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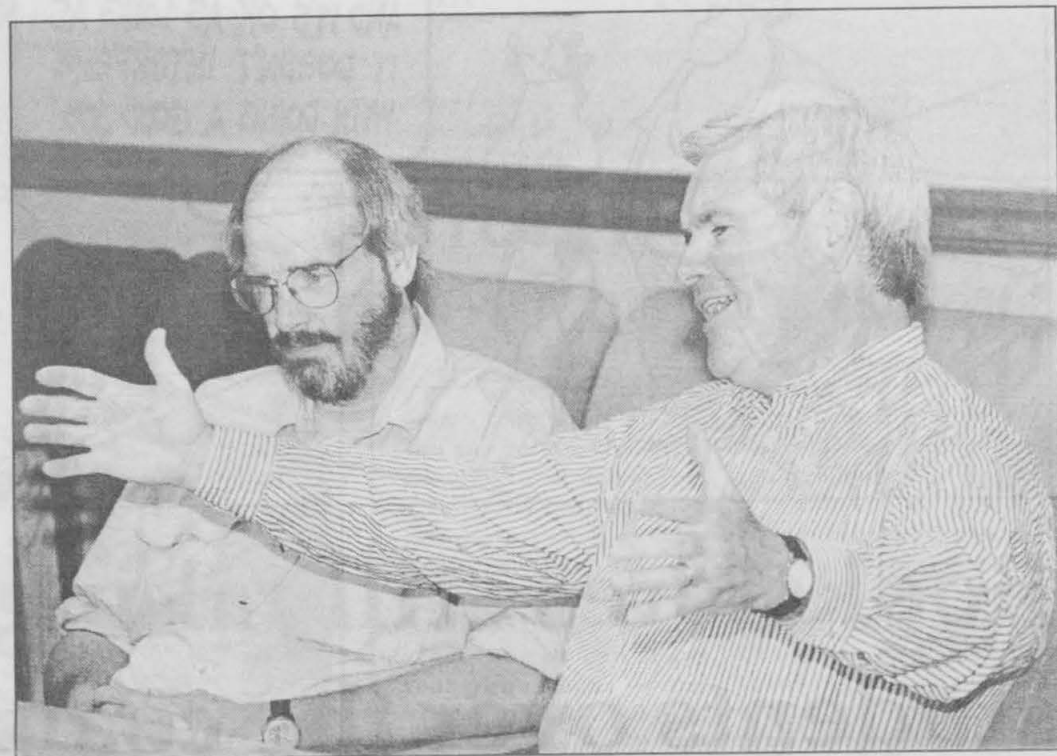
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**There's a speaker in the house: take 2**

MARATHA MIDDLEBROOKS  
Exponent News Editor

Debating the way a dinosaur ate millions of years ago may seem trivial to most, but when the dinosaur is T. Rex and the debaters are Jack Horner and Newt Gingrich it quickly becomes a black and white affair. The debate forum was held at the Museum of the Rockies Curator of Paleontology, and Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich were sitting around a fire after a day in the field arguing their views on the subject. The speaker of the House supports the popular theory that T. Rex is a scavenger as well as a hunter, while Horner will ar-

gue that T. Rex was only a scavenger. Gingrich says that he has been interested in dinosaurs since early childhood. "My interest in paleontology started when I was eleven and I found a Time Life book about dinosaurs to read while I was baby-sitting," said Gingrich. "I like history because you can step back from yourself- it spreads your mind out so you can appreciate things from a slightly different angle."  
-Newt Gingrich



Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich and Curator of Paleontology Jack Horner answer questions at a press conference preceding yesterday's debate at the Museum of the Rockies.

PHOTO BY ROGER DEY

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## Murder abettor draws protest from UC Berkeley students

CHUCK SQUATRIGLIA  
Night-Ridder Newspapers

BERKELEY, Calif. - UC Berkeley administrators and police are keeping close watch on a Cal student threatened those outraged that he did nothing to prevent the killing of a 7-year-old girl. The announcement, by University Chancellor Robert Berdahl and others, came in the wake of a fiery protest described by some as a lynch

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—David Thomas Cash, Jr.

mob - where scores of people demanded the expulsion of David Thomas Cash Jr. While expressing his "heartfelt sympathy" to the girl's family and calling the killing "a brutal and senseless act of violence," Berdahl said UC cannot punish Cash because the sophomore nuclear engineer charged with a crime. "We cannot set aside due process based upon our outrage over a particular in-

stance," Berdahl said in a hastily called news conference that marked the first time Cal administrators have spoken out on the issue since it erupted last month. But those who want Cash punished for doing nothing while Sherrice Iverson was strangled may yet see him driven from campus by his peers. The protesters urged Cal students to ostracize Cash at every turn, and many said they will do so. "I think we should all unify, and I think we should shun him," said Kie Roberts, a freshman who lives in Cash's dormitory. Some apparently are doing more than that. Police could not confirm reports that Cash has been threatened, but they're taking undisclosed precautions to protect him. "We've definitely got his security in mind," said UC-

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## MSU School of Business copes with death of Adjunct Professor Johnstone

MICHELLE TOKARSKI  
Exponent Managing Editor

As classes start and the campus at MSU bustles in the usual excitement of the new semester, the business department is quietly coping with the death of one of their professors. Eric Johnstone, adjunct professor of business, died August 27 in the Jefferson River after jumping off of a ten foot high bridge into the currents. It is unclear whether the cause of death was from head inju-

ries or drowning. An autopsy is scheduled for Monday evening. According to Bozeman Daily Chronicle reports, Johnstone had been swimming with his stepson, and it is suspected that he may have been trying to save the boy when the accident occurred. Rescue workers searched for Johnstone unsuccessfully for four days, their search impeded by high water levels and strong currents. A group of canoers found the body on Sunday evening, about five miles downstream from the bridge. According to business junior Jake Klatt, Johnstone will be greatly missed. "The best thing about him was that he had a good sense of humor and a good way of getting people to talk in class," Klatt said. "He was a fun guy to be around, and it's just kind of weird to think he's not here anymore." Michael Owen, dean of the school of business, was unavailable for comment.

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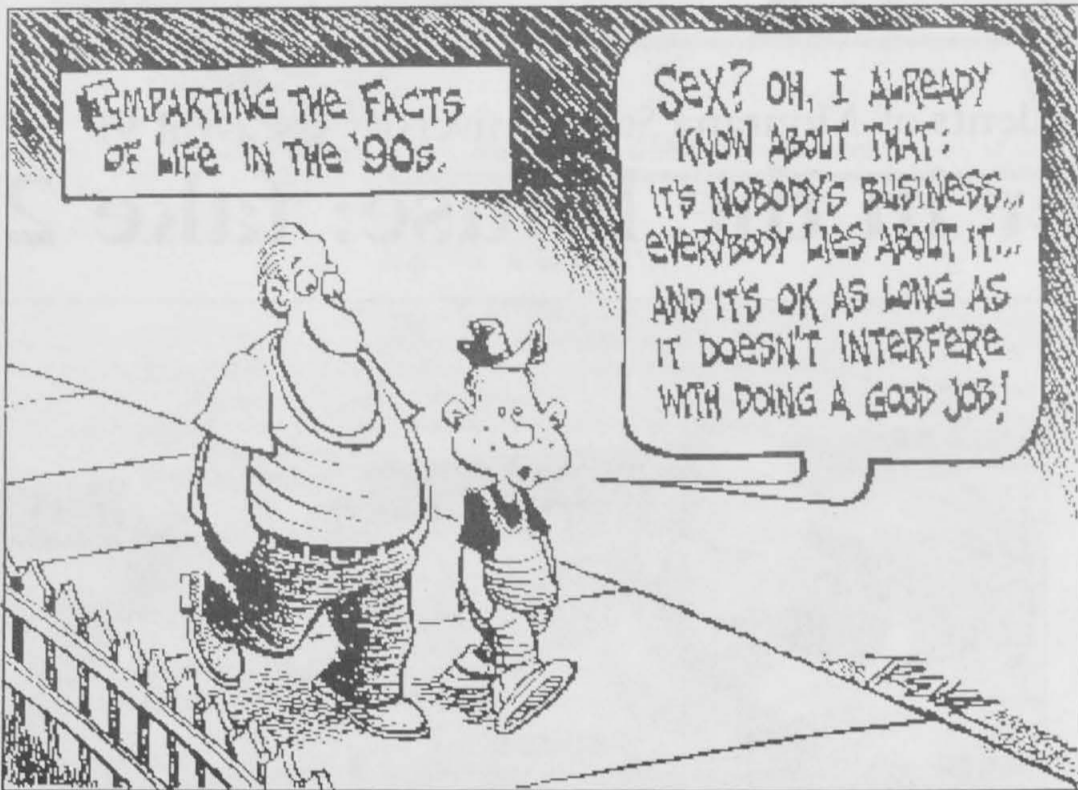
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# Comments

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## Bookstores still raking students over the coals

By SARA ZIEGLER  
Iowa State Daily

Campus book stores are like used car lots — only not as fair or honest.

We all know that textbooks are overpriced. We all know that publishing companies make fortunes exploiting financially strapped college students. Students know it, parents know it, even professors know it. In fact, I once had a prof who apologized to a lecture hall full of students here at Iowa State University about the exuberant prices for the two books required for his class.

Campus bookstores typically set prices for new textbooks in accordance with the prices suggested by publishing companies. This is understood, and it's not the reason so many students feel the uncontrollable urge to riot this time of year.

But even though the publishing companies can raise prices left and right, campus bookstores don't have to follow suit. They do, after all, sell used books — which could be a great way to dodge the publishing companies' treachery.

But don't be fooled. The prices on used books are just

as ridiculous as the prices for new ones. A textbook I needed this year, for example, cost \$40 when it was new. The used price? \$30. And this book wasn't an almost-new-used book. It was a tattered, torn, highlighted used book. Only \$10 depreciation for a torn

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cover and marked-up pages? And many students may be under the impression that because there is more than one bookstore on their campus, competition is at work — an economic force that will guarantee better prices for everyone. Many times those students are wrong because, oddly enough, prices at all the bookstores are exactly the same.

I did some comparison shopping for my textbooks this year. One store was selling book I needed for \$34.90. I visited another store, and found the book selling for the same, exact price. What a coincidence.

The book prices wouldn't be so bad if it wasn't for the buy-back system at the bookstores. Last year, I sold a soci-

ology book back to one of the bookstores thinking that because it was a popular class, many students would need the book, and I could get some decent money for it. The grand total I received? \$4.

Of course, the class was switching editions in another year, so the book store didn't need the one I had anymore. Even this would be acceptable if it was the only situation in which students got

ripped off selling books back. But it's not. Even books that will be used again the next year are worth almost nothing to students trying to sell them back. And yet the used books are sold for almost-new prices.

So what can be done about the bookstores? Students complain every year, and every year it seems like maybe — just maybe — there might be an alternative to buying books on campus.

This should be one of the most important issues on student government dockets this year because it's a practical problem that actually affects all students.

Next year, let's discontinue the time-honored tradition of being screwed by bookstores.

## Free at last College provides opportunity

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY  
The Daily Targum

Well, you've finally made it.

You're probably in your dorm room, sitting on your bed, reading this strange newspaper you found in front of your residence hall. Your parents are out of your hair, and you're tasting the sweetness of freedom.

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reading this newspaper. Boring. Go out and do something (but wait until you're done reading this).

You're going to find that with this new-found freedom comes a lot of responsibility. And, most likely, you're going to abuse it. You're going to sit around your dorm day in and day out doing nothing. Maybe you'll go to some of your classes. Maybe you'll play Nintendo 64, and maybe you'll meet a few friends.

You'll drink, you'll study a little, you'll eat (and eat then, all of a sudden, you'll be in your senior year realizing your college life has been one, big blur.

Part of that is because your nocturnal eyes will be able to adjust to light. Part of that will be because you will have done enough by.

**"You're going to find that with this new-found freedom comes a lot of responsibility. And, most likely, you're going to abuse it."**

thing about that. Wait. Take advantage of your freedom, which isn't just being away from home.

You can go anywhere. You can do anything. You can be anybody.

It all sounds cliché, but it is incredibly true. There are more things to do than you could ever have time for. You can join any club or organization on campus. You can join academic groups to

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# Your Turn

## If you could make MSU offer any one class what would it be?



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## Free: Don't waste your college years

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teams to campus media. You can get a radio show, join a cultural club or find a religious organization. You can get a job on campus or in town. You can take random road trips to other states if a friend has a car, or you can learn your own campus — and its history — like the back of your hand.

You can also free your mind. "Redemption Song" by Bob Marley makes an excellent point: "Emanci-

pate yourself from mental slavery. None but ourselves can free our minds."

Don't let the past govern your thoughts entirely. Ditch your preconceived notions of people. Throw out your high school ways. Consider new ways of thinking. Give serious thought to views differing from your own. Become a college student.

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# Murder: Debate rages over UC Berkeley student's failure to help 7-year-old victim

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Berkeley police Capt. Bill Cooper. "It's something we're definitely keeping an eye on."

If Cash was on campus Wednesday, he kept a low profile. He hung up on a reporter seeking comment, and students who know him said he skipped classes.

Cash, 19, did not participate in the May 27, 1997, killing of Sherrice and has not been charged in connection with it. But he was there and, according to police and his own grand jury testimony, did nothing to prevent it. What's more, police said, he did not notify the authorities, even after his best friend, Jeremy Strohmeier, confessed to the crime. Strohmeier, 20, of Long Beach has been charged in the killing that occurred in a Nevada casino. His trial is slated to begin next week in Las Vegas.

Cash, whose hometown is La Palma, has expressed little remorse for keeping quiet about the killing and told the Los Angeles Times his notoriety has helped him meet women. He has denied any wrongdoing in Sherrice's death. In an e-mail sent to the San Francisco Chronicle on Tuesday, Cash said he was "completely ignorant" of the circumstances surrounding the Los Angeles girl's death.

"Most people seem to be under the impression that I was in a position to stop the heinous crime," he wrote. "I did not witness the alleged mole-

tation and murder."

Cash has been thrown into the center of a growing debate over the legality, and morality, of his decision to protect his best friend instead of a little girl.

The debate came to the Cal campus Wednesday with a busload of Los Angeles residents led by two talk radio personalities who

have made Sherrice's death a cause celebre. Joining them was Marc Klaas, whose daughter, Polly, was abducted from her Petaluma home five ago and killed by Richard Allen Davis.

The protesters, many

carrying signs emblazoned with slogans such as, "Cash is trash!" seethed with rage. They vowed to force Cash to answer for his actions.

"David, I want you to know you are an accessory to my child's murder," Yolanda Manuel, Sherrice's 28-year-old mother, said, her voice rising in anger. "I will not give up. I want UC-Berkeley and the world to hear me."

During a march toward California Hall to confront Berdahl, some protesters chanted, "Who do we want? David Cash! How do we want him? Dead!"

While many students agreed that Cash should be kicked out of Cal, some were turned off by the confrontational tone of the protest and worried that vigilantism may consume the campus.

"I think what the guy did is wrong, and I don't want him

at this school," said Jason Manning, a senior political economics major. "But it's a lynch atmosphere. If David Cash were to walk into this crowd they'd tear him apart. They're just as bloodthirsty as any I've seen."

University administrators denounced the threats toward Cash and promised to punish anyone who threatens or harasses Cash.

"We need to operate under the rule of law," Berdahl said. "I'm concerned that someone would take individual action, and we will do everything we can to prevent that."

The protesters also promised to pressure lawmakers in California and Nevada to pass a law making it illegal to witness a crime and look the other way. Currently, failing to help a victim or report a crime is illegal.

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—Jason Manning, UC Berkeley senior

## Upcoming Events

**Zac Zakori's Zac-Land Mixed Media Paintings** will be exhibited on Sept. 1- Oct. 16 in the Emerson Cultural Center's Lobby. The opening reception will be held 6-8p.m.

**Photography by Savatore Vasapolli** will be displayed Sept. 7 - Oct. 18 in the Emerson Cultural Center. The opening reception will be held 7-9p.m. on Sept. 10. The collection is entitled *Lost Wilderness Gems of Montana*. A presentation by Robert Raney, Montana State Representative, on saving special places will be given at 7p.m.

**Ascent/Ascent, a collection by Sally Packard**, can be viewed Sept. 11- Oct. 17. A presentation will be given during the opening reception to be held from 7-9p.m. on Sept 11.

**Ceramic works** by the teachers and students of the Emerson Summer Education Program will be displayed Sept. 11- Oct. 17.

**Auditions for the play "A Bend in the Road"** will be held 7p.m. Sept. 1 and 2 in the Stand Union Theatre. Ten men and four women are needed for the play, and scripts can be checked out in room 202 in the Visual Arts Communications Building at the corner of Grant St. and Eleventh Ave. The play is a production of the Department of Media and Theatre Arts. "A Bend in the Road" will open Oct. 2 and will be performed six times. For more information, call 994-3902.



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# Racial inequities rising in southern colleges

CHICAGO (CPX) - Efforts to desegregate colleges and universities throughout the South are having little impact, and the percentages of black students seeking higher education are either stagnating or growing worse, according to a recent study of 19 states.

The study, conducted by the Southern Education Association and titled "Miles to Go"

tracked the number of black freshmen, degree earners and faculty members.

Nine of 19 states reported that the proportion of black freshmen in public campuses declined between 1991 and 1996. Two states saw no change. Virginia, for example, reported that the percentage of black students among first-time, full-time freshmen fell from 20.2 percent in 1991 to 17.3 percent in 1996.

The study cited public inaccessibility and adverse court decisions as factors undermining states' efforts to boost minority enrollment.

Among the study's other findings: Over the last 20

years, the percentage of black degree earners has, for the most part, remained stagnant. States such as North Carolina and West Virginia reported almost no change. Other states improved only slightly. In Virginia, 10 percent of graduates in 1977 were black; in 1995, 12 percent were.

Blacks are under-represented in high school courses designed to prepare students

race doesn't really matter, race still plays a role in access to, and success in higher education," he said.

Kronley also said states are less likely to improve minority enrollment in institutions of higher education until they become more comprehensive in their approach, preparing students for college as soon as they reach preschool. He urged campuses to create more

programs that help minority students remain in college and finish their degrees, and to provide more need-

based financial aid.

Money stands between many African Americans and college, he said, adding that the study showed that in 15 states surveyed, the average black family's income was two-thirds or less than the average white family's income.

The 19 states studied were Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

**The numbers are disappointing and not surprising despite lots of discussion about how we are getting beyond race, and about how race doesn't really matter, race still plays a role in access to, and success in higher education.**

-Robert Kronley

## Flirting with disaster



PHOTO BY GRACE WINER

Traversing the rugged terrain in the crater of Mt. St. Helens, a group of MSU students and professors Dave Lageson and Tod Feeley make their way to the massive dome. The trip occurred the week of Aug. 23, and was sponsored by the MSU Geology department. Mt. St. Helens erupted in 1980, blowing the top off of the mountain and flattening the landscape for miles around. Two earthquakes, one at 1.5 and the other at 2 on the Richter scale occurred while the group was in the volcano.

## Take 2: The debate continues

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\$125 for general public and \$100 for museum workers, and covered dinner and a debate.

The informal debate was held in the reception room at the Museum of the Rockies and consisted of Gingrich and Horner sitting on opposing stools arguing various points of evidence that supported their views.

"Today, Jack and I looked

for dinosaurs in some Paleocene rocks and found one unknown dinosaur," Gingrich said. "Montana is amazing, tomorrow we are going out to Egg Mountain."

Last year the fund raiser brought in nearly \$11,000. The money raised this year will go directly to the museum and paleontology graduate student program.

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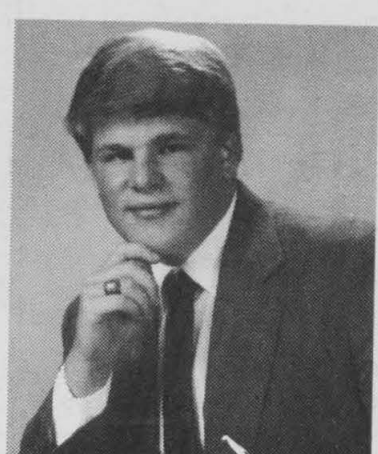
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# Students can register to vote on the World Wide Web

College Press Exchange

CHICAGO (CPX) Thanks to NetVote '98, students can register to vote without ever leaving home.

The Web site — sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), MCI and Rock the

Vote — can be found at [www.netvote98.mci.com](http://www.netvote98.mci.com).

The site states that the cyber-registration is a joint effort "linking generations, young and old, through the powerful combination of civic participation and our latest technology."

Using the site to register is simple. Just follow the directions that apply to your state.

Two to three weeks after completing the online application, you will receive a card — already addressed to your state's Secretary of State — via snail-mail.

Check it for accuracy, sign it, and drop it in the mail. There's no reason to even lick a stamp; the postage is paid for.

The process is a direct result of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, commonly known as Motor Voter, which allows people

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The Act also requires the Federal Election Commission to create one uniform application that can be used to register voters in 50 states.

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# features

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## Center helps student's writing

By JOE SPANGLER  
Exponent Writer

Almost every student at Montana State University ends up enrolling in College Writing 121. Recently, I had the experience of sitting in an informational session given by MSU Writing Center Director Helen Porter in a 121 class.

The world's future writers, physicists, and businessmen looked on with interest, a few of them biting their lips at the thought of upcoming research papers. When Porter finally wrote the center's number on the board, everyone in class raced to take out paper and pencils, excitedly writing the number down. A few of them even had tuition bills clanking in their heads, as one girl asked how much it cost to use the Writing Center.

The Writing Center, located in room 108 in Wilson Hall, is a free service to all students at Montana State University. Although many students in College Writing 121 access the Center, students from all majors go to the Center for help with papers.

The philosophy of Helen Porter, director, is this: "All writers need readers, and writing is best taught one on one."

Student and professional tutor's alike work at the

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## Back into the swing of things



PHOTO BY ROGER DEY

Professor Charlotte Trollinger reviews view camera movements while Josh Locke operates the camera by Montana Hall for her MTA 345 class. With classes well underway Thursday most students found themselves listening to professors rather than enjoying the warm September weather.

## Green Building planning gets under way

By JOE SPANGLER  
Exponent Writer

Instead of scarring the planet for usable fuels, some are now turning their focus to technological and environmental advances. In the forefront of such advances, Montana State has created a project that will make MSU a leader in cutting edge technologies.

Although still in the planning stages, MSU is proposing to build a new multidisciplinary educational building that will be a national example of a 21st Century academic facility.

One year ago, students voted for a tax that would raise funds for the project, known as the EPICenter, or informally, the Green Building. So far, over \$17 million from students, the university and federal funds has been raised for the building. According to project Director Kath Williams, the funding will not be enough to construct the entire building.

Williams is currently in the process of writing grant proposals to include IBM, Microsoft and the Turner Corporation. But

**"For the first time we are trying to incorporate many things into one building. It is a Federal goal to see these new technologies in use and MSU can take advantage of that."**

—Tammy Minge, Place  
Architect intern

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## Construction tires students nationwide

By Elana Ashanti Jefferson,  
Campus Correspondent (Columbia University)

Serylle Horwitz discovered unusual damage in her dorm room last year when she returned to campus after spending winter vacation at her parents' house in Israel.

"There was this massive crowbar sticking through the wall," said the sophomore at Columbia University in New York. "My roommate and I freaked out."

A building that eventually will house the university's new student union was going up right outside Horwitz's room. Someone had hammered a long metal bar so hard it jutted out of one building and into another

—right through Horwitz's wall. The pipe stuck out just inches above one of the beds. Still scaring Horwitz and her roommate is the idea that one of them could have been sleeping there when

**"There was this massive crowbar sticking through the wall. My roommate and I freaked out."**

—Serylle Horwitz, Columbia University Sophomore

the accident happened.

While this dorm horror story is unique, it's not hard to find students across the country who are coping with noisy, dusty construction projects. Colleges and universities have dramatically increased spending to build and renovate their campuses. College Planning & Management magazine recently reported that colleges expect to

complete \$6.3 billion in construction projects this year — an 8.6 percent increase over 1997.

Public schools appear to be getting most of that money.

In 1998, the legislatures of at least 10 states — including Alabama, Connecticut, Illinois, Nebraska, New York and Tennessee — have approved some of their largest financial commitments to campus construction in decades. In April, Minnesota legislators agreed to borrow \$143 million for rebuilding and repairs — the largest loan ever granted for construction in that state's college system.

"Just like businesses, uni-

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## Religion is growing on college campuses

By LYNN FRANNEY  
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Meri Stoklosa dived right into college life on her first weekend in the dormitory two years ago at the University of Kansas.

"I moved in on a Saturday. I went to church on Sunday. It was a great way to get to know people," she said.

Since then, Stoklosa, 20 and a lifelong Catholic, has maintained her faith in God, attending Mass each weekend, singing in the choir, and discussing Scripture in a peer ministry group.

She's not the campus

rarity she might have been as recently as a decade ago. College officials say religion is a growing force on many campuses, and students today have no trouble finding peers who share their faith, and their desire to exercise it.

As students head back to college over the next few weeks, many of them will seek out religious activities of various faiths, the observers say.

They're seeking friendship and familiarity, as well as a chance to make a difference in the world through activities like feeding the

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# Religion: More students search for religion on campus

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homeless or building homes for poor people in foreign countries.

"Religion is more mainstream on campus than it used to be," said Ken White, 37, spokesman at Northwest Missouri State University.

White said the prevalence of Christian students has led the university to begin advertising next month on a teen-oriented Christian radio show on KCCV, a Kansas City area Christian radio station.

Mary Kay Poljan, who helps run the university center at Southeast Missouri

State University, has seen how popular religious organizations are on her campus.

"We have at least one religious group meeting here every day," she said. "The groups are very active and very organized."

Observers say they're not surprised more young people are embracing religion on campus. They say the students are simply reflecting a general conservatism and religious renewal on the rise in America as a whole.

That doesn't mean that every religiously active stu-

dent is avoiding the drinking, drugs and sex that are still popular among the college set. And it doesn't mean that thousands of students on every campus are holding hands and singing religious anthems like "Kumbaya, My Lord."

Although statistics are hard to come by, observers say the percentage of students active in religious groups, while rising, is still small.

But, ministers and students say, more students are turning to spiritual groups for sustenance in a time of

transition.

"There are temptations," said Benjamin Alley, a 21-year-old churchgoer from Jefferson City, Mo., who is a senior at William Jewell College, a Baptist-affiliated college in Liberty, Mo. "You come here and all of a sudden you have all this freedom. You can do anything you want to do. It comes down to: Who am I, down deep? Am I this person that's going to do all these things that aren't good for my body and my future? Or am I going to stick with what I know and what I believe?"

Attendance at William Jewell's chapel services is on the rise. And more students like Alley are taking leadership positions, such as starting Bible study groups and religious "shepherds" in the dormitories.

"I don't have to beg students to take responsibility for ministry on campus," said Peter Inzerillo, director of student ministries at William Jewell. "They are coming to us looking for ways to serve that's any kind of evidence of their desire (for religious participation) is growing."

## 'Slums of Beverly' provides interesting look at family drama

By GENE SISKEL  
Tribune Media Services

Our FLICK OF THE WEEK is "Slums of Beverly Hills," a surprisingly serious family drama with an intriguing title. There are enough comic and awkward adolescent sex scenes to comprise an effective TV ad, but there are clues to the serious content. First, how many films begin with a quote from Tolstoy, this one about how unhappy families, such as the one depicted here, are unhappy in different ways. Also, the executive producer of this film is none other than Robert Redford, who, through his

Sundance Film Festival, has become a major promoter of independent, non-studio American films. This is the beginning of Redford's taking a more direct approach by helping turn scripts he likes into finished films.

The title "Slums of Beverly Hills" refers to a revenue-producing oddity in that village's real estate code. Just outside the legal borders of the posh town there are certain parcels of land that are permitted to retain the prestige of a Beverly Hills address and offer the opportunity to use its well-funded school system.

Taking advantage of both

is the pathetic figure of Murray Abramowitz (Alan Arkin), the dyspeptic, divorced father of three troubled children. Always in debt because he's a bad gambler, Murray doesn't support his family. He constantly leeches off of his bitter, wealthy brother Mickey (Carl Reiner), who has been sending him monthly checks for years.

What gets Murray through the day is reminiscing about when he owned a restaurant and the injustices he suffered there. What gets him through the night is constantly moving his family in his beat-up car from one pseudo-glamorous apartment complex to

another to create the illusion of success for himself and for his kids, including the other principal character in the story, his 15-year-old daughter, Vivian (Natasha Lyonne in an impressive performance), who is forced to deal with her sexuality because she has yet to grow psychologically into her very large breasts, which draw some strange men, including a neighbor (Kevin Corrigan) who is obsessed with Charles Manson. Because of many explicit scenes, "Slums of Beverly Hills" is properly rated R and is not recommended for pre-teens.

Vivian does have a pluckiness that sustains her

but she remains a victim in a study of deep empathy and discern. She gets a little from her wealthier cousin Rita (Marilyn Tomer), who shares in the family troubles and tries to cope with drugs. Apparently "Slums of Beverly Hills" is an autobiographical work by writer-director Tamara Jenkins, who brought the script to Redford's film lab. She was encouraged to polish the script and then make her directing debut with it. She created a family that is outrageous and yet credible and replete with object lessons about how not to live a life. 3-1/2 stars.



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# Green: Building scheduled for construction in spring of '99

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insists that the industry must "have the same as we do, technologically environmentally," Williams said.

"It has to be a true partnership," she said.

The building would be first of its kind in the world, able to function solely without outside resources.

"The building will create no pollution," said Williams.

Also working on the Green Building project is Architect intern Tammy Place. Place Architects have been working on the building design for about one year, according to Minge.

"For the first time we're trying to incorporate many things into one building. It is a federal goal to use these new technologies and MSU can take advantage of that," Minge said.

Before working for Place Architects, Minge was a student representative at MSU on the project. Minge shares Williams' views on including other industry giants such as Microsoft and Turner Corporation.

"Society today is run by

big business. We're not just including them, we're putting challenges in front of them," Minge said.

Minge and Williams both feel that the project would be beneficial for MSU in all aspects.

"It's an opportunity to be a leader...for the students," Williams said.

ASMSU President Matt McKamey is working on the project as a student ex-officio member with seven other students from different departments. McKamey says his primary responsibility is to express the students' feelings about what they would like to see in the building.

"We need to get the students and faculty excited about it," McKamey said.

As a fourth generation Montanan, he thinks that Montana has something to offer, environmentally.

"We have something in Montana that people are starting to recognize and that is the heritage and the future of the environment," McKamey said.

Asked about "selling out" to big industry,

McKamey said that "we will be giving these industries the opportunity to be on the technological and environmental fronts of the country."

The building will contain everything students need and have expressed an interest in—better and safer science labs, viewing labs, student study areas and more. The project has been dubbed "the Green Building," green meaning environmentally friendly. Everything used in the building will be recyclable and the building itself will function on its own waste, making it the first of its kind in the world.

Construction is expected to begin in Spring of 1999, with completion possible as early as 2001. The building has been designed to have over 150,000 square feet, although finances deter completion of the entire project.

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writing center, twenty in all. Although the services of the Writing Center are free, the tutors are paid for their time, \$5.20 an hour for student tutors and \$7.20 an hour for professional tutors.

"The student tutors do it because they love it, and if they don't know the answers to your questions, they know where to find the answers," Porter said.

According to Porter, the tutors are there to help the students in all aspects of writing, from clarifying the assignment at hand to helping the writer brainstorm ideas for papers. They also edit papers and give critical feedback on what works and what doesn't.

In the fall of 1997, The Writing Center saw 2,255 students from 154 different classes. The Center is always trying to attract different students, according to Porter.

"Perception is that it's a place for people with problems, and it's not," Porter said.

But even though the center is a very important part of the MSU campus, it, like many other departments, will see funding cuts later this year. Porter still seems very optimistic about the center, though.

"Writing is an integral part of all departments and one would doubt that it's a special part of the University," Porter said.

The center also features computers with web access and Macintosh computers for printing.

"Towards the end of the semester we get very busy and get an appointment early to plan ahead," Porter said.

Appointments need to be made in order to use the writing center; the appointments last about a half-hour. The center will be open this year from 8am-5pm, and tutoring sessions take place from 9am-5pm Monday through Friday. The phone number for the center is 994-5315.

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# Construction: Nationwide construction plaques campuses; students

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versities need to grow and make progress," said Lori Kay, director of transportation services at the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

While many students say they like the idea of improving their campus, they despise suffering through the inconveniences of construction, knowing that future students will reap the benefits.

"The noise is the real issue," Horwitz said. "You don't really understand what it means to live next to a construction site until you move in."

Then there are those other little issues to worry about, such as parking, sleeping and traveling across campus.

Students at the University of Wisconsin at Madison have watched numerous con-

struction projects tangle traffic, eat up nearly 1,000 parking spaces and foil campus bikers and pedestrians.

At the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, students eat in a temporary, plywood hut that serves as a make-shift dining hall while the real one, Lenoir Hall, is gutted and rebuilt.

As if that's not enough, nearly 50 other construction projects, including the development of a new performing arts center and renovation of several dormitories, mar the Chapel Hill campus.

"It's really disturbing to see it all going on at once," said Hope Jackson, a senior psychology major at UNC. "Descriptions of Carolina as the 'Southern Side of Heaven' are now rendered false by the noise, ma-

chinery and open expanses of mud."

At the University of Arizona, students are scrambling to find a new place to hold their annual "Spring Fling," booked as the country's largest student-run carnival. Construction of what the school is calling an "Integrated Instructional Facility" and expansion of some offices will make it nearly impossible for the ninth annual event to be held on campus next year, which is a particular bummer for university clubs and organizations which use the festival as their primary means of fund-raising.

"I don't think as many students would come if it was moved," said UA junior Gabriell Sweetland. "I know many students, such as myself, who don't have transportation and would have trouble getting somewhere

off campus."

Future students at the University of Oregon at Eugene can look forward to a new student union and a Nike sports center, but neither means much to senior Jennifer Gleason.

"I won't be here to use them," she said.

Library renovation is what bothers dedicated academics most. Sara Cotner, an American studies major at Stetson University in northern Florida, said the process of re-vamping her campus library "has created a distracting environment that is not conducive to studying."

Unlike much of the grumbling and griping coming from the rest of the country, undergraduates at Columbia say they're not too bothered by the renovation of their main library

because construction typically happens between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. when they're in class. But perhaps an even bigger reason for their indifference is that they don't use their library to study anyway. They hang out there instead.

And why is that? Well, their campus options are limited — especially given that they haven't had a student union for the last two years. A new one is, well, under construction.

"The study environment here (at the library) really couldn't get any worse," said Marc Sjolseth, a junior who works at the Columbia library. "It's kind of a pain when the people next to you are eating Cheetos and talking about who did whom at some party last weekend."

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# Mark Lanegan rocks the country blues

By KEITH HARRISON  
College Press Exchange

## "Scraps at Midnight"

Mark Lanegan

Sub Pop

9 out of 10 stars

Mark Lanegan must take pleasure in defying expectations. As the last nails were being pounded into the grunge coffin in '96, his Screaming Trees reached new heights of Zeppelinesque splendor with "Dust." And who, years ago, would have expected that this hard-rock hero would now be releasing his third solo disc of exquisitely evocative postmodern country blues? It's the sound of this record, a droning and foreboding blues, that captivates at first. "Hospital Roll Call" simultaneously roams and wobbles, a soundtrack to some non-existent film noir Western. Elsewhere, lonely, howling guitars along the fringes of "Waiting on

a Train" stir the ghosts of Robert Johnson and Leadbelly, and a mesmerizing Middle Eastern buzz builds to a cathartic squall in "Because of This." But it's Lanegan's voice that lingers long after this disc ends. He's been compared to Jim Morrison, but he's far more subtle; this is an instrument that reeks of the proverbial whiskey and cigarettes, without any of the pretension or over emoting that often attend such efforts. Simply put, Lanegan has one of the finest voices in rock today. All the proof anyone needs, in fact, can be found in his perfectly played incantation of the word "sixteen" on the disc-opening "Hospital Roll Call." It's a mantra that conjures up both weariness and dread, and it's one reason that "Scraps at Midnight" stands as one of the finest discs of the year.

"Two Cents Plus Tax"

Versus  
Caroline  
7 stars

The latest Versus disc kicks off with the aptly named "Atomic Kid," a surging blast of adrenaline that's all chiming guitars on top and churning, chaotic rhythm section underneath — loads of fun, albeit reminiscent of reined-in Sonic Youth, particularly given Richard Baluyut's shades-of-Thurston Moore vocals. Overall, though, they trade in a bit of the propulsive kick and roar of their previous "Secret Swingers" disc for the understated shimmer of a song like "Dumb Fun" or the melancholy air of "Crazy-Maker." It's a promising exchange on those tracks, although a few others sputter when they should take off.

Yet this band retains its not-so-secret weapon, second singer Fontaine Toups, and

she adds dreamy, gorgeous vocals to the cascading "Never Be O.K." and the rattling "Jack and Jill." And while heartache stands as the dominant lyrical concern, followed by music-biz cynicism, this band's smart and swirling music certainly takes the edge off the pain.

## "Classic Elements"

Various artists

K Records

8 stars

While the juvenile East Coast-West Coast rap rivalry generally has collapsed under the weight of its own idiocy, hip hop's new geographic diversity also should get some of the credit: Certainly, the emergence of vibrant scenes in Atlanta, Houston, Chicago and other communities has laid waste to the idea that New York and L.A. are the only rap cities that matter. Now comes K Records, putting in a word for the Seattle and Tacoma

underground rap scenes with this uniformly strong and progressive compilation. Ghetto Children's disc-opening "Hip Hop Was?" could well stand as the mission statement for this contribution to the hip hop renaissance; with its jazzy vibe, smooth lyrical flow and call for a return to the genre's glory days, it's a companion piece to Common's breakout track from a few years back, "I Used to Love H.E.R." If there's a sound that most of these 16 artists share, it's the emphasis on heady and seductive mid-tempo bass lines rather than slammin' party anthems, from the ominous roll of Troubled Sums' "Konfessions" to the more melodic approach of Arson's "Back Home." Among the many other highlights are the delicious groove of Jaleel's "I Call It Like I See It" and the in-your-face verbal style on display in Sinsemilla's "Sleep."

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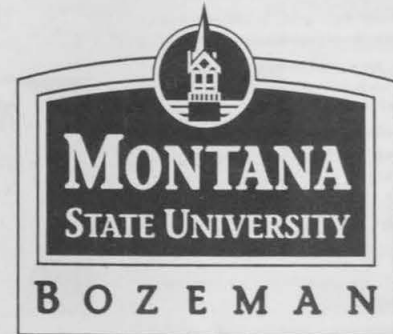
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# Sports

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## Bobcat football kicks off Saturday against Fort Lewis

By IAN COSTELLO  
Exponent Sports Editor

The Montana State University Bobcats will christen their newly renovated stadium tomorrow as they host the Skyhawks out of Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. This will mark the second time in school history that MSU has opened a new stadium against a Colorado school. In 1930 the Bobcats hosted Regis College out of Denver for the first ever game at Gatton Field.

Tomorrow also marks the beginning of the 1998 Bobcat football season. Coach Cliff Hysell and the Bobcats are looking forward to a quick start to the season with the opener against Fort Lewis.

The Skyhawks finished last year with a 4-7 record and start this year with the return of five starters on both offense and defense.

"They run mainly a two-back offense," Hysell said of the Skyhawks, noting that their offensive line is very big and physical.

Fort Lewis boasts a starting offensive line that averages 293 pounds, with the biggest lineman weighing in at 312.

On defense, Fort Lewis brings mainly a 4-3 formation, led by senior middle linebacker Scott Schaefer. Schaefer at 6'1" and 228 pounds is the soul of the Skyhawk defense that includes 12 returning lettermen.

Hysell will put the ball in the hands

of senior quarterback Rob Compson to lead the Cats on the offensive side of the ball. Compson has also been named one of the team's five captains for the 1998 season. Along with Compson, guard Brian Archdale, linebacker Ken Amato, linebacker Kevin Lundstrom and defensive tackle Ty O'Connor are the 1998 Bobcat captains.

This weekend's game will be the second time this decade that the Cats will play Fort Lewis. MSU beat Fort Lewis 58-20 in their first meeting in 1993.

The Fort Lewis game marks the first of only three games the Cats will play outside of the Big Sky conference this season. Following this weekend, the Cats will travel to Division 1-A opponent Wyoming before wrapping up their non-conference schedule against Western Washington, Sept. 19.

In other Big Sky action to note this weekend, powerhouse Montana will travel to Texas to take on fellow 1-AA powerhouse Stephen F. Austin. Cal State Northridge will travel to Boise State, Idaho State will travel to play New Mexico, Cal State Sacramento will be at Saint Mary's, Eastern Washington will travel across the border to play Idaho and Northern Arizona will play Cal Poly S.L.O. in the first Big Sky conference game of the season.



PHOTO BY JAY THANE

Bobcat quarterback Rob Compson drops back to pass in a game last year. Compson will again take the reigns at quarterback this season, for Montana State. Compson finished last season as an all-conference honorable mention selectee in the Big Sky.

## Cats spank MSU-B

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Montana State University senior Brandy Anderson tallied eight first game kills and ended the evening with 13, as the Bobcat Volleyball crushed the visiting MSU-Billings Yellowjackets, 15-9, 15-7, 15-2, in the volleyball season opener Tuesday night.

The Lady Cats jumped out to a large 8-3 lead in the first game, before the Yellowjackets came back and closed the Cat lead to 8-5. MSU, however, scored the next five points to put the game out of reach, closing the game on a block by Stephanie Laya and Cori Carper.

In the second game, the Bobcats jumped out to a 10-2 advantage before MSU-B again began to close the gap. The Yellowjackets got as close as four points before the Cats opened up a 13-7 lead and, winning the game on a MSU-B hitting error.

Game three was a complete Cat domination as MSU won the game 15-2.

"I was hoping that we

could have established more consistency with our serve-receive and have had a more balanced attack," said MSU head coach Dave Gantt. "But, I'll settle with the fact that our outside hitters got into a good routine and Brandy Anderson and Stephanie Laya did a nice job in the first two games."

Laya joined Anderson in the category of double figure kills with 12, Laya also recorded a .500 hitting percentage. Junior setter Brooke Olsen amassed 35 assists and added seven digs and two aces in the game. Mindy Nowack also helped out the Bobcats tallying six kills and a team high with 12 digs.

"At practice tomorrow we will go back to the drawing board and fine-tune our serve-receive," Gantt said. "We need to get some more reps. Overall, I was pleased and this will give us confidence heading into this weekend."

The Bobcat Volleyball team travels to Philadelphia this weekend to participate in the Villanova Classic.

## Surf's up

### Baseball hangs ten on the McGwire wave

By STEVEN WINE  
AP SPORTS WRITER

MIAMI (AP)- Mark McGwire sat at a table in the post-game news conference, wearing a satisfied smile and a sleeveless shirt, leaning on arms strong enough to break a record.

Massive muscles help to explain McGwire's prodigious power, but the question persists: How can someone hit so many home runs so far?

Skeptics keep trying to taint his achievements. The controversy over home-run supplements in his locker has faded, including false rumors that he displays a photo of the Florida Marlins pitching staff. So how about this: Maybe it has become too easy to hit home runs.

The issue came up Tuesday night after McGwire homered twice against hapless Florida to break Hack Wilson's National League record of 56 home runs in a season. Someone asked what this year's power surge says about the state of pitching.

McGwire treated the

question like a hanging curveball.

"Who cares?" the St. Louis Cardinals slugger said. "This is history, right? If something great is going to happen, why do we have to critique it and say, 'Why did they do it? What's wrong with it?' instead of ac-

**"This is history, right? If something great is going to happen, why do we have to critique it and say, 'Why did they do it? What's wrong with it?' instead of accepting what's happening and saying, 'Hey, this is a great thing happening in America.'**

-Mark McGwire

cepting what's happening and saying, 'Hey, this is a great thing happening in America.'

"Just let it happen. Ride the wave. Enjoy it while it's happening. We don't know if this will ever happen again."

The man making history has developed a keen appreciation for it. Tuesday and Wednesday's show of force against the worst pitching staff in the NL left McGwire only two home runs behind Roger Maris' 37-year-old major-league record of 61.

He has 59 with 23 games remaining and has hit as many as 15 in September. Matching that total this month would give him 70.

The race to surpass Maris isn't over, however. Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs had 56 homers through Wednesday, and Ken Griffey Jr. of the Seattle Mariners and Greg Vaughn of San Diego began the night with 47 each.

"I would not rule out Ken Griffey," McGwire said. "The man is going to get hot. There's a great possibility that it's going to be two or three guys doing something that people are waiting for."

Sosa was tied with McGwire for 24 hours, then went 0-for-4 and struck out three times Tuesday.

"Now it's getting a little exciting," Sosa said before McGwire played Wednesday night. "Mark has 57 and that's a lot. Everybody knows that everybody is pulling for Mark, and

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# Husky defender gives college sports a needed hero

BY STEVE KELLEY  
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

SEATTLE - Open the newspaper almost every day, watch "SportsCenter" almost every night and, inevitably it seems, you'll find two football players from Florida suspended, or a player from Texas A&M arrested, or three players at Florida State ruled academically ineligible.

Or you'll read where Ohio State's Butkus Award-winning linebacker, Andy Katzenmoyer, is taking such Mensa-challenging classes as golf and AIDS awareness this summer, so he will be eligible to concuss tailbacks with his tackles in the fall.

Sometimes you feel like the whole process of college football is a joke; that the institution is about hitting and not learning. And then you talk to Washington senior rover Nigel Burton, and your faith in the in-

stitution is strengthened.

The sport doesn't have a better spokesman than Burton. No one is more eloquent and passionate about college and college football.

He is an advocate for the game and the people who play it, traveling this summer to Orlando and Naples, Fla., Philadelphia and Boston, speaking to college administrators about the concerns of college athletes.

"In Florida, one of the things I was trying to talk about was improving the student-athlete's image and telling people what it's really like," Burton said. "What I see is 99 percent of the athletes doing it right."

"I see the 1 percent grabbing the headlines. I think things are a lot better than

they used to be."

Burton is as smart as he is tough; as sincere off the field as he is ornery on it. He's the kind of 22-year-old who gives you faith in the future.

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-Nigel Burton

He has an easy, infectious smile that masks a fierce competitor's heart. He's the kind of guy the NCAA should advertise. He is the other side of the story; the anti-Lawrence Phillips.

A business-administration major, he is a National Achievement finalist and a Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award winner.

There's a lot of us," Burton said. "Every once in a while you get a Brock Huard and people will focus on him as the good side. But the problem is, people start thinking Brock's the exception to the rule. It's not true."

"Everyone focuses on the fact that last year Washington had 10 NFL draft picks. Wow, we had 10 draft picks. But we also graduated 81 percent of our class. I just want people to know that there's so many of us trying so hard. So many of us are doing things right."

Burton is 5 feet 9, 180 pounds, a little man in this big-man's game. All his life he has been told he's too small to play. He hears it so much he sometimes thinks people believe his first name is Undersized, as in Undersized Nigel Burton.

"I've been hearing it since I was about 6," he said.

"I was too small to play for Wees, and my mom was scared, and finally I had to raise the money myself to play."

"Then I was too small to play high school. I got out of high school, and I was too small to play D-I. And then when I got to Pacific, which was D-I, they said I was too small to play big-time D-I. Now that I'm here at

Washington, people say I'm too small for the NFL. He says it's nothing new."

Obviously, Burton doesn't listen very well.

"You get tired of hearing it," he said. "I mean, after a while it's like, 'Good God, look at the record.' But all I've ever asked is for the opportunity to take it from there."

"I use it as a motivation. When I'm in the weight room when I'm studying film, why

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## Early season games bode National Title significance

BY RICHARD ROSENBLATT  
AP FOOTBALL WRITER

Looking for that one great college football game Saturday? There's plenty to choose from.

While this is only the first full week of the season, when lots of top teams usually play lots of bottom teams, this time there's a few blockbusters on tap, starting with No. 1 Ohio State at No. 11 West Virginia.

"Everyone we play, it seems like we're their game of the year," Buckeyes coach John Cooper said as he awaited word on whether linebacker Andy Katzenmoyer and two other starters were academically eligible to play.

"This is a rivalry because we're not that far away. It will be a hostile place to play."

Several other highly-ranked teams travel to hostile territory this weekend, beginning with No. 16 Virginia at No. 25 Auburn Thursday night. But back to Saturday, where four other matchups between ranked teams are set No. 5 Michigan at No. 22 Notre Dame, No. 18 Washington at No. 8 Arizona State, No. 10 Tennessee at No. 17 Syracuse and No. 21 Southern Mississippi at No. 13 Penn State.

By the time the day ends, several teams may find themselves off the national title radar screen.

For only the second time, West Virginia is entertaining a No. 1 team the Mountaineers lost to Miami 58-14 in 1986. Twelve years later, coach Don Nehlen has a team capable of staying with the Buckeyes.

"If I didn't think I could

win," Nehlen said, "I'd go fishing and call in to see how you did."

Amos Zereoue, who needs 25 yards to become West Virginia's career rushing leading, could be the key. West Virginia also has two dangerous receivers in David Saunders and Shawn Foreman and a solid quarterback in Marc Bulger. But the Buckeyes counter with Joe Germaine (1,847 yards, 16 TDs), who no longer shares the starting role, and perhaps the best receiving duo in the nation - David Boston and Dee Miller.

Cooper's biggest headache, however, is whether Katzenmoyer, cornerback Damon Moore and guard Rob Murphy will pass their summer school classes.

"There have been a lot of distractions because of academics," Cooper said.

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# NFL Notes: Elway and Denver should win it all again

AN COSTELLO  
Exponent Sports Editor

With the season set to kick-off this Sunday, I figured it was time for me to sit down and make my lead pipe, rock-solid predictions about the upcoming season.

Since the time I was less than three-feet tall, I have been a Minnesota Vikings fan. So it has been very difficult for me over the last few years to state my opinions on what will happen in the upcoming football season with my head instead of my heart. For the first time in my recent memory, my head and my heart are telling me the same thing.

My Minnesota Vikings are going to win the NFC Central over both the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Green Bay Packers, and have the talent

it takes to win the entire NFC and maybe, not likely, but maybe the Super Bowl.

With quarterback Brad Johnson, tailback Robert Smith and a receiver core that includes first-round draft pick, and the next pass-catching superstar of the NFL, Randy Moss, the Vikings offense looks to be able to put points on the board against anybody.

The main competition for the NFC Central crown for the Vikings, will be Tampa Bay, as both the Packers and the Detroit Lions are going to find themselves fighting for a Wild Card slot come play-off time.

The NFC finds itself with more than one surprise on tap for the upcoming season, as the Atlanta Falcons are a Wild Card team or better, and can put good pressure for the NFC West crown on San Francisco. In the

east, its tough to pick against the Redskins who, by mid-season should have left the hapless Dallas Cowboys and Philadelphia Eagles in the dust. Both the Arizona Cardinals and the New York Giants can press the Redskins and make the NFC East one of the more exciting divisions in football.

The AFC is going to come down to two teams that have met in the play-offs the last two years, the Jacksonville Jaguars and the Denver Broncos. Jacksonville has the talent; Denver has the pride.

Unlike last year, the Broncos will win the AFC West over the up-and-coming San Diego Chargers and the slowly deteriorating Kansas City Chiefs.

Jacksonville will find the toughest competition in the AFC Central from the Tennessee Oilers as pre-season favorite Pitts-

burgh will struggle to make the play-offs as a wild card.

As usual, the AFC East is the weakest division in football, but should be competitive, as the New England Patriots will win with no better than 10-6 and Buffalo and New York should finish around 9-6, while Indianapolis and Miami will struggle to finish with a winning record.

So to lock my predictions down, they are as follows: In the NFC, San Francisco will win the west, Minnesota will win the central and Washington will win the east. Tampa Bay, Phoenix and Green Bay are Wild card teams, with Atlanta and New York filling out the play-off picture as dark horses.

In the AFC, Denver will win the west, Jacksonville will win the central, and New En-

gland will win the east. Wild Card teams include Kansas City, Tennessee, and San Diego. While Pittsburgh, New York and Buffalo bring up the dark horse section.

In the NFC, Tampa Bay and Arizona will survive Wild Card games to move on to face San Francisco and Minnesota. The following week Minnesota and San Francisco will advance to the NFC championship game.

In the AFC, New England and San Diego will advance to face Denver and Jacksonville. With both the Broncos and the Jaguars moving on to the AFC championship game.

The Super Bowl will most likely include Denver and San Francisco, with John Elway winning his second Super Bowl in as many years, with a 24-21 win over the 49ers.

## Burton gives all to University of Washington both on and off the field

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"I'm in class, I always think about all those people who said 'I'd never be here.'"

Burton is lucky. He has parents who believed in him. After his mother, Delaine, got over her first, natural, fear of football, she and husband Ronald pushed their son, their only child, to test himself.

The only defeat comes

from not trying.

"From the time I could remember anything, my mom and dad always pushed me without really pushing me," Burton said. "I never had any doubts about anything. About being loved. Anything.

"I always had my back no matter what, and it made me not afraid to try something and

fail. I knew if I tried something and failed, they would still be there for me. And if I did well, they always patted my back and kept me humble."

And now he's a senior, starting in the defensive backfield, playing in front of 70,000 people in one of the most spectacular settings in sports.

And much of the defense's

show belongs to this little big man.

"This is my last year, so I'm not going to sit there if I see something's happening wrong and not say anything," he said. "I don't have another shot at it, so I'm going to say something.

"I'm going to make sure, when it's all said and done, there will be no question

whether I could have done something more. What if I had done this?"

What if I had done that? It's going to be, 'I tried everything, and this is what happened.'"

This is the other face of college football. When Nigel Burton talks, we owe it to him to listen.

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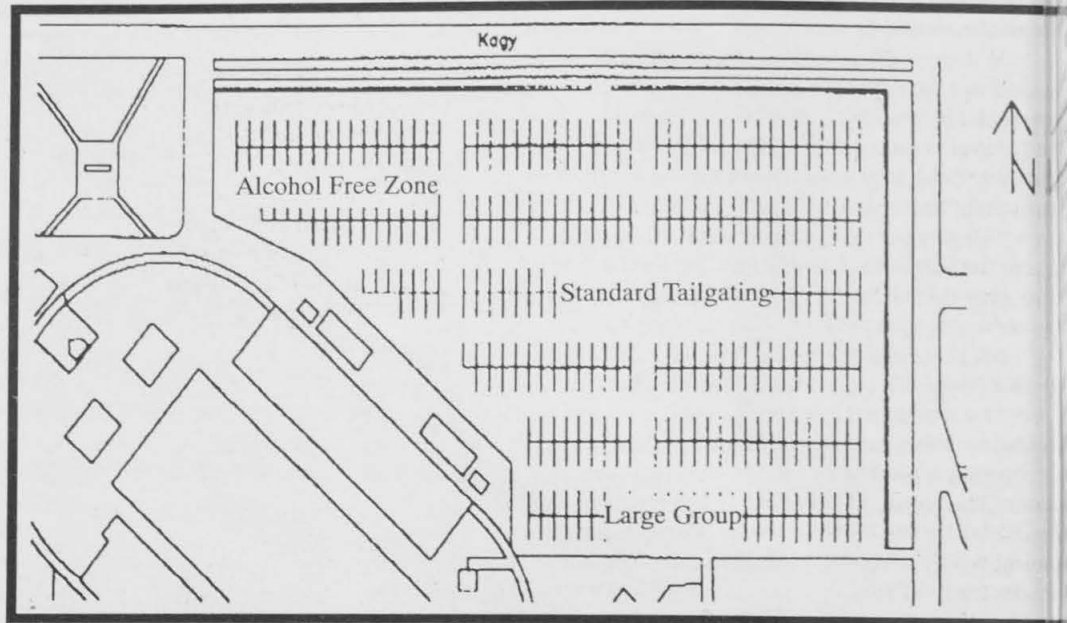
The tailgate area for MSU students and fans at Bobcat Stadium will be divided into three areas this season.

Tailgate areas will be designated general, alcohol free and a large vehicle or groups section in the stadium's east parking lot. Reserved spaces will be available in the large vehicle or group section. A \$5-per-space space occupied fee will be charged for each pass, and may be purchased at the Ask-Us Desk in the SUB and the Bobcat Ticket Office in the Fieldhouse, as well as the entrance to the tailgate area. Tailgaters are re-

quired to enter from South Seventh Avenue.

A pass will be required for each vehicle entering the tailgate area, and each pass holder must be 21 years old and will be held responsible for all persons in his or her area. Tailgating is allowed from two hours prior to game time until eight minutes remain in the first quarter, and from the beginning of half-time until eight minutes remain in the third quarter.

Diagrams and detailed guidelines may be obtained from the Bobcat Ticket Office and MSU Sports Facilities in the Fieldhouse or at the Ask-Us Desk in the Sub. For more information call 994-7117.



## MSU administration reinforces tailgate conduct

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Individuals, groups and organizations holding or participating in tailgate parties are responsible for their own conduct and are expected to respect the rights of others and the entire university community. Groups holding tailgate parties are responsible for providing their own designated drivers.

At its discretion, the

university may terminate tailgate parties, or take other appropriate action against individuals, groups or organizations whose conduct at tailgate parties is irresponsible, unreasonable or inconsistent with university policies and regulations, ordinances or laws.

The legal drinking age in the state of Montana is 21 and the provision of alcohol to a minor is a serious violation of state law. If there

is any question at all about the age of one of your guests, ask to see some identification to verify their age before you serve that person alcohol. This includes current Montana State University students. If your tailgating fun is going to include alcohol, please keep ample amounts of food and non-alcoholic beverages. Keep the focus of your tailgate on friends, food and fun, not alcohol.

Arrangements should

be made for someone to act as a designated driver. If someone has had too much to drink, please seek assistance and do not let them drive. We ask that you protect the safety of others, including the Bozeman community at large. All emergencies should be directed to security. There will be ambulances on campus. Any violations of the above guidelines will result in the immediate removal from campus. Please remember

that alcohol does not create good times, people do.

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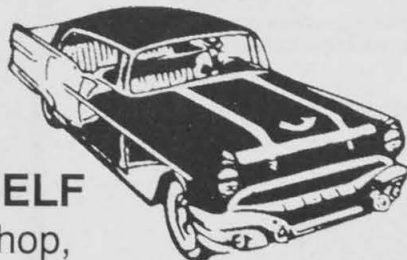


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## Big Mac chases record

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"I'm pulling for Mark, too. And I want him to break the record first."

Wilson's 68-year-old NL mark was erased in electrifying fashion. Mighty Mac overtook Hack with a pair of majestic clouts that traveled an estimated 450 and 472 feet to center field impressive even for the Paul Bunyan of batters.

"All you can do is turn around and see where the ball lands," said Livan Hernandez, who gave up the first homer. "When he hits it, you've got to watch it."

An 11-year-old Little League outfielder and a 17-year-old part-time magician recovered the souvenirs and gave them to McGwire in exchange for autographed balls, bats, jerseys, photos and tickets to another game. The youngsters won entertaining scrambles for the balls, with clusters of kids sliding wildly across a banked tarp beyond the center-field wall.

They were doing more than chasing history. They were riding the wave.

## Sosa keeps pace

BY RICK GANO  
AP SPORTS WRITER

Sammy Sosa hit his 56th home run of the season Wednesday against the Cincinnati Reds, moving three behind Mark McGwire in the chase for Roger Maris' record.

Hack Wilson hit 56 homers in 1930, a National League record that stood until Tuesday night, when McGwire homered twice at Florida. McGwire, four short of the major league record Maris set in 1961, had a game at Miami on Wednesday night.

Sosa, leading off the bottom of the sixth, hit an 0-1 pitch from Cincinnati's Jason Bere into the first row of the right field bleachers.

Sosa had gone eight at-bats without a homer prior to connecting.

His homer also helped the Cubs set a club record. They have homered in 15 straight games.

Sosa's homer gave the Cubs a 1-0 lead and charged the crowd. Fans chanted for a curtain call and as usual he gave them what they wanted. The homer was Sosa's 15th to right field this season.

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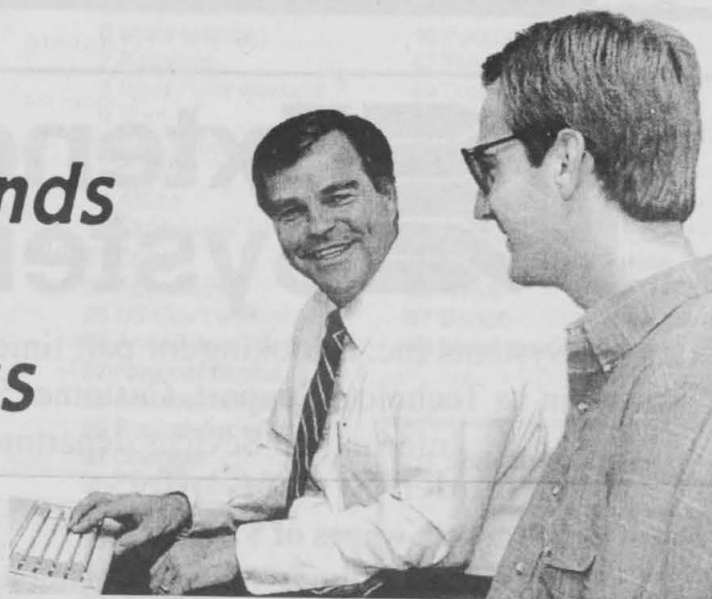
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