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Students
cautioned
in light of
date rape
drug reports

QSU News Services

Montana State University officials have warned all students to take precautions in light of reports of the use of date rape chemicals in the Bozeman community. Courtney Stryker, MSU Director of Students sent this message to the student e-mail list: "It has come to our attention via Bozeman Deaconess Hospital Emergency Room and University Police that there have been alleged incidents of student drugging at local parties using the drug Rohypnol, GHB and GHB's chemical cousin, X. All three have been referred to as "Date Rape Drugs" and these three drugs can produce sedation and loss of inhibitions. These drugs are also used recreationally. They are especially dangerous when combined with alcohol - this can

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Take caution
against date
rape drugs

Never leave a drink unattended.
Do not accept open container drinks from anyone other than a bartender or server.
Be alert to friends' behavior. Anyone appearing disproportionately drunk in relation to the amount of alcohol they consumed may be in danger.
Share this information with friends and create a plan to protect each other in potentially dangerous situations.

For more information, contact the MSU Dean of Student's Office 994-2826.

Tasty morsels from around the world



photo by Denise Fetzner Woller

At the International Food Bazaar, Nick Mato of Latvia, Julia German and Alexander Yermenko of the Ukraine served it up Saturday in the SUB.

Recession may affect hiring of new college grads

Brian Clark
Exponent Writer

Several Americans have referred to the ongoing fight against terrorism as a "second cold war". With the economic recession the nation has been experiencing over the past months, that description might not be far off base.

This economic slowdown has hit especially hard for students approaching the tail end of their academic careers. According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), the effects

have meant a 20 percent drop in the hiring of new college graduates.

"There aren't as many people hiring this year as there has been the past couple of years," claims Elizabeth Anderson, a grad student in MSU's accounting program. "When I went to the job fair before, there were a lot more people getting hired. This year the companies were there, but there weren't too many doing any hiring."

This trend has been echoed across the country, as the unemployment rate for young adults

between the ages of 20 and 24 rose substantially - from 6.9 percent in December 2000 to 9.6 percent a year later.

Despite the solemn national outlook, Bozeman doesn't seem to have been hit as hard as some of the major corporate centers in the U.S.

"With the exception of the technology industry, I don't think the recession has affected Bozeman all that much," says Carina Beck, director of career services at MSU. "Bozeman is relatively isolated when compared to other national centers... The

good news is that we're isolated from these effects [of the recession], the bad news is that we don't have the major employers that these other cities have."

Several Bozeman students share Beck's sentiments, claiming that the stagnant economy isn't hurting their employment opportunities all that much.

"I don't think the recession affects the architecture field," said architecture grad student Sharisse Beiswanger.

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Candlelight vigil held on campus for Missoula couple

Erin Raley
Exponent News Editor

A candlelight vigil was held Friday night by the MSU community who joined together to show support for the gay couple in Missoula, whose house was burned to the ground on Feb. 8.

Members of the vigil gathered outside the south doors of the SUB to welcome Carol Snetsinger, one of the lead plaintiffs in the lawsuit against the

Montana University System's policy of not providing health insurance and other benefits to same-sex partners of gay and lesbian employees. Snetsinger spoke to the crowd at the vigil and explained

the details of the lawsuit.

The vigil was put together by QMSU, the gay and lesbian organization on campus, that

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— Nicole Osborne
QMSU spokeswoman

raised approximately \$350 last week by selling red ribbons - a

symbol against hatred, on campus and at Hastings. They donated all of the money to the relief fund of Adrienne Neff and Carla Grayson who lost their home to unknown arsonists because of their involvement with the UM lawsuit.

"The concept of burning a house and the thought that the couple lost everything is so atrocious," said QMSU spokeswoman Nicole Osborne. "It really affects people in so many ways."

Recession: Students may experience hard hit

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"I think there are jobs out there, it's just a matter of making yourself available."

While students may not feel overburdened with the current economic situation, there has been a slight drop-off in potential employment, even on a local level. Last October's MSU career fair, for example, hosted 156 representatives, a drop-off of 23 employers from the year before. Of these, however, only 16 corporations

cited economic setbacks as the reason for cancellation. An additional nine companies planned to make the trip, which would have meant a record high, but were forced to cancel due to travel restrictions caused by the Sept. 11

terrorist attacks.

Nevertheless, this year's numbers were still up from two years ago and the employment opportunities afforded Montana State students still seem to be experiencing what Beck refers to as "upward growth".

Whether you're feeling the pressures of the sluggish economy or not, the NACE recommends that you perform three essential tasks to benefit

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— Carina Beck
Director of MSU
career services

your future for employment; start early, do your research and gain any and all possible experience in your field.

"Take advantage of the resources we have here," Beck concurs, "It's never too early to start planning."

MSU Internet service disappoints some students

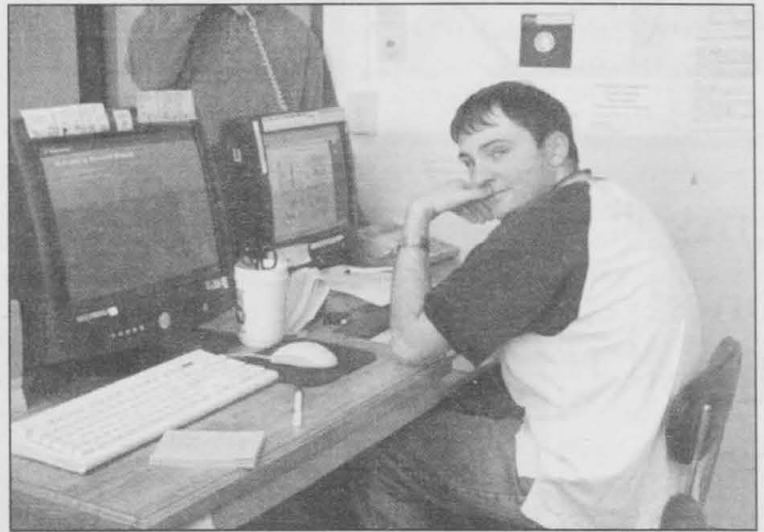
Dominique Scalia
Exponent Writer

As the semester wears on and research needs abound, MSU students are wondering what happened to the ResNet upgrade.

If you live on campus, you might recall filling out your residence hall application form and coming across that little box to check if you want to sign up for the \$65-per-semester ResNet Internet service. You may also remember the fliers that were hung all over campus to encourage

signing up for this service. Some fliers referred to a ResNet upgrade that was to take place prior to Fall 2001. This upgrade, however, has never oc-

Internet connection seems quite necessary. ResNet encourages students to sign up for its service, but it appears that without the promised



Charlie Grasmich mans a computer at the North Hedges ResNet Center.

photo by Charlie Capp

With the number of students living on campus, a high bandwidth for

to UW, it's ridiculous. Sometimes

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The modern economy leaves behind the American consumer

Jonathan Marquardt
Exponent Columnist

In the modern, fast-paced global economy there are few places left where one can find hometown handshake ethics.

Internet purchases have removed the customer from the sight of the proprietor and personal interaction is a thing of the past, or is it?

Are there still some places where a person can go and feel like an intimate part of their business transaction? The surprising answer is yes.

A year ago I was searching for a place to buy off-road products for my vehicle and upon perusing the low pages, I came across a subtle advertisement for Mike's Off Road and Auto Repair. Having tried several less reputable dealers around town, I felt I had nothing to lose. Calling Mike was not the problem, finding his garage was another thing.

Few businesses are run like Mike's anymore, with an emphasis on the customer and even more on the family.

"I run my operation here on trust: I trust you and you trust me," said Mike Jongeling, owner and proprietor.

You can see it in the friendly

smiles of Mike or Rob Balke (who works with Mike), and you can feel it in a firm, grease-covered handshake. This is one of the last bastions of how things used to be done.

They do not work on Sunday and, as far as that goes, they are not particularly fond of toiling on a Saturday.

Those days are meant for snowmobiling and family oriented activities, because that is still what is most important to these men. That is the way business is conducted around here; they simply would not have it any other way.

There are no Web sites or catalogues in this big-truck haven, only a crammed desk area, a booked calendar, a few places to sit and, oh yeah, really powerful coffee for the brave.

Guarantees and warranties don't get lost in paperwork here; they are an integral part of the owner's ethics. It is understood that if Mike does the work you can come back anytime and he

will stand behind it 100 percent. Honor, honesty and integrity live here, and they never get slighted. Unlike big auto-body shops, Mike and Rob's first priority is to help you, not to figure how much that they can overshoot the estimate. Simply put, you can trust these mechanics.

So I ask myself, "Why can I not find this sort of pride in one's work anywhere else?" I am sure there are other places of business

"Does the voice on the other end of the telephone, working for a large company, really care that you cannot get any service and that you have been waiting?"

that run in this manner, but I am referring to the more mainstream market like fast food restaurants and big businesses that provide phone service and Internet connections.

Modern demand for phone service and Internet capability has left the customer miles from the proprietor; in fact, the customer cannot even speak with an operator let alone someone who actually cares about the product.

It has to be looked at this way: when you remove the person who has invested time and money into their business from their customer, consumer relations deter-

iorate to nothing.

Does the voice on the other end of the telephone, working for a large company, really care that you cannot get any service and that you have been waiting? Maybe a little bit, but once you get frustrated, they are done because they do not have to take it! Or at least that is what they tell themselves.

They do not have a concern for whether their huge conglomerate employer gains or loses another customer, but you can bet the farm on the fact that a local locksmith cares about whether you are happy with his work. If he makes you angry or disserves you, then you will not promote his business. Word of mouth is a powerful thing.

Even when the customer is a little strong in their criticism of a job, a business owner is more likely to go out of his way to please them for the sake of his success.

As it used to be said, "The customer is always right." That motto is definitely a relic in the language of the modern marketplace.

The customer is never right and if he makes you have to go out of your way to do something; you have the right to dump him on the spot. If you ask for no onions at a fast food restaurant, it is more than likely that you will get them anyway. The result is that you get used

to eating onions or take the risk of having a disgruntled employee with an attitude spit in your burger. Do you think the 16-year old really cares about your stinkin' onions? NO! How can we make him care?

What is the solution to all of this? First, the owners of all businesses, small and large, must connect with their employees to create a sense of belonging by offering incentives. This could mean offering stock in the company all the way down to giving them better promotion standards (Southwest Airlines for example).

Second, the customers must learn patience.

Those who talk down to others whom they believe are beneath them are often the people who have never had to clean a toilet or wait on an impatient person.

Solution: Every young person should have to take at least one menial job in their youth to prevent snobbish behavior in adulthood.

I mourn the loss of the "little guy." He is a dying race that is being squeezed out by such impersonal conventions as the Internet and automated telephone operators. These are the enemies of good business.

Send comments to Jonathan Marquardt at expo_opinions@hotmail.com

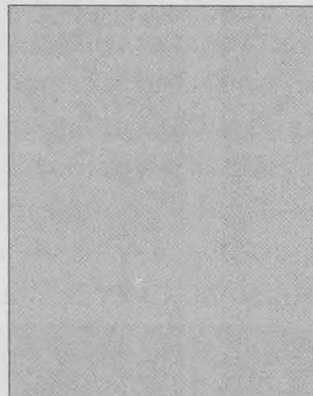
Do you think date rape is a threat in Bozeman?

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"Yes, I think it is a threat everywhere."

Erin McKenna
Senior
Community Health Ed



"Yes, it has happened to me."

Anonymous

"No, I don't think I see it."



Chris Dahl
Freshman
General Studies

"I think it is a possible threat anywhere there is a large population of novice drinkers."



Sarah Pearson
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Correction: Travel health class and clinics are scheduled for 5 p.m. on Feb. 28 in the Student Health Center.



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Sept. 11 widows want justice and peace of mind

Associated Press

The wives of seven Bucks County residents murdered on Sept. 11 are doing more than mourning; they're fighting terrorism by suing the terrorists' estates and their host nations.

They have memories and memorabilia, but little else.

Most loved ones of 9/11 victims have not had bodies returned to them, only charred possessions. As cherished as they now are, those precious touchstones provide little solace to bereaved spouses and children, parents and grandparents. Each has been denied the grieving fulfillment of a burial, the contentment and connection of graveside visits, the peace and

serenity of closure.

Without the comfort and finality of prayerful good-byes, the seven widows have filed suits against the estates of terrorists involved in September's barbaric attacks and the evil governments providing the murderers cover and comfort.

While the women seek \$100 billion in damages from more than 140 defendants, their action is not, their lawyer said, "about acquiring money; it's about depriving the defendants of money." It is an appropriate goal. Family fortunes as well as government treasuries funded the horrific attacks on this nation and its citizens. The women's goal is to keep that money from being used to finance future attacks.

"This is not a lawsuit about financial recovery," Lower Makefield's Fiona Havlish said during a press conference Monday. "It is a lawsuit about financial deprivation."

Chances that the suit will bankrupt the terrorists or in some meaningful way impede their hateful activity are impossible to gauge. From a practical perspective, it's hard to imagine the suit will prove to be anything but a nuisance to its targets. Still, we applaud the effort and take pride in the citizenship, humanity and patriotism driving these wounded but strong Bucks County citizens.

What impressed us in hearing the reasons for their action is what we didn't hear. This is not about revenge or hatred, though that would be expected even understandable, motivation. It is, instead, about concern for others.

"None of us can really sit back and feel comfortable if we didn't do anything and (terrorists) were allowed access to their money and were able to hurt someone else," said Elle Saracini, whose husband, Victor, piloted United Airlines Flight 175.

So they're doing something. They're going after the "bad guys." And for that they have our appreciation and adulation. Our fondest well wishes to Havlish and Saracini, Grace Godshalk, Clara Chirchillo, Tara Bane, Russa Steiner and Theresann Lostrangio, as they seek justice for the most important people in their lives and greater peace of mind for the rest of us.

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The Gourds play Bozeman

At the Cat's Paw Thursday



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To listen to the music of the Gourds is to dream of stacks of records melding locally in the Texas heat: The Allman Brothers Band's *Wooladun*, and Los Lobos' *The Neighborhood*, and the Pogues' *If I Were a Rich Man*, and the Grateful Dead's *From the Other End of the Rainbow*, and the Young's *After the Goldrush*, and the Hackensack Ramblers and *A Tribute To the Best Damn Fiddle Player in the World* from Merle Haggard. The Gourds aren't stealing from folks behind these timeless records; they're merely mining

some of the same areas of roots music and blending it into their own sound.

In 1996 the Gourds released their debut *Demis Good Beeble* for Holland-based Munich Records. Equally mysterious and exhilarating, *Beeble* grabbed the Gourds attention and rolled out the blueprint for the band's eclectic sound: a disarming blend of traditional, bluegrass, Cajun, rock, country & western, gospel and folk music, all spiked with the spirit of a bottle-fueled, back porch picking party.

With that roots-happy blend, the Gourds could be the poster

children for the periodically breathing Americana chart. However, the band's not campaigning for that slot or even searching for a genre to nestle in.

"We're definitely, I think, a feel-oriented band," says Kevin Russell of the Gourds. "That's why you can't really put a style tag on anything or a label on anything. We're definitely playing from feel."

It's a loose-limbed modus operandi that encourages improvisation, and that seems to fit these guys like broken-in boots.

The Gourds have released three other full-length discs: *Stadium Blitz*, *Ghosts of Hallelujah*

and last year's Sugar Hill debut *Bolsa De Agua*.

In the middle of this four-album run an EP titled *Gogityershinebox* appeared in which Sugar Hill has re-issued under the abbreviated title *Shinebox*. Shored up with five songs not on the original, *Shinebox* could very well be the Gourds' definitive recording. That may seem like a curious crown for a collection of live cuts, traditional tunes, and covers to wear, but *Shinebox* showcases their infectious energy on-stage and their unique interpreting skills.

They nail the mood of Townes Van Zandt's wistful "Two

Girls" and Billy Joe Shaver's "Omaha" and their version of Grin's "Everybody's Missing the Sun", sounds like the Faces doing a folk song. Their cover of Snoop Doggy Dogg's "Gin & Juice" continues to get the most callouts during shows, but the band's take on David Bowie's "Ziggy Stardust," is even more of a genre-jumping adventure.

Come check out an evening of musical gumbo with the Gourds at the Cats Paw on Thursday with music beginning around 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door on the night of the show.

Oscar preview

Look at what's to come at the Academy Awards

Bryce Weinert
Exponent Writer

When the first Academy Awards handed out on May 16, 1929, Hollywood had just begun to talk and the industry had yet to reach the mammoth importance in the heart of America that it has today. That ceremony's attendance was a mere 100 people and the tickets cost \$10. This year, when the Academy Awards take place on March 24, the ceremony will be in the thousands and actually in the seats at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles, millions will be sitting in front of their television screens at home.

There is even an official Academy Award Party company—Oscar Night America. They sponsor parties from Washington D.C. to Honolulu, raising over \$1.5 million, which is donated to various charities.

Seems like a lot of fuss to make over a 13-inch statue of a naked man. In the film industry, however, the Oscar is not just any naked man. He represents artistic excellence, superior craftsmanship, and the highest degree of peer recognition possible to any nominee lucky enough to take a statue home.

This year the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences will grant awards in 25 categories, choosing from more than 100

nominees. This year, a new category has been added: Best Animated Feature Film to recognize the great steps that animation took artistically in the past few years.

Throughout 2001, there was much speculation as to which films would be "Best Picture" worthy. "Moulin Rouge" remained a favorite from the time it came out to when nominations were announced the second week of February. "A Beautiful Mind" is a strong Best Picture contender, with seven other nominations in different categories. "In the Bedroom" is as many of the critics' picks for Best Picture, while "Lord of the Rings" receives much acclaim from hordes of rabid fantasy

fans. "Gosford Park" stands as the out-in-left-field nominee, pulling in critic respect but not much in the way of an impressive box office.

The Academy has often been unpredictable when selecting its Best Picture winner, often picking the box office behemoth like "Titanic" one year and then turning around and picking indie gems like "Shakespeare in Love" and "American Beauty" the two following years.

Julia Roberts' name is nowhere to be found on the Best Actress list, so this year, the Academy will have to search deeper for a winner. Halle Berry, from "Monster's Ball," is the underdog nominee, but a brave pick, if only because she showed

her boobs for the second time in her career for this film.

Dame Judi Dench is nominated for the fourth time this year for "Iris." Nicole Kidman receives a nod for her sultry portrayal of Satine in "Moulin Rouge!" Also a many-time Academy Award favorite, with five nominations and one win, is Sissy Spacek, nominated for "In the Bedroom." Renee Zellweger is an odd but admirable choice from "Bridget Jones's Diary," the obligatory comedy nomination.

The nominees for Best Actor read like the guest list for one of Hollywood's A-list parties, with the notable exception of Tom Wilkinson

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Fire ecologist speaks about his new book

Carrie Scott

Exponent Writer

On Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m., the Country Bookshelf in downtown Bozeman will be hosting David Strohmaier, author of the book, "Seasons of Fire." Stromaier will be signing and discussing topics of fire, ecology and philosophy included in his text.

Part of the Environmental Arts and Humanities Series by Univ. of Nevada press, "Seasons of Fire" is an exploration into the interrelationship between humans and fire. Stromaier said of his book that, "our lives are bracketed by fire."

Blending nature with philosophy Strohmaier shows

how fires shape meaning for human life in each of the four seasons.

Strohmaier's work has been compared to that of nature writer and ecologist, Aldo Leopold. Holmes Rolston II has said the text is an entry point to understanding who we are. "Fire becomes a perennial sacrament of life persisting in its perpetual perishing," Rolston said.

Strohmaier is a Missoula area writer with graduate degrees in Religion and Environmental Studies. He has worked with fires for the BLM for the past 15 years and is currently a public comment analyst for the US Forest Service.

Jim Basnight comes to the SUE

Special to the Exponent

Born in Seattle 1996, The Jim Basnight Band may be just six years old, but its members have extensive and unique musical backgrounds.

The band, fronted by Jim Basnight (vocals and guitar) combines jazz, blues, country and acoustic rock flavors in some of the finest

and The Rockinghams in the '90s and solo throughout, has received acclaim from critics all over the world

Recent releases include the 1999 Rockinghams CD *Makin' Bacon* and *Seattle-NY-LA* by Jim Basnight and The Moberlys. His music has been released in the U.S. and Canada as well as England, Germany, Spain, France, Scandinavia, Australia and Japan.



Jim Basnight
High Noon Show
MSU SUB

pop songs around while still appealing to mass audience response by piercing a new free-form pop genre.

Basnight's career, beginning with The Moberlys in the '80s

Publications such as *Rolling Stone*, *Record Guide*, *The L.A. Times*, *The Village Voice*, *Billboard* have praised Basnight's diverse talents. His career is chronicled in numerous books

about rock & roll and in the Experience Music Project museum northwest exhibit.

Basnight's many accomplishments include composing a rock and roll musical, *Little Rock*, which had a long and successful run in Seattle and Pittsburgh. *Little Rock* received an award from *The Seattle Times* as 1991 Best of the Year in Theatre, and was performed in Washington D.C. and Little Rock, Arkansas.

In 1996, *Goldmine Magazine* named Basnight's compilation album, *Retro*, one of the Top 100 Power Pop albums of all time. He has performed at numerous venues with artists including The Ramones, The Band, The Police, R.E.M., Billy Idol, The Smithereens, The Bodeans, Johnny Rivers, Suzanne Vega, Steve Forbert, Violent Femmes, Eric Burdon, The Turtles and The Plimsouls.

You can see him on the MSU campus at the High Noon Concert on Feb. 27 and then at the Zebra Cocktails Lounge at 9 p.m. for \$4.

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Cats down Sac State and Northern Arizona

MSU clinches a share of the Big Sky title

Eric Woller
Exponent Writer

The MSU men's basketball team clinched a share of the Big Sky title this weekend by defeating Northern Arizona (13-12, 6-6), 60-59, on Friday and Sacramento State (9-17, 3-9), 70-60, on Saturday night.

With a season-ending victory at the University of Montana this Saturday, the 'Cats will claim the title outright.

James Clark, one of the weekend stars, summed up the team's sentiment by saying, "We're not sharing this title with anybody!"

Saturday night was an important night for Bobcat basketball. On Jan. 25 Sacramento State creamed the 'Cats 56-78 in MSU's worst loss of the season. Secondly, the 'Cats win against the Hornets this time clinched at least a tie of the Big Sky regular season title.

Finally, it was senior night, a chance for the team and fans to recognize and thank the seniors at their final regular-season home game. During a pre-game ceremony the fans warmly congratulated Bobcat seniors Clark, Kenny Plummer and Aaron Rich.

Before the season began, Northern Arizona was picked by many to win the Big Sky conference. Add to that the fact that MSU had embarrassed NAU at home a month earlier by beating them by 11 points, it becomes clear that NAU was determined to make a statement at the home of the conference's leading team.

However, a pair of MSU seniors decided they were going to be making all of the statements. Clark and Plummer both had their best offensive games of the season. Clark scored a career-high 24 points and Plummer made his

physical presence known while scoring 13 points against the Lumberjacks.

The Bobcats got off to a hot start by opening up a 31-18 lead with just under four minutes left in the first half. At halftime, the Lumberjacks came roaring back to life and narrowed the gap to 31-28 thanks to NAU's leading scorer Ryan McDade.

The second half started as coldly as the first half ended. The 'Cats could only manage five points in the first seven minutes allowing NAU to get within two points at the 12:23 mark.

However, Clark scored 11 points in the final 10 minutes of the game to keep the Lumberjacks at bay. NAU's Chris Ferguson hit a 3-pointer with 12 seconds left to trail the Bobcats within three.

Following a missed MSU free throw Ferguson had a chance to tie the game, but Bobcat forward Rich got in his face and forced him to heave an inaccurate 3-pointer that bounced off the iron.

MSU's star power forward and rebounding machine Damir Latovic got into early foul trouble and was held to five points and nine rebounds.

However, the slack was picked up by Jason Erickson who notched his first double-double by grabbing 10 rebounds and 14 points.

The Cats, facing a smothering Sac State defense, shot an uncharacteristic 37 percent from the field and 18 percent from three point range in the first half. At halftime the Hornets tied the game, 27-27.

Sacramento State looked like there were in town to rain on the 'Cat's parade, but as MSU coach Mick Durham was quick to point

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photo by Jon Bergman

Erickson goes up for a hook shot against Northern Arizona last Friday night. The 'Cats defeated both the Lumberjacks, 62-59, and the Sac State Hornets, 70-60.

Clark finishes strong during Big Sky meet

MSU Athletics

Montana State had one of its most productive Big Sky Conference meets in memory, but couldn't overcome a Weber State juggernaut that ended the Bobcats' women's one-year reign as conference champs and set a new record in the men's competition.

The MSU women finished second to Weber on Saturday in Pocatello, Idaho, despite scoring more points than a year ago during the conference indoor meet.

The Bobcat men finished fourth, a spot higher than predicted.

"I couldn't be more proud of our kids," said MSU coach Dale Kennedy. "They really fought hard, but we just didn't have enough ammunition. We had a very, very good meet."

Senior Lacy Hinzpeter led the way for MSU, winning the Big Sky long jump and 400 m championships, and finishing second in the 200 m. Hinzpeter scored 30 points in the 2002 meet, and her 78 career points in championship competition is a new Big Sky record.

Courtney Ellis (pole vault) also won a Big Sky title for the MSU women. In all, MSU had three conference champions and a dozen all-conference performers on the women's side.

In the men's competition, MSU had two conference champions and seven all-conference performers.

Senior Zach Jones won the weight throw, an event that MSU finished 1-2-3, while junior Blake Jackson, the weight throw runnerup, won the Big Sky shot put championship.

Part III: Skiers descend the mountains of Peru

Kyle Amstadter
Exponent Writer

While we're laying outside in the sun, stomachs full from a big pancake breakfast, we discuss our plans for the final three days. With the 16-hour epic day on Andavite and its dangers still fresh on our minds, we are tempted just take our trophy and go home.

The risks of skiing in these remote mountains weigh heavily on us. The exposure here is much

greater than in the mountains at home with crevasses, seracs and bergschrunds adding to the usual hazards.

At one point Kyle reflects and describes the mood in the climbing community when he was leaving Bozeman. About a month before his departure, Hans Saari, also from Bozeman, had been killed in a ski accident on a similar expedi-

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Snow: Telemarkers make it out alive

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tion. Most of Kyle's friends had said good-bye to him as if they would never see him again. It had been a bit disconcerting.

In addition to all the talk and reflecting on dangerous situations, our knees cringe at the thought of another strenuous moraine ascent in the dark. On the other hand there is also a deep urge inside us to do some skiing at our limits; unroped – just pure and free steep skiing.

From Maparaju we had noticed a peak between Andavite and Cayesh that grabbed our attention. Its aesthetic, smooth, and steep Northwest Face seemed to be calling to us. It looked perfect. In the end our hunger for steep skiing wins over our reluctance to face the risks of the mountain and to hike through another moraine. We pack our bags in preparation of another pre-dawn start.

After a long slog through breakable crust, we look at our po-

sition from the summit on the ridge between Andavite to the west and Cayesh to the east. Looking down between our skis onto the Northwest Face, we rejoice that we had chosen to climb this peak. This is the first peak that the skier side of us had chosen.

Kyle, being the lightest member of our team, skis on belay along the edge of the cornice that guards the entrance to the face, looking for a way onto it. He ends up using his skis to break through the cornice at a thin point, making a path for the brothers.

Once Kyle is situated on the face, the Germans tighten their buckles, pack away the rope, and make cautious turns toward the gap prepared in the cornice. Martin carefully slides sideways a few feet, checking the stability of the snow. Getting a green light, he starts linking tele turns. He soon finds himself searching for a solid grip as the snow sliding down underneath him carries him several

yards down the face. He stops and lets the flood of snow pass, and stands there panting. Once he catches his breath, he plants a pole and skis down to just above the bergschrund. Kyle follows suit, jumps the bergschrund, body checks into the sluff pile below, and sets up to take photos.

After dropping the schrund, the face mellows out a bit. We make a few pleasant turns, and arrive at the second crux of the descent. Kyle has misgivings about skiing a slope that he needed two ice tools to climb up earlier this morning, but the conditions are perfect. We decide to skip the rappel and ski it. The exhilaration of linking turns on a 50 degree sun-ripened slope at 17,000 feet is incredible. This is what we had come down here for.

Back in Huaraz, eating lunch in the sun under an umbrella, Marc complains to Kyle and Martin about how he got ripped off by a street vendor. Martin sits in thought. Suddenly his frown turns into a big grin. He laughs. "Hey, we're still alive!"

Contributing writers for this article were Martin Strasser and Marc Strasser.

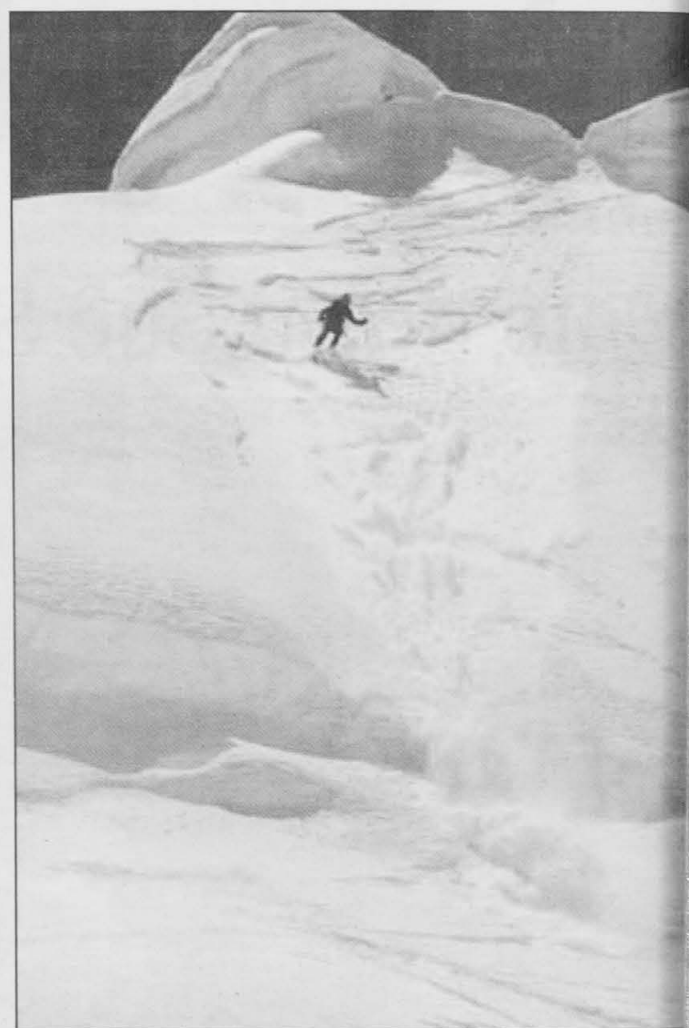
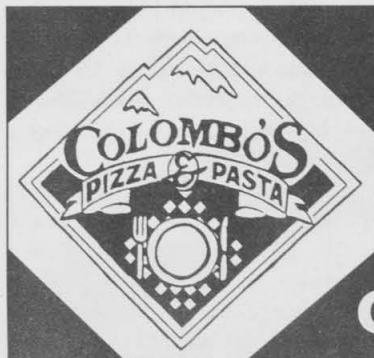


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Marc Strasser at 18,500 feet makes his first descent of an unnamed peak.



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Lady 'Cats split weekend

MSU Athletics

Isabel Stubbs scored a game-high 16 points and Jessica Blake added 13 as the Bobcats cruised to a 45-13 win over Sacramento State last Saturday night.

The win places MSU in a three-way tie with the Lady Griz' and Weber State for the Big Sky Conference top spot.

"We were able to establish ourselves in the first five minutes and carried the momentum throughout the entire game," said Coach Potera.

Montana State (16-10, 10-3) jumped out to an 18-3 advantage on a Candis Wilcox layup at 14:34 mark and built its lead to 11 at intermission.

In the second stanza, the Bobcats took their largest lead of the game 53-22 with 11:13 remaining on Tabitha Wesley three pointer.

Montana State will host Montana State on Friday. A Bobcat victory coupled with a Weber State loss at Idaho State, would give MSU its first Big Sky championship since 1999.

The night before, the Lady Grizzlies fell to the Lumberjacks of Northern Arizona's Lynsie Edwards and Lacey Tolbert each scored 10 points as NAU cruised to a 71-44 win over Montana State.

"We lacked intensity and weren't as aggressive," said Potera.

Northern Arizona (14-10, 4-4) built its largest lead of the game at 42-17 at the 3:59 mark of the opening period. The Lumberjacks entered intermission with a 44-24 advantage.

In the second half, Montana State (15-10, 9-3) rallied to cut the lead to within 64-58 at the 4:24 mark on a pair of Blake free throw

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Basketball: Clark and Durham line on senior night

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Contributions from every-
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ing into halftime.

Sacramento State looked like
ere in town to rain on the
parade, but as MSU Coach
Durham was quick to point
ter the game, this team
gotten to where it is by ac-
"This group does not
he said after the game,
en the job had to be done,
was no panic in sight dur-
second half.

"We simplified things during
second half," Durham said.
Rich described the simpli-
fied, "we had our four men
starting screens for the point
That got Casey Reynolds
Damir Latovic open for
Boy did it ever.

Defense came alive in the
half led by Latovic and
Latovic, who had missed
er of three pointers ear-
a trio of threes en route
game high 20 points.
I missed those three
s, I had no legs under me.
were tired. Once I got my
back, I started hitting them,"
said. He also pulled down
hands to increase his con-
leading double-doubles
It seemed like Damir got
rebound in the second
coach Durham said.

Clark picked up where
off the night before by
18 points. He said that
the game he felt the emo-
of his last regular season
had tears in my eyes be-
game," he said, "I don't
that's why we started out
we won."

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MSU.

Oscars: Some deserve it; some don't

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from "In the Bedroom."

Russell Crowe was last year's winner, but critics and audiences alike appreciated his portrayal of John Nash in "A Beautiful Mind." Will Smith, for "Ali," is the favored nominee. Sean Penn, for "I Am Sam," may have dug his own grave as far as the Academy's concerned, with his many and varied anti-Hollywood rants. Yet he may manage to pull out a win, because historically, there is nothing the Academy likes more than actors playing the mentally handicapped.

In the Best Director category,

there are five strong choices. Ron Howard for "A Beautiful Mind" and Ridley Scott for "Black Hawk Down" are both primarily action directors who have achieved artistic greatness with their films this year.

David Lynch does what David Lynch does best with "Mulholland Drive" making weirdness appealing. Robert Altman has been often nominated for Academy Awards, starting with "MASH" in 1970, but has yet to win, although his latest film, "Gosford Park," has received another nomination and the same film won him AFI's Director of the Year Award. Peter Jackson is the man responsible for bringing "The Lord of the Rings"

alive on screen, and the hard work and creative excellence that went into the film are well worth an Oscar nod.

But obviously I'm saving the main event for last. The category every one is really concerned with.

Referring, of course, to Best Live Action Short Film. The five considerations this year are "Copy Shop" (Virgil Widrich), "The Accountant" (Ray McKinnon and Lisa Blout), "Gregor's Greatest Invention"

(Johannes Kiefer), "A Man Thing" (Slawomir Fabicki and Bogumil Godfejew), and finally "Speed for Thesbians" (Kalman Apple and Shameela Bakhsh).

Upon questioning the only man in America who's seen all five shorts, this anonymous source predicted that "it was hard to pick a real winner. They were all pretty dam good."

It's times like these one wishes there were enough naked men for everyone.

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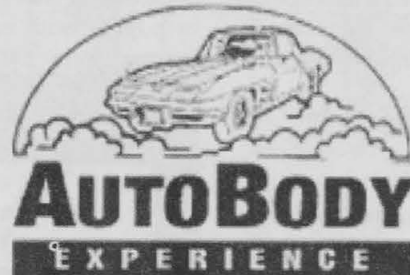
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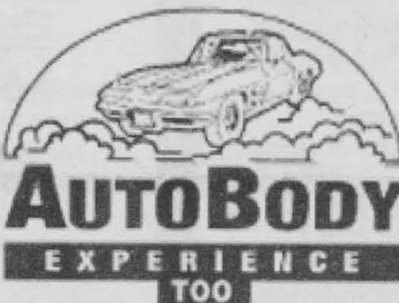
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ResNet: Promise for upgrade broken

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data transfer rate is less than a 56K modem."

One professor, who prefers to remain anonymous, spoke simply about the various components of MSU's Internet services, saying that "overall... its strategy is short-sighted."

The campus-wide bandwidth upgrade project that was expected last summer was delayed "due to circumstances beyond both ResNet's and MSU's Information Technology Center's control," said Sheil Smith, director of ResNet. "Despite this speed bump, both staffs have worked diligently toward a swift resolution, which we have been assured is near at hand. In the interim, we appreciate the patience that has been displayed by

ResNet users across campus."

Smith also provided statistics showing that, even without the bandwidth upgrade, ResNet service at MSU is quite popular among residents.

"Based on the national average of residents typically using a campus network in the first year of operation, our goal was to see 25 percent of residence hall residents using the system by year's end," Smith said. "In actuality, this goal was shattered as approximately 44 percent of the residents used ResNet during that inaugural year."

Now nearing the end of its fourth year, ResNet serves more than 74 percent of the residents in Family and Graduate Housing and Residence Life. Smith reports that ResNet has proven to be popular with both new and returning students.

Drugs: Students warned to be cautious

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cause, amnesia, blackouts, permanent memory loss or loss of life.

"GHB and GBL, also known as "Liquid Ecstasy," "Liquid X," or "Grievous Bodily Harm" are usually available in liquid or pill form and have a slightly salty or bitter taste, easily masked by strong drinks or soda. GHB and GBL are both central nervous system depressants that can relax or sedate the body. GBL is twice as potent as GHB. When combined with alcohol, both can produce a deep, unarousable sleep and permanent memory loss.

"Rohypnol is also known as "Roofies," "Rophies," or "Forget-me Pill." Rohypnol is a tranquilizer similar to valium, only 10 times more potent. When dissolved in alcoholic drinks, it is tasteless and odorless. Like GHB/GBL, permanent memory loss and unconsciousness can occur when Rohypnol is combined with alcohol."

"Although these drugs are much more common elsewhere in the country, incidents reporting of

these drugs have been reported occasionally in Bozeman. It just makes sense for individuals to have 'street smarts' when they are in public situations involving alcohol," added Robert Flaherty, M.D., director of acute care at the MSU Student Health Service.

If you feel dizzy, confused or have other unexplained symptoms after a beverage:

Get to a safe place.

Call someone you trust.

Get to a hospital emergency room immediately. These drugs, when combined with alcohol, can be fatal for some people.

Try to retain a sample of the beverage for testing.

Have a friend notify the University Police immediately (994-2121 or 911).

Use of these drugs in this context is a serious crime and evidence must be gathered within 24 hours of ingestion.

If you suspect that someone may be using these drugs against others, consider making an anonymous report to the Silent Witness program on campus at switness@montana.edu

National Association of Home Builders starts new student chapter

Dominique Scalia
Exponent Writer

The National Association of Home Builders, in affiliation with the Southwest Montana Building Industry Association of Bozeman, has recently established a student chapter at Montana State University.

Student chapters of NAHB, established in colleges and high schools across the country, target students in building-related fields like architecture and engineering. Members of student chapters are afforded benefits, such as opportunities for paid industry internships while they are students and academic scholarships at local, state and national levels.

Each student chapter of NAHB is sponsored by a local or state home-builder association. This HBA connects the students to the world of home building and may provide opportunities for jobs, community involvement and much more invaluable information. Every chapter also has a faculty adviser that connects the chapter to the higher levels of the NAHB.

There is a meeting of the local chapter of NAHB this Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in Cheever Hall.

For more information about this program, contact Ken Bruwelheide in 113 Cheever Hall, ext. 5777.

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By Ed Canty

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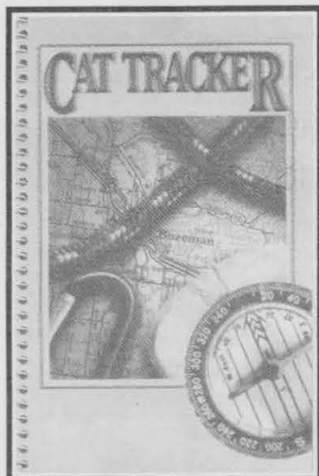


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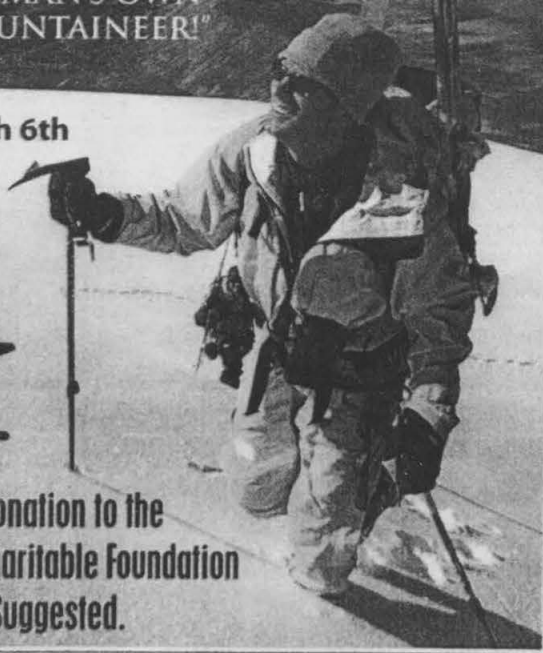
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COME JOIN US FOR A LECTURE
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"ACE MOUNTAINEER!"

**Wednesday, March 6th
7:00 p.m.
SUB Ballrooms
B, C, & D**

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**A \$2 Donation to the
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Begin Planning Your Life After College!

Create Your Own Path 2002

5th Annual College to Career Conference
Sunday, Feb 24, 2002 at 10:30 A.M. SUB Ballrooms
Check-in begins at 10:30 A.M. SUB South West Lounge
\$10.00 Registration Fee to accompany this form, Lunch is Included
KEYNOTE SPEAKER- Loren W. Acton, Ph.D., Research Professor of
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Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____
E-mail Address: _____
Major & Career Goals: _____

Topics Include: The Value of a Mentor, Better than a Best Friend, Finding your Niche, Creating Your Career Path, Power Etiquette/Dress for Success, What your Communication Style is Saying About You, Selling yourself, without bragging, the competitive advantage for getting an interview.

Please Return to the MSU Leadership Institute 145A SUB or
SUB Ask Us Desk, by Friday, Feb. 22, 2002
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ASMSU Intramurals and Recreation

Fitness Trainers on Duty

Let us
help you
get fit &
stay safe

Student Weight Room

Louis M&T 4-6p.m.
R&F 11-1p.m.

Jason V. MWF 3-4p.m.
W 5-6p.m.

Levi M&F 5-6p.m.

Cardio Circuit Room

Aaron F. Mon. 1-3p.m.
Fri. 10-11a.m.

Mike D. MWF 5-6p.m.

Levi G. T&R 6-8p.m.

SPRING 2002

For more Information call Carole at 994-6309

TIMES	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
12:05 - 1 pm South Gym	Work-It- Circuit	B.A.B.S Back Abs Butt	3-N-1	Half-N-Half	Kickboxing
12:05 - 1 pm Romney Dance Studio	Easy Does It		Easy Does It		Easy Does It
12:05 - 1 pm Romney Pool	*Wellness Water Aerobics		*Wellness Water Aerobics		*Wellness Water Aerobics
4:05 - 5:00 pm South Gym	Kickboxing	3-N-1	Kickboxing	B.A.B.S.	Cardio Challenge
5:05 - 6:00 pm South Gym		Strength & Stretch		Kickboxing	
5:05 - 6:00 pm Romney Pool		*Wellness Water Aerobics		*Wellness Water Aerobics	
6:00 - 7:00 pm PEC Pool	Aqua Aerobics (Begins Jan. 28)		Aqua Aerobics		

There will be a new schedule for Final's Week

*Wellness: Restricted to MSU Employees, Retirees & Spouses who have a valid Facility-Use Pass.

All instructors are certified in both aerobics and CPR.

Aerobic Staff: Kelly Crosby, Heather Heintz, Stephanie Simmons, and Sharon Melniker.

Water Aerobic Staff: Gina Cholic and Carole Kolarich.

Wellness Water Aerobics: TBA

Purchase Passes in 202 Shroyer Gym 8:00 am - 12:00 noon and 1:00 - 5:00 pm Monday through Friday
Students MUST have a valid One-Card.