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SWEET SERENADE



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David McEldery of Plains, plays a piobaireachd on the bagpipes for a FIG seminar Wednesday. Piobaireachd is a classical highland style of music; before England took control of Scotland, this style of bagpipe music was heard frequently in Scotland. McEldery has been playing for 36 years and has studied at the Coeur D'Alene Summer School of Piping and Drumming.

ASUM debates COT liaison position

DANIEL PERSON

Montana Kaimin

An ASUM adviser position meant to be the liaison between the College of Technology and ASUM avoided elimination Wednesday night when senators rejected an attempt to nix the position.

A two-thirds vote was needed to eliminate the COT adviser, and the senate fell short of that with an 8-8 vote.

its supporters, the position is not filled and would have no oversight if it were.

The position was created two years ago to increase COT student involvement in ASUM, which they help fund through their fees.

It has not been filled this year, but ASUM President Brad Cederberg said that the position has not been opened yet, and no advertisements for it have been posted. Last year, he said four people applied, but this year has been too busy to start the hiring process.

never begin.

"It hasn't worked at all," he said. "Let's quit throwing money at the problem and figure out other ways to get students at the COT involved."

Referring to a previous adviser, he said, "She didn't do anything. She's the liaison, whoop-ti-do."

Cox suggested a letterbox and better senator visibility at the COT as ways to improve involvement.

"This was a good idea two years ago, and it crashed and burned," Pipinich said. "I don't know why we keep dragging this dead horse. It's obvious that students at the COT don't give a shit.

"They obviously don't care enough to show up to meetings," he continued. "They don't give a damn."

objected to these remarks.

Jessica Prongua, the only

By law, Higgins beating not a hate crime

PETER BULGER MONTANA KAIMIN

There was a buzz about Missoula after Oct. 15, when two University of Montana students were called gay and then beaten by a group of unknown men on Higgins Avenue.

"There's been quite a bit of hype around town that a big hate crime occurred," Sgt. Scott Brodie of the Missoula Police Department said last week.

But according to Montana law, intimidation, harassment or violence based on a person's sexual identity doesn't constitute a hate crime, nor does it call for a harsher punishment. People convicted of hate crimes in Montana get from two to 10 years in prison added onto their sentence.

The law, however, covers only crimes based on race, creed, religion, color, national origin and involvement in civil or human rights activities.

And that creates a major problem for the gay community in the state, said three members of UM's LAMBDA alliance, which provides support to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students.

It allows harassment based on sexual preference to continue, said Kris Monson, the alliance's former president.

"Things like that happen all the time," Monson said. "Especially downtown, people are always getting harassed or beat up (because However, many senators of sexual preference)."

In the first eight weeks of the semester, LAMBDA received seven reports of anti-gay

Sen. Jed Cox spearheaded the effort to eliminate the COT adviser, saying the position was a waste of money. As stated in the resolution and reiterated by

Many senators, including Cox, would like that hiring to

Sen. Jake Pipinich also wanted the position to be nixed. He said that efforts to get COT students interested in ASUM were futile.

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COT student on the senate, said violence from students, Monson said. The eliminated before a new means

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she did not want the position number of unreported incidents is probably far higher than that, he said. Many people are afraid to report anti-gay violence and don't know what constitutes a

crime when it comes to harassment, said Ryan Knobloch, LAMBDA's president. That's where the decision by past state legislatures to keep sexual orientation out of the hate crime law comes in, said Mark Smith, LAMBDA's special events coordinator.

"I think they're intentionally keeping it out so that things like what happened this week can happen," Smith said about the beating. "They want people like us to stay afraid."

Sen. Ken Toole, D-Helena, thinks that the rampant corruption that allows traffickers fear associated with anti-gay harassment and violence is the reason why it should be added to Montana's hate-crime law.

"A hate crime has the effect of creating fear Today, traffickers, if prosecuted, can get in the whole community," Toole said. "When they kick the hell out of someone screaming, 'Die fag,' or whatever, and that's reported in

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KELLY JACKSON

FOR THE KAIMIN

People in economic misery, seeking political asylum, the jobless and homeless or victims of natural catastrophes are the most likely to become victims of human trafficking, said the former director of the office to monitor and combat trafficking in persons.

Nancy Ely-Raphel spoke to a crowd of more than 150 people Wednesday night in a public lecture at the University of Montana titled "21st Century Slave Trade:

International Trafficking in Persons: Crimes Against Women and Children" in honor of United Nations week.

Trafficking puts price on people

"Human trafficking is taking human lives and turning their misery into quick cash," Ely-Raphel said. "It puts a value on an individual and measures them by a price."

With 800,000 people a year falling victim to human trafficking in the world, over the past couple of years the United States has taken an active role in stopping the trafficking.

In 2000, the U.S. government adopted

the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act. The protection act focuses on preventing human trafficking, the prosecution of traffickers and providing assistance to its victims.

'The government has to confront the to flourish," Ely-Raphel said. "The government is taking aggressive steps to end these crimes."

five years to life in prison in the United States.

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Μοντανα Καιμιν

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Dr. Pathetic

Opinion

EDITORIAL Is the Endangered Species Act endangered?

No, we don't care how you do it in California.

But that doesn't keep House Resources Chairman Richard Pombo, a pro-development congressman from the Golden State, from trying to change how Montana protects our endangered species.

Earlier this month, Pombo's Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Act (TESRA), a bill that would cripple the Endangered Species Act, passed through the House 220 to 193, leaving it up to the Senate to save us from the snakeskin-boot-wearing Californian.

Under Pombo's changes, development projects that destroy endangered habitats would no longer have to abate the damage by dedicating small tracts of land to habitat conservation. Instead, Pombo proposes weaker voluntary controls to developers.

But even more frightening is the monetary compensation offered landowners whose developments are found to be in violation of the law. If a development is found in encroachment of habitat, the government would have to pay fair market value of the land's proposed use to stop the development. Said simply, the law leaves developers free to peruse development on endangered habitat and be financially rewarded for not building.

The bill sets "a dangerous precedent that private citizens must be paid to comply with environment law," said Rep. Nick Rahall (D-W.Va.). "What's next? Paying citizens to wear seat belts?"

Re-examining the ESA shouldn't scare Montanans. After more than 30 years, both Democrats and Republicans can agree the act needs a facelift. Since its inception in 1973, only a handful of species have recovered enough to be removed from the list. But by the same token, only nine species on the list have become extinct.

Pombo has a record of bad environmental decisions. He's revamped the House Resources Committee so that all bills pass through him and sent committee members a memo suggesting that for legislation to move on, it must permit "mechanized access" like logging trucks.

In September, he shot down Washington State's proposed 106,000-acre Wild Sky Wilderness and Backcountry area, the state's first attempt at a wilderness area in 20 years, and is currently floating a bill to sell 15 of the nation's parks.

While it's clear that America needs to revisit the Endangered Species Act, the changes Pombo's bill makes are bad for the environment and bad for Montana. Ranchers, environmentalists and city folk can all agree that Montana is a better place without the widespread development Pombo is trying to create under the guise of saving the environment.

As Montanans, we need to urge the Senate to send this bill back to California and fix it, since they know how to do it better there anyway.

– Holly Michels, news editor

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Wading through puke in search of love

JAKE SORICH

Before we get to the

questions this week, a

few thoughts left over

The Chicago White

Montana Kaimin from last week's topic. Sox have just wrapped up their first World Series championship since 1917. After every win at home this postseason, they've played "Don't Stop Believin" by Journey, which has become the

team's theme song. In addition, Journey front man Steve Perry has been in attendance for almost all of the team's playoff games. Obviously this isn't a coincidence. The Chicago White Sox have proved the power of Journey can move mountains or break 88-year-old curses.

Just further proof that love and rock 'n' roll truly can change the world.

Let's get to your questions.

Dr. Pathetic,

My boyfriend and I are deeply in love, so deep that we both are able to look past things that we find extremely annoying about each other.

He. for instance, comes to my house and leaves the bathroom smelling horrible for hours, yet I'm fine with that. He also swears a lot in public, which is fine, but he does step over the line sometimes. One time at a Lady Griz game he was thrown out of the stands for heckling the opposing point guard enough that she started to cry and was taken to the locker room.

I'm able to tolerate all of that. But Dr. Pathetic, this weekend he did something I don't think I can take any more of. He's the kindest, most caring, funniest guy in the world, but I'm afraid if he does this again, I might have to leave him.

This weekend, my boyfriend puked on me. He didn't puke in my general direction, puke on my shoes or puke on just my feet. In fact, this is the second time he's done it. Both times weren't nearpuke jobs - they were full-on puketastic.

This weekend, he vomited on my entire back. He was drunk, and I was there to take him back to his place. He couldn't walk very well, so I picked him up and propped him up against the door. As I turned around to grab my keys, his innards erupted like Old Faithful.

The previous time, we were asleep in bed. He started to wake up, and as he did, he started to vomit. I tried to pull him across the bed to the garbage, but it was too late. Again my back fell victim to the barrage. I don't want to leave my boyfriend, yet I don't want to get puked on again either. What should I do?

- Laura, junior, general studies

Laura,

Like Stan from the hit show "South Park", your boyfriend could be vomiting on you as a way to show he still digs you. While this might seem odd, it's more common than you might think.

In my years as a doctor, I've seen a man who taught his dog to pee on his crush's leg, and no one else's. One woman came to see me worried about a guy who would come to her window and sing the Nine Inch Nails song "Closer" into her window every night at 6 o'clock. I asked him about it and apparently it was the only song he could play. When someone sings "I want to @\$&# you like an animal" in your window, it's a cause for concern, but he was just showing his affection in his own way.

If you want him to stop puking on you, tell him you're happy he's showing his affection but suggest a better way to do it.

Dr. Pathetic,

I've known this guy for two years and I've had a crush on him since day one, but then finally gave up last year when I discovered he had a girlfriend.

But this semester he seems to be showing interest in me. Being the busy man he is, however, we never get to hang out. Then there's guy number two, whom I met over the summer. I developed an enormous crush on him, but he likes to play games and string me along and say he'll hang out and then not show.

Now here's the pickle. Through all of that, I keep thinking about my best friend of eight years. I had this really strange dream the other night about him. I've always told myself it's a strictly platonic relationship we have. But the more I think about it, these crushes have only been something to fill a "void" of sorts. I think I might really love my friend of eight years as more than a friend, but I'm not sure. What's your take on this, Doctor? I'm really confused.

- Crushed and Confused

Ah, love. What is it? Can you quantify it? Can you measure it? Can you tell who has it and who doesn't? In short, sort of.

Belive me when I say I know what you're going through. I've met girls who have said one thing but acted another way.

It's difficult to tell when a fling is actually a true love. The key questions to ask yourself about each of these guys, however, are these: could I live without him and could he live without me? If the answer is yes, you might not really love him. Answer no, then it's possible. The science of love isn't really a science at all. Feelings are fleeting. You might think you "love" someone when in reality you're simply infatuated with him. That's both the magic of love and the problem. The only thing I would suggest is be glad you have such a problem. Many gals would love to have one man to be infatuated with.

Try spending time with all of them and try deciding which one you have the strong'est feelings for. But also remember, there are more people out there who like you than you might think. Never put an

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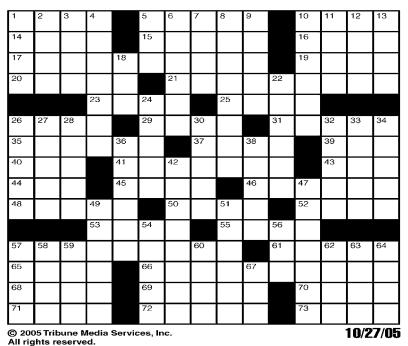
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Daily Astrology

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (10-27-05)

You may suffer a setback this year, but don't let it stop you. The lesson is about teamwork. Call in others to help. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

Today is a 5 Take it easy. Don't make waves. Provide excellent service. Do this another day or two and your job is secure

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

Today is an 8 You're encountering resistance, but you're also making converts. Keep up the good work.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 21)

Today is a 5 _ Just when you're at your wit's end, you realize you don't have to do anything more just now. Get some rest.

CANCER (JUNE 22-JULY 22)

Today is a 7 _ Your natural thrift and common sense are drawing attention from others. They think you're looking good.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

Todav is a 4 The money's coming in, but you must account for every penny. Even if there's a lot, you can't afford to waste a cent

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

Today is a 7 _ You'll get more confident the more you practice. Keep at it, you're acquiring good habits

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)

Today is a 4 _ It's OK to hide out by yourself. Take your phone off the hook and let the machine in there answer all your calls. Concentrate on computations

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is an 8 _ Meet with people who share your interests and agree with your goals. You'll have a productive strategy session.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Today is a 6 _ The answer you're seeking is very close. You might even find it today. It may not be what you expected, however. It's better

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

Today is an 8 _ Don't go with the whims of fashion. Set your own pace. You do best when you're a little bit different. Let them follow you

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

Today is a 4 _ Finances are your area of interest now Be a lender rather than a borrower, with good collateral.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

Today is an 8 _ Grab your favorite partner and head for the high country. Conditions are much better now for travel and good conversation.

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Report: Saddam manipulated aid program

2,000 companies paid nearly \$2 billion to Iraq in oil-for-food program

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UNITED NATIONS (AP) — More than 2,000 companies made about \$1.8 billion in illicit payments to Saddam Hussein's government through extensive manipulation of the U.N. oil-for-food program in Iraq, according to key findings of a U.N.-backed investigation.

The report — to be released in full Thursday by the committee probing claims of wrongdoing in the \$64 billion program -indicates that about half the 4,500 companies doing business with Iraq paid illegal surcharges on oil purchases or kickbacks on contracts to supply humanitarian goods.

The investigators reported that compa-

nies and individuals from 66 countries paid illegal kickbacks through a variety of devices while those paying illegal oil surcharges came from, or were registered in, 40 countries. The names will be included in Thursday's report but were not in the key findings that were obtained Wednesday by The Associated Press.

Thursday's final report of the investigation led by former U.S. Federal Reserve chairman Paul Volcker strongly criticizes the U.N. Secretariat and Security Council for failing to monitor the program and allowing the emergence of front companies and international trading concerns prepared to make illegal payments.

According to the findings, the Banque Nationale de Paris S.A., known as BNP, which held the U.N. oil-for-food escrow

account, had a dual role and did not disclose fully to the United Nations the firsthand knowledge it acquired about the financial relationships that fostered the payment of illegal surcharges.

The oil-for-food program was one of the world's largest humanitarian aid operations, running from 1996-2003.

Under the program, Iraq was allowed to sell limited and then unlimited quantities of oil provided most of the money went to buy humanitarian goods. It was launched to help ordinary Iraqis cope with U.N. sanctions imposed after Saddam's 1990 invasion of Kuwait and became a lifeline for 90 percent of the country's population of 26 million.

But Saddam, who could choose the buyers of Iraqi oil and the sellers of humanitarian goods, corrupted the program by awarding contracts to - and getting kickbacks from - favored buyers, mostly parties who supported his regime or opposed the sanctions. He allegedly gave former government officials, journalists and U.N. officials vouchers for Iraqi oil that could then be resold at a profit.

Volcker's previous report, released in September, said lax U.N. oversight allowed Saddam's regime to pocket \$1.8 billion in kickbacks in the awarding of contracts during the program's operation from 1997-2003.

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The smuggling of Iraqi oil outside the program in violation of U.N. sanctions poured much more money — \$11 billion into Saddam's coffers during the same period, according to a finding in the new report.

The report to be released Thursday chronicles in detail Saddam's manipulation of the program and examines in detail 23 companies that paid kickbacks on humanitarian contracts including Iraqi front companies, major food providers, major trading companies, and major industrial and manufacturing companies.

According to the findings, the program was just under three years old when the Iraqi regime began openly demanding illicit payments from its customers. The report said that while U.N. officials and the Security Council were informed, little action was taken.

United Nations continue assassination probe

EDITH M. LEDERER

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UNITED NATIONS (AP) -U.S. Ambassador John Bolton said Wednesday that Syria's leader refused to meet U.N. investigators probing the assassination of Lebanon's former prime minister, but would be required to submit to questioning under a proposed new U.N. resolution.

Bolton's comments were the first confirmation that the investigation led by U.N. prosecutor Detlev Mehlis had tried to talk to President Bashar Assad about the Feb. 14 car bomb in Beirut that killed Rafik Hariri and 20 others.

The Syrian president wasn't mentioned in Mehlis' report to the Security Council last week, which implicated top Syrian and Lebanese security officials in Hariri's assassination and accused Syria of not cooperating fully with the investigation. But Mehlis told council members at a closed-door briefing Tuesday that Assad

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refused to be interviewed, Bolton's spokesman Richard Grenell said.

resolution introduced The Tuesday by the United States, France and Britain would require Syria to detain any Syrian official or civilian the U.N. investigators might consider a suspect in Hariri's killing and allow the individual to be questioned outside the country or without Syrian officials present.

It would immediately freeze the assets and impose a travel ban on anyone the commission identified

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as a possible suspect in the assassination, and if Syria refuses to cooperate, the Security Council would consider "further measures," including economic sanctions.

When Bolton was asked whether the detention provision would apply to Assad, he replied: "It absolutely includes the president of Syria. No person is above the law."

In Beirut, judicial officials said two brothers — Ahmad Abdel-Al and Mahmoud Abdel-Al, both members of the pro-Syrian Sunni Muslim fundamentalist group Al-Ahbash — who were cited in the U.N. report had been detained. The officials spoke Wednesday on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to give official statements.

They said Mahmoud Abdel-Al was detained in Beirut on Saturday at the recommendation of U.N. investigators, who said he made "interesting" telephone calls Feb. 14, including one to pro-Syrian President Emile Lahoud, just before a bomb killed Hariri. Lahoud's office has denied receiving such a call.

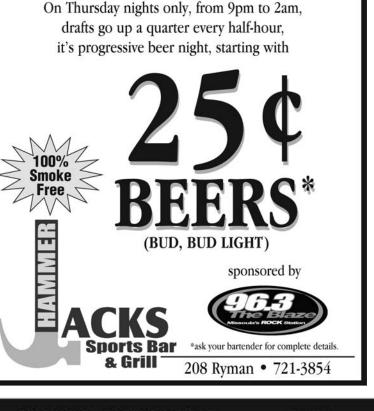
Mahmoud's brother, arrested earlier on weapons charges, was named by Mehlis as a "key figure" who had extensive contacts with top Lebanese security officials before and after the blast, and tried to hide information from investigators.

AP writer Zeina Karam in Beirut contributed to this report.

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Greeks victorious in cheesy court battle

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BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) -The European Union's highest court finally settled the fate of feta cheese on Tuesday, decreeing it a traditional Greek product deserving protection throughout the 25nation bloc in a ruling that went against other European producers.

Germany and Denmark, backed by France and Britain, had challenged the designation of origin for the salty, crumbly cheese and turned it into a gastronomic fight lasting almost two decades and involving lobbyists, the European Commission and, finally, the European Court of Justice.

"The court upholds the name

'feta' as a protected designation of origin for Greece," the Luxembourg-based court said in its ruling.

Danish and German producers had hoped to be able to continue producing such cheese and call it feta to maintain the product's marketability. They argued that what made feta specific was the technique of making it, not the geographical origin.

"Our efforts have been crowned by success. The European Court issued a historic decision, declaring finally and irrevocably that the feta is not for common usage and is exclusively Greek," a jubilant Greek Agriculture Minister Evangelos Basiakos said.

Danish producers were outraged.

"The ruling is grotesque and

political," said Hans Bender of the Danish Dairy Board. "What will be next? Will the Italians demand that pizza become a protected product that no one can make?"

Name changes, though, will be inevitable.

"Our feta production will continue. However, we will sell under other names," said Astrid Gade Nielsen, spokeswoman for Arla Foods, a Danish company that produces 25,000 tons of the cheese a year.

EU Farm Commissioner Mariann Fischer Boel said the ruling set an example for global trade talks where denominations of origin, including those of wines, are often a point of discussion.

"The ruling sets an important precedent" for defining so-called geographic indicators — a tradehost of European foodstuffs in global trade talks. "This is important for the future for international negotiations. This ruling shows that our system works," Boel said.

When the European Commission gave feta its protected designation of origin in 2002, it argued that natural, geographic and human factors had combined to give the cheese its specific Greek character. It said the extensive grazing of special ewes and goats on Greek terrain gave the cheese its specific aroma and flavor

"The interplay between the natural factors and the specific human factors, in particular the traditional production method, which requires straining without pressure, has thus given feta

mark protection issue affecting a cheese its remarkable international reputation," the court said.

> German and Danish producers also have taken the lead in campaigns to have feta declared a generic product in recognition of the fact that production has spread well beyond the cheese's origin, and took the case to the EU's highest court.

> The court ruled that was not enough to claim the name, arguing several Balkan countries produced such a briny cheese for a long time, but all called it something different.

> Three years ago, Denmark exported most of the 30,000 tons of feta it produces each year. Greece made some 115,000 tons of the cheese, mostly for home consumption.

Man faints during movie

ERIN MADISON

Montana Kaimin

Last night around 11:30, police cars, an ambulance and a fire truck reported to the Mansfield Library after a man passed out there.

"A guy was watching a gory scene of a movie, and he just blacked out or something," said Glenville Kedie, an officer with the University of Montana Office of Public Safety.

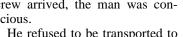
By the time police and medical crew arrived, the man was conscious.

He refused to be transported to a hospital, Kedie said.

"(He was) more embarrassed

"Blackhawk Down" when he lost consciousness.

"Apparently there's a surgery scene in there that's a little bit gory," Kedie said.



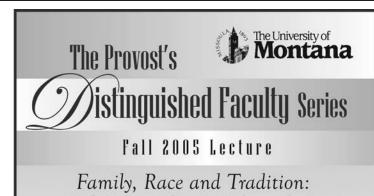
than anything else," he said. The man was watching



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Woman killed by train

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GLASGOW (AP) - A 22-yearold Glasgow woman was struck and killed by a train here this week in an apparent suicide, Valley County Sheriff Glen Meier said.

A westbound BNSF Railway Co. train hit Kendra Baker shortly before 3 a.m. Tuesday, he said. The conductor was unable to stop.

Baker had left a phone message for someone saying she planned to commit suicide, Meier said.

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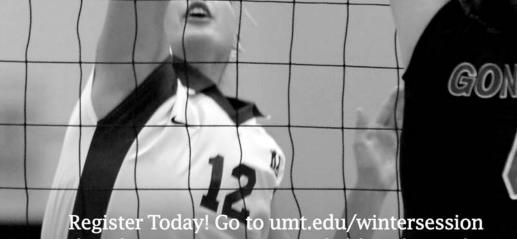


Redefining Identity Through Art Professor Beth Lo **Music Recital Hall** Wednesday, November 2, 2005 7:30 p.m.

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UM students grateful for time of service in Iraq

Emma Schmautz

Montana Kaimin

Nicole Clark had only entered her third week studying abroad in Oaxaca, Mexico, during February 2003 when the University of Montana junior received a call from her 823rd Transportation Detachment Missoula reservists' unit.

She had only three days to leave Mexico and report back to Montana.

Three months later, she found herself driving Humvees and escorting the Spanish Army in Iraq.

"My host family [in Oaxaca] and the cultural institute were more upset then I was," Clark said. "I was trying to explain it in Spanish: 'I'm in the Army and I have to go to war."

Clark is one of many University of Montana students who left behind Griz games, biology classes and the Rocky Mountains for the desert sands and war-torn cities of Iraq.

University of Montana ROTC estimates that there are currently 24 UM students serving abroad in such countries as Iraq, Afghanistan and Korea.

Aaron Flint, who recently graduated from UM as a broadcast journalist and political science major and covered both the Republican and Democrat National Conventions last year as an intern at NBC, is currently waiting for deployment to Iraq.

Unlike reservists who receive a call to duty, Flint actually volunteered to go to Iraq with the 48th Brigade Combat Team of the George Army National Guard.

He will be located in South Baghdad and perform dismounted infantry work.

"I want to serve in Iraq because I believe in the mission," Flint said in an e-mail. "I was working in the U.S. Senate on 9/11 when the Pentagon was hit, so that had a huge impact on me.

"But the fact is, even if I didn't believe in reached their destinations safely.

the mission — there's boots on the ground, and I want to be there with the soldiers."

Flint explained that humanitarian efforts, such as feeding and clothing children and building schools, and military actions such as providing security for Iraqi elections and capturing terrorists, were motivating causes that drove him to volunteer.

Clark set her international business and history textbooks aside to complete basic training and serve her country as a reservist to help pay for college and because she enjoys the rigors of army life.

"I wanted to go to boot camp," Clark said. "I had fun at basic. It's outdoors in the dirt, running around and screaming and getting rewarded for it."

Kevin Furey, a UM senior and Montana legislator, served in Iraq in Clark's unit and said that the money for college and his sense of duty were motivating factors in joining the reserves.

Like many reservists around the country, Clark and Furey never imagined when they signed up that in two years they would be deployed for a year's tour of duty in Iraq.

"Everyone is scared before they go to a war zone," Furey said, remembering his initial feelings about being told he would participate in Operation Iraqi Freedom. "I was apprehensive to what might happen to me."

"You don't really want to go at first," Clark said, "but you come to terms with it."

Once in Iraq, the UM students' reservist unit linked up with a unit from Kansas and another from Miami with the assignment of serving as a guarded military escort to transport coalition forces between cities.

"We had a cool job," Clark said. "We didn't have to stay in a post. We traveled all the time."

Working in a team of three Humvees that drove up to 12 hours a day, Furey and Clark made sure that soldiers from countries like Britain, Australia, Honduras, Spain and Japan reached their destinations safely. Clark said she enjoyed working and conversing with the diverse array of people she encountered while in Iraq.

"You have friends all over the world from that," Clark said. "There's a Spanish helicopter pilot I still talk to."

Clark explained that because she was a woman, during her time in Kuwait when she was in charge of 30 bus drivers from countries such as Kenya and Sri Lanka, she had the opportunity to speak with many Kuwaiti women who would shy from the male soldiers.

"My Arabic wasn't that great — their English wasn't that great. We used sign language," Clark said.

The Kuwaiti woman often asked about life in America, and the Kuwaiti girls wanted to know about international pop singers like Justin Timberlake and Shakira.

Nurturing a positive attitude, finding positive rewards among the harsher times and forging strong friendships with fellow soldiers helped Clark and Furey deal with the day-to-day stresses of military life and the homesickness.

Clark recalled a night spent north of Baghdad where the Puerto Ricans her unit was escorting held a salsa-dancing party.

"Why not?" she said. "You might as well have fun while you were there."

But while dancing and chatting with foreigners offered a much-needed reprieve, every day the soldiers in the transport unit came face to face with some of the war's darkest realities.

Furey said that one of the most difficult aspects of being in Iraq was seeing firsthand the starvation and poverty of the Iraqi people.

"We weren't supposed to give out humanitarian aid," Furey said. "If you didn't finish food, here's a starving kid I could help out, but I'm not supposed to."

Whenever their transport unit stopped for breaks, a congregation of people begging for food and water would besiege them. After months of living in a war zone, the soldiers completed their tours of duty and, leaving the 130-degree temperatures and impoverished citizens of Iraq, returned to Missoula bearing with them memories and experiences from a war that will forever be a part of their lives.

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After a brief time to reflect on the past year, Clark and Furey picked up where they left off and once again resumed the of life of UM students (and, in Furey's case, the life of a Montana legislator).

"It took awhile to get used to a lot of things, like the climate and people," Furey said.

"I don't like fireworks anymore," Clark said. "I guess that's my post-traumatic stress. Things that used to be stressful to me or things my friends are stressing over seem mundane."

Both soldiers said that their experiences made them value teamwork, camaraderie and leadership more greatly, and gave them a broader picture of how the world operates.

"(Iraq) put a different perspective on life — there's more to life than America and Wal-Mart," Furey said. "There is a different way that people live, whether you agree with it or not."

Neither student regrets the decision to join the reserves and encourages soldiers, such as Aaron Flint, who will soon be deployed to Iraq, to retain an optimistic attitude.

"Keep your head on your shoulderss and appreciate the chances you've got," Clark said.

The history major described seeing the Tigris and Euphrates River valleys — the birthplace of civilization — and walking through the lands that were once home to the famous city of Babylon as 'the chance of a life time.'

"Take the good with the bad," Clark said. "If I had know I was going over (to Iraq) I would have still done it."



open-door policy was a hallmark of his administration, and who provided outstanding leadership in the preservation of unfettered academic inquiry and expression. The Pantzer Award will be presented at the Charter Day ceremonies on Thursday, February 16, 2006.

The Pantzer Award Committee, responsible for selection of the award recipient, is seeking nominations of individuals who have demonstrated similar characteristics. Nominations should include a statement of how the nominee fits the criteria along with the nominee's professional resume.

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<u>Trafficking</u>

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To prevent human trafficking, Ely-Raphel suggests tightening border control and combating it with effective law enforcement in the United States. She also suggests that new legislation on training judges and police on trafficking laws should be put in place.

"Prevention is very important because then trafficking can be avoided," Ely-Raphel said.

Each year, the State Department issues a trafficking report on 150

countries and ranks them on how effective their governments' efforts are to fight against trafficking in persons and modern-day slavery. The ranking is done in three tiers, the first tier being the best ranking and the third being the worst, when the country is not making any effort to deal with trafficking in persons. Some countries that are on tier three are Cambodia and Burma, two countries that are in the worst area of trafficking — southeast and south Asia, Ely-Raphel said.

"It's really bad when the government in a country is not dealing with it, or when the government is involved in it like in Cambodia where government officials dealt in human trafficking," Ely-Raphel said.

To stop those governments from ignoring human trafficking that's going on in their countries, the U.S. imposes sanctions to diminish trade or vote against funding the country might need from the World Bank.

"There has been a tremendous improvement in stopping human trafficking," Ely-Raphel said. "It's a slow process, but it's moving in the right direction."

MULCH MASTER



<u>ASUM</u>

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of contact between the COT and ASUM is created. She also said knowledge of the position is slim.

"Before I was a senator, I had no idea this position existed," she said.

After the meeting, Prongua said COT students should get involved if they wanted to, but there "probably could be more effort" put forth by ASUM.

Sen. Jesse Piedfort said the senate was biased toward the main campus, and the adviser was important to keep in touch with the COT.

Sen. Denver Henderson agreed.

"A COT assistant is probably the most likely person to gather information about the COT," he said.

Sen. Andrea Helling said it was wrong to accept money without providing them with any services, which she believed this resolution wanted to do.

"They pay just as much as students at this campus do. How can you justify getting rid of their one asset?" she said.

Cederberg said that he had no plans to fill the position immediately because some senators said they wanted to change its job description.

Also Wednesday, ASUM accepted all three student regent candidates nominated last Sunday by the interview committee.

The student regent is the student representative on the Board of Regents, which oversees the entire university system.

ASUM business manager Vinnie Pavlish, former ASUM vice president Heather O'Loughlin, and senior John Meyer were the nominees.

After the meeting, Meyer said

that he wanted to work on both a state level and a local level to help students. On the state level, he said he wanted to keep tuition low while improving the quality of Montana's schools. On campus, Meyer said he wanted to make the administration consult ASUM more often when making decisions that impact students.

Meyer has been vocal in his oppositions to the UM-Nike contract, saying students were not allowed enough input.

On Tuesday, Pavlish told the Kaimin that he wanted to make

the student regent an equal member of the Board of Regents, something he said had not been done in the past.

O'Loughlin said she wanted to focus keeping tuition low.

"Focusing on affordability of tuition is a key issue," she said.

The nominee's credentials will be reviewed by a state coalition of student governments, which will nominate three for Gov. Brain Schweitzer to choose from. Eleena Fikhman/Montana Kaimin Groundskeeper Mark Fryberger mulches leaves into the grass outside Jesse Hall Wednesday afternoon. Fryberger has been working for the University for 17 years. The groundskeepers will continue mulching until there is heavy snowfall.

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Groups - Fall 2005

<u>OVERCOMING SHYNESS</u>. You are not alone in feeling shy. 93% of all people experience some degree of shyness. However, the pain of shyness does not have to interfere with developing relationships, engaging in social and school activities, or reaching your goals. During this 6-week group, we will cover thought distortions, relaxation, assertiveness and social skills.

<u>BEREAVEMENT GROUP</u>. The death of a friend or family member, combined with the responsibilities of college, can sometimes be overwhelming. You are invited to a supportive setting where you can share your thoughts and feelings with other students who have also experienced the death of a loved one.

MIDLIFE REVIEW GROUP. Come and explore developmental issues unique to students 40 years and over. Common themes include loss, gain, risk, fear of change, increased authenticity, confusion, exploration of new aspects of yourself and increased spirituality.

GRADUATE GRIND. Being a graduate student can be a stressful time in one's life. This support group will give you an opportunity to share your experiences with other graduate students.

FOOD: Friend or Foe. This group is designed for women who struggle with their relationship with food and body image. Emotional vs. physical hunger, triggers for overeating, bingeing and/or purging, and self-care will be explored.

<u>GAY/LESBIAN/BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP</u>. This support group is designed to support and investigate issues such as: sexuality, homophobia, enmeshment vs. distance in relationships, family dynamics, "coming out," the gay/lesbian/bisexual community, parenting and integrating sexual orientation with school and career plans.

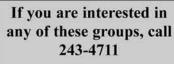
<u>WHY WEIGHT!</u> This six to eight-week seminar, led by a psychologist and a dietitian, is for women who wish a healthier relationship with food and their body. Topics to be covered include: Thought patterns, nutrition, and body image.

MINDFULNESS-BASED STRESS-REDUCTION WORKSHOP: By teaching and practicing the techniques of moment-to-moment awareness called mindfulness, this 8-session workshop is intended to help participants reduce stress in their daily lives and lead richer lives.

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American Indian women. Our goal is to help harness resiliency and strengths through sharing and addressing challenges unique to the Native Woman's experience here on campus.

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<u>RESPECT!</u> An assertiveness and empowerment workshop designed to give women and men a greater awareness of sexual violence. Focus will be on social environments and acquaintance scenarios, with the goal of helping participants feel safer and become more confident in their day to day lives.

TRANSFORMATIONS--a support group for survivors of relationship violence. Abuse affects us physically, emotionally and spiritually and healing takes time. Let us help. The Student Assault Resource Center is offering a support group for female survivors of relationship violence. Please call 243-5244 for screening appointments to explore whether this group will meet your needs.

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If in need of immediate assistance at SARC, call 243-6559 (24 hrs.)

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Ski Preview '05 - '06

UM snowboarders form their own Organization

CHANDRA JOHNSON

For the Kaimin

When Emily Cossitt was diagnosed with bursitis her sophomore year of high school, snowboarding was one of the few activities she could enjoy without pain.

Cossitt, 19, has been an active snowboarder ever since.

"I remember the night I got my Honeycomb board I slept with it," Cossitt said. "I spooned with my snowboard!"

Cossitt is one of some 30 University of Montana students rallying behind a new snowboarding club, the Organization.

Luke Thomas, a 25-year-old business major, founded the club

this fall when he said he realized Missoula snowboarders needed a network.

"Honestly, I started this to have friends who snowboard," Thomas said. "When I got here, no one knew each other. The snowboarders aren't connected, and it's a goal of the club to offer that connection."

Thomas said that in addition to the 30 members who are in the club, he has 140 interested participants on an e-mail list.

Thomas, Cossitt and others are now trying to team up with local businesses to get funding they need for group snowboarding trips. The lengthy procedure to form a club through ASUM means that the Organization will have to wait until spring to get any financial backing for next fall, said Carol Hayes, an ASUM coordinator.

The club's warm reception from the student population and area businesses only proves the need for a club, Thomas said.

One business that has pledged support to Thomas' efforts is Edge of the World, a sporting goods shop at 618 S. Higgins Ave. Owner Jake Barrow allows Thomas to host gatherings at Edge of the World and a 10 percent discount is in the works for members of the Organization.

Recalling Barrow's kindness, Thomas smiled.

"Jake didn't know me from Adam, but he gave me the run of his shop when he wasn't around," Thomas said. "We're just at the grassroots level now, but this club has huge potential."

Joe Rizzo, 21, met Thomas while working at Gart Sports. Thomas bought three \$50 snowboards in one day for the Organization, which piqued Rizzo's interest.

"He was like, 'What are you doing?" Thomas laughed. "So I told him about the club."

An avid snowboarder, Rizzo agrees with Cossitt and Thomas that the Organization is really about networking snowboarders in Missoula.

"I'm just looking for a connection," Rizzo said.

Success for Thomas and Rizzo

is about creating a team to share their common interests, pushing each other to become better snowboarders and unite people socially, they say.

"Snowboarding is a lifestyle. It's also an art form," Rizzo said. "But the club is only as good as we make it. The more participation we have, the more opportunity we'll have."

"It's like that first high you hear drug addicts always talking about," Thomas said. "With drugs, it's never attainable, but with snowboarding, it is."

The Organization meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in UC 333. Thomas says anyone with passion can attend.



Kitts McCabe sets sail above the Lolo Pass backcountry along the Idaho-Montana border off Highway 12. The pass is a popular place for Missoula skiers looking for a day in the backcountry.

Marshall to remain closed this winter

ALEX STRICKLAND

Montana Kaimin

The snow might be falling this winter, but the ski runs above East Missoula will be empty for the third year in a row, said Bruce Doering, owner of Marshall Mountain Ski Area.

The lifts haven't run at Marshall since the winter of 2002-2003, and it looks as though skiers will wait at least a few more years before they have a chance to hit the slopes.

"To be competitive, it needs to have certain things done," Doering said.

Those things include buying improved snow-making equipment, building a new lodge and installing an upper chairlift to replace the aging T-bar system used to haul skiers and boarders up the mountain, he said. Doering said a double chairlift was purchased from Jackson Hole Ski Area a few years ago and is on the property waiting to be installed.

There has been no construction toward a new lodge, and Doering guessed that an opening date for the mountain is still three to five years distant.

But Doering is quick to point out that improvements have been made already, even if they're unseen.

"We paid off the debt," he said, referring to the sum of over \$1 million the mountain owed.

"It's been upside-down for years, and the interest was killing us," he said.

Doering said he was able to pay off the debt while the mountain was closed by "selling off some other real estate around town."

The future looks bright for Marshall Mountain despite the prospect of the large Bitterroot Resort being built between Lolo and Florence, he said.

"Marshall will always have a niche in the community," he said.

Doering said the mountain was popular among families and had one of the largest ski schools in the state, and was also a favorite of snowboarders because the terrain park serviced by the T-bar was the only one near Missoula.

The mountain also has the advantages of offering night skiing, hourly rates and the closest proximity to Missoula, he said.

With a winter on the way that, according to the Farmer's Almanac, will be a good one for skiers around Montana, Marshall Mountain will remain closed, its owner waiting until the time is right and changes have been made.

"We need to get rid of that T-bar," Doering said.

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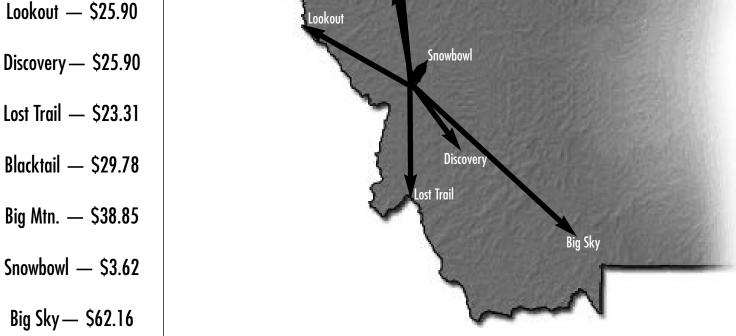
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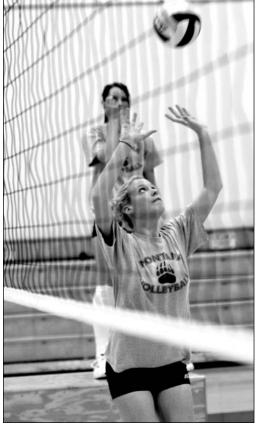
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Kaimin Sports



Ashlev McKee/Montana Kaimin UM volleyball starter Diana Thompson sets the ball during practice and get that second conference game under Wednesday at the West Auxiliary Gym. The Lady Griz play Montana State tonight.

Volleyball to host MSU Bobcats

DANNY DAVIS

Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana volleyball team will look to gain some ground in the Big Sky Conference standings when it hosts rival Montana State tonight.

The Griz are 12-11 on the year and 2-7 in conference play, lodged in a three-way tie for sixth place in the conference. Sitting pretty in fifth place, two games ahead of Montana, is Montana State (10-12; 4-5 BSC)

"Everybody is real pumped up and excited and ready to play our game," senior Diana Thompson said. "We know we can beat them and give them a good match."

Both teams kicked off the second half of the season with a loss to Sacramento State and a win against Northern Arizona at home. Montana's four-game ousting of the Lumberjacks gave UM its first conference home victory since 2004 and some muchneeded confidence and momentum.

"It feels real good to be back in the race our belt," Thompson said. "Everybody has got a lot of confidence, and we are just ready to go into this match on Thursday night and show that confidence."

The Bobcats have a 44-39 edge in the overall series between the in-state rivals, but UM has been dominated in recent matches. Since 2000, MSU is 9-2 against Montana, including a 3-0 victory in Bozeman on Sept. 30.

As a team, MSU is averaging 12.84 kills per game and has a .172 hitting percentage on the season, while Montana is hitting .171 and throwing down 14.85 kpg.

While the two offenses boast similar statistics, their overall compositions are vastly different.

UM is quarterbacked by Thompson and her conference-leading 11.89 assists per game. Thompson has offensive options in junior outside hitter Claudia Houle and senior middle blocker Audrey Jensen, who combine for 6.98 kills per game. Freshman outside hitter Jade Roskam and junior middle blocker Emily Sakis, who transferred to UM this year, are also putting up big numbers with 2.47 and 2.4 kpg respectively.

Redshirt-freshman Brittni Sesler leads the Bobcat attack. Despite her unimpressive stat line of 8.64 assists per game and inexperience at the position, Sesler has been able to hold down the fort in part because of the experience of her top three offensive weapons, junior outside hitter Kim Stonehouse (3.37 kpg) and seniors outside hitter Meggie Malyurek (2.69 kpg) and middle blocker Megan Zanto (2.64 kpg).

UM assistant head coach Dave Best said that it was an advantage for the Griz to have a senior at the setter position. Best noted the intangibles that Thompson possesses, like her knowledge of the game and knowing how to set different players, was crucial to Montana's offensive setup.

Since MSU is led by a freshman, Best said that the Bobcats' offensive scheme is almost the opposite as the attackers lead the charge.

With a mature group of attackers like that, you almost have the same thing in a reverse way," he said. "You have those attackers telling her what they need. She's just really doing what the attackers ask her to do."

The Bobcats also have three-year starter junior Kandice Kelly anchoring the defense at the libero position.

Game time is at 7 p.m. in the West Auxiliary Gym.

Bored with baseball? Do these 16 things instead



DANNY DAVIS Montana Kaimin

The baseball season is finally over.

The Chicago White Sox and Houston Astros finally ended a long, boring battle for the World Series title.

Granted, there were many intriguing storylines to this year's fall classic. Is this Roger Clemens' last hurrah? Would the White Sox break the curse of Shoeless Joe Jackson and win their first title in 88 years? Would Craig Biggio extract revenge after a White Sox

fan slapped his wife in game two? How many Cubs fans are jumping on the bandwagon and rooting ... YAAAAAWN!

Excuse me. As I was saying, there were plenty of interesting things to watch. For example, the Astros were left for dead a couple of months ago and are now in the World Series. Many thought the White Sox would fade out of playoff contention down the stretch, but look at them now. White Sox leadoff man Scott Podsednik was

suddenly hitting homers like Mark McGwire and has YAAAAAWN!

Damn, I'm sorry, but this World Series sucked. The other-colored Sox played out the whole curse thing last year, so I don't care about Chicago. I wasn't rooting for Houston because I don't even know what the hell an Astro is.

In my opinion, the games were bland and lame, and even the SportsCenter highlights were boring.

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The last two seasons I have been addicted to the playoffs, catching as much baseball as I could because it was good to watch. This year, I think the only game that I have watched more than two innings of was Houston's 18-inning victory over Atlanta and I turned that game on in the bottom of the ninth, thinking it was over.

Now I am sure some people will disagree with me, and I am sure there are actual White Sox and Astros fans out there, and I am sure they think this World Series was better than cake, especially those rooting for Chicago. At least one person on campus was happy to watch the Sox win a seemingly boring series.

"It's great," said UM freshman Daniel Amen, a Wheaton, Ill., native who is a lifelong White Sox fan. "There is nothing better than this. One of the greatest teams in baseball right there."

I am happy for them, I really am. But while they are wasting their time watching probably the worst end of the baseball season in recent memory, I have composed a list of the 16 things I was doing besides watching the White Sox sweep the Astros. Why 16, you ask? It's just how I roll.

1. Watch the Cosby Show. Yeah, while some of you were watching the 14-inning snore fest that was Chicago's 7-5 game three victory, I was watching Vanessa sneak out of the house to see her boyfriend, only to have Rudy rat her out. Who's a better person for it? I don't think it's that close a call.

2. Hang out with the Minnesota Vikings on Lake Minnetonka.

3. Sleep.

4. Wait 50 minutes for an interview outside of the Golden State Warriors' locker room while the players take more time than a high school prom queen to get ready.

5. Periodically check the score of the game and call Chicago Cubs fans that I know and taunt them. Granted, I am a Rockies fan, but there is nothing more fun than watching one miserable Chicago fan loathe the fortunes of another.

6. Get arrested for a moneylaundering charge and then flash a ridiculously goofy smile in my mug. On that note, I could also

just pull a Dubya and do nothing. 7. Text messaging.

8. The Facebook.

9. Have a Kaimin party danceoff with fellow Kaimin sports reporter Sarah Swan.

10. Think up ways that the Cleveland Browns are going to blow it this weekend.

11. Think up the names of my future children. So far, Brooklyn, Denzel and Al are the front-runners.

12. (I get knocked down but I get up again. You ain't ever gonna keep me down!) Try to figure out the lyrics to Chumbawamba's hit song "Tubthumping." For the record, it's "pissin' the night away," not "dancing the night away."

13. Make a sandwich.

14. Write to my congressman and see if he can get a bill passed forbidding the usage of ice cubes with milk. Seriously people, it's gross.

15. Homework.

16. Work at the Kaimin ... which was actually probably what I was doing.



White Sox win World Series



Kaimin Sports

Cross country gears up for BSC championships

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The University of Montana's cross country team has reached the point of no return. The Griz runners will lace up those running shoes, stretch muscular legs and prepare for the race to end their season — it's Big Sky Championship time.

After a week of rest and preparation, the cross country team travels to Utah this weekend for a racing battle on Oct. 29 against conference foes. Some of the competitors include Weber State, Northern Arizona University and Montana State.

"On the women's team, we feel like we are in a position to finish third," head coach Tom Raunig said. "On the men's team, we feel like we're battling it out for third, fourth and fifth."

With the competition looming, Raunig also mentioned that both teams want to primarily concentrate on trying to finish before Montana State.

The UM cross country team is going into the BSC race with a confidence boost. Two weeks ago, both the men's and women's teams took first place on the challenging course at the Eastern Washington Invitational. The Griz managed to out-race Eastern Washington, a team that was ranked ahead of them in the preseason poll.

"I was psyched; it was great for our confidence," said Eli Hermann, a freshman. "We beat a team that was ranked ahead of us.'

Sophomore Allie Brosh won the women's race, and junior Richie Pemberton placed third in the men's race to help their teams obtain the first place victory at the invitational.

"Both teams got out and ran smarter on that tough course than the competition," Raunig said. "Only a couple of the runners had ever run on that course before. It was probably more difficult than they expected it to be."

Brosh didn't care for the course, saying it really slowed her down because of the windy, hilly course and deep grass.

"I would rather get a faster time than win," Brosh said. "It's more of a personal battle, but it always feels good to win."

The women's cross country team had four of the race's first five runners cross the finish line. Brosh led the race with a time of 18:31.6 and was followed by freshmen Kim Tritz and Chelsea Burfeind and senior Shannon Johnson. The men's cross country team followed Pemberton's 26:09.1 third-place win with four runners (Hermann, junior Matt Winter, sophomore Dan Bingham and freshman MacKenzie Bloom) helping the Griz win the invitational.



The men's cross country team runs drills around Dornblaser Field Wednesday afternoon.

"I felt that we ran well as a team," Hermann said. "Plus, we won our first race in I don't know how long.'

In the upcoming days before the Big Sky Championships this weekend, the cross country team is focusing on relaxation.

"I'm just going to be taking it easy, relaxing my mind and my

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body both," Pemberton said. Brosh has positive expectations for her team's upcoming race.

"As long as we don't stress out, I think conference will be really good," Brosh said. "At this point in the season, it's really a mental battle."

The women's team must face top competitors from NAU and

Weber State, while the men's team must battle against NAU, Weber State, Idaho State and Montana State.

Regardless of the intimidation and competition some of the conference teams impose, Raunig

said he thinks his team is ready for the Big Sky.

"Their confidence is growing," Raunig said. "They still feel like they've got their best race still in them."

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"It's what we'd gone there to do," Winter said. "We were happy because we'd met our goal."

Pemberton was happy that his teammates stayed strong in the running pack behind him.

"[Winning] was a good feeling because my two other buddies, Matt and Dan, were right behind me, right on my tail," Pemberton said.

Hermann said he is proud of the race his team won.

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the newspaper, if you're a gay person, it kind of makes you think twice about where you're going to go and when you're going to go there."

Toole compares anti-gay violence to the lynching of blacks in the South during the Civil Rights movement. Both send a message to a certain group of people that they should be scared, he said.

Toole is the co-director of the Montana Human Rights Network, a group that examines human rights issues, and a supporter of tives didn't return calls from the

gay rights. He sponsored a bill last year to include sexual orientation in human rights and other laws and sponsored a bill to add sexual orientation to the state hate-crime law in the past, he said. Neither bill passed.

For the seventh consecutive year, a bill was proposed during the last legislative session that would've included sexual orientation in the state hate-crime law. But the bill was killed in the House of Representatives by a vote of 54-46, with five Democrats and all but one Republican representative voting against it.

Several Republican representa-

Kaimin to talk about the issue. The main argument of the bill's opponents was that it could stifle free speech and possibly prevent clergy from condemning homosexuality in their sermons.

The bill was also seen as controversial after the amendment to Montana's constitution that banned same-sex marriage was passed in last November's election, Monson said.

But even though Montana voters approved the amendment, the state's opinion of homosexuals is pretty good and getting better, Toole said.

"The problem is there's a certain segment of society who is extremely homophobic and extremely opposed to any recognition of homosexuals," he said.

And that segment is highly organized and well represented in the state legislature, Toole said. Still, the addition of sexual orientation to the state hate crime law will eventually happen, he said, and very possibly in the next five years.

Events like the recent beating in Missoula will help open people's eyes, he said.

"A lot of people like to deny that this type of thing happens,' Toole said. "But when it happens right in front of your face, it's kind of hard to deny it any longer."

But the longer it takes, the greater chance there is for more tragedy, Monson said. He, Knobloch and Smith agreed that the attitudes toward homosexuals in Missoula and especially on campus are decent.

However, there's also a large population in Missoula that doesn't want recognition for homosexuals, Knobloch said. And until more minds and the state hatecrime law can be changed, harassment and violence will still be a problem, he said.

'We're inching forward," Monson said. "We're getting more and more support in the legislature after each session. But by the time a bill is passed, it could be too late for another person."



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