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Interest earning bill nixed by Senate

By Jeff McDowell
*Kaimin Legislative Reporter*

HELENA—The Senate State Administration Committee last week voted down a bill dealing with interest earnings on certain university system accounts.

The committee's do not pass recommendation on Senate Bill 147 was accepted Monday by the full Senate.

However, Sen. Jack Haffey, D-Anacoda, chairman of the committee and sponsor of the bill, said student governments will continue to receive the interest earnings on their accounts.

The bill would have allowed for interest earned on certain university system and student government accounts in the state Short-Term Investment Pool to be returned to the system and the student governments.

Under present law, such interest earnings must be returned to the state general fund.

Besides affecting student funds, the bill would have allowed the university system to retain the interest on computer service needs charged to campus departments in order to accumulate money for equipment purchases.

The bill also would have been turned over to the state general fund.

The committee's do not pass recommendation was the result of the university system's accounting practices.

Student money is now invested in an agency fund account and the interest earned is paid back to the student government.

However, Haffey said that based on information from the legislative auditor, interest earnings on student money would not be affected if the bill died.

The committee would not have allowed the bill to be turned over to the state general fund.

See 'Senate,' page 8.

Kaimin not responsible for KUPP 'parody' issue

By Bethany R. Redlin
*Kaimin News Editor*

A three-page newspaper parody done on lined paper, photo-copied and inserted in random issues of Tuesday's Kaimin is not the work of the campus paper, Kaimin editor Gary Jahrig said Tuesday.

"The Kaimin and no one on the Kaimin staff has anything to do with this trash," Jahrig said.

The parody, entitled KUPP, contained nude photographs, profanity, a satire of a Kaimin fine arts review, an article alleging homosexuality in the sports department, and crude cartoons, one of which was captioned "Days In the Life of Lil Ronnie Fudgepacker."

At least four copies of KUPP were found stuffed in Kaimin issues that morning. Another issue of KUPP had been distributed in a like manner in early January, he said. The first issue was hand-printed; the second was largely typewritten.

"I think it's pretty spineless for somebody to put something like that out and not to put their name on it," Jahrig said. "And it's even worse for them to put someone else's name on it who never had anything to do with it."

Keith "The Griz" Baer, listed as editor-in-chief in both KUPP issues, said he was not in any way connected with the paper's anonymous authors.

Some of the material contained in KUPP may be libelous, UM journalism professor Bob McGiffert said.

"Although the line between libel and legitimate satire is a fine one, I think some of this material has crossed it, particularly in the use of the names of real people," McGiffert said.

Feel suckered? Lemon law may help

By Liz Deters
*Kaimin Reporter*

A 1984 Jeep Cherokee purchased by a University of Montana student for about $12,000 in May 1984 has been at 4 Seasons Service for repairs 14 times for a total of 52 days.

In an interview Monday, the owner of the jeep, Daniel DeFrank, said, "It's been a real bad experience right from the day I bought it. Sometimes it seems to work and sometimes it doesn't."

DeFrank, who bought the jeep at Flanagan's, a Missoula car dealership, said the expense of the repairs that have been made so far have been covered by the warranty. However, the warranty is now expired and DeFrank still needs repairs done.

Because of the Lemon Law, which was enacted in 1983, the repairs will be taken care of and DeFrank will not have to pay for them.

The Lemon Law states that if the consumer notifies the manufacturer of the defective vehicle while covered by a warranty, the defects must be fixed even if the warranty expires.

Also, if a new motor vehicle is defective and the manufacturer or dealer can't repair it "after a reasonable number of attempts," under the Lemon Law, the vehicle can be replaced or a full refund will be given to the consumer.

When DeFrank asked Flanagan's to exchange his vehicle for another "without factory assistance" and the factory wouldn't provide assistance, the Lemon Law says there have been many different problems with the vehicle but the biggest problem has been that nobody anywhere could tell me what to do, so I just kept going back.

He added that the same things are still wrong with the jeep.

DeFrank said he finally contacted MontPIRG about legal action and they referred him to a lawyer in Helena who told him what to do as far as filing a claim under the Lemon Law.

ASUM Legal Services is now handling the case but DeFrank said "nothing's been filed yet."

C.B. Pearson, executive director of MontPIRG, said the Lemon Law requires the warranty period to be extended and a certified arbitration panel to be established in the state of Montana, he said, adding that the panel would handle the cases instead of the courts.

Pearson said all new cars would have to contain forms telling the owners what to do if the car were a "lemon," who to get hold of and how to have an arbitration panel established.

Also, the person with the "lemon" would be "entitled to a loaner car," Pearson said, and dealers would also be required to put a notification in a car that it was a "lemon" before trying to sell it.

DeFrank said that Flanagan's and 4 Seasons Service have both been "real cooperative" and he had "no complaints" concerning service and the efforts they had made to help him. He said Flanagan's and 4 Seasons Service were flying a technician in from Denver "hopefully to fix it."
Opinion

Get to the back of the bus

Students at the University of Montana are being forced to the back of the bus under the administration of President Neil Bucklew. The valid right of students, as represented by ASUM, to have a voice in policy-making is being thwarted through indifference and a recent staffing shift in Main Hall. Through its failures to cooperate with ASUM in its current lobbying efforts in Helena, and to make itself accessible to students, Main Hall has insulted all of us.

Main Hall, in its current legislative blitz in Helena, has repeatedly failed to acknowledge the role of ASUM and its full-time lobbyists. During its Jan. 16 pitch to the House Long-Range Planning Committee in support of a new Business Administration building, neither ASUM officials nor its lobbyists were requested by Bucklew to testify.

Although ASUM’s official lobbyists are eager to testify for campus requests, Bucklew instead took with him to Helena a busload of hand-picked students to testify. It was not until the morning of the hearing that ASUM received only one phone call from Main Hall in her almost three quarters in office. And that phone call dealt with old business—the new ASUM constitution proposed by her predecessor, David Bolinger.

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Voter registration reform

We’re funny people when it comes to registration. Handguns? By God, over my dead body. Draft? The Selective Service spends enormous sums of money trying to obtain 100 percent compliance. Voting? Missoula County recently threw thousands of registered voters off the roles because they failed to vote in the general election last November. These citizens will have to go through the whole rigamarole over again before they can vote.

Something’s wrong when we fail to make voting as easy as owning a deadly weapon or signing up as cannon fodder. There are, however, two bills before the Montana Legislature to reform voter registration.

Senate Bill 308, introduced by Senator Chet Blaylock (D-Laurel), contains a number of provisions to facilitate voter registration. First, most Montanans are not familiar with the laws governing voter registration. Second, present law requires that the standard voter registration form be accompanied by an explanation of the law.

Second, present law requires that the completed registration form be witnessed by a notary public or a voter registered in the same county. This is a needless formality. The witness is not required to verify the identity of the registrant but merely to “witness the facts stated on the voter registration form.”

Third, present law requires that the registration form be received by the elections office no later than 15 days after it is signed and witnessed. Senator Blaylock’s bill would extend the deadline to thirty days.

Fourth, if a citizen makes a mistake filling out the registration form or if some item is illegible to election workers, after the registration deadline there is no provision made for correcting it. That citizen can’t vote in the election. SB 308 would allow corrections to registration forms right up until election day.

Finally, if for some reason or another a citizen doesn’t vote in a general election, his or her registration is cancelled without any other notice than a general newspaper ad stating that voter registrations are being cancelled. SB 308 would require that individual notice be sent to citizens who failed to vote in a general election.

The reforms grow out of the frustrations that students encountered last fall as part of the National Student Voter Registration Drive. MontPIRG deserves credit for its hard work on these proposals.

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Ends of the rainbow

EDITOR: As a Central Board candidate of the Rainbow Coalition during this year's election, I would like to address the following issues:

Contrary to what has been said of the coalition, we are in no way a coalition representing minority groups on campus. On the contrary, we are a coalition of concerned students representing a cross-section of the campus community.

Our aims and goals are to best represent every member of the University — give every student in the ASUM a fair and just representation within the student government. We in the coalition wish in no way to demean the present CB, but would only like to offer an alternative voice for the students on campus.

This is the essence which makes representative government beautiful and vital. Our goal is to inspire the entire ASUM body into taking an active and informed role during this campaign. After all, it is the duty of every student to know his/her candidates as it is the duty of every candidate to know the needs of every student. I hope this letter clarifies the Rainbow Coalition's position during this election campaign.

Please vote!

James E. "Jacob" Jacobson, Sophomore, Political Science

Becoming a star

ASUM Programming is offering a chance for students to become involved with the selecting, booking and production of the Spring Film Series. This is also an opportunity for students interested in ASUM Programming positions to become acquainted with ASUM Programming's office procedures and ASUM Programming.

There will be an organizational meeting Wednesday, Feb. 13, at noon, in the University Center Conference room. Interested students should contact Melissa Smith at ASUM Programming, UC 104, 243-6661.

MONTANA KAIMIN EXPRESSING 87 YEARS OF EDITORIAL FREEDOM

EDITOR: Every year at the Forester's Ball, a relatively few people do a hell of a lot of work for a good cause. Also every year, a relatively few people who do nothing at all sit back on their haunches and criticize what's been accomplished.

If Miss Prude Jude wanted to be involved, she could have come to the meetings and voted for the poster just like everyone else (both male and female). Jude Danielson had from September until January to express her opinions at the bi-weekly ball meetings.

Sorry Jude, it's too late to complain now.

Jim McCormack, Senior, Forestry

Get serious

EDITOR: Geeza, if everyone who is "always at meetings on time" was rewarded with a half story in the Kaizen, you boys (and girls) would have to sell a heckava lot of ads.

Why the special notoriety for Keith "The Griz"? What has Keith done to earn the respect or admiration of his UM peers?

Why not write a profile on the two ASUM Lobbyists working their tail ends off to make sure we don't have to hold a bake sale to keep UM in the money? Why not a profile on some of the disabled students braving the winter weather and ice skating across the campus in an attempt to go to school? Why not some indepth reporting on the whole controversy surrounding the UTU or more information on ASUM budgeting?

Ann Tracy, Senior, Biology

The Kaizen welcomes expressions of all views from readers. Letters should be no more than 500 words. All letters are subject to editing and condensation. They must include signature, mailing address, telephone number and students' year and major. Anonymous letters and pseudonyms will not be accepted. Because of the volume of letters received, the Kaizen cannot guarantee publication of all letters, but every effort will be made to print submitted material. Letters should be dropped off at the Kaizen office in the Journalism Building, Room 206.

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Men's basketball

A profile of UM's junior forward, Larry Krystkowiak is to be in another national publication, USA Today, the national newspaper with the third largest circulation in the United States, will run the story later this week or early next week, according to David Moore, USA's reporter who wrote the piece.

Moore told the Kaimin that he could not comment on the content of the story, but did say that it will be accompanied by at least one color picture.

A story on Krystkowiak appeared in the Feb. 4 issue of Sports Illustrated.

Contrary to published schedules, the Grizzly's game at Nevada-Reno this weekend will be Friday rather than Saturday night because of a fight scheduled at the 11,000-seat Lawlor Events Center.

UM Athletic Director Harley Lewis said the fight card, featuring Ray Mancini, was to be held at Harrah's, a Reno casino, but the facility was too small. Because UM agreed to the date change, Lewis said, Harrah's is chartering a plane to fly the team directly from Flagstaff after the Northern Arizona contest, and will help pay UM's eating and lodging costs. He estimated UM could save "in the neighborhood of $2,000."

Women's basketball

Lady Griz senior Barb Kavanagh, UM's assist leader and second leading scorer this season has been named to the CoSIDA District VII All-academic team.

Kavanagh, who is dishing out 5 assists and is hitting for 12.6 points a game, was joined on the team by Montana State's Evelyn Baldridge, Terri Parriott and Cathy Owen of Nebraska and Jenny Parr of Wichita State.

Kavanagh is shooting 48.2 percent from the field and 79.8 percent from the free throw line and also maintains a 3.62 grade point average in math and health and physical education.

CoSIDA is the College Sports Information Directors of America organization, and District VII consists of nine western and mid-western states and two Canadian provinces.

Men's track

UM's men's track team took first-place honors in a triangular meet last week.

The men scored 134 points compared to the Calgary Games Team at 127 and the University of Alberta's 62. The Calgary Games women's team led the women with 130 points, followed by Alberta with 60 and Montana with 54.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT is GREEK NIGHT at the BREWERY

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By Judi Thompson

The program that employs non-work study students as custodians at the University of Montana has received praise, although some complaints of the students’ work have been filed with the UM Physical Plant since students assumed the duties last month.

Gerald Michaud, a Physical Plant maintenance supervisor, said the complaints have been minor. For example, he said, some people complained that garbage cans were not being dumped. A spokeswoman from the Forestry Plant said students assumed the duties in several campus buildings. The students, non-work study students, now clean the Forestry Building, the Clinical Psychology Building, the Math Building, the Pharmacy-Psychology Building, the University of Montana Forestry Building, and the Liberal Arts Building, she explained.

On Jan. 15, students took over the custodial duties from contract custodians, but the offices weren’t satisfied with the students’ work initially because the offices weren’t being cleaned properly. She said a complaint was registered a couple of weeks ago and since then the work has improved.

Troy Wharton, a secretary in the Math Building, said she has seen no difference in the quality of the cleaning. The building has “never been cleaned real good,” she said, and many times she said she “ends up cleaning.”

Jeanne Tallmadge, a student custodial supervisor, said this last month has been a transition period with the students taking over the duties of contract custodians, but she said there have been no problems with the cleaning.

On Jan. 15, students took over the custodial duties from an Idaho-based custodial contractor which had been cleaning several campus buildings. The students said the work of the students is of “high quality.” The students are highly motivated because they are working to get an education, she explained.

The program provides jobs for students who need money for college, but who don’t qualify for work study positions or other forms of financial assistance, Tallmadge explained. She said the custodial program was not unique because in 1982, UM President Nell Bucklew asked all departments to provide some non-work-study positions.

Considering the “terrible hours” the students must work, for example 10 p.m. - 2 a.m., Tallmadge said she thinks the work of the students is of “high quality.” The students are highly motivated because they are working to get an education, she explained.

ASUM President Phoebe Patterson canceled the Central Board meeting scheduled for tonight because some CB members are attending Student Lobby Day in Helena, and the entire board has contributed a lot of time at formal lobbying sessions during the past week. CB members deserve the night off, she said.
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Fifty attend today's student lobby day

Approximately 50 University of Montana students are attending Student Lobby Day activities in Helena today to lobby legislators and show student support for the Montana University System.


Students will listen to the legislators, receive a tour of the Capitol, attend a session of the Montana House of Representatives and meet with hometown legislators to express support for funding for Montana University System.

The ASUM Legislative Committee organized UM's participation in Student Lobby Day. Committee member Liz Gabriel said the committee spent about $500 advertising the day and providing transportation to Helena.

Senate

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killed if a question had remained regarding student fees,' Haffey said.

Haffey also said the issue of the computer service fees was not a strong enough reason itself to approve the bill.

During a hearing on the bill, some committee members had questioned how the bill would affect legislative control over the interest earnings.

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