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Community vows to 'Save Our Stage'

Juliet Osman

Exponent Writer

Upon drawing up plans for renovating the SUB theater, architects found that bringing the Strand Union site up to new building code standards could cost as much as \$2.5 million. This price has many speculating about possible alternatives to renovation.

The Strand Union is student owned and its renovation, according to Jerry Bancroft, dean of Arts and Architecture, should come up for student vote this spring.

"There are aspects of the whole building that are not up to code," states Bancroft, "parts of the SUB, say a ballroom or the Bobcat Grill, have been brought up to standards in more recent renovations."

The theater, however, has not been renovated since its inception in 1957.

Prior to this date, the location was a ballroom, with no theater at MSU. Marjorie Smith, in her column from the Friday, September 13 edition of the Bozeman Daily Chronicle, remembers seeing college productions in the Emerson auditorium. Since then, over the past 45 years, more than 1,000 productions have enlivened the Strand Union stage.

Nevertheless, some students are unaware that there is a theater in the SUB at all, since productions are relatively infrequent. Right now, the Media and Theater Arts department puts on four theater productions a year. Shakespeare in the Parks also uses the facility to rehearse for their summer shows and production companies from



Photo by Charlie Capp

Students are seen here milling on the stage of the Strand Union theater. A theater upgrade will reach costs nearing \$2.5 million, which shrouds the theater's future in uncertainty.

the community occasionally utilize the facility.

The MTA department and the dean of Arts and Architecture are working with the Bozeman Theater Guild, comprised of theater-presenting companies in Bozeman, to "Save Our Stage."

To ensure the Theater's survival the S.O.S committee is planning a large scale gala performance on Nov. 8 and 9 to raise money. They plan to infuse the theater with energy by increasing the number of productions.

"We want to maximize student use," says Bancroft, who

hopes that more productions, possibly a late night comedy show or a film series will increase student audience and involvement. Bancroft adds that, "we would like to influence the university community of the importance of live theater on campus," that without it, students can hardly claim to have received a full college education and MSU may as well be a technical school.

The Strand Union is student owned and would not receive state allocated funds for renovation, assumes Bancroft. The money would have to come from a bond paid for by student fees or money from outside sources.

Many students, annoyed at the last tuition hike, cringe at the thought of increased spending for any reason.

Devney Black, ASMSU vice president assures that "nothing is certain," renovation appears to have been pushed back and suggestions that the theater be converted to a ballroom or stay the same are all rumors. Black says that the administration wants to see the theater with more student involvement.

"ASMSU is there to help with input from students," she says, and when the time comes to renovate, they will form committees and see what needs to be done.

Montana State professor visits White House

Special to the Exponent

A Sept. 17 visit to a White House symposium left a Bozeman scholar excited and intrigued by discussions of women's role in the literature of the American West.

"I appreciated the wide range of people they had there," said Linda Karell, an associate professor of English at Montana State University-Bozeman.

The event, she added, was "exciting and smart and intriguing. I think they did a really good job."

Karell was one of about 150 people whom First Lady Laura Bush invited to a breakfast reception and symposium on "Women

of the West."

Part of a White House series saluting America's authors, the event focused on Willa Cather, Edna Ferber and Laura Ingalls Wilder.

"These women helped forge the Western identity," Bush said in her opening remarks. "Through their words, we come to appreciate who we are as people and what we can achieve as individuals."

Karell said that, in attendance, "There were young people, old people, writers, independent scholars, high school students, family members, and representatives from Hollywood," Karell said. "I think it was an opportunity to bring people together who might not otherwise have come together."

Laura Ingalls Wilder wrote the

"Little House" series, which Bush said she spent countless hours reading with her mother. Cather, Bush continued, described Nebraska with "forlorn clarity," and Ferber developed "great sympathy for both real and fictional characters."

Symposium panelists included Melissa Gilbert, who played Laura in the "Little House" television series and now heads the Screen Actors Guild; Cather biographer Sharon O'Brien; historian Patricia Limerick; and former Bozeman authors Linda Peavy and Ursula Smith, who worked on the recent PBS series "Frontier House."

"The content, while not radical, was very current and thoughtful," Karell commented.

The way the authors overlooked

issues of racism and slavery, for example, drew comment as did myths of the West that distort the true experiences of both men and women in the frontier.

"I was impressed and encouraged by the kind of speakers they had—those who have challenged perceived understandings of Western history and literature," Karell said.

Before leaving the East Wing, Karell was able to personally thank the First Lady, whose unexpected invitation arrived in Karell's Bozeman mailbox about a month ago.

Although she has written about Cather and has a book due out in December on collaboration in western American literature, Karell wasn't sure which activity caught the attention of the White House staff.

Watershed festival to be held this weekend

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Exponent Writer

The Montana Outdoor Science School, (MOSS) is hosting its 5th annual Community Watershed Festival Saturday, Sep. 21 at the Fish Technology Center on Bridger Canyon Rd., across from the "M." This free event takes place from 10am to 3pm in sun, rain, or any other form of precipitation Montana throws our way.

This year's festival is titled 'H2O: Headwaters 2 Oceans', to show people that "no matter where you live, you live by a watershed," according to Bobbi Geise, executive director of MOSS. Many of the days' activities are centered around water cycles and human involvement in watersheds. Festival attendees can design a water cycle bracelet, perform scientific experiments and investigate microscopic organisms living in water.

The Watershed Festival is a community event, a sort of educational peep show into the natural science curiosities with booths from different interest groups. The Montana Raptor Conservation Center will display birds of prey, (small, furry pets not suggested in the vicinity), the Gallatin Local Water Quality District will be offering well water testing information and the U.S. Forest Service will be demonstrating fire-fighting equipment.

Melynda Coble, the festival event coordinator says that, more than educational purposes, the festival gives the school a chance to have fun and, "to give back to the community and thank people for participating in our programs throughout the year." She says she is looking forward to the scientific illustrating and the mural painting with great interest. Starting Friday, they will begin building a diorama; a three dimensional mural that everyone can contribute too.

The main entertainment attraction is Walkin' Jim Smoltz, who starts at 1:00 p.m. This hiking folk singer will flood the fishery with songs about Rocky Mountain forests and streams. Also on the days line-up are Joan Diamond's storytelling and balloon-tying, a string quartet and a silent auction

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Fair increases community involvement on campus

Tim Adams
Exponent Writer

Employers in the modern workplace are stressing an emphasis on community service. With this in mind, the Montana State University Office of Community Involvement held its annual volunteer fair this week, showcasing more than 40 organizations from around the Gallatin Valley.

Since 1996, the Office of Community Involvement has held the "Into The Streets" volunteer fair on campus. This fall, community service organizations were given the opportunity to be represented on campus in order to reach out to students.

According to event organizer Kathy Tanner, the event "provides a forum for the community to interact one-on-one with students." Students are presented with an opportunity to browse and obtain information on various organizations ranging from Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Gallatin Valley to Circle K and the Diversity Awareness Center.

"Staff are able to inform

students on whatever it is that they do in the community, as well as recruit," remarked the event organizer.

Although the main purpose of the event is to get students involved with programs, they are also able to educate those who may need to utilize those resources at some time in the future. Tanner believes that many times students are reluctant to leave a school comfort zone, however she also believes, "these events help students to tap into the resources and community as a whole."

There are many different reasons to volunteer for a non-profit agency as a college student. While some may use the chance as a resumé builder, others find the experience to be very rewarding in terms of relationships and personal satisfaction.

Erin Lynch and Katie Brandon are two students who volunteer for the service group Circle K. Circle K is a branch of the Key Club that was started in the 1950s. It serves as a means to provide volunteers and fundraisers for a wide range of community projects. The upcoming "Fun Run" is an annual event that

provides support to the Blue Iguana Teen Center located in town on Willson.

"It is a lot of fun to work with a group of people who love helping others," Brandon claimed.

"It also provides motivation and helps you meet new people," Lynch adds.

Perri Bauerle is a student who works for the Diversity Awareness Center. They provide workshops and training to help minorities on campus.

"Volunteering helps expand your experience base and makes you a well-rounded person," claims Bauerle.

Overall, approximately 1800 students visit the volunteer fair, with about half of those making commitments to local agencies. In addition, the volume of inquiries since last year's 9/11 attacks has also increased. According to Turner, "Student interest has skyrocketed. I've even had some professors in Business and Health and Human Development discuss making volunteering a requirement for their classes."

While "Into the Streets" may be over for the year, the Office of Community Involvement is open year round.



Photo by Charlie Capp

RA Neil Grover gathers community involvement information for his floor at the 'Into the Streets' volunteer fair yesterday.

If you are interested in getting involved with your community, give them a call at 994-6902 or visit 330 Culbertson Hall. You can also

visit their website at <http://www2.montana.edu/>. The website is updated daily providing information on various volunteer opportunities.

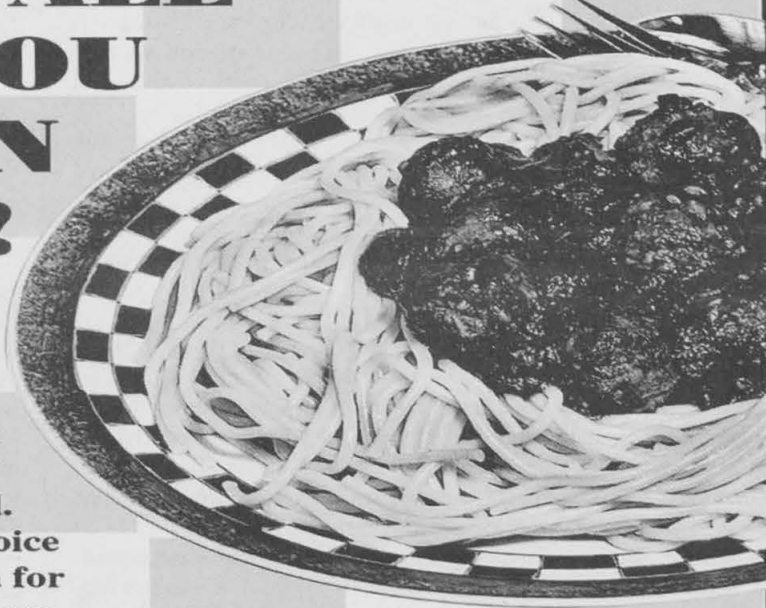
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Who cares about apathy?

Why students should involve themselves in politics

Patrick McNair
Exponent Writer

According to the website of the AARP (formerly the American Association of Retired Persons), they currently register over 35 million members, all of whom meet the criteria of being over 50 years old. Washington D.C. 'beltway' wisdom has it that the AARP is both the most active and the most powerful special interest group in the United States. Considering that 35 million people constitute approximately 12.4% of the U.S. population (according to year 2000 census figures) it is no surprise that the AARP would be regarded as an incredible force.

According to figures published by the National Center for Education Statistics in 1999, there were 14.8 million students enrolled in postsecondary institutions. Approximately nine million of these students are 24 years old or younger, constituting about 3% of the population of the United States. There are, however, somewhere in the ballpark of 26 million people between the ages of 18 and 24 (9.2% of the total population) and a whopping 44.5 million people in the 18 to 29 age bracket (15.8% of the total population).

If our age group is ever going

to voice its concerns and take its place as "the leaders of tomorrow" then it is time we shook off the last vestiges of high school apathy and starting realizing that our futures are in our hands. On average, the older segments of society turn out many more people to vote than the 18 to 29 age bracket, which most college students fall into. This is especially important to consider given that the 'baby boomers' are all starting to have "a touch of grey." The baby boomers have made a generational career out of politics, first as student radicals, and now as teachers, lawyers and legislators. Does anyone think that as they retire and have more time on their hands their interest in politics will suddenly disappear? It seems like an unlikely scenario.

Retired people have a number of assets when it comes to gaining political influence. They have a large constituency, free time and money. Members of the AARP have the option of staying informed by newsletters, magazines or by their website.

College students are two for three when it comes to these very same assets. We, on the whole, have large amounts of spare time and the ability to communicate through the internet, magazines common to our age group and college newspapers. We also have

a vested interest in topics like war, social reform and the economy. It is reasonable to expect that a large number of people in our age group are having trouble finding decent jobs, paying for school or paying off student loans and finding affordable housing. These are all areas in which government policy has major effects, so why aren't we, as a group, trying harder to influence that policy?

Groups like College Democrats and College Republicans are a good place to start for anyone who sees that our voice should not go unheard. No matter what your basic principles or beliefs there are candidates out there who represent you in some capacity. The only way to find out which candidate best represents your beliefs is to become educated about the issues and the candidates' stances on those issues. The internet offers innumerable venues to find out about candidates' histories and voting records, as well as myriad different points of view on any issue, allowing you to poke around a little bit and then come to a conclusion for yourself.

A quick perusal of any rock radio station in any city in this country will illustrate the anger of today's youth. The tragedy is that bands like Rage Against the Machine, who had a message (re-

gardless of whether or not you agreed with it); have fallen, replaced by bands like Limp Bizkit, who relentlessly sing about meaninglessness and apathy. The most recent crop of Bizkit emulators seem to be intent on recasting existentialism as an excuse for irresponsibility rather than finding ways to empower people by stepping up to change the world they see so much wrong with. The anger comes from somewhere, and it must go somewhere, so why not take it to the voting booth?

With voter turnout hitting all time lows, politicians are focusing on the constituencies that are most likely to show up at the polls; hence the power of the AARP. If 12% of the population is enough to make politicians rethink and reprioritize their agendas, wouldn't 15% have an even louder voice? Next time you find yourself bitching about low wages, high rent, drug and alcohol laws or how stupid any given politician is, take a minute to remember how those things got to be the way they are. Pretty soon our parents will be joining the AARP and influencing public policy. Meanwhile, we have to try to start careers, families and lives. With all of the important choices on our horizons, isn't it time we stopped letting our parents make all of our decisions for us?

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Are you registered to vote?
Why or why not?



Steven Lee
history
"Yes, because it shows your support for something, even when it may not matter."



Marcie Lovgren
spanish
"Yes, I like to have a say in the elections—I think it's important."



Jonathan Best
business management
"Yes, there was an issue back home I found important. I don't vote nationally."



Aspen Gloré
nutrition
"Yes, because I need it for residency."

Key regents:

Raises must balance with finances

Associated Press

Two key members on the state Board of Regents on Tuesday defended proposed raises for top-paid administrators in the university system, saying competitive salaries are needed to ensure the quality of higher education in Montana.

Chairman Richard Roehm of Bozeman said the regents will have to weigh the need to pay competitive salaries for qualified people against the tough financial times facing higher education.

Lynn Morrison-Hamilton, vice chairwoman from Havre, said the board has a duty to pay employees adequately while still ensuring the financial stability of the university system. Recent budget cuts make those goals difficult to achieve,

she said.

"We have a responsibility to manage the finances of the university system," she said. "We also have a responsibility to hire and keep good people."

Hamilton called the proposed raises "responsible," but added that she has yet to decide whether to vote for them.

Falling state revenue has prompted the administration of Gov. Judy Martz and a special legislative session to cut \$12.5 million in state aid from the university system budget. That 8.4 percent reduction has prompted the regents to impose temporary tuition increases to make up some of the lost funding.

Commissioner of Higher Education Dick Crofts has recommended 4 percent raises for each of the two university presidents and for

most of his staff. That increase matches what other state employees will receive this fall.

Higher increases have been suggested for some administrators and campus employees.

Christian Hur, the student regent, has proposed a freeze in the salaries of top university system officials while tuition surcharges are in effect. Regent John Mercer of Polson has suggested allowing raises of no more than 4 percent this year, a move that he said would save nearly \$130,000 this year.

In advance of the regents' meeting Thursday and Friday in Butte, Roehm said he supports the proposed pay raises, including a 4 percent increase for Crofts that Roehm told Crofts to submit.

If the regents do not

make sure salaries rise, Montana will fall farther behind higher education wages elsewhere in the country and that makes it tougher to attract and keep key personnel, he said.

"I don't want to dig ourselves into a hole where we're not competitive for excellent talent," he said.

Roehm acknowledged some people may question giving raises to already high-paid officials at a time when money is in short supply. The regents have to take into consideration the possibility that critics may see the regents as "unduly rewarding our CEOs (chief executive officers)," he said.

"We need to balance the perception of the people and be good stewards of the people's money and yet get good quality for what we pay," he said.

The regents must protect

the quality of higher education and top-notch administrators, faculty and staff are the key to doing that, she said.

"In order to hire and keep good people, you have to pay a marketable wage and our administrators are not being paid a competitive wage in the national marketplace," Hamilton said.

She said her decision on pay raises will be based on what is in the best interest of students and the state.

The raises would maintain Crofts and the two university presidents as the highest-paid employees in the university system.

Crofts' salary would rise from \$138,948 to \$144,506. University of Montana President George Dennison and Montana State University President Geoff Gamble would get see an increase from \$138,448 to \$143,986.

Two Montana professors among historians signing petition

Associated Press

Two Montana professors are among historians across the country who have signed a petition urging Congress to meet its obligation to "debate and vote" whether to declare war on Iraq.

Montana State University history professor Billy Smith and University of Montana history professor Dan Flores joined about 1,300 historians nationwide in signing the petition, which was started on the Internet by Ellen Carol DuBois and Joyce Appleby, history professors

at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Smith said he signed the petition as an effort to "encourage" Congress and the president to follow their duty.

"Congress is supposed to declare war, even though it has often shied away from that responsibility, especially during the past half century," he said.

"That's the primary reason, I believe, why so many American historians, whether they support or oppose a war, have signed the petition," he added. "As the authors of the Constitution realized, war is

far too important of a decision to leave solely in the hands of one person, even if that person is the president."

Flores was out of his office Monday morning and did not immediately return a phone message.

A delegation of scholars planned to present the petition to the House and Senate leaders on Tuesday.

Signed by historians from all 50 states, the petition says the time has come "for Congress to soberly assess the risks, costs and wisdom of a pre-emptive strike on Iraq."

The president's recent willing-

ness to "consult" with Congress isn't enough and still flouts the Constitution, Appleby wrote.

Richard Stroup, an MSU economics professor who served for more than two years in the Reagan administration, said he understands why people want Congress to debate the issue. But he questioned how Congress can discuss the issue publicly when the crucial evidence

has been gathered through secret intelligence.

Jerry Calvert, an MSU political science professor, said he agrees with the historians who have signed the petition.

"This is a classic case where the president has the duty and the time to ask for a formal declaration and he should do so," Calvert said.

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Fair Warning singer gives the hungry audience a taste of his David Lee Roth



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VanHalen tribute band takes audience back to a better time

Clarissa Gentry
Exponent Managing Editor

11:00 p.m.

Zebra Cocktail Lounge. An anxious crowd awaits what may or may not be the greatest thing ever...the touchdown of VanHalen tribute band Fair Warning. Technically, their shows was booked to start at 10 p.m. The reason Fair Warning didn't begin on time, unknown. The crowd did not respond well to the lack of punctuality. The audience writhed in their seats with the kind of excitement and animosity that was most likely present at a VanHalen show in 1984. The intensity in the room could be cut with a knife, one thing was for sure, it would take something magnificent and fierce to win over this angry drunk audience.

11:13 p.m.

The crowd, as unruly as a kid unjustly kicked out of a dodgeball match, turns their attention to the stage as the house music fades out and the stage lights come on. The Fair Warning drummer sits carefully down behind his trap set (and it must be noted that his drum kit was striped and complete with two kick drum, yes TWO kick drums,) and gracefully pulled the black curtain down revealing a piece of fabric decorated with the Fair Warning logo and the edges were painted to look like speakers.

11:14 p.m.

The impossible crowd is still upset. Adorned in red, zebra striped overalls, Eddie VanHalen takes the stage. He looks like Jack Black playing a cruel joke on the inebriated patrons of the Zebra.

11:16 p.m.

The audience is becoming much more at ease. Yet, one question is still weighing heavily on everyone's mind, "Will this be a Sammy Hagar tribute band or a David Lee Roth tribute band?"

11:18 p.m.

At long last, our lead singer queries are answered. David Lee Roth emerges from the off stage entrance. He is complete in spandex pants and a patterned

shirt. The AquaNet is still wet in his hair as he steps up to the big, red, phallic microphone. His stage presence is a thing of beauty. With in the 30 seconds he has already spent on stage he has already seduced the audience in much the same style as if these 20 some people were a backstage VanHalen veteran.

11:19 p.m.

The crowd is officially won over as David Lee Roth opens the show with "Jannie's Crying." His screech is a perfect mimic of Roth's and at the end of every chorus, he throws his thin leg in the air in a perfect David Lee Roth kick imitation. From 20ft. away, this band is VanHalen. Imagine that a time machine became available to the members of VanHalen; the only catch is that they would have to play in front of multiple tens of people, instead of multiple thousands.

11:28 p.m.

The crowd screams for "Jump." They are denied as the singer instead muses the audience with newly found love for Montana's lack of an open container law.

11:33 p.m.

They asked for "Jump," but instead they received "Panama." A marvelous choice for showing off Fake Eddie's guitar prowess. He plays the solos in perfect Eddie two hand tap style.

11:38

The "Panama" guitar solo is still going on. Completely in character, David Lee Roth snubs his band mate and saunters over to the bar to purchase a Red Bull vodka. This reporter follows him and sits down next to him.

DLR: What are you drinking?

Expo: Just water, I drove.

DLR: Well, I guess that's okay if you drove.

Expo: Ok, I am going to cut right to the chase here and ask the burning question of the evening.

DLR: Shoot.

Expo: Do you guys play anything from the Sammy Hagar catalog, or are you strictly a David Lee Roth cover band?

David Lee Roth spits his drink all over the floor of the Ze-

bra. As he wipes away the dripping liquid from his face, he screams for security to throw me out of club. The next few minutes are spent explaining to David Lee Roth that no one likes Sammy Hagar and that he would have received a bad review if they had even attempted to play "Right Now."

11:56 p.m.

The interview is cut short as David Lee Roth's cue is played.

12:02 a.m.

At long last, Fair Warning plays "Jump." To say the crowd is happy would be an understatement. They are radiating with joy. Permeating with love. Without a doubt all has been forgiven. The blistering set seemed to go on for hours, in actuality it was only 7 minutes. David Lee Roth walked out into the audience and let the crowd sing along.

12:30 a.m.

David Lee Roth explains to the crowd that Fair Warning will be playing in Billings the following evening. By accident he refers to his current audience as Billings. No one seems to mind much, since the ecstasy of hearing "Jump" hasn't quite worn off.

12:32 a.m.

David Lee Roth quickly became distracted by the fact that the Zebra sells tallboys. "I haven't seen a tallboy since 1974." He quipped to the crowd.

1:04 a.m.

"Jump" was thought to be Fair Warning climax, at least until they broke out "Running With The Devil." Oh, it was magical.

1:36 a.m.

David Lee Roth informs the crowd that the next song will be the last. Standing on stage, still in full character and looking like the four horsemen of the rock apocalypse, they unleashed upon a tired audience "Girl, You Got Me Going." The perfect end to a perfect night.

When VanHalen was at their peak, most of us were not aged far beyond our preschool years, however we are all old enough to enjoy the climax of Fair Warning and stand, not unlike Creed, with arms wide open.

Fair Warning's David Lee Roth shows some skin as he jams to the melodies of Eddie's guitar.



Fair Warning's guitarist, complete with a custom Fender, singing along to the chorus of "Running With The Devil."



Fair Warning's David Lee Roth sings as his guitarist backs him up. They only plays covers of VanHalen's David Lee Roth catalog. Mentioning Sammy Hagar's name to the band brings only shame to the questioner.



THE ORIGINAL SACK LUNCH:

The AGR Testicle Festival offers tasty treats this Saturday, Sept 21

Exponent Writer Miles Travis

When Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity endeavors to have fun while serving the community, everyone is sure to have a ball. At least, that is what MSU students have come to expect from the annual AGR Testi Fest charity event being held this Saturday at the Gallatin County Fair Grounds.

This year's celebration, themed *The Original Sack Lunch*, marks the 11th installment of the Testi Fest according to AGR's Philanthropy Coordinator, Daniel Gaugler. "The first one was held in the back yard of our house with about a hundred people," Gaugler said. The Testi Fest has grown over the last decade, though, and Gaugler noted that for the past three years he has been involved with the event, the festival has attracted around two thousand students and community members each year.

Testi Fest features several traditional attractions such as a double-elimination Mud Football tournament, live music and, of course, fried bull testicles. While The Point After will cater other food and drinks, AGR is responsible for providing the Rocky Mountain Oysters.

Cooking the testicles has become a ritual to the members of AGR. "We get together on Friday afternoon for what we call the nut cut," Gaugler said. "We skin [the testicles] and trim them Friday night so that they will be fresh when we fry them. Then Saturday, right before we cook them, we roll them in a batter of flour and pepper and other spices... We go through about a hundred and fifty pounds every year and we always run out at the end." When asked how the testicles taste, Gaugler raved, "Oh, they are excellent. I encourage everyone to try the testicles."

The festival gets started Satur-

day at about 11:30 a.m., with the kick-off of the Mud Football tournament. "We bring in a water truck and hose down a football field until you can sink down six inches or a foot," said AGR brother Brandon Ewen. Gaugler expects there to be the typical number of teams; around eight men's teams and six women's teams. The double-elimination tournament will last until mid-afternoon with the winners taking home free Testi Fest t-shirts and bragging rights.

With all of these activities in store, the Testi Fest promises to be a good time for all attendees. After the Mud Football, Testi Fest will feature live music by Bucky Beaver and the Ground Rippers, a band from Billings. "They play everything... from country to rock and roll to... everything," Ewen said. Gaugler commented that he had the band booked since last April. "We usually try

to get a different band each year so that we can bring some new music to Bozeman, but Bucky Beaver played the festival before and they were the best band we've ever had," Gaugler said. The music will last from 8 p.m. until 12 a.m. because a city ordinance requires the fraternity to wrap things up at midnight.

In addition to providing students with a weekend of fun, Testi Fest is an important fundraiser for local charities. "As Philanthropy Coordinator, it's my job to make sure everyone [in the fraternity] is involved in the community. We have to cover our costs, but after that, one hundred percent of the money goes directly to charity," Gaugler said. "For example, last year we did some work for Habitat for Humanity."

Last year the festival contributed almost \$12,000 to local charities. According to Daniel, Testi Fest's primary charities are

Gallatin Valley Hospice and Eagle Mount. Over the years, AGR has contributed more than \$26,000 to Hospice and \$9,000 to Eagle Mount which places the fraternity in the top five percent of givers to both organizations, Gaugler said.

AGR also makes annual contributions to the Gallatin Valley Sheriff's Posse, Gallatin Valley Volunteer Fire Department, and various other local scholarships and charities. Last year, a portion of the Testi Fest proceeds went to support the New York Fire Department after the events of September 11. Gaugler said that Testi Fest is one of the most important community service projects for AGR.

Ewen summed up the feelings of Testi Fest organizers and patrons when he said, "The festival is a good chance to meet new people, have a good time and contribute to the community."

Giving blood: a benevolent and rewarding community service

Exponent Writer Laura Smith

Most people want to do something to help out in a community, but it is not easy finding the time to volunteer. Giving blood is an excellent solution to the problem. Giving blood is quick, easy and just about anyone can do it. The American Red Cross is always looking for blood, especially O-blood types. Don't know your blood type? Giving blood is a good way to find out what blood type you have.

There will be a blood drive Friday, September 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the SUB Ballroom A. If you cannot make it on Friday, there are regular weekly blood drives every Tuesday from 2-6 p.m., and every Wednesday from 10 am-2 pm. The regularly scheduled blood

drives are held at 300 North Willson in the Medical Arts building. Appointments can be made by calling the American Red Cross office at 587-2790. You don't need an appointment, but it will make the donation process faster. To qualify to give blood you must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds.

However, there are also several conditions that can prevent a person from giving blood.

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- You have had hepatitis on or after the age of 11
- You have had malaria in the last 3 years
- You have AIDS or symptoms of AIDS

- You have traveled through Mexico or the Caribbean in the last 12 months etc.

To get a full list of conditions that could prevent you from giving blood, visit the American Red Cross Homepage: www.redcross.org or call the Bozeman American Red Cross office at 587-2790.

The donation process is extremely simple:

1. Show up to the designated location at the designated time (refer to top of page).
2. Provide a form of identification including name, date of birth, and social security card.
3. Fill out a short questionnaire
4. Get a mini physical exam, which includes checking temperature, pulse, blood pressure, and a drop of blood that will determine a red blood cell count.

5. The actual blood donation process is the easiest part. It only takes about ten minutes to donate one pint of blood.

6. When done giving blood there will be instant gratification with all the free cookies one can eat.

7. There are rarely any negative side effects from giving blood.

Occasionally people will feel dizzy, have an upset stomach or develop black and blue coloration where the needle was inserted. If you have any of these negative side effects you may want to call a health care professional.

After giving blood, the

blood will be divided up into three parts: red blood cells, plasma and platelets. The different elements can help different patients. Red blood cells save patients with chronic anemia or acute blood loss. Plasma helps patients undergoing cancer therapy or those recovering from an organ or bone marrow transplant. Platelet transfusions aid people with blood clotting diseases, people with serious burns or people with severe liver disease. If one pint of blood has the potential to remedy three different kinds of medical problems, imagine what you can do with yours.

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MSU rodeo takes regional lead by the horns



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MSU rodeo team member Bobby Jean Jones chases after a calf with her leased horse Mighty during practice this week. Jones received the Women's All-Around award for her efforts in last weekend's rodeos at MSU-Northern in Havre. The Montana State rodeo team is currently leading the Big Sky regional standings.

Montana State's Bolich and Jones take home the All-Around

Christina Crockett
Exponent Sports Editor

There seems to be a kind of bravery and toughness all its own that belongs to rodeo. Fast horses that turn or stop at the slightest touch, practice-makes-perfect determination and cowboys who are cool and calm on the twisting backs of a bucking bronc can build a worthy rodeo team. With these kind of strategies in play, the MSU rodeo team begins the season in powerful poise, as both the men's and women's teams currently lead the NIRA Big Sky regional standings.

Last weekend marked the second and third rodeos for the Big Sky Region (consisting of seven universities and colleges across the western states), which took place at MSU-Northern in Havre. For both rodeos, the MSU men's and women's team took first place. The overall score was 460 for the men and 310 for the women.

MSU cowboy Andy Bolich begins an impressive season, claiming the All-Around Cowboy award for the first three rodeos, thus leading the Big Sky regional standings with a total of 560 points. Bolich also rode into first place in regional standings in bareback bronc riding, with an overall score of 305. MSU teammate Brandon Brooks currently leads the region in saddle bronc riding, with an overall score of 185.

At MSU-Northern, Bolich placed first in bareback riding with a score of 142 and placed fourth in saddle bronc riding with a score of 126 (based on two head of stock). In the second rodeo at Havre, Bolich took third in bareback bronc riding, scoring 138 and he placed second in the calf-roping event with a time of 22.9 seconds (based on two head of stock).

Favoring bronc riding over other events, Bolich seems to have his own strategic way of riding the raging bucking horses.

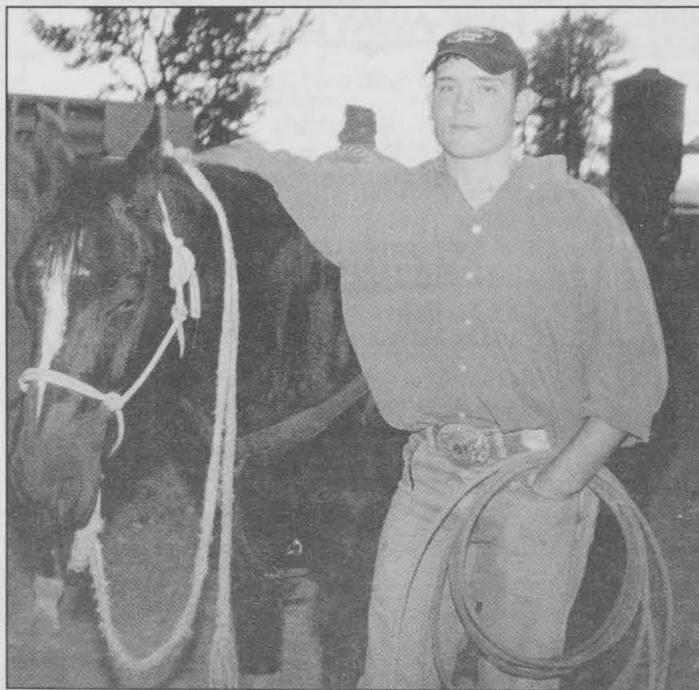


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MSU senior Andy Bolich poses with his horse in this file photo. Bolich received the Men's All-Around award last weekend for the third consecutive rodeo.

"I think I'm more controlled than most people (who ride bucking horses)," said Bolich. "Most people are more wild and out of control when they ride. That's not my style."

This season, Bolich is concentrating on winning the region and placing higher in the CNFR next summer.

"I try to win as much as I can," said Bolich. "I want to win

the All-Around every time because then I'd win the region and that's what I want."

MSU head rodeo coach Chris McQueary is pleased with the way Bolich and the rodeo team is competing thus far.

"Andy (Bolich) is always tough," said coach McQueary. "He's doing really well this year."

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Bobcats prepare to tackle PAC 10 Cougars

Tyler Wiltgen
Exponent writer

Homecoming may be a few weeks away for MSU students, but for Bobcat head football coach Mike Kramer, homecoming is this weekend.

Growing up in a small town near Pullman, Wash., Kramer spent many Saturday afternoons cheering on the Washington State Cougars. Now he is faced with the challenge of coaching there, as an opponent.

Last season the 'Cats led 7-0 going into the second quarter against the Cougars, but broke down defensively en route to a 53-28 loss.

This year, things do not get any easier. The Cougars boast one of the finest defensive programs in the nation, a Heisman Trophy hopeful quarterback and a No. 16 national ranking.

But, as all true fans know, the Bobcats never back away from a challenge. With a defense that has only given up 216 yards per game this season, the Bobcats believe that they can slow down WSU quarterback Gesser and the "run and gun" of WSU offense. "You're not going to stop him, nobody has and nobody will," said coach Kramer.

The 'Cats hope that by mixing up their defensive plays by calling and not running strict man-to-man pass coverage, they can keep Gesser from making the big plays.

Montana State's secondary will be tested like never before this Saturday. Kane Loane, Joey Thomas and company have only had 58 passes thrown against them in three games this season. Gesser attempted 43 passes versus the 'Cats in last year's contest.

If the 'Cats can slow down the pass, they still have to deal with the balanced running attack of WSU Jonathan Smith and John Tippins, who each average nearly seven yards per carry.

However, WSU only gained 17 yards on the ground against Ohio State's 25-17 victory over the Cougars last weekend.

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Lady 'Cats continue road matches



Senior Aimee Halyk
Player of the Week

MSU Athletics

The Montana State volleyball team will continue its stretch of road matches as they compete in the University of New Hampshire Tournament this weekend in Durham, New Hamp.

For the third straight weekend, the Bobcat volleyball team finished second in a tournament. Last weekend, MSU went 2-1 at the University of Denver Pioneer Classic. The 'Cats opened the tourney with a 30-20, 30-25, 22-30, 30-23 win over Southern Mississippi.

Senior Aimee Halyk notched a career-high 25 kills against the Golden Eagles, while LeAnn Kinvig chipped in 17 kills and 15 digs.

MSU's lone loss was a 30-27, 31-29, 25-30, 30-23 setback to Fresno State.

Montana State was paced in the loss by Halyk and Kinvig with 21 and 12 kills, respectively. Montana State rebounded from the loss with a 30-27, 30-16, 30-28 win over Denver. Freshman Meggie Malyurek led the Bobcats with 15 kills, ten digs and four blocks.

For her efforts at the Pioneer Classic, senior Halyk was named Montana State's Player of the Week.

The 6-foot outside hitter averaged 4.91 kills and 1.18 blocks per game, while hitting an impressive .375 from the floor for the weekend.

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Rodeo: MSU optimistic to win the Big Sky title

On the women's team, Bobby Jean Jones is also doing really well. She's leasing a horse and getting along with him great."

With her new horse, Jones claimed the Women's All-Around award during the second rodeo at MSU-Northern. Jones is also currently leading the region in barrel racing, with an overall score of 360, while teammate Lauren Bay Watson is bringing up second place. MSU cowgirl Milee Malone leads the region in breakaway roping, with an overall score of 165.

In barrel racing, Jones ran for home with a time of 34.80 seconds (based on two runs) to claim first place, while she took fourth in breakaway roping with a time of

8.9 seconds. Jones also took first place in barrel racing in the first rodeo with a time of 35.01.

After her horse suffered an injury that will hold him up for six months, Jones leased a horse from a friend who also used to compete on the MSU rodeo team. According to Jones, the two of them are competing well together and she credits much of her success not only to her talent, but also to her horses and her coach as well.

"My horse is outstanding, he's so much fun to ride," said Jones. "Winning the All-Around was awesome. I'm just really blessed to be doing so well and I'm having such a great year. Coach (McQueary) is really positive and encouraging as well. I

just want to try and do my best with what I have and hopefully my horse will stay strong and healthy. My plan is to just keep on track and keep doing well."

Between juggling the rigors of doing well in school, practicing for regional rodeos, and travelling every weekend to compete, there lingers that intrastate rivalry between MSU and U of M, where according to coach McQueary, it isn't quite as significant in rodeo as it is in football. On the other hand, Jones laughs about the weekend meetings with the U of M and their rivalry.

"It's funny, we're all friends (with U of M team members)," said Jones. "But when they (U of M) beat us, we have to wait until the next weekend to beat them.

It's like we go back and forth."

As the season begins to unfold, coach McQueary has high hopes for Montana State snagging the regional title, as she has confidence in the team's ability to compete and sustain their regional leading positions.

"We have a lot of returning members who are strong," said coach McQueary. "I have some really good, young kids coming this year as well. I would like to see both teams win the region. That's what we are shooting for."

The talented MSU rodeo team will pack their bags, load their horses and head to Miles Community College this weekend to compete in the fourth rodeo of the season. The weekend thereafter, they head to the University of Montana-Western in Dillon.

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With the completion of a permanent facility for Bobcat tennis just months away, the previous "bubble" is up for sale.

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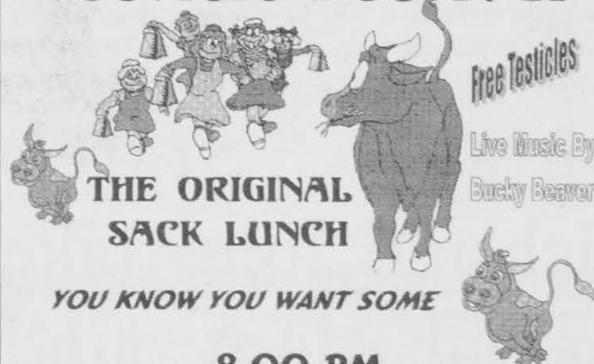
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Football: MSU coaches plans to rotate players

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The MSU defense gives up yards per game on the and, ranking fourth in the Sky Conference.

"The stage doesn't get bigger for us defensively," Kramer.

Offensively, the Bobcats still not found their rhythm, which could hurt them at Martin Stadium. Frustration in the MSU passing game was amplified by the crowd against Montana State last week. According to Mike Kramer, the blame shouldn't be placed solely on the shoulders of quarterback Ryan Thomas.

"I want to see our receiving core take their game," said Kramer.

The offense was hampered by three dropped passes in the end zone, two over the middle, and one drop on the outside.

The MSU coaching staff plans to keep rotating players in order to keep them fresh. Freshman quarterback Travis Lulay will again play the first offensive series of the second quarter and the running backs will continue to work together.

Last week MSU senior Ryan Johnson had 47 yards, Michael Williams had 49 and David Mayfield had 19 in the running back by committee outing.

"I want him (Ryan Johnson) to be healthy enough and not worn down too much to be the dynamic player in November," said Kramer.

Rotating the players will also help the 'Cats keep WSU guessing on defense. The Cougars have one of the premier defensive programs in the nation, giving up just 321 yards per game. Additionally, the Cou-

gars have only given up five runs of over 20 yards this season. This could be a very tough week for MSU running back Johnson to become the all-time leading rusher at Montana State.

An advantage for the Bobcats is the fact that WSU defensive tackle Rien Long has been suspended, and defensive tackle Jeremy Williams, as well as linebacker Will Derting are out with injuries.

The Bobcat injury forecast is not rosy either. Starting

tight end Blake Wulf is not making the trip due to a hamstring injury and his colleague, freshman tight end Cody Samuelson, is still bothered by his knee. Mike Quast and Travis Busse are still sidelined as well.



"I want him (Ryan Johnson) to be healthy and not worn down too much."

— Mike Kramer
MSU coach

MSU must keep the Cougars from gaining an advantage in field position and from scoring on special teams. In order to be successful, the 'Cats must take the game one play at a time. The key

to this game lies in the kicking coverage according to Coach Kramer.

"The first thing that must

happen is that our kicking teams cannot disintegrate," said Kramer. "We don't care about all of the plays strung together as much as we care about the performance during the current play."

Regardless if Montana State wins this weekend, they receive \$125,000 to play the game. Only time will tell if the Bobcats can get all facets of the game working together long enough to topple the heavily favored Cougars of Washington State.

Kickoff is slated for 3:05 p.m. MDT at Martin Stadium in Pullman. The Bobcat Radio Network is carrying the game with Dean Alexander and Dan Davies making the call. It can be heard locally on KXLB 100.7 FM with the pre-game show at 2:30 p.m. Fox Sports Net will broadcast the game on tape delay at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday.

Montana State cross country opens season with Invite

MSU Athletics

The Montana State University men and women's cross country teams will open their season when they host the Wards-MSU Invitational Saturday at the Bridger Peak Golf Course.

The men's eight-kilometer race will start at 9 a.m., followed by the women's five-kilometer event at 9:40 a.m. Teams competing in the Invite include MSU, Utah, Idaho, MSU-Billings, Concordia-Moorhead and possibly Utah Valley State.

The MSU men's team is led and ready for action. Senior and captain Lyle Weese

will guide a strong contingent this fall. Weese redshirted last season, after placing third overall at the 2000 Big Sky meet. On Weese's heels this season will be Casey Jermyn, who placed fifth at last year's league dance, along with Kevin Murphy and Jonathan Gibson, who placed 9th and 12th, respectively at the conference race. Throw in letterman Jeremy Wolf, and the 'Cats have a strong returning nucleus. Perhaps the most exciting

part of this year's men's squad could be the addition of several talented newcomers, including: Kevin Clary, a Kalispell native and transfer from Michigan State; and Brett Winegar, who was a national Foot Locker finalist as a prepster out of Flathead High School.

"In terms of quality and depth, this year's team could be the best ever," said MSU head coach Dale Kennedy. "They could certainly be held in the same light as the 1993 Big Sky championship team that was headed by

Rich Brown."

The Montana State women's team will be paced by the dynamic duo of Ariana Lee and Heidi Colpitts. The tandem guided the 'Cats to a third place finish at last year's Big Sky meet. Also making up the nucleus of this year's team will be Courtney Hugstad-Vaa, who earned a varsity letter as a freshman.

Like the men's team, the Bobcat women also welcome several talented newcomers, including Jessica Holt, who ran for Vanderbilt last fall; Brooke Cantu,

a transfer from Flathead Community College; and Mayra Morgado, a transfer from Spokane CC.

"We have three very solid athletes that will lead this year's team," Kennedy said. "Lee and Colpitts are among the Big Sky's best, and I think that coupled with some very talented newcomers, we might surprise some people before the end of the season."

The Montana

State cross country teams named its captains for the 2002 season, announced Bobcat head coach Dale Kennedy. Weese, a senior from Dillon, and Ariana Lee, a junior from Lander, Wyo., were named captains of their respective squads.

Weese, a business major, redshirted the 2001 cross country season. Last year, he garnered NCAA All-America honors in the 3,000-meters. During the 2000 cross country season, Weese finished third at the Big Sky Conference championships.

"Lyle is certainly capable of providing leadership for our squad," Kennedy said. "He is a three-year letterwinner and knows what it takes to be a student-athlete at MSU."

Lee, a political science major, placed 11th at the 2001 Big Sky Conference meet, her highest finish ever at the league dance. She also placed fourth during [Ari Lee - By LB] the outdoor season in the steeplechase at the BSC outdoor championships.

"Ariana has really been an effective leader of our women's team," Kennedy said. "She was the team captain last season and did an outstanding job in that role."



Arian Lee
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Lyle Weese
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Upcoming Events

Festival: Science celebration this week

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