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Wednesday

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Suit alleges fraud by rental company

Apartment Store accused of altering leases

Natalie Storey
Montana Kaimin

Two University of Montana students allege in a lawsuit that a Missoula property management company illegally withheld portions of their security deposit and fraudulently altered their lease agreement using white out and a pen.

Sophomore Tiffany Melby and junior Alesha Goldhahn contacted ASUM legal services in July 2001, saying they had been cheated by the Apartment Store when the property management

company failed to return the full amount of their security deposit on time. The lawsuit was filed in June.

When ASUM Legal Services picked up the case, Melby and Goldhahn noticed the dates on the copy of the lease agreement they had kept did not match the dates on the lease agreement the Apartment Store had in their file on the renters.

According to a statement issued to the court by ASUM Legal Services, the former operations manager of the Apartment Store admits to altering the lease agreement.

"I did as I was instructed and altered the dates on the form and the final inspection checklist," Jon Gould states in

his affidavit.

One other former employee, Ericka Garstka, says in her statement to the court that she also witnessed the altering of lease agreements while working at the Apartment Store.

Gould said Maris Mills, the owner of the Apartment Store, instructed him to alter the dates on the lease agreement.

But Mills said Gould and Garstka are not telling the truth.

"That is just simply not true," Mills said. "There are several former employees making statements that simply aren't true. You can probably understand why; if you are terminated and fired you would want to lash out."

Mills said she fired Gould but would not say why. Gould could not be reached Tuesday. Garstka left after she and Mills reached a mutual agreement that she should leave, Mills said.

In his affidavit Gould states he had seen employees at the Apartment Store alter dates on lease agreements before.

"The altering of the form was not an isolated incident," his statement in the document reads. "Indeed, during my employment at the Apartment Store I witnessed Ms. Mills and other Apartment Store employees alter leases and other forms. Specifically, in at least one instance, Ms. Mills instructed

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Groups set alarm clocks to protest regents

Meeting to be held
Thursday at UM
campus

Chris Rodkey
Montana Kaimin

People wanting to give public comment at Thursday's meeting of the Montana Board of Regents at the University of Montana will have to get up with the sun.

Regardless of the early hour, the event looks set to attract a large crowd.

Public comment begins at 7:30 a.m., said Vice-Chair Lynn Hamilton.

She said the early hour was necessary to create a time-certain item on the agenda. Previously, public comment was taken at the end of the day's business, which does not have a specific time.

Hamilton said in the past, people had to wait for the regents to finish their meetings before the public had a chance to comment. The current 7:30 a.m. time — which was first implemented during the board's July meeting — allows people to make plans to speak, she said.

Mona Bachmann of the Missoula Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Equality plans on rising early to speak at the event. She said she will bring the fight for health benefits for same-sex partners to the regents during their public comment period because it is the most direct way to get her point across.

"A lot of people want to have the opportunity to hold the regents responsible for their decision in continuing to deny health benefits to same-sex partners," Bachmann said.

Although it is an early start for protesting, Bachmann said she expects a large crowd to confront the regents Thursday morning. Several groups have been organizing a protest and have advertised with flyers around campus.

She said she would rather be in bed in the morning, but she doesn't feel the public comment period is too early.

Because many of the people

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Scalpers getting \$75 for 'Cat/Griz tickets

Montana laws do not make hawking tickets illegal

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

Griz fans still hoping to score tickets to Saturday's sold-out football game can expect to pay a hefty price.

General admission tickets to the game are being hawked on eBay for around \$75. Tickets are being advertised on the UC bulletin board for about the same price.

"Montana does not have any laws addressing ticket scalping," said David Aronofsky, UM's legal counsel.

In other words, it is completely legal.

And for some students it is extra income.

"On Monday morning I go into my classes and ask people who I know aren't going to the game to get me a ticket," said a UM ticket scalper who did not want to give his name.

He said he would get up to five tickets and sell them at the home games for around \$10, but would get more money when the tickets were in high demand.

"During Homecoming I had no problem getting \$25 for a ticket," he said.

It is unclear how high ticket prices will soar this weekend. It is clear that they will be sold for well above face value. And for students who already pay an athletic fee to get a free ticket, but did not



Rick Harrington (left) buys a \$15 ticket outside Washington-Grizzly Stadium for this year's Grizzly home game against Sacramento State.

camp out or arrive at school early Monday to get one, there will be only one option: to buy a ticket for about the price it would cost to see an NFL game.

"Students are getting short-changed by their fellow students," said Associate Athletic Director Marie Porter.

She said there is nothing her department can do to stop the scalping, but that she hoped most of the student tickets end up in student hands.

"We want the students at the game," Porter said. "They

create the atmosphere."

Not all students are willing to pay the inflated prices.

Nicole Brandt, a senior in sociology, said she would stay home before paying to see the 'Cat/Griz game.

"I wouldn't pay a penny," she said. "I deserve a ticket. I pay tuition, and an athletic charge, and I am entitled to go to the game."

Brandt camped out to make sure she would get a ticket.

Part of the reason Montana has no ticket scalping law is because it rarely has been an issue in Montana, Aronofsky

said. That is not the case in other states.

John Dankovich, of the Washington State University ticket office, said that football tickets for home games have been sold on eBay all year. And with the biggest game of the year this weekend, against in-state rival the University of Washington, he expects much of the same.

"If they're not on campus, they're right across the street" Dankovich said. "Whenever there is a sell-out situation there is always going to be people scalping tickets."

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Die-hards
deserve tickets

Tuesday night there were a half dozen student tickets to the 'Cat/Griz game up for grabs on eBay. Someone had bid \$150 on a pair of them. Another pair was asking \$230, though no one had bit that bait yet.

In the UC, scrawled ads for another half dozen or so are on the bulletin boards, with the going price around \$75.

At Saturday's game, the stadium will no doubt be ringed with money-hungry students hawking the tickets they got for free. And who knows how much they'll get from Griz-crazed fans.

While these students are turning one swipe of their Griz cards into extra spending cash, other students who actually want to go to the game won't be able to get into the stadium. Three thousand student tickets, and 300 guest passes, were available for this weekend's big game but sold out by early Monday. Some of the tickets that were picked up by students will be used by people without any connection to UM; others will be sold by students intent on banking off their fellow students.

All students pay an athletic fee so we can get free tickets to the games. This works great in theory — all we have to do is swipe our cards and we're handed a paper ticket.

In practice though, some students here are getting way more bang for their buck than others. UM should fix its ticketing system so that students who get tickets can't just turn it into a weekend cash scheme.

At MSU-Bozeman the tickets are electronically tied to their equivalent of our Griz cards. You scan your ID at a different game and a ticket to the 'Cat/Griz game is added on. The school came up with this plan specifically to stop non-students from ending up with them, and officials at MSU say it works well.

UM's paper tickets make it easy for students to get rid of them. After all, scalping tickets isn't against the law, so people are free to sell them wherever they want for whatever price they can get.

We're not saying scalping should be made illegal to solve this problem. But it seems like UM could find an easy fix by adopting a ticketing system like MSU's.

It would be a small change that would make a big difference to die-hard student fans — fans who, this year, either won't be able to go at all or will have to pay for the privilege of a ticket they've already put a down payment on.

— Jessie Childress

Rick's Reflections

UM positioned to become an environmental leader

Column by



Rick Stern

Almost eight years ago, the Utne Reader dedicated an issue to introducing its readers to "100 Visionaries who could change your life." Utne's editors described their chosen visionaries

in this way: "They think about crises, collective and personal; they ponder values and pleasures and hopes; and they offer vivid, memorable answers to questions that concern us all (or ask new questions, or denounce current questions and revive ancient questions)."

While Utne's list included Dan Kemmis - who represented Missoula as its mayor at the time - it did not include David Orr. If I had to venture a guess, I'd say that David Orr would definitely make it if Utne were to revise its list today. At least that's my impression after hearing Orr speak during his visit to Missoula earlier this month.

Orr is a noted writer, thinker, and speaker on a variety of environmental issues, as well as the director of the Environmental Studies program at Oberlin College in Ohio. His 1994 book, "Earth in Mind," is a seminal work in the field of environmental education. While in Missoula, Orr spoke about the ecological design and construction of a new building to house Oberlin's environmental studies program.

It is not my intent with this column to make you feel bad if you missed the chance to hear David Orr speak when he visited Missoula. No, what I'd like to do is to introduce you to a series of columns, beginning with this one, in which I focus on a topic that should be as important to those of us with some relationship to the University of Montana as it is to David Orr.

In 1992, Orr co-edited a book titled "The Campus and Environmental Responsibility." For the next few columns, I'll be writing about the University of Montana and environmental responsibility, and encouraging us all to think about ways in which this campus can become more ecologically responsible in a number of different practices.

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As a recovering "doom and gloomer", I think it's important to point out that this fine University already houses some ecologically-excellent programs and practices. Maybe you're aware of the "Bio-Bus" which is fueled with biodiesel - a fuel made from used vegetable oil. Even on these semi-cold days, lots of students ride their bikes to campus. I'll discuss these practices further in an upcoming column on transportation.

In a way, the good ol' U of M is perfectly situated to be a pioneer - a visionary campus, if you will - in the field of environmental responsibility. You've probably noticed that Missoula is nestled within a lovely complex of National Forest land, including designated wilderness areas, and is pretty close to Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks. This Northern Rockies region (the "Wild Rockies" to some) still contains populations of pretty much every species that lived here when Lewis and Clark passed through the area 200 years ago.

The University's proximity to forests, rivers, mountains, lakes, wildlife, outdoor recreation, etc. has drawn a unique blend of people to this campus. Those people, over the years, have developed some amazing programs that now represent the best of the academic offerings of the University: the Environmental Studies and Wilderness and Civilization programs, the environmental writing emphasis in creative writing, and the Program in Ecological Agriculture and Society.

For its existing, ecologically minded programs and practices, the University of Montana should be extremely proud. Yet, I bet you won't be surprised when I suggest that this university can, and should, do much better in its overall relationship with the natural world. Tune in every other Wednesday beginning the first week of next semester for specific suggestions about how the University of Montana can implement this vision to become a model, ecologically conscious campus that is the envy of universities worldwide.

— Rick Stern is working on a teaching credential in social studies and a master's degree in curriculum studies. He's also an avid Griz football fan, softball player, organic gardener and all-around thoughtful guy.



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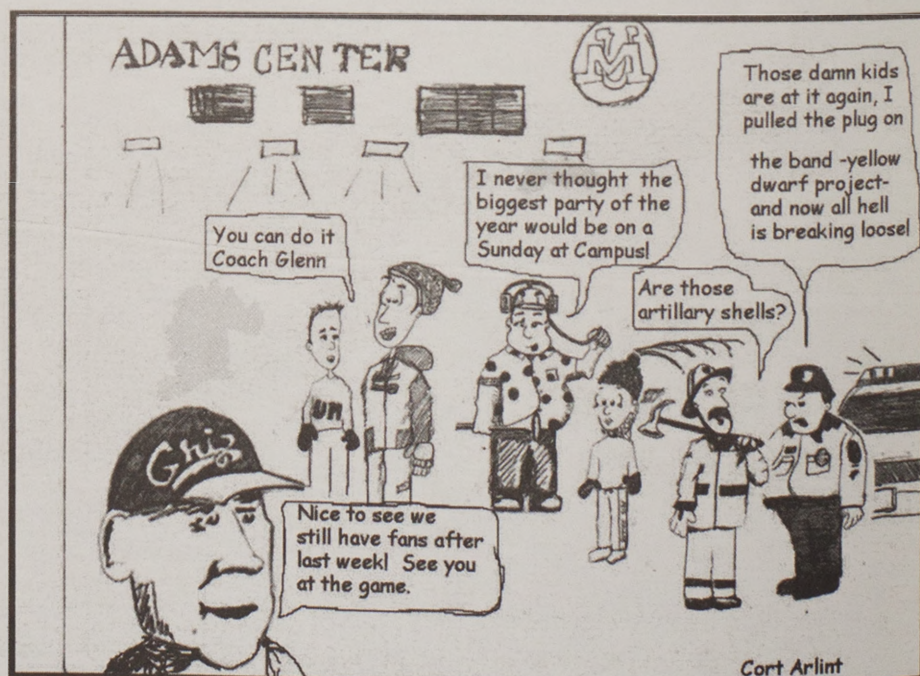
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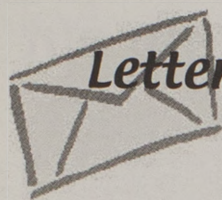
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Cort Arlnt

OPINION



Letters to the editor

Surcharges needed to fund budget

A precipitous drop last spring in projected revenue made it necessary for the state of Montana to reduce the appropriations for all state services. As a result, the Montana University System had to return a bit more than \$12 million for FY 2003. The Regents focused on meeting the needs of students and maintaining quality while making the reductions. Administrators and student leaders ultimately, if reluctantly, agreed with the Regents' authorization of a tuition surcharge to offset up to half of the reduction in State funding. For the University of Montana-Missoula, the surcharge amounted to \$2.50 per credit hour for fall semester 2002 and \$10 per credit hour for spring semester 2003, with a corresponding reduction of \$2.2 million in the budget.

Because of healthy enrollments and careful planning, the University managed this

process without having to resort to layoffs or other drastic actions. In fact, the process worked well enough to warrant reconsideration of the level of the tuition surcharge for spring semester. After careful deliberation and analysis, I agreed with the recommendations of the student leaders and the planning councils to reduce the tuition surcharge for spring semester 2003 to \$7 per credit hour rather than \$10. As a result, the University will not do some things planned earlier but will provide welcome relief to students. At the same time, we plan to monitor registration and other processes carefully to make certain that we serve the students.

In closing, I want to take this opportunity to commend the faculty and staff for their diligent efforts to make certain that we serve student needs. I want also to express my appreciation to the students for their engagement, understanding and support.

George M. Dennison
UM president

Do your research; Coke owns Odwalla

This letter is in reply to Linda Miller's letter on Nov. 15, 2002.

Linda, it's nice to be ideal and not want to support Coca-Cola, but maybe you need a little better information. Odwalla Inc. the "body/earth friendly" beverage family you suggest supporting instead of Coca-Cola is owned by, surprise, Coca-Cola! Le Petit Outre, the local distributor of Odwalla, will let you know personally. Odwalla does not put this on their label or Web site because they know people would be upset and boycott their products. In the realm of food, Boca Burger, the burger of choice for many pseudo-environmentalists, is owned by Phillip Morris. These large corporations see the profitability of environmental ethics and are quick to jump on the bandwagon. So, before you bash on some companies and praise others, do a little homework. You would be surprised by how many "body/earth friendly" products are owned by the same people that support child labor and environmental desecration.

John M. Nasset
senior, geography

Litter unexcusable; laws need enforcing

Just by taking a look around the UC and the Adams Center on Monday morning made me feel sick to my stomach. I can understand why people camped out in their tents to get the few tickets and guest passes available before the crowd in the morning. What I can't understand is the litter which was left for the campus custodians to clean up. Just because people camped out all night Sunday to get Griz tickets doesn't give them the right to party on the University campus and leave their empty beer cans, old newspapers, broken lawn chairs and broken glass bottles all over the campus.

Local authorities and event planners could have handled the situation better also. There were only a few empty garbage cans near both the Adams Center and the UC ticket lines. But even if that was the case, that doesn't make up for all the litter left by these campers.

The campus police didn't help matters either. For reasons unknown to me, two police officers ignored the fact that people were outside the UC drinking alcohol in public, along with littering. Instead these same two cops

decided to kick out a few early-birds who found their way into the unlocked UC before 6:00 a.m. While most of the people waiting in line weren't causing any trouble, the few who were should have been ticketed for breaking two city ordinances, public drinking ordinance 9.26.020 and the littering ordinance 8.28.100. I was highly disappointed in the way the campus police handled the situation as a whole. I understand it can be difficult to maintain order with that many people all impatiently congregated in one place, but it's inexcusable when the police overlook people breaking city laws to chase a few students who broke a new campus policy.

Jacob Sorich,
Knowles Hall

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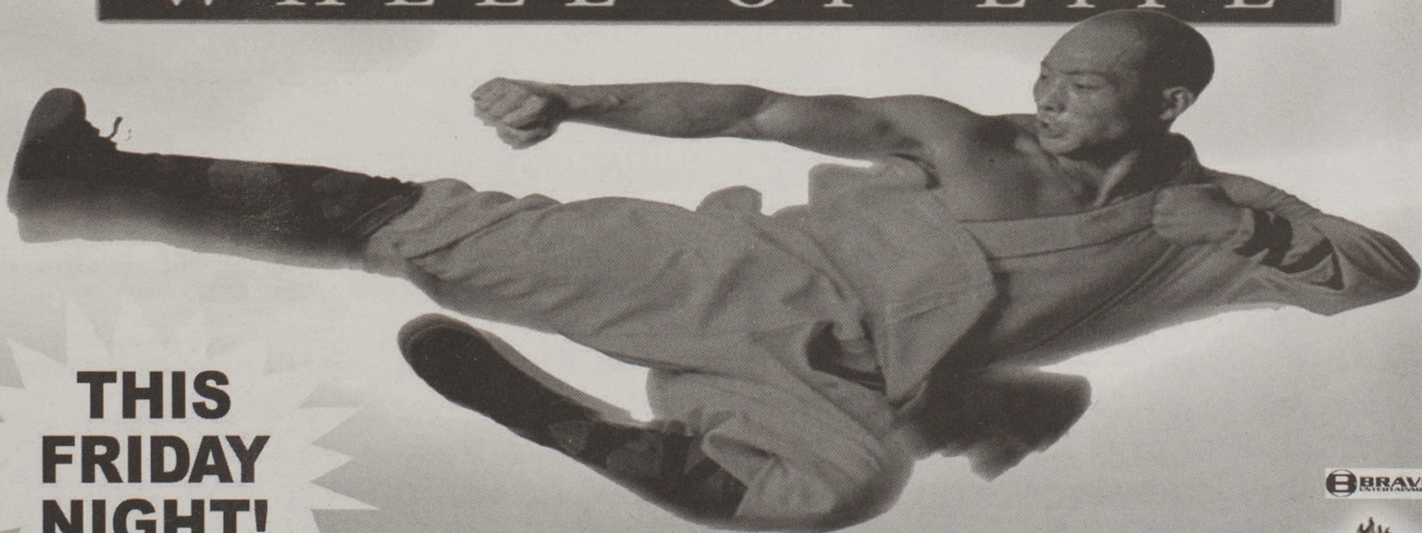
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NEWS

Hunger Awareness Week prompts students to help out

Ramey Corn
Montana Kaimin

While many people were enjoying a meal in the comfort of their own home, 14 people were serving up meat patties, salad, fruit and more at the Poverello Center on Tuesday night in recognition of Hunger Awareness Week.

"The purpose of Hunger Awareness Week is to raise awareness of a problem to be dealt with all year, rather than just a problem that week," said Tyrell Lundman, a peer minister from Lutheran Campus Ministry.

As part of the 29th annual Hunger Awareness Week, United Methodist campus ministries, Lutheran campus ministries as well as members of Mortar Board, an honor society for seniors at the University of Montana, and individual students prepared dinner, cooked and cleaned for people at the Poverello Center.

"The Christian faith has a strong appeal to live justly, and from many of our scriptures, which include the Jewish faith, there is a strong mandate to take this stuff seriously," Pastor Jean Larson of the Lutheran Campus Ministry said.

The Poverello Center is a non-prof-

it organization that has served the homeless since 1974. Along with the Poverello Center is Joseph Residence, a transitional living center for homeless people. The Poverello Center serves three meals a day and offers job services, a food pantry, showers and other services to those in need.

On Tuesday between 70 and 80 people were served dinner, said Carrie Lunn, a staff member at the center.

"I don't think that people who volunteer their time ever fully know how much we appreciate them," Lunn said.

Lunn added that while she sometimes feels frustrated with the world around her, when she comes to work her worries are washed away by the kindness and selflessness of the volunteers at the shelter.

"They really restore the idea of what is good," she said.

The holiday season and Hunger Awareness Week are times of the year when the shelter receives the most volunteers, but Lunn said they could always use more help.

"We still have nights that no one comes in," Lunn said.

Volunteers at the Poverello Center on Tuesday night stressed the importance of donating time each year during Hunger Awareness

Hunger Awareness Week



Nick Wolcott/Montana Kaimin

Student volunteers Tyrell Lundman (right) and Lindy London (center) prepare egg salad sandwiches at the Poverello Center on Tuesday evening.

Week and throughout the year.

"Volunteering is important because a lot of people have helped me out, and it's really selfish for me to just sit around on my butt," said Elena Rodriguez, a freshman at UM. "I need to do better things."

Those interested in volunteering at the center can come by any time they wish or call to set up a time,

Lunn said.

Hunger Awareness Week continues on Wednesday with a Hunger in Montana forum at 7:30 p.m. in North Underground Lecture Hall. The week is sponsored by Lutheran, Catholic, Methodist, and Latter-Day Saints campus ministries, Dining Services, and Residence Life.

SOME Ways
UM STUDENTS
SAFE PARTY

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NEWS

Shadowy sewer squirmers, surly swarm, stolen sedan

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

Thursday, Nov. 14, 8:04

p.m. An officer responding to an incident in Miller Hall was approached by a man who claimed he had beaten up the custodian in the dorm. The officer advised the man to stay where he was while he dealt with the prior call. The man fled the area, according to police records. The officer contacted the custodial supervisor and was told that everything was all right.

"It looks like it may have been a prank," said Public Safety Officer Kristen Stewart.

vomit was thrown on the south door of the Liberal Arts Building.

Monday, Nov. 18, 8:50

a.m. A bicyclist struck a student-ticket writer. The ticket writer was cared for at Curry Health Center and released.

Friday, Nov. 15, 12:56

a.m. A Public Safety officer arrested a man at the Davidson Honors College for an outstanding city warrant, according to police records.



Police Blotter

The warrant was for failure to appear in court on a minor in possession of alcohol charge, Stewart said.

Sunday, Nov. 17, 11:13

p.m. A crowd of people waiting for football tickets outside the Adams Center were igniting fireworks and throwing bottles, according to police records.

City police were called in to assist Public Safety with the crowd.

People were also urinating in public, Stewart said, and

Friday, Nov. 15, 10:23

p.m. Officers responded to a report of four men crawling out of a manhole near Craig Hall.

The men were reportedly wearing dark clothing, Stewart said. The suspects were gone upon an officer's arrival.

Monday, Nov. 18, 9:33

a.m. A woman reported to Public Safety that her driver's license and wallet were stolen sometime during the evening while she slept in line near the UC waiting for tickets.

"She said she put her wallet under books and blankets as she slept," Stewart said.

She added that \$20 was stolen.

Thursday, Nov. 14, 10:15 p.m.

An officer responded to a report of fireworks going off near the Lomasson Center.

The suspects were gone upon an officer's arrival, Stewart said.

Sunday, Nov. 17, 12:38

a.m. A RA in Duniway Hall requested assistance in dealing with two intoxicated men.

"They got into some kind of fight," Stewart said. "The RAs said they were going to handle it."

Sunday, Nov. 17, 8:05 p.m.

Public Safety warned a group of people waiting in line for tickets outside the UC. The group was harassing people coming into the building, according to police records.

There were about 40 people

warned, Stewart said.

Friday, Nov. 15, 2:26 p.m.

A man using a disability parking permit illegally in the Lomasson Center parking lot was cited under the student conduct code.

At first, the man denied having the permit, Stewart said, but he eventually cooperated.

"He was told the true owner of the permit could come to Public Safety and claim it," Stewart said.

Friday, Nov. 15, 10:31 p.m.

Public Safety recovered a stolen vehicle on the 1500 block of Maurice Avenue. The vehicle was reported stolen from Helena, according to police records, and towed to impound for processing and return.

Officers found the vehicle after it was involved in a car accident, Stewart said, and the driver of the stolen vehicle had already fled.

Saturday, Nov. 16, 11:48

p.m. A man on probation for drug possession was cited on Sixth Street for driving without a license and speeding, according to police records.

Homeland Security Bill passes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate voted decisively Tuesday to create a Homeland Security Department, delivering a triumph to President Bush and setting the stage for the biggest government reshuffling in a half-century as a way to thwart and respond to terrorist attacks.

The final vote was 90-9, belying bitter clashes that pitted Congress against the White House and the two parties against each other and prolonged work on the legislation for nearly a year. Eight Democrats and Independent Sen. James Jeffords of Vermont voted "no" as Congress neared adjournment for the year.

"It is landmark in its scope and it ends a session which has seen two years worth of legislative work which has been very productive for the American people," Bush told Senate Republican leaders from Air Force One as he flew to NATO meetings in Europe.

The new Cabinet-level department will merge 22 agencies with combined budgets of about \$40 billion and employ 170,000 workers — the most grandiose federal reorganization since the Defense Department's birth in 1947.

Even so, it will take months for the new agency to get fully off the ground. And a budget stalemate continues to block most of the extra money for domestic security enhancements both sides want for the federal fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

The House overwhelmingly approved the bill on Nov. 13, so the Senate vote was the crucial, final test. Because of technical changes the Senate made, however, the House is expected to provide final congressional approval Friday with an anticlimactic voice vote.

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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Amazing Shaolin Monks to mystify audience

Flying fists flash through Kung Fu spectacular at Wilma on Friday

Liam Gallagher
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Enter the Shaolin Monks.

This Friday the iron buffalo will plough the field, the golden pheasant will stand in solitude and the horse will whirl. Fists will fly like a ferocious tiger after his prey. Feet will move like a blue dragon wagging its tail. And enemies will rush at each other with the violence of an avalanche.

At the Wilma Theater this Friday at 7 p.m. the Shaolin Monks will make their Missoula debut in Shaolin Wheel of Life. The event is just one stop on the monks international tour.

More than 1,500 years ago a scholar monk Buddhahadra settled in Songshan Mountains in the Henan Province of China. Buddhahadra began to study Chinese martial art Wushu or Kung Fu. Soon he was joined by two disciples, Seng Chou and Hui Gaung. The two studied under Buddhahadra and in time honed their Wushu skills. It is said that Gaung

could keep a shuttlecock aloft by kicking it repeatedly, while perched on the rails of a well, while Chou was heralded for his incredible leg strength and his ability to walk up walls. Gaung and Chou were the first Shaolin monks.

The Shaolin Monks practice Zen Buddhism and are recognized as the founders of Kung Fu. Their discipline incorporate a variety of fighting styles and throughout their history, they've fought in battles for the Imperial Government of China and in defense of their temple.

Today, a band of these monks travel the world displaying their skill, Shaolin style. The show's Web site touts the performance as a "Kung Fu, martial arts, theater spectacular, featuring the soldier monks of China's ancient Shaolin Temple with international actors, artistic directors, musical composers, theatrical lighting and set designers."

And with an entourage of production assistants and a list of tour dates as long as the Great Wall of China, the Shaolin Wheel of Life is sure to be quite a performance.

"It's going to be an exciting show," said Bill Emerson, Wilma Theatre manager. "And something that Missoula has never had before."

Emerson said the show won't be just

a martial arts demonstration, but a performance that combines music, lighting and even the burning of incense.

According to the press release, "This combination of explosive power, imaginative theatrics and traditional story telling will produce an event for which there is no parallel."

Chris Crews, chief instructor at the American Kenpo Karate School in Missoula has been teaching Kenpo in town for 17 years, and he was quick to assert that the Shaolin Wheel of Life is the biggest thing to hit the Missoula martial arts community in his time here.

"These guys are a lot more dedicated than other martial artists," Crews said. "I have a lot of respect for them. These guys are amazing."

Unfortunately, Crews said he won't be able to go to the show because he's headed to the National Blackbelt League Championships in Panama City, Fla., next week.

Crews said the \$29.50 to \$39.50 cost of tickets is too much for him to foot with his trip to Florida next week.

"It's going to be a cool thing," Crews said. "I really wish I could go to see it."

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Broadway veterans to perform in Missoula

Luke Johnson
Eye Spy Reporter

Two former Broadway actors who relocated to Montana have decided to do a concert about leaving the East Coast and heading west.

Broadway veterans Betsy Morrison and Luke Walrath will present "Eastern Mountain Time: A Musical Homecoming," at the Missoula Children's Theatre Center for the Performing Arts Friday at 8 p.m. The concert will be a collection of show tunes, jazz and pop.

"This concert really is a homecoming for me," Morrison said in a press release. "I grew up here, and now that I've moved back, Luke and I have an opportunity to add to the arts in the area."

Morrison is the daughter of Whitefish attorneys Frank and Sharon Morrison and spent part of her childhood in Missoula. She graduated from the University of Montana.

Morrison has played opposite stage legends Richard Chamberlain and Robert Goulet. Her Broadway career includes parts in "The Sound of Music" and "South Pacific."

Walrath's Broadway experience includes parts in "42nd Street" and "The Sound of Music."

The show will use what Morrison calls "old and soon-to-be favorites" to tell its story.

"We've included songs that people recognize, like 'Luck Be a Lady' and 'The Sound of Music,'" Morrison said. "But we've added some relatively unknown songs that are destined to become classics. All of them fit perfectly to tell the story of this couple's journey."

Walrath said "Eastern Mountain Time" will be a different kind of concert experience.

"It's more like a traditional musical," Walrath said. "We've incorporated scenes into the show, and we're using some multimedia to enhance the story. This concert is something that people can relate to. There are so many people in northwest Montana who, like us, have left whatever lives they had to be in such a beautiful environment. It's really for anyone who has ever taken a leap of faith."

Tickets for the show are \$15 and include a reception with the actors afterward. For tickets or more information call 728-7529.

Racy comedian hits the backwoods of Montana

Margaret Cho makes jokes about sex, dieting, shit

Scott Bennett
For the Kaimin

With a blinding but somehow appropriate flash of her remarkably glittering belt, the notorious Margaret Cho appeared before a near-full house at the University Theatre Saturday.

Cho, whose previous two tours have dealt with everything from racism to sexuality to emotional breakdown, crossed a whole new line with the Missoula audience.

She joked about going on a diet so extreme it caused her to, in her own words, "shit in my car."

After going on a diet that allowed her to only eat persimmons, Cho found herself suddenly overwhelmed by the call of nature — there wasn't even time to get to the restroom off the highway.

"It was just so disgusting I had to call people," Cho said. "They never tell you in Shape magazine, 'This food plan might make you shit your pants.'"

When asked what the theme of the new show was going to be, Cho grinned and

replied, "Questions and shitting."

Defecation aside, Saturday's performance showcased the almost uncomfortably personal series of anecdotes and revelations, much of which dealt with Cho's own sexuality.

"I've actually had sex with both men and women, and I found them to be equally disappointing," Cho said.

What set her brazenly sexual commentary apart

from normal, however, was her treatment of domesticity and living with a significant other. "Living with someone changes everything," Cho said. "I feel like I'm a prostitute with really low rates. I'll do oral and anal if you take out the trash."

Though it is sexuality that helped Cho rise to fame, it is often the crude but loving way she treats homosexuality that garnered her such a substantial gay following, and Cho stuck to her guns Saturday.

"It's really scary to see gay men fight, because they're having every fight they never had," Cho said, who was privy to such a scene in Edinburgh, with the

theatrical cast of "Hedwig and the Angry Inch," and before long, the police were called.

"It was like a gay pride version of 'COPS,'" she said.

Having spoken frankly about her own history with diets and eating disorders, usually in conjunction with "American Girl," her short-lived early '90s sitcom

whose producers forced her to lose huge amounts of weight to play herself, Cho

chose Saturday to face the topic of eating disorders and gay men.

"I see a lot of gay men with eating disorders now," Cho said. Then, assuming the

voice her friend, said, "Why diet when you do crystal meth? I mean, I hear voices, but they tell me I look hot."

Cho, however, believes that the struggle for perfection can be connected to the fight for equal rights in the cases of women and gay men. She offered up her own practical solution.

"I think everyone should go on my diet," Cho said. "It's called the 'Fuck It' diet. It works well with the 'Fuck This Shit' exercise program."

“I’ve actually had sex with both men and women, and I found them to be equally disappointing.”

Margaret Cho
Comedian

“They’re just out there, fixing our computers, doing our laundry, building our railroads,” Cho said.

And, as she is famous for doing, Cho also dealt with racism in her signature manner. Cho speaks often and with candor about the lack of Asian American presence in the entertainment world, while there are still native Asian crossover sensations, like Jackie Chan and Chow Yun Fat.

"Their achievements make Asian American look lackluster," joked Cho. "I can't run up a wall. Not in these heels."

Most recently, Cho cited a series of shirts by Abercrombie and Fitch that contained material she found derogatory to Asian Americans. The company was quick to defend itself following the release of the shirts by claiming to have spoken to Asian individuals in their office.

"They're just out there, fixing our computers, doing our laundry, building our railroads," Cho said.

Following the show, Cho faced the question of whether there was anything she wouldn't talk about in her routine, having gone from stories of defecation to doing an impersonation of her mother the first time someone asked her to perform oral sex.

"I just try and stay away from anything self-indulgent or boring," Cho said. "Being boring is my greatest fear."

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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Math teacher to rock Sean Kelly's

Ira Sather-Olson
Eye Spy Reporter

One wouldn't suspect a high school mathematics teacher from Conrad would rock audiences across the state on Friday

Ray said he likes to cover songs from '50s and '60s rock and country bands. He's even ventured into the musical territories of bossa nova and light jazz, he said. "I write a few originals," Ray said about his song writing. "I primarily do standards."

Ray has written some of his own original material within the last year and has been working on a CD that includes five original songs. One of his recent original works is a song about the Grizzly football team.

Missoula is the best town in Montana for live music, due in part to the diverse amount of music available to the average person, he said. The majority of his shows have been successful, though he did note last Saturday he showed up at a gig he was supposed to play and realized that another band had been booked to play the show.

He thinks there's a lot of good pop and rock 'n' roll music to be found these days. He also said he's a fan of old country as well as jazz. He is disappointed in modern top 40 oriented country music, he said. Music made only to sell records is disheartening, Ray said.

For those who are wondering where the "fingers" nickname came from, Ray said a fellow co-worker on a ranch he was working on thought he had nice fingers, in a cowboy way.

Ray said students should come on down to Sean Kelly's this Friday or Saturday to check out his music and say hello.

The show will start at 9:30 p.m. with a cover charge of \$2.

and Saturday nights.

This is true for Erik "Fingers" Ray, a musician for the past 30 years who primarily plays solo guitar.

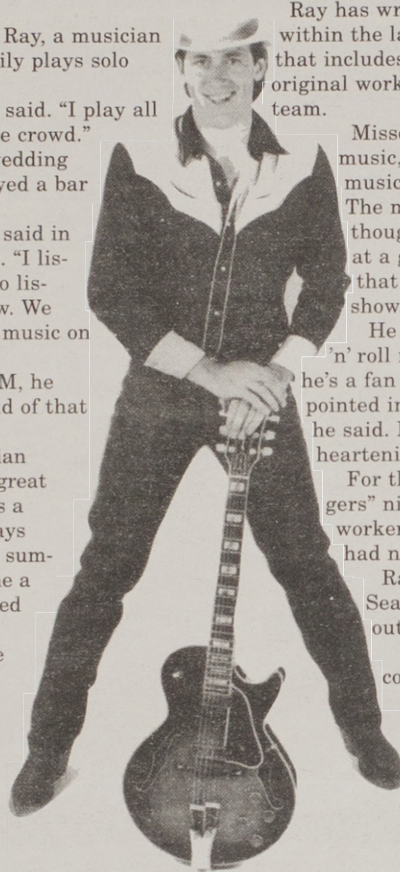
"I love playing the blues," Ray said. "I play all styles (of music) depending on the crowd."

He primarily plays bars and wedding receptions, but said he's also played a bar mitzvah and a funeral.

"I grew up to '60s music," Ray said in regards to his musical influences. "I listened to the Rolling Stones. I also listened to the Lawrence Welk Show. We (also) listened to a lot of country music on the radio."

While Ray was a student at UM, he joined a blues band and grew fond of that genre of music.

Ray decided to become a musician because he thought it would be a great part-time job. He usually works as a musician on the weekends and plays shows more frequently during the summertime. His inspiration to become a musician came from Missoula-based rock bands that would play high school dances in his hometown, he said.



Sisterology

by Jamie and Jolene Budeski

Aries (March 21-April 20) **** Your energy is very high this week so put it to good use. Mingle with old friends. Tonight: Boogie on!

Taurus (April 21-May 21) **** Catch up on your studies this week. The hard work will pay off soon. Tonight: Don't procrastinate.

Gemini (May 22-June 21) ***** Hard work last week shows positive results. Take some time for yourself this week. Tonight: Read a good book.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) **** Stress could get you down this week. Stay positive, it will all workout. Tonight: Cook dinner for a friend.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 23) **** Chill with friends to help relieve stress. Love is in the air this week. Tonight: Hang out with that special someone.

Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 22) **** Concentrate on your studies, but remember to relax. Hang out with a special friend this week. Tonight: Make dinner with friends.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Take up a new class or routine. Join friends this week to catch up on old times. Tonight: Chill.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** You are on the prowl lately. Dig your paws into exactly what you want. Tonight: Kickin' it with friends.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** A new situation gives you a lot of energy. Use this to your advantage. Tonight: Climb the M.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Branch out to new ideas. Think about investing in something that would help you out daily. Tonight: Raise the roof.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Get in the winter mood. Have a winter shindig. Tonight: Do something unusual.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Your confidence helps you to succeed. Help friends in need. Tonight: Out and about.

The juicy bits in the entertainment world:

Michael Jackson holds his child over four-story rail

BERLIN (AP) — Michael Jackson made an appearance outside his Berlin hotel and briefly held his youngest child over a fourth-floor balcony Tuesday in front of dozens of fans waiting below.

The boy, his legs kicking, had what appeared to be a white cloth over his head as Jackson, holding the child with one arm around his waist, held him out over the iron rail of the balcony of the luxurious Adlon Hotel.

The child, wearing a baby blue jumper, is the reclusive singer's third and youngest, Prince Michael II, said Antje Sigismund, a spokeswoman for the Bambi entertainment award ceremony, which Jackson is attending in Berlin.

The act stunned some people who saw it transmitted on television, and on Tuesday night Jackson issued a written statement saying he had gotten carried away when fans below the window asked to see the baby.

"I made a terrible mistake," he said. "I got caught up in the excitement of the moment. I would never intentionally endanger the lives of my children."

Several scenes of Jackson's visit to the German capital — including the display of his son — were featured on national primetime German news, a sign of the King of Pop's enduring popularity in Europe.

The Chicago-based advocacy group Prevent Child Abuse America criticized Jackson's behavior, though it said the boy did not appear to be harmed.

"It is a painful reminder that even the most well-intentioned among us sometimes act in ways that put children in danger of being abused or neglected," said A. Sidney Johnson, president and CEO of the group.

Fans had gathered outside the hotel, just opposite Berlin's landmark Brandenburg Gate, and security had to remove some from the lobby. Several carried banners, including one that said "Save the Kids," with drawings of children's faces, a reference to Jackson's philanthropy.

Jackson smiled and waved to the fans, then tossed a small white towel to the crowd below. The singer then went inside and retrieved the toddler, using one arm to hold the boy, who kicked his legs, out over the balcony rail.

Fans cheered as the pop star appeared with the child, but Jackson quickly retreated into his hotel room without making any statement.

Little is known about Prince Michael II. People Magazine reported in August that he was six months old. The magazine, citing an anonymous friend, said the boy was not adopted and did not identify the mother.

Santana collaborates with teen artist on song

NEW YORK (AP) — Michelle Branch says her collaboration with Carlos Santana on "The Game of Love" was unlike any song she'd recorded.

"It was the first time for me to sing somebody else's song," the 19-year-old told AP Television News. "Usually I'm like, 'Oh, I want it this way,' and I'm in charge."

When she went into the recording studio, Santana had already put his guitar track down on the song. "So I didn't meet him, I didn't know what was going on, I didn't know anything," Branch said.

"It felt to me like, wow, it

seems like there's so much at stake, I'm going to go in there and just sing my heart out and just cross my fingers."

Santana seems happy with the result.

"It's refreshing to meet someone so young yet so deep. Her voice, it's like from an old soul (that's) been around this planet for a long time," he said. "It's very inspiring, very stimulating, very refreshing."

Santana, who won eight Grammy Awards in 2000 for his "Supernatural" album, added: "I can't believe it myself that I get to participate with this glorious artist."

The Berenstain Bears are coming to PBS next year

NEW YORK (AP) — The Berenstain Bears will star in their own animated 15-minute series that will air weekdays on PBS beginning Jan. 6.

The show featuring the children's book characters created by Jan and Stan Berenstain 40 years ago will be about family "from start to finish, lock, stock and barrel," Stan Berenstain said recently.

Children will see the bear family go through trials, tribulations and celebrations such as going to the dentist, peer pressure and enjoying

a holiday.

"Kids pick up on the 'This Is Your Life' factor in the books and they will pick up on the 'This Is Your Life' factor in the TV series," Berenstain said.

The new series will be part of an expanded PBS Kids line-up featuring shows from Nelvana Limited, which produces and distributes children's animated shows.

The company said "The Berenstain Bears" will be paired with 15-minute episodes of "Maurice Sendak's Seven Little Monsters."

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News

Oxygen Bar breathes new life into patrons

Katherine Sather
Montana Kaimin

Customers who sit at Kari Cullip's bar have hoses dangling from their nostrils.

The skinny, blue hoses are attached to bubbling tanks of oxygen, with scents like vanilla, mint and Jamaican rum.

But the significance of the oxygen isn't its flavor, Cullip said. Customers come to her new Oxygen Bar on Reserve Street for a shot of clean, untainted air. They purchase breathing sessions of oxygen that's 97 percent pure, she said.

"The air we breath anymore is full of so much yucky things," Cullip said. "This is a chance to put some good stuff in our bodies."

The Oxygen Bar is located inside a Christmas store, Seasonal Impressions, that she owns on North Reserve Street. Wreaths, ornaments and Christmas trees surround customers who sit at the counter. Oxygen is filtered out of other gases via a generator behind the bar, Cullip said. It's then sold in 10 or 15 minute sessions for \$8.50 and \$12.

That's after customers purchase a \$3, reusable "nose hose."

Her customers find the oxygen to be rejuvenating, she said. They've cited relief from headaches, sore muscles, cold symptoms and even hangovers.

"But we can't make any claims," she said. "We can just report what our customers tell us."

Regular, unfiltered air is composed of 78 percent nitrogen, 1 percent argon and 21 percent oxygen, said Garon Smith, a chemistry professor at UM. While he isn't sure that a visit to the Oxygen Bar will provide any benefits, he doesn't think it would do any

harm.

Andrij Holian, Director of the Center for Environmental Health Sciences at UM, is more skeptical of the Oxygen Bar. Oxygen therapy is sometimes prescribed for victims of carbon monoxide poisoning or smoke inhalation, he said, but the average human already gets enough in his or her bloodstream.

"The average hemoglobin is 98 to 99 percent saturated with oxygen," he said. "Breathing in more isn't going to increase that any."

Cullip opened the Oxygen Bar last month. She got the idea while on vacation in Las Vegas with her husband, where she visited an oxygen bar to seek relief from fibromyalgia, a muscle disease she suffers from.

"The 10-minute session took away every ache and pain in my body," she said. "I came back and told my business partner that we needed to bring this to Missoula."

The facilities first became popular in Canada and Europe but have caught on quickly in the United States, she said. She compared it to when bottled water first became available.

"At first, people were like, 'Are you kidding?'" Cullip said. "But when they found out what was in the water they were drinking, they latched onto it. This is the new craze in that area."

Smith speculates that customers might be more attached to the sensation of breathing in the oxygen. The professor used to work as an EMT, and said he occasionally stole a breath from the oxygen mask.

"When I took a big snort I felt like I had little fingers running over my brain," he said. "There was definitely a tingling feeling under the scalp."

Lecturer: Capitalism still healthy

Natalie Storey
Montana Kaimin

Capitalism worked exactly as it should have in the aftermath of the Enron scandal to remedy the ethical dilemmas that have faced Americans over the past year, said Tuesday night's presidential lecturer.

Dawn-Marie Driscoll told the crowd of about 300 in the University Theatre she had faith in capitalism even after the business ethics scandals of Enron, Worldcom and others.

"The good news is that capitalism can no longer be without ethics," Driscoll said. "I think good ethics is good business. And the market has demonstrated that. The market has punished those with bad ethics."

But Driscoll said corporations still need to consider reforming their ethical standards and the way those standards are communicated to employees.

"We need both people of integrity and organizational structures with integrity," Driscoll said. "Organizational ethics or business ethics comes in. It uplifts us. It makes clear our dilemmas and choices and it gives us allies."

Corporations should seek to create an entire ethical culture where employees are rewarded for ethical behavior instead of or in addition to compensation for making the company lots of

money, Driscoll said.

"The person at the top is absolutely responsible for setting ethical standards," Driscoll said.

Driscoll placed the blame for breeches in ethical conduct as varied as the catholic priest pedophile scandals and the accounting scandal involving Arthur Andersen on the entire ethical culture of the organization involved, whether it be the catholic church or a large accounting firm.

"Was this a case of a few bad apples in these organizations?" Driscoll asked. "Or was this not just a case of a few bad apples, but a case of a whole rotten barrel? I think the folks in charge of these organizations presided over a whole rotten barrel."

The rotten barrel Driscoll alluded to was the ethical culture of organizations such as

Enron, which encouraged employees to turn financial gains at any cost, despite the consequences.

Driscoll provided many words of ethical caution to the crowd.

"It's not always financially lucrative to do the right thing," she said. "Words are just empty if you don't have an ethical culture to go along with them. Enron, Tyco, all these companies had what they called ethical codes, but they weren't ethical."

And, above all, "don't confuse organizational ethics with individual ethics," she said.

Ethical people can make bad decisions too, especially if they are encouraged to by an unethical business culture, Driscoll said.

"Only the entire ethical culture can stop scandal," Driscoll said.

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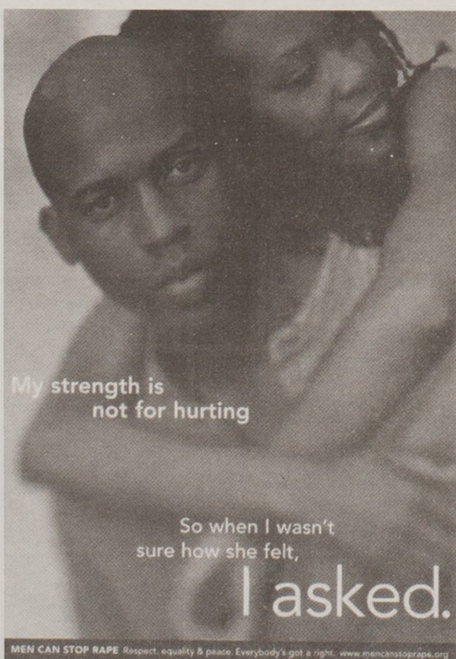
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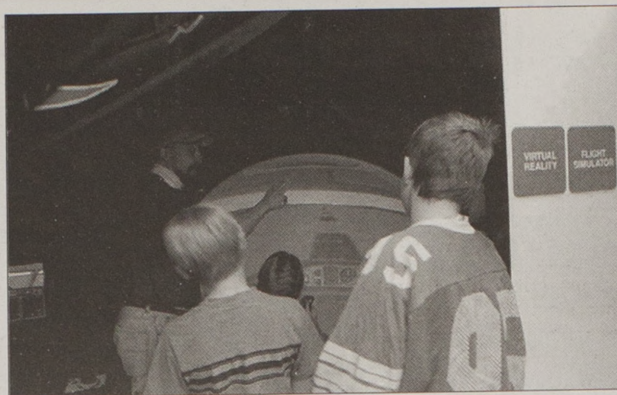
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NEWS



Frank Witcher, team leader for NASA's Mobile Aerospace Education Laboratory, explains the flight simulator as fifth grader Nicole Lee prepares to land a space shuttle.



A fifth grader brings the space shuttle in for a landing while piloting the flight simulator inside NASA's mobile space laboratory. "The ladies are much better pilots," Frank Witcher said.

Mission: education

NASA holds annual education conference in Missoula

Story by Katherine Sather

Fifth-grader Cody Crawford drove the Mars Rover through campus Tuesday.

The student maneuvered the vehicle, a miniature model of NASA's rover, through the Education Building as his classmates from Target Range Elementary School cheered him on.

He steered the rover with a controller from inside a classroom. A camera attached to the truck transmitted images of the rover's progress in the halls.

The simulation was part of a lesson on remote sensing, a method of obtaining information about something without touching it.

"This is how NASA is remotely sensing Mars currently," said Jeff Crews, assistant director of Earth Observing System. The campus group educates local schools on similar technology.

Yesterday's lesson was one of the many activities for students, faculty and staff sponsored by NASA's visit to the University of Montana. NASA's Office of Biological and Physical Research is holding its annual education conference here this week. The office has numerous education specialists who transfer NASA's technology into curriculum that can be taught in grade school and high school class-



Cody Crawford (right) and Nick Hart work on a computer in the mobile space lab. The fifth graders were designing airplanes.

Photos by Colin Blakley

rooms, said Bonnie McClain, chief of Educational Outreach.

"The conference is when we come together and learn about new techniques and talk about new research and what we need to transfer into new curriculum," she said.

Local grade school students are also visiting campus this week for workshops and the chance to participate in a flight simulation in NASA's aeronautics education laboratory.

The exhibit, which also lets participants design an aircraft, will be open to the public Wednesday night and all day Thursday, said Amy Fisher, special projects coordinator at the University. It's parked next to the UC.

The public can also attend two multimedia presentations at 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. Thursday in the UC Theater. They are titled "Understanding Microgravity" and "Senses and Sleep in Space."

Thursday afternoon local teachers will get the chance to learn from NASA specialists. They can attend a series of workshops, beginning at 12:45 p.m. that discuss topics like the affects space travel has on the human body.

"Our specialists will give the teachers curriculum on the subjects and teach them how to use it in the classroom," McClain said.

KAIMIN SPORTS

13 hours, 2 tickets, 0 sleep: one hell of a night

Kaimin kids camp out to bring you an eye-witness account of what it's like to stand in line for 'Cat/Griz tickets

Column by

Tiffany Aldinger and
Kristen Inbody

Frozen feet and sleep starvation seemed like the perfect way to round out a painful weekend of football.

We taunted, cheered and sang rousing renditions of "Up With Montana," but our efforts were in vain as we saw the Griz lose before our very eyes for the first time since we were sophomores, three years ago.

Crossing through treacherous Lookout Pass on Sunday as we headed back to Missoula, we fought our way through God's frozen tears of anguish.

Back in Missoula by 2 p.m., we thought we had enough sleep time before our scheduled camp-out-for-'Cat/Griz-ticket time of 10 p.m. We figured we'd be wildly early. We showed up for the 2000 camp-out at 1 a.m. and still got guest passes.

We needed the guest passes for friends in Bozeman. Our Montana State ally, Kevin, arranges for our tickets when the game is in Bozeman. He has a significantly easier time. He has five hours to round up tickets before they're sold out. Last year, he waited in line for almost an hour.

To get his ticket, we waited 13 hours and convinced our roommate, who hates football, drinks and

crowds, to join us in camping out. The following is a play-by-play of our adventure and struggle for the elusive 'Cat/Griz guest pass.

4 p.m.

Thinking we still had six hours before we would start camping out, we do some homework. Then a friend calls to tell us he won't be joining us, but we should get in line now because a tent city has already sprouted outside the Adams Center, where 1,500 student tickets and 150 guest passes will go on sale in a mere 16 hours.

6:32 p.m.

42 degrees, 60 people, 8 tents
We arrive with our blanket pile. Tents are for wimps. Kristen didn't even wear a coat. She didn't need to as she wore every single Griz shirt she had — six in all. We make the first hourly update to Kevin in Bozeman so he can share in the fun.

We are five rows behind Beau Wellman, a freshman in general studies. He began camping out at 3 a.m. Sunday because he wanted to be the first in line.

Saturday's loss was no deterrent to Wellman's camp out.

"I think they'll win. A loss will make them fired up," Wellman said. "It gets kind of boring when they win all the time."

Wellman accidentally wore blue and gold, the Bobcat colors.

"Man, I wasn't even thinking about it," he said.

8:10 p.m.

Still 42 degrees, 65 percent humidity, 110 people

There are now seven rows of tents; we are in the fifth row.

A line has formed at the UC as well.

We order pizza and give Kevin another hourly update, encouraging him to sleep on the deck to get a better sense of our situation. He declines.

The tent people are growing tense about guarding their places in line.

Mike Malnaar, a junior in information systems, showed up at noon.

Malnaar's strategy for keeping warm is "staying up and regulating everybody."

As part of his regulation duties, Malnaar supplied the duct tape for a sign reading, "Line starts behind the tents ... or else."

Hardy O'Hara, a senior in marketing, was at his "first ever camper-outer as a Grizzly."

He showed up outside the Adams Center at 6 p.m. and found out "or else" means haranguing from cranky, tired tent people. He moved to the back of the line.

"We're not as picky as the tent people," O'Hara said.

"Staying off the ground will be key to staying warm," he said. "That and lots of hot, hot

chocolate.

It's on its way."

O'Hara entertains himself and his buddy by playing UNO with a pair of girls who also were

thrown out by the tent people.

"We're bonded now," he said.

9:01 p.m.

42 degrees, 70 percent humidity, a lot more people

The tents stretch beyond the athletic complex. Our pizza is long gone.

The howling begins, as do the "Go Griz" cheers and the stereotypes.

9:50 p.m.

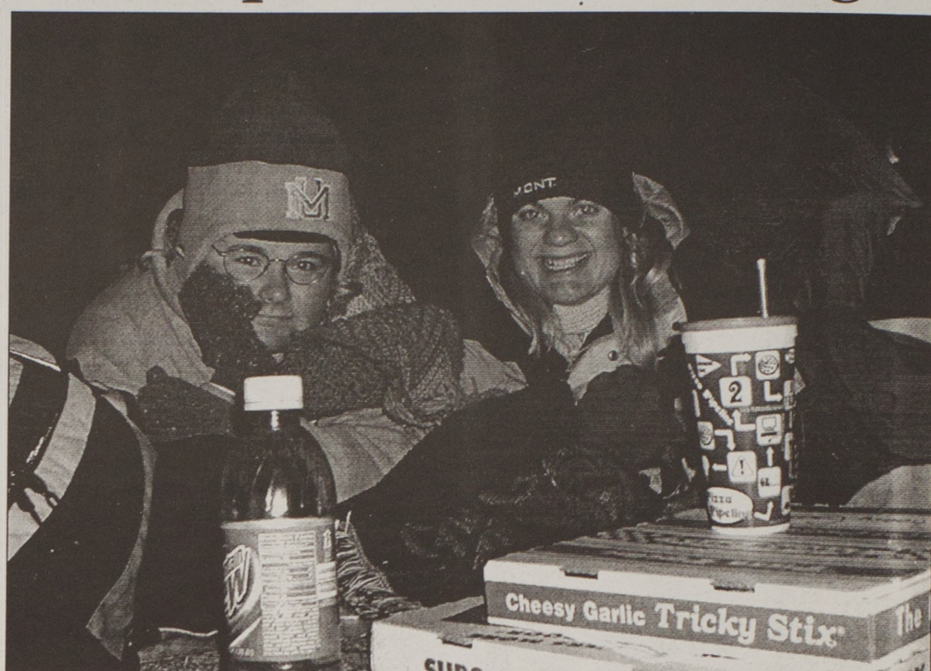
Two more rows of tents have added on.

Spy work/a bathroom break reveal the line at the UC stretches almost to the street from the north doors.

10 p.m.

Back at the Adams Center, the crowd suddenly begins to roar and converge at the base of the tent city. Word spreads that Montana coach Joe Glenn has arrived on the scene. It seems to be suitable compensation since we had to miss the Joe Glenn show for the first time all season.

"This is some great school spirit. We love you guys, too," Glenn said during his impromptu pep rally. "It's a



Kristen Inbody (left) and Tiffany Aldinger pass time with pizza and pop while camping out for 'Cat/Griz tickets.

moment in time, something you'll never forget."

On the heels of his speech came "Bobcats suck" cheers, followed by a garbled rendition of Washington-Grizzly Stadium favorites, "Cotton Eye Joe" and John Denver's "Thank God I'm a Country Boy."

11 p.m.

38 degrees and 87 percent humidity, even more people

We pray, "Please God, don't let it snow."

The rock band Yellow Dwarf Theory sets up in front of the PARTV Center, and a mosh pit soon forms.

11:15 p.m.

Public Safety arrives on the scene to shut down the band, leading to the chant normally reserved for penalties called against the Griz. The officers said they had gotten noise complaints and were concerned about rampant drinking.

However, there were only five Public Safety officers on duty. "If you go there picking up beers and stuff, you are going to have a mess," one officer said.

Patrick Foly, a freshman music major, played guitar for the Dwarves at their camp-out concert.

"I can understand it was loud, but now there'll be more of a problem with people not distracted," he said. "I'm just glad the cops weren't total jerks, but they could have let us finish the song."

Midnight

41 degrees

We have burrowed too deeply into our blankets to be able to measure the crowd. Every four minutes, a noisy horn player blasts a note.

1 a.m.

The four-hour fireworks show begins. These are not your wimpy, patriotic displays — these are full-out, professional-grade fireworks.

2 a.m.

We give up checking the temperature because it would involve getting out from under our blankets. We appear to be asleep, as every single person who walks by comments. Two guys make sure we are not

asleep by shaking us and leading us in an anti-Bobcat cheer.

3 a.m.

The six most evil bastards on campus start the standing line with five hours left until tickets go on sale. This means everyone else has to join, resulting in the formation of a 300-person line in one minute. Hostility is building as those cuddled in tents found themselves well behind those with greater mobility.

3:05 a.m.

The evening reaches its second peak, the first being the Joe Glenn cameo. A student in front of us sums front-line angst up as, "This is the fight right here," he said. "This is the trenches."

Turns out it was the self-described, "sexy" Jon Talmadge, a freshman in business.

We rolled our eyes when he said his name, and he whipped out his bank card.

"I'm the sexy one, not the other Jon Talmadge," he said. "Feel these tasty biceps. Put some A1 on these biceps. And, no sore elbow."

His biceps prove quite firm.

4:15 a.m.

Two police cars and a fire truck arrive on the scene. There had been a bonfire and several campfires earlier.

5 a.m.

We have sat on cold concrete at the top of the stairs into the Adams Center for two hours now. We are not happy campers.

6 a.m.

We've suffered three hours of impassioned "cutter, boo" taunts. We're memorizing every face of every person who cuts in. If we don't get a guest pass, we will hunt them down.

We get a report from another Kaimin staff member that when the UC doors opened, football players cut in line. Really tired, annoyed Griz fans were reported to have yelled, "What would Joe Glenn say?"

7 a.m.

As part of our continued tor-

ture during the longest night ever, the people at the front of the crowd stand so that we would could be even more cramped in. Wonderful. We are screwed over in the sudden wave of standing and compressing because the drunk girls who have been using Kristen's feet and knees as pillows are slow in their standing time and block our forward progress. To enhance Tiffany's morning joy, a flying beer can smacks her on the head.

7:15 a.m.

A woman with a megaphone comes from the Adams Center and makes some sort of important announcement no one can hear over screams of "Louder, we can't hear you." Tiffany is moaning "this is freaking ridiculous."

And it is.

7:55 a.m.

One set of double doors opens and true compression begins. The left door breaks under the pressure. We are packed so tight the guy in front of Kristen lifts both feet and doesn't fall down. Tiffany is smushed against a door and almost leaves a hand behind.

8:10 a.m.

We breach the doors. One fellow squashed fan likened the experience to giving birth as 15 students crushed through the narrow passage into the stadium lobby.

To enhance Tiffany's morning joy, a flying beer can smacks her on the head

8:15 a.m.

With seven students between us and the ticket counter, we discovered the guest passes are gone. An hour from now we would have been able to walk up and get a ticket with no line and no 13-hour camp-out.

8:18 a.m.

As we emerge from the Adams Center, we see the line stretches to the Education Building.

10:23 a.m.

We begin our journey to dreamland. Unfortunately, it's during class.

KAIMIN SPORTS

Griz volleyball ends disappointing season

Youthful UM team hopeful for the future

Brittany Hageman
Montana Kaimin

Montana's head volleyball coach, Nikki Best, will remember the 2002 volleyball season as one with get-up-and-go, even if their record didn't show it.

Montana State ended the Grizzlies' season last Friday after another five-game match, bringing Montana's record to 1-13 in conference play. And while Best was disappointed with the team's record, she wasn't disappointed with the team's performance this season.

"I won't say I'm not disappointed with the record," Best said, "because every competitor wants to be a winner. But our record doesn't reflect our talent or effort."

Nothing makes that more clear than the amount of five-game matches the Griz played this season. Out of 14 conference games, the Griz played nine matches to five games.

They came an inch within victory nine times. So, relatively speaking, they could have ended their season 10-4, good enough for third place in the conference, instead of at 1-13 in last place.

But Best isn't bitter about going the distance all those times and not being able to

deliver.

"If anything, playing all those games was good experience for our younger players," she said. "They got to play in some heated, long matches, and that will only make us stronger for next year."

With her sights set for the 2003 season, it only took Best three days to sign two new Grizzly recruits.



Lizzie Wertz

Jessica Petersen from Helena, and Heather DeWitt from Cameron Park, Calif., signed letters of intent to play at Montana earlier this week.

Petersen is a 6-foot-3 standout from Capital High School who garnered all-conference accolades last year as a junior.

Petersen also helped her team, the Bruins, to their 24-5 run to the class AA title this year.

"Petersen is bringing a great deal of success with her to the program," Best said, "and we're so lucky to have her."

DeWitt is from a town close to Sacramento State, and Best was flattered that DeWitt chose to come play at Montana and not at nationally-acclaimed Sac State.

The two recruits will provide a few added inches in the front row, which the Griz need to bolster the team's blocking percentage.

With a sub-par finish to a heart-breaking season, Best wasn't afraid the Griz had lost the ability to recruit standouts

like Petersen and DeWitt.

"I think the two can see that we have the makings of a great team," Best said. "Maybe we do have a young squad, but they all got good experience this year."

Best started two freshmen this season, setter Diana Thompson and outside hitter Whitney Pavlik. Sophomores Alice Myers and Danae Thorsness also saw major minutes.

"All our younger girls have shown a great deal of potential and can play steady," Best said.

Montana will also have junior outside hitter Lizzie Wertz for one more year. During the

season Wertz led her team in kills, averaging 4.43 per game, and had 19 double-double (kills and digs) games this season.

"She stepped it up this year and forged a real leadership role," Best said. "She'll definitely be someone to look up to next year."

Wertz was also the only Grizzly to garner all-conference honors, earning a spot on the second team.

And as Best continues to polish her rookies, she's forced to wave goodbye to her veterans.

Seniors Katy Kubista and Teresa Stringer both hung up their knee braces this week after coming back from injuries to play this season.

Both Grizzlies tore their ACLs in unrelated accidents last year but fought back to earn a spot in Montana's lineup.

"They both basically showed the rest of the team how to be tough," Best said. "Most ACL injuries tend to be career ending, and it says a lot about their drive and integrity that they fought through rehab to come back."

Kubista is pursuing a degree as an accountant, and Stringer is planning on becoming an elementary physical education teacher.

"The two are going to contribute so much to society; they're just wonderful people," Best said.

So DeWitt and Petersen will have some big knee pads to fill next season, but Best is confident her new crew

can serve up success.

"This season I had a friend tell me that we were on the cusp of greatness," Best said. "We were so close to being outstanding, but I know next year close won't cut it for the girls."

“I won’t say I’m not disappointed with the record ... but our record doesn’t reflect our talent or effort.”
Nikki Best,
volleyball head coach

Cheerleader out of hospital

Marina Mackrow
Montana Kaimin

Rick Wiesemann, the University of Montana cheerleader who suffered a cervical spin injury and was left paralyzed, is no longer a patient at St. Patrick Hospital as of Monday, said hospital officials.

However, UM athletic trainer Dennis Murphy and UM's cheerleading adviser, Christie Anderson, could not report on Wiesemann's condition.

"The family has not released any new information," Murphy said.

Last Tuesday, Wiesemann underwent surgery at St. Patrick Hospital. After the surgery he had sensation to touch in all his extremities and some movement in all of his extremities as well.

Despite taking one game off from high throws, the UM cheer squad is "conducting themselves as normal as of last week," Anderson said.

The cheer squad was never grounded, she said, but the team decided to take it easy and has since made the decision as a team to go back up. The team was back to its high-flying performances Sunday afternoon at the Lady Griz basketball game.

"Rick is still first and foremost in our minds," Anderson said. "At the end of each practice we end with his name."

She said the team visits him at least once a day and that Wiesemann's position on the team has been filled.

Grizzlies tumble 3 spots to No. 4 in I-AA poll

Bryan Haines
Kaimin Sports Editor

Montana's slip-up against Eastern Washington jumbled the I-AA poll after the Grizzlies suffered their first loss of the season when the Eagles upset them 30-21 on Saturday.

DIVISION I-AA POLL

School	Points
1. McNeese State	2,483
2. Eastern Illinois	2,233
3. Georgia Southern	2,221
4. Montana	2,188
5. Western Illinois	2,132
6. Grambling	1,981
7. Appalachian State	1,761
8. Furman	1,716
9. Maine	1,654
10. Northeastern	1,530
11. Bethune-Cookman	1,339
12. Northwestern State	1,308
13. Villanova	1,282
14. Wofford	1,166
15. Western Kentucky	1,164
16. Pennsylvania	982
17. Nicholls State	891
18. Idaho State	866
19. Gardner-Webb	620
20. Lehigh	433
21. Duquesne	354
22. Eastern Kentucky	322
23. William & Mary	280
24. Southeast Missouri	251
25. Fordham	235

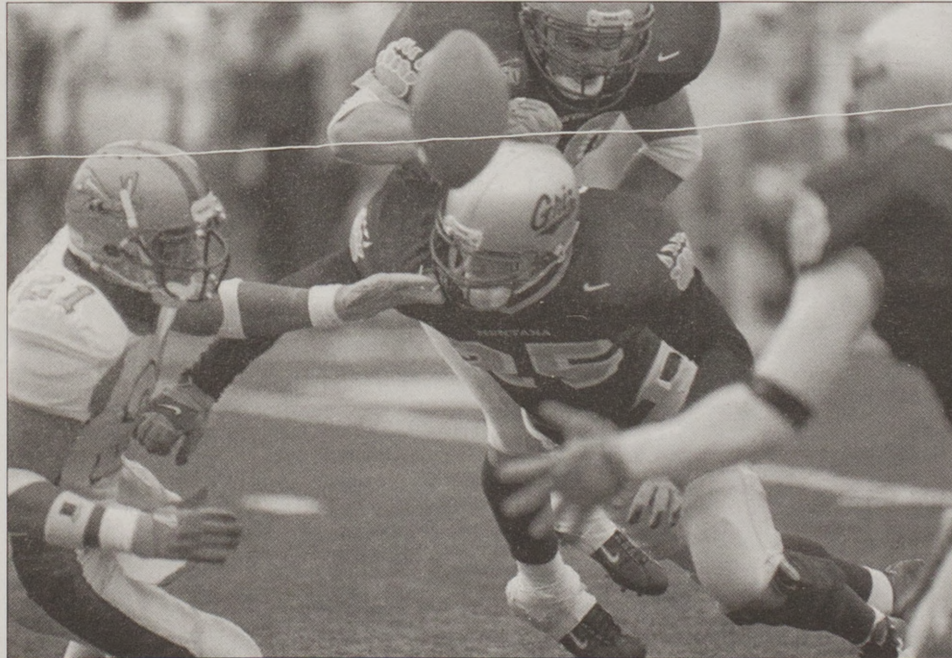
UM fell three spots from No. 1 to No. 4, ending the Grizzlies' season-long reign as the nation's top-rated team. Since the season started, Montana had been voted the No. 1 team every week, a string of 11 weeks. Not only did Montana fail to break the record for consecutive wins by a I-AA team — both Penn and UM now share the record with 24 — head coach Joe Glenn lost his first Big Sky Conference game since taking over the helm of the Grizzlies. Glenn's conference mark now sits at 20-1.

"You learn from a loss like this," Glenn said. "Like they say, if you get bucked off a horse, you dust yourself off and get back on."

McNeese State, who is 9-1 and have only lost to I-A powerhouse Nebraska, moved into the top spot in this week's poll. McNeese is followed by Eastern Illinois, Georgia Southern and then Montana.

While the Grizzlies' loss ends their run as the top team in the nation, where it hurts UM the most is in the playoffs. The late-season loss could harm Montana's seeding prospects.

If the Grizzlies remain No. 4 throughout the rest of the season they would only be able to host two playoff games in Missoula. Last year UM hosted three playoff games before going



University of Montana free safety Kyle Scholle, center, breaks up a pass to Sacramento State's Gary Austin Jr. during the Grizzlies' 31-24 win over the Hornets on Nov. 9. This weekend the Griz will meet Montana State for the 102 meeting to battle for the Big Sky Championship title at Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

on the road to Chattanooga, Tenn., and winning the national championship.

If the Grizzlies are to make another appearance in the national championship game, which will again be held in Chattanooga, they could have to go on the road for the national semi-final game.

Also, as it stands right now, Montana would probably be the only team to make the I-AA playoffs from the Big Sky Conference. Montana State and Idaho State, the top two teams behind Montana, have too many losses to receive an at-large bid into the tournament.

But if the Bobcats come into

Missoula and beat the Grizzlies for the first time in 16 years, then MSU would win the Big Sky Conference title and the league's automatic bid into the I-AA playoffs. If that happens, then the Grizzlies would probably only host a first-round game and then have to travel for the rest of the playoffs.

NEWS

Parking fines could double next fall with ASUM, State OK

VIOLATION TYPES	CURRENT FINES	PROPOSED INCREASE
Reserve Parking	\$10.00	\$25.00
Improper Parking	\$10.00	\$15.00
No Parking	\$10.00	\$25.00
Fire Lane	\$10.00	\$25.00
Yellow Curb	\$10.00	\$15.00
Special Permit	\$10.00	\$15.00
Overtime Parking	\$10.00	\$15.00
False Registration	\$10.00	\$50.00

Kellyn Brown
Montana Kaimin

Public Safety has proposed an increase in the cost of parking tickets, director of Public Safety Ken Willett said.

"At some point, the fines stopped having a resounding affect," Willett said.

ASUM Transportation recommended the increases to Public Safety. Sen. Katrina Menbrey, an ASUM Transportation committee member, said if the Senate approves the increase it will then have to be approved by the state Legislature.

If it passes, she said, the increase would most likely take effect next fall.

The most common parking offense — parking without a

permit — will remain at \$10. But the fine for other offenses could more than double.

Fines for parking in reserved parking zones, no parking zones or fire lanes would rise from \$10 to \$25.

Willett said parking fines have been limited to \$10 since the '70s, and students have been willing to risk a ticket rather than buy a parking permit.

"Then those who do pay for a permit are short-changed by somebody who is not playing fair," Willett said.

Menbrey said the money generated by the increase would help pay off the debts owed for the Dornblaser and Lommasson Center parking lots.

She said people pay for



Louis Hasbrouck records the time of someone pulling into a Quick Stop spot in the parking lot next to Schreiber Gym on Monday afternoon. Drivers are allowed to park in Quick Stop spots for 20 minutes without getting ticketed. Nick Wolcott/Montana Kaimin

reserved parking whether someone steals their parking spaces or not, and this increase would be a "bigger hammer" to prevent violations.

"In the long run, even though the cost of a ticket

risks, I hope that the number of violations go down," Willett said.

The largest proposed increase is for false registration, which is forging or lying about ownership of vehicle registration. This fine would

increase from \$10 to \$50.

Other fees may also be rising. The two-week, temporary parking pass would rise from \$10 to \$20, and if the proposal is approved service permits will rise from \$10 to \$15.

Regents

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who want to comment are often students and faculty, Bachmann said 7:30 a.m. is the perfect time for many people who have work or school during the day.

"We'll drink coffee," she said.

Hamilton said the public is also provided an opportunity to comment on any issue listed in the board's agenda once that item is taken up for business by the board.

Lawsuit

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me to 'get as many different colored pens as I could find' so that she could alter several leases ..."

The suit filed against Maris Mills and the Apartment Store also alleges the company included a "prohibited provisions" in its lease agreement with the tenants by including a clause in the rental agreement that says part of the tenant security deposit is non-refundable. ASUM Legal

Services argues that non-refundable security deposits are illegal under Montana law.

Mills said the Apartment Store does not have illegal provisions in its lease agreements.

"It is actually not an illegal clause, and that will be demonstrated in court," Mills said. "We don't coerce anyone into signing something they don't understand."

Josh Davis, an employee of MontPIRG, said he believes it is illegal under Montana law to have non-refundable security

deposits in rental contracts.

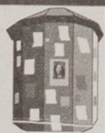
"Even if you do sign something, however, that says your security deposit is non-refundable or something like that, it isn't enforceable," Davis said. "It isn't legally binding. You can't sign away any of your rights under Montana law."

A trial date for the case has not been set. District Judge John Hanson is hearing the case.

Mills said she thinks the Apartment Store and ASUM Legal Services have made

progress during recent negotiations.

"We have made progress in negotiations with ASUM," Mills said. "The Apartment Store values its relationship with UM and the students. We house over 3,000 University students, therefore we want to have a cohesive relationship with students. I'm glad I've got the opportunity to do this. I feel real confident that this will result in a fair and equitable and meaningful relationship with ASUM. We do value our students."



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Maggie and Chris are coming for Thanksgiving! It's in print - it's official!

Superman - November is cold. You are hot. Can you wear your cape this time? Let's take it to the next level. Come on - warm me up.

Jemarie, you have finally moved in together. One step closer to the engagement!

We both grabbed for the same sandwich in the Market. Destiny? I think so. Meet me at Charlie's at midnight - I'll be the drunk one.

Jumpin' Jillian: Lots of congratulations on your wedding day. Don't worry; I'll restrain Mom. It'll be lovely. Your next project? Start whelping some pups.

The semester's almost over and you haven't asked me out yet! I'm ready...

Happy Thanksgiving, Atticus! I'll see you when I get back. Love, Truman.

Ok everyone...take a deep breath. We only have a few more weeks of school till 5 weeks of fun, freedom and fondue.

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