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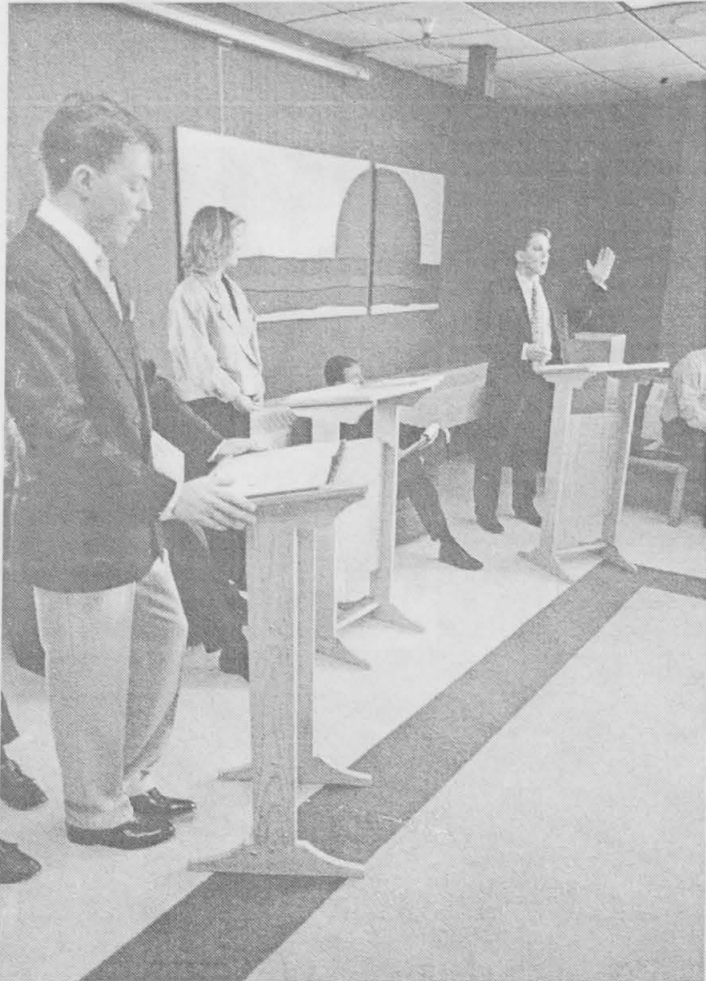
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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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ASMSU REPRESENTS
THE STUDENT BODY

BY JODIE DEIGNAN
Exponent Staff Writer

Once registered for seven credits or more as a student at Montana State, one automatically becomes an associated student belonging to a government working only for the MSU student body.

The Associated Students of Montana State, ASMSU, provides countless services which are included in the student activity fee. The ASMSU Senate consists of 21 elected students who govern the student body and provide communication between the students and the MSU administration. In addition, the Senate is responsible for protecting student rights and looking out for their best interest.

"ASMSU tries to address the needs of the student on a one-to-one basis," ASMSU President Matthew McKamey explained. "This goes hand in hand with representing the voice of the students to the MSU administration, Board of Regents, Governor and Legislatures. I have the ability and opportunity to communicate with the MSU administration directly. I express student concerns as well as find out things that are going to happen to students; a lot of times I have first hand knowledge on events which are about to occur and I evaluate how it is going to effect students on campus."

However, ASMSU's responsibilities do not stop there: The student government also presides over the many ASMSU committees dedicated to improving the quality of student life on campus. These committees

include an Auto Repair shop, Students Legal Services, Bike and Ski Repair shop, Bus Transit, Campus Entertainment, arts & exhibits, concerts, daycare, intramural and recreation programs, KGLT college radio and the *Exponent* Campus paper, Outdoor Recreation Center, student security, tutorial services and a Wellness Coalition. ASMSU allocates the budgets of all of these committees and ensures they run smoothly.

Most importantly, ASMSU exists for students' benefit, according to McKamey.

"If a student has a concern or if they really want something to happen, I want them to come talk to me," McKamey said. "Sometimes I will know the situation or other times I will go to and get informed to help the student understand why something happens a certain way."

According to McKamey there is more than one way to be involved with ASMSU. "There are numerous

chances to enjoy campus life," McKamey said. "Not only do students have the opportunity to attend these functions but they have the opportunity to be a part of them."

ASMSU Business Manager Stephanie Marshall said that being involved with ASMSU has done a lot for her. "ASMSU has been a great opportunity for me to meet new people and experience new challenges. Being involved in school and community is helping me to become a well rounded individual with time management skills that are very important in every day life."



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Campus Entertainment Brings Concerts & Lectures to MSU Students.

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BY ROGER DEY
Exponent Photographer

The stress that can come along with college classes may seem overwhelming at times. Fortunately all that money you paid to get here helps pay for an antidote in the form of Campus Entertainment.

Beginning with a student's first experience at Montana State University Campus Entertainment is there to keep things interesting. Orientation sessions over the summer will involve an incoming freshman's acquaintance with Campus Entertainment immediately. Erin O'Connell, Director of Campus Entertainment explains, "Almost every freshman that comes to MSU attends one of the four orientations throughout the summer, and it's my job as director to make sure that there is a comedian, a hypnotist, something entertaining for them to do on one of those nights."

As the regular school year kicks off, O'Connell and her crew will get to work, bringing MSU and the Bozeman community events that range from big name concert acts to lectures and student art shows. First up will be the SUB Fest, a festival that includes a dance and free ice cream designed to get freshman into the Strand Union to see what it has to offer. The highlight of fall semester is expected to be Homecoming Weekend. Last year's merriement included a concert by the Mighty Mighty Bosstones and a performance by comedian Carrottop. According to O'Connell, this year will be just as promising.

"We're definitely going to try to do another concert and something with comedy," O'Connell said. "The concert might be bigger and the comedy event a little bit smaller so

people can afford to go to both."

In the meantime, between the big events, Campus entertainment has plenty more to offer. If you love art, or are just curious about it, go check out the Exit Gallery in the Strand Union. There you'll find artwork by student and professional alike on display. Or if you find yourself hitting the books so hard that you missed a movie you've been dying to see, fret not. Just keep an eye out for the Procrastinator Theater posters. Located in Linfield 125, the Procrastinator shows weekly movies

that are in that state of limbo between the big screen and the video store.

Campus Entertainment does have more to offer than just the chance to be entertained and decompressed. "Campus Entertainment is a good way to get involved on campus and see things happen and know that you are influencing some of them," O'Connell said.

Additionally, Campus Entertainment at Montana State provides its student volunteers and employees the chance to glimpse the inner workings of the entertainment industry first hand. "As students, we work directly with the agents and that's something that students at other schools don't get to do," O'Connell said. "MSU is really unique in that way."

If you think that school is just all about studying, take a look into Campus Entertainment. It can not only give you a bit of respite from those three chapters of Econ that you've been trying to wade through, but it can also be your ticket behind the scenes at Montana State. Give them a call if you're interested at 994-4839, or stop in and pick up an application at SUB 282.

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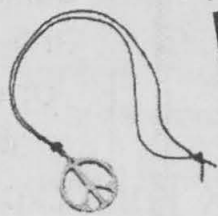
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Rec Center offers weekend fun; inexpensive study breaks

By JOE SPANGLER
Exponent Staff Writer

It's Friday night. You're sick of going to boring parties with bad dates and you just want to do something fun. Your mind draws a blank. But wait! What about the Recreation Center in the SUB?

Located in the basement of the Strand Union Building, the recreation center is a place for all of MSU's students to come and enjoy anytime. The center offers billiards, bowling, video games, foosball and much more, all priced affordably, even bowling, which is the cheapest in town.

If that doesn't do it for you, the center sponsors competitions every weekend, such as the Combust-a-bowl, where music and disco lights make bowling a little more challenging. The rec. center also offers tournaments throughout the year where prizes can be won, such as free pool or dinner at The Bay (a local restaurant).

There are even leagues that students can join which is fourteenth in the nation. And if that isn't enough, specials



are offered during finals week, such as fifty-cent bowling, so that students can take a break from studying. "Most students don't know that we have leagues and that they travel," Rec. Center Manager Joe Seaman said. According to Seaman, nights are the busiest time in the center, especially Friday and Saturday nights.

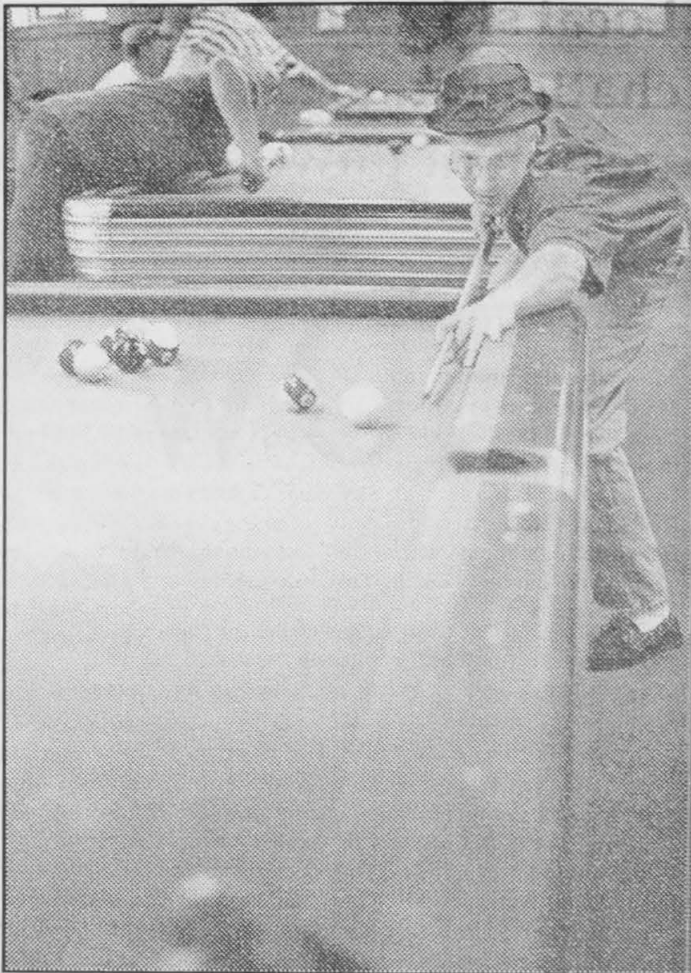
"It's all college students, no high school or junior high, which is nice," Seaman said.

Special activities will be offered during all three of the freshman orientations, such as the Combust-a-bowl, so that students can get familiar with the center.

"We're trying to get more advertising so that students know where we are," Seaman said. He adds that many students don't know about the rec. center because it's tucked away location in the SUB.

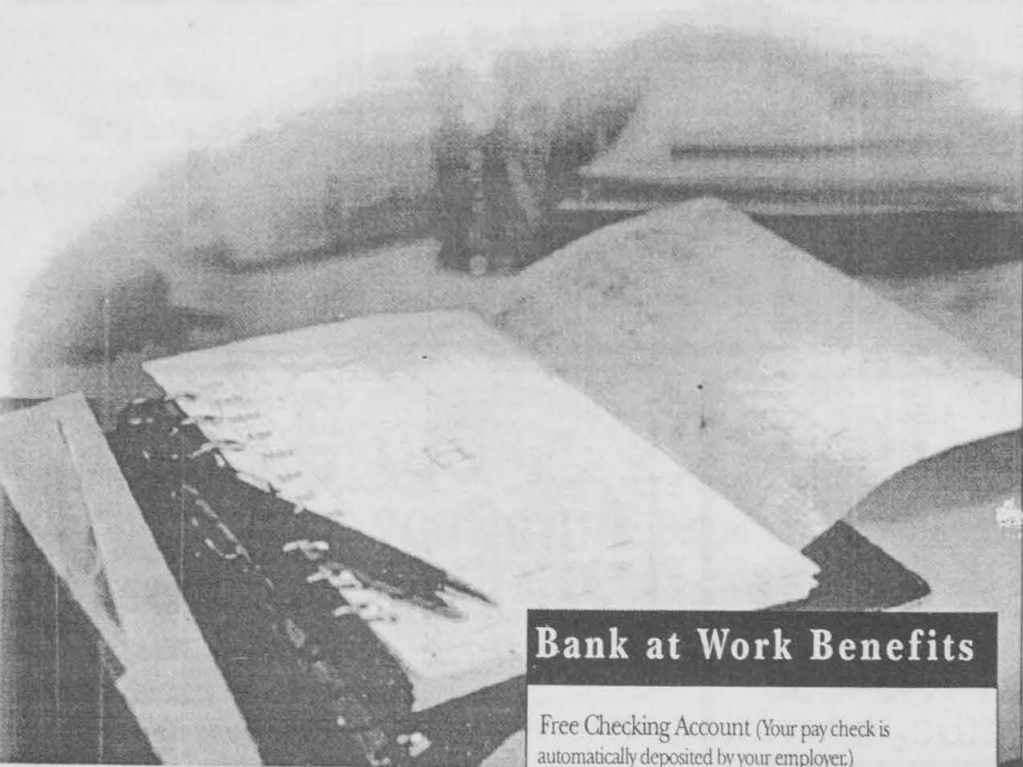
"Basically the center is a place for students to relax and take a break during classes or studying," Seaman said.

The hours for the recreation center during the 98-99 school year will be Monday through Friday, 8 am to 11:30 pm and Saturday from 12 pm to 1 am. So, next time you are wondering what to do, don't forget about the SUB Recreation Center.



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Local ski areas boast challenging runs for freshman powder hounds

By JOE SPANGLER
Exponent Staff Writer

Skiing is one of Montana's most popular outdoor activities and students at MSU-Bozeman are lucky to have two of the best ski areas in the country just miles away.

Bridger Bowl and Big Sky Resort are a short trip from Bozeman for students who wish to enjoy the outdoors during the long Montana winters. Bridger is just sixteen miles from downtown Bozeman and offers one of the nations best values for skiing. Last years' day pass prices were \$29, season passes for adults cost \$410 and season passes for 18 and under rang in at only \$245, according to Bridger Bowls' Marketing Director Doug Wales.

"Bridger is probably the most affordable experience in the country, and there are other options besides season passes that are more affordable," Wales said.

According to Wales that last years midweek passes (Monday through Friday) were \$290 with only a slight increase for the '98-'99 season.

In addition to the world class skiing, Bridger Bowl offers several activities during the season for people of all ages and abilities.

"There are a variety of

events that everyone takes part in," Wales said.

He adds that students, as well as others, may take part in any of the events that Bridger offers throughout the year. The Early Bird Program, for instance, offers beginners instruction on how to ski. In addition, the Powder Eight competition takes place every February along with a snowboard competition and a costume tele-marking race.

Bridger is a private, non-profit organization, owned by the city of Bozeman.

Big Sky resort is only a one hour drive from Bozeman and offers some of the most impressive snow and skiing in the country. With an average snow base of 400 inches per year, Big Sky has seventy-five named runs and a tram to the top of the mountain with the second highest vertical drop in the nation, behind Snowmass Mountain in Aspen, Colorado.

As well as offering good skiing, Big Sky has high-speed quads and virtually no lift lines.

Big Sky administrators are looking to revamp the weekend program for all skiers. Weekend programs include beer specials and a Thrash and Bash competition for skiers, snowboarders and telemarkers.

"We are looking to do more with that (weekends),"



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With two of the nations more notable ski areas so close to Bozeman many students spend their spare time hitting the slopes of Big Sky or Bridger Bowl.

Big Sky Marketing Director Maclaren Johnson said.

Johnson adds that Big Sky offers ski lessons for all abilities and over 3500 ski-able acres from expert to easy runs.

Along with great skiing, Big Sky has received several awards for its resort. Snow Country magazine voted Big Sky ninth overall in the nation for terrain and second in the country for biggest vertical drop, according to Johnson. Ski magazine gave Big Sky high marks for best terrain and lifts, also according to Johnson.

Johnson said that Big Sky is planning to build a new ter-

rain park including a half-pipe and a towrope to take boarders to the top.

Big Sky lift prices are still being determined for the upcoming season but are estimated around the \$40 range with a student I.D.

For whatever reason new students chose Montana State University, Big Sky Resort and Bridger Bowl are two experiences that are too rich to miss out on. When the wind rips past as you rocket down either of these remarkable ski areas the Montana winter no longer seems that bad just don't forget you're here for school.



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Counseling Center (994-4531) 211 Swingle
Name: Pat Donahoe

Residence Life (994-2661) Hedges Complex
Name: Kirk Bixler

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Resource Center (994-2824) 155 SUB
Name: Bob Waters

*Advance by Choice (994-4541) 146 SUB
Name: Mary Lukin

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Resource Center (994-2824) 155 SUB
Name: Bob Waters

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Financial Aid (994-2845) 135 SUB

Business Office (994-2701)

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Career Services (994-4353) 125 SUB
Name: Alyce Maas

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Office of Retention (994-2826) 120 SUB
Name: Courtney Stryker

General Studies (994-3532) 418 Reid Hall
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College of Education, Health and Human Development (994-4133) 250 Reid

College of Engineering (994-2272) 214 Roberts

Letters and Science (994-4288) 2205 Wilson

General Studies (994-3532) 418 Reid Hall

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I wonder what I can do to help keep Jane in school?

A word of advice for Parents only!

Tips to help your student succeed

By COURTNEY STRIKER
Office of Retention

It's orientation and you've just realized you're really going to send your child off to college. After you finish writing the check and get over the "I'm starting to feel really old" thing, take some time to consider the following tips to help you and your child with this challenging transition.

The first six weeks of your son or daughter's life on campus are going to be the most challenging, exciting and difficult times he or she will experience as college student. If he or she can "make it" through these critical six, the likelihood of him or her dropping out of college decreases dramatically. In order to become successfully integrated into the college community, a student usually passes through three major stages: separation, transition and incorporation.

Almost every student must begin to separate from their past lives as child, high school student and member of their local community. They will be faced with breaking past habits and disconnecting from their traditional support networks. Further, students must adjust to new living conditions, meet new friends and get to know and understand where they fit into this new community of nearly 12,000. The process of integration is often disorienting and disturbing for most students. For some students, the stress of this adjustment period, combined with new academic demands, is so extreme they see no other option but to leave college and remove themselves from the stressful situation. Roughly 50 percent of the students who drop out do not return to complete a four year degree.

Before you get too depressed at your decision to send your son or daughter away, there is hope for those students and parents who are informed. Here are some suggestions to help you help your new college student through the first six weeks and beyond:

•Make academics a priority. This doesn't mean you should demand your son or daughter get straight A's during his or her semester—it simply means that academics must be a priority. Students who perform well academically during their first semester feel like they are making it. They feel like they fit in and they feel more con-

fident about their successful adjustment to college life. These students truly believe they have a sense of purpose and direction.

•Encourage Involvement.

Students who get involved with their college communities tend to stay involved and stay in school. Daily interactions with friends, organization, college activities, residence hall activities, professors and other university staff are essential. Encouraging your son or daughter to establish a balance early on will ensure a smooth transition into the life of a successful college student.

•Be supportive and empathetic. One of the most common answers students give when questioned about why they stayed in school is, "because I felt like I could do it." Building self esteem, supporting independence and learning to "let go" are important steps you can take to help your son or daughter succeed.

•Teach financial responsibility. A college degree is a substantial investment not only in terms of dollars but in the future of your son or daughter. Make sure he or she has the skills to manage finances effectively. More and more students are working while they study to help defray the costs of college. A job, combined with financial aid and/or support from

parent, adds up to a great deal of financial responsibility. The efficient money managing student has a greater chance of attaining the four year degree in four years. Also, they tend to run into less trouble with exorbitant phone bills, over charged credit cards and outstanding bills.

•Stay in contact

Be sure to pick up the phone regularly and talk

with your son or daughter. Keeping the lines of communication open is the key to being supportive.

•Be informed. The more you know, the more helpful you can be. Bring home a course catalog. The book has vital phone numbers, tuition information, course descriptions and other valuable information you son or daughter cannot afford to be ignorant about. Drop dates are listed here as well as other important dates and school calendar events. Also, you should familiarize yourself with the call list published in this issue. It lists the names and numbers of the most commonly called people on campus. Don't hesitate to call if you have any questions.

•Allow for indecision. Your average college student will change majors anywhere from three to five times during the course of his or her college career. This is normal. Don't worry if your son or daughter calls to tell you about new career/major interest every other week. This is their time to search and experiment. Try not to pressure them into declaring a major too soon. Encourage them to find out as much as they can about careers from their advisors, the Career Services office, or people in the field, etc. This is a tough decision for many students and should be given time and consideration.

•SEND CARE PACKAGES. Surprise your son or daughter once in a while with a care package, a card, a letter, a visit at least once during each semester. Homemade brownies or cookies, McDonald's coupons, flowers, candy, etc. are great to receive especially during the first six weeks of the semester. It's nice to get a care package around midterms and finals. If you have the chance, surprise your son or daughter with a visit and take him or her out for dinner.

Above all, don't forget there are a lot of faculty and staff on this campus who are here to help both your new college student and you. We would like to extend our warmest welcome to you and yours as you embark upon this tremendous adventure.



How can I be a supportive parent and now who's going to mow the lawn?



Beyond 90210

How to survive in your new college community



By COURTNEY STRIKER
Office of Retention

Unlike 90210, college isn't just hanging around and looking cool, worrying about your hair and the next issue of *J. Crew*. Real college is much different. It's all about learning and learning how to learn. This means learning how to pick the good classes from a catalog of hundreds; how to do laundry so everything doesn't turn out splotchy; how to live with someone else in a room the size of your bathroom at home; how to avoid the "freshman 15"; and how to survive until Christmas break. College can be a lot of fun and it can also be a great challenge. Understanding yourself, your limits and your capabilities will be the most effective thing you can do to start this adventure off on the right foot.

Now for a serious reality check: 30 percent of you will drop out of MSU before this time next year. With odds like that, who needs finals—right? Well, there is hope for you if you follow the next ten steps for college survival.

•**Make it through the first six weeks.** Most of the freshmen who drop out of college make these decisions during the first six weeks of their first semester on campus. Beat the odds and simply plan on "making it." Now that you know these are the most crucial and most difficult weeks on campus. Plan ahead. Make sure your prepared by following the next nine steps!

•**Get involved.** Those students who are least likely to drop out of college are those who are involved with their campus communities. During your first six weeks on campus you should: join at least one campus organization; go to at least three campus activities; participate in activities in your hall; make at least two new friends; talk with at least one professor outside of class; connect with your advisor; and explore the Bozeman community.

•**Go to class.** You can't learn if you're not there. Make academics a priority. By paying your tuition, your buying the opportunity to learn. Don't throw your money away by blowing off class. Plus, there's an added bonus to attending class, you might absorb more and have to cram less when it's time for finals.

•**Be informed.** Read the catalog and schedule of classes. Visit the MSU web site (www.montana.edu). Find out important dates like when the last day to drop classes is, when to preregister for next semester, and when your finals are. Read the Student Conduct Code. Know your way around campus before the first day of classes. Know who to ask and where to go for help.

•**Ask questions.** Don't be intimidated by your new experience. Dive right in and find out what's going on. If you don't understand something, ASK. Where can I find out about schol-



What can I do to make it through my first semester of college?

arships? How long do I have to live with my roommate before I go insane? Where is the bathroom in Wilson? How do I buy football tickets for my parents? What are common exams? Find crucial resource people on campus who can answer you questions. A good place to start is the Office of Retention (994-5934), if we can't help, we know who can!

•**Learn how to play the game.** Part of learning how to be a successful college student means learning how to prepare yourself to play the game. Learn how to take tests, learn how to take notes and write college-level papers. The other

part of playing the game is understanding the rules. Familiarize yourself with the Registrar's Office, the Business Office, and the job board in the Financial Aid Office. Learn how the MSU bureaucracy functions. Find out about ASMSU (student government).

•**Do unto others.** Ah yes, the Golden Rule. Believe it or not, this rule will serve you well in college. If you are offended by stinky bathroom smells first thing in the morning, don't forget to flush. Don't blast your stereo at 1:00 a.m. if you expect peace when *your* trying to sleep. Be polite. Treat people with respect. Be friendly. Make eye contact. Smile. Try to model the community you want to live in.

•**Learn the lingo.** The world of college is full of new vocabulary and lingo that you've got to learn pretty quickly. For example, it's the *Registrar's* Office not the Register's Office. Learn how to address your professors. Find out if they like to be called Dr. Soandso or Professor Soandso. Learn how to spell their names correctly. What is a "drop date" anyway?

•**Be prepared for change.** Your not in High School anymore. The work is much harder, you have to learn information faster, and your grades are based on two to three tests rather than lots of little assignments. Your friends from high school will change, you will change, and someone you know will get a tattoo or pierce a body part you didn't know could be pierced.

•**Learn how to do laundry—really!** This suddenly becomes very serious business while you're at school. Don't be like the guy in my freshman class that saved up all of his dirty laundry and took it home (in a huge duffel bag on the plane) for his mother to do over Thanksgiving break. He spent a lot of money buying new underwear every two weeks! If you don't remember anything else, remember not to mix colors with whites! The laundry room is also a great place to meet people and swap stories of previous laundry disasters.

One final note, remember to have fun too. We hope you enjoy your first year at Montana State University.

I'm not sure how to get involved on campus but at least I won't have to mow the lawn.

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Career Services gets MSU students on track

By SHANNON BANKA
Exponent Staff Writer

The average person under thirty will change jobs every one and a half years. In a lifetime, the average person will change jobs 10 to 12 times with four to five career changes. The average MSU student will change majors at least once. And that's only the average person. So what can you do to help yourself find the "perfect" career?

Well, first of all you can plan a visit to the Career Service. Located in room 125 in the basement of the Strand Union Building, the Career Service is dedicated to helping MSU students explore the different career opportunities available to them.

"We are here to collect information and organize it so students have ready and easy access to career and occupational information," Director of Career Services Ralph Brigham said.

Every year over a 150 companies visit MSU to recruit for internships or full time positions. For the 1997-98 school term, over 190 different companies came to MSU.

Of that number, 103 came to attend the Career Fair held each year at MSU.

"It's a great opportunity for students of all levels," said Wanda Vergith, a Recruiting Coordinator for the Career Service. "The companies come to find employees, and often times students can find summer internships or even full time positions at the Career Fair."

But the Career Fair isn't the only option available to students. Throughout the year Career Services also holds several workshops to help students. They include workshops on writing resumes, job hunting methods, effective interviewing techniques, and even a seminar on "choosing a major."

In addition to the Career Fair and workshops, the Career Service goes through a four step procedure in order to help students find out what

occupational areas would be best suited for.

The process includes self assessment, obtaining career information, career exploration and preparation, and marketing.

"Students need to make sure they start to look at opportunities out there. They need to start exploring different courses and get ideas about what they would like to do."

— Ralph Brigham, Director of Career Services

During the self assessment step, students assess their interests, values and skills. In the second step students check out different occupations, the training and education needed, work settings and income. In step three students will explore classes, look at publications in their field and get job experience. In the final step students will check out contacts and networks open to them, they will create resumes and cover letters, and finally, students will interview for prospective positions.

"Students need to make sure

they start to look at opportunities out there," said Brigham. "They need to start exploring different courses and get ideas about what they would like to do."

Also offered through Career Services are "mock interviews." In a mock interview a student will be interviewed by career counselor Alyce Moss in a realistic setting. The interview is taped and then the student and Moss go through the tape to find strengths and weaknesses to improve the students overall interview technique.

But perhaps your the type of person who doesn't have time to schedule an appointment and spend time talking to a counselor. If that's the case, then the Career Service has a perfect option open to you. On the MSU home page on the internet (www.montana.edu), the career service has a web site filled with different avenues of career preparation, from a Career Planning Process that

goes through the four steps to finding your perfect career, to a web page that can help you to find living arrangements in any giving city.

"Our web page offers easy access to all the information available at Career Services," said Brigham. "It's the perfect opportunity for students to get help whenever they need it, anytime day or night."

And if you're still having trouble deciding what to do, on the bottom of each web page there's an icon you can click to e-mail the director of Career Services, Ralph Brigham. This allows students to get personal help if they need it, while still not having to make a formal appointment.

But if you're one of those people that would rather visit the Career Services in person and get personalized help and attention, the Career Service has regular weekday hours Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 12 PM and 1 PM to 5 PM.

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ASMSU intramurals gives students exercise options

By SHANNON BANKA
Exponent Staff Writer

Whether you prefer basketball, football, archery, aerobics, tennis, baseball, mountain bike racing, volleyball and ultimate Frisbee MSU has the recreational sport for you.

Each year the Intramural department offers over 60 events for the students, faculty and staff of MSU. A vast majority, 75% of the college campus, participates in at least one of the activities offered.

"We always have a nice mingling of students, faculty and staff," Assistant Director of Intramurals Carole Kolarich said. "Where else can you play volleyball against your professor?"

Intramurals offers a variety of team and individual events, in any number of settings, so participants are guaranteed to find something they enjoy. There are three main types of leagues offered, the coed leagues, the male and female leagues, and the A, B, and C leagues.

The A leagues are the most highly competitive of the three leagues, but still not varsity athletes. B leagues are slightly less competitive, while the C leagues are mostly for beginners and people who are more interested in the social aspect of the sports.

"It's a great place to make new friends," said Steve Hinderer, a student employee for Intramurals.

"While still being able to enjoy the challenge of competition in a non-academic setting."

Of the 60 activities offered by the Intramural department, 95% are cost free. The other 5% cost less than five dollars and are usually the events that are run in cooperation with the rec. center, such as bowling. The Intramural department also awards T-shirts to the winning competitors for each event.

The only other cost that intramural charges is a forfeit fee for all of the team sports. Each team must pay \$25 dollars at the start of the season in order to participate in league play. The fee is returned if the team shows up for all of its scheduled events.

"It's our way of ensuring that the teams will show up to every event," Kolarich said. "That way no team ends up wasting its' time when their competition doesn't show up."

Intramurals is also a good way in which to meet people outside of the classroom. "For some people, such as architecture and chemistry majors, the students never really get out of their buildings," Kolarich said. "Intramurals gives them a chance to get out and meet new people that they otherwise probably would never have met."

However, Intramurals does not just offer team and individual sports. The intramural department is also responsible for the weight

rooms, and all other open recreation areas, which include the basketball courts, tracks, indoor tennis courts, racquetball courts, the climbing wall, the circuit training room and the swimming pool.

"Because Intramurals are for college students and staff one of the main reasons many people participate in them is because they can be a big stress reliever," said Amy O'Connell, a water aerobics instructor since 1995. "After working out people feel better and are then often able to study and concentrate better."

Intramurals are funded by the student body and are a part of ASMSU. Because they are completely student funded, students are able to dictate what Intramurals does and when they do it. "Students have the power to make changes," said Kolarich, "and are therefore able to get exactly what they want."

During the summer, the intramural building hours are Monday through Friday, 6 AM to 7 PM and they are currently offering an aerobics program Monday through Thursday. Starting in the fall, Intramurals will begin all of their outdoor events, which include ultimate Frisbee, baseball, flag football, mountain bike racing, and a softball tournament.

So when school time studying gets you down or it comes time to combat the dreaded "Freshman Fifteen" ASMSU Intramurals can help.

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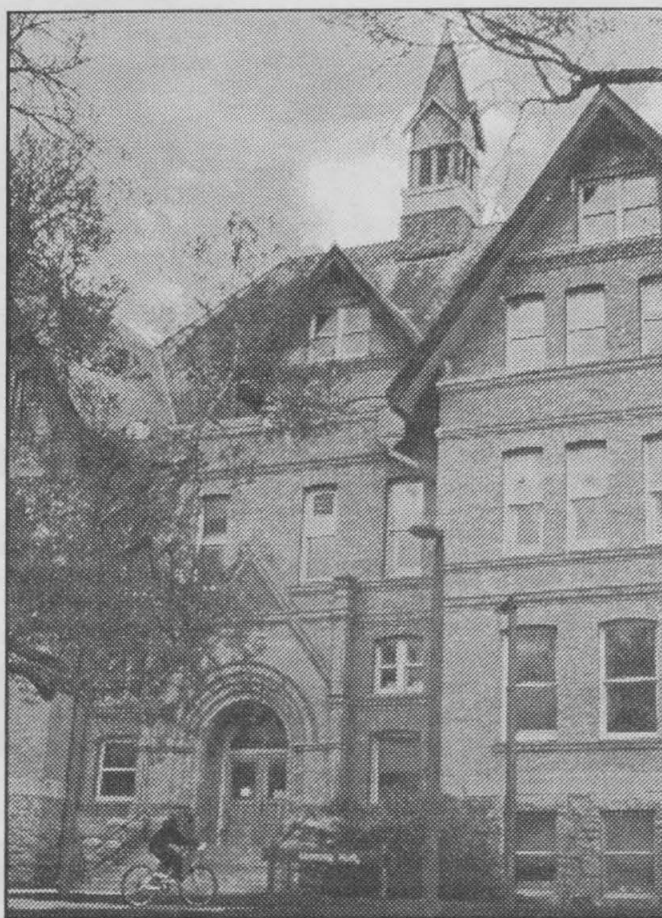


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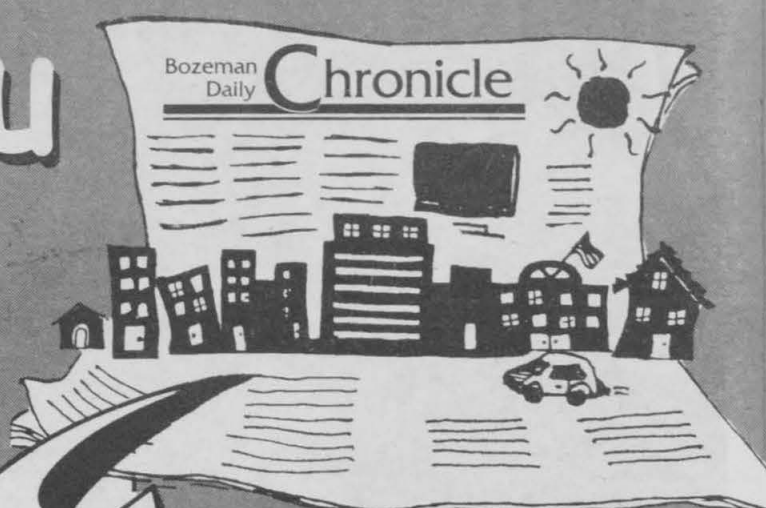
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DATE WITH A MUSEUM OF

By JESSICA DYRLAND-
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Exponent Features Editor

The best place to excavate the roots of the Gallatin Valley is Bozeman's own Museum of the Rockies.

The Museum of the Rockies is dedicated specifically to studying the natural and cultural history of the Northern Rocky Mountain region. Nationally recognized for its work in the field of paleontology, it was recently re-accredited by the American Association of Museums (AAM). According to Shelley McKamey, Museum of the Rockies head of operations and marketing director, the museum was evaluated rigorously, and determined to be an important research facility. Currently, 10 percent of the nation's museums are honored by the AAM.

"Nationally, we have a reputation as a paleontology museum," McKamey said. "Jack Horner is our curator of paleontology, and he is well-known in popular circles because of his books, and for being the scientific advisor to Spielberg on 'Jurassic Park' and 'The Lost World.' He is almost more importantly well-known in professional circles for his theories on dinosaurs. For example, he was the first person to suggest that dinosaurs nurture their young."

The nesting colonies that led Horner to this theory are displayed in the museum's dinosaur hall.

One of the museum's most popular exhibits is based upon Horner's latest theory that *Tyrannosaurus rex* was a scavenger rather than a predator. "T. rex on Trial: Examining the Evidence for Meat-eating Dinosaurs" allows visitors to examine fossils with the aim of envisioning the daily life of carnivorous dinosaurs. Viewers of the exhibit are then prompted to make their own educated decision over the debate.

"The people who come here love our dinosaurs, but they also love the planetarium. When you ask, 'What do you like best?' it's always dinosaurs and the planetarium," McKamey said.

The museum's Taylor Planetarium is one of the few facilities in the world equipped with Digistar computer-graphics capabilities. This program allows technicians to program the position of objects (such as stars) upon the ceiling of the planetarium. By moving the projection of images across the screen, viewers feel as though they are actually moving through a three-dimensional world. This summer's program includes "The

Wild Universe," a fast-paced show that combines scientific evidence and mystic imaginings to give viewers a ride through the cosmos. "The Dinosaur Chronicles" offers a broad look at the age of the dinosaurs, and "Rocky Mountain Skies in Summer" takes viewers on a tour of the current night sky. All three shows are offered daily.

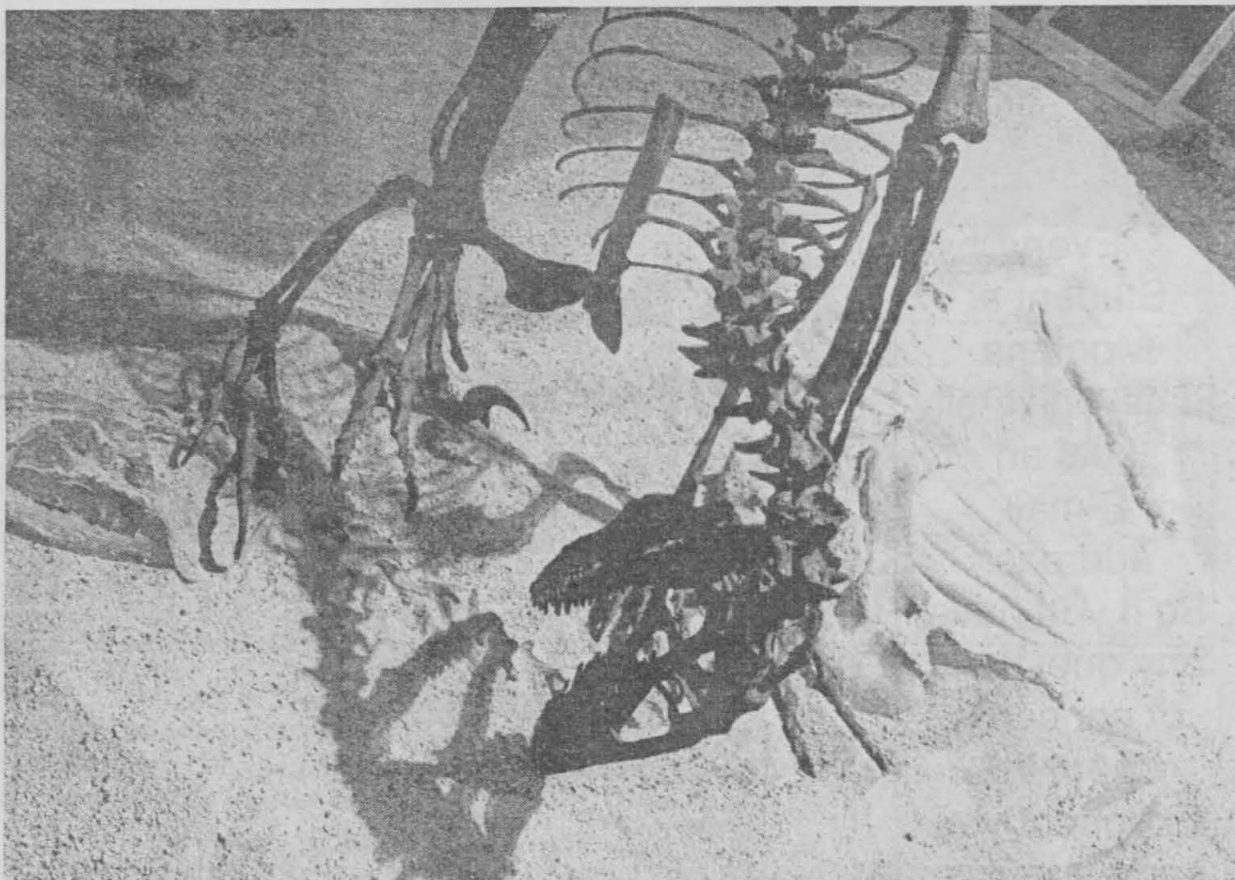
The Museum of the Rockies was founded in 1957 by Caroline McGill, a respected physician who practiced in Butte, Montana, for 40 years. The museum is currently honoring her with the summer's featured exhibit entitled "Caroline McGill: An Extraordinary Woman." The display includes many items from her personal collection of art and antiques, as well as photographs, clothing and memorabilia.

The museum's interest in local history has led to an exhibit known as the museum's "Living History Farm." In 1989, a log home that was built in 1889 was moved from Willow Creek, Montana, to the grounds of the museum. The building has been restored, and other buildings have been added, including a chicken coop, granary, hay shed and privy. Every summer costumed interpreters perform the daily tasks necessary to life on a Montana homestead.

Laura Gittings, MSU senior in Anthropology and employee of the museum said the environment is inspiring. "I feel extremely lucky to be working here," Gittings said. "If I come to work with questions over my homework, there are several people who are always willing and happy to discuss those with me."

Overall, the museum is dedicated to learning. According to McKamey, it is important to allow the public to view the wonders of the region, but the true function of the museum is to ensure that scientific research continues within the Gallatin Valley.

The museum is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. through September 7. Admission is \$4 for MSU students.

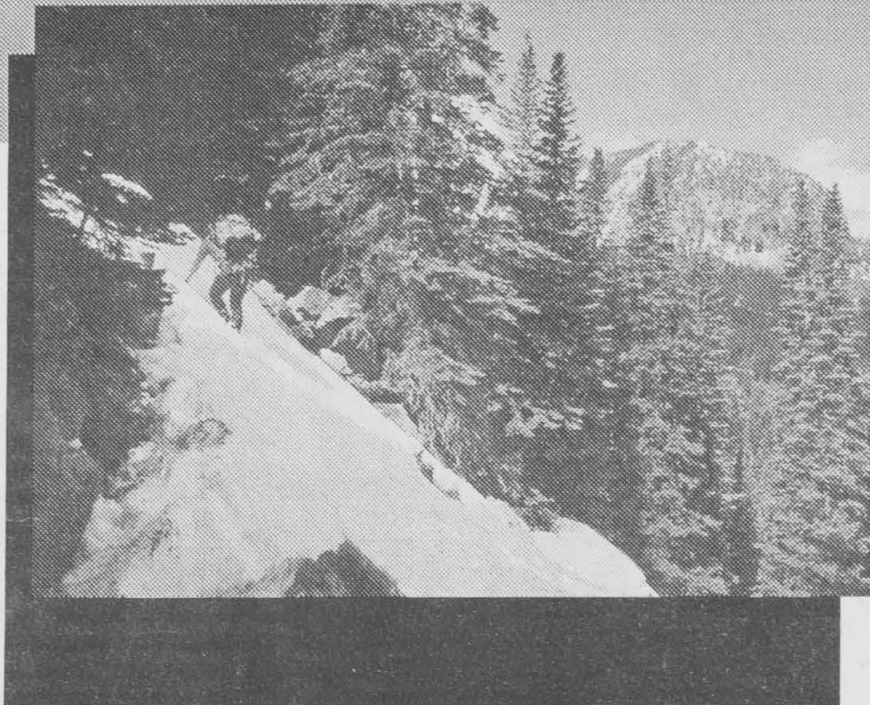


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By JODIE DEIGNAN
Exponent Staff Writer

New students to Montana State University-Bozeman will face many challenges in college. One part of a healthy education is taking on the recreational activities in and around the Gallatin Valley.

The Associated Students of Montana State (ASMSU) designed a special place for students to orientate themselves to Montana's mountains and rivers. The Outdoor Center, the Save Our Barn, commonly called the SOB Barn, is the place for students to combine mountains with minds.

Since 1979, the Outdoor Program has supplied various instruction, equipment and maps in the SOB Barn on the west side of campus. Everything from rafts to Gallatin National Forest maps are available to students. The Outdoor Center also has a library of outdoor oriented magazines and a staff ready to share their knowledge.

"I think it is a valuable service at MSU that students should become involved with as early as possible," said Director Mike Cavaness. "We have a variety of services with the largest being equipment rental. This allows students to do their own trips."

Cavaness said that students can also join one of the many trips put on by the ASMSU Outdoor Center.

"We also have organized trips and we try to do a variety of organized outings throughout the semester, ranging from one day to overnight expeditions."

Past trips have included a Christmas Break trip to Mexico and an excursion to the Southeast over Spring Break. During the summers the Outdoor program organizes trips to Alaska and Canada with numerous trips throughout the area, some for a day and some lasting an entire weekend.

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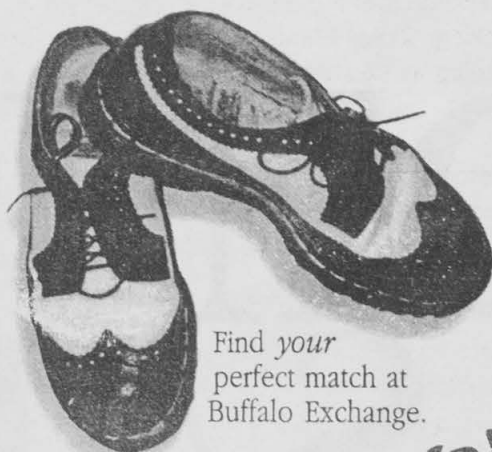


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The resource area of the Outdoor Center will help students decide where to go and introduce the countless ways to work some steam off in the natural world. A series of instructional events occur throughout the academic year where students have the opportunity to learn kayaking, snow camping, climbing and attend avalanche seminars, bike and ski tuning workshops. There are student technicians working in the Outdoor Center who will maintain and repair students' personal equipment.

"Students learn how to participate in a sport, they learn the skills and learn how to participate in the sport safely," said Paul Beausoleil who has worked in the Outdoor Center two years and is a senior in education.

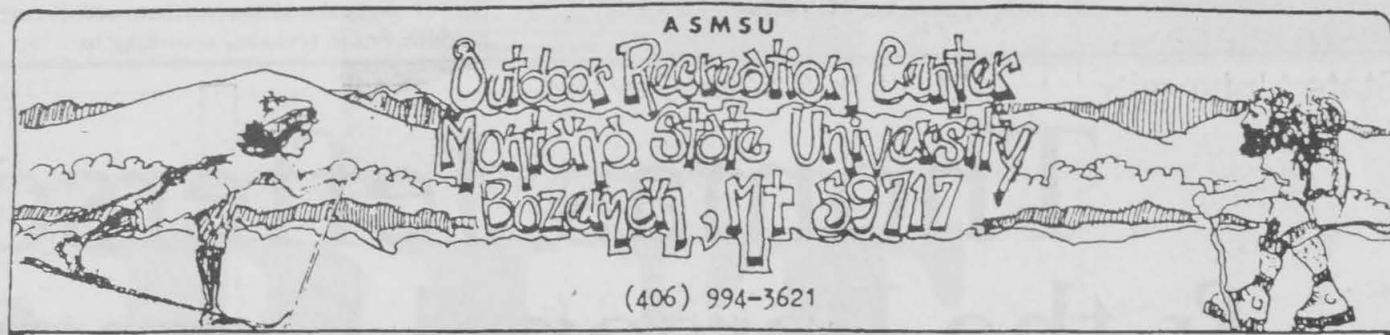
"I didn't even know the Outdoor Center was here until I started working here," Beausoleil said. "Students should definitely use the services because the prices are made for the students so if they are not using them, they are missing out on the outdoors that Bozeman encompasses."

Aaron Wiepking is a junior in landscape design and has worked at the Outdoor Center for four years. "It is a great resource, we have maps, trail books and we have river maps of every river in the North and Southwest. Plus Mike is a walking encyclopedia, he knows everything. If we don't know it we can turn to Mike; He has hiked extensively in a lot of the trails in Montana."

Wiepking said he hopes more students will begin to use the Outdoor Center.

"It is a cool job. We get a big flow of international students but other students don't seem to use the Center as much yet."

Cavaness and crew can be reached at the SOB Barn at 994-3621 during regular business. Call for a complete price list.



The ASMSU Outdoor Recreation Program, based in the "SOB" barn, operates throughout the year and affords a compliment of services including equipment rental, group outings, resource center, special events, bicycle & ski workshop and other activities.

The equipment rental service maintains a large inventory of items which are available for use by students, faculty, staff, families and other MSU affiliates. Equipment such as rafts, canoes, tents, sleeping bags, backpacks, nordic skis, snowshoes, bicycles other gear may be secured by persons with a valid MSU ID. Rates are quite reasonable and are determined by flexible rental periods.

A variety of group outings are offered which accommodate many interests and skill levels. Activities include hiking, camping, backpacking, rafting, canoeing, kayaking, nordic skiing, snowshoeing, wildlife viewing and other pursuits. Destinations range from local recreation areas to Yellowstone, Glacier and Grand Teton national parks, as well as extended trips to the Canadian Rockies, Alaska, Mexico, Pacific Coast and the Southwest. Nominal fees are charged to defray direct operating expenses associated with transportation, group equipment, organization and coordination.

Through the resource center an assortment of materials are available which pertain to outdoor recreational opportunities. Maps, trail guides, magazines, catalogs and other publications make the resource center a clearing-house of information. A bulletin board is maintained for promotion of upcoming activities, equipment exchange, services and "common adventurer" outings.

Special events featuring adventure travel presentations, seminars and non-credit classes are programmed throughout the year. Topics include avalanche awareness, snow camping, kayaking, rock climbing, international expeditions and other outdoor oriented subjects.

A bicycle & ski workshop provides the opportunity for individuals to maintain and repair personal equipment. An hourly fee is charged for use of the work area, tools and materials. A staff person is present to lend assistance. A limited supply of parts is also stocked for resale.

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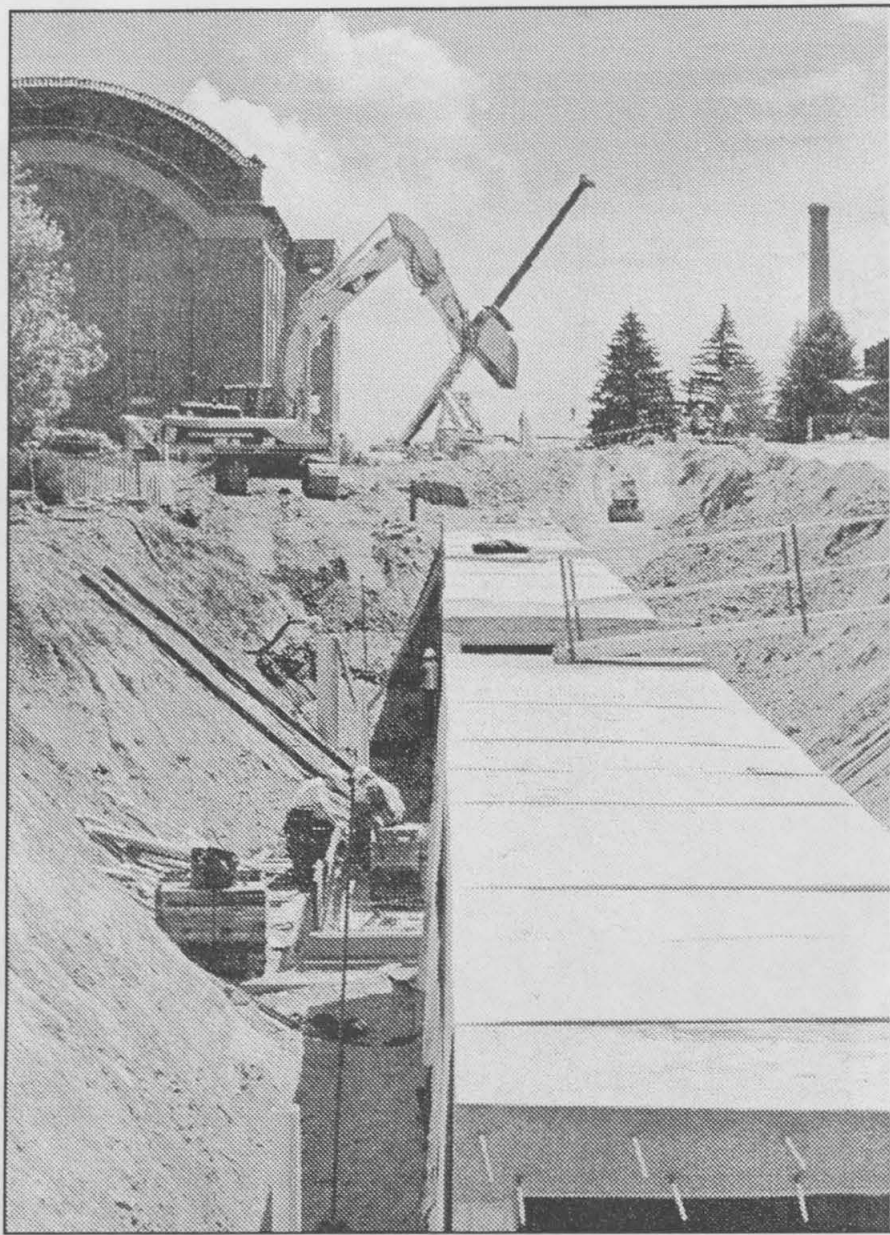


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Construction workers strive to complete the final phase of the Utility Steam tunnel construction. The tunnel repairs have torn up various parts of the MSU Bozeman campus over the past several years but will be completed in November. The tunnel construction is just one of many construction projects currently under way this summer.

Under construction Construction causes minor inconveniences

By Erika Muller
Exponent Staff Writer

With the sight of parking lots torn up and buildings half completed, incoming students and their parents might have some inquiries about the construction and renovations at MSU.

According to Director of Facilities Robert Lashaway, "Several projects are in progress and are all running on schedule."

The largest of projects that Lashaway has encountered include the upgrading of the Reno H. Stadium, the renovation of the Brick Breiden Fieldhouse, the beginning of Phase IV of the Grant Street utility tunnel, the retrofit of the heating plant, and the construction of the new Ag Bio Science Building.

In addition, the Roskie and Hedges parking lots will see repairs, Voice/Data will be incorporated into four residence halls, and the Strand Union Market and Sweet Shop will have renovations.

The stadium renovations, costing an estimated \$8 million, should see completion in August. Construction began last fall and is necessary to meet NCAA requirements. Upgrades include remodeling of concessions, locker rooms and restrooms. Also, the addition of skyboxes in the stadium will produce future revenue, according to

Lashaway.

Likewise, the Fieldhouse will see reconstruction due to deferred maintenance and remodeling women's locker rooms for the first time since the structure was built in 1956. According to Lashaway the process will be completed by October.

However, the most unsightly of all the construction is set for completion in November. On its last of four stages the replacement of the underground steam tunnels is responsible for the torn up roadways by the Strand Union Building. The tunnel will replace the deteriorating heat distribution system on campus.

"The heating plant will also receive replacements, with two 40 year old boilers being replaced with new energy efficient package boiler units," said Lashaway.

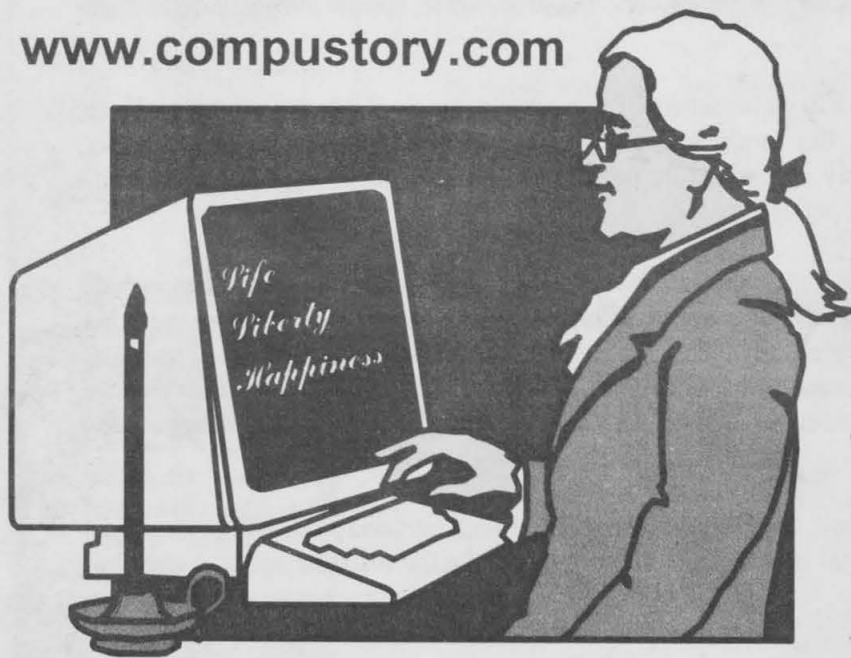
In addition, students and faculty will soon have access to the new Ag Bio Science Building. The four thousand sq. ft. building, costing \$10.5 million, will serve as a research facility integrating study with experience and nearing completion in June 1999. The building, currently under construction across 11th street from Linfield hall will be one of the oldest buildings of its kind in the nation.

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Building projects improve MSU campus

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and faculty will have usage of the repaired Roskie and Hedges parking lots, according to Lashaway.

"The existing lots have deteriorated beyond maintenance and will undergo construction which includes the creation of more pedestrian-friendly sidewalks and enhanced landscaping," he said.

The incorporation of Voice/Data in four of the residence halls will provide connections to each dorm room. According to Lashaway, "Voice/Data is part of the University's ongoing effort to modernize information systems in halls."

Finally, renovations in the Strand Union Market and Sweetshop will bring a better and broader range of products to students, increasing marketing, according to Lashaway.

Funding for renovations and construction comes from auxiliary funds, the Long Range Building Program, parking funds, and private/non-stated funds.

Auxiliary funds, contributing to the Fieldhouse and SUB renovations, as well as Voice/Data implementation, are received from rent revenues from residence halls and business revenues from the SUB.

The Long Range Building Program, operating from legislature funds, includes new facilities, renovations, and major maintenance for all state agencies.

"Long Range Building will contribute to the construction of the Ag/Bio Science facility, the Grant Street utility tunnel, and the heating plant," said Lashaway.

Vehicle registration fees will help the parking funds pay back borrowed bonds needed for the construction on the Roskie and Hedges parking lots, according to Assistant Vice President for Administration and Finance Craig Roloff.

"We now have sufficient revenues to pay bonds to continue further maintenance work and develop sufficient revenues to complete construction without borrowing," he said.

Finally, the construction of the Stadium will be provided for by private and non-stated funds.

According to Lashaway, students and faculty have done an excellent job of "hanging in there" while facilities have been under construction.

"They've definitely learned that the shortest distance between two points is under construction."



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