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Action against apartheid
Speaker urges student activism

By Melody Perkins
Kaimin Reporter

Student activism can stop the U.S. government’s support of apartheid in South Africa, apartheid foe Randy Carter told about 20 people at the University of Montana Monday.

Everyone should work to “break the chains of apartheid,” Carter said.

He is the director of the Pacific Northwest Regional Office of the American Friends (Quakers) Service Committee.

Apartheid is not a problem that is “10,000 miles away,” he said. Montanans are affected by apartheid because some mining companies left Montana and relocated in South Africa to exploit its cheap black labor, he added.

Apartheid is the South African government’s system of legal segregation of the white and black races.

The minority government of 4.5 million whites rules over the nation’s 24 million blacks, Carter said, depriving them of citizenship and exiling them to reservations in the nation’s barren interior.

He said apartheid affects not only South Africa, but its neighbors — Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Swaziland and Lesotho.

Apartheid’s “tentacles extend a long way into the front-line states and affect many people,” he added.

He listed several actions students, faculty and community members could take to force the United States out of its role as a supporter of apartheid.

He said one important step against apartheid has already been taken.

The 1986 Anti-Apartheid Act, which the U.S. Congress passed over a presidential veto largely because of pressure from voters, imposes strict sanctions on imports from and exports to South Africa.

Carter said some actions that still must be pursued are:

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Cold weather marks return of Missoula air pollution

By Ken Pekoc
Kaimin Senior Editor

Weather conditions during the next four months will enhance Missoula’s air pollution problems, a county meteorologist said Monday, adding that this fall’s first poor-air alert was nearly declared last weekend.

Pat Thorson, a meteorologist from the environmental health department, said that during air alerts, residents burning solid fuels in stoves or fireplaces without a permit might get burned by the county with a fine of up to $100.

But pollution can be decreased and fines can be avoided by preparing for the weather conditions, he said.

By keeping vehicles tuned-up and using snow tires, Thorson said, exhaust and sand particles in the air will be decreased. Pollution will be curbed even more, he said, if people reduce their driving.

“But that really much puts a clamp on people’s lives,” he added.

Air particles measured 172 micrograms per cubic meter Saturday afternoon, exceeding the usual state-one alert level of 150.

No alert was called, however, because officials knew prevailing weather would quickly end the problem, Thorson said.

“Nearly every day that the air is clear and people have pleasant weather, the air quality is good,” he said.

Saturday’s problem was caused by an inversion — when warm air forms a blanket over cooler air and traps particles.

Thorson said that during an inversion, particles rise to the top of the cool air and remain aloft until the inversion is broken. In most cases, he added, dispersion can take place horizontally. But this doesn’t happen in Missoula because of the surrounding mountains.

“It’s easiest if the air can go up and out,” he said. “But if it can’t, you just have to live with it — change life styles.”

Most inversions, he said, precede storms and low pressure systems. When the storm arrives, the inversion is usually broken and the pollutants dissipate. Such was the case Saturday.

He added that solar radiation also helps disperse pollutants, but in winter the sun is farthest from the northern hemisphere and less radiation reaches the surface.

Thorson said his department receives more pollution complaints in December and January than in any other month because the pollutants are visible. However, he added, the month with the poorest air quality is February, when measurements have topped the 400 level.

“It’s from sanding materials” on the roads, he explained. When the roads dry, vehicles stir high concentrations of the finely ground particles into the air. The less sand needed during winter, the better, he said, supporting his suggestion for using snow tires.

 Toxic water: No easy answer to Milltown mess, professor says

By Don Baty
Kaimin Contributing Reporter

The Clark Fork River contains “millions and millions of tons” of toxic metals because of mining and smelting in the Butte-Anaconda area, but there is no practical way of removing the metals, a UM sedimentologist said Friday.

Geology Professor Johnnie Moore spoke to about 30 UM students in a botany seminar on environmental problems.

He told a detective story that began in the spring of 1981 when Milltown, which is just east of Missoula, hit the national news because of arsenic contamination in the drinking water.

Moore and UM hydrogeologist Bill Woessner cut holes in the ice of Milltown Reservoir to take sediment samples from the bottom. They found large quantities of arsenic and other heavy metals in the sediments.

Further study detected a “plume” of contaminated water coming out of the reservoir into the Milltown ground water.

Moore, Woessner, UM botanist Carolyn Johns and a “myriad of graduate students” then began tracing the source of the toxic metals.

They found that the Blackfoot River arm of Milltown reservoir did not contain unusual levels of toxic metals, but the Clark Fork did. As the group worked up the Clark Fork it found arsenic in bank sediments, Moore said, and large areas of the flood plain “completely devoid of vegetation.”

Moore said the heavy metals in the Clark Fork clearly came from mining in the Butte area and smelting operations near Anaconda. He said smelting occurred in the Anaconda area for about 100 years and until the 1940s there was “no effort at all to control wastes.”

Silver Bow Creek used to run
Oxfam’s Fast deserves UM students’ support

Many of you will sit down with family and friends this Thanksgiving and eat until you think you can’t eat any more. Then despite your full stomach, you’ll want just one more piece of pie, and it will be easy.

editorial

Now, do something hard.
Oxfam America, a non-profit, international relief group, will be asking University of Montana students to skip a meal this Thursday as part of its nationwide Fast For A World Harvest.
Students with a Food Service meal pass, instead of eating, can contribute the cost of their meals by signing up at tables in the Lodge this week. There also will be a table where you can give money to the Fast in the University Center until Thursday.
The money raised will be split among Oxfam, the Missoula Poverello Center and the Missoula Food Bank. For the past 12 years, UM students have given to the Fast. This year should be no different.

Because, you see, right now there are people in the world who desperately need clothes to keep them warm, a place to keep them dry for a night, or a meal to keep their children from crying.
And these people aren’t just from Africa or Latin America, but right here in Missoula also.
They may be a farmer who can’t pay his mortgage, a millworker who has lost his job, an abandoned mother or a student struggling to pay his tuition.

About 35,000 people have received free meals from either the Poverello Center or the Food Bank so far this year.

Another 4,000 have gotten shelter and another 3,000 have received clothing from the Poverello Center.

For many of those, it was the first time in their lives when they were so poor they simply couldn’t make it alone.
And now that the holidays and the traditional meals that go with them are approaching, there will soon be many more like them.

They too haven’t had much to be thankful for this year, and they too will need help.
If you are thinking that your one meal or your one dollar won’t end hunger in the world or even in Missoula, you are right.
But it just may help that one farmer, one millworker, one mother or one student who so badly needs it.

And more importantly, it may make you and the people around you realize that there are 500 million people in the world today who won’t be able to eat until they think they can’t eat anymore.

Nick Ehi

So long to the Top Hat

A Missoula unnatural resource is almost depleted. It’s estimated to extend itself by Nov. 22, 1986. The Top Hat is at death’s door. Soon it will be just another story in the annals of misspent youth, joining such luminaries as The Park, The Palace, The Turt, The Flame and Eddie’s Club. At least a few of those had the fortune to stand vacant or burn to the ground. Not the Top Hat. It appears it is to become (cringe) a fern bar.

As a freshman in the late 70’s, I spent most of my time bar hopping in places like Stockman’s and Red’s. The Top Hat was a place few of me age ventured. A look at some of my old journaling pages was all we needed to steer clear. And I did... for about half the school year. I don’t recall whether it was a drunken dare, morbid curiosity or a sociology assignment, but for some reason I ventured in. My God. It was all I had imagined it to be, and more. Serious tough setum and fistom. Women actually dancing with other women. Guys dancing with themselves. A seedy, dark interior with patrons to match.

But the music was... well, it was surprisingly good. A group of folks who looked like graduate assistants in the math department were up there plucking and strumming away, and the dance floor was PACKED. The Big Sky Mudflaps were playing, and the crowd was loving it.

And then the hand came down on my shoulder.

Title is where I die, I thought to myself as I turned to meet the psychopathic biker who had no doubt spotted me as an intruder. I was calmed considerably to see it wasn’t a pleasant-looking woman, but was consternated by her question?

“Would you like to dance?”

What did she mean by that? A girl asking a guy to dance, and an attractive girl at that? It was a test, no doubt, and the biker was likely within earshot to see how I reacted. I braved out onto the floor with the woman, my mind buzzing. No one appeared to notice or care that I, an obviously infidel, was dancing with one of their own.
And we danced until the band called it quits for the night. I had watched those around me for some time, and although some were decidedly strange to my way of thinking, all they seemed to be concerned with was listening to good music and having a fine time. They were friendly, fun-loving people, and I had become a convert.

For seven years, the Top Hat has been a good friend to me. The people are still as interesting now as they were when I first ventured in, and friendlier than in most bars. The help has actually been more colorful over the years than the patrons.

The man at the back door is about 6’6”, the guy at the front about 375 lbs., and the habitually halted bartender can stick a cocktail straw up one nostril and pull it out the other. I’d like to see someone try THAT trick at Maxwell’s.

I’ve never felt uncomfortable in the Hat since my first night. Nobody is judgemental. I’ve yet to see a fight in the Top Hat. Can’t say the same for Stockle’s. I’ll always remember the Top Hat for being a place I could truly relax.

But mostly I’ll remember it for the music.

When the other joints around town were booking in the same old noise in leopard skin tights, the Hat had the Flaps, Patchee V alley Fogg, Lost Highway and countless other bands of local and state talent which have since given up or reformed into different bands. The Hat also pulled in some big names, predominately from the blues or the Catch-a-Falling-Star-ites. It was nice to have that kind of music available.

And now it’s almost gone.

John Bulger is a graduate student in law

John Bulger

guest columnist

Doonesbury

Can you believe this co-mandant has half of last year’s administration for you’d think they’d be more careful.

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Foresters seek queen for ball

By Natalie Munson
Karin Controlling Reporter

The School of Forestry is seeking candidates for the queen of its 70th annual Foresters' Ball, Jan. 23 and 24 in the Schreiber Gymnasium.

Nicholas Servis, chairman of the Foresters' Ball queen competition, said the names of candidates may be submitted to the forestry school office through Nov. 21.

According to Servis, an outgoing personality is the most important qualification for the queen, who will reign over Convocation and other ball events.

"We're looking for somebody that will represent the forestry school well," Servis said, "somebody that hangs back— who's loose and goes with the flow."

Rory Laws, chief organizer for the ball, said the queen contest was reinstated in 1984 after a 10 years.

He said that during the late 60s and early 70s the queen competition was not very popular.

"With the advent of the 80s and now attitudes, it was reinstated," he said. "It's the Foresters' Ball one of the major events in the Northwest— why shouldn't it have a queen?" he added. Laws said five finalists will be chosen by a board of five Forestry Club members after interviews Dec. 1 and 2.

A queen will be selected in a closed ballot vote by the Forestry Club on Jan. 19.

Servis said for contestants to be eligible for the competition, they must be enrolled at the university, and have a grade point average of at least 2.0.

He said candidates may represent a university organization, but added that any university woman is eligible to participate.

UM writer wins O. Henry Award

By Jeff Shippee
Karin Contributing Reporter

A University of Montana graduate student, Jim Pitzen, was doubly rewarded recently when he not only sold his first short story to a San Francisco fiction magazine, but also won a national O. Henry Award for the story.

Pitzen's story, "The Village," was published by the Fiction Network Magazine last spring.

According to Sally Arteseros, senior editor for the Doubleday Publishing Company, which presents the O. Henry awards each year, only 20 stories are chosen for publication in a hard-bound anthology entitled, "Prize Stories 1987— The O. Henry Award."

The anthology is scheduled to be out next April.

Pitzen said in a recent interview that he will receive a percentage of the money made on the anthology.

The O. Henry Award began in 1919 when the Society of Arts and Letters met to discuss a proper honor for O. Henry, a man some believe to be one of the best short story writers ever.

Arteseros said Pitzen's success is unusual because stories are generally not chosen for the award if they are the writer's first published work.

"Most writers we publish are established," she said. "It's unusual for an author to get the award on the first try.

"Pitzen, a Vietnam veteran who has written between 15 and 20 short stories over the past five years, said that he started writing because of a drinking problem.

"I'm a recovering alcoholic," he said. "If I didn't dump the poison out it would have poisoned me, so I started writing."

"The Village" takes place in Vietnam and is about "the futility of war," Pitzen said.

The story is about Vietnamese villagers who disappear into the jungle because their village is bombed so often that one begins to wonder whether the village really exists, Pitzen said.

Pitzen, 41, attended Bemidji State University in Minnesota before coming to UM in September. He is enrolled in the Master of Fine Arts program.
Two films

Kathleen Turner puts Coppola back in black

By John Kappes
Senior Arts Editor

Peggy Sue Got Married Director Francis Coppola continues his hunt for salvageable Americana, begun in earnest with "The Outsiders" and "The Cotton Club," although (a) Kathleen Turner is no Matt Dillon or Richard Gere, thankfully, and so (b) he finally has a hit.

What Kathleen Turner is, is a star. "Peggy Sue" is about a divorced woman who goes into a coma to go into the past, as herself, except that no one else in the past can see that she's actually a 40ish divorcee and not the teenager she was when all this "happened" originally. (Take a breath now.)

If that sounds insane, be informed that Turner knows how to distill its humor, turning a scenario that was just dumb in "Back to the Future" into the sort of sophisticated comedy associated at one time with, say, Katherine Hepburn.

Nicholas Cage (as Turner's husband/boyfriend) is a good foil, I think, because he works around her, letting her set the pace and, for the most part, do the talking. Unlike Michael Douglas, her co-star in the "Romancing the Stone" series, Cage doesn't try to out-brash Turner: good thing too.

If Coppola believes that America was ever this simple (read "unspoiled," free of troubling ambiguities and so forth)—or if he thinks such simplicity is a good thing—he is as muddled, or as cynical, as Mr. George F. Will himself. Grade: B Plus.

Tess Director Roman Polanski's idea of a long Thomas Hardy novel as a long "Lolita." True to life. His life. Grade: C.

MISS TURNER RELAXES: don't try to out-brash her.
Griz go after best grid record since 1981

By Fritz Neighbor

The University of Montana Grizzlies ended their Big Sky Conference season on an upswing with their 57-13 win over Idaho State University, and are poised for their first winning season since 1981. If the Grizzlies win their last game against Portland State this weekend, they will end up 6-4, their best record since they went 7-3 in 1981.

UM finished 6-6 in 1982, the last year it won the Big Sky Conference.

Against Idaho State, UM set a record for ISU's Minidome for most points scored by an opponent. Only 5,917 fans attended the Bengals' seventh straight loss. UM ended up 4-4 in the conference.

The players singled out by the UM coaches for player of the game honors were Tony Lamb on offense, linebackers Pat Hardiman and Demedric Cooks on defense, and Ron Marceau and Alex Hunter on special teams. Mike Ruiz and Joe Easton were named "Hustlers of the Week."

Lambert was nominated for Big Sky Player of the Week honors on offense, after catching eight passes for 121 yards and two touchdowns against Idaho State.

On defense, sophomore cornerback Dwayne Hans was nominated for player of the week after making five tackles and an interception against the Bengals.

Linebacker Henry Rolling of Nevada-Reno received the defensive honors for the Big Sky Conference, while Boise State running back Chris Jackson was the offensive player of the week for the Big Sky.

Lambert said that against ISU, "the defense did a great job of holding down a pretty good offense."

Idaho State gained 294 yards in total offense, the lowest yardage the Grizzlies have given up this season. The defense also came up with seven turnovers against ISU. Hardiman continues to lead the team in tackles with 52, just ahead of safety Tony Breland's 56. Breland, safety David Reeves and Hans all have four interceptions apiece on the year to lead UM.

This season was the first in which the Grizzlies scored 50 points or more in a game three times. UM needs nine points to break its single-season scoring record.

The Grizzlies are up in the national rankings in several team and individual offensive categories. UM leads the conference and is second in Division I-AA in passing offense, and is second in the Big Sky, seventh in the nation in total offense.

Individually, quarterback Brent Pease leads the nation in total offense, and receiver Mike Rice is second in the Big Sky and fourth in the nation in receiving.

Pease's 472 yards in total offense against Eastern Washington and 460 yards passing against Weber State are both single-game highs for Division I-AA. He has 28 touchdown passes with only 11 interceptions in 406 passing attempts on the year.

There is also hope that Pease will get another year of eligibility after playing only two games as a freshman in junior college. However, Read said chances of that happening are slim, since the appeal to the NCAA is so late in being filed, and the process promises to be lengthy and complicated besides.

Read added that the idea "is not dead," and it will be pursued after the Portland State game, at which time he will know what the chances are for another year for Pease.

Horn wins cross-country title

By Dave Reese

Another University of Montana cross country runner has won a conference championship this year.

Junior Frank Horn of the Grizzlies took first place in the Big Sky Conference men's cross-country race after finishing third in the NCAA District VII meet last weekend in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Earlier this season, UM runner Loren McRae won the Mountain West Athletic Conference championship in Moscow, Idaho.

Horn will now advance to the NCAA cross country championship in Tucson, Ariz., on Nov. 24.

UM was seventh overall in the District VII standings and posted a fourth-place finish in the Big Sky Conference.

Although UM coach Bill Leach said Monday he was pleased with some of the individual performances in the meet, he said he had higher hopes for his team's overall performance.

"I was disappointed that we weren't able to perform at a higher level than we did," Leach said.

"I thought we were capable of doing much better as a team."

Leach said he couldn't pinpoint what hurt his team in the race, but said "We have to try to learn from a situation like this. It will have been a pretty productive experience if we do learn from it."

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• Total divestment of all of the 350 U.S. corporations that do business in South Africa. That includes the Coca-Cola Co., which has only partially divested, he said.
• Investment by companies that have left South Africa in the neighboring nations to boost their economies.
• Boycotting the products of U.S. firms that have not divested.

For example, he said, students could petition the university to have the Coke machines removed from campus.
• Pressure for the release of political prisoners, such as Nelson Mandela, the leader of the outlawed African National Congress.
• Political prisoners could act as negotiators for the blacks with the white majority if they were released, he said.
• Carter's speech and a film presentation by his assistant, Diane Jhueck, were sponsored by the Black Student Union, the Peace Legislative Coalition, the Student Action Center and the Women's Resource Center.
• Carter has worked in South Africa and toured Southern Africa. He has a bachelor's degree in business from the University of Washington.
• Jhueck, a native Californian, has a degree in international affairs from Eastern Washington University. She worked as a program assistant with the United Nations before joining the American Friends Service Committee.

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Through the mining debris at Butte, he said, and wastes from early smelting operations near Anaconda were "dumped out on the floodplain.

Moore does not support clean up efforts that would physically remove the toxic debris. He said there is too much debris to allow for removal and it is spread along 330 miles of the river.

In many cases, Moore said, removing toxic debris can do more harm than good. He said the best way to deal with sediments in Milltown Reservoir, for instance, is to repair the dam and "keep the water level consistent.

Changing the water level can increase the toxicity of the heavy metals, he said.

Moore said the problem cannot be "fixed" but should instead be "managed." Unfortunately, he said, "we don't have the basic science to understand how to do it.

Correction

The Montana Kaimin incorrectly reported a statement student Jill Kaugh made at a forum last week. She said at the forum that more non-traditional students are not using UM "conveniences" such as the lodge meal service and the residence halls. She added that if people aren't using these conveniences, the proposed mini mall probably would not be used either.

Also, a student's claim that the Student Union Board was using "railroading" tactics was incorrectly attributed to student Mike Craig. The statement was made by a member of the audience.

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