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MONTANA KAIMIN

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Wednesday

September 25, 2002 — Issue 14

UM climbs to third tier in rankings

*Princeton Review
not as generous
in their ratings*

Ramey Corn
Montana Kaimin

Two recent surveys offer differing views of the quality of education at UM.

Last year UM was ranked in the bottom class, or fourth tier, in the annual U.S. News & World Report survey of "America's Best Colleges."

This year UM has moved up to a third-tier school.

However, based on a survey conducted by the Princeton Review Guide, "The Best 345 Colleges- 2003 edition," UM was ranked in the lowest category for having professors who are not available for students, and for having students who never study.

In the U.S. News and World Report's survey, UM received an academic reputation score of 2.7 out of 5. Last year UM received a ranking of 2.6 out of 5.

"Although I think that it's a good thing, I don't know

how many people do pay attention (to the rankings)," said UM President George Dennison. "But, nevertheless it's a positive move for our institution."

According to a press release from U.S. News and World Report, its survey uses a quantitative method with a "nonpartisan view" of what the editors deem important in education. The survey also uses data gathered from each college with 16 indicators of academic excellence. Then colleges are ranked against their peers

based on a composite weighted score.

Although UM moved to the third tier in U.S. News & World Report, UM did not fare so well in a student-conducted survey from the Princeton Review.

The Princeton Review findings are based on a questionnaire that asks students 70 questions about their school's academics, student body, campus life, as well as their study hours, politics and opinions. The

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Expert discusses energy options

Renewable energy costs must decrease to be viable

Chris Rodkey
Montana Kaimin

If clean and safe renewable energy resources are ever going to be worth their cost, the current price of electricity will have to increase, said Dale Horton, a local expert on renewable energy resources.

"Prices have got to go up if we're ever going to have conservation and renewal," Horton said at a lecture Tuesday night, where he argued for greater use of renewable energy resources like wind, solar and geothermal power.

Horton spoke to a crowd of 150 in the Gallagher Business Building as part of a series of lectures sponsored by the environmental studies and sociology program and the National Center for Appropriate Technology.

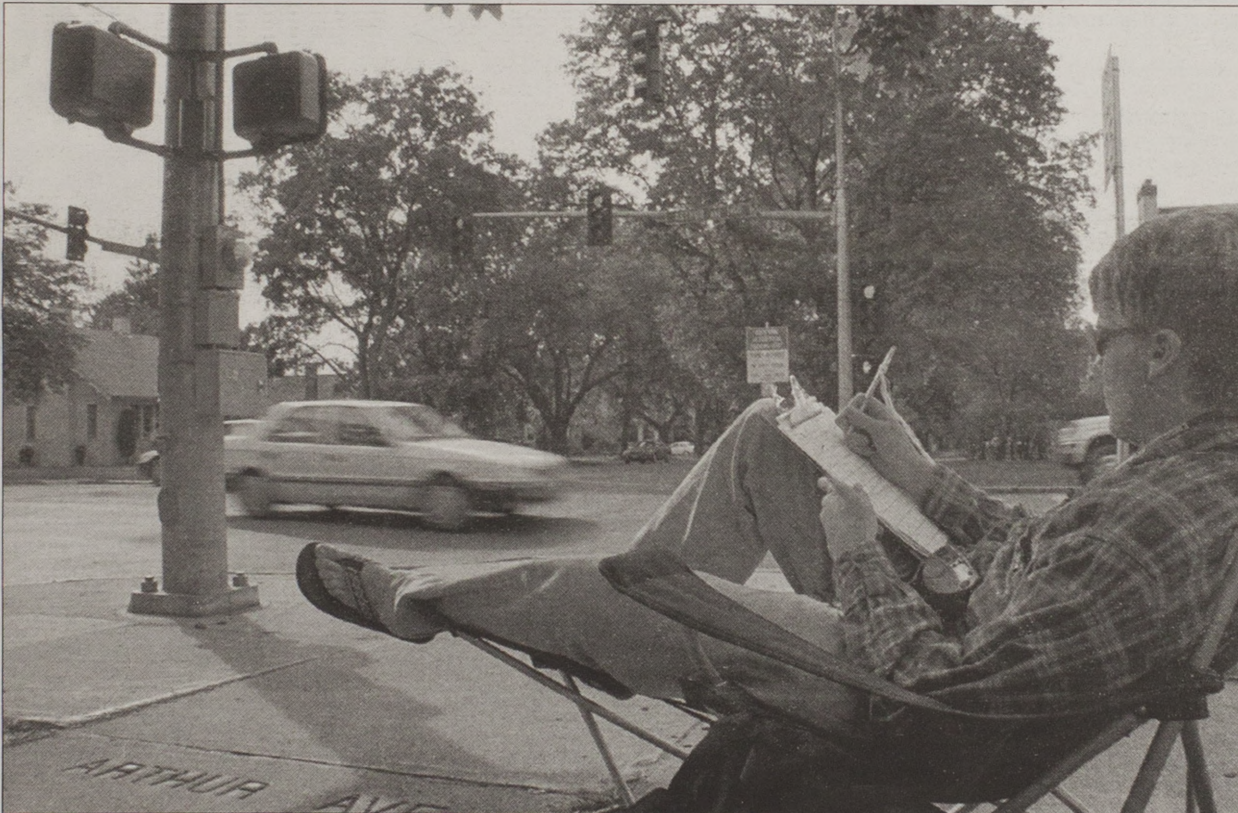
Montana has the potential to be successful with renewable energy Horton said. If all of Montana's wind power were harnessed, it could supply 15 percent of the United States' energy needs, he said. Much has already been done to help people who have an interest in becoming self-sufficient in their electrical use, he said.

Consumers can install their own windmill or solar panels to make their own electricity, and if they generate more than they take from the power company, their meter will spin backwards and the utility will pay a credit, Horton said.

People can apply for money from the Universal Systems Benefit Fund, which is a fund generated from a small charge on all power bills, he said. Grants are available to pay up to half of the cost of installing

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It sure beats studying



Nick Wolcott Montana Kaimin

UM student Ben Austin helps the city of Missoula conduct a traffic study on the corner of Beckwith Avenue and Arthur Avenue on Tuesday afternoon.

Pro-Israel lobbyist to speak Wednesday

Katherine Sather
Montana Kaimin

If President Bush decides to launch an attack on Iraq, Israel will be a loyal soldier to the cause, said Dr. Rafael Danziger, an authority on Israeli affairs who will speak at the University of

Montana on Wednesday.

Danziger is the national director of research for the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee, a pro-Israel lobbying group. He'll lead a community discussion at 7 p.m. in the Urey Lecture Hall about Israel's views on Iraq, as well as the

Israel-Palestinian conflict.

In an interview with the Kaimin, Danziger said that Israel supports a U.S. effort to remove Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein from power.

"A successful removal of Saddam Hussein would remove the threat that he

has in every country in the Middle East with his weapons of mass destruction," he said.

In 1991, Hussein launched 31 Scud missiles at Israel, Danziger said, and Israelites are wary of a sec-

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OPINION

Editorial

Reality TV bites:
Tune in, gross out, turn off

In a recent episode of MTV's show, "Road Rules," stylish cast members were forced to eat meals prepared by their cohorts that included such delicacies as cow tongue and cow penis smoothies.

What followed was a haunting illustration of the human regurgitation reflex.

Why is America so enthralled with watching people in pain?

From MTV's "Jackass" to NBC's "Fear Factor," the reality torture shows are proving to be quite profitable.

Granted, watching people purposely be hurt and humiliated is a tradition dating back to the colosseum events of the Roman empire. But it seems to be a fairly well-accepted notion that watching people be fed to lions is in extremely poor taste.

So nowadays, we push the limits of what society will put up with by not actually showing anybody dying on television, but rather showing as much agony as possible without spilling too much blood.

But, where there's a will, there's a way.

As VCRs became popular, some rental stores chose to carry a video series called "Faces of Death," which apparently showed various filmed instances of people dying in accidents, as well as animals being tortured to death.

With the arrival of the Internet, there is no need go to video store to find that sort of twisted voyeurism. Now, there are countless sites devoted to people being hit by cars and puppies being beaten to death. And that's not even mentioning the kind of demented pornography available that would make most people cry if they saw it.

And slowly we regress deeper into the cesspool of morbid human fascination.

Now television has jumped to the silver screen with the first "Jackass" movie. MTV claims it will show viewers all the things they couldn't see on television.

That's okay, just give it a few years. The TV networks are undoubtedly creating the next demented show that will shock and disturb us oh-so-much-more. Profit-driven television will bring society whatever we will watch, however unhealthy, however low brow.

What are children who grow up in a culture fascinated with watching people getting hurt going to want to watch when they are 30? Are we going to become so numb to human suffering that we'll openly take pleasure in witnessing it.

This desire for viewing pain and humiliation just seems to reflect a sickness in our society that is hard to pinpoint but easy to see the fruits of every time a new torture show hits the airwaves.

If you find the contents of these shows disturbing, stop purchasing the products that choose to advertise during them. Write a letter to the networks.

Just don't ignore it.

—Paul Queneau

Guest column

International experiences lead to fulfillment

Column by



Rick Stern

Ten years ago this month, 29 fellow students and I began a program that took us to some of this

planet's most amazing and unlikely places to study global environmental issues. During that school year with the International Honors Program's Global Ecology course, we visited seven foreign countries in a whirlwind tour of field trips, lectures, parties, long bus rides and a series of wacky and wonderful experiences of the sort that many people can only dream about.

In retrospect, that year seems like a patchwork of snapshots and stories. There was the time at Ranthambore Tiger Preserve in India where, frustrated by not seeing a tiger during that day's tour, several of us tried to bribe a jeep driver to take us back into the park. Then there was that endless night when two of us joined three local teenagers in a fruitless quest to find a rave out in the countryside near Bath, England. Who among us could forget the time in Taman Negara National Park in Malaysia when we watched a huge owl swoop from its perch high in a tree and snatch a bird in mid-flight in its talons?

As you can imagine, I could go on and on (and risk boring the hell out of you in the process). For a while before, during, and after that trip, it was all I could talk about. Now, I don't talk about it so much, but, being a sucker for nostalgia, this ten-year anniversary forces me to reflect. One fond memory of the trip as a whole was how my fellow students became my family in a very real way.

Some of us loved each other, other relationships bordered on hate, and of course there was a fair smattering of indifference and more than enough lack of understanding or compassion.

Just as with my relationships with many of those fellow students, the importance of that trip in the grand scheme of my life has faded. Yet many of the experiences I had and the lessons that I learned during that year will

stay with me forever.

For example, it was during that trip that I first had the experience of walking through a garden, harvesting fresh vegetables, taking them to a kitchen, and surveying the harvest to decide what to make for lunch. That experience took place as one-half of our group visited a commune called Karuna Falls on New Zealand's Coromandel Peninsula.

Just this evening, a couple of hours before I sat down to write this piece and fearing the threat of a hard frost, I walked through my own garden, harvesting tomatoes, peppers, squash, cucumbers, eggplant, basil and peppers. Then I made a grilled eggplant sandwich with fresh basil and tomato. Yum!

During that trip, I came to believe that just about every action we take has far-reaching impacts. In many cases, we have a choice about what sort of impact we would like to have. One example is my choice to grow my own tomatoes rather than buying ones from the store that might have been grown in a field in California's Central Valley and picked by a migrant farmworker from Mexico. But how about

if I want to eat a banana? Without a fancy greenhouse system, I can't grow bananas in Montana. In fact, very few are grown in this country, which means that those that show up on our grocery store shelves in Missoula required the burning of lots of gas to reach us.

I bring up this point in an attempt to encourage awareness rather than to induce guilt. As the old saying goes, knowledge is power. I also believe that with knowledge comes the responsibility to apply what we know thoughtfully and carefully.

Thanks to a year of having my eyes opened by some of the misery, magic, and mystery that exists in other parts of the world, I gained much more knowledge than I can possibly relay in a year's worth of columns. So I will end with just two parting thoughts:

Number one: try to think about the impacts of your actions, and cultivate some compassion for those who are affected by the influences of your decisions. And number two: If you ever have a chance to travel, especially to a "third world" country, don't hesitate: GO! You might learn some hard lessons about poverty, but you're also likely to learn important lessons about simplicity, perseverance, generosity, and beauty.

Who among us could forget the time in Taman Negara National Park in Malaysia when we watched a huge owl swoop from its perch high in a tree and snatch a bird in mid-flight in its talons?

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Around the Oval

The Princeton Review ranked UM 15th in having professors who make themselves not accessible to students. Follow up: Do you think UM professors are accessible?

•Erin Barnes

sophomore, nursing

I think it has more to do with students that choose not to take advantage of office hours the professor provides. They're usually there when they say they are.

•Dan Wickes

senior, biology

I don't know, I never talk to them. It's the truth. I never go to see them and I have never been to an office hour.

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NEWS

Disturbing drummers, disorderly drinker

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 4:30 p.m.

Drummers on the lawn near the Math Building were disturbing a class.

"They were warned, and agreed to move along," said Lt. Jim Lemcke, the assistant director of Public Safety.

Thursday, Sept. 19, 1:15 a.m.

A custodian reported a vehicle parked on top of a curb with a flat tire near the Music Building, according to police records.

"It looks like they hit the curb," Lemcke said. "One person in the vehicle was cited for a minor in possession of alcohol."

Thursday, Sept. 19, 11:50 a.m.

Three bikes were impounded from the disability ramps near Craig Hall.

Lemcke said there are painted "no-parking" signs all over the railings warning people not to attach their bikes to them.

Thursday, Sept. 19, 12:05 p.m.

There was a report to Public Safety that someone was smoking marijuana in the men's bathroom of the Social Sciences Building.

Lemcke said the person was gone when an officer arrived.

Thursday, Sept. 19, 10:10 p.m.

People were trapped in the Aber Hall elevator for more than an hour, police records

said.

"The two people inside were OK and released," Lemcke said.

Friday, Sept. 20, 10:14 p.m.

A man stopped for a traffic violation on Gerald Avenue was taken into custody for a local warrant, according to police records.

Lemcke said the man had warrants for disorderly conduct, obstruction of justice and minor in possession of alcohol.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2:36 a.m.

A Montana State University student visiting Duniway Hall was taken into custody for disorderly conduct and being a minor in possession of alcohol, according to police records.

"He was sitting on the roof of the landing in back of Duniway, and being loud and obnoxious towards people in the area," Lemcke said. "He tried to run but an officer caught him and arrested him."

Lemcke added that the suspect was also cited for having a fake ID.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 2:24 p.m.

An officer saw students taking beer from the Grizzly Athletic Association coolers at the football game and cited them for student misconduct,

police records said.

"(GAA) left their coolers unattended and some students helped themselves," Lemcke said.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 4:33 p.m.

There was a report of 20 people fighting on the Oval, police records said.



"It was immediately after the football game, and at least six people were fighting," Lemcke said. "It was over by the time we

arrived."

Saturday, Sept. 21, 4:37 p.m.

A wheelchair was reported stolen from behind the president's box at Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Lemcke said that in the past, people have moved wheelchairs around during the game, but he had not been notified if the wheelchair was recovered.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 5:12 p.m.

Handlebars were reported stolen from a bike locked up in front of the Adams Center.

"They just stole the handlebars," Lemcke said. "It's weird, but that's what happened."

Saturday, Sept. 22, 12:03 a.m.

There was a report of a man involved in a fight at

Jesse Hall needing transportation to Curry Health Center.

Lemcke said the man's mouth was bloody, and he possibly had broken teeth.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 5:15 p.m.

Public Safety received a complaint that the Iron Horse bar was in violation of the alcohol regulations at the tailgates outside the football game.

"Nobody except GAA is supposed to sell alcohol at the games," Lemcke said. "They were not in violation of law but of campus policy."

The Iron Horse was not cited.

Sunday, Sept. 22, 1:16 a.m.

Two women were acting strangely in the lobby of the Physical Plant and would not give their names to authorities.

"They were just hanging out in front of the office and being distracting," Lemcke said.

Monday, Sept. 22, 8:43 p.m.

A woman stopped for a traffic violation on Arthur Avenue was taken into custody for three outstanding warrants, according to police records.

Lemcke said the woman was also cited for obstruction after giving officers the wrong name.

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LONDON (AP) - Iraq has a growing arsenal of chemical and biological weapons, and plans to use them, Prime Minister Tony Blair said Tuesday, unveiling an intelligence dossier to a special session of Parliament.

Blair, who also said Iraq is trying to develop nuclear weapons, told lawmakers his priority is to get inspectors back into Iraq. But he repeatedly expressed enthusiasm for the U.S. goal of "regime change" in Baghdad.

"Iraq, the region and the whole world would be better off" without Saddam Hussein, Blair said in releasing the dossier, which asserts the Iraqi leader has weapons of mass destruction ready to be used within 45 minutes of an order to fight.

"There is no way that this man, in this region above all regions, could begin a conflict using such weapons and the consequences not engulf the whole world," Blair told a packed House of Commons.

Baghdad rejected the British analysis, which also said Iraq was trying to extend the range of its ballistic missiles.

"The British prime minister is serving the campaign of lies led by Zionists against Iraq," Iraqi Culture Minister Hammed Youssef Hammadi said in Baghdad. Blair is part of this misleading campaign,"

In Cairo, Iraqi Foreign

Minister Naji Sabri denied Iraq has or is developing weapons of mass destruction, and said Blair was trying to justify a military attack against Baghdad.

French President Jacques Chirac and Chinese Prime Minister Zhu Rongji both said the U.N. Security Council must play a vital role in the crisis.

"I do not think at all that war is unavoidable," Chirac said, adding that U.N. weapons inspectors must be allowed to find out what Saddam has.

"Any military attack on Iraq that does not have the blessing of the Security Council will lead to severe consequences," Zhu said.

The White House called the dossier "frightening" and praised Blair for his strong defense of the U.S.-led efforts against Saddam.

"We don't trust this man, and that's what the Blair report showed today," President Bush said.

The 50-page dossier — which appeared to contain little new evidence — said "Iraq has military plans for the use of chemical and biological weapons," and has tried to acquire "significant quantities" of uranium from Africa.

"Unless we face up to the threat, not only do we risk undermining the authority of the U.N., whose resolutions he defies, but more importantly ... we place at risk the lives and

prosperity of our own people," Blair said in an introduction to the report.

Blair is Bush's closest European ally, but faces dissent within his governing Labor Party and a reported rift in his Cabinet over an Iraqi war. As he spoke Tuesday, several hundred anti-war protesters gathered outside Parliament, including some riding a double-decker bus and singing John Lennon's song "Give Peace a Chance."

Amid tough questioning from lawmakers, Blair repeatedly said it was important to get U.N. backing, but he did not shy from the possibility of military action to back up demands for resumed weapons inspections.

Michael Ancram, the opposition Conservative Party's spokesman for foreign affairs, said his party supported Blair's assertion that military action "may well, in the end, be necessary."

"Our message to Saddam Hussein today is blunt and it is simple: you have reached the end of the road. Destroy your weapons, or we will do it for you," said Ancram.

Left-wing lawmakers said the report provided little new information to justify the need for war.

"Tony Blair will have to do better than this if he wants to convince the British public to go to war," said Labor lawmaker Diane Abbott.

Blair unveils intelligence dossier on Iraq

NEWS

COT mirrors UM's Griz Central

Katherine Sather
Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana College of Technology is finishing construction on its own Griz Central this week.

The COT remodeled its administration offices to resemble Griz Central on UM's main campus where services such as financial aid, admissions and career services are based.

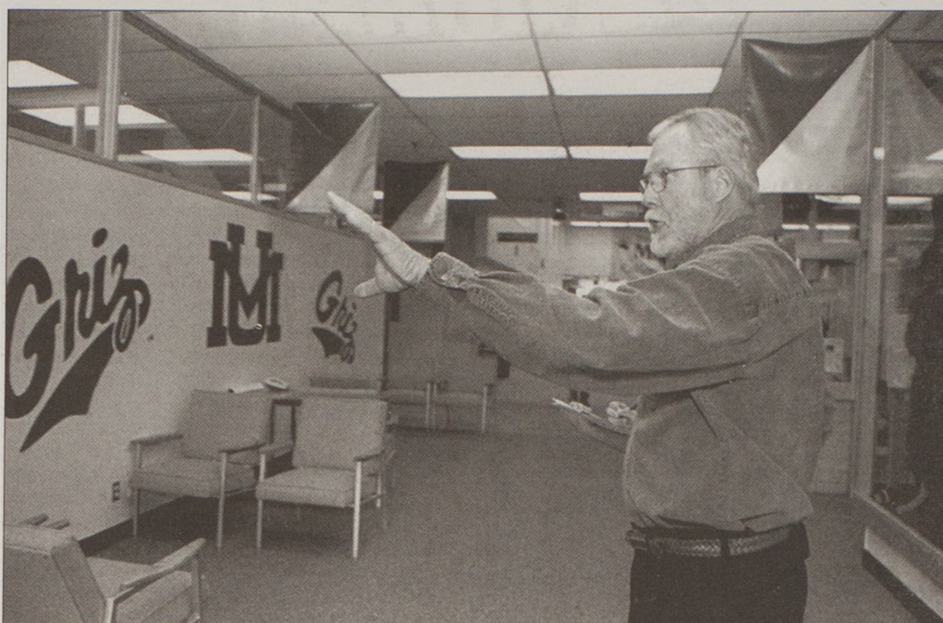
But the COT version is a bit smaller.

"You could say it's a mini-Griz Central," said Paul Williamson, dean of the COT.

The \$10,000 remodeling project involved moving each of the COT's administration offices to the entrance of the west campus where new maroon carpet was installed and walls were painted with UM's logo. A general information desk was built in front of the new offices, where secretary Judith Martin directs students to the services they need.

"It's so much more open in here," Martin said. "It's a more welcoming atmosphere."

Two new offices were built in the area to house academic advisers and admissions officers. The registrar's office and financial aid office were both moved into a new space as well. They were previously scattered at different loca-



Associate Dean of the College of Technology, Jim Wenderoth, discusses renovations that have recently taken place on the COT campus.

tions throughout campus.

"We used to have to send students hunting for the service they needed," said Jim Wenderoth, associate dean. "Now everything they need is right here."

Disabilities services and career services are also located in the new COT Griz Central.

Lounge chairs are available for students who have to wait, and flags adorned in the school colors, maroon and white, wave from the ceiling.

"We wanted to give it some color," Wenderoth said.

Eventually, a table will be installed with computers for students to access CyberBear. In

addition, the UM logo will be emblazoned on the carpet.

Wenderoth is happy with the changes, which were done with limited space and a limited budget, he said.

"Eventually we'd like a new campus," he said. "Because building, we're maxed out right now."

Budget cuts may close prisons

HELENA (AP) — The company running the private prison at Shelby has warned it may have to close its doors if too many inmates are removed, but state corrections officials said Tuesday they have little choice in dealing with a money shortage.

"It's not our intent to empty Shelby," said Joe Williams, head of centralized services for the Department of Corrections.

However, he said, the agency must take some of the 416 inmates from the Crossroads Correctional Center as part of its effort to reduce the number of prisoners behind bars and save money.

Room and board at the Shelby prison is more expensive than the state can afford and inmates will be drawn from there as the department continues with its plan to release about 400 inmates into community programs by the end of October, Williams said.

His comments came a day after John Ferguson, president and chief executive officer for Corrections Corp. of America, sounded alarms with Gov. Judy Martz over the loss of more inmates from his company's prison.

The facility might have to close if the population drops below 380 inmates, he told the governor in a meeting at the Capitol. Although the state has never guaranteed how many inmates would be sent to the 500-bed prison, Ferguson said, the company built it with an understanding the state would make greater use of it than it has.

University gears up for bike auction

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

It is possible to get a bike for \$1.

Some of the bikes for sale are little more than parts, but others are nice bikes that were stolen, then recovered by UM officers and never claimed. Many were simply abandoned.

All will be for sale at UM Facilities Services Bike

Sale/Garage Sale, which will be held from 8 a.m. until noon on Thursday behind Facility Services on the east side of Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Prepriced furniture, ceramic floor tile and computers will also be sold at a rummage sale next to the auction.

Over 70 bikes will be sold at a silent auction with bidding starting at \$1.

"We've attempted to contact

the owners of these bikes," said Lt. Jim Lemcke, the assistant director of Public Safety.

"We've tried to match up the bikes with reports. We've returned some. This is what is left."

All the recovered bikes sold at the auction have been unclaimed for more than 60 days.

"If someone has not reported their bike stolen in that

amount of time, they need to get down (to Public safety)," Lemcke said.

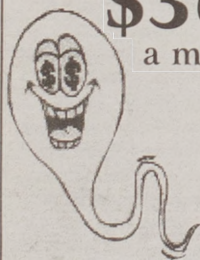
There will be about 20 more bikes put up for sale this year than there were last year.

"I bought a little \$20 mountain bike for my son at an auction like this one," Lemcke said.

Money from the auction will go to the recovery effort of stolen bicycles, Lemcke said.

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Oceanfront technology in Montana

Right now, near the Canary Islands, a \$20,000 instrument produced at UM bobs on the waves of the Atlantic Ocean.

The device, which measures the amount of carbonic acid in sea water, is an invention of Mike DeGrandpre, associate professor of chemistry at UM. He calls it SAMI, or a Submersible Autonomous Moored Instrument for CO₂. He developed it to study global warming.

DeGrandpre markets SAMIs through Sunburst Sensors, a Missoula-based business that grew out of his research. This semester he's on sabbatical in Germany, where he's helping some of his customers operate them in European waters.

He credits the University for supporting his research, which led to a business with clients as far away as Germany and the Canary Islands.

"UM was really receptive to my ideas," he said. "I mean, I'm doing oceanographic research in Montana."

However, he thinks that the state's efforts in supporting economic development are lagging. Sunburst Sensors was slated to receive a federal grant this year from the Montana Board of Research and Commercialization Technology, but was left out when the Legislature cut the board's funds.

"A lot of other states realized long ago that universities were key in developing new businesses," he said. "Montana is 20 years behind."

The Board of Research and Commercialization Technology was formed in the 1999 legislative session. Its purpose is to allocate federal grants to university research projects that have economic potential, said Dave Desch, the board's executive director.

The board was supposed to receive almost \$5 million for the 2003 fiscal year, but after legislative cuts it was left with \$3.185 million. As a result, it will only fund six projects, not including Sunburst Sensors.

"To me, that was sort of like pulling the plug on a sinking ship," DeGrandpre said.

Dick King, CEO of the Missoula Area Economic Development Corp., agrees with DeGrandpre. The MAEDC aids young businesses, often UM-based, by helping them find loans and investors. The organization also collaborated with UM to form MonTEC, a new facility that provides office space and advising to young companies.

King commends UM for realizing its importance in

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Mike DeGrandpre,
associate professor of chemistry



Richard DeGrandpre, an employee of Sunburst Sensor, assembles the "heart and soul" of the SAMI, called the Cell, at Sunburst Sensors on Monday. The Cell is the part that senses the light that is produced by a chemical solution that reacts to the carbon dioxide in the water.

regional economic development, and developing programs like MonTEC. However, he points out that the state invested no money in MonTEC. Other states, including Idaho, provide funds for such facilities.

"The state commitment to economic development is modest," he said.

Desch said he isn't so sure. The \$3 million that the board of Research and Commercialization Technology was allocated this year is relative to other states, he said.

"Of course, compared to states that have a large population and large state budget, these are small numbers," he said.

Despite their loss of funding this year, Sunburst Sensors will fair well, DeGrandpre said.

The business draws customers from oceanographic institutes and universities who study carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, and how much of it is absorbed by the ocean in the carbon cycle.

This knowledge is essential to understanding climate change, said David Irwin, DeGrandpre's business partner. Humans produce more carbon emissions each year

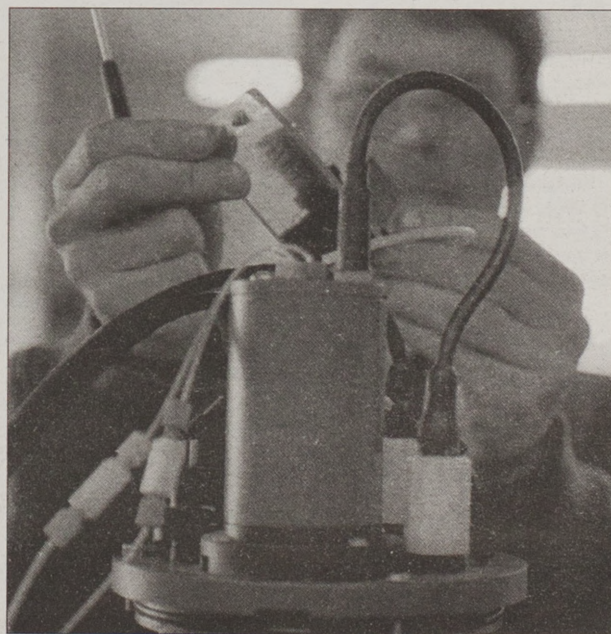
through deforestation and burning of fossil fuels. This causes an increase in the atmosphere's temperature and glacial melting, he said.

"If we can better understand the ocean's uptake of CO₂, then we can gain a better understanding of climate change," Irwin said.

SAMI sensors, which are about one foot long and six inches wide, record how much carbonic acid, or dissolved carbon dioxide, is in sea water using pH indicators. The indicators change color in the presence of carbonic acid, and the change is recorded by an optical light instrument. A memory chip inside SAMI stores the data. Using a global satellite system, scientists can read the data from SAMI's buoys in oceans across the world.

DeGrandpre developed the idea for SAMI in the early 1990s while completing post-doctoral work at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution on Cape Cod. He refined the product with the help of graduate students when he was hired at UM in 1996. A patent on his work is pending.

Only one other company, which is in France, produces a product like SAMI, DeGrandpre said.



Richard DeGrandpre installs the Cell onto the SAMI at Sunburst Sensors Monday afternoon. The SAMI measures Carbon Dioxide through chemical reactions and fiber optics so that scientists can study global warming.

"But we have a better reputation," he said. "We definitely have a curb on the market."

He said he hopes that his business will continue to grow and benefit Montana's economy. DeGrandpre is a native of Helena, and plans to keep his business based in Missoula.

"Montana sells out all of its businesses — like Montana Power," he said. "In a little way we can help and try to keep something in Missoula. And, the University can continue to facilitate inventions like mine and get them out into the Montana economy."

Story By: Katherine Sather

Photos By: Olivia Nisbet

This is the second in a series of stories covering research at UM.

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Sisterology

by Jamie and Jolene Budeski

♈ Aries (March 21-April 20) ***** You are irresistible to others this week. Keep up the positive attitude. Go for what you want. Tonight: You're in the limelight.

♉ Taurus (April 21-May 21) *** Don't keep your anger bottled up. Talk out problems. Let go of all that energy with a workout. Tonight: Have a quiet evening at home.

♊ Gemini (May 22-June 21) **** Energize yourself; it is going to be a very busy week. Stay focused but have a good time. Tonight: Mingle with friends.

♋ Cancer (June 22-July 22) **** Work hard so you can play hard. Remember to smile when dealing with others. Money is coming your way somehow. Tonight: Ask and you shall receive.

♌ Leo (July 23-Aug. 23) *** Tone down that roar you lions. Show your affection openly to others and it will be appreciated. Tonight: Can you say massage?

♍ Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 22) ***** Follow a playful suggestion and you will have nothing but fun. Let go of constraints and you will enjoy yourself and others around you. Tonight: Play away.

♎ Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Put problems behind you. Keep up your good spirits this week. Have a heart-to-heart chat with a friend or loved one. Tonight: Curl up with a good book.

♏ Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Lovin' is coming your way. Flirt up a storm. Let your true colors shine through. Tonight: Boogie on.

♐ Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Lend a helping hand this week. Others look up to your helpful ways. Tonight: You're at the party.

♑ Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Your efforts and cares touch others. Keep that positive attitude. Good vibrations are coming your way. Tonight: Don't worry about tomorrow.

♒ Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Smile and the world will smile back at you. Treat yourself to that item you have been eyeing. It will relieve your stress. Tonight: Be your carefree self.

♈ Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** New opportunities are coming your way. You can do anything if you put your mind to it. Stay focused. Tonight: Have a romantic evening.

Beer bolsters karaoke courage

Ira Sather-Olson
Eye Spy Reporter

Karaoke. Loved by many. Hated by many.

Although it's not an exclusively American phenomenon, a large number of bars in this country host these drunken odes to American pop songs.

The Missoula vicinity has a few of these bars, including Harry David's, Harold's Club, the Elbow Room, West Side Lanes and the Veterans of Foreign Wars club.

Bryan Buchanan has been the karaoke DJ for Harry David's for about a year. He said he sees a great cross section of people, from college-aged to senior citizens, enjoying the many pop tunes that patrons attempt to sing.

His most requested song is "Loveshack" by the B-52's.

Buchanan pointed out that Harry David's was awarded last year's best karaoke bar in the Independent's "Best Of Missoula" poll. Harry David's has karaoke Sunday

though Thursday from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., and participants get free drink tickets.

Schei Decker is the karaoke DJ for Harold's Club, located east of Milltown, and he also runs Solid Sound Entertainment. Harold's Club has karaoke on Friday nights, with the most requested tune also being "Loveshack." Decker is also a karaoke DJ at the Elbow Room.

A small survey of six University of Montana students revealed that most of them would participate in karaoke, but only if they were drunk.

Karly Becker, a freshman music performance major, said that she hasn't had the chance to take part in karaoke but would take the opportunity if it came up. Becker would sing "American Pie," by Don McLean, if she had to request a song.

Dan Edelman, a sophomore with an undecided major, said karaoke can be fun but, "It's more fun if you're drunk."

Edelman said his favorite

song to sing karaoke style is "Sweet Home Alabama" by Lynyrd Skynyrd.

Clare Maguire, a senior in communications, said she's enjoyed singing over pop tunes but her voice has been a little out of tune at times when she's sung. Her favorite sing-along song is "Fancy" by Reba McEntyre. She also said the Limelight Bar (now the Broadway Inn) was a good place to sing karaoke.

Maren Wing, a sophomore majoring in elementary education, said she was eight years old when she sang her first karaoke tune, "Stop in the name of Love" by the Supremes. She said she'd have to be drunk to do it again.

Sarah Stands, a freshman with an undecided major, said she was really drunk the one time that she sang karaoke. Her favorite songs to sing to are "American Pie" by Don McLean and "Like a Virgin" by Madonna. She said her friends usually participate in karaoke at the VFW club on Friday and Saturday nights.

UM professor edits Montana history book

Luke Johnson
Eye Spy Reporter

Montana history has not changed that much in the past 10 years, but three Montana history professors say that the way we look at history has changed in that time.

The three professors, including Harry Fritz, chairman of the University of Montana history department, edited a book titled "Montana Legacy: Essays on History, People, and Place." The book is a collection of essays chosen by the professors for their "relevance, readability and scholarship."

Joining Fritz in editing the book were history professors Mary Murphy from Montana State University and Robert Swartout from Carroll College. The book is an updated version of a collection of essays released 10 years ago.

"Only two of the essays in the new edition were in the old edition," Fritz said. "All of the others are brand new selections."

The old book, "Montana Heritage: An Anthology of Historical Essays," was edited by Fritz and Swartout.

"It was getting to be about that time when the old one needed to be changed, and we are very happy with the way the new one came out," Fritz said.

As editors, Fritz, Murphy and Swartout decided which essays and photos would be used and wrote the captions, preface and bibliography.

Fritz also wrote the final essay of the book, "The Origins of Twenty-First-Century Montana."

"In the essay I basically summed up the current political scene, the recent census and elections, and the translation of economics in Montana from forestry and mining to technology," Fritz said.

Other essay topics include: environmental history, American Indian experiences, Montana's ethnic minorities including Chinese and Mexican-Americans, the Copper Kings, and the women in Montana from farm wives to those who were bootleggers during Prohibition.

The book is designed for use in classrooms and for casual readers.

"We expect this book will be used in upper-level high school and college classes to teach Montana history," said Montana Historical Society Press Editor Martha Kohl in a press release. "But we also think anyone interested in learning about Montana will enjoy reading these essays."

The book is required text for Montana history classes at UM, MSU and Carroll College. The book sells for \$19.95 at bookstores around the state.

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"Triple Threat" by Willem Volkersz was created with neon lights and other mediums in 2001. This piece of art and others by Volkersz are currently on display at the Art Museum of Missoula, which is located at 335 N. Pattee St.

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Artists and poets collaborate in creative process

Ira Sather-Olson
Eye Spy

In correlation with the Montana Festival of the Book, the Art Museum of Missoula is holding several events to celebrate the power of reading and art this coming weekend.

Among the many events, one entitled "Drawing Out Loud" will feature collaborations between three groups, each group consisting of one writer and one artist. The main idea of the collaboration is that the writers will read a sample of their writing while artists create a piece of art using elements of what has been read.

One of these artist/writer groupings is Sheila Miles and Shaun Gant.

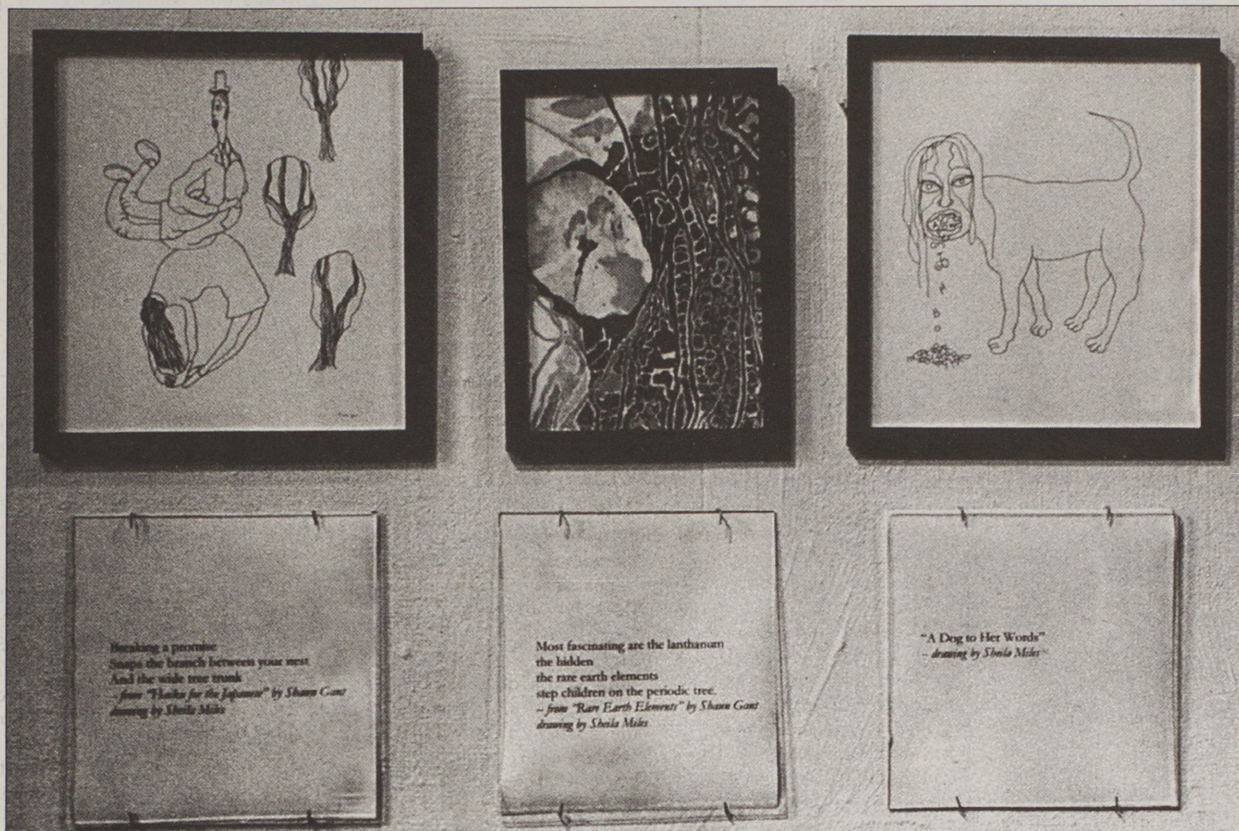
Miles is an award-winning painter from Missoula who recently created the cover for Gant's new book of poetry, "Whisk, Lyrics, Logic."

Gant's poetry has been published in such literary magazines as Nimrod International Journal, Gumball Poetry and Cutbank Magazine.

Miles' paintings and drawings that were inspired by Gant's poetry are on display at the Art Museum of Missoula until Oct. 2.

The second group is made up of J. Robert Lennon, a novelist with three books under his belt, and Stephen Glueckert, a visual artist as well as a curator and educator at the museum.

The third duo will feature James Welch, author of "Fools Crow." Welch will be reading his works alongside artist Dana Boussard. Boussard has illustrated a



Artist Sheila Miles was inspired by the poetry of Shaun Gant to make this series of drawings. These drawings are on display at the Art Museum of Missoula through the beginning of October.

Colin Blakley/Montana Kaimin

number of Welch's award-winning novels.

"Drawing Out Loud" performances will start at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28 at the Art Museum of Missoula on 335 North Pattee Canyon Drive.

Gant and Miles will be performing first. At 1:00 p.m., Lennon and Glueckert will present followed by Welch and Boussard at 2:30 p.m.

All times are tentative so people should show up a few minutes early.

Miles said that her collaboration with Gant this Saturday would focus on the sounds of words contained in Gant's poetry. She said she wanted students to know that "art is not linear" and that it doesn't have to follow rules or guidelines like mathematics.

The two started working together when Gant was looking for an artist to create a cover for her book of poetry. Soon after they met, they realized that their combined creativity bounced off each

other in a sort of improvisational way.

When they worked together, Gant would read her poetry while Miles would start drawing, which created a natural feeling of improvised art where both writer and artist would bring their ideas to the table, Gant said.

She said anytime she could work with Miles she would. Poetry is a way for her to express her spirituality, Gant said.

Miles said she loves Gant's writing and that it is

very inspiring to her.

"(Gant's poetry) keeps me thinking and helps me keep an open mind with things like word-imagery association," Miles said.

She also noted that the audience may take Gant's poetry as literal or as abstract phrases and words, but it's up to the viewer to decide that.

Artists are welcome to bring their own art materials and/or writing utensils, and to interact with their performance in a creative way.

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Record crowd views Grizzlies latest victory

Bryan Haines
Kaimin Sports Editor

Three straight home games, three consecutive record-breaking crowds at Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Saturday's announced crowd of 19,689 was the largest gathering of maroon-and-silver-wearing crazies ever to watch a Grizzly home game at the friendly confines of Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Only four of the eight Big Sky Conference teams have had a home game crowd of more than 10,000 this season — Montana State, Sacramento State and Portland State being the other three. Of those three, none has had a crowd of more than 15,000. The Hornets almost did this week-

end, when 14,651 people saw Sacramento State beat Cal Poly 27-17.

While the Grizzlies lead the conference in average attendance, the Eagles of Eastern Washington are bringing up the rear. An average of just 3,375 fans have watched EWU's first two home games this season, by far the league low.

Sacramento State's streak of futility was snapped this weekend when the Hornets upended the Cal Poly Mustangs 27-17. The Hornets had lost 10 consecutive contests, dating back to last season's win over Idaho State.

Leading the Hornet's stingy attack was running back

Garret White. The senior tailback rushed for a career high 183 yards on 25 carries in just

his third game at running back. White also caught one pass for 15 yards in the win.

For his efforts Saturday, White was named the Big Sky Conference offensive player of the week.

The do-it-all back has done a little of everything for the Hornets in his four years there. White has played running back, wide receiver and quarterback for Sacramento State, along with being the team's holder on field goals and extra points.

This weekend will be relaxed for the Big Sky



Nick Wolcott/Montana Kaimin

Wide receiver Jefferson Heidelberger runs a shell drill during Tuesday's afternoon practice in Washington-Grizzly Stadium. The Grizzlies have this weekend off before returning to action next Saturday against the University of Idaho.

Anthem singer sought for NBA game

Thousands of tickets still left for Sonics-Warriors game

Brittany Hageman
Montana Kaimin

Showers singers, Vanessa Williams wannabes and gutsy songbirds are needed.

KYSS radio is sponsoring a national anthem contest to kick off the NBA preseason game between the Seattle SuperSonics and the Golden State Warriors.

The winner of the contest will have the opportunity to dazzle the crowd at the Adams Center with a rendition of the Star-Spangled Banner.

Those interested in entering the contest should send a demo tape to Mike Tucker at Clear Channel Radio, 400 North Ryman, Missoula, Mont., 59802. Tucker can also be reached by telephone at 728-9300. Deadlines for the tapes will be Wednesday, Oct. 1 at 5 p.m.

Auditions will be limited to the first 50 contestants, and the tapes will be considered on a first come, first serve basis.

Three contestants will be selected and asked to perform on the morning of Oct. 4 on the Tom and Kim morning show on KYSS FM to help determine the final winner.

The winner of the final audition will sing the national anthem prior to the game on

Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. at the Adams Center.

In conjunction with the anthem contest, there will also be an acrobatic show, an appearance by the Sonics' mascot, Squatch, and a sideline show from UM's very own Monte.

Tickets are still available to the NBA Classic and can be purchased at Casper Events Center Box Office and Ticketmaster outlets or charged by phone at 243-4051.

Ticket sales have been slow for the game, with just 1,490 of the close to 7,000 seats in the Adams Center sold.

Prices range from \$30 for floor seats, \$24 for seating on the main level and \$17.50 for tickets on the upper level.

Golf tourney to benefit Special Olympics

The King Ranch Golf Course in Frenchtown will be holding the first annual Harold's Club Invitational Golf Tournament to benefit the Five-Valley Area Special Olympics.

Cost for the two-man scramble is \$30 per team which includes a barbecue upon con-

clusion of play, and all the proceeds from the Oct. 5 tournament will go to the Five-Valley Area Special Olympics.

The scramble will be a best ball format played over nine holes at the Frenchtown course. There will also be hole prizes and drawings for gifts.

Registration for the tourna-

ment beings at 8:30 a.m. the day of the tournament, and play begins at 10.

For more information contact Robynn LeVeque at 626-5633 or the King Ranch Golf Course at 626-4000.

— Kaimin Sports Staff

Conference, with only two games on the schedule and four teams off Saturday.

But just because there are only two games this weekend does not mean there is not a marquee match-up.

In a battle of top-25 teams, Northern Arizona plays host to Portland State this Saturday, which is the conference opener for both squads. The Vikings are ranked No. 9 in the country while the Lumberjacks are No. 16.

In last season's meeting between the two teams in Portland, the Vikings escaped with a 33-30 win as kicker Mike Cajal-Willis kicked a 27-yard field goal with no time left on the clock.

Portland State will be trying to bounce back after a 41-0 pounding by in-state foe Oregon University. The division I-A Ducks of the Pac-10 Conference dominated the entire game while handing the Vikings their first loss of the season.

Northern Arizona had last weekend off, and Saturday's game with PSU is the first in a three-game home stand for NAU.

In the Big Sky's other game, Sacramento State goes for their second win in a row on the road against Idaho State.

Other notes around the Sky.

Emery Meeks of Eastern Washington was named the Big Sky's defensive player of the week after getting nine tackles — seven solo — in the Eagles' 49-14 win over Southern Utah.

Weber State's return specialist James McCowan showed why he is called a spe-

DIVISION I-AA POLL

School	Points
1. Montana (25)	720
2. McNeese St. (3)	644
3. Maine (1)	628
4. Lehigh	605
5. Appalachian St.	586
6. Furman	564
7. Northern Iowa	556
8. Villanova	469
9. Portland St.	421
10. Northeastern	392
11. Northwestern St.	390
12. Western Illinois	375
13. Florida A&M	364
14. Eastern Illinois	352
15. Grambling	330
16. Northern Arizona	245
17. Georgia Southern	217
18. William & Mary	209
19. Wofford	190
20. Eastern Kentucky	168
21. Youngstown St.	153
22. Bethune-Cookman	120
23. Western Kentucky	114
24. Hofstra	106
25. James Madison	94

cialist Saturday, returning a kickoff 100 yards for a score in WSU's 56-7 win over Eastern Oregon.

Although the Bobcats knew going into Pullman, Wash., that the Pac-10 Cougars would be more than they could handle, the Cats can take some pride in their 45-28 loss. For one, MSU's anemic offense finally put some points on the board, and against one of the top I-A teams in the country. They even led 7-0 early in the game. Also, Montana State received a nice compensation check in the amount of \$130,000 for their troubles.

Moss arrested after allegedly bumping traffic officer with car

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota Vikings receiver Randy Moss was arrested Tuesday after being accused of bumping a traffic control agent with his car.

The agent tried to stop Moss from making an illegal turn, and Moss used his car to slowly push the officer a half-block along the street, stopping when she fell to the ground, police spokeswoman Cyndi Barrington said.

Barrington said the agent, a city employee but not a police officer, was not seriously hurt.

Moss was in jail on suspicion of assault with a dangerous weapon, a felony. Barrington said the county attorney would consider charges Wednesday, and it was unclear whether Moss would be allowed to post bail Tuesday night.

"He's going to be treated like anybody else," Barrington said.

Vikings coach Mike Tice said he couldn't comment until he knew more.

"I'm still trying to figure out

what's going on," Tice said.

Moss has been in trouble before, on and off the field, since he was drafted in 1998. He squirted a referee with a water bottle in 1999, and

abused corporate sponsors on the team bus in 2001.

The Vikings are off to an 0-3 start, their worst since 1967, and Moss caught just four passes for 16 yards in Sunday's loss

“He’s going to be treated like everyone else.”

Cyndi Barrington,
police spokeswoman

to Carolina.

The 25-year-old Moss is in his fifth year with the Vikings and is the team's highest-paid player. He signed an eight-year, \$75 million contract last year.

He set an NFL record with 5,396 yards receiving in his first four seasons as a pro and is the only wide receiver with more than 1,000 yards receiving in each of his first four seasons. Moss has scored more touchdowns since his 1998 debut than anyone except St. Louis running back Marshall Faulk.

KAIMIN SPORTS

UM athletics declared Title IX compliant

45 percent of UM athletes are now women

Chelsi Moy
Montana Kaimin

After eight years of reviewing gender discrepancies in the athletic program, the federal government has announced the University of Montana finally treats its women athletes the same as the men.

In 1994, the Federal Office of Civil Rights did a detailed inspection of UM's intercollegiate athletics program and found a number of areas that did not comply with Title IX regulations.

Title IX states that all people in the United States shall

have equal opportunity and benefits in federally-funded programs, regardless of their sex. OCR found gender discrepancies in UM's locker rooms, coach's salaries, scholarships, recruiting funds and the numbers of participants in sports.

President George Dennison then agreed to enter a multi-year relationship with OCR to address these problems and fix them. He said this was an opportunity to improve not only the athletics' program, but the entire institution.

"We did it for the same reason we promote diversity, minorities and accesses for people with disabilities," Dennison

said. "To try to maintain a balance."



Robin Selvig

UM sent yearly progress reports to OCR, and in return they would send a "report card" back, said Wayne Hogan, UM's athletic director.

"We had a long way to go; we needed that scrutiny," Hogan said.

Robin Selvig has been head coach of the Lady Griz for 25 years and said equality was critical for the growth of women's sports. He said that 20 years ago women never received scholarships, just fee waivers. Also, when the team would play out-of-town games, the women would sleep four to a hotel room, when the men would stay two per room.

UM's associate athletic director, Marie Porter, said the most obvious need for improvement was the women's locker room, which was about half the size of the men's locker room.

In the early '90s, the Lady Griz would be allowed to use the men's locker room only on game days, said Shannon Cate-Schweyen, an assistant women's basketball coach and former all-American for the Lady-Griz. Their opponents were put in the heatless, unair-conditioned women's locker room.

"I suppose we were ignorant to think everything was the same," Cate-Schweyen said. "Once the issues were brought to attention, then there were some discrepancies."

When the Adams Center was renovated in 1998, the OCR reviewed the construction plans to make sure men's and women's facilities were equal.

OCR also requires participation opportunities for men's and women's sports be propor-

tionate to undergraduate enrollment of full-time students.

Women made up 50 percent of the total student body in 1994, meaning that half of all athletes at UM should have been women. However, only 35 percent of the athletes were women in 1994.

UM has added two women's sports since then — golf and soccer — to raise participation numbers. There are now eight women's sports and six men's sports.

Women's participation in athletics currently stands at 45 percent, which is still shy of the women's total student enrollment, Hogan said.

OCR agreed in January of 2001 that UM's efforts to create gender equality in athletics were sufficient for Title IX compliance, despite the slightly unequal participation for women.

Suggestions of adding another women's sport are still being tossed around among administrators, yet no sport has been found which accommodates Montana's weather and has obvious student interest or abilities.

UM has redistributed scholarships and recruiting money, and the men's and women's basketball coaches are now paid the same. Both men's and women's locker rooms have

been upgraded as well.

"The review was tremendous in scope," Porter said. "We looked at everything. From how many socks are distributed to each athlete, to who washes them."

Although it took eight years, coaches and administrators alike are satisfied with the improvements in the athletic department.

"It was the right thing to do," Hogan said. "From day one, we went about it the right way, and that's what makes me feel good."

Although the coaches and administrators are satisfied about the opportunities for women at UM, it's the players that still see occasional favoritism for men's sports.

Liz Roberts, a

senior soccer player, said she has been frustrated on occasions when the training room hours revolve around the football practice schedule.

"During the summer, the training room was closed for our practices because the football team practiced at different times than us," Roberts said.

But Roberts said the women on the soccer team are grateful for the support UM does provide.

"Coming from high school and having nothing, and now having everything provided for us, including our shoes, is very cool," Roberts said. "You can't really complain about that."

“We looked at everything. From how many socks are distributed to each athlete, to who washes them.”

Marie Porter,
associate athletic director



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Midfielder McKenzie Zajonc fights for the ball during Saturday's game, helping the Grizzlies defeat the Broncos 1-0. Soccer is one of two sports, along with women's golf, that UM has added since 1994 to become Title IX compliant.

Teenage attacker remains in custody

CHICAGO (AP) — The teenager who ran on the field with his father during a game and attacked Kansas City Royals' coach Tom Gamboa will spend at least two more weeks in custody.

The 15-year-old boy's lawyer was granted a request Tuesday

for more time to gather evidence. A trial date has not been set.

The teenager is charged with aggravated battery, a felony.

If he is convicted, the boy's sentence could range from probation to five years in a youth detention center, Assistant State's Attorney Catherine

Gregorovic said.

On Saturday, the teenager's father — 34-year-old William Ligue Jr. — was held on \$200,000 bail. Ligue faces the same felony charge as his son and could be sentenced to up to five years in prison if convicted.

News

Lecture tackles Colombian issues Wednesday

Ramey Corn
Montana Kaimin

While Scott Nicholson was in Colombia last summer he met Jorge, a five-year-old boy whose mother was killed by right-wing paramilitaries. Jorge is now being raised by his older brother.

Nicholson, who has a degree in social work and is an employee of the Montana Human Rights Network, will be at UM on Wednesday to share his experiences in Colombia.

Nicholson will use Jorge's life as an example of the struggles and violence Colombians are currently facing. The lec-

ture will feature Nicholson and Erin Thompson, a 2002 UM graduate, both of whom travelled to Colombia last summer with other human rights activists. The event will examine U.S. intervention in Colombia, as well as the aerial fumigation of Colombian acres as part of the war on drugs.

Thompson, who spent her time in Colombia participating in the Witness for Peace group, will focus on the impact of the "drug war" on Colombia's people, whereas Nicholson will concentrate more on the role of the paramilitary.

"It's really important for people to know what their tax dol-

lars are paying for in Colombia," Nicholson said.

Nicholson said he worries that the U.S. government is contributing too much money to the Colombian military and police. He said this money is filtered down to the paramilitary, who are responsible for many of the human rights violations in Colombia.

Nicholson accompanied labor leaders to Colombia, and in his time there, he said he traveled to both urban and rural communities that were under threat of paramilitary attack.

Nicholson said he became interested in Central American

issues in 1987 and travelled to El Salvador in 1991 to learn firsthand what U.S. money was supporting in the country. He found the role of the paramilitary in Colombia last summer to be similar to that of the paramilitary in El Salvador.

"Eleven to 12 years later, I heard the same stories from the people in Colombia that I heard from the people in El Salvador," Nicholson said.

Ken Toole, program director for the Human Rights Network, said that while the turmoil in Colombia may seem a world away, it is important for Montanans to concern themselves with such issues

because they affect the entire world.

"It is in the last couple of years that we have begun to pay attention to international human rights issues," Toole said. "Forces in Montana and the U.S. are global in nature, like the poor economy and poverty."

"An Eyewitness Report" will be held Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the North Underground Lecture Hall. The lecture is sponsored by The Montana Human Rights Network, Missoula Advocates for Human Rights, Community Action for Justice and Amnesty International.

Green groups feel left out of timber talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Conservation groups complained Tuesday that they have been left out of talks between the Bush administration and the timber industry to settle a lawsuit challenging rules restricting logging of federal lands.

Two Oregon-based industry groups, the Douglas Timber Operators and American Forest Resources Council, filed suit last year challenging federal rules that require protection of wildlife on 24 million acres of public land controlled by the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management.

A spokesman for the Justice Department confirmed Tuesday that the administration has begun settlement talks in the case but declined to give details, citing confidentiality laws.

Environmentalists say talks began a few weeks ago and have excluded all outside groups —

including two environmental organizations that were granted intervenor status in the case.

"The timber industry wants to increase logging (in national forests), and the Bush administration says it wants to do that also. But no one is at the table who represents the public — who represents the forests," said Doug Heiken, a spokesman for the Oregon Natural Resources Council, an environmental group that opposes Bush policy on forests.

In its complaint, filed in December 2001, the timber industry challenged federal rules protecting plants and wildlife habitat on about 24 million acres of national forests in western Washington, western Oregon and northern California. The suit is pending in federal court in Eugene, Ore.

Heiken said it was no coincidence that the timber industry in Oregon donated more than \$1

million to the Republican party during a Bush campaign visit in May 2000.

Chris West, vice president of the Forest Resources Council, a Portland-based group representing the paper and lumber industry, scoffed at that claim.

"What's ironic here is that for a rare occasion, the environmental community isn't the plaintiff in a federal lawsuit, West said. "We are. The simple fact is, yes, there have been some discussions, and no, nothing is final yet."

West said it was only prudent for the Justice Department to initiate settlement talks, adding that the industry is frequently left out of talks involving lawsuits filed by environmental groups.

"It's just so ironic that they would whine about something they've done hundreds and hundreds of times," West said. "It's just part of the process."

U.S. troops protect Americans in Africa

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (AP) — U.S. troops landed in West Africa on Wednesday to safeguard 100 American school children holed up in a rebel-held city after the bloodiest-ever uprising in the Ivory Coast. Frightened residents reported heavy artillery and gunfire.

The first of what were expected to be four U.S. military planes arrived before dawn at the international airport in the capital of neighboring Ghana, authorities at Accra's Kotoka International Airport said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Washington announced Tuesday it was sending U.S. forces to the region, ready for any possible rescue of Americans pinned down in the violent aftermath of a coup attempt in the Ivory Coast last week.

Just under 200 American troops, three C-130 cargo planes and one other plane, and equipment were expected, with Ghana to the east to be used as a staging area.

French troops moved closer to the central city of Bouake as well, ready to rescue their nationals and other Westerners if it appears they could be caught in a cross fire between government troops and renegade forces who launched the coup attempt Thursday.

With government forces also moving in on Bouake, firing erupted in the city Monday night and Tuesday afternoon.

Overnight, rebels breached the walls of the mission school and fired from its grounds, prompting appeals from the missionaries for help.

"A very welcome development," said a relieved James Forlines, director of Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, a Nashville, Tenn.-based church group, after Washington announced its deployment.

"It has been a very trying day. It has been a very trying five days," mission official Neil Gilliland said, speaking by telephone from the United States.

The scrambling to safeguard Westerners in the Ivory Coast came amid clashes and growing tensions after the failed coup, which has left rebels holding just two cities. At least 270 people have died so far.

The uprising — with a core group of 750-800 ex-soldiers angry over their dismissal from the army for suspected disloyalty — poses Ivory Coast's worst crisis since its first-ever coup in 1999.

No general evacuation of Americans was planned, the State Department said. It issued

a travel warning for Americans and urged those in Abidjan, Bouake and Korhogo to remain close to home, to observe government curfew restrictions and to remain in close communication with the American Embassy.

An American expeditionary force and British troops already were on the ground in the Ivory Coast, Ghanaian and French military and government officials said.

"There's fighting going on now in the area near where this school is located. That's what our concern is," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher explained in Washington about the children and staff of Bouake's International Christian Academy.

Tensions were "understandably high" at the school, Boucher added, but all students and staff are believed safe.

One hundred French troops moved up from their own staging area at the Ivory Coast's capital, Yamoussoukro, where helicopters and trucks were standing by to ferry out foreigners.

"We want to get closer so that if the belligerents — whoever they are — attack our nationals, we can intervene very quickly," said French army Col. Charles de Kersabiec. France is Ivory Coast's former colonial ruler.

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NEWS

Walking off into the sunset?

A group of students work out in the Recreation Annex early Tuesday evening.

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Senate votes to create independent 9/11 panel

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate voted overwhelmingly Tuesday to create an independent commission to conduct a broad investigation into intelligence failures and other government missteps before to the Sept. 11 attacks and recommend how to prevent future disasters.

"If we don't come to terms with the whole truth by looking back at what happened, we can never move forward with the knowledge and confidence we need to set things right," said Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., a chief sponsor along with Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

The Senate voted 90-8 to attach to the Department of Homeland Security bill an amendment authorizing the 10-member commission.

The bill has been stalled for weeks in a partisan dispute over worker rights. A new bipartisan proposal on the labor issues raised hopes that the stalemate on the homeland security bill might soon end, despite opposition from most Republicans and the president. Bush urged lawmakers after a Cabinet meeting to act quickly to create a department he can sign into law.

"There's still time to get a homeland security bill done, one which will ... give us the tools necessary to protect the homeland," Bush said.

The Sept. 11 commission idea, championed by many victims' families, became unstoppable when the Bush administration last week dropped its opposition. Although differences must be worked out with a House version and with the White House, it is clear that the commission will be created.

"We'll be fine. We're working with them," McCain said.

All the senators who voted against the commission are Republicans: Sens. Kit Bond, Missouri; Thad Cochran, Mississippi; Phil Gramm, Texas; Judd Gregg, New Hampshire; Trent Lott, Mississippi; Richard Lugar, Indiana; Craig Thomas, Wyoming; and George Voinovich, Ohio. Not voting were Sens. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, and Max Baucus, D-Mont.

The Senate-created commission's probe would be much broader than a House version, which was limited mainly to post-Sept. 11 intelligence questions. The Senate panel would have authority to look into the roles of law enforcement, commercial aviation, U.S. diplomacy, border control and immigration, along with intelligence.

An initial report would be due within six months, with a final report within a year, on recommendations to prevent future attacks. The measure authorizes \$3 million to cover the commission's costs.

Stephen Push, leader of a group of Sept. 11 victims' families, said the families were thrilled by the solid Senate vote. "We are trying to keep other families from suffering the way we suffered," said Push, whose wife died in the hijacked plane that rammed the Pentagon.

Shortly after the Senate vote, Republican Sen. Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island and Democratic Sens. John Breaux of Louisiana and Ben Nelson of Nebraska disclosed a new proposal on the worker issues holding up action on the Department of Homeland Security legislation, which they said would command a narrow majority in a Senate of 50 Democrats, 49 Republicans and one independent.

"This is an important step forward," said Chafee, who so far is the only GOP senator to break with Bush publicly on the labor issues.

The proposal would give Bush much of the authority he wants to hire, fire and deploy workers to meet terrorism threats. But it would erect new conditions on Bush's existing authority to exempt some of the agency's 170,000 workers from union bargaining agreements for reasons of national security.

These include requirements that the responsibilities of the workers would have materially changed, and a majority of workers in a given federal entity were engaged in anti-terrorism intelligence or investigative work.

"The president will have to spell it out very, very clearly," Breaux said.

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Rankings

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survey is available on the Internet. It was conducted during the school years of 1999 through 2002. One hundred thousand one hundred fifty-eight students at the 345 schools, which averaged to around 300 students per campus, were questioned for the survey.

However, Rudy Gideon, a statistics professor at UM, said people need to be careful when reading these surveys.

"If you have a lot of questions that arise, then you need to question the survey," Gideon said.

In the U.S. News and World Report, Princeton University received 100 points out of a possible 100 as an overall score for the Best National University for Doctoral degrees. Gideon said that people should

question a scale where one school ranks at 100, or perfect.

Only the top 50 schools receive an overall score.

In the Princeton Review's survey, UM received a score of 15 out of 20 for the category of professors who make themselves scarce (low accessibility rating) and a 19 out of 20 in the category of students who (almost) never study (lower study hours reported).

According to Gideon, people need to be wary of surveys that do not contain the words "random" or "scientific" when explaining who was questioned for the survey. The words, "about 300 students per campus," are misleading because this does not tell if the survey was conducted on a random group of students, Gideon said. The rating for the number of students who study was so low that it did not make sense, he said.

Gideon said that if 300 students per campus were indeed surveyed, there would need to be 150 freshmen and sophomores and 150 juniors and seniors in order to get students throughout the four years of college.

"It's hard to believe that the rankings are so low, if 300 random students were surveyed," Gideon said.

Students around UM agreed with Gideon.

"I usually study about ten hours a week," said Jeremiah Bechard-Somberg, a freshman in political science.

As for professors who make themselves scarce, Linda Swanson, a post bachelor in premed., did not agree.

"Usually professors have office hours posted up, and they're usually willing to meet with you if those times don't work," Swanson said. "Or there's always time

before and after class."

However, some students do feel like their professors are hard to get a hold of.

"It's a little bit tough," said Josh Dimond, a sophomore in resource management. "Some professors have really short hours during the week. I have two that I have absolutely no way of communicating with. There's no syllabus, no notes, and the only way I can catch them is the hour before class when I'm already in (another) class."

As for professors, teaching and researching can make office hours hard to have, according to Tom Power, a professor and the chair of the economics department.

"It's a conflict that's built into the job," Power said. "The more research oriented the professor is, the more likely the problem."

Although in years past administrators have not put

much faith in the U.S. News and World Report rankings, UM's move up in tier ranking has left them satisfied.

"We're no longer in the fourth tier; we've improved some factors, and we're pleased about the progress," said Barbara Hollman, Vice President of Student Affairs.

However, Hollman said she thought only students and parents who are looking into elite schools — the top 50 schools in the nation — place much value on these rankings.

Charles Couture, the Dean of Students, said that in his years at UM, he does not believe many students put much stock into surveys.

"In the years that I've been here, I've never heard a freshman student relay anything about a survey, but if they do, I'd say it would be minimal," Couture said.

Speaker

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ond, more devastating attack.

"This time he might use unconventional weapons, such as chemical and nuclear weapons," he said.

The discussion is sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Montana and the United Jewish Communities. The World Affairs Council is a non-profit group in Missoula that concentrates on educating the community on world events. Most recently, its focus has been on events in the Middle East.

In May, the council sponsored a lecture by Michael

Tarazi, a spokesman for the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). By bringing Danziger to UM, the council hopes to give the community a perspective on the Palestinian and Israeli conflict from Israel.

"We're trying to bring to attention both sides of the issue," said Mark Johnson, executive director of the council.

Danziger believes that both countries can reach a peace settlement someday, but not before the Palestinians get a new leader.

"I think the current leadership, Yasser Arafat, is not willing to enter into permanent peace with Israel," he said.

United Jewish Communities is also sponsoring the discussion in conjunction with the Missoula Jewish Community. The Missoula-based organization is named Har Shalom, or Mountain of Peace. It consists of about 70 households in the community who celebrate Jewish holidays and sponsor activities, member Jackie Cohen said.

"We'd like to see a balanced coverage of the news and in-depth information about the Middle East crisis," Cohen said.

In addition to the community discussion, Danziger will participate in a press conference at 3 p.m. in the Dell Brown Room of Turner Hall.

Energy

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a new solar or wind powered system. The state of Montana also offers property tax exemptions and other incentives to encourage people to switch to cleaner energy sources.

But even after all of the tax breaks and grants, installing a new system can cost around \$10,000, and that is still the primary barrier for most consumers, Horton said. Users of solar and wind technology are usually trying to be self-sufficient or independent, and others are simply intrigued, he said.

"They're people with excess cash that they're willing to invest in the systems," Horton said.

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Assistant Fire Chief Earl Hall said it may take several years before the department sees the actual impact the solar energy provides, but he said they certainly have been saving the station money.

While it would take an array of solar panels the size of a football field to supply all of the energy demands of the station, the use of the current panels will help the fire station save some money and stay functional.

Horton's talk was the third in a series of 13 lectures. The series goes until Dec. 10, with lectures every Tuesday evening.

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