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Friday

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Crofts pleased with University visit

Commissioner says he will try to change minds of legislators

Chris Rodkey
Montana Kaimin

When Commissioner of Higher Education Richard Crofts returns to Helena he will take back ideas and pleasant feelings from his visit to the University of Montana on Thursday.

He hopes these ideas and feelings can be used to change minds in the state Legislature next spring.

Crofts and his companions, Deputy Commissioner Joyce Scott and Associate Commissioner Rod Sundsted, visited UM as part of their official annual visit to every Montana University System campus in the state.

While on campus, Crofts met with staff, faculty, administrators and students, who were all mostly non-confrontational but concerned about the growing problems facing the University.

During a meeting with the executive committee of the Faculty Senate, Chairwoman Karen Hill brought up concerns about growing class sizes without adequate faculty to teach them.

"Faculty are becoming very, very worried and discouraged about being devalued," she said.

Crofts thanked the faculty for their patience with the increasing class sizes and he said he didn't know at what point the student-to-faculty ratio would be too much for the University to bear.

"There is a point where quality and student success are affected by this, but I don't know of anyone out there who knows what that point is," he said. "We have to continue to be as innovative as possible when dealing with these larger class sizes."

Faculty members wondered whether Crofts could see any way out of the current financial problems, for which the commissioner gave a dire outlook.

"I don't foresee any significant changes until there is more of a public awareness and support of funding higher education," he said.

Students with ASUM brought up concerns with same-sex health benefits and the appeals process to overturn administrative decisions at UM.

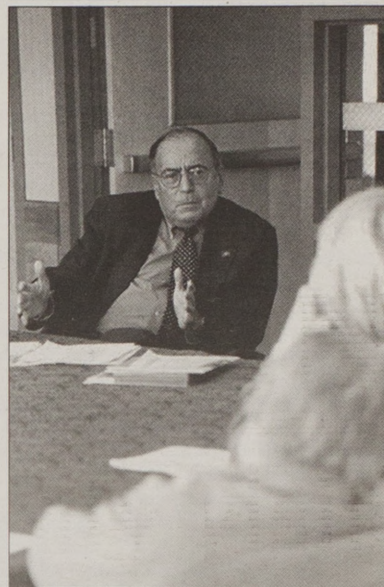
Crofts said the University System didn't have any specific obligation to provide same-sex health benefits.

ASUM President Jon Swan countered by mentioning that the University doesn't have an obligation to do a lot of other things, like diversity workshops or leadership training, but it does them anyway.

Crofts and his companions also stopped at MonTEC, the "business incubator" developed in partnership with the University that allows small businesses to get their start and then launch into bigger markets. During a tour, officials for MonTEC explained how University research could be practically applied to business applications.

Sundsted said he was impressed with the friendly nature of this campus visit.

"The remarkable thing has been how kind everyone is on the campuses in spite of difficult times," he said.



Colin Blakley/Montana Kaimin
Richard Crofts, Commissioner of Higher Education for Montana, talks to a group of UM faculty about their concerns.

Initiative 145 opponent skips debate

Moderator fills in for missing panelist

Jared Ritz
for the Kaimin

Josh Davis walked through the doors of the University of Montana law school court room Thursday, papers in hand, expecting to face some stern opposition on his views on Initiative 145.

He got what he expected, but from someone he did not.

Davis, a member of MontPIRG, which supports the "buy-back-the-dams" initiative, planned to go face-to-face with Taxpayers Against I-145. But due to poor road conditions and car trouble, the opponents' representative called the morning of the debate and canceled the appearance, said Cory Swanson, a UM law school student who helped organize the meeting.

Swanson, a former aide to Montana legislator Dan McGee

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Midnight masons maul roof; wall entrance

Late-night pranksters tear up lecture hall bricks, build wall

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

Bricks were pried from the roof of Urey Lecture Hall early Thursday and stacked neatly in front of both entrances to the underground class room.

"I'm outside getting my bike at about 5:45 a.m. and saw all these kids running around," said Pete Nowakowski, a senior in print journalism. "I was so tired I just thought they were up early."

Nowakowski had been designing pages at the Kaimin most of the night. He said he thought nothing of the six to 10 men and women sneaking around on the roof of the lecture hall.

"But they kept looking over at me," Nowakowski said. "So I screamed 'Hey, what are you guys doing?'"

Nowakowski said the group dispersed slowly and he followed them toward Beckwith Avenue, before deciding to turn around and call Public Safety. When he passed the lecture hall en route to the Journalism Building he saw the wall of bricks blocking the building's entrances. He described the walls as 6 feet tall and "pretty impressive."



Garrett Cheen/for the Kaimin
Steve Lowrey, a maintenance worker for Facility Services, hauls away bricks from the west entrance of the Urey Lecture Hall early Thursday morning. "Somebody stacked these bricks in the middle of the night so that no one could get to class this morning. It must be someone's idea of a Halloween prank," Lowrey said. It took four workers one hour to clear the entrances by 8 a.m.

Jim Lemcke, the assistant director of Public Safety, said this small prank will cost the University of Montana a lot of money.

"It's just like any other criminal mischief case," Lemcke said. "It does not take long to commit

damage, but it takes a lot of resources to replace it."

The incident was reported to Public Safety around 6 a.m., and Lemcke said the walls were taken down before classes started.

A gap of missing bricks was

visible on the Urey Lecture Hall roof Thursday evening, and it will take a lot of time to replace them.

"It will be two days labor for three men," Lemcke said. "It will cost money better spent elsewhere."

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OPINION

Editorial

Watch out: Enron-esque schemes might hit Montana

A couple of weeks ago, another facet to the Enron scandal was revealed to the country, one that Montanans in particular should pay attention to.

On Oct. 17, Timothy Belden, the former chief energy trader for Enron's west power desk in Portland, Ore., admitted he took part in a fraudulent scheme to artificially raise California's energy prices.

"I did it because I was trying to maximize profit for Enron," Belden said.

And maximize profit he did. The revenue from Belden's trading unit rose from \$50 million in 1999 to \$800 million in 2001.

Why should Montanans give a darn about what happened to our southern neighbors? For those of you who have been living under a rock, our state legislators decided to deregulate the power industry in Montana during the last legislative session.

So how did the system allow this to happen?

We should look at what happened in California in the period just before Belden and Enron fleeced the Golden State.

In 1996, California decided to undergo deregulation of its utilities. This went into effect in 1998, and soon after, utility giants swooped in to prey on the unsuspecting public. Enron and other Texas companies wasted no time in finding ways to rip people off while supplying them with gas and electricity.

Belden masterminded schemes like, "Fat Boy," "Ricochet" and "Get Shorty." One scheme he created misled electric grid operators about the amount of energy available, which artificially raised prices.

Another ploy was Belden's "phantom congestion," which he created on the grid to further escalate prices during California's energy crisis.

The "Ricochet" scheme might have been Belden's best work, by sending power from California — which had a price cap set by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission — to states that had no price limits. Ironically, the FERC passed legislation in July, 2001 to prevent just that from happening.

Then Enron would reroute the energy back into California and sell it at inflated prices, Belden admitted in U.S. District Court. What is particularly unsavory about the scheme is that it was perpetrated at a time when Californians were suffering from rolling blackouts and brownouts.

To add icing to the cake, when the energy crisis was at its worst, this is what President George W. Bush had to say:

"If there's any environmental regulations preventing California from having a 100 percent max output at their plants — as I understand may be — then we need to relax those standards."

Well, that being said, what are we going to do in Montana? Out-of-state interests have already swooped in and assumed control of the state's utilities. If we wait long enough without taking a hard look at what these companies are doing, we'll get snookered too.

Or have we already been taken?

— Bryan O'Connor

Campus Voices

It is up to you to help preserve wilderness

Column by

Amy Barry
Sarah Ritchey
Lucia Stewart

Wild country holds a variety of values; whether it's feeding our spirits, challenging ourselves or pure enjoyment, wilderness is a place that holds real value to us here in Missoula. The mere presence of wilderness in our own backyard — the Rattlesnake, the Bob Marshall and the Scapegoat — remind us of its value, and these places are present in our conversations, community interactions and recreational interests. Now is a time when our once-perceived wealth of untamed wild country is diminishing. The debate over resource extraction versus federal protection of designation "wilderness," is gaining momentum.

Wallace Stegner, Western American writer,

plainly states the importance of wilderness in America: "Something will have gone out of us as a people if we ever let the remaining wilderness be destroyed, if we permit the last virgin forest to be turned into comic books and plastic cigarette cases, if we drive the few remaining members of the wild species into zoos or to extinction, if we pollute the last clear air and dirty the last clean streams and push our paved roads through the last of the silence, so that never again will Americans be free in their own county from the noise, the exhaust, the stinks of human and automotive waste."

Our human-created boundaries that contain and define our wildlands do not reflect the vastness and inter-connectivity of natural ecosystems. America's wildlands should not be defined by geographic or political boundaries.

America is America; we stand as one, we fight as one. So it becomes the duty of wilderness advocates to look beyond boundaries and fight for wilderness everywhere. This is the challenge. Congress is the only entity that can designate wilderness and therefore protect it. Instantly, wilderness designation becomes a national issue despite its geographical locations.

One such opportunity to rise to the challenge to look beyond borders, is to give voice to the issue of Utah wilderness. Many Montanans know the Redrock Desert well. Whether we've felt the sand

and stone beneath our feet or just gazed at photos of the pink curving landscape, we all have experienced or vicariously experienced these lands.

Even from this northern latitude, should the Redrock Desert matter to Montanans? How many of us visit during spring break? How many of us value wild country and wilderness? How many of us take comfort in knowing another area is left untouched by human development in America? It is important to realize that Arches, Canyonlands, Capital Reef, Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks and other federally protected lands make up only a minuscule portion of the wild Redrock lands. More than 9.1 million acres of roadless desert remain unprotected. Montana contains 3.5 millions acres of wilderness, with the Bob Marshall being the largest at 1 million acres.

Think of that possible expanse of playground and national treasure in Utah. Under current

America is America; we stand as one, we fight as one. So it becomes the duty of wilderness advocates to look beyond boundaries and fight for wilderness everywhere.

Bureau of Land Management plans, cattle trampling, off-road vehicle abuse, and oil and gas exploration are among the threats to the integrity of these lands.

The American Redrock Wilderness Act is a proposed bill to protect some of these wild, valuable lands.

This bill is slowly gaining momentum as more members of Congress realize the treasure that is at stake. Rep. Maurice Hinchey (D-N.Y.) introduced the bill in the House, recognizing the Redrock Wilderness as "a national treasure like the Grand Canyon."

These wild, undeveloped expanses of Utah's land are real treasures. These places deserve protection before it's too late. All Americans have a stake and say in public lands' future. Especially right now, at this moment in history, as wilderness is in such debate due to its rapid depletion. The Utah desert needs a human voice to help ensure real protection for this unique landscape that holds raw natural beauty, defines solitude and contains delicate unique ecosystems and landscapes, all found in this place known as the Utah Redrock Canyon country.

In the wise words of Edward Abbey, we leave you with this: "God Bless America. Let's save some of it."

For more information on the American Redrock Wilderness Act or how you can help contact Montanans for Utah Wilderness at 406-542-4793 or Utah Wilderness Coalition at www.uwcoalition.org.

Correction

Thursday's Kaimin story on the race for House District 70 had the wrong photo for candidate Holly Raser. The photo at left is what should have appeared.



Holly Raser

Montana Kaimin

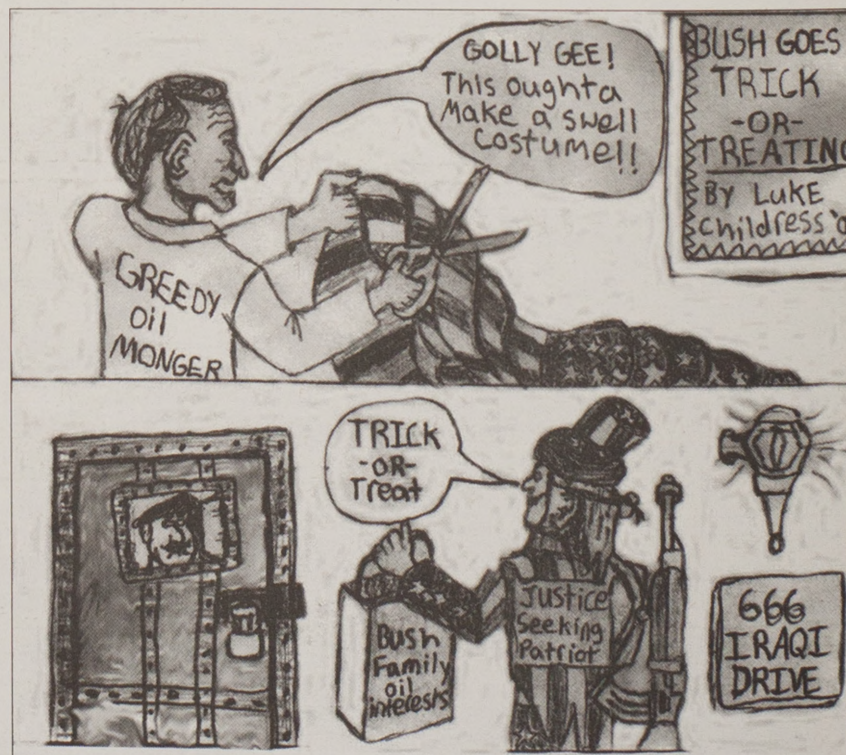
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NEWS

Kia to head Office of International Programs

Kristen Inbody
Montana Kaimin

While students are sometimes snoring by the end of a professor's lecture, rarely are they moved to applause.

Students in professor Mehrdad Kia's class were so captivated Tuesday by his ironic story of the power struggles following the prophet Muhammad's death that they ended the class with a round of applause.

"He's awesome," said Elizabeth Wisnieski, a freshman in environmental and political sciences. "He has so much energy. Without knowing it you come away with vast knowledge."

Kia is a passionate teacher, said John Decker, a senior in sociology.

"It's nice when someone is that interested in what he's teaching," Decker said. "That's why people line up to take his classes."

Students will have fewer opportunities to take classes from Kia in the coming years. Beginning Jan. 1, Kia will take over as director of the Office of International Programs and assistant vice president for research.

"I don't look at this as abandoning teaching," Kia said. "I will never stop loving the classroom environment, but you take up the challenges and go from there."

This spring Kia will teach a graduate seminar on Islam and the West, and next year he will teach a class in Islamic civilization in both the fall and spring.

Kia's new boss, T. Lloyd Chesnut, University of Montana vice president for research and development, is optimistic about Kia's new assignment.

"He'll be an excellent administrator and will build the program," Chesnut said. "It's a great benefit to students and faculty that study abroad, as well as foreign students."

Kia's new position is a loss to the students who want to take his classes, Chesnut said. But, "He applied. It's not like we yanked him away."

Kia hopes to expand student exchanges around the globe.

"The meaning is in the program's name: international," Kia said. "You cannot exclude any particular region. Different regions offer different challenges and opportunities. You have to get involved and understand. Any country or culture has something exciting to offer. You must be inclusive of all groups."

Europe has a lot of untapped potential, Kia said, as does Latin America.

"Latin America is very exciting given the fact we have a strong Latin American component in the curriculum. We need to develop more linkages."

UM also needs more connections with Africa and Asia, Kia said.

"We have quite a bit to work

with," Kia said. "The challenge is not to focus exclusively on one region and to know why we're going toward a specific region."

Another important component of International Programs is to grant projects to increase funding and help programs and departments on campus develop partnerships with other universities, Kia said.

Kia said he will collaborate and help support the Foreign Students and Scholars Services at UM.

"Their work is essential, and we have to support them," he said. "For me, a large part of the work is to make sure all units and departments on campus that want to do research and are involved with collaboration with institutes of higher learning have adequate support from the office in any way needed."

The office's role is to provide basic information and facilitate contacts with other countries. He also hopes departments will suggest grant ideas.

As director of the Asian Studies program, Kia worked in collaboration and organized curriculum with colleagues across disciplines.

"Having different colleges from different disciplines is a learning process through the exchange of ideas," he said.

The U.S. State Department's crackdown on visas will create problems for the international recruitment program, Kia said.

"We have to make sure we don't lose students to other English-speaking countries like England, Canada and Australia," he said. "Their presence not only is of financial benefit to the University, but they bring with them their culture, languages, traditions, music and food."

"We need them on campus to be educated on the world and understand the value of cultural diversity," Kia said.

A UM history professor since 1989, Kia is an expert on the intellectual history of 19th and early 20th century Iran — his native country — as well as the Ottoman Empire. He has won several top UM teaching awards, including Distinguished Teacher of the Year in 1997 and Most Inspirational Teacher of the Year in 1999.

When it comes to his new position, he doesn't think in terms of regrets about leaving the classroom environment he loves, Kia said.

"Regrets don't help in life," Kia said. "You take up challenges and try to meet this new challenge."

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EYE SPY



ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Artist to capture light, land, time

Luke Johnson
Eye Spy Reporter

The Art Museum of Missoula will feature a new exhibition from one of Montana's most beloved artists throughout November and December.

Painter Russell Chatham will be at the museum from 4-6 p.m. Friday to open his exhibit titled "Land, Light and Time." At 5:30 Chatham will give a brief talk on his exhibit, which is a collection of new and old oil paintings and lithographs.

"Land, Light and Time" will feature 35 small oil paintings and lithographs, said Jennifer Reifsnider, registrar at the museum.

Museum curator Stephen Glueckert says of Chatham's work, "The concepts of land, light and time come together in the

works of Chatham. Land becomes more than simply a dry and solid portion of the surface of the earth. Light becomes an active element not passively rendering objects visible, but filling and defining space. Time is momentarily halted, capturing a measurable moment during which land and light exist and endure."

Chatham has lived in Livingston for more than 30 years. In that time, he has explored landscape painting in Montana with a flair that Glueckert calls Chatham's "signature painting style."

Chatham considers himself self-taught and has been showing his work since he was 19.

"Chatham is widely collected and very well-known," Reifsnider said. "We're happy to have him here."

Jazz group: We're not so smooth but a little bit grittier than most

Ira Sather-Olson
Eye Spy Reporter

Jazz lovers around campus and the community will be pleased to hear the sounds of Miles Ahead from Portland, Ore.

They are embarking on a three-week tour, which will span a large area of the Rockies. They will be at the Ritz on Sunday, Nov. 3.

Miles Ahead has been together for eight years. They are a quintet playing what they call "modern jazz."

They are composed of Noah Peterson (saxophone), Gordan Neal Herman (keyboard), James Ormand (bass), Rich Maier (drums) and Jace Stapleton (guitar).

Peterson said his group isn't "smooth jazz" like one can hear on an elevator or on a TV commercial. Miles Ahead is grittier

than that. He noted that his band has covered styles of jazz along the lines of Miles Davis or Herbie Hancock, but he thinks that the group enjoys playing more of their own original material.

Miles Ahead has two albums under their belt, one called "Mile Post One" and a live album recorded at the Zebra Cocktail Lounge in Bozeman. Peterson said that "Mile Post One" received a lot of airplay in Australia and Canada, as well as in the United States.

Miles Ahead has been compared to the Grateful Dead, the Rippingtons, the Yellow Jackets, Circus Circus and even Dave Brubeck.

Peterson said many of the members of Miles Ahead are in musical side projects, including a Christian rock band, a blues band, a rock band and an occa-

sional stint as a street corner musician.

"I wouldn't say (we get) big crowds," Peterson said. "We had a decent turnout the last time we played here. We're hoping to get those people out."

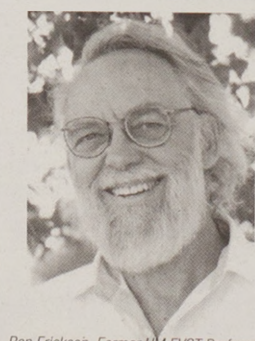
Peterson said at times Miles Ahead attracts a large number of people when they play in Portland, especially when the play at "Jazz the Opus," a local jazz club.

"We make sure people know we're playing," Peterson said. "Clubs (in Portland) ask us to come back."

Peterson said being a musician for a living means one has to take risks. He said at the end of the day he hopes he can make a living and pay the rent. Maybe you can help these musicians earn a living doing what they love to do: Playin' that good ole' jazz music.

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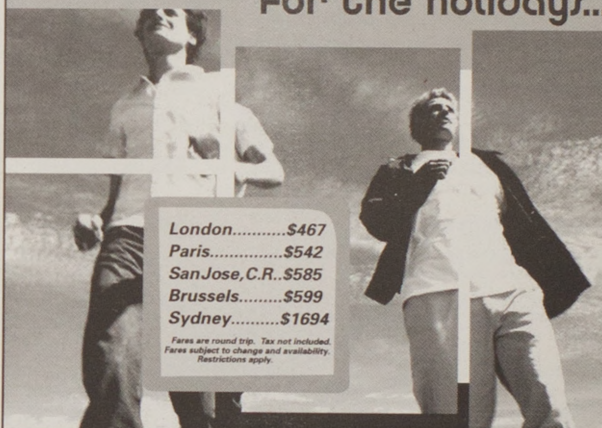
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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Mo-Trans: a decade of dance

Ira Sather-Olson
Eye Spy Reporter

The Mo-Trans Dance Company is celebrating 10 years of modern dance next week.

Three performances are planned in commemoration of the 10-year anniversary for Nov. 6-9. The group will select a handful of pieces to perform from about 50 that they have produced in the last decade.

Drama professor Amy Ragsdale and assistant professor of drama Karen Kaufmann started the company in hopes the study of dance would gain recognition in Montana.

"My feeling is that dance is very underrepresented in this state," Ragsdale said. "It's as valid as any other art form. We work hard to choose pieces that will be relevant to people's lives."

Ragsdale said the mission statement for Mo-Trans is "Provoking thought; evoking emotion." She thinks Mo-Trans chooses and makes dance pieces that deal with subjects outside of the realm of dance.

Ragsdale explained that Mo-Trans is a modern dance repertory touring company. This means the company acquires and commissions about two-

thirds of its work from other choreographers around the United States. She commissions the other one-third of the works.

Ragsdale said Mo-Trans has toured from New York City to Finland, but they primarily tour small towns in Montana. Ragsdale is hoping to tour around Wyoming, Nebraska and Colorado this year.

Modern dance and minimalist dance will be showcased at the concerts, Ragsdale said. She noted that while "modern dance" is a broad term, it will incorporate very athletic dances that require stamina and a willingness to work with a partner.

Wheels and heels



Photo courtesy of Annie P. Warren
Past and present blend harmoniously in San Lorenzo's street market in Florence, Italy. This picture will accompany a collection of Annie Warren's work from Italy at the Melanie Alvarez Gallery, 241 West Main St., Nov. 1 to Nov. 30.

Ragsdale said audience members may see a man lifting a man, a man lifting a woman or vice versa during certain modern dance pieces.

The minimalist pieces, as the name suggests, will include minimal movement. Audience members will see dancers standing and walking.

Ragsdale said a genre of minimalist dance that the performers will execute is "gestural" dance. Gestural dance will show people shaking hands, waving or making other such gestures.

Eight company members of Mo-Trans will be perform in these concerts. Three of them are students, four are faculty members and one member is a former faculty member.

For the Friday performance, alumni of the dance company will join the group to revisit their former roles.

Dancers for the Friday and Saturday performances will ask audience members to participate in the performance. Audience members can yell "freeze," "stop," "faster" or "rewind" to play with the tempo

of the dancing.

Mike Monsos, assistant professor of drama, created a landscape for one of the pieces out of a 30- by 40-foot piece of fabric. For most of the performances, the stage decor will be minimal.

Music to accompany the performance will run the gamut from classical, jazz and rap to specially composed music.

Michael Marsolek, a member of the Drum Brothers and Mandir, has composed a specific piece for one of Ragsdale's works.

Musical accompaniment will also come from UM drama accompanist Bob Athearn and Bob Ledbetter, an associate professor in the music department.

Ragsdale said "If (students or members of the community) have never seen the dance program, they should check it out. This is very accessible, plus it has the athleticism of a basketball game."

Shows start at 7:30 p.m. at the Montana Theatre. Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$10 for students and seniors. For ticket information call 243-4581.

Calendar

Friday

•Club Nocturnal:

The University Center's new dance club should be hopping at 10 p.m. The club is on the second floor of the UC and is open until 2 a.m. Alcohol will be served from the Bistro. The cost is \$2 at the door. Take your Griz Card and driver's license if you want to drink.

•"Pulp Fiction" will

play at the UC Theater at 7:00 p.m. and "The Big Lebowski" will follow at 9 p.m.

•Festival of the Dead:

Things will kick off at 3 p.m. in front of the Art Museum of Missoula. For a complete list of the week-ends events, call 728-5846.

Saturday

•Movies: see Friday.

•Festival of the Dead: see Friday.

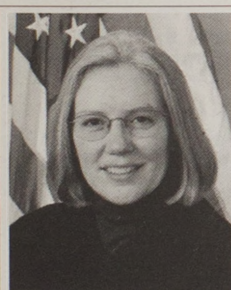
•Snoop Dogg tickets go on sale for his Dec. 7 concert in Bozeman. Call 1-800-808-5940 for tickets, which are \$33.50.

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NEWS

Library receives Lewis and Clark first editions

Jeff Windmueller
Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana's Mansfield Library received a valuable donation in late October to its special collections department. That valuable donation is an 1817 first-edition copy of the Lewis and Clark journals.

"(The journey) was critical to the development of the West," said Frank D'Andraia, dean of library services. "It was the first time anything was documented on the Pacific Northwest."

The two-volume set titled "History of the Expedition Under the Commands of Captains Lewis and Clark, to the Sources of the Missouri," is valued at around \$15,000 and was a gift from the Theta Rho Chapter of Delta Delta Delta, a UM sorority disbanded in 1971.

Although the volumes lost value after their former owner, Henry Villard — a German-born financier and former president of the Northern Pacific — rebound the books in red leather to match his personal collection, the volumes are even more valuable to the Mansfield Library. The library owns 18 texts of Villard's 168 book collection, and the new addition matches the rest.

"The irony is it has more value for

us, but perhaps not for a collector," D'Andraia said.

The set is one of 1,417 originals printed in Philadelphia and there are less than 100 left in American libraries, said Chris Mullin, special collections librarian.

All special collections in the Mansfield Library are the result of donations from outside families and organizations. The Delta Delta Delta members who financed the books' purchase were lucky to receive such a good deal, Mullin said.

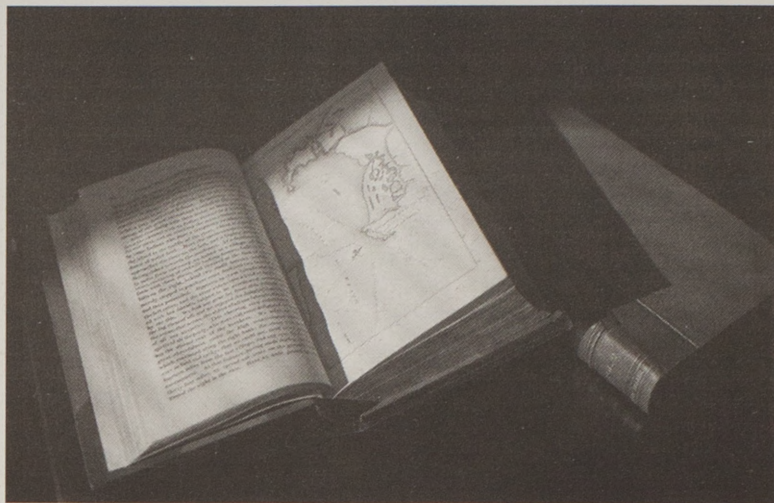
The purchase was made through a catalog which was luckily delivered to UM one day earlier than most of the other subscribers, Mullin said.

The Delta's were hoping to contribute an appropriate piece of history to the library, and when Mullin and D'Andraia notified the sorority of the special deal, they jumped at the chance.

One day later — a day too late for other universities and private collectors — the magazine received numerous calls for the volumes, Mullin said.

The book holds very special significance as the nation celebrates the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition from 2003 to 2006.

The volumes are held in a display case outside the special collections



Colin Blakley/Montana Kaimin

These first edition copies of Lewis and Clark's journals from 1817 were a gift to the Mansfield Library worth \$15,000. Delta Delta Delta donated these rare books.

office on the fourth floor of the library, and are available for viewing by students, researchers, and the general public under controlled conditions.

To view materials from the special collections or archives a person must visit the special collections office, fill out a collection retrieval request and the librarians will help to find the work desired, said Teresa Hamann, archives technician.

Under certain circumstances the collections can be viewed only while wearing gloves, because the dirt and oil from fingers can erode the pages of a book, Mullin said.

"There is no substitute for examining a real copy of a first edition," D'Andraia said. "I'm delighted that (the donors) are making an opportunity for students see real American history."

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KAIMIN SPORTS

Winning weekend could rejuice v-ball

Brittany Hageman
Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana volleyball team is looking for redemption, and any win will help as the Grizzlies play their final two home games of the year.

With a Big Sky record of 1-8 after a winless October, the Griz will have to kick it in gear this weekend if they hope to stay in the running for a spot in the post-season tournament.

But one good thing about being last place in the conference is that there is no place to go except up.

"We're not focusing on what we've lost the last few weeks," head coach Nikki Best said. "We're focusing on what we have to gain."

And two wins this weekend against Idaho State and Weber State would be just the medicine the team needs to rejuice its confidence.

Despite their recent dol-

drums, the Grizzlies are ready. "I feel like teams play like they practice," Best said. "If the team plays like we've been practicing, we'll be in good shape."

Because this is the last weekend the Griz will play at home, Friday is parents' night and Saturday is senior night.

The team will benefit from the added support from the players' parents and relatives in the stands, Best said.

"Senior night and parent's weekend is always an emotional ordeal," Best said. "But it also can heighten the level of play and we'll have that working for us."

Seniors Katy Kubista and Teresa Stringer should play with some extra spring in their steps Saturday night as the team honors them. Both Stringer and Kubista have come back from serious injuries to assume major roles on the team.



Teresa Stringer

Stringer is leading the Griz in blocks with 1.04 per game. After being side-lined last season with a torn ACL, Stringer has bounced back and reassumed a leadership role for the team.

"Not only is Teresa the hardest hitter on the team, she's a motivator and a floor leader," Best said.

And despite the fact Kubista missed the first part of the season with a broken right hand, she is back and playing better than ever.

Kubista gives the Griz an advantage on the right side as a hitter because she hits the ball left-handed.

"She has a rapid, quick release and the other team has to completely re-adjust to her hits because they come at a tough angle," Best said.

As far as the competition, Best is confident Idaho State and Weber are beatable.

Idaho enters the weekend with a 2-7 record in Big Sky play, tied for sixth with Portland State.

The last time the Griz played Idaho State, Best called the match "one of the ugliest

things she's ever seen." This time, the Griz will be ready for big plays from Bengals Ali Gorny and Melany Tucker.

"Gorny hits in the front row and sets when she's in the back row," Best said. "She's a great all-around player and we'll have to find a way to neutralize her."

Gorny, who is a sophomore, leads her team in kills with 3.63 per game, followed by Tucker at 2.62 per game.

Idaho State has the momentum of a big win over Northern Arizona University last week, but Best wants to show the Bengals a completely different team than they saw last time.

Weber State is a more up-tempo team with multiple weapons, Best said.

"Weber is tough because they have so many talented players and not just one or two to key on," Best said.

Weber is 6-3 in Big Sky play and is tied for third in the conference with Montana State.

While two wins this weekend would put the Grizzlies back in the race for the tournament, two losses would bury them.

"I see what's coming down the line," Best said. "But we have to take

advantage of each game as it comes. We can't focus on the big picture if we can't execute in the game right in front of us."

Both games will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the West Auxiliary Gym.

“If the team plays like we’ve been practicing, we’ll be in good shape.”

Nikki Best,
Volleyball head coach

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UM Soccer must win for chance at hosting tourney

Marina Mackrow
Montana Kaimin

Friday afternoon's soccer game will be emotional for the University of Montana, as it will likely be the seniors' final home game.

But with a win and a little luck, they could play for another Missoula crowd yet.

All season, the goal of the Grizzlies, who are 3-1-1 in the Big Sky Conference, has been to host this year's conference tournament. A win over Eastern Washington would keep that dream alive.

In order to host the tournament the Grizzlies have to take care of business against the Eagles, then hope Idaho State loses to Weber State.

That is where Lady Luck has to be on Montana's side.

Idaho State leads the Big Sky with a 4-1 conference record while Weber State sits near the basement of the conference with a 1-4 record.

But head coach Betsy Duerksen knows the only way a Weber State win will matter to Montana is if the Grizzlies beat the Eagles.

"We need to get our piece of it done and take care of what we have control of," Duerksen said.

The Grizzlies have already earned a spot in the tournament. Their seed in the tournament will be decided this weekend. The four teams in the championship are Idaho State, Portland State, Montana and Eastern Washington. The winner of the tournament automatically gets the league's bid to the NCAA tournament.

Duerksen said the Eagles are a good attacking team that has good possession of the ball.

The last time the Grizzlies

and the Eagles met, Eastern won 1-0. Duerksen and her team talked about the loss in practice and the importance of this year's game.

"The biggest piece of tomorrow is to do a better job of keeping possession of the ball," Duerksen said. "We have the talent and the ability to keep it."

In previous games, Duerksen said the Grizzlies have been inconsistent with their possession and have given the other teams more chances.

"For me, personally, it will take continuing to shoot the goals," said senior Erin Smith. "And still coming and showing up and doing the right thing."

Goal scoring has been a problem for the Grizzlies.

They have been outshot by their opponents 30-28. Forward Tammy Hartung leads the team in goals scored with five.

Smith said the cold weather won't be a factor for the Grizzlies, who are used to Missoula's cold autumns. But it may be a nuisance for Eastern Washington.

A team sometimes peaks going into the postseason, however, Duerksen said the Grizzlies have done a good job maintaining a consistent training level.

"Not having a big step up is a sign that they are not holding back in the season," Duerksen said.

Friday's game is also the seniors' last regular season home game.

"It is emotional on senior day," Duerksen said. "The team plays hard to send off the seniors."

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Cross country bundles up for frigid Idaho

Chelsi Moy
Montana Kaimin

The cross country season is entering its final stretch as the University of Montana prepares to run the Big Sky Conference Championships this Saturday in Pocatello, Idaho.

Performances at the conference championships will determine points for the All Sports Trophy and decide Big Sky Conference awards.

The following weekend, athletes will compete at the

regional meet in Albuquerque, N.M., to qualify for the NCAA championships.

"The stakes go up each round," said UM cross country coach Tom Raunig. "You have to be in a mindset to get up for two weeks in a row."

Despite the intense competition, cross country runners will also face harsh weather conditions and a tough course. The predicted temperature on race day is 20 degrees, Raunig said.

The runners must deal with wet, cold conditions as they

trudge uphill most of the way.

The course is the steepest a Big Sky meet has been run on since 1974, when the women ran at the University of Idaho, in Moscow, said Raunig.

"The conditions are the same for everybody though," he said. "If anything, I think running in these conditions will benefit our race."

As one of the northernmost universities in the conference, Raunig said, UM's athletes are accustomed to the bitter cold temperatures.

The UM women were picked third in the Big Sky conference by the 2002 coaches' poll and will run the 5-kilometer race. The women's teams consists of: senior Jamie Miller; juniors Kerry Bogner, Julie Ham and Lauren Keithly; and freshman Emily Roser, Clare Roche and Shannon Johnson.

The men are ranked fourth in the Big Sky and will compete in the 8-kilometer race. Running for the men's team are: senior Dickie Bishop; juniors Scott McGowan, Brad Lewis and Chris Tobiason; sophomores Wes Scheck and Antony Ford; and freshman Jack Scott.

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NEWS

I-145

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in the last legislative session, was scheduled to moderate the event, but in the absence of an opposing side, he filled the opposing position.

Swanson said he is strongly in support of I-145, but his experience in the Legislature, as well as his history as a college debater, made him more than capable of arguing either side.

"As far as the issue goes, I am fairly well-educated on it," he said.

The debate went off without any further problems for the 30 people in attendance. For an

hour the two sides sparred about the economic consequences of I-145.

The initiative calls for the state of Montana to examine the possibility of buying and operating all of the western Montana dams purchased by two out-of-state companies after the Legislature deregulated the energy industry in 1997.

These companies, Pennsylvania Power and Light, or PPL, and Avista, have unfairly driven the price of electricity up for Montana consumers since deregulation, Davis argued.

Davis said that by shopping the energy around to other energy-short states, the price has been spiked unnaturally high for

Montana consumers, where energy sources are abundant. If passed, I-145 would sell the energy to Montana consumers at a not-for-profit rate.

"The consumers of Montana will have cheap, affordable electricity," Davis said, "and will have a little more control of the future of their energy."

But the costs of buying and operating the dams would be so high that Montana could not afford it, Swanson said. Cost estimates for the study to determine whether the state should buy the dams alone range from \$500,000 to \$12 million. Both of these figures are too high for Montana to support right now, he said.

Another immediate financial

setback Swanson foresees would be the loss of millions of dollars in tax revenue from the two companies.

However, Davis said that in reality, the taxes that PPL and Avista pay are being passed on to tax payers in the form of higher rates. He said that the money lost from these taxes wouldn't be lost at all. Instead, they would just stay in taxpayers' pockets.

In addition to these immediate worries, Swanson said that forcing the companies to sell the dams might put Montana's economic future in a tight situation. He said if the initiative passes, Montana would be burdened with a reputation as a bad place to make investments.

"We don't want to be 49th forever," Swanson said, referring to Montana's current economy ranking. "We're trying to produce a better future, and we can't do that if we cut every company that comes here off at the knees."

Davis said that although keeping and bringing in more

corporate investment is good for the economy, making sure that Montana waters are used to make cheap electricity for Montanans, rather than huge profits for out-of-state CEOs, is a higher priority.

"The people of Montana have already paid for these dams once," Davis said. "The power companies will be paid full-market value of the dams. When they say that we are stealing private property, they are just wrong."

Initiative 145 would create a board of five elected members, that would carry out the study of whether it is feasible to purchase the dams. The state would run the operation for no profit, hoping to lower the cost of electricity. Although not guaranteeing lower prices, Davis said the legislation is the right idea for another reason.

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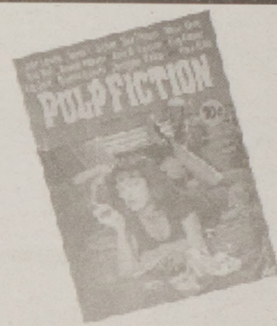
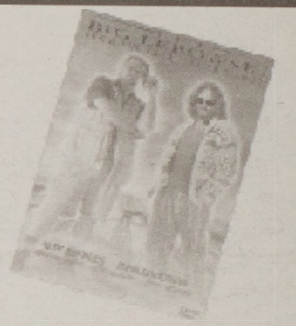
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CURRY HEALTH CENTER provides urgent care nights and weekends. Need help NOW? Use West entrance after hours or call our Medical Clinic at 243-2122

CELEBRATE THE DAY OF THE DEAD with special FAIR TRADE items purchased at the Peace Center! Nearby at 519 S. Higgins

If you want your FREE tattoos or piercings, you'd better get your \$20 FUNCARD immediately. They expire in one month! Free meals, comedy nite, etc. Call 728-3254. U deliveries hourly.

- PEER ADVISING TIP OF THE WEEK - Have some GERs you're looking to fulfill? Rely on the letters: A, H, S, E, N & L

HELP WANTED

BE A BARTENDER Must be 18yrs+ Earn \$15-30/hr. 1-2 week program. Job placement. Flexible hours, get certified. 406-728-TIPS (8477)

SPRING BREAK 2003 is now sponsored by Student Express! Cancun, Acapulco, Mazatlan, Jamaica, Bahamas, South Padre, Las Vegas, Florida, and Ibiza! Book early and get FREE MEALS! Student Express sponsors the BEST PARTIES and is NOW HIRING salaried Salespeople, Campus Reps, and On-site Staff. Contact www.studentexpress.com or 1-800-787-3787 for details.

A child in Missoula needs your help. Volunteer to tutor one afternoon a week at a local elementary school. Call Sarah Parker or Grier Phillips at WORD 543-3550 x64

Part time child care and cleaning after school. 3 bks from campus. References and driver's license required. 549-9611, 721-6578

EARN \$8/HOUR WHILE YOU PLAY AND JUST HANG OUT. Enjoyable person needed PT to share time with easy-going developmentally disabled adult female in the afternoons M-F. Some planned activities, some you choose. H.S. diploma or equivalent. Valid MT driver's license. Position opened until filled. Contact Jenn Reynolds at 721-2930 if interested. Exc. benefits including: generous amount of paid time off, retirement, medical & dental insurance, etc., plus the privilege of working with professional and caring fellow staff. Applications available at OPPORTUNITY RESOURCES, INC., 2821 S. Russell, Missoula, MT 59801. Extensive background checks will be completed. NO RESUMES. EOE.

STUDENTS Work for us & receive "full benefits" Internship "AM/PM" FT/PT Call Sherril: Mon-Fri (9am-5pm) 728-2408
Make \$100-\$200. Paid daily door to door sales. Call 829-8828

Seeking childcare from 8:45 to 5:30, intermittently on Tuesdays or Thursdays for four yr old boy. 721-6762

HABILITATION TECHNICIAN II - WEEKEND ON-CALL SUPERVISOR 40-hr position providing support to staff providing services to adults with disabilities. Experience working with individuals with disabilities and supervisory experience preferred. Saturday & Sunday 7:30AM-10:30PM + 10 hours varied times & days. \$8.50/hr. Closes 11/5/02, 5pm. Exc. benefits including: generous amount of paid time off, retirement, medical & dental insurance, etc., plus the privilege of working with professional and caring fellow staff. Applications available at OPPORTUNITY RESOURCES, INC., 2821 S. Russell, Missoula, MT 59801. Extensive background checks will be completed. NO RESUMES. EOE.

VOLUNTEER IN ARIZONA AND EARN COLLEGE CREDIT! What are your plans for all five weeks of winter break? How about spending January 6th thru the 19th with nine other students taking a four day, two credit class, and then traveling to Arizona! While there, you will work as a team to make the area more wildlife friendly and learn a lot about the environment. The total cost, including the class, transportation, housing, food, etc., will only be \$415 and \$275 for site leaders. Come to the Office for Civic Engagement in Social Science room 126 from 9am-5pm for more information and for an application. Or call 243-4442. Applications are due November 8th, get yours in ASAP!!

Lots of Legislative Internships Available. University of Montana Internships: Continuing Ed; Special Events/Asst. Conference Coordinator; UM President's Office Legislative Intern; Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society Internship. Check www.umd.edu/internships/ for more details and a complete listing of all internships.

BARTENDER TRAINEES NEEDED \$250 a day potential. Local positions. 1-800-293-3985 ext 417.

Football officials needed to referee adult league recreation flag-football. Games on Monday and Tuesday evenings in November. High school and college experienced players preferred. Strong knowledge of football required. Pay is \$12-\$14/game. Call Greg at Missoula Parks & Recreation 523-2756 for more details. Officials' meeting is Monday, November 4 @ 6pm at Missoula Parks & Recreation

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SERVICES

CARPET CLEANING Average apartment \$35-\$45. Call Ken 542-3824 21 years experience.

PROFESSIONAL PROOFREADING/EDITING \$1.00/page 542-0837

Free private tutoring and writing instruction for UM students at The Writing Center, 211 Continuing Education. Call 243-2266 or see www.umd.edu/writingcenter

FOR SALE

HCA Solo-CAM bow & pig. 70lbs, 28" draw, \$240. 829-8082

AUTOMOTIVE

97 Escort LX 5spd, 4dr, 71K, exc cond. \$5,000. 829-1648, 544-9845

COMPUTERS

Have a Mac? Have Problems? Call Peet at 370-4566. Reduced rates for students and contract work. Also willing to trade.