campus security can do is ask them to leave," Donald said.

Cyber-policing up, media group says

PARIS (AP) — Several Western democracies have become "predators of digital freedoms," using the fight against terrorism to increase surveillance on the Internet, an international media-rights group said Thursday.

Reporters Without Borders criticized not only authoritarian states such as China that tightly police Internet use, but also Western governments — including the United States, Britain, France, Germany, Spain, Italy and Denmark — and the European Parliament.

"A year after the tragic events in New York and Washington, the Internet can be included on the list of collateral damage," the Paris-based group said in a report. "Cyber-liberty has been undermined, and fundamental digital freedoms have been amputated."

The report accused China, Vietnam and other countries hostile to dissent of using the international counter-terrorism campaign "to strengthen their police mechanisms and legal frameworks relating to the Web and to increase pressure on cyber-dissidents."

Among cases cited were that of Li Dawei, a former policeman sentenced in July to 11 years in prison on charges of using the Internet to subvert the Chinese government.

But even among Western democracies, "many countries have adopted laws, measures and actions that are poised to put the Internet under the tutelage of security services," Reporters Without Borders said.

It said measures to record information about Web sites visited and e-mails sent and received

risk turning Internet providers and telecommunications firms "into potential branches of the police."

Since Sept. 11, many governments have sought to respond to concerns that terrorists can use the speed, ease of communication and relative anonymity of the Internet to plan attacks, swap information, transfer funds and publicize their ideas.

Critics fear the measures will erode users' privacy and freedom of speech, cause them to trust the Internet less and ultimately hurt the Internet's value as a new communications medium.

Two other advocacy groups, the Electronic Privacy Information Center and Privacy International, also said in a report this week that governments worldwide have made it easier for authorities to eavesdrop on telephone and online conversations in order to fight terror.

Reporters Without Borders cited dozens of measures adopted or proposed by governments to expand police powers on the Web, including:

— A Canadian anti-terrorist law adopted last December "clearly undermines the confidentiality of exchanges of electronic mail," the group said.

— "Magic Lantern" technology being developed by the FBI will allow investigators to secretly install, over the Internet, powerful eavesdropping software to record every keystroke on a person's computer.

— A new French law requires Internet providers to keep records of e-mail exchanges for one year and make it easier for authorities to decode messages protected by encryption software.

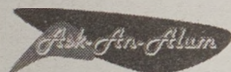


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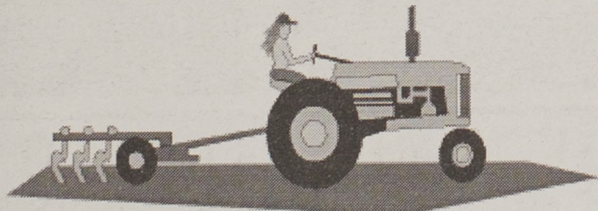
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Club

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For every drink a person wishes to purchase, about \$1.50 will be added to the cost of admission. Club organizers have not settled on an exact price yet, but the cost of four drinks should be less than \$10. Because the alcohol is part of the admission price of an event, it is legal for the University to sell it.

Alcohol

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there were still some "hoops to jump through" with Dining Services.

"We've always had the capability to do it," said Mark LoParco, the director of Dining Services, "we just haven't done it until (we had) a growing interest from the students."

LoParco said alcohol cannot be sold on the UM campus without being in conjunction with an event. He also pointed out that the Bistro is not a bar, and over-the-counter sales will be monitored for control.

If students want to drink, they will have to show a valid driver's license upon entering the club, then a cashier will swipe their Griz Cards to verify that the licenses are real. Students will have the

"It is definitely a good idea," said sophomore Andrew Gishen. "I will definitely go. It will cut down on drinking and driving because people won't have to drive home. Plus there are no real good dance clubs downtown."

"If a bunch of people went then I would want to go," freshman Jocelyn Houska said. "I'm not sure if it would be fun or not. It depends on how strict they are. A lot of people on campus are underage, and it wouldn't be too fun if they were

really strict."

Junior Ty Robertson said, "Well, I think it is a nice outlet on campus, especially for people who are under 21 and can't go downtown."

Funding for the club was provided by Student Affairs, ASUM and the UC. Zarr said the club's initial budget is approximately \$25,000. The equipment that has been purchased for the club will be used for other functions around campus, he added.

There will be less driving, Willett said, and that will keep students safe.

"If a problem does arise, it is easy to say since this has come up. The bar has to shut down," Willett said.

Sticka, who has been working on the project for two years, is confident the club will open without a hitch.

"I understand the fact that this is the first time something like this has happened, so I'm taking the best steps to prepare for anything," he said.

T-shirt security will be on hand for opening night, Langley said, and the club is currently working with Public Safety to ensure they are creating a safe and controlled atmosphere for alcohol service.

"I think if everyone is on the same wavelength, it has potential," Willett said.

option of buying an admission package that limits the number of drinks they can have. If students show up before 11 p.m. they can purchase four drinks. After each hour, one drink will be cut off the limit — thus limiting clubbers to one drink per hour.

For the price of admission and the maximum of four drinks, the cost will be under \$10, Langley said. He added, "We are not selling a beer package to anyone who is intoxicated."

All of the alcohol will be limited to the Bistro, and instead of cash, the students will purchase their beer or wine with a Griz Card, which will have their drink-package on it after they pay a cashier.

Ken Willett, the director of Public Safety, said that as long as everything is licensed and there are drink limitations, he is in favor of the program.

Plan

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know some possible places that we could build and some possible things we could do to enhance our campus," said ASUM business manager Heather O'Loughlin.

Keller said all facets of the University were taken into consideration when planning for the future.

"There is still potential for expansion while preserving those characteristics that make this campus what it is," she said.

The plan also includes an idea to create inviting and obvious entrances to the University at certain locations around the campus so that visitors have a clear idea of the boundaries and access points of UM. The committee

that created the plan also thought about a visitor center that would allow newcomers on campus to have a starting point.

Also, the plan lays out ideas for how to develop the residential area west of the Adams Center parking lot. The University has been purchasing land in the area in anticipation of future campus growth. The master plan spells out a possible location for new student housing and a belt of "green space" to create a transition to the community.

The Oval is due for a renovation, according to the plan. UM's central campus feature should get new trees to replace those that have fallen or died, as well as new lights and sprinklers.

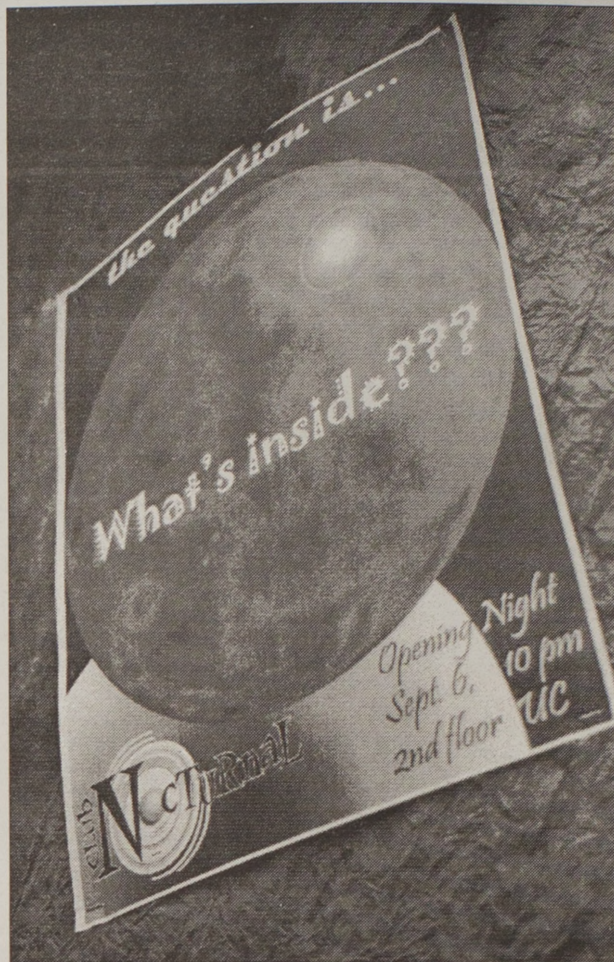
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The master plan is still changeable though, and it is meant to adapt as the needs of the University change, Keller said.

Master plans are commonly adopted by universities around the country, O'Loughlin said. With the help from a consultant from the University of Washington, a committee of representatives from a wide array of campus organizations came up with the plans and recommendations.

Keller attributed the plan's success to the cooperation of many university agencies working together to share ideas.

"I think we've come up with a good plan for the University," Keller said. "I think it's a good living document that will really help in the future as the University grows and expands, and (it) also preserves those things that are important to the University."



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Bush tells Congress he'll seek approval before invading Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush eased tensions with Congress by assuring lawmakers he would seek their approval before invading Iraq. But he did little to persuade them that war is necessary.

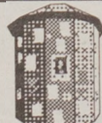
Bush met Wednesday with congressional leaders at the White House, a first step as he tries to persuade lawmakers, the American people and the world that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and his weapons programs must be stopped.

"I think everyone acknowledged this is a good start, but I don't think anyone walked out of there ready to invade," said Senate Majority Whip Harry Reid, D-Nev.

Lawmakers from both parties have been alarmed as the administration's war talk surged in recent weeks. They said Bush hasn't explained why an invasion is necessary. Some also feared they wouldn't be consulted before an invasion — especially after the White House counsel determined last month that congressional approval wasn't legally necessary.

Bush assured lawmakers that they would be consulted. Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said Bush pledged to have more meetings with the leadership, make administration officials available for hearings and seek a resolution of support before beginning any military action.

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