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Justice Scalia packs the house at UM

The U.S. Supreme Court is a court divided, according to Associate Justice Antonin Scalia, who spoke to a packed house at The University of Montana's University Theatre on Sept. 24.

There are "originalists" who believe the Constitution is static and that its meaning does not change. And there are those who believe the Constitution is a "living document" and that its interpretation evolves with the times.

Scalia considers himself an originalist and argued his position with the authority of a lawyer and judge with nearly 50 years of courtroom experience.

UM's School of Law brought Scalia to campus for the Judge William B. Jones and Judge Edward A. Tamm Judicial Lecture Series. He was the 10th speaker in the series, which began in 1997, and the fifth sitting U.S. Supreme Court justice to speak at UM.

Scalia said the title of his lecture, "Constitutional Interpretation," is his favorite subject and adamantly defended his position as an originalist.

"The Constitution is not a living document, for Pete's sake," he said.

The idea of a Constitution that changes to reflect the current times is seductive, Scalia added.

"A judge who believes in a living Constitution feels good about all his decisions," he said.



U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Antonin Scalia lectures in UM's University Theatre on Sept. 24. He came to campus for the law school's Judge William B. Jones and Judge Edward A. Tamm Judicial Lecture Series.

It is harder to be an originalist, Scalia said, who believes that the Constitution reflects what the people wanted at the time

it was drafted and that those standards remain today.

Those who believe in a living Constitution view the document through a lens shaped by the standards of the day.

"I don't know what the evolving standards of decency are," he said. "I'm afraid to ask what the evolving standards of decency are."

"You don't need a Constitution to reflect the standards of the day," he said. "You only need legislature."

As the idea of a living Constitution has taken hold over the last several decades, Scalia said, the American people have figured out what is going on.

"The court is rewriting the Constitution term by term," he said.

Because of this, the American public and legislators are making decisions about Supreme Court nominees based on their political leanings, rather than the nominee's ability to serve.

By way of example, Scalia noted that in 1986 he was appointed to the Supreme Court by a Senate vote of 98-0.

"I couldn't get 60 votes today," he said. "It's a mini Constitutional Convention every time you appoint someone to the Supreme Court. I'd like to go back to where we were: Judges doing lawyer's work." 🐻

Six-mill levy to appear on November ballot

Every 10 years since 1948, the people of this great state have provided the cornerstone of financial support for the Montana University System by renewing a statewide property tax mill levy.

This Nov. 4, Montana voters once again will be asked to renew the six-mill levy to ensure higher education opportunities are accessible, affordable and continue to contribute to the economic security of our communities.

Legislative Referendum 118 asks voters to keep in place six mills levied on all

property in the state for the next 10 years. The levy raises nearly \$13 million each year to fund direct student services at the 11 statewide campuses, including UM and its affiliated campuses.

Students are the beneficiaries of the six-mill levy funding. Whether it's Montana's high school graduates, nontraditional students retooling their skills or community members pursuing lifelong learning opportunities, the six mills help provide direct academic services that ensure students have access to quality programs and classes.

Affordability and accessibility are the keys to every successful higher education system, and Montanans are fortunate to have quality programs offered across the state. The academic and technical programs offered by the Montana University System lay the groundwork for a skilled work force that is vital to Montana businesses in an increasingly competitive economic landscape.

Businesses need well-trained employees for both the companies and the individuals to succeed. And a skilled work force

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UM reaches enrollment milestone

For the first time in its 115-year history, UM has more than 14,000 enrolled students, setting records for both total headcount and full-time equivalents.

UM has a total enrollment of 14,207 this fall semester, a jump of 349 from a year ago and 246 more than the previous all-time record set in fall 2006.

The new record for full-time equivalent students is 12,295.97, which is 247.17 better than a year ago. (An FTE represents 15 undergraduate and 12 graduate semester credits.) FTEs jumped among both resident and nonresident students.

Total enrollment at UM's mountain campus is 12,566, which is 240 more than a year ago. College of Technology enrollment stands at 1,641 – 109 higher

than last fall semester.

"The enrollments for fall semester 2008 make it clear that declining numbers in the high schools of the state do not necessarily translate into declining numbers of new college students," UM President George Dennison said. "With only a few more than half of the graduating seniors opting for college in the past, higher education still has before it the challenge of assuring that more of Montana's youth prepare themselves for success in the 21st century."

Dennison said the total headcount exceeded projections by more than 300, and FTEs were 200 more than expected. Nonresident FTEs also were 75 more than a year ago.

"Quite clearly, the faculty, staff and

recruiters have succeeded in their efforts to let young people know of the value we have to offer," he said. "I take satisfaction in noting that the other three campuses of The University of Montana (UM Helena College of Technology, Montana Tech of UM in Butte and UM-Western in Dillon) also exceeded projections for the year, demonstrating the success of our strategic initiatives."

Dennison said the fall semester numbers are a nice boost after lower-than-expected enrollment figures for the Summer Semester. Total summer headcount was 3,565, which was 76 less than a year ago. The decline only affected the mountain campus, which was down 83 students. The COT actually had seven more students during summer 2008 than it did in 2007. 🐾

University releases greenhouse gas inventory

In response to growing concerns about the impacts of climate change, UM has completed its first-ever campus greenhouse gas inventory.

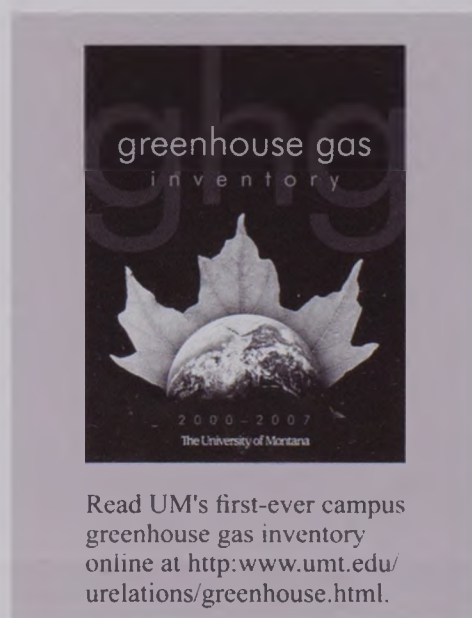
The 38-page report, available online at <http://www.umt.edu/urelations/greenhouse.html>, is an effort to detail and understand the carbon footprint of UM's central campus and College of Technology.

In February 2007, UM President George Dennison became a charter signatory of the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment. By signing the agreement, Dennison pledged to make UM more sustainable, with the ultimate goal of neutralizing greenhouse gas emissions on campus.

The UM inventory is an initial step toward achieving that goal and will lead to a campus action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The report was submitted to the ACUPCC's online greenhouse gas reporting system on Sept. 15.

"In my view, this report illustrates quite well the campuswide commitment to sustainability and bodes well for the future of the University," Dennison said. "We have filed the report with the ACUPCC and have begun to develop plans to reduce the emissions footprint."

The inventory studied the years 2000 to 2007. During that span, UM emissions increased 16.4 percent. There are many reasons for the increase, such as a growing student population and more campus buildings.



The report outlines how total campus emissions come from three main sources: on-campus steam production (36.1 percent), transportation (31.6 percent) and purchased electricity (30.8 percent). Solid waste contributed 1.3 percent of emissions, and fertilizer application added .2 percent.

The inventory found UM emitted 42,690 metric tons of carbon dioxide at its two Missoula campuses in 2007. The average full-time UM student contributed about 3.8 metric tons in 2007.

The inventory resulted from a campuswide cooperative effort directed by Jessie Davie, the Associated Students of UM sustainability coordinator and a

full-time graduate student. She worked with four interns: Kendra Kallevig, J.J. Vandette, Erika Fredrickson and Sky Orndoff. This group was advised by Phil Condon, an environmental studies associate professor and member of UM's Sustainable Campus Committee.

Davie and her partners started working on the report in October 2007. They used Clean Air-Cool Planet Campus Climate Calculator software to conduct the inventory. It's an Excel workbook designed to help educational institutions measure their greenhouse gas emissions.

Davie said the inventory contains the best available information about UM's emissions, but it by no means should be taken as a wholly accurate accounting system. It doesn't take into account "upstream emissions" – things such as student travel to and from their hometowns or off-campus impacts such as faculty housing. The report also doesn't include emission information from Grizzly athletics because of the overwhelming task of collecting and tracking that data.

"We hope this inventory will serve as the foundation to help shape future inventories," Davie said, "allowing UM to more efficiently and accurately track its total greenhouse gas footprint in the future."

Dennison said, "I want to express my appreciation to Jessie Davie, the Campus Sustainability Committee, Facilities Services, Vice President Bob Durringer and all those who have joined together to move this commitment forward." 🐾

Bound for Romania—Emily Darrell, a graduate student in journalism at UM, has been awarded a U.S. student Fulbright scholarship to Romania, where she will teach English as a foreign language. Darrell, who hails from Warrenton, Va., will be one of more than 1,450 citizens who will travel abroad during the 2008-09 academic year for the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields. The Fulbright Program, America's flagship international educational exchange program, is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.



joined the ranks. UM-Western and Montana Tech of UM plan to participate as well. The site contains a wealth of information, ranging from undergraduate costs and student enrollment to types of degrees awarded.

Professor Wins Prized Grant—UM Professor Heather Bruce is one of only five recipients nationwide to be awarded a \$10,000 Teacher Development Grant from the McCarthy Dressman Education

Foundation. Bruce teaches English education at the University and directs the UM-based Montana Writing Project. The grant, which is renewable for three years, will fund the project's initiative "Implementing 'Indian Education for All.'" Through the initiative, Bruce will work with a group of K-12 teachers to create curricula and teaching strategies that enhance literacy achievement and understanding of Montana's Native peoples.

Two Receive Public Health Awards—UM's new School of Public and Community Health Sciences has announced its first Research Award winners. John Felton, who is pursuing a master's degree in public health at the University, and UM Assistant Professor Duncan Campbell were recognized for their outstanding research in the discipline of public health during the school's Student Orientation on Aug. 29. In addition to the Research Award, each recipient received \$100 and presented his work to the school's students and faculty members and public health professionals. Felton was recognized for his work documenting identification, intervention and management strategies during the 2006 outbreak of norovirus in Billings — the largest community-based norovirus outbreak ever documented. Campbell was recognized for his work on the prevalence and correlates of comorbid post-traumatic stress disorder among depressed military veterans in primary care. The school, housed in UM's College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences, offers academic online learning programs that lead to a master's degree in public health or a Certificate of Public Health.

Gannon Honored For Innovation—Rob Gannon, director of academic and budget personnel at the UM Provost's Office, has been awarded a 2008 SunGard Higher Education Innovation Award. The award honors a team's or an individual's demonstrated human resource innovation. Gannon was nominated for the award by UM Human Resources Services Director Betsy Hawkins for his leadership role with a joint labor management group that worked to tackle the issue of access to affordable health care for children and dependents of Montana University System employees. The award recognizes Gannon's role in the development of the MUS Dependent Premium Waiver Program. Gannon received the award Oct. 13 in St. Louis. As part of the award, UM also will receive \$3,000 from SunGard Higher Education to fund an endowment or scholarship on Gannon's behalf.

Alumni Join Board—Five UM graduates were recently elected to the board of directors of UM's Alumni Association. New board members are James Bartell of Kildeer, Ill.; Brandon Byars of Portland, Ore.; Susan English of Billings; R. Scott Horsley of Scottsdale, Ariz.; and Erin Niedge of Miles City. Bartell is a 1963 graduate of UM's School of Business Administration. Byars graduated from UM in 1993 with a degree in communication studies. English earned a Bachelor of Science degree in microbiology at UM in 1973. Horsley received a bachelor's degree in marketing from UM in 1973. Niedge, received a bachelor's degree in history with a minor in sociology from UM in 2005. She currently is pursuing a master's degree in public administration at UM.

Dialogue About Diversity—UM will hold several events that are free and open to the public during "Day of Dialogue: Building Communities of Difference" on Thursday, Oct. 30. Events during this year's campuswide symposium will include more than 30 educational sessions, panel discussions, workshops and exhibits designed to engage campus and Missoula community members in discussions concerning diversity. The day will begin at 9:10 a.m. in the University Center Atrium with opening remarks by Lucy France, director of UM's Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Office. Educational sessions will be held beginning at 9:40 a.m. at various locations in the University Center. Elizabeth Birch, founder of the Human Rights Campaign, will give the keynote address from 4:10 to 6 p.m. in the University Center Ballroom. UM Department of Drama/Dance students will perform "Swan Lake: Undercurrents" to open the keynote presentation. A complete Day of Dialogue schedule of events and more information is online at <http://www.umt.edu/dayofdialogue>.

Compare Colleges Online—In an effort to produce more accountability in higher education, UM helped develop and implement a new national Web site that allows students and their families to easily compare institutions of higher learning. The College Portrait of Undergraduate Education site can be found online at <http://www.collegeportraits.org>. It provides high school students, parents, guidance counselors and other stakeholders with access to basic information about colleges, such as student characteristics, costs and learning outcomes — all in a user-friendly format. To date, more than 300 public four-year universities and colleges have volunteered information for the site. In Montana, in addition to UM as a founding participant, Montana State University-Bozeman and MSU-Billings have

Jump-Starting Relay 2009—The 2009 Relay for Life, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, will be held Friday and Saturday, May 1-2, at UM. Liz Martin, co-chair of the event, said she hopes to top 2008's total with a goal of 50 teams. She also needs volunteers to serve on the planning committee or to assist committee members. Relay co-chair Alyse Johnson invites those who have been diagnosed with cancer to get involved with planning the relay and forming teams for the event. For more information, call Martin at 406-529-4635 or Johnson at 541-231-6551. Martin can be reached by e-mail at elmlake17@gmail.com. Johnson's e-mail address is alyse.johnson@umontana.edu.

Researchers win grant to create fellowship

Three researchers with UM's College of Forestry and Conservation recently won a prestigious grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to create a fellowship program that will train graduate students in natural resource management.

The recipients — Diana Six, professor of forest entomology and pathology; Cory Cleveland, assistant professor of soil science; and Solomon Dobrowski, assistant professor of landscape ecology — were awarded the Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate and Postgraduate Fellowships Program grant earlier this month.

The grant will create a one-time fellowship program at UM for four students, two pursuing master's degrees and two pursuing doctorates. The students will take a specialized core of courses that will prepare them to holistically examine the role of disturbance, climate change and land-use patterns on western U.S. forests through multiscale analysis. The fellowship students will develop and implement a research project focusing on ecosystemwide effects of mountain pine beetle, blister rust and climate change in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem.

The National Needs Fellowship Program aims to encourage outstanding students to pursue training in areas where there is a national need for the development of scientific and professional expertise. This is the first year the Forest Resources category was included in this traditionally agriculture-focused program, and UM immediately seized the opportunity to apply for the grant.

Six, Cleveland and Dobrowski will serve as primary advisers to the four fellowship students, and several other professors and natural resource agency professionals will serve as mentors. Six said the program will begin next fall. 🐾

Six-Mill Levy — continued

contributes to higher wages for workers and strengthens the economic well-being in every corner of this vast state.

Montanans have a proud heritage of offering access to affordable, quality higher education opportunities. Whether it's a recent high school

graduate enrolling as a traditional student, people seeking to improve their job skills or local businesses partnering with campuses to ensure a well-trained work force, success turns on the widespread availability and affordability of quality educational programs. 🐾

56th Annual Tax Institute

—Oct. 31-Nov. 1. DoubleTree Hotel, 100 Madison St., Missoula. Cost: \$300 for those registered by Oct. 24; \$350 thereafter. Continuing education credits available. To register: <http://www.umt.edu/law>. Fax registration form to 406-243-2576 or mail to 56th Annual Tax Institute, School of Law, The University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812-6552. Information: Holly Kulish, UM School of Law, 406-243-6509.

Basketball—Oct. 31. 7 p.m. UM vs. Northwest University. Dahlberg Arena.

Faculty Recital: Fern Glass Boyd, cello—Oct. 31. 7:30 p.m. Music Recital Hall. \$10 general public; \$5 students and seniors. Information: UM Department of Music, 406-243-6880, griz.music@umontana.edu.

Football—Nov. 1. Noon. UM vs. Northern Arizona. Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

Volleyball—Nov. 1. 7 p.m. UM vs. Portland State. West Auxiliary Gymnasium.

Town & Gown Dance—Nov. 1. 7:30 p.m. University Center Ballroom. Community folk dance. All dances are taught and are easy to learn. Cost: \$8; UM students \$6. Sponsored by the UM Student Chapter of the Missoula Folklore Society. <http://www.montanafolk.org>. Information: UM Professor Vicki Watson, 406-243-5153, vicki.watson@umontana.edu.

Guest Artist Recital: Oskar Espina-Ruiz, clarinet—Nov. 1. 7:30 p.m. Music Recital Hall. \$10 general; \$5 students/seniors. Information: UM Department of Music, 406-243-6880, griz.music@umontana.edu.

"It's Just Business: Cynicism, Culture and Character"—Nov. 3. Noon-1 p.m. University Center Room

UM Events

331. Presenter: Dane Scott, UM Center

for Ethics. Free and open to the public. Information: 406-243-6632, <http://www.umt.edu/ethics>.

Holiday: Election Day—Nov. 4. No classes. UM offices closed.

UM Symphony Orchestra Festival Concert—Nov. 3. 7:30 p.m. University Theatre. Free and open to the public. Information: UM Department of Music, 406-243-6880, griz.music@umontana.edu.

"Coyote on a Fence"—Nov. 4-8. 7:30 p.m. Masquer Theatre. UM Department of Drama/Dance production. Cost: \$13 general public; \$10 seniors/students; \$7 children 12 and under. Tickets and information: Drama/Dance Box Office, 406-243-4581, <http://www.umtheatredance.org>.

Basketball—Nov. 5. 7 p.m. UM vs. Great Falls. Dahlberg Arena.

Faculty Recital: Steven Hesla, piano—Nov. 5. 7:30 p.m. Music Recital Hall. \$10 general public; \$5 students and seniors. Information: UM Department of Music, 406-243-6880, griz.music@umontana.edu.

Student Chamber Recital—Nov. 6. 2:10-3 p.m. Music Recital Hall. Free and open to the public.

Peace and Justice Film Series: "SiCKO"—Nov. 6. 5:30 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. University Center Theater. Free and open to the public. Information: <http://www.peaceandjusticefilms.org>.

Classical pianist Xiayin Wang in concert—Nov. 6. 7:30 p.m. Music Recital Hall. Cost: \$13 general public; \$8 UM students. Tickets: GrizTix, 243-4051, 888-MONTANA, <http://www.griztix.com>.

Reading and Signing: Ed McClanahan—Nov. 7. 7 p.m. Fact & Fiction, 220 N. Higgins Ave., Missoula. McClanahan will read from and sign copies of "O The Clear Moment." Free and open to the public. Information: 406-721-2881, ffbook@montana.com. 🐾



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