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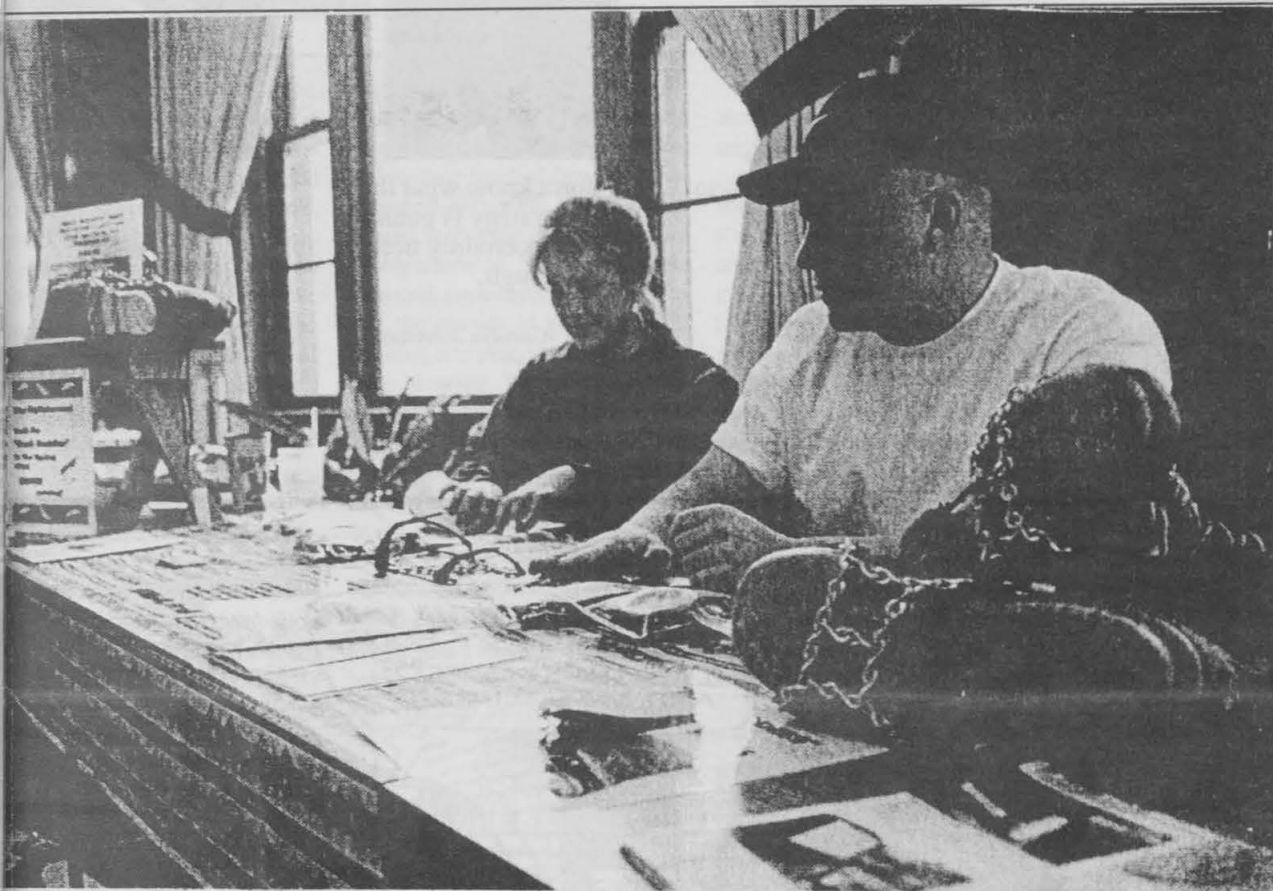


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Yesterday, the Yuletide Market kicked off the holiday season by spreading gifts of joy throughout the SUB. Pictured, MSU students market their invention — snow chains for hiking boots. Local artists and craftsmen were also featured at the market which continues until Nov. 22.

Roskie Hall feeds the hungry twice

By WILLIAM CIRULLO
News Editor

Thursday night, the food flowed in when Roskie Hall held a food drive to benefit the Gallatin Valley Food Bank. A food drive with a twist, Roskie Hall collected food and then thanked the contributors by laying on a huge read themselves.

"This isn't an ordinary canned food drive," said Kathy Spears, an RHA member.

In progress since late September, Roskie has been gathering canned goods from every floor. Last night however, they decided to step things up a little bit.

Between the hours of 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., Roskie residents were greeted by the smell of tables of food donated by local restaurants. After handing in their donations—which had to total a minimum of \$1 or three cans of food—residents were hand-stamped and allowed to partake of the lavish spread.

Eight tables of food of all different kinds were laid out for the residents, consisting of all types of food from pizza and pasta to cookies and hot wings. Afterward, everyone seated themselves in front of the TV for two hours of *Friends* and *E.R.*

Roskie RHA accomplished what they attempted to do, and through their efforts gave a little extra to the community as well as the hungry and tired MSU students who donated.

Killer concoction: Police wary of rising drug use

By BRIAN PARKER
Campus Press

BOULDER, Colo. — Most people wouldn't think of gulping down a tall cool glass of antifreeze. But mix it with lantern fuel, drain cleaner and Sudafed and people might inject the concoction directly into their bloodstream.

This blend of chemicals is the recipe for one of Colorado's newest drug trends — methamphetamine. With varieties such as crank, crystal meth and ice, methamphetamine use is on the rise in the Centennial State and the problem appears to be spreading.

While meth use is highest in Denver, the stimulant is quickly gaining popularity across the state.

"There certainly has been an incline here in Boulder County," said Boulder police Sergeant Pat Haugse. "But it makes sense. Meth isn't difficult to manufacture and its ingredients are easy to get a hold of. It's a problem that's likely to grow."

In 1996 alone, police busted 28 clandestine meth labs in Colorado, more than double the number of the previous year.

U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno noticed the increase and in November, asked the Drug Enforcement Administration to designate Colorado a "high-intensity-drug-trafficking area." The

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Disability Services inaccessible to disabled students at U of M

By JOSH PICHLER
Montana Kaimin

MISSOULA, Mont. — Students with disabilities say the basement of Corbin Hall is no place for James Marks to have an office. Marks is the director of UM's Disability Student Services (DSS) and is moving his office from the first floor of Corbin Hall to the hall's basement, a location that is inaccessible to mobility-impaired students.

"It's the dumbest idea I've ever heard," said Joy L. Jenkins, president of the Alliance of Disability Students at UM. "We want to tell the university that they shouldn't put somebody that high profile in an inaccessible spot."

In a Tuesday Kaimin advertisement, members of ADSUM called the site of Marks' new office

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Your Turn

What do you think is the best strategy for the Cats to use to beat the Griz?

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An entirely topless front row!

-Ty Free



Have the girls rugby team distract them, that's the way we could beat them.

-Maggie Martland



Run the center screen to Keith Weatherby

-Shawn Carlson



I don't know what the best strategy is gonna be. We certainly need one though.

-Carolyn Johnson



Give them a sobriety

-Paul "Buns" Bisset

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Rules suck, get ready for football

Prompted by recent editorials in the Exponent, I am writing to put in my two cents worth on numerous things that annoy me about this campus. I don't wish to come off as a pessimist, so not everything I discuss is going to be negative; the last point I touch on will actually be a positive message and hopefully, in turn, prompts you to do something.

First, the Book-store shouldn't even consider having only new books for MSU students. The university has found ample ways to increase tuition and fees, making selling back and buying used textbooks a must for most. I know I'm not the only student who uses the cash from buyback for rent, food and Christmas gifts! Responding to the teacher's comment a week ago, I care about my education intellec-

tually despite the fact I buy used books.

Second, I still don't understand the university's policy on pushing bicycles on campus. I can't stand it when someone stops

Guest Editorial by Victor Osweiler

me and asks me to walk my bike. I'll start pushing my bike when I see university employees and contractors pushing their cars, trucks and carts when they're on campus! Do you expect me to believe I am a greater risk on my twenty-pound bicycle than someone driving a motorized vehicle that takes up most of the sidewalk.

Next, I want to talk about the intramural co-ed basketball rules here at Montana State. They may be the most blatant aspect of organized sports I've ever participated in. For those who don't know, women's basketballs are four points instead of three, and men cannot do anything but shoot. I mean anyone can try to make a shot, but only women can shoot. Other women who are not on the team are four points when they are shooting.

do their baskets count twice what men's do? Even if they throw are double. I'm fairly sure something is wrong here. I might ask me, "Why do you think then?" I'd respond, "I don't know."

The last negative thing

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Strange sleeping spots enhance rest

I ask you: where is the weirdest place you've fallen asleep? On any given day, fellow students can be spotted snoozin' in the Leigh lounge and various places around the SUB and it's an expected sight. More rare and noticeable than the usual places are the higher traffic and stranger spots like Wilson hall, bowling alleys and restaurants. If you haven't guessed, I'll give it away to you: I was, in dancing elephant taping paper with a little bow on top: I have been asleep in the above mentioned.

If for whatever reason, I can't obtain the twelve hours of sleep I must have to function, so frightening and automatic experiences ensue. A coma should be defined as lapsing into a coma while in a public place, surrounded by curious people who insist on torturing those who can't sleep. You know the drill, of being whipped cream on someone's head and then tickle their face or that whole water scenario.

Once, I was up late in a restaurant with friends who refused to go home. Since there wasn't an option of hoofing it home and it was still into the wee hours of the morning... I curled up in the booth, using my backpack as a pillow and conked out. So, that's so funny about that? I suppose nothing, until you know that I began

to snore. My snoring was described as "cute little chicky snores" along with some chuckles as I was awakened.

Truly, it doesn't take that much skill to zonk in a booth in the middle of the night. However, sleeping in public takes on a whole new meaning when one can crash in a bowling alley. To understand what an accom-

pany of hellions bombarding me with varied candies or farting on my face, left my subconscious in a state of sheer terror. Miraculously, bowling interested my perceived attackers more than torturing this sleep deprived individual, so I was once again, safe.

Last, but certainly not least, is the newly discovered treasure of Wilson hall. On the surface, it would seem to be the most random, public place to consume sleep. Yet, to fall asleep in Wilson is a natural response (insert blah classes here). It's natural to fall asleep in class, but maybe not so normal to crash in the middle of the hall. More specifically, the shag pits.

There is something almost magical about those blue shag carpet pits that beckons to the unsuspecting student, who needs to get something done in between classes. I'm convinced that the shag sings cheesy 70's lounge music at me, so that I will go and sit down and read (or pretend to). Theoretically, the reading should be so intellectually stimulating, that I could fend off sleep long enough to finish. Never happens. The soothing voice of the shag lulls me to rest my head on my backpack, eyes become increasingly heavy as I drift off into dreamland.

Truthfully, I would be almost proud of the random places I've crashed out, if I didn't think that there was someone out there who zonked out in more bizarre spots.. naked.



GWEN HOWELL
Exponent Columnist

plished feat this is, the challenging details must be presented: Envision twenty-four lanes of bowling alley swarmed with sixty kids running around, screaming and bowling on a Friday afternoon. Not only are kids, by nature rambunctious, but then to add the sounds of bowling balls crashing into pins, the noise level is quite amazing. Yet, not enough to prevent a coma. In this particular alley, there is a bar and across from it, is the most luscious love seat on the planet. Luscious as it's puffy, old and brown, not to mention the perfect size to curl up into, making it the most exquisite place to collapse before work. I must confess, that falling asleep with a bunch of young whipper snappers causing all types of havoc, scared me. Mini-nightmares

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ent to bring up is the amount of littering and cutting across grass people do on campus. Specifically, littering cigarette butts. It's truly disgusting how many butts are on the ground in some areas on campus, and it is because smokers don't move their butts to a disposal properly dispose of such butts (cigarette, not smokers') that this is a problem. Cutting across grass and creating trails on campus is pathetic, too. Is it too much to expect one to stay on a sidewalk and take the extra 20-40 steps? There are more than enough sidewalks to get somewhere on campus without needing a shortcut; it just

requires more butt movement. One the upside, I want to share my views on the coming victory over the University of Montana on Saturday and what you can do to aid in that victory: CHEER! YELL! CUSS! (if that's what it takes). Whatever you do, support the Bobcats with spirit and enthusiasm. If there is ever a time to go crazy, this is it. Don't be loud only when they score or make a stop defensively, but be loud the entire game. How many people can those goal posts support, anyway? Thanks for your time. Have a nice weekend.

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Disabled students find office placement confusing

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a "dungeon," and claimed UM is treating students with disabilities as "second class citizens."

On Wed., Bob Frazier, executive assistant to the president and the chair of UM's Americans with Disabilities Act committee, said the arrangement is temporary and was necessary because of a lack of space in DSS, which uses rooms on the first and third floors of Corbin Hall.

"It was a tough decision to make, but I think it was the only choice to be made," Frazier said. "It was a matter of whether DSS wanted to keep the space they had, or add more space that was inaccessible as a temporary solution."

The decision to move Marks' office was prompted by an ADSUM complaint filed last April 18. The five-page complaint centered mainly on a lack of confidentiality in the DSS office.

Dan Burke, DSS access coordinator, said the DSS reception room doesn't offer students adequate privacy.

"People come in and ask for a file, and everybody in the waiting room can hear them and who they're asking about," Burke said. "Or sometimes

people just come in and grab their own file. The problem is they can look at other peoples' files, too."

Moving Marks' office will alleviate this problem, Burke said. Confidential information about DSS students will be moved into the director's old space across from the reception room. Access to the office will be monitored. Unfortunately, Burke said, Marks' new office downstairs will be inaccessible to mobile-impaired students.

Burke said DSS won't install a wheelchair lift, which costs between \$15,000 and \$50,000, in Corbin Hall. Instead, Marks will meet with mobility-impaired students in a first-floor DSS office. These offices are wheelchair accessible.

Burke said Corbin Hall will be accessible to mobility-impaired students when an elevator is installed in the building. The Montana Legislature approved funding for the elevator in 1995.

ADSUM has requested that the State Architectural and Engineering Office give the elevator high priority status. This elevator will also serve Brantly Hall.

Syracuse Police Discover Missing Students

By SEEMA MEHTA
Daily Orange

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Dismembered body parts, believed to belong to missing Syracuse University sophomore April Gregory, were discovered by police Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Gregory, a Syracuse native, has been missing since May 24, 1996. Thirty-one-year-old Terrance Evans was charged Tuesday with second-degree murder after confessing to the crime, according to the Syracuse

Police Department.

Evans, April's former boyfriend, lives next door to the Gregory family on the city's South Side. Evans also worked with Gregory, 18 at the time, at McDonald's Family Restaurant, 713 S. Crouse Ave.

In his confession, Evans told police that Gregory came to his house at 227 McKinley Ave., the night she disappeared because his parents were not home. After the two argued, he told police he struck her and she hit her head on a stereo.

Although Gregory was bleeding profusely, Evans told police he did not seek help and discovered the

next morning that she was dead.

After Evans confessed, police searched his house and found decomposed body parts in the basement, behind walls, in closets and in the attic. Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick said a pair of legs that were found in the attic had been burned. Evans attempted to destroy the limbs by setting them on fire in his garage. He put the fire out because of the smoke and stench it created and tried to cover up the odor with perfume.

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Methamphetamine taking over college campuses

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recognition marks the state as having one of the highest levels of drug saturation in the United States.

Haugse said Interstates 70, 76 and 25 provide easy drop-off points and quick escape routes, making distribution of the drug less challenging.

In the past, Boulder police have had plenty of experience with the man-made narcotic.

"It's not unusual for us to find people that have it in their possession, but we haven't had to go looking for it yet," Haugse said.

So far this year, Boulder police haven't even had run-ins with meth "cookers," or distributors.

"Meth just doesn't fit in here," said CU police spokesman Brett Brough. "People in Boulder are care-

ful about what they use. Instead of dealing on campus, students will go far away to get their stuff. No one wants to get caught with it on campus, it's an automatic expulsion."

But some CU students say meth is available, even on campus.

"You can find it at parties and fraternities," said one CU junior who has experimented with meth. She asked that her name not be used. "It's definitely available. If I wanted some, I'm sure one of my friends here could get it, ... no problem."

The drug can be smoked, inhaled, injected or mixed into coffee, and its low street price and exhilarating high have earned meth a reputation as the "poor man's cocaine." One gram sells on the street for about \$125 and can

provide a high that lasts up to 10 or nearly 20 times longer than a comparable hit of cocaine.

"When I tried it, it didn't hit like we smoked that much," said a CU junior. "But it lasted a much longer time."

Not all recreational experiments with the drug are safe.

"With meth, you're taking a risk of a chance," Brough said. "By putting all your trust in someone and if they don't like you a bad bag of coke is one thing, you'll probably survive that. With a bad bag of good luck."

One-hundred percent meth is made and highly addictive, meth is only street drug made without organic substances. This also makes it drug incredibly dangerous. Meth games with the body's metabolism, making users jumpy and jittery and even raise the body temperature around 108 degrees, up from normal 98.6.

Regular users, called twinks, have so much energy that some of them'll stay awake for days at a time. It's not uncommon for people to

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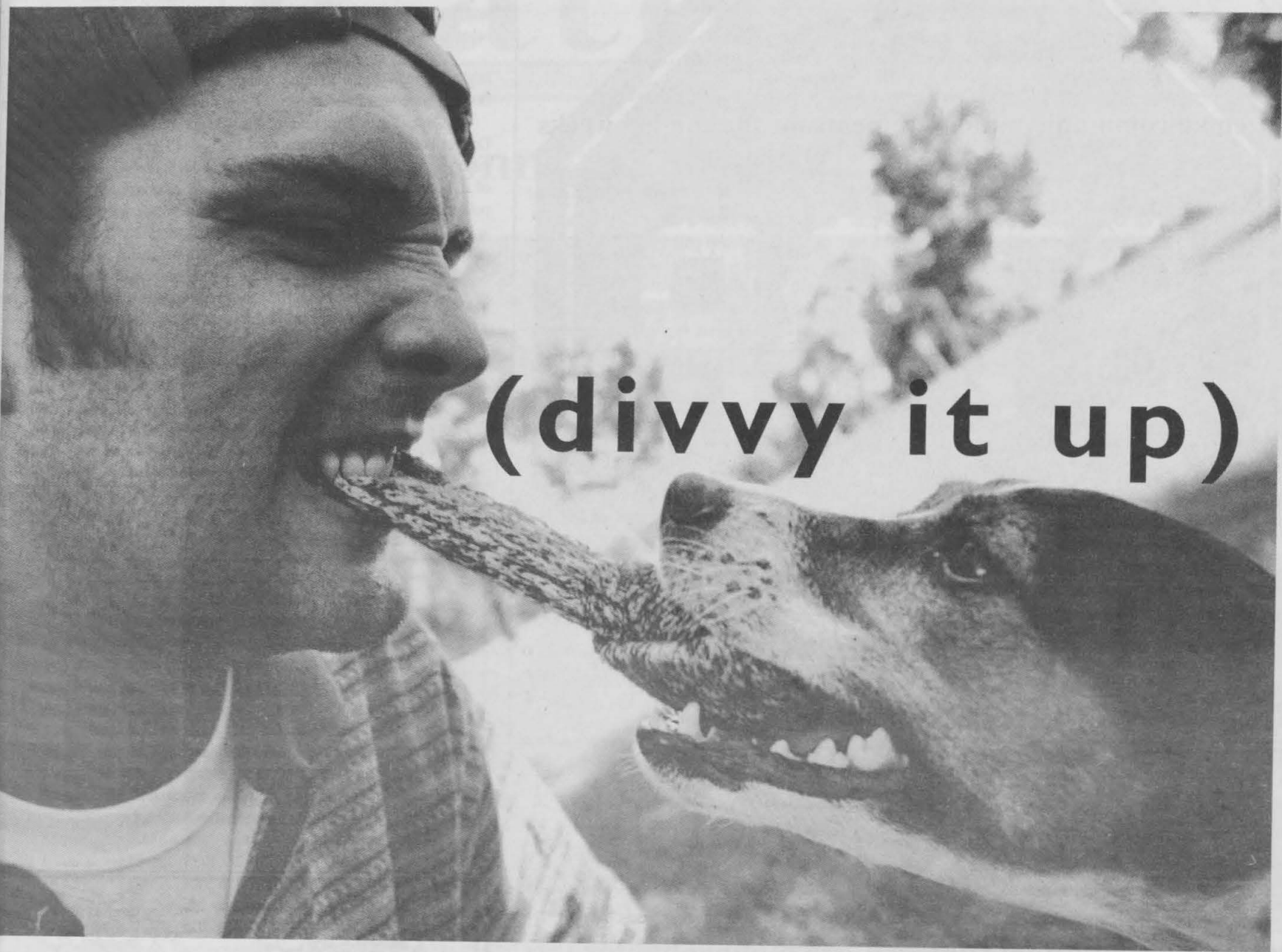
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Upcoming Events

Bozeman community announcements for the coming weeks

Victim Options In the Campus Environment, the **VOICE Center**, is a new campus program that provides support and advocacy to survivors of sexual and domestic violence. Please join staff and volunteers at an **Open House** from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 2 in our office at 14 Hamilton Hall. All are welcome and invited to attend; any questions please call 994-7069.

The Women's Center is sponsoring a **Women's Music and Coffeehouse**. Please join them from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, December 5, at the Leaf and Bean Coffeehouse for an evening set aside for women musicians, poets and writers to share their work in an intimate setting. All women and men are invited to attend and all women are invited to share their art. Coffee and desserts will be available for purchase, and a donation is requested to help support this event. For further information, please call 994-3836.

The Alpine Club of MSU is showing Warren Miller's *SnowRiders II* at 7 p.m. on November 20 & 21 at the Willson Auditorium. Admission is \$6 and available in advance through Chalet Sports or at the door. This is a major fundraiser for the Alpine Ski Club and all are invited to attend.

The **Bozeman Recreation Dept.** announces a free cross country ski wax clinic at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 25, at Bangtail Bicycle and Ski, 508 W. Main St. Participants will learn the latest in ski base preparation and waxing. The wax technician will be Jim Fredericks, director of the Rossignol Nordic race team. For additional information call Bangtail 587-4905.

Do you have a favorite professor? Nominate him or her for **Mortar Board Professor of the Month**. Nomination forms are available at all department offices and at the Ask-Us desk.

Drug wreaks havoc with college crowd

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week without closing their eyes.

Meth can also invoke abnormally aggressive and paranoid behavior.

"It's an extremely violent market," said Pat Wyton, a detective at the Boulder Narcotics division.

Capt. Vince Dimanna of the Denver Police Vice and Narcotics division said between 80 and 90 percent of all homicides in the Denver metropolitan area involve drugs.

Because labs for making meth are easy to assemble and relatively small, it's difficult for police to curb the problem. Labs have been found in bathtubs, pick-up truck cabs, and hidden on mountainsides, but despite their presence few busts are made, Wyton said.

"Since I've been in the unit, there have only been two lab busts," he said. "One was in the basement of a residential home in Boulder. The other one was in a warehouse on the north

side of town."

Drug raids are dangerous, when meth is involved, so are the federal authorities. Once the ingredients are mixed, the solution becomes incredibly toxic and unstable. Small mistakes mixing methamphetamine often come fatal.

The Denver Post reported Oct. 6, that in California, a man dropped a flask of cooking meth and the fumes alone were enough to kill both he and his partner. His throat burned so badly he had filled it with sand to ease the pain, and the toxins released were potent enough to keep animals at bay until the bodies were found five days later.

Meth use is growing each year, and Boulder crime units are nervously awaiting its full arrival.

"Denver's already seeing it in time," Wyton said. "Some day it's going to hit us, and it's going to hit us hard."

Body found in boyfriend's house

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April Gregory was last seen alive by her brother, Lamar, who dropped her off at her residence hall, Sadler Hall, on the night she disappeared. The next morning, she failed to arrive at work at McDonald's at 5 a.m. Her family called the police to report her as a missing person less than a week later.

SU offered a \$20,000 reward for information leading to Gregory's whereabouts, according to a statement made by university officials.

Gregory's disappearance was featured on NBC's "Unsolved Mysteries" in September 1996. Ten days after it aired, state police searched Oakwood Cemetery with K-9 dogs. No evidence was found.

After months passed without any new information, the Gregory family and community members criticized the SPD for not working as hard as they would have if April was white.

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Features Editor

Everything from natural tortilla chips, succulent fresh honey and organic vegetables can be located and devoured at the Bozeman Community Food Co-op.

The Co-op is a full-range grocery store. It also has a deli, soup and salad bar and a selection of natural remedies and vitamins.

The main concept of the Co-op is that it is a cooperative organization.

"We are owned by people who choose to be members," general manager, Kelly Wiseman said. "In other words, we are owned by the public."

Wiseman estimates that there are currently 8,000 members.

Each member is entitled to a vote in the election of the board of directors. The board is made up of individuals who are committed to such tasks as management and addressing member concerns.

"The greatest benefit of being a member is a philosophical one," Wiseman said. "It offers the control of local and democratic control of one's food supply."

The Co-op supports local businesses such as Blue Farms, Montana Lamb Growers and Chumley's.

"We have a higher percent of locally grown products than any other food store in southwest Montana," Wiseman said. "In the late summer at least 60% of our vegetables are locally grown."

The Co-op buys "certified organic" foods as often as they can. Such foods are labeled as organic, either on the shelf, or on the product itself.

Members pay the shelf price, and non-members pay a 10% surcharge. The cost of becoming a member is \$6 for three months, or \$35 for life.

Shelby Miller, a junior in biomedical science at Montana State, shops at the Co-op.

"They offer very healthy food," Miller said. "It



A Bozeman Community Food Co-op employee assists a customer in the purchase of a healthy lunch.

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makes me feel good to shop there because the quality is better than other supermarkets."

Jared Boyd, an MSU junior in photography, finds the Co-op to be an affordable and rewarding place to eat.

"The Co-op has a great deli full of reasonably priced food," Boyd said. "I would even go as far as to compare their prices to that of fast food... and you are able to eat healthy, which I believe is important."

The Co-op is also committed to helping local or-

ganizations by donating 4% of the sales every 4th Friday of the month to a different non-profit organization. The Beartooth Alliance, Meals on Wheels, and Bridger Clinic have been the recipients of this service.

Wiseman feels that eating well can be an achievement of college students.

"There are ways to formulate a food budget so that

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Cat Pride and Greeks go to Court

BY THOMAS ANDERSON
Managing Editor

Are you tired of the repetitive drinking scene in Bozeman? Is the waking sickness of hangovers finally taken its toll on your conscience? If you're looking for something different yet active to do in Bozeman, without having to drain an ATM, then Nite Court is the fresh fun needed to spice up your weekend.

"It (Nite Court) has been extremely successful because it is totally off the wall—the type of events and activities that are offered."

Todd Buchanan

Nite Court, sponsored by Health Promotions and free of charge, is an alternative evening of fun for students and the community. Incorporating a variety of games, Nite Court has something for everyone.

"Nite Court is an alternative choice to going out and drinking on a weekend night. It's designed to offer fun and excitement for students that are interested in being active and involved in a weekend without getting involved with alcohol," said Todd Buchanan, President of the Wellness Coalition.

A few of the activities Nite Court offers are Sumo wrestling suits for matches, a climbing wall, a Three on three basketball tournament, boxing with inflatable 12-pound

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Mortar Board honors professor

BY PATRICK J. BERNETHY
Staff Writer

Once again an MSU classroom was taken by surprise when members of the Mortar Board Club presented the honorary title of Professor of the Month to Dr. John Amend of the chemistry department.

On Friday November 14, an unsuspecting Amend was awarded this honorary title that recognizes an exceptional MSU professor. It's the only award given based on student nominations, so it carries a special meaning for those who make a living as an educator.

A native of Tacoma, Washington, Amend moved to the Gallatin Valley over thirty years ago after finishing his Ph.D. at the University of Texas, in Austin. He attended Pacific Lutheran as an undergrad and is the proud bearer of an MS from Montana State College, one of the last issued from the now defunct predecessor of MSU.

A husband and a father of two kids, Amend believes that Bozeman is a great place to work

and raise a family.

"I like fishing, boating, and camping, my favorite spots are Canyon Ferry and Hebgen Lake. My other hobby is furniture building," said Dr. Amend, as he proudly pointed to his handiwork, which is most of the furniture in his office.

Amend primarily teaches non-major general chemistry and has seen a lot of changes over the years.

"The biggest change I've seen is an increase in class size and a greater percentage of older students in my classrooms. This is better for everyone involved because incoming freshmen get experience dealing with the same diversity of people that await them in their perspective careers," Amend said.

Amend is a busy man, teaching classes to hundreds of undergrads every year, working part time as a consultant for instrument companies as well as having published nine textbooks. One of the byproducts of his research is a computer program that allows chemistry students to process data with greater ease. This program is now



Dr. John Amend

"I get the most satisfaction out of helping students—my door is always open."

in use at over 500 campuses across the country.

"I feel it's critical for professors to balance teaching and research for they serve each other," Amend said. "I get the most satisfaction out of helping students—my door is always open."

Olympic medalist pursues education at MSU

BY JODIE DEIGNAN
Staff Writer

One never knows the history of who he or she sits next to in Whatever 101.

1964 Innsbruck Olympic Gold and Silver medalist in ski racing, Pepe Stiegler, is a Montana State University junior earning his degree in English.

Stiegler started ski racing professionally when he was 15 years old on the Austrian junior Olympic team. Stiegler and his skiing peers were bussed all over Europe in their teen years to watch the Olympics. Stiegler saw Stein Eriksen win the gold in 1952 and 1954 and cheered Sailor Tony on while he won 3 gold medals in the 1956 Olympics at Cortina, Italy. Tony and Eriksen have been his mentors ever since.

Stiegler's first trip to the United States was to Squaw Valley, where he won the Silver in 1960. He skied his way to a gold medal at Innsbruck, Austria in 1964.

"You look for the highest level you can go, focus in on it and

get serious about it," Stiegler said.

In 1965, the Jackson Hole Ski Corporation recruited Stiegler to run the Jackson Hole Ski School where he still works as director.

"I direct traffic out on the ski hill," Stiegler said. "After 32 years of employment I am still there because Jackson Hole has been very good to me and the Rocky Mountain West has good snow."

Besides skiing throughout Europe and the United States, Stiegler trained summers in Portillo, Chile from 1962 to 1964.

"You have to be careful with how much you ski and avoid burn-out,"

Stiegler said. "Good skiing has much to do with the desire to ski, you've got to have it."

Stiegler and Otmar Schnieder traveled to Chile by boat from Genoa, Italy to Buenos Aires and learned Spanish on the two-week trip.

"We took a train that didn't have any heat across Argentina to Chile," Stiegler said. "Some people think that summer training was how Schnieder and I won the gold

but it was just fun getting to know the world."

Stiegler's new challenge is spending fall semesters at MSU.

"I sort of lost out on my education when I pursued my racing career," Stiegler explained. "The circumstance is perfect because although my income is declining and I have other problems, I just don't worry about it so much. I just hope to be done with school before my kids start college."

In classes

Stiegler loses his childhood nickname of Pepe and is called Josef Johan Stiegler, but Stiegler says the biggest difference he feels is the age gap.

"I am out of place but I am focused on getting my education," Stiegler said. "When I put my mind to something I don't let anything stop me."

Stiegler says he is really enjoying the community of Bozeman.

"School is great and

Bozeman is fantastic," Stiegler said. "It's civil, friendly and balanced with real people and a real system that works."

MSU graduate Dede Taylor is a fellow for one of Stiegler's classes.

"What I see him going through is this wonderful intellectual challenge that is so exciting for a lot of older students," Taylor said.

From 1972-1976 Taylor

worked under Stiegler as a ski instructor in Jackson Hole. "I'm still really involved in skiing," Taylor said. "I learned a lot from him at ski school. He was always on the cutting edge of technique in skiing while being a mentor and a real educator to young skiers. He has always had a

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Josef "Pepe" Stiegler, a man with an impressive past, makes himself at home at MSU.

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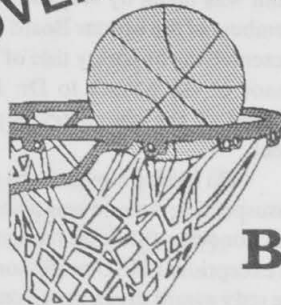
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Take a stance at the Procrastinator

ZABETH CALHOUN
Writer

Controversies are the topic of the weekend at the Procrastinator Theatre. Two films with questionable reputations will be showing. Sylvester Stallone stars as the sheriff of a small New Jersey town in "Copland." The town sits on the river from New York and is populated by several cops, hence the name. Of the policemen living in the town, including two played by Kevin Keitel and Ray Liotta, are

hiding a fellow officer, played by Michael Rappaport, who was involved in an illegal shooting. Sly has the dilemma of deciding whether he should tell the authorities what he knows, or if he should protect his police buddies. Robert De Niro plays the detective investigating the controversy for the NYPD. The acting in the film is exceptional, especially the surprisingly great performances by Stallone and Liotta.

Controversy surrounds the premise of the other feature showing this weekend, "The

Conspiracy Theory." Mel Gibson plays the lead in this film as the editor of a magazine about, what else, conspiracies. Things start to go wrong for Mel when he accidentally stumbles onto a conspiracy that is actually true. Unfortunately he doesn't know which theory he published is true. The people bothered by his article, including Patrick Stewart, chase him and try to kill him. The only help he gets is from the beautiful Julia Roberts. These two movies about controversies are full of excitement and mystery. They will be playing Thursday through Sunday.

Procrastinator provides a healthy alternative

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eat well but you can still affordably," Wiseman said. "If you buy in bulk you save a lot of money, because 10% of the money you spend on packaged food is spent on the packaging." Wiseman also cited cooking from scratch as an option to create well-balanced meals on a

"The big trend in the food industry is ready-made meals," Wiseman said. "That is a crazy thing for people on budgets to try and do. It really doesn't take that long to whip up a stew, or to cook your own pasta."

Wiseman believes that as a society, we need to re-evaluate our

definition of expense when it comes to buying groceries.

"What we all save on the front end in terms of food, we pay later on the other end, in terms of ground water abuse, and soil depletion," Wiseman said. "It is the generation that is in college now that will pay for my parents generation's mistakes."



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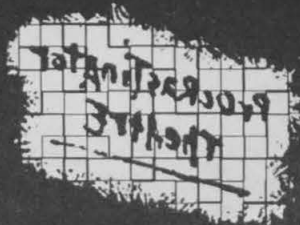
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By Craig Clark
Staff Writer

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Nite Court loved by fun-hungry students

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gloves. Prizes are available for basketball tournament winners. Free Pizza Hut pizza and pop are also on hand.

Nite Court, open from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the MSU field house, happens once a month, and has been growing in participation since its start four years ago.

"It has been extremely successful because it is totally off the wall—the type of events and activities that are offered," said Buchanan.

"Everyone that helps is a volunteer," continued Buchanan

concerning the numerous students who work for the event.

Cat Pride, a two-credit course offered to all MSU students, and well frequented by varsity athletes, provides the majority of volunteers for Nite Court.

"It is the opportunity for students in Cat Pride to give back to the community," said Andy Hill, Cat Pride instructor.

This month, members of the Greek community will be helping with the event. Two members from each house will be helping with tonight's Nite Court.

"A majority of Greek members have been more than willing to volunteer time for Nite Court," Greek Wellness Coordinator, Amber Murray said.

"The more we can show that there is other things to do than being at the bars, the more comfortable students will be not finding themselves at the bar late Friday and Saturday night," said Buchanan.

Students interested in Cat Pride, which is a restricted entry class, can contact Andy Hill at 994-7673.

Stiegler sets new course

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derful sense of humor and enthusiasm for life."

Dr. Michael Becker, a professor of English, says that he enjoys having Stiegler in his class.

"He has a twinkly look in his eye," Becker said. "I wish he would say more in class because he is very intelligent and I have to drag information from him. He is a pleasure to have in class because he is dignified."

Stiegler will be working another season at Jackson

Hole where he says he has time to ski.

"I can't ski here," Stiegler said. "I will study very intensively to finish the semester and then go to work."

Stiegler invites MSU students and anybody to come skiing with him at the Teton Village Ski Resort in Jackson Hole.

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8. Play hide-a-duk in the locker room.

7. Steal a pop machine.

6. Cross dress and pretend you're from Missoula.

5. Don't shower in the of Griz-hippy.

4. Kill the crabs in your Missoula patchy, baggy, cappuccino stained, hippy jeans.

3. After you kill the crabs, the seats in your new Ford edition.

2. Start the tailgate party at Friday. Bring your gas

1. Steal a pop machine and fight.

Cook's solid work ethic serves ace

CORY JAMES
Writer

When you talk to friends and teammates of senior Jenny Cook, the topic that comes to the forefront is Cook's unbeatable work ethic.

"She is somebody you always count on being there," Karen Weyler said. Cook always gives 100 percent and has worked hard all years here."

"She never gets discouraged," Mindy Nowak said. "I could be behind 0-10 and still never gives up."

When Cook is confronted with what other people had to say about her she dismisses the sport of volleyball.

"I love volleyball," Cook said. "I have always wanted to get better. If I know I have given everything I have into volleyball, then I am happy."

Cook has been with the Montana State volleyball team the last five years. She came from Missoula and was

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Cat Trivia

When did Griz coach Mick Dennehy coach at Montana State and why did he leave?

Reply in earnest to: co@montana.edu

'Cats, Griz get ready to rumble

MSU hosts 97th Cat-Griz at sold-out Sales Stadium

By PETE FAGGEN
Sports Editor

Question: What stands up on all fours, drools at the mouth and whoofs like a German Shepherd?

Answer: a Montana Grizzly.

Question: What tears up the furniture, takes pride in its stalking skills and spits up hair balls?

Answer: a Montana State Bobcat.

There it is. The 97th meeting of 'Cat-Griz football in a nutshell. A one game season for both football teams, this game promises to be heated.

Montana (7-3, 5-2) pays tribute to the remodeled Reno H. Sales Stadium at 12:05 p.m. on Saturday with second place — and possible Div. I-AA postseason hopes — on the line. Montana State (6-4, 5-2) plays host to the No. 11-ranked Grizzlies, winners of 11 straight games in the series.

"I think anybody who plays in this game leaves here with an experience they will never forget," senior receiver Kenyatte Morgan said.

Morgan and several of his senior cohorts, namely, Dylan Tripp, Tyson Tucker, Neal Smith, Walter Robinson, Jeff Alexander, Brad Callan, Denver Stairs, Adam Houts, Tony Vallez, Scott Harry, Travis Cormaney, Terence Crump and Geoff Groshelle, will bid adieu to the Sales' faithful against the Griz.

All of those players have one thing in common: they have never beaten the University of Montana.

"They'll remember this game forever," Hysell said.

However, a buzz stirring around campus all week, says Saturday's game could be MSU's best chance to beat a Griz team, which whipped MSU 35-14 in Missoula on its way to the Div. I-AA national title game last season.

Talented, Montana certainly is.

"They're an excellent football program," Hysell said. "(Brian) Ah Yat is an excellent scrambler. They've got some outstanding players on offense."

Montana's offense starts with 6-foot 1-inch Ah Yat, a junior quarter-



EXPOSURE FILE PHOTO

Bobcat coach Cliff Hysell would love strike this pose against the Griz.

back who throws Ah Yat of passes to many fleet-footed receivers lining up in a four-wideout set. Josh Paffhausen, Ah Yat's favorite target, leads the corps, along with Raul Pacheco, Travis Walker and Jeremy Watkins.

How do you stop this, coach?

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'Cat-Griz rivalry overflowing with tradition

By PETE FAGGEN
Sports Editor

While certainly not unique to the college football world, where intrastate rivalries are as common as road construction in Bozeman, the 97th 'Cat-Griz game ranks among the nation's best.

"It's like every college's big game," senior receiver Kenyatte

Morgan said. "I'm glad to be a part of it. Everybody who plays in this game leaves here with an experience they'll never forget."

Unable to conceal his grin, Morgan talked about his fourth—and final—"Cat-Griz football game.

"It's going to be an emotionally fought game," Morgan said. "It's important to me and the rest of the

seniors. When they fill up that stadium, it's going to be a fun game."

Many former Montana State coaches throughout the season, have chatted with Bobcat coach Cliff Hysell about 'Cat-Griz, including Dennis Erickson, the current Seattle Seahawks head coach, Dave Arnold, the current Seahawks special teams coach, Joe Tiller, the present Purdue

and former Wyoming coach, Sonny Lubick, the current Colorado State coach and Jim Sweeney, a former Bobcat and Fresno State head coach.

"It's fun to hear from them this week," Hysell said. "And the message is always the same: Beat the Grizzlies."

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Sprinkle hits nothing but the bottom of the net

By PETE FAGGEN
Sports Editor

Take one glimpse at Montana State's Danny Sprinkle — a 6-foot-3-inch junior shooting guard — and you wonder why he wasn't the main star in the movie *Hoosiers*.

Couldn't you see Sprinkle draining those outside shots with Gene Hackman bellowing instructions from the sideline?

But didn't Sprinkle do just that against Weber State two years ago at the

Big Sky Championship game here in Bozeman? Didn't he win the MVP after his 30-point outburst burst his Bobcats into the NCAA tournament?

"I watch the tape and I still get chills when I watch it," Sprinkle said. "I'll probably be watching that forever, showing my grandkids."

Sprinkle has that confident, dead-eye look all great outside shooters seem to have. It's the look that says, "I don't care how close you guard

me, I'm going to stick this in your face."

And he's a guy who'll share his pizza with you.

Nauseating news for Southern California College, Sprinkle and Co.'s next opponent at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Worthington Arena.

Swooshing through the twine with astounding regularity, Sprinkle hit 3-pointers as often as the Nike Swoosh blots itself all over American products.

To attest to his accuracy, Sprinkle made 46 percent of his shots from his residence located 19-feet, 9 inches away from the basket last season, and in the process, garnered the Sprint long distance award for the month of February.

A known commodity as a sophomore, Sprinkle averaged 13.7 points per game on the way to an All-Big Sky season — ante Weber State — the Valentine's Day game Danny Sprinkle and the entire Gallatin Valley won't soon forget.

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PHOTO BY ZACH TANNER

MSU guard Danny Sprinkle drives to the hoop. Sprinkle and Co. host S. Calif. College Saturday.

'Cat-Griz: It doesn't get any better than Montana-Montana State

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"I'm not going to tell you any of the game plan," Hysell said. "You have to do a great job of tackling him. Players are well aware of his ability."

But don't forget about the run (Josh Brannen), or one of the best defenses in the country, Hysell warned.

"Their offense gets so much notoriety," Hysell said. "Sometimes the best part of their football team — the most overlooked part — is their defense."

Griz coach Mick Dennehy, a former assistant coach for the Bobcats with Hysell under Sonny Lubick in the late 1970s and early '80s, expects a typical Cat-Griz slugfest.

"They always get ready for us," Dennehy said. "Montana State is a much-improved football team. Their kids play as hard as any team on our schedule."

They will face a Bobcat team, which put together one of its

best offensive performances of the season last week at Sacramento State.

One guy in particular, Vallez, who keeps breaking his own receiving records, is as hot as a Sweet Shop pretzel.

Still, Hysell found room for improvement.

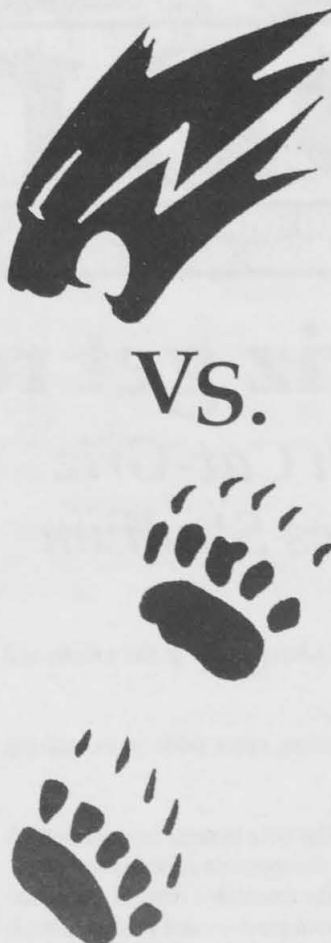
"There are some things that are inconsistent with us and we can't have that this weekend," Hysell said.

Quarterback Rob Compson's favorite target, Vallez has starred for the 'Cats even after MSU lost top receiver after top receiver to injuries.

"Their receiving corps is kind of like ours," Dennehy said, "in that they are overcoming injuries, and their young kids have picked it up for them."

Which brings the ball back to Morgan, nursing a sore left ankle. Will he or won't he play Saturday?

"Hopefully," Morgan said. "It's been getting better and I've been able to run on it. This game is important and I wouldn't miss it for the world."



Rivalry: MSU's Morgan would like nothing more than to beat Griz

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You can even add Grizzly coach Mick Dennehy to that list. Dennehy was an assistant coach for MSU along with Hysell under Lubick.

"The year that we got fired (1981) we spent a lot of time fishing together," Hysell said. "And then, to be honest, I kind of lost track of him."

Hysell moved back to Bozeman to take the MSU head job in 1992 and Dennehy wound up at UM as an assistant coach prior to succeeding Don Read as head coach in 1996.

"You don't call those (Montana) guys up and visit with them," Hysell said. "You call them up for business reasons. I see him at golf tournaments. Just the nature of the Bobcat-Grizzly, thing, in that respect, it's unfortunate (we don't speak much), because he's a good person."

In Dennehy vs. Hysell, Dennehy struck first last year with the Griz' 35-14 win at Washington State's Jefferson stadium in Missoula.

"I'm going to stay close to this team. I'm a Bobcat for life."
Kenyatte Morgan

After the game, Morgan said he would give Hysell a "best-ever" Sky finish. But he goes down than that.

Morgan, who graduated in May, said a win Saturday would put an exclamation point on his stellar career.

"I've experienced a lot of things, it means a lot to me to come out with a win," Morgan said. "It tops my career and starts a tradition for the new guys."

When asked of his plans, Morgan paused before answering.

"I'm going to stay close to this team," Morgan said. "I'm a Bobcat for life."

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Aaaaarf! Ice Doggy Dogs take on Billings

By: TONY AND JENNIFER GEISER
Staff writers

Hey Ice Dog fans, its time for the two top teams in the AFHL to go head to head.

The Bozeman Ice Dogs will take on the Billings Bulls Friday night at the Billings Metra. "We are looking forward to it," Ice Dog coach David Cole said. "It's a big test and we feel well prepared and ready to go."

This game is sure to rock the house. Bozeman lost to Billings in their first match-up on

Oct. 4 and they are out for revenge. This two-year old junior hockey rivalry ranks up there with 'Cat-Griz. Game time is 7:05 in Billings.

Need any ideas for a road trip? Drive 140 miles to the Metra to catch the top two teams in the American Frontier Hockey League bang the glass.

The Ice Dogs extended their unbeaten streak to 16 games and their home undefeated streak to seven games last Sunday night with a 6-4 victory over the Helena Ice Pirates.

Erik Woodin made 34 saves

under huge pressure as he was relieving Casey Osting from the net.

"They got that first lucky one but the guys stepped up, forged on, and played a great game for me," Woodin explained.

When asked how he enjoys playing for Bozeman, Woodin said, "I've been playing hockey since I was three and this is the greatest hockey experience ever."

The player of the game award went to Tyler Kindle who had two goals and an assist on the

night. "I didn't think I played all that well, I just caught a couple breaks," Kindle said.

The Ice Pirates really put the pressure on the Dogs in the third period but Bozeman responded with strong defensive plays and an incredible goal by Kevin "Skates" Wesolek while the Ice Dogs were shorthanded due to a holding penalty.

If you aren't going to saddle up for the Billings game check out the next home game against Central Wyoming at 7:05 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28th in the Valley Ice Garden.

Cook: Suits up one final time in Shroyer vs. Lady Griz

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redshirted her first year. Cook always wanted to move to Bozeman for college even though she was raised in Missoula.

"A lot of my friends thought I was crazy," Cook said. "But my mom & grandma went to school at MSU and it has just always been where I wanted to go."

Hailing from Missoula has given the 'Cat-Griz rivalry a special meaning to Cook.

"The (three-game) win over the Griz earlier this year was definitely the highlight of my career at MSU," Cook said. Cook closes out her Shroyer gymnasium career against the Griz at 7:30 tonight.

Cook has some scary roadtrip memories, and one in particular stands out. "I was rooming one night with Shannon Kemper," Cook said. "Part way through the night Shannon started yelling, 'There's blood everywhere!' I jumped up thinking somebody was getting stabbed or something. Shannon then ran to the door and was still yelling, 'There's blood everywhere!' I was scared to death thinking that she was hurting. She then got quiet and just laid back down in bed. She had been having a nightmare and was sleepwalking! I couldn't sleep the rest of the night."

Practical jokes have also been a part of volleyball life over the last

few years. "One day the coaches asked me to try a new clothing item," a red-faced Cook recalled. "They were these bun huggers and were very tight. One of the coaches pulled out a camera and started taking pictures of me running around during practice. When I asked why they were taking pictures, they just replied, 'To see how they look.' I had no idea they were playing a joke on me until they all started laughing and told me to go change."

On the court Cook has helped the team out with her strong defensive skills and serving. Cook hopes to be help her team win a Big Sky tournament championship and earn a berth in the national playoffs.

"We have beat every team in the conference except Eastern Washington, and we came very close to beating them," Cook said. "I think we really have a chance of doing it."

After volleyball and life at MSU, Cook plans on taking a year off to live with reckless abandon. She then plans on going back to school to become a physical therapist.

"I wouldn't change anything," Cook said, looking back on volleyball and her college career.

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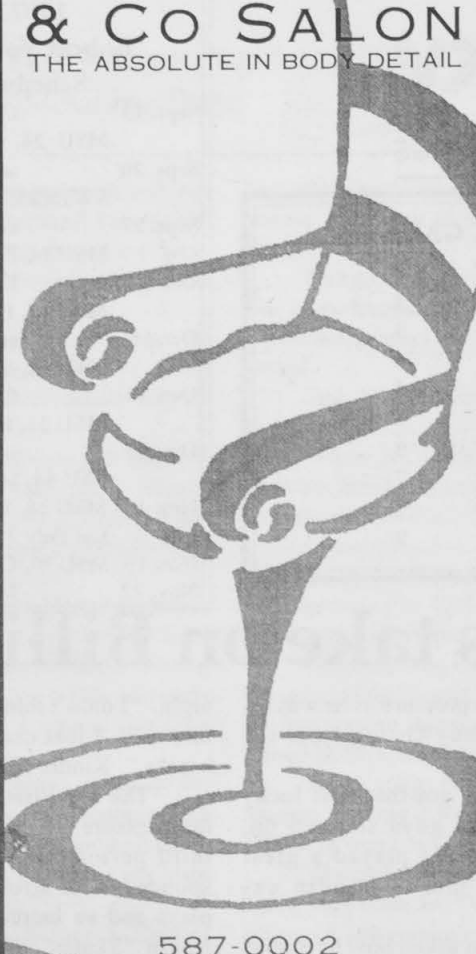
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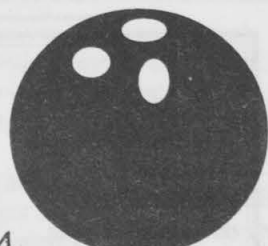
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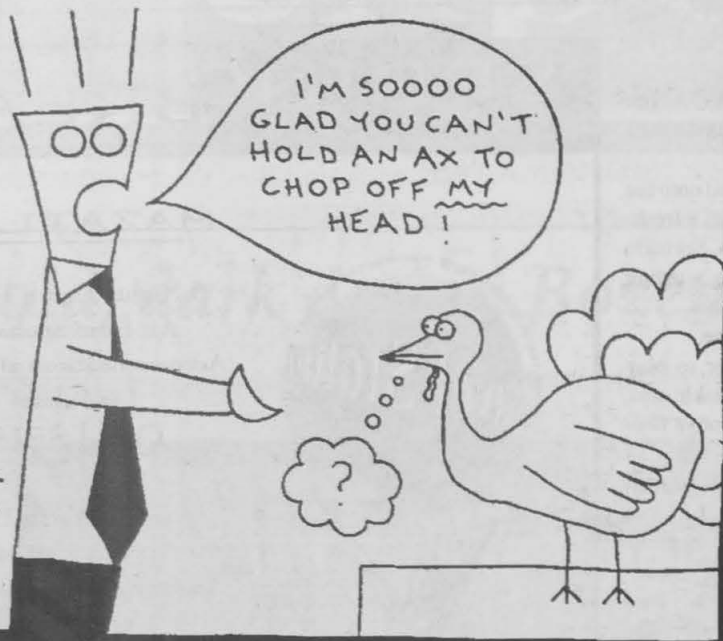
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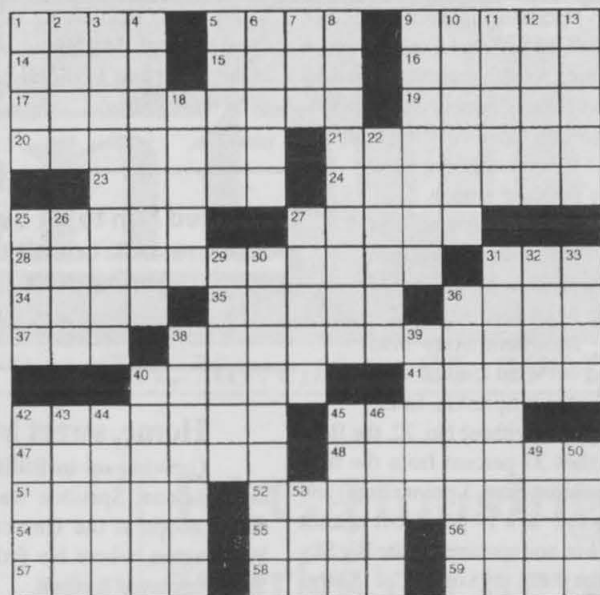
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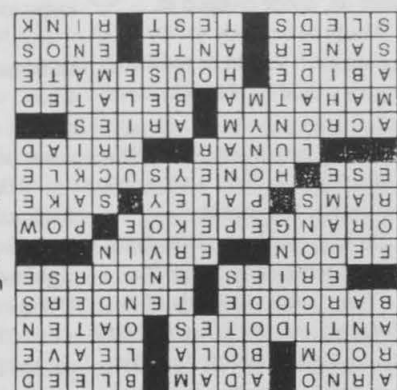
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Sprinkle: If he can't do it no one can

Sprinkle might not remember. After all, he suffered a concussion, a shattered wrist, a separated shoulder and a broken elbow in one stomach-wrenching, tonsil-twisting tumble.

It was a crushing blow to the Bobcats' season.

"We all found out when we didn't have him how valuable he is," MSU coach Mick Durham said.

Montana State also found out what kind of team it is without Sprinkle. In the five games without No. 22, the Bobcats shot 37 percent from the field (34 percent from 3-point range) and were flat in a 19 point loss against the Griz, and sputtered in the Big Sky tournament against Cal State-Northridge.

Sprinkle rehabbed his achy bones in Bozeman, but as the summer wore on, doubt crept in.

Would he be ready for the upcoming season? Would he redshirt? How much would he play if he does suit up?

"At the beginning of August, I was like, 'God, I didn't want to go into the year at 60 percent.'"

Durham said he never had any intention of redshirting Sprinkle.

"There were all kinds of rumors," Durham said. "If we feel he can't handle it, we wouldn't put him on the court in a situation like that."

Sprinkle lifted weights to get himself back into playing shape.

So far, so good, as the first two games of the season, two 50-plus point Bobcat blowouts, have proven that Sprinkle is up to his old tricks.

Next weekend's home test against former Big Sky foe Idaho and

a five-game road swing that takes them through Marquette, Appalachian State and Wyoming will be even more telling.

"I've asked him to sit out on the 3-point line, but I don't think he's gonna do it."

Danette Sprinkle

Home, sweet home

Growing up in Billings and later Helena, Sprinkle wanted to shoot hoops at the University of Washington, where his father Bill Sprinkle played football.

Bill Sprinkle coached football and basketball at Billings Central High School. He passed on what he knew to his son.

"I was shooting 3-pointers at halftime games at Billings Central when I was two years old," Sprinkle said. "I always had a ball in my hand when he was coach."

Basketball, football and track called on Sprinkle at Helena High School and the guard set his sights on following his father to UW as a basketball player.

"I always kind of wanted to go (to UW)," Sprinkle said. "Then reality kind of hit."

Various injuries during Sprinkle's senior season at Helena High blurred his visibility to potential recruiters. Montana State, the University of Portland and Gonzaga (Spokane, Wa.) showed interest. Montana didn't.

"I never liked the (Montana)

Grizzlies," Sprinkle said. "Even if they would have recruited me, I would have come here. (MSU) didn't have to pitch anything for me."

Like a true prognosticator, Durham could see through Sprinkle's injuries.

"I saw him play in his junior year, and as I walked out of the gym, I said, 'I'll take him right now.'"

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Ever since he stepped onto the Worthington Arena floor as a freshman starter two years ago, Sprinkle has been a crowd favorite, wowing fans with his long-range shot.

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His versatility hasn't gone unnoticed by his head coach.

"What he's done is improve himself in all of the other areas," Durham said. "He's a marked man and sees he has to work harder (without the ball) for his shot and we've got to set good screens for him."

If his mother, Danette Sprinkle, had her way, she'd have her son camp out exclusively behind the arc.

"I've asked him to sit out on the 3-point line," Danette Sprinkle said, "but I don't think he's gonna do it."

Don't bet on it, Ma.

"I can hear her cheering on the court for me," Sprinkle said, laughing. "She knows what I'm going to do and could probably guard me better than half the people in the league."

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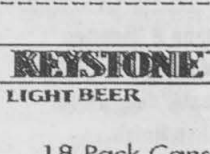
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