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CAMPUS

Spirit animal resolution prompts discussion

Michael Wright
Montana Kaimin

A recent ASUM response to claims of institutional racism drew criticism from students and faculty over the last week.

A week ago, ASUM passed a resolution that said “ASUM will no longer ask the question of ‘spirit animals’ during ASUM meetings,” in response to complaints from a Native American student group, prompting a heated Facebook debate and questions of whether a student government can limit speech at its meetings.

Because ASUM serves as an educational and governing body, they have some liberty to limit speech at their meetings, said Anthony Johnstone, a constitutional law professor at UM’s law school.

“An ASUM meeting is not an absolute free speech zone,” Johnstone said. “The government can impose rules so that it runs effectively.”

That means ASUM can make rules that allow it to set and carry out an agenda, which the resolution is presumably aimed toward. The resolution specifically addresses the speech of members of the senate.

Johnstone noted the measure doesn’t limit the speech of guest speakers or public commenters at the meetings, which would require a more careful examination of those peoples’ free speech rights.

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COURT

State University System fears losing federal funding over Krakauer case

Jessie Mazur
Montana Kaimin

An ongoing legal battle over the release of University Court documents regarding Montana quarterback Jordan Johnson could have major financial consequences for students.

The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) said releasing the records would violate a federal privacy law, with a maximum consequence of revoking all federal funding from the Montana University System.

In March, author and investigative journalist Jon Krakauer petitioned Montana Com-

missioner of Higher Education Clayton Christian to release documents from a student code of conduct hearing involving rape allegations against Johnson.

On Sept. 25, Helena District Court judge Kathy Seeley ordered Christian to release the documents. She cited Montana’s Right-to-Know law, which states “every citizen has a right to inspect and take a copy of any public writings of this state”

Upon recommendation of the DOE, Christian did not release the documents. He filed with the Montana Supreme

Court to appeal Seeley’s ruling.

The DOE said releasing the documents would violate the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, which protects students’ educational documents, said Communications Representative for the commissioner’s office Kevin McRae.

“One of the penalties (of violating FERPA) includes loss of all federal funds, the largest source of funding in the Montana University System,” he said.

Out of the 16 public schools in the Montana University System, over 19,000 students received almost \$73.5 million in

federally-funded Pell grants for the 2012-2013 school year alone. That doesn’t include federally-funded loans, work-study or research and program grants.

“The DOE is aware of the Helena district court order, but still advises us we are prohibited by federal law to release documents such as those requested by the author,” McRae said.

McRae explained Montana District Courts and even the Montana State Supreme Court does not have authority to overturn FERPA. Right-to-Know is a

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FEATURE PHOTO



Bethany Blitz/Montana Kaimin

Colin May (left) and Yomi Kleinmann (right) move hay barrels to insulate a chicken coop during the last day of the fall PEAS Farm internship Wednesday. The Program in Ecological Agriculture and Society (PEAS) Farm is an urban, organic farm located in the Rattlesnake Valley that combines education and hands-on work.



ADVENTURES IN DISCOMFORT

How discomfort made waves

By Caitlin Piserchia

In celebration of "Archives Month," I bring you a historical, local example of discomfort gone right.

In 2009, UM cut ties with Russell Athletics for labor rights violations. Russell shut down a factory after workers unionized, and it refused to pay the workers what it owed. This is exactly what UM's vendor Code of Conduct is for. UM's official policy is to do business with companies that don't abuse human rights.

VP of Integrated Communications Peggy Kuhr told me UM does have a mechanism for determining labor violations, but as far as I was able to find out, UM hasn't cut ties with any company over labor violations without students specifically pushing for it.

The student group Students for Economic and Social Justice (SESJ) has been protesting UM's complicity in international labor rights violations since 2006, and they achieved the Russell victory after months of campaigning. After over 100 universities cut their contracts, Russell opened a new factory and hired back all of the unionized workers it fired. Later, in 2012, SESJ students persuaded UM to drop ties with Adidas for similar violations, and Adidas also finally paid its workers.

UM students made real change, but it took persistence and strength.

Ketti Wilhelm, one of the students campaigning against UM's Adidas ties, attended multiple meetings with administrators about the contract. She told me that Kuhr and President Engstrom were very polite about it. "They agreed it was awful but said they couldn't or wouldn't do anything about it," Wilhelm said.

Her first instinct was to back out and leave them alone, but she stuck it out. At the October 2012 meeting, before UM committed to drop ties with Adidas, Wilhelm completely "shut down B.S. excuses," according to fellow SESJ member John Stuker. Her willingness to be confrontational ultimately pushed the administrators into action.

Wilhelm, Stuker and Kelsey McMullen, a UM senior involved in the Russell campaign, agreed meetings with administrators were intimidating. They were intimidating enough that passionate students with a strong case were inclined to back down and say, "OK, you're right. Let's not cause waves."

Wilhelm said she didn't think administrators wanted to do wrong by students, but "they just never seemed to want to go out and make the effort to do things right without someone harassing them first."

When I asked if it was true that the administration was resistant to cutting the Adidas agreement, Kuhr said, "we want to hear concerns and the reasoning behind them." She also said student interest in the Adidas case was "of great benefit."

I don't doubt there was resistance to begin with. Humans have a natural tendency to maintain the status quo. It's inconvenient to change. There's a reason that "agitation" is a synonym for activism.

Thriving communities are built on conflict and debate, incorporating diverse viewpoints and new information into decisions. It's uncomfortable to challenge each other to do better. It's uncomfortable to stand up to administrators with years of experience in their job, to wade through indirect answers and politeness aimed at getting students to back down. And student pressure is, in turn, uncomfortable for administrators.

UM has a lot of room to grow, and this conflict is the heart of change.

SESJ students would not have been successful if they had too much empathy for administrators' discomfort. As students, we need to own our voice.

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FOURTH AND 26

Hanging it up (for now)

By Jesse Flickinger

There was no doubt he was coming down with it.

Montana quarterback Jordan Johnson delivered a perfect ball on 4th and 2 against North Dakota earlier this season. Griz wide receiver Ellis Henderson would have to give it a strong chase to come down with it in bounds.

It was the kind of throw that would result in some punishment, but Henderson snagged it anyway, enduring a painful encounter headfirst into a sideline wall that made Deadspin later in the day because of its brutality.

It was the kind of play that let you know just how much the game meant to Henderson — that he was willing to sacrifice his body for just two yards.

But all that ended last Sunday. The body that Henderson was willing to give up for the team decided to give up on him.

Henderson left the team due to what's being called a bacterial infection in his stomach (gastroenteritis) that's cost him most of this year.

He's appeared in five games this season for Montana in very limited fashion, catching just 12 passes for 110 yards, and fought mightily just to accomplish that.

See, Henderson's biggest enemy hasn't been an opposing Big Sky defense. It's been his body.

This mystery virus or illness which he's not been ready to fully disclose yet has sucked the game from his talented and willing shell. And it's a damn shame; he was already climbing Montana's record books as a sophomore.

Henderson put up 1008 yards and came down with 14 touchdowns in his All-Big Sky campaign. With his signature quick burst off the line and lateral speed, Henderson had no problem getting open.

He would likely have had a monster year and been a big shot in the arm to Montana's offense this year, but it wasn't to be.

The thing that gets me is this is too soon. Athletes' bodies typically fail them when they're on the way out, not the way in.

Kobe Bryant, now 36, recently fell to No. 40 on an ESPN NBA player's rating poll because of it. Steve Nash hasn't looked the same since being

in Phoenix. Then there's freak phenomenons like Peyton Manning, who's currently assaulting the NFL record books.

Henderson is only 22.

Last week, after coming down with a touchdown on a Sportscenter-worthy grab off a UC Davis defender's back, Griz wide receiver Jamaal Jones said he was just trying to do his best Ellis Henderson impersonation.

Henderson's presence is inseparable from the team, and the loss means more than just losing an offensive weapon.

Jones said just as much about Henderson, seeing first hand how hard the battle has been on his roommate.

"He'll get better and he's back where he needs to be in my opinion," Jones said. "We'll be here when he needs us."

I'm sure Henderson knows that as he works on getting better back home in Portland, but it'll be tough seeing the Griz make another run without No. 7 streaking down the field on Saturdays. Get healthy, Ellis.

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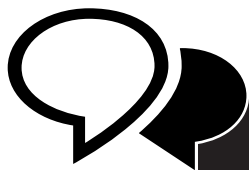
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STUDENT GOVERNMENT



ASUM weekly review

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Michael Wright
Montana Kaimin

The student government left the University Center earlier than most Wednesdays this year.

ASUM tabled two resolutions tonight, one amending fiscal policy and another imposing time limits on senators during their time to comment on whatever they please at the end of the regular meeting.

The latter resolution suggested limiting the speaking time to less than two minutes per person before 11 p.m., and 30 seconds after that time.

President Asa Hohman said senators are speaking less than two minutes per person on average anyway.

"So this resolution, in a sense, does absolutely nothing," Hohman said, adding a similar resolution seems to come up every year.

Sen. Danielle Sewell wrote the resolution because she was frustrated with how late the meetings have run so far this year.

"My goal with this resolution was to make comments go quicker," Sewell said.

Many senators disagreed with Sewell, saying they felt that part of the meeting was important.

Sen. Nico Heimlich-Bowler said she tends to use the time for talking about student groups she's involved in, and she didn't think a written time limit was necessary.

"I kind of feel like it's implied that we should all be as concise as possible," she said. "I don't think that we need to set a time limit."

Sen. Betsy Story said the section of the meeting was important for the senators' free speech rights, since during the meeting the executives are able to decide

who gets to speak.

"They are a fail safe against the chair," she said.

Still, others supported the resolution because they were frustrated with how senators had started using the time to talk about their own lives.

Senators and executives used the time to vent, talk about their personal lives and essentially anything else.

Sen. Adam Busch said he doesn't generally speak during that section of the meeting and he doesn't care to listen much to others, though he understands why they might want to comment.

"I, however, feel like a captive for 45 minutes while you guys ramble on about nonsensical stuff that I really don't care about," Busch said to considerable laughter.

Others said ASUM is a commitment and that senators should be ready to sit through the whole meeting.

"I think if you're really concerned about time," Sen. Cody Meixner said, "then you should maybe really evaluate your commitments."

The resolution was tabled indefinitely.

Meixner also spoke about a letter he wrote to anyone who was offended by the practice of asking people what their spirit animal was. The issue boiled over two weeks ago when members of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society said it was offensive.

In the letter, he wrote that he was sorry and mentioned several different cultures with sacred meanings for animals.

He asked for other interested senators to sign the letter with him, but the letter is not an official apology from ASUM.

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- ASUM tabled two resolutions, one dealing with how it handles travel money, and one that would limit speaking time for senators during the meeting's comments section.
- ASUM will look at rebranding itself, which some noted might cost hundreds of thousands of dollars because they'd have to change their logo on everything they have.

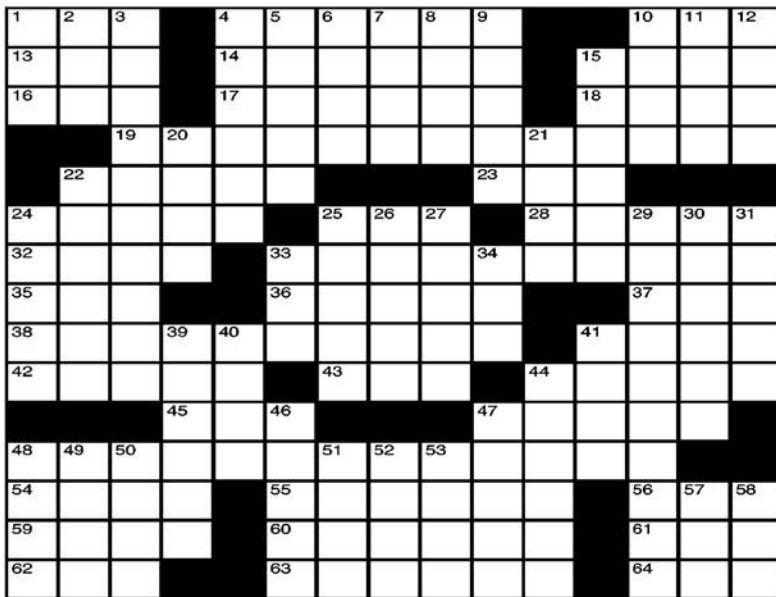
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Bodybuilder's pride
- 4 "Wizards of Waverly Place" actress Gomez
- 10 Like crudité
- 13 Helpful URL link
- 14 Literary postscript
- 15 Townshend of 22-Down
- 16 Cross-shaped letter
- 17 Forecast words golfers like to hear
- 18 Glade target
- 19 Poet friend of Jonathan Swift
- 22 Frequent Hepburn co-star
- 23 Take a load off
- 24 ___ rhythm: brain waves pattern
- 25 Old-style "For shame!"
- 28 Soothing sprinklings
- 32 Rink VIPs
- 33 Kipling story collection, with "The"
- 35 Iconic WWII setting, familiarly
- 36 Missouri tributary
- 37 Garden product word
- 38 "Poetry Man" singer
- 41 Water-to-wine site
- 42 ___ voce: softly
- 43 Longing
- 44 Gourmet mushroom
- 45 Storage media
- 47 Theorize
- 48 Title phrase that rhymes with "he lightly doffed his hat"
- 54 Leave off
- 55 Hummus ingredient
- 56 "Run to ___": Bobby Vee hit
- 59 Galvanizing metal
- 60 Like many Schoenberg compositions
- 61 Possible reply to "Got milk??"
- 62 Shout of success
- 63 Seuss reptile
- 64 Classroom fill-in



By Gareth Bain

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DOWN

- 1 Not fore
- 2 Ewe cry
- 3 Storage unit?
- 4 Iroquois Confederacy tribe
- 5 Powerful adhesive
- 6 Turkish bread?
- 7 Gusto
- 8 Reason to be turned away by a bouncer
- 9 Patron saint of girls
- 10 Edit menu choice
- 11 Straddling
- 12 "While ___ Young": USGA anti-slow play campaign
- 15 Can convenience
- 20 Bodybuilder's pride
- 21 Religious ceremony
- 22 "Pinball Wizard" band
- 24 Vacation plans
- 25 Picky
- 26 Lacking sense
- 27 Encourage
- 29 Shortcuts for complex multiplication
- 30 Trumpet cousin

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



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- 31 Toaster's word
- 33 Beanery cuppa
- 34 "Ben-Hur" author Wallace
- 39 "... and all that jazz," for short
- 40 Fullness of flavor
- 41 ___ Nostra
- 44 Vehicular attachment for the ends of 19-, 33-, 38- and 48-Across
- 46 Skewered Thai dish
- 47 Serving to punish
- 48 Like a warm nest
- 49 Nice lady friend
- 50 Confession details
- 51 London gallery
- 52 Superhero with a hammer
- 53 Help for a solver
- 57 Letters of credit?
- 58 Group gone wild

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(ALMOST) GREEK LIFE

New kids on the block

Pi Kappa Alpha recruits 50 members, here to stay

Eric Barker

For the Montana Kaimin

A fraternity that tried to get recognized six years ago is back at the University of Montana and has already recruited over 50 members.

Pi Kappa Alpha (Pike) was present at UM previously, but never became chartered.

Matthew Dimitrijevic, vice president of Pike, said this was because membership was too

low and they were not a grandfather fraternity to the school.

Caitlin Parker, fraternity and sorority supervisor at UM, said it's going to take Pike around 12-16 months to become an official chapter of the fraternity.

"They have the next year or so to get everything in order, make sure they can keep all their members, kind of create a name for themselves," she said.

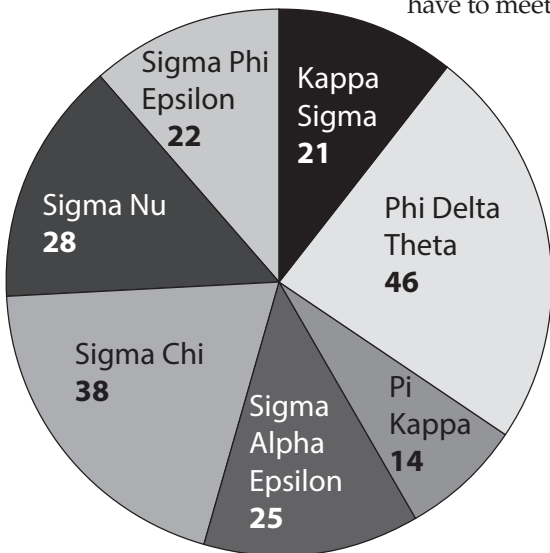
In order for Pike to become a chartered fraternity at UM they have to meet goals set by the national headquarters, such as community service requirements.

After a year at UM they will send an application to headquarters, where every Pike president will vote on whether they should be chartered.

Pike was not ready to rush this semester and started recruit-



Freshman Dennis Logan and Matthew Dimitrijevic are trying to start a new fraternity at the University of Montana called PIKE.



Total number of UM fraternity members as of spring, 2014, a campus total 194.

ing late. They sent two members from the national headquarters in Tennessee to recruit the initial members.

These members then started recruiting their friends. In the most recent meeting, Pike leaders required all members to bring the name of a potential member to the next meeting.

Dimitrijevic said he was not going to join a fraternity this semester because he didn't know much about Greek life.

"I'm actually from Canada, so we're not very familiar with the Greek system, so it was kind of foreign to me so I wasn't very interested," he said.

Dimitrijevic said when he sat down with Pike's recruitment team he really liked Pike's values.

"We call it SLAG, scholars, leaders, athletes and gentleman," he said. "All those are Pike; you are a Pike if you contribute to one of those."

Members of Pike have to go through a series of interviews to get a bid to pledge the fraternity.

Pike Historian and Chartering Chairman Dennis Logan said the first step of Pike's inter-

viewing process is to see if the person is fit to become a Pike.

"They have the next year or so to get everything in order ... kind of make a name for themselves."

Caitlin Parker
Greek supervisor

"Their first point that they're looking for is gentleman," he said. "They want to kind of ask some questions, find out more about you."

Before making the final decision, Logan said potential

members are then allowed to ask questions, like what the time commitment or cost requirements might be.

Like many of the other fraternities at UM, Pike is unable to get an official house in the University District due to a Missoula city ordinance not allowing them "social housing" in the area.

Parker said she would like to see the ordinance overturned.

"The positive thing about a fraternity or sorority — you know, a social group living in a house — is they have rules and regulations that they have to follow," she said.

Pike's first big event is a blood drive, which will be held on the Oval on Nov. 18.

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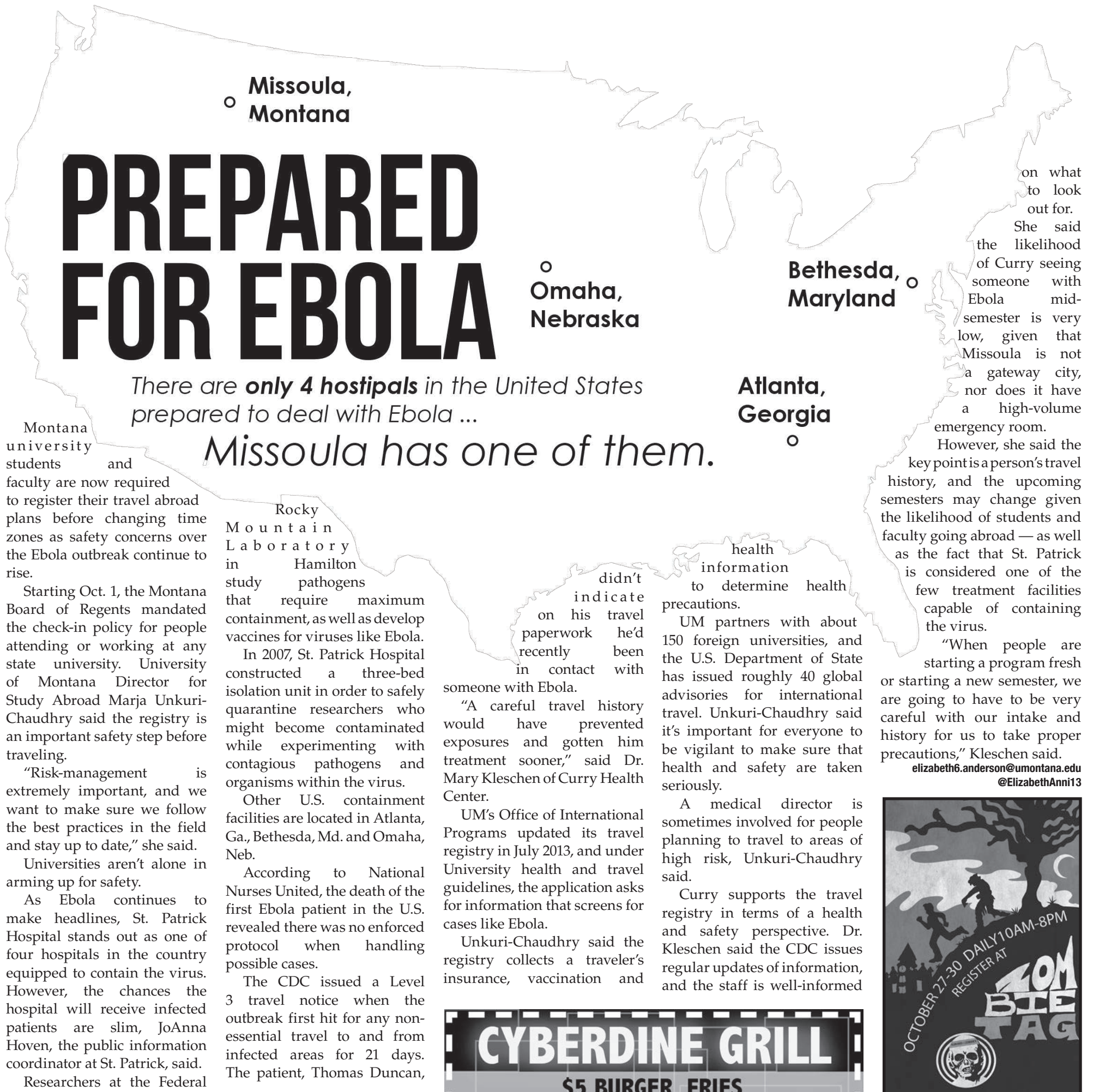
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WORLD HEALTH

Students required to register plans abroad

University tightens travel safety requirements, Montana unlikely to take Ebola patients

Story by Elizabeth Anderson
Graphic by James Alan Rolph



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There are **only 4 hospitals** in the United States prepared to deal with Ebola ... **Missoula has one of them.**

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Rocky Mountain Laboratory in Hamilton

Montana university students and faculty are now required to register their travel abroad plans before changing time zones as safety concerns over the Ebola outbreak continue to rise.

Starting Oct. 1, the Montana Board of Regents mandated the check-in policy for people attending or working at any state university. University of Montana Director for Study Abroad Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry said the registry is an important safety step before traveling.

"Risk-management is extremely important, and we want to make sure we follow the best practices in the field and stay up to date," she said.

Universities aren't alone in arming up for safety. As Ebola continues to make headlines, St. Patrick Hospital stands out as one of four hospitals in the country equipped to contain the virus. However, the chances the hospital will receive infected patients are slim, JoAnna Hoven, the public information coordinator at St. Patrick, said. Researchers at the Federal

on what to look out for. She said the likelihood of Curry seeing someone with Ebola mid-semester is very low, given that Missoula is not a gateway city, nor does it have a high-volume emergency room. However, she said the key point is a person's travel history, and the upcoming semesters may change given the likelihood of students and faculty going abroad — as well as the fact that St. Patrick is considered one of the few treatment facilities capable of containing the virus.

"When people are starting a program fresh or starting a new semester, we are going to have to be very careful with our intake and history for us to take proper precautions," Kleschen said.

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health information to determine health precautions.

UM partners with about 150 foreign universities, and the U.S. Department of State has issued roughly 40 global advisories for international travel. Unkuri-Chaudhry said it's important for everyone to be vigilant to make sure that health and safety are taken seriously.

A medical director is sometimes involved for people planning to travel to areas of high risk, Unkuri-Chaudhry said.

Curry supports the travel registry in terms of a health and safety perspective. Dr. Kleschen said the CDC issues regular updates of information, and the staff is well-informed

didn't indicate on his travel paperwork he'd recently been in contact with someone with Ebola.

"A careful travel history would have prevented exposures and gotten him treatment sooner," said Dr. Mary Kleschen of Curry Health Center.

UM's Office of International Programs updated its travel registry in July 2013, and under University health and travel guidelines, the application asks for information that screens for cases like Ebola.

Unkuri-Chaudhry said the registry collects a traveler's insurance, vaccination and

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BASKETBALL

Mario Dunn: From Bump City to the Big Sky

Joshua Thomas
for the Montana Kaimin

Growing up in the Bay Area, Montana point guard Mario Dunn picked up a steely mentality and brought it with him to the Big Sky Conference.

Starting in 16 of 30 games as a true freshman due to the team's injury problems, Dunn got the opportunity to show off his skillset early.

His quickness, ability to hound ball handlers and intensity is reminiscent of another Oakland-to-Missoula point guard, Will Cherry, now playing in the NBA for the Toronto Raptors.

Dunn rapidly rose through the ranks of the Grizzly basketball program, and going into this season, fans look for him to help carry a heavy load after Kareem Jamar's graduation.

Only a sophomore, it's a lot for an underclassman to carry, but Dunn and his team insist he is ready and getting better by the day — a scary thought for the Big Sky conference, and an absolutely thrilling one for the city of Missoula.

For Dunn, it all started back home in Oakland.

"There are so many kids involved in nonsense out in the streets back home," Dunn said. "For me, basketball was always that outlet. It is something I've always loved and always will love."

At Salesian High School, Dunn

lettered three times, and in his junior year, his team compiled an eye-popping 34-2 record. That same year, the Oakland Soldiers, his AAU team, won the Nike Peach Jam in South Carolina against an Andrew Wiggins-led team.

Dunn started at point guard and was playing with some elite talent, including Orlando Magic rookie Aaron Gordon and Arizona commit Stanley Johnson, who was the No. 3 recruit in the nation last year.

Once he got to Montana, Dunn was needed immediately after the team lost Will Cherry. Now that the Griz have lost arguably their best defender in Keron DeShields to transfer, Dunn's intensity will have to be brought to a new level.

"It's really been a continuous learning process," Dunn said. "I've learned a lot from Jordan Gregory, and Kareem when he was here. You can't replace a guy like Kareem, but I'm going to do my best to bring something new to the table and make the team proud."

Dunn will also have a new coach to answer to this year after Wayne Tinkle left to coach at Oregon State. Coach Travis DeCuire, a former coach at Cal with the Golden Bears, is no stranger to Dunn.

"I got to know Coach DeCuire a little bit at his time at Cal," Dunn said. "He was recruiting one of my best friends at the time. He's played point before and he knows



Annisa Keith/Montana Kaimin

Jordan Gregory, left, and Mario Dunn practice a drill in the West Auxillary Gym on Wednesday. The Maroon and Silver scrimmage will take place on Oct. 29th in Missoula.

what I should be doing to get my teammates involved."

Jordan Gregory, the team's senior point guard and a mentor to Dunn, has watched Dunn develop during his time with the program. He's been pleased with Dunn's growth on and off the court.

"He leads by example," Gregory said. "He doesn't say much but when he does, everyone listens.

He sets the tone for us defensively. He's ready to be one of our leaders this year, so I know when I graduate, he'll take the responsibility and run with it."

Portland Trailblazers star point guard Damian Lillard is also from Oakland and attended Weber State, Montana's Big Sky rival. California's love for the Big Sky helped the conference get on the national radar, and added to

Dunn's motivation to represent his city.

This season will test the Grizzlies, and it'll take a spark like Dunn to help Montana get back to the Big Sky championship. Dunn is committed to helping Montana reach that goal.

"I've worked a lot on my jump shot to help provide more offense," Dunn said. "I've continued to get better defensively by putting in work there. I really want to focus on being a leader, a guy that fans and teammates can depend on and be proud of."

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TENNIS

Griz head to Spokane for fall closer



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Tom Witteveen returns a ball during tennis practice on Wednesday in preparation for the fall closer this coming weekend. The men will be playing in Spokane, Wash., at the Gonzaga Invitational.

Seaborn Larson Montana Kaimin

The University of Montana men's tennis team suits up for the last time until spring on Friday in an exhibition tournament in Spokane, Wash.

Last weekend's tournament in Las Vegas was important. Hosted by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, it was the biggest stage for tennis Montana might see this year.

"Vegas is really the premier tournament in the fall," said Montana head coach Kris Nord. "If you do well there, you get national recognition. It's the strongest tournament we'll play all year if we don't make it to NCAA tourney."

Junior Semion Branzburg finished 2-2 on the weekend, the standout singles performance from the Montana squad. He took the first set 6-2 against BYU opponent David Ball, but lost 6-3 and 6-0 in the next two.

Tomasz Soltyka and Peter Mimmagh-Fleming steam-rolled doubles teams from Washington State and Air Force in 8-3 and 8-7 matches. But the European union broke down in the quarterfinals 8-3 against Denver University.

"My freshman, (Alexandr) Rudenco, he didn't win matches but he competed better and that's what I really needed to see from him," Nord said.

Branzburg said he's excited for the last tournament of the fall season. It's been an exploratory season for him, taking somewhat of a leadership role on a young team and hoping to find the right doubles partner.

"They have some good players, but we want to have our own thing going too, to get some wins in that region" Branzburg said. "It'll be a tough tournament, but we're actually excited for it."

In February, Montana took home its first win of the spring season, going 5-2 against the Bulldogs in Gonzaga's new facility. Branzburg and Tom Witteveen will attempt to be the new combination to help repeat that February matchup where the Griz secured every doubles match.

This weekend will cap what has mostly been spring

preseason analysis for Nord and his coaching staff.

Soltyka and Mimmagh-Fleming snatched the doubles championship from Bozeman 8-7 two weeks ago in Boise. Witteveen, a part of the half-freshmen roster under Nord's magnifying glass, was one of three Montana netters to win their singles matches at the season opener in Bozeman.

One cog in the Griz tennis wheel has been the Soltyka-Mimmagh-Fleming doubles team.

It's the only duo Nord isn't rearranging from the Las Vegas tournament.

Soltyka said it's been a building process, but he and Mimmagh-Fleming built up some consistency heading into Las Vegas.

"We had a lot of confidence going in because we were 8-0 on the season," Soltyka said. "We did well in the first rounds, but they [the Denver team] were very solid, never missed a ball."

It's a strong reminder that, for those who may have forgotten, Nord and the Griz won the program's first Big Sky Conference title just seven months ago.

The roster might not carry the deep veteran experience of last season, but Nord said he's been pleased with what his team accomplished in the three tournament weekends that began in mid-September.

The players that broke into their collegiate careers that weekend, Nord said, ran into a massive learning curve to compete at the Division I level.

"I think the biggest thing is they have a lot better idea of what I'm expecting from them in each match," Nord said. "Not wasting opportunities, but learning those little things about what is your comfort zone in tennis. When we go to these big tournaments, weaknesses get exposed."

The Griz will join a few conference rivals like Idaho State, Eastern Washington and Montana State, as well as the hometown Gonzaga Bulldogs in Spokane on Friday as they await their first round draw.

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KRAKAUER
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state law, but FERPA is a federal law. The commissioner's office could still be in violation of federal law even if it was acting on District Court orders.

Essentially, Christian will not hand over anything to Krakauer until the DOE or a federal court tells him to.

By taking that stance, Christian might find himself in a very tough position according to Krakauer's attorney, Peter Meloy.

Meloy said there is no way the case can make it to a federal level because it's not a federal issue.

"The issue presented is a state law question," Meloy said, adding FERPA does not apply in this case, and the Montana Right-to-Know law takes precedent.

"The Montana Supreme Court and District Court has jurisdiction. If we prevail, then they have to disclose documents," he said.

Contrary to Meloy's prediction, Vivian Hammill, chief legal counsel for the commissioner's office and Christian's attorney, said the case will not stop at the state level. She consulted with the DOE, who she said has been following the case closely.

'The Montana Supreme Court and district court has jurisdiction. If we prevail, then they have to disclose documents.'

Peter Meloy

Krakauer's attorney

It's possible the DOE might get involved and try to take the case to the federal level, said Hammill.

"That is an option, and we

would welcome their joining us in this case," she said.

Either way, it may take years before any questions are answered.

"This is going to have an interesting trail as it winds its way through the various court systems it could possibly end up in, in the next two to three years," Hammill said.

Press Secretary for the DOE Dorie Nolt declined to comment on the case. Other DOE media personnel did not return the Kaimin's calls.

The case boils down to a balance between Montanans' right to information and their right to privacy, McRae said.

"Whatever we do, we want to get it right. If we violate someone's privacy, we can't un-ring that bell," he said. "We can't make a misstep that will jeopardize Montana students receiving of student aid. If it turns out we're supposed to release the records, we will gladly do so."

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ASUM
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As it was written, the resolution passed by ASUM merely backs up the existing authority of the meeting's chair (one of the three executives) to rule a comment dilatory, or irrelevant. Statements ruled dilatory still appear in the meeting minutes.

Both President Asa Hohman and Vice President Sean McQuillan have ruled statements irrelevant at meetings this year.

The senate can override decisions by the chair with a simple majority vote. No motions to do so have succeeded this year, but theoretically the question could be allowed in one of their meetings with a wonky combination of motions and votes.

Hohman doesn't expect that to happen.

"Considering they all voted for that, they'd be pretty hard-pressed," he said, adding the resolution is meant to remind the Senate they aren't asking the question anymore.

That being said, the free speech angle isn't the only criticism of the policy. ASUM resolutions expire at the end of each school year.

Hohman and McQuillan both said that executives look over what passed in the previous year's Senate when they take office, which they expect will stop anyone reviving the tradition of asking the question in the future.

Amending the house rules of ASUM could have actually banned the question on a permanent basis, but Hohman said

he didn't think it would be an appropriate change.

"We thought that was an oddly specific thing to put in house rules," he said.

Ruth Ann Hall Swaney, a co-President of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (the group offended by the mentions of spirit animals at ASUM meetings), said she appreciated the gesture, but isn't completely satisfied.

"I don't know if that was necessarily the best way to do it," she said. "It's kind of like saying, 'I'm sorry for now.'"

She added that she acknowledges it may be the best that ASUM can do, and that the issue shows a need for greater cultural awareness and diversity training at UM.

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Native American film series to play at UM theatre

Courtney Anderson
Montana Kaimin

A film series intended to introduce cultural insights and add dialogue about the Native American presence on campus will show in the University Center Theater tonight.

The drama, "Rhymes for Young Ghouls," is the second of a four-part Native American film series at University of Montana.

Joseph Grady, the coordinator of the film series, said for each of the films they want anyone who's interested, especially students, to enjoy the film and reflect on what it means to be a Native American today.

"We want to take Native American culture back out of the museums and place ourselves in the real world today, because as a Native American person, it's hard to see your culture being treated in the past tense," he said.

After the film, a discussion panel will facilitate conversation to reflect on the movie's themes and address broader questions about culture. Grady said they intend to have a discussion panel for each film in the series.

"It's to also give people permission to say, 'I don't understand,'" he said. "We hope that the dialogue goes from the theater and beyond."

In years past, the film series was hosted by the Native American Studies program or by students. This year, the new coordinators hosted the series in the University Center Theater for the first time.

Theodore Van Alst, Native American Studies assistant professor and the other coordinator, said

he hopes people will discuss the aesthetics of the film as well as the issues it brings up.

"This is a Top Ten selection of the Toronto International Film Festival, and a wonderful opportunity to see a great film," he said, adding he hoped to see a large audience.

Van Alst, the faculty advisor for the Indigenous Filmmakers' Club, said he recruited discussion panelists from the UM student group.

A member of the Indigenous Filmmakers' Club, Justin Ras, said the group didn't help put on the film series this year, but they support the message.

"It's very important that Native Americans are able to share their perspective, and being able to do so helps create an understanding for non-natives – and film is one of the most powerful ways to do that," Ras said.

Grady said he and Van Alst wanted to show movies that expand the taste of many different genres.

He said the film has a unique quality because it's a horror and drama film that takes place on a reservation, and emphasizes the Native American perspective.

By hosting the film series, he said they aim to expose a larger, young audience to Native American stories.

"It's to also let people know that these things exist. Everyone's invited, you don't have to be Native American to watch these movies," Grady said.

"Rhymes for Young Ghouls" will show in the UC Theater on Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m.

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