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CAMPUS

Research funding continues during cuts

Alexander Deedy
Montana Kaimin

Compared with other schools of similar size, the University of Montana has largely avoided devastating cuts to research dollars that plague the rest of country.

The National Institute of Health is the largest supplier of research dollars to universities in the nation. Congress appropriates money to the NIH, and the organization keeps losing funding.

In the last week of February, the Chronicle of Higher Education published the responses from a survey answered by 11,000 researchers across the United States who are funded by the NIH or the National Science Foundation.

What they found wasn't surprising.

Funding cuts force many researchers to abandon areas of interest that are central to their labs' focus. Three-quarters of respondents had reduced their recruitment of graduate students and research fellows.

At UM, research funding peaked in 2009 at \$67 million. In 2012, it bottomed out at \$59.3 million.

"But our decline was presumably less than most other institutions were seeing," said Scott Whittenburg, vice president for research and creative scholarship.

In 2013, the University's research funding increased to \$60 million.

The rise came with support

from the state of Montana, as well as local institutional and industrial backing, Whittenburg said. In most other states, research funding is losing support from state legislatures, but that hasn't been the case in Montana.

The College of Forestry and Conservation boasted a significant increase in research funding, and the department of geosciences has been another strong research center, Whittenburg said.

Looking forward, Whittenburg said the University is trying to emphasize several areas of expertise that are highly funded at the federal level. So far that's been carried out through the Brain Initiative and the big data program.

"I think we'll see some large research dollars coming in the future," Whittenburg said.

That doesn't mean UM has escaped unscathed.

Whittenburg said the University is more heavily funded by NIH than many other institutions, so the organization's funding cuts hit UM hard.

One of the programs affected was the NIH-funded Center for Environmental Health Sciences.

"For UM, the real problem comes in when funds get scarcer," said Andrij Holian, the center's director. "The institutions who are smaller by nature, and that's the University of Montana, are going to be less competitive. That's a fact, unfortunately."

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FEATURE PHOTO



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Main Hall and two students are reflected in one of many melted snow puddles on campus Wednesday.

STATE

Paws in the Race: Grizzlies run for Montana Legislature

Brea Gaudioso
Montana Kaimin

In Montana, the doorbells are ringing. Many candidates for Montana's 2015 legislative session have tied up their snow boots and trudged through the sludge, landing on neighbors'

doorsteps to introduce themselves and let citizens know why they deserve their votes.

This year, some fresh meat has joined the running.

Former ASUM president Zach Brown and current ASUM business manager Mike Hopkins are among the young people in the running.

Brown, a 23-year-old Democrat from Bozeman, is running for House District 63. Hopkins, a 29-year-old Republican, is running for Senate District 49 in Missoula.

They may be running for different seats, and on behalf of different parties, but they agree their ages have a stigma they

are ready to break.

"My strength and weakness at the same time is my youth. That's part of why it's so exciting," Brown said. "I think it is part of the reason that people are excited to support me, just getting young people involved."

Five lawmakers in their twenties held seats in Helena's

Capitol building during the 2013 legislative session.

Those running this time around are not necessarily strangers to each other.

"Most of us know each other from ASUM or MSU Senate, he said. "We work a lot better with each other because we focus more

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THE SPARK INSIDE

Dream a little dream for me

By Lee Gordon

America lives and thrives on a go-big-or-go-home attitude. We have a work, work, work mentality that causes us to think faster, drive faster and walk and talk and eat faster. We have a tendency to take on more than is practical, as is evidenced by our lifestyles and our relation to the rest of the world.

Whereas many foreign cultures find it normal to take a break for a couple hours in the middle of the day, we grab a quick lunch and often burn the candle past midnight.

For whatever reason, we want to do it all and feel we've missed something if we don't.

Last weekend, I was in a meeting that lasted 24 hours. What it was is not important. What is important is that it was exemplary of the "run yourself into the ground and be proud of it" ethos we share as a nation. Combine this with our addictions to entertainment, and we have a negative balance of time every day.

There's a common idea among students that when it comes to good grades, a social life and sleep, you can only have two of the three. In many ways this is true. But why? The reason is a disorder that I have, and which many of you share, called over-committing.

We all know that drained feeling of reading, writing and doing math until 2 a.m., then checking Facebook and getting in a couple funny cat or dog videos before brushing our teeth. Then we're up again at 8 or earlier to slog through classes like coffee-fueled zombies. Even though this has become somewhat normal, it's definitely not healthy to only get 3-6 hours of sleep a night.

Scientists from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health have found that a lack of sleep is correlated with cognitive impairment in older people, meaning that sleep deprivation is a risk factor for poor health.

Using brain-imaging, it was found that less overall sleep and poor sleep quality were toxic to nerve cells, which your head is chock full of.

Yes, that's right — not sleeping enough is just as bad for you as binge drinking.

So, my advice is this: Cherish your health, and get a good night's sleep every night. Don't feel like you have to take on 10 projects at once or prove yourself to anybody by working your way into poor health.

If you can't find enough time for sleep, it's time to reevaluate your commitments. This Lent season, find something that cuts into your sleep and give it up.

If nothing else, at least count some sheep for me.

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**LETTERS
to the EDITOR**

WHAT THE CUSTOMER NEEDS

Marketing or rebranding a university is not like rebranding a shoe company (really?- squiggly lines for a logo instead of the most photographed landmark identifying one of the best universities in this wonderful state). The product is brain-power, knowledge. The product is usually being purchased with unsubsidized loans so you can't sell it to get a portion of your investment back — you have to use it and get a job as soon as you graduate.

You cannot ask your customers (or their parents) to prepay for a product (classes), plan their entire week around their times and days they are to be held, and then pull it off the market as soon as they expect delivery. You cannot contract teachers (adjuncts) to provide the product and then because of poor

decisions not of their making, cancel that contract without notice. We all have noticed that athletic coaches and their bosses get paid even though they got fired for good reason.

If you want the students to come, you need to give them the ability to become the next Einsteins, Madame Curry, teacher of the year or the best at what they want to be. You can help deans, chairs and faculty to give their graduating seniors the opportunity to work during that last year in their field. Win/Win, UM gets their money for an internship or independent study, they get a job or at least the opportunity to gain experience in their field of study.

You cannot tell students from Montana that we need you (so we can get an advance from the Legislature) and then say we do not have enough out-of-staters. UM always forgets that when it over-projects enrollment to get that advance from the Legislature,

it has to be paid back when the figures are short, so quit overprojecting.

You can prepare the high school students and let them know that they have to take their studies seriously. Four-Bear and other incentives to get students here do not work if you cancel the courses they've registered for and need to graduate because they were held at the only time their other classes allowed but were under-enrolled (again not their fault or the teachers).

In short, UM needs to be professional and above reproach, always remember what our product is, and be prepared to honor our commitments to the students to keep the courses they registered for. Stop outsourcing for solutions when you have the greatest staff and faculty on earth. We seem to know what the customer needs so let us do exactly that.

Karen Blazeovich
Staff member, College of Humanities and Sciences

March, if there was an ESPY award for best sports month of the year, you're already on your way to claiming it.

It's true, you do have an advantage over months because of the overlap of sports schedules. People who are starving for Major League Baseball wait for you to provide them with a taste of action.

Of course, it would be silly to forget the one true thing you're known for: the NCAA Tournament. But I know better. It's only been six days, but the sports action we've seen has topped the past two months and a better portion of last year.

March 1 made a mid-major — Wichita State — a perfect 31-0 with a win over Missouri State, giving college basketball fans who don't cheer for one of the power conference teams an underdog to support.

Two days later, the King reiterated why he owns the NBA's throne, draining eight 3-point-

THE SHOOTAROUND
March on, March
By Austin Schempp



ers in a row on his way to a career-high 61 points. Granted, LeBron James did it against the Bobcats, whose mascot is the only fierce thing about the team.

On the same night, both Montana basketball teams completed a season sweep of Montana State. No play was more spectacular than Keron DeShields' acrobatic 3-pointer to end the first half, which, oddly enough, proved the difference.

March, your madness doesn't end there.

In the Big Sky Conference, nothing will be crazier than the end of the men's basketball regular season. Only two teams have losing records and five wins separate conference leader Weber State from the basement-dwelling Bengals of Idaho State.

But the great performances aren't limited to the hardwood.

Montana's track and field team had its best showing in several years at the conference championships, complete with extraordinary achievements by multi-event athletes Lindsey Hall and Austin Emry.

If that isn't enough, spring football is right around the corner.

Honestly, the only way March could get any better for sports fans is if someone actually proves the NBA Draft Frozen Envelope theory is true or if Brett Favre received an advertising deal with Crocs and shaved his beard.

Nevermind, keep the beard. Mustache March is for chumps.

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ASUM Budget

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Each year, the Associated Students of the University of Montana help allocate funding to various groups and agencies across campus. Funding for groups has been on the rise in recent years, and in this year, student groups received more money than they ever have in the past.

KEY

- SU: sports union
- MU: music union
- SG: student groups
- ASUM: ASUM agencies

10-11
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\$696,793

11-12
SU: \$12,000 MU: \$11,000 SG: \$27,817 ASUM: \$637,495
\$688,312

12-13
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13-14
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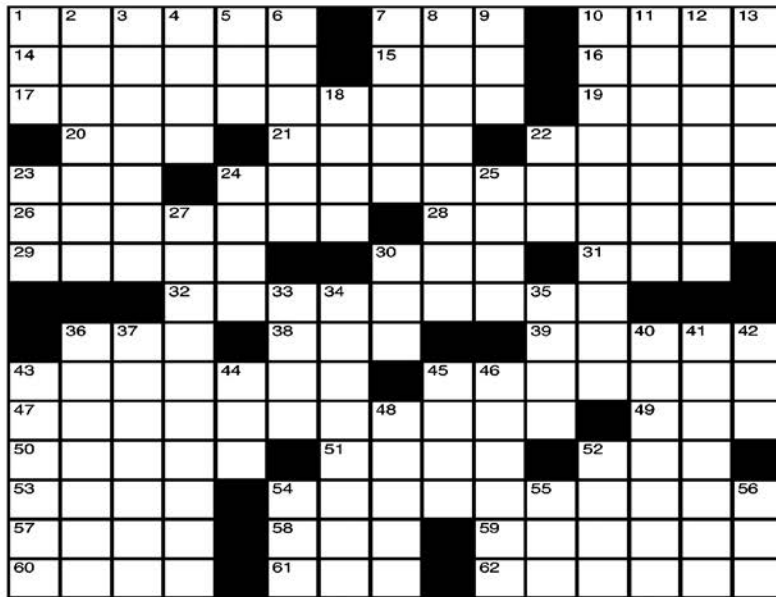
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Elementary fellow?
- 7 Chief Osceola riding Renegade introduces its home games: Abbr.
- 10 Daddy
- 14 Longtime Hawaiian senator Daniel
- 15 Ottowan interjections
- 16 Woeful cry
- 17 *Large emigration
- 19 Frisks, with "down"
- 20 Asian holiday
- 21 Letter-shaped fastener
- 22 Land at Orly?
- 23 Confederate
- 24 *Lunchbox item
- 26 Smallish crocodilians
- 28 Portal toppers
- 29 100-eyed giant of myth
- 30 Word of greeting
- 31 Points a finger at
- 32 *"I'll Be There for You" on "Friends," e.g.
- 36 ___ date
- 38 Levy
- 39 Brought about
- 43 Southeast Asian honey lover
- 45 Oporto native, e.g.
- 47 *Children's literature VIP
- 49 Brandy label letters
- 50 Cream of the crop
- 51 CNBC topics
- 52 Breadbasket, so to speak
- 53 Director Gus Van ___
- 54 *Daily Planet setting
- 57 Palm smartphone
- 58 Celebratory poem
- 59 Valuable lump
- 60 Bldg. annex



By John Guzzetta

3/6/14

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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O R E O E L A T E P O S E
A D D U P M I C H E N E R
E T U I E G O
S E V E N S E A S R A C E R
A C E T A R P E N C O R E
L O L A I A N F L E M I N G
A L O E A T E A M E L I A
(D) I P S H O A R S E N

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DOWN

- 1 "Tell ___": 1962-'63 hit
- 2 Winning steadily
- 3 Get clobbered
- 4 It's not an option
- 5 Observe
- 6 Church maintenance officer
- 7 Disgusted
- 8 Back-and-forth flights
- 9 Navy hull letters
- 10 Empty threat
- 11 Afraid
- 12 Platoon activities
- 13 Look over carefully
- 18 Burden
- 22 X, sometimes
- 23 ___ Victor
- 24 Window part
- 25 Silver opening?

- 27 Remote control
- 30 Spell
- 33 Floride, par exemple
- 34 Many couples
- 35 Cub or Card
- 36 Simpleton
- 37 Like some looseleaf paper
- 40 Reveal
- 41 More to one's liking
- 42 Plastic ___ Band
- 43 Cuarenta winks?
- 44 Tongue suffix
- 45 "Click ___ Ticket": road safety slogan
- 46 Quantum gravity particles
- 48 More timely
- 52 Painter van ___
- 54 French pronoun
- 55 ___ tent
- 56 CPA's office, perhaps

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SCIENCE

New X-ray instrument pushes UM's scientific research

Kaci Felstet
Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana now has the only crystal mapping machine in the state.

The new instrument is a single-molecule X-ray diffractometer, a machine that shoots light into microscopic crystals. It then uses the light diffraction to map the position of atoms in the molecule.

UM associate professor Orion Berryman, who led the effort to get the instrument, said the diffractometer can tell researchers a lot of structural information other technologies can't. It shows how the molecule is interacting with itself, what the molecule looks like, how it's bonded together and the position of its atoms.

"It's going to forward the research opportunities at the University of Montana," Berryman said.

The diffractometer is worth \$515,000, but a large grant offset most of the cost.

Berryman received a \$265,000 grant from the Major Research Instrumentation Program. UM matched 30 percent of the grant, and the company selling the diffractometer discounted the rest.

"[The company] was really excited to see a diffractometer in this region," Berryman said.

Ed Rodenberg, a UM professor of chemistry, said before UM got the instrument, he had to send his crystal samples to Emory University in Atlanta. Now he can get results almost instantly.

"It represents a big boon to my research," Rosenberg said.

Berryman's grant request was approved on his first try, which

is impressive, because usually it takes multiple attempts to secure the funding, Rosenberg said.

"I think this is a real feather in the cap for Orion," Rosenberg said.

UM is also accepting outside requests for use of the machine. It has already received a request from Montana State University.

Berryman said using the instrument would cost outside researchers about \$300.

The technology is user-friendly and Berryman is planning on creating a class for graduate and undergraduate students to use the diffractometer.

Berryman said he thinks the new technology is going to be a deciding factor for some students who are choosing between UM and MSU.

"I would be super psyched as a student," Berryman said. "I can't get that sort of data or research experience at Montana State."

Dan Decato, a UM graduate student, said the diffractometer contributed to his decision to come to Missoula.

"I knew there was a chance that we would get the machine and I really wanted the opportunity to work close with the X-ray diffractometer," Decato said.

Decato said the instrument has helped him understand the depths of molecules and the importance of crystallography. He said it will also help other students do the same.

"It expands and adds more tools to their chemist tool box," Decato said.

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Kaci Felstet/Montana Kaimin

Assistant Professor Orion Berryman demonstrates how the University of Montana's new single-molecule diffractometer works. The machine is used to map molecules in crystals and is housed in the basement of the Interdisciplinary Sciences Building.

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'Bearly Ethical' students win national Ethics Bowl

Courtney Anderson
Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana beat out 32 other schools to take first place at the national Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 27.

The Ethics Bowl is a debate competition where team members take sides on ethical issues and explain their reasoning to judges.

With the minimum number of team members required for the competition, Hayden Hooker, Joel Johnson and Alan Rolph took first place after months of preparation. Most teams at the competition had five members and a few alternates.

The teams' coach, Neil Bennett, is not a typical Ethics Bowl coach.

Most teams have a faculty member for a coach. The coaches are often professors with doctoral degrees, and some universities offer a course for credit to prepare students for the bowl. Bennett, a graduate student in economics, said UM's team practiced on its own time.

Two months prior to the bowl, the team received 15 cases that address ethical issues.

The cases can range from ethics and technology to bioethics, Bennett said. A few of the cases this year included the use of drones and off-label prescriptions of anti-psychotic

drugs.

"I consider them to be ethically gnarly questions, meaning that they don't really have a direct answer," Bennett said.

At the bowl, two teams are pinned against each other to discuss two cases. The moderator gives a question and Team A gives a 10-minute constructive speech, which is followed by a five-minute rebuttal from Team B.

After that, the judges have 10 minutes to ask Team A questions. Then teams then traded roles and discuss a second case.

The judges base their decisions on the teams' focus on ethically relevant considerations, deliberative thoughtfulness and avoidance of ethical irrelevance.

"At the competition, the team was very good about stepping in if someone completed the argument they were making and starting a new point," Bennett said. "The team just had a chemistry about them, we kept our practices pretty informal to make the discussion very insightful, and we had exciting conversations."

Even though the team worked well together, they had a disagreement about at least one ethical issue.

The disputed case was about the Memphis City Council's decision to rename three parks which have ob-

vious associations with the city's Confederate past. The students had to argue whether or not the parks' names were offensive and should be changed.

"The first impulse is to think of how these characters were supporters of slavery and dehumanized a significant portion of the population, particularly African-Americans," said Hooker, a senior studying philosophy.

At the Ethics Bowl, the UM team "Bearly Ethical" was rebuking University of North Florida during a semifinal round when Hooker decided he should speak up, after both Johnson and Rolph had formulated the team's initial response.

"I think that there is a significant chance that the intent behind naming that park Jefferson Davis wasn't to memorialize his commitment to slavery, but quite possibly his commitment to the city (Memphis) where he functioned as a civil servant for a substantial portion of his life," Hooker said.

He also argued that there is a serious danger to removing the name and changing it to something trivial such as "Lakeside park" because it doesn't have the same historical significance that the name Jefferson Davis does.

"From a Hegelian perspective, these men are products of

their time," Hooker said. "Although it does not absolve the evil intentions or consequences of historical figures, neither does changing the name of any park.

"With the right historical awareness, that name doesn't have to be a message to perpetuate slavery but rather could bring awareness to America's past which is both glorious and depraved at times."

Hooker presented his argument to the judges and won them over.

He said that for all of their cases, the team took the approach of trying to make a conversation about ethics instead of preparing specific constructive arguments.

"We knew that the Ethics Bowl's intention was not to determine a victor or a loser, it's more about the exploration into the unknown, murky waters, of contemporary ethical dilemmas," Hooker said. "We wanted to reflect that in our preparation. I think that came through on stage in the form of an organic, spontaneous, informal conversation that facilitated a number of ideas."

However, Bennett said they faced some preparation obstacles, the biggest of which was funding their trip to Florida.

The team received \$4,000 from the student government, the Academic Enrichment Fund, College of Arts and Sciences, the Davidson Honors

College and the department of philosophy.

"We appreciate the help from the donors. They were invaluable in getting us there," Hooker said. "We got legitimately impassioned over these issues — every one of them — and even though we had huge disagreements, at the end of the day the competition was about both perspectives and the merit of each."

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MONTANA

Police halt man carrying bison heart to governor

Associated Press

A Blackfoot tribal member carrying a bison heart in a plastic bag in protest of an Idaho tribe's hunt of pregnant bison was stopped outside Gov. Steve Bullock's office in the Montana Capitol.

Police on Tuesday turned away James St. Goddard in the hallway outside the office of the governor, who was not there at the time.

However, police and governor's officials did allow St. Goddard to bring the heart into a meeting with the governor's Office of Indian Affairs director, Jason Smith. St. Goddard, a spiritual leader of the Blackfoot Confederacy, then performed a ceremony with the heart and burning sweet grass on the Capitol steps.

The Blackfoot Confederacy comprises several Blackfoot tribes in Canada and the tribe in northwestern Montana.

St. Goddard said he was pro-

testing the Nez Perce tribe's hunt of bison outside Yellowstone National Park. Hunting bison this time of year, when females are carrying fully developed fetuses, violates the Blackfoot and other tribes' reverence for the animals, he said.

"It's a standard thing with the buffalo that you don't do this at this time of year," St. Goddard said. He said he took the heart from a carcass left in the Gardiner area by the Nez Perce.

Nez Perce Chairman Silas Whitman on Wednesday acknowledged the tribe probably is remiss in taking animals with formed fetuses, but stringent regulations keep the hunters out of Yellowstone. That requires hunters to be opportunistic in harvesting those bison that cross into Montana, and does not allow them to target only non-pregnant animals.

"When you spend hundreds of dollars on this trip, you want to


bring meat back to your table and your families," Whitman said. "It's not our choice. We'd like to change that policy."

He called St. Goddard's actions outrageous and said the Blackfoot Confederacy was attempting to cast a negative light on the Nez Perce.

"We're not going to bend to the will of our enemies to stop hunting just because they say so," Whitman said.

Many of those bison that wander out of the park would be headed to slaughter anyway over ranchers' concerns about brucellosis, a disease that causes animals to abort their young, he said.

There is no specific state law prohibiting animal parts from the Capitol, though the Department of Administration oversees security in the building, which includes police and the governor's security detail.



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BASKETBALL

Former Griz Cherry charges into the NBA D-League

Jesse Flickinger
Montana Kaimin

While the Montana Grizzlies are gearing up to make a run at their third-straight Big Sky Championship, a former Griz is working on making his professional basketball dream come true.

Will Cherry signed with the NBA Developmental League's Canton Charge on Feb. 13. The Charge are the D-League affiliate for the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Cherry is only six games into his Charge career, but he's already turning heads.

Cherry has scored 15 points or more in four of his first six games. He's averaging 11.2 points, 3.3 rebounds and 2.2 assists per game.

"Now that I'm out here and doing well in Canton, I'm positive that greater things are going to happen these next couple of months," Cherry said.

Cherry transitioned to the D-League after a foot injury hampered his progress for most of the last year.

As a senior, Cherry fought through the pain of a fractured foot to return to the court for Montana, leading the team to its third Big Sky Conference Championship in four years.

Jordan Gregory, a junior guard who played with Cherry for two years, said Cherry's character wouldn't allow him to take a medical redshirt.

"He demanded excellence," Gregory said. "He was not one to sit out games, even when he wasn't 100 percent. He made sure we won that championship."

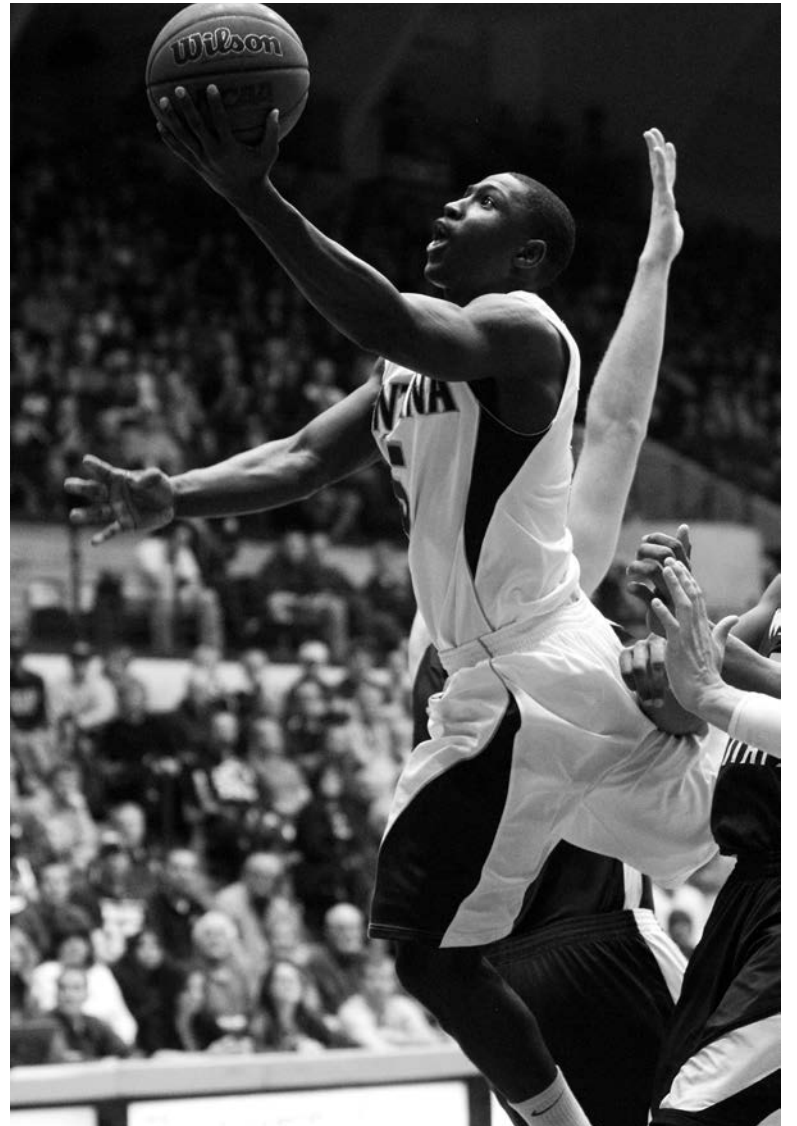
After graduating last spring, Cherry participated in the NBA's Summer League with the New Orleans Pelicans.

The problem was he still had a busted foot.

"As far as game experience, it wasn't a good experience," Cherry said. "I didn't play a lot. But I really couldn't complain too much at the time because my foot was still broken."

Cherry finished his summer with little interest from teams because of his injury. In August, he received surgery to put a screw in his foot and began rehab.

While rehabilitating, Cherry assisted in making one of the best-selling videogames of the



Tommy Martino/Montana Kaimin

Former Griz guard Will Cherry springs for a layup during a game against Weber State last season. Cherry recently signed with the Canton Charge.

last few years and a personal favorite of his.

Cherry helped do motion capture work for the NBA 2K video game series. Cherry jumped at the chance when contacted by a company representative for 2K Games.

"I've put some holes in the wall over 2K," Cherry said. "I've had friendships almost end. It get nuts man, just nuts. I love that game."

Cherry donned a state-of-the-art and skin-tight motion capture suit to help improve player movements in the game. Almost 200 cameras tracked his play.

Though he'd fulfilled his dream of being on the virtual court, the physical one eluded him.

Teams didn't want to take a chance on Cherry because of his injury-riddled senior year and lack of court time in the summer league.

"My foot never healed," Cherry said. "That was the issue. In retrospect I shouldn't have been playing last year. I should actually be in Missoula

right now."

Cherry's timetable for recovery required him to miss the first exodus of players going overseas. In December and January, he missed the next.

Teams weren't looking for rookie guards anymore. They wanted veterans. Cherry was forced to look at the NBA Developmental League.

The league functions as the official minor league for the NBA. This allows NBA teams to call up players at any time to fill in and play in the professional league.

The drawback is Developmental League players don't make much compared to those overseas. The average D-League salary is \$17,300, in contrast to the six and seven figure contracts players can get overseas.

This initially put it way down on Cherry's list of attractive destinations.

"The D-League was always a last resort for me because of the money situation," Cherry said. "But when it came down

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BASKETBALL

Third-place Griz fight for playoff position

Sam Waldorf
Montana Kaimin

After taking care of business at home, Montana only needs one win to make the postseason.

"We're still playing for our lives," junior guard Jordan Gregory said. "We're still playing for a chance to get to the postseason."

The Grizzlies defended their home court, winning four straight games at Dahlberg Arena.

On Thursday, Montana (16-11, 11-7 Big Sky Conference) will travel to California to face Sacramento State (13-14, 9-9) before heading to Flagstaff, Ariz., to play Northern Arizona.

Eight teams are still battling for the final five playoff spots. Montana sits in third place after beating Montana State 53-50 Monday night.

Even with an inefficient offensive attack against the Bobcats, Montana prevailed.

Senior forward Kareem Jamar was held scoreless in the first half, but he managed to score eight points in the second.

With just over a minute remaining, Jamar found teammate Mike Weisner in the corner for a 3-pointer that sealed the game.

Gregory, who scored 13 points in the win over the Bobcats, said being in close games prepares the team for tournament time.

"They are not pretty, but we are finding ways to win," Gregory said.

One of the ways to win on

the road is to outwork the other team, Gregory said.

In Montana's last matchup against Sacramento State, an 82-70 victory in Missoula on Jan. 4, a potent Grizzly offensive shined.

Montana shot 58 percent from the field, and four players scored in double digits.

Gregory said head coach Wayne Tinkle has stressed the importance of driving the ball to the basket and taking advantage of the new "hand-check" rule.

"When they close us out at the 3-point line, it gives us opportunities to finish at the rim or make plays for a teammate," Gregory said.

Scoring points in the paint will be necessary, as Sacramento State ranks first in the BSC in 3-point defense.

On defense, the Griz will need to slow down both Mikh McKinney, who averages 16.5 points per game, and Dylan Garrity.

In the teams' last game, Montana was able to limit McKinney and Garrity to a total of 20 points.

Northern Arizona trails Montana by only one game in the standings, and snapped the Grizzlies' 31-game conference winning streak at home with a 73-65 win back on Jan. 2.

Gregory said that game was a wake up call.

"I don't think as a team we were very dialed in," Gregory said. "That's definitely a different game, we're definitely a different team."

Northern Arizona shot 7-for-11 from 3-point range.



Kelsey Wardwell/Montana Kaimin

Junior forward Chris Kemp makes a layup during Monday night's 53-50 win over the Montana State Bobcats at Dahlberg Arena.

Three players — Max Jacobsen, Aaseem Dixon and Quinton Upshur — scored 62 of the Lumberjacks' 73 points.

Kareem Jamar scored 21 and Gregory added 17 for Montana.

Junior guard Keron DeShields said the team needs to

keep a winning attitude even if they are tired mentally and physically.

"If we practice good, we play good," DeShields said. "It's March now, every game matters."

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to it, I had to pull the trigger on the D-League because I needed to get some professional experience."

It did offer one thing though: the quickest and most direct way to the NBA.

Thirty percent of current NBA players have participated in the D-League in their career. Twenty-nine players have been called up to the NBA this season alone.

Though the Canton Charge are the Cleveland Cavalier's NBA affiliate, their players can be called up by any NBA team if the Cavaliers don't possess their draft rights.

All D-League games are broadcasted live and archived on YouTube, making it easy for former teammates and coaches to check in on Cherry.

Montana assistant coach Jonathan Metzger-Jones said he enjoys watching Cherry play for the Charge.

"I watch all of his games," Jones said. "It's fun seeing him play at that level and to see him compete against guys that are just a step under the NBA."

Jones believes that Cherry's defense will help him succeed at the next level.

"He's always been a real competitive kid and that shows itself defensively," Jones said. "He almost takes it personal when someone scores on him."

After the season, Cherry will play in the NBA Summer League to attract offers.

For now, Cherry is making the best of his D-League opportunity.

"A lot of people just wanted to see if I got healthy," Cherry said. "Now that I'm able to show that, the sky's the limit for me. I just got to keep working."

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on policy than argument.”

For example, the younger generation of politicians realize that the issue of energy is not as black and white as many older politicians make it, Hopkins said.

“I think that’s ridiculously stupid,” he said. “You can have a smarter conversation and be able to find a balance.”

Hopkins will face a Democratic opponent from UM in his race. Doug Coffin, who holds a seat in the House, is trying to make the switch to the Senate.

Coffin, a professor in the department of pharmaceutical sciences, said his decision to run for the Senate is a product of redistricting, a process that takes place every 10 years to reassign the boundaries of legislative districts based on census population counts. The state redrew the lines in 2013, and although the new legislative map moved his district out of the University area, it also opened up a Senate seat in Missoula.

“If I was going to have a big, open, new district to run for, why not?” he said. “There was no one in it that I would have to bump out

of compete with, so I decided to go for it.”

Coffin, a former president of the University Faculty Association, said he recognizes that although some candidates in the running may be young, many of them know as much about politics as he does.

The rest of the learning comes with experience, he said.

“I would say the one thing is to stay as genuine as you can. Be yourself and don’t try to drift off into political doldrums, because it is very easy when you get into politics to lose your moorings a little bit,” he said.

Though Coffin has legislative experience, Brown and Hopkins both have learned a lot in their time with ASUM, they said.

“ASUM was an incredible, intense experience. It exposed me to the University and the university system administration, state leaders, the governor’s office, a huge network of alumni, stakeholders,” Brown said.

He said that along with advocating for political initiatives, Brown also worked with the Montana University System lobbying team on bills related to higher education during the last legislative session.

Brown said he is passionate

about education, energy efficiency, women’s rights and, one that hits close to home, small business.

“My family owns a small business and has for 30 years in downtown Bozeman: a picture printing business and art gallery,” he said. “My brother owns a stone masonry business in Bozeman as well. And so supporting small business is a really important part of my platform.”

A public administration major, Hopkins said he wasn’t originally interested in politics and disliked the way the University spent its money. Through his classes, he was inspired to join ASUM, where he further developed a passion for politics.

Hopkins said he plans to strive to provide more access to students and find ways to stimulate Montana’s economy, he said.

Student health care is an issue that Hopkins has plans for, by creating an in-house student insurance pool initially funded through the state, he said.

“After the program gets going, what it would hopefully do is give students much lower premiums across the board,” Hopkins said.

Coffin, who has been an educator and a research scientist for 30 years, said one of his top priorities in office is education. He said he believes the higher education system is broken because it is not well funded.

“There is a generational betrayal where my generation got 75 percent of their education paid for, and we aren’t doing it for our children,” he said. “I think the baby boomers ought to be ashamed of themselves for what they are doing.”

Coffin said he believes the young generation deserves the same opportunities that he had, and taxes need to be paid in order for money to be allocated for education.

“I will fight for that until I die,” he said.

The next step for the candidates is the June 3 primary and Nov. 4 general election. The legislative session begins Jan. 5, 2015.

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Holian said the center has done OK in terms of its research productivity, but it’s had to work harder and smarter.

The center aims to better understand the impacts of the environment on people’s health. Recently, it’s focused heavily on identifying gaps in knowledge that prevent improvement of human health.

“I think the scientists here are very aware of that, and that’s why our funding is improving at a time when it’s becoming really challenging,” Holian said.

Reflecting results of the chronicle’s survey, the center has had to cut graduate students.

Holian said he hopes to bring in three or four graduate students each fall, which should keep around 16 to 20 people in the program, providing an optimal number for collaboration and support.

In 2012, the center couldn’t add a single graduate student. Last fall, it only brought in one.

“We absolutely have to bring in four or five graduate students. We have to,” Holian said.

Holian said he’s not sure if the funding will be there, but with a few, potential, grants he hopes to land this spring, he’ll need the work force to produce good work.

The graduate students who are moving the way through his program do not reflect some of the findings of the Chronicle’s survey. The Chronicle reported that some graduating researchers were looking for jobs overseas because they couldn’t find good jobs here. Holian said his students have job opportuni-

ties at state, federal and private agencies because of the diversity of their work.

Alexander Metcalf, a research assistant professor in the College of Forestry and Conservation, said job opportunities for graduates are declining but not disappearing.

Metcalf graduated recently and has been working at UM for about a year. Upon graduation, he received two offers, one from UM and one from the University of Vermont. Like the students in Holian’s lab, Metcalf’s broad research interests have given him a variety of opportunities for funding.

He now works closely with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks on the social dimensions of natural resource policy. For instance, how policy is formed, how community and private land owners make decisions and how communities and landowners perceive the potential risk of a wildfire.

His focus on applied research — showing a strong link between the work and how it is going to be used — is helpful in the current competitive environment, “which isn’t always appropriate for all types of research, but it happens to be the political world we live in right now,” Metcalf said.

Researchers also have to put more thought into their proposals because of the competition for dollars. But while flexibility is essential to find funding, Metcalf said he doesn’t know anyone who has had to drop a central focus of their research just to find a grant.

“I don’t think people abandon their interests to pursue funding,” Metcalf said.

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