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FREE TAX HELP

VOLUNTEERS ASSIST STUDENTS WITH TAX PREPARATION

Eric Rundquist

Exponent Writer

Over 20 students lined up Wednesday night to take advantage of the free tax help offered by the MSU College of Business, in collaboration with the IRS. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA) provides taxpayers with the informational and economic benefits of getting one-on-one professional help with their taxes.

The program is available to all students and "low-income individuals," according to the College of Business. International students are also encouraged to attend one of the two tax seminars for non-resident aliens.

VITA free tax help sessions will take place every Wednesday until April 9, except March 12. The seminars for non-resident aliens will be held on March 18 and 19. There is no appointment necessary, and all sessions will be held in Reid Hall, room 401.

Those interested in attending the program, informs the College of Business, "should bring their 2002 tax packages, W-2 forms, interest statements, 2001 tax returns, and other tax documents." The program functions on a first come, first serve priority, so a short wait should be expected.

There are other programs and informational data bases directed at helping students with taxes available through the Internal Revenue Service. "With the rising cost of tuition," says the IRS, "Students may need all the breaks they can get."

Many new tax benefits have become available since 2002, and can potentially put thousands of extra dollars in the pockets of college students. "Students are entitled to as much as \$5,250 in employer-provided educational assistance, tax free," the IRS states in a recent article, "This tax benefit was scheduled to end for undergraduate-level courses begin-



photo by Charlie Capp

Tax help volunteer Katy Dolesh assists student Carmen Irish with her taxes in the ongoing tax assistance nights every Wednesday on the fourth floor of Reid hall. Taxes must be completed for many other financial aid prerequisites such as the FAFSA and other scholarships.

ning after 2001, but is now extended indefinitely and includes graduate-level courses as well."

Also according to the bureau, "Some people may deduct up to \$3,000 of qualified higher education expenses for courses during 2002. And interest on student loans for higher education may now be deducted whenever paid and regardless of the age of the loan."

Clearly, there are countless

opportunities by which students can receive tax breaks, they simply must know where and how to look. Hopefully, those already struggling with low incomes and school payments will not need to give up on education if tuition prices drastically increase as expected.

With the increases come many tax relief prospects handed down by the govern-

ment. It does, however, take knowledge and perseverance on the part of the taxpayer to take advantage of these opportunities. As stated by the Internal Revenue Service, "Before deciding what's best for you, do all your homework. Read up on income limits, phase outs, qualifying expenses, [etc.]...learn about some smart ways to save on your taxes."

MSU Awards for Excellence Banquet slated for Feb. 18

MSU News Service

From the smallest towns of Montana: Joliet, Clancy, Hammond, Fallon, Circle, they come. Over a quarter of the 42 Montana State University students receiving the MSU Alumni Association and Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce Awards for Excellence this year are from Montana towns with populations of less than 1,000. Joliet even has two students — Kimberly Larwood and Erin Mohr.

"I think this speaks to the basic core values of the institution and our students," said Chris Lamb, assistant dean of the MSU College of Business. They aspire to academic excellence, distinguish themselves as good citizens and work hard. These are values they bring with them that are nurtured by the faculty at MSU and result in much deserved recognition."

The 21st annual Awards for Ex-

cellence Banquet, to be held on Feb. 18, is dedicated to excellence and is designed to recognize seniors who have outstanding records of achievement in academic, extracurricular activities and service to MSU and the local community. Each honored student selects a mentor for a Faculty Excellence Award.

Topping this year's faculty recognition is MSU business professor Clark Maxam who was named as a mentor by three students. Maxam is known for his tough upper-level finance classes that mix in real-world experience from his 20 years on Wall Street. "I view student recognition as the most important recognition I could receive," he said.

"No student could ask for an instructor with such an excellent combination of professional experience and dedication to real learning, even at times when the process of learning isn't easy," wrote business finance major John Stickel of

Fallon in his nomination of Maxam. Fellow business finance major Matt Hutchinson of Hingham also nominated Maxam. He noted, "his high expectations give students a chance to achieve at a previously untested level."

The Excellence Awards Banquet is a "town and gown" event in which the Alumni Association and the Chamber work together to showcase the stars of both communities.

New to the Awards for Excellence event this year is the addition of an At-Large category for student nominations. The At-Large category allowed for nominating students outside a specific academic college. Nominations spanned the campus and came from the areas of New Student Services and Orientation, Greek, Residence Life, ASMSU, Athletics, Honors, Advance By Choice and the Dean of Student's Office. A campus committee chose the recipients by considering academic

achievement as well as all other aspects in which all students were considered for the Award for Excellence.

"Some fantastic students were nominated," said Kerry Hanson, assistant director of the MSU Alumni Association. "It allowed for the opportunity to recognize two more truly outstanding seniors on this campus."

Aaron Buckalew of Pocatello, Idaho, a political science major in the College of Letters and Science is one of the recipients in the At-Large category, nominated by both New Student Services and the General Studies Department. He chose admissions representative Jennifer Dunn as his mentor.

"She was the first person who really got me involved in school," he said. "She's also been great support in my decision to go to law school."

Among many first time faculty mentor nominees is MSU Student Health Services physician Robert

Flaherty. He was chosen by Paul Christopher Anderson of Pittsburgh, Penn., a bio-med major in the College of Letters of Science.

"For 10 years I have been informally working with MSU pre-med students as they get ready to apply to medical school," Flaherty said. "Help them get ready for interviews and even help them figure out if the healthcare profession is right for them."

Also on tap for the night is the awarding of the Torlief Aasheim Community Service Award to two students who have contributed the most time and energy to community service. Paul Christopher Anderson was a winner again in this category, as was Lianna Myers, a nursing major on the Great Falls campus.

Two members from the Bozeman business community will be honored for contributions to the university, as well as Bozeman Chamber of Commerce and the community at-large.

Eck speaks on religion in America

Ashley Fingarson
Exponent Writer

Just before 4pm on Wednesday, February 5, students, faculty, and people curious to hear Diana Eck speak filled every seat in the Hager Auditorium at the Museum of the Rockies. People were forced to sit in the aisles after all 226 seats were occupied.

Linda Sexson, Professor in History and Philosophy, introduced the guest speaker by stating that Eck is "perhaps the most lucid scholar in our field." Professor Sexson further states, "Diana's work is crucial to our survival and flourishing as a diverse people."

Diana Eck is a Professor of Comparative Religion and Indian Studies at Harvard University. She is also the award winning author of *A New Religious America: How a "Christian Country" Has Become the World's Most Religiously Diverse Nation* and *Encountering*

God: A Spiritual Journey from Bozeman to Benaras.

As soon as Diana Eck began speaking, students among the audience starting taking note as to what she had to say. Eck first mentioned what a "personal honor" it was to lecture in honor of Harry Hauser.

She then discussed how in 1954 she was eight years old at Longfellow in Bozeman and Congress passed legislation adding the words "under God" into the Pledge of Allegiance. Her classmates, including Eck, "tripped over these words" because these words had interrupted the flow of "One nation, indivisible." However, Eck further states, "neither we nor most Americans tripped over the concept."

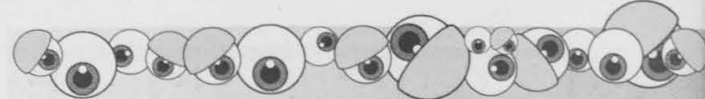
Eck continued to say that in the past thirty-eight years, since the 1965 Immigration Act, "that 'we' has become much, much more complicated. Since then, America has become "multicultural and multi-religious."

The purpose of Eck's lecture

was to broaden America's, or Bozeman at this moment, "public awareness" of the diverse religions and cultures in a society in the wake of September 11th. Eck honestly stated, "most people are surprised to find more Muslims in the United States than Episcopalians."

Her main question to the audience was "is this new diversity bringing us together or tearing us apart." The question was not necessarily answered, but explored through a CD-ROM presentation of *On Common Ground*. This presentation echoed "Voices of America" to the audience of how diverse America really is. One "voice" simply stated, "America is a place where everyone has a seat at the table..."

Eck left the audience to reflect upon the images from *On Common Ground* and to acknowledge, "We are more complex than we realize."



Unusual News

You won't find these at IHOP

Pat Robertson announced yesterday that he has prostate cancer and will undergo surgery in the coming weeks. This announcement comes on the heels of his recent plugs of "age-defying protein pancakes" on his daily 700 club television show. The network's internet site says the pancakes help in prevention of breast, uterine, and you guessed it, prostate cancer.

Yoda takes on Yahweh

According to the Office of National Statistics in Britain, over 390,000 people wrote "Jedi" on their 2001 census form as their official faith, more than Jewish, Buddhist or Sikh. The Jedis declared their belief after an Internet campaign to do it "because you love Star Wars." As Master Yoda would say, "This is the way of things... the way of the Force."

They eat cats and dogs, don't they?

In an effort to blend local cuisine with its American-style fowl, Kentucky Fried Chicken is now offering its Beijing customers an even broader selection: regular, extra-crispy and duck. The kicker is that the Chinese capital's ancient flagship dish tastes like chicken - because it is. The new item contains not duck meat, but fried chicken. The new item comes on the heels of KFC Beijing's 50th anniversary.

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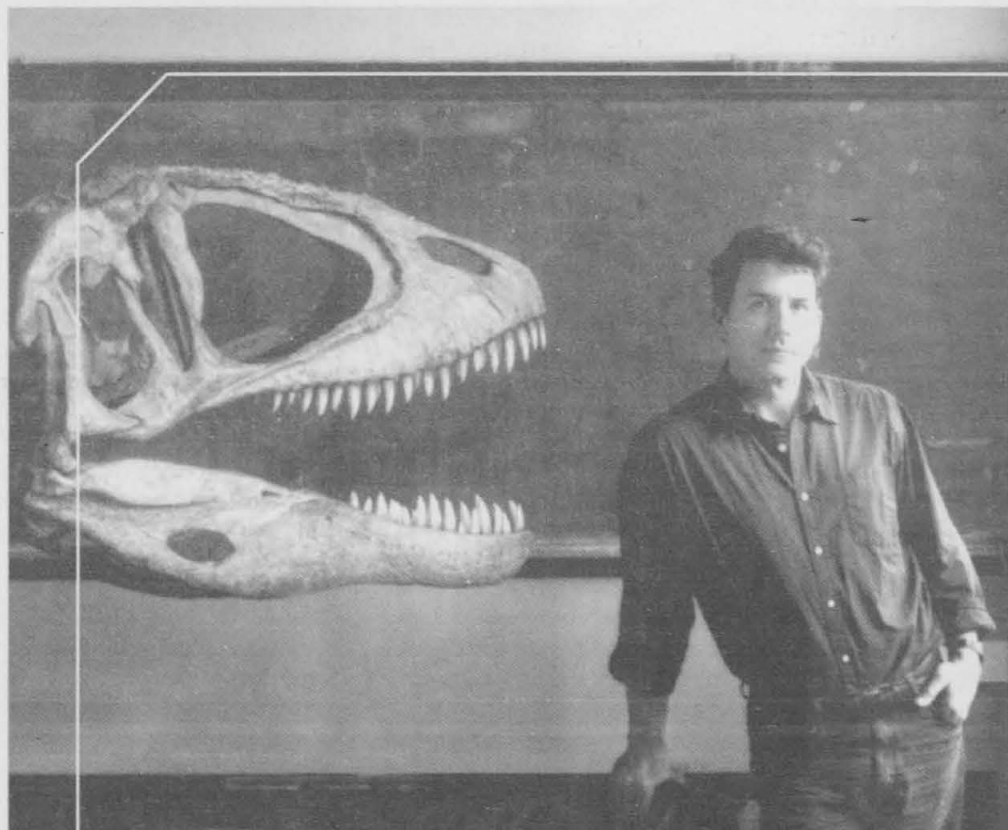
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Tax structure a "stool missing a leg" says MSU economist

MSU News Service

Montana's tax system is a three-legged stool with one leg missing, says a Montana State University economist.

"As late as the mid-1980s, we received as much from natural resource taxes as other states received from sales taxes," said Doug Young, professor of economics at MSU. "Since then, our tax system has been short one of the legs of the stool."

With Montana's per capita income 77 percent of the national average (down from 110 percent in 1960), and

and for the first time, Montana's government has a limited number of tools it can use to balance its budget and improve the business climate in the state at the same time, Young told a gathering of the MSU Strand Union Building this afternoon.

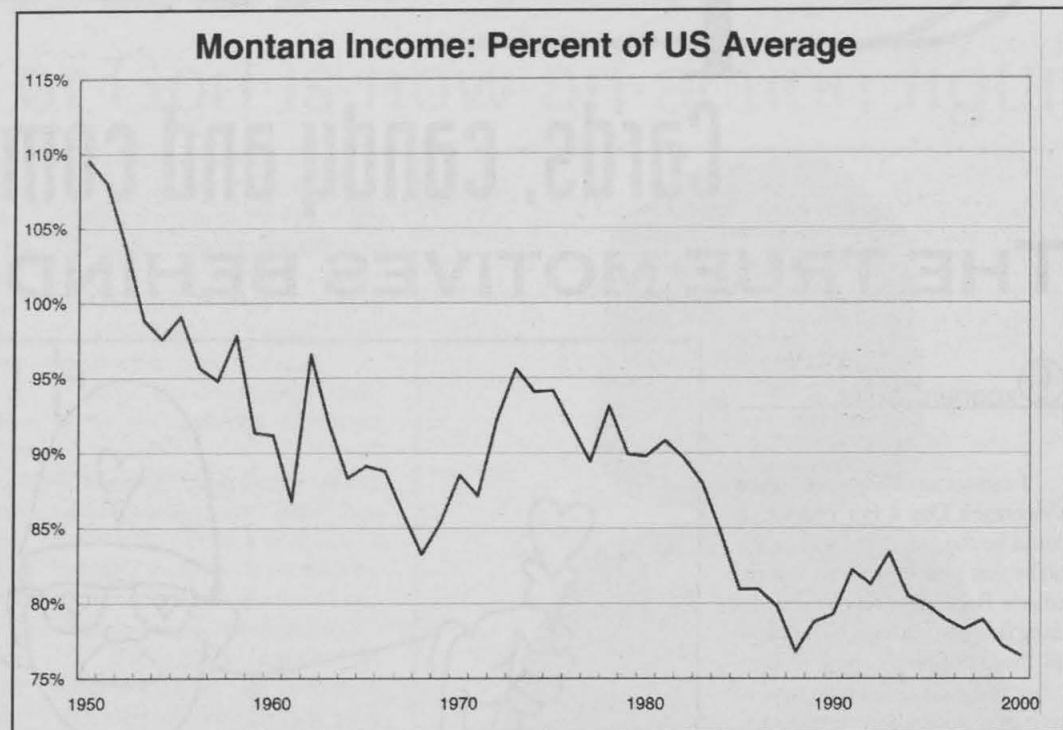
"Taxes do matter when it comes to attracting businesses to a state," Young

told the audience. "Because of that, and because Montana must balance its budget, effective tax reform probably requires reducing the top income tax rates, which are high compared to neighboring states, reducing residential and commercial property taxes (especially with reappraisal due this year), and implementing a sales tax to shift some of the tax burden out of state."

Young described Montana income tax, property tax and sales tax and why they need reform.

Montana taxes rank 43rd among the 50 states for people with an income of \$25,000, but in the middle of the pack for those people with incomes of \$150,000. When you look at all the direct taxes on individuals (income, sales, property and auto taxes), Wyoming, North and South Dakota have

significantly lower taxes. Montana's combined tax rate, at 9.3 percent, is about the same as the U.S. average of 9.7 percent, but for people and companies relocating to the West, the comparison would be to Wyoming's 3.5 percent rate,



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"A sales tax is one option that exports part of the tax burden."

— Doug Young
MSU professor

or South Dakota's 4.7 percent rate, or North Dakota's 7.7 percent rate.

"Taxes are one of the factors that influence business and individual location decisions," says Young. "Tax reform would have a positive effect on our business climate, and encourage some of our part-year residents to make Montana their home for tax purposes."

"A sales tax is one option that exports part of the tax burden," says Young. "It provides revenue, and the burden on the poor can

be reduced through changes in the income tax. There certainly are arguments against a sales tax, but we are missing the boat currently in terms of taxation of tourists and others who spend a lot of time and money in the state."

The majority of Young's presentation described Montana's economy. Although living standards have risen over the last 50 years, Montana's position has declined relative to the rest of the country. Prices for the outputs of Montana farms

and mines has gone down to the extent that it now takes two or three times as much output to buy a basket of consumer goods.

Overall, Montana had positive net migration during the 1990s, but numbers varied dramatically by age and location. People in their 20s often leave the state in search of better opportunities. Older people are more likely to move into Montana, but immigration is largely confined to the western and southern portions of the state.

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Cards, candy and commercialism

THE TRUE MOTIVES BEHIND VALENTINE'S DAY

Exponent Writer
Cat Wendt

I cannot say I have ever given Valentine's Day a fair chance. It could be the fact that I was nearly hit by that pink flower van that circulates Bozeman every year delivering flowers. Perhaps it is because all those couples cooing to each other while on cloud nine tend to reek of a stomach turning combination of glitter glue and chocolate sex powder at this time of the year. Maybe I am just a bitter, cold-hearted Scrooge destined to live out life in a small city apartment with twenty or so cats.

Or maybe it's the marketing.

December 26, the store shelves suddenly become laden down with Pepto-Bismol pink stuffed bears, chocolate roses and those little conversation hearts that taste like chalk.

For those who are single, the urge to gouge out one's eyes with the stems of one of the millions of rose displays becomes stronger than any other season. It becomes difficult to run basic errands for fear of running into another "Show your sweetheart how much you care, show her with a \$1.99 box of our gourmet Brussels sprouts," advertisement. Suddenly Aunt Rosie demands to know why you aren't married yet, mom wants to know when her grandkids are finally coming and you are left there wondering why you can't even get a date for Friday night.

The soulless advertising execs must have signed some sort of contract with a capitalistic pig-demon to think of the things they do. Upon us they inflict chocolate flavored soaps, roll-on eye shadow and they've even invaded our movie theaters. There is something deeply disturbing about "I want your



BOD" fragrance spray commercials coexisting peacefully with Vin Diesel action flicks.

They assault us with canned movie scripts, canned books, canned speeches and plenty of canned ham. The American public is constantly being poisoned with marketing guaranteed sales; preservatives if you will.

Holidays no longer represent a time to express your gratitude, your love, and your deeper feelings. They currently are a time when each and every individual is forced to search their pocket books, rather than their hearts, to find the perfectly packaged ulti-

mate gift that would certainly top what the recipient got from anyone else, all for no less than fifty bucks. Anything less would be sure to say "I don't love you enough." The only thing this succeeds in doing, besides causing deep depression for those of us who can't think of the perfect present, is filling the wallets of the advertising executives.

Now, these capitalistic pigs, er, I mean, capitalists have every right to advertise wherever they want. They have every right to put their names in bold italic colored fonts on everything we will ever own. Who knows? Eventually our chil-

dren may even proudly sport "Sponsored by Pepsi" tattoos. Although aggravating and frightening, they have every right to do that. Which is both good and great. In no way should we question that.

But it doesn't mean we have to show support for it by buying into the whole thing. We should question why we let them do this to us. Why we, the easily manipulated masses actually do purchase chalk-flavored hearts year after year. Why we are enamored with cute catch phrases like "Be My Icon" or "Fax Me."

Do not go out and buy your sweetie a pink plastic ape with a chocolate rose to show your undy-

ing devotion. If you are going to buy something for the day, why make it something they could actually use or want. A book, a movie, maybe even something more meaningful to your relationship. Maybe even support an alternative day myself, am a huge fan of National Booty-Call Day. You can celebrate it next year on January 25th.

Stop supporting the unabashedly subversive marketing schemes we all have to put up with day in and day out. Perhaps then, they'll respect our senses and lay off the pheromone enhanced toothpastes, plastic hearts, and our poor unsuspecting pocketbooks.

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What are your plans for celebrating Valentine's Day?



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senior, sociology

"Work on finally getting a girlfriend."



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sophomore, nursing

"Absolutely nothing!!"



eugengarcia

junior, business

"Go to a singles party just for people with no date. Lots of beer, lots of single women."



brendabraten

sophomore, graphic designer

"Give my boyfriend Jon a homemade card. Then going to a movie later."

Sweet Jesus!

The Son of God is now an action figure

Tyler Slyngstad
Exponent Writer

Jesus Christ is now an action figure?! Complete with the traditional brown Birks and accompanied by a kung-fu grip, the prince of peace can entertain the masses for a mere \$9.95.

Color me confused, but is it healthy to have Jesus paralleled with G.I. Joe? I mean OK, so some savvy marketing agents have figured out how to make religion more appealing to a younger class of Americans, but doesn't connotation play a minor role?

It's like that brilliant athletic commercial that mirrors a Gatorade ad, except that the refreshing taste of Michelob Light is featured instead of the sports drink. It's as if this commercial's entire structure lacks any form or foundation.

Don't get me wrong, light beer is the future and all, but it just doesn't seem to fit as an ath-

letic thirst quencher for future years. I suggest these TV wizards take notes from a particular Coors' ad campaign which keeps really hot "Twins" as the focal point. They seem to grasp the fact that beer is about dudes, chicks, parties and football. Or maybe that's a chauvinistic point of view. All I know is that beer lacks about as much athletic fuel as Jesus lacks karate.

So let's get back to this whole Jesus action figure question again. It's great that some people are trying to keep religion fresh and fun. However, the moment that all true meaning is lost is the same moment the marketing scheme has failed. At that time, the consumer has bought only the product, and not the idea meant to accompany it.

It's just seems odd for a man to go from glorified, to criticized, to ostracized, to crucified and finally end up commercialized. Something doesn't fit here. Maybe I'm the only one creeped out by the fact that I have access

to a bobble-headed Christ.

Who is this newfound Jesus market catering to anyway? Most Christians probably view this as an insult. Atheists choose not to see the products of Jesus in front of them and Agnostics still don't know what to think of it all.

Who sits down and actually thinks this marketing (borrowing a word from 'Dubya') "strategy?" One thing's for certain, these same sorry bastards best not venture onto a golf course during a storm because with every second there chance of survival decreases exponentially.

If it's a mockery of God the advertiser is after, I say good work on a job well done. If they want to portray something for what it truly is though, I suggest holding off on the whole Jesus market. That is, unless this action figure turns water to wine. In that case, I say we tip back our Jesus coffee mugs, and embrace the religious through this inventive form of home-brew.



In addition to being an action figure, Jesus can now be purchased as a bobble head doll. The product fetches \$9.95 on www.bobbleheadstore.net.

Letters to the editor



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Exponent article eschews Blue Crew spew

I would just like to draw your attention to the fact that the story you printed about the Blue Crew in the February 7th Exponent was completely and grossly inaccurate.

Mr. Laukatis (Tank) didn't start the Blue Crew or the G-Force. In fact he wasn't even a part of it until last semester. There are many people that worked hard last year to get the Blue Crew and G-Force going. The Blue Crew was even bigger last year. I have

spoken with Mike about this and he totally agrees that you misquoted him and misrepresented the Blue Crew.

You should make sure that your writers have their facts straight before they print lies. You have a lot of influence on the MSU campus and Bozeman through your news. Mike is the future of the Blue Crew, that is for sure. That would have been a better story. Please print a retraction about the entire story. All those who created the Blue Crew and Mr. Laukatis deserve it.

Sincerely,
Neil Grover
Resident's assistant
Langford Hall

Tuition increase raises a few questions

Dear Editor,

Crawling out of bed last week, I found an e-mail from our honorable ASMSU President, Trevor Blyth. He has done well, keeping me informed about legislative issues and how those issues affect my money.

Not surprisingly, I found that tuition might be going up next year. I suppose I should not be concerned, as I intend to graduate this spring, whether the Registrar Office likes it or not.

I am curious about a 21 percent increase in tuition. I am not good at math. Feel free to cor-

rect me - quietly, to yourself if you're in class - if I stray from common mathematical and economic principles.

Does a 21 percent increase in tuition mean that the university will be able to supply 21 percent more parking spaces? If so, are the spaces to be 21 percent more or less expensive?

Does a 21 percent increase in tuition mean 21 percent more snow removal capability? If not, will there be 21 percent more "slip and fall" accidents on campus?

If the 21 percent increase is meant to compensate for a lack of state funding, why not raise out of state attendance by 21 percent instead? Does that mean the state could lower in-state attendance 79 percent? Could the community get a 21 percent more diverse population? I'm sure my dateless compatriots would like to see 21 percent more single females.

We saw a dramatic increase in the athletic fee. Did that increase really help the 'Cats upset the Griz?

I would hate to see fewer educational opportunities for students. If I had to pay 21 percent more, I would also want 21 percent more service: service in the guise of better-qualified instructors and better institutional operations.

The only advice I have to incoming freshman: "Save your pennies or get corporate sponsorship." I think I'd overlook a "Swoosh" on my diploma if it made my education cheaper.

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photos by Justin Silvey

Big Sky expands filling the needs of extreme skiers

Justin Silvey
Exponent Writer

For the past few years, Big Sky has been attempting to enter into the terrain park revolution. A Pipe Dragon was purchased and they now have a run dedicated to jumping. However, with so many other improvements underway, it seems that the park has been overlooked for development. Last Friday I was given hope that the terrain park at Big Sky will get the attention it deserves. New Terrain Park Man-

ager, Doug Duschene is ready to take things to the next level. He has already personally built five rails for the park this season and is looking to do more. "I am trying to get a double rainbow and an s-rail for next year."

While the rest of the mountain is content mastering the perfect carve; across the resort, carving is done between the last jump and the chair lift. This attitude is nothing new, and has been embraced by resorts all over the nation.

Right now, Big Sky's park resides off of Ram Charger on

Andesite, one of the steeper lower mountain areas at the resort. Packed into an area slightly larger than a football field resides a halfpipe, three jumps: a 40' table/hip, 25' table, and a 50' table; along with three rails: a 2' high 34' long flat rail, 8' to 16' down rail, and a 8'-8'-8' kink rail. The left side of the halfpipe has smaller features for the inexperienced to practice on before tackling the larger features. There is more space toward the bottom of the run that contains a large cross-over gap and a 25' tabletop

both using the same landing.

If leaving the ground doesn't sound interesting just stop by and watch. On any sunny day there's bound to be an abundance of talent flying through the air. The weekend of April 4, 5 and 6th Big Sky will host a halfpipe and boardercross contest. Interested parties should check the website for more details. Also, every Sunday at 11 a.m. there's an unofficial halfpipe contest held for bragging rights and possibly money. Just stop by the park on Sunday before 11 a.m. and look for a Big Sky employee for details.

"This season is a huge improvement over the past few years," according to local rider Erik Morrison. "Big Sky is definitely headed in the right direction. They just need to start acting on rider feedback promptly."

Rumor has it that trees are to be cleared, increasing the size and length of the park. With the only competition in the area currently refusing to have any permanent terrain park, Big Sky has the potential to lure skiers and snowboarders away from the Bridger Bowl.

MSU track hosting dual scoring invitational tonight

Athletics

MSU Dual Scoring Invitational will kick off tonight, at 5:30 pm at the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse.

Leading the meet will be from the University of Idaho, Weber State and Utah State. Although there are

only four teams, each team will be scored against three other teams, producing a total of twelve team scores.

The Bobcat track team nicknamed the meet V-Day because the meet falls on Valentine's Day. The team's goal is to attract 1,000 spectators building on the 675 fans that attended the last meet.

The track team has competed in the Idaho State Invitational on Feb. 1 and hosted the MSU Invitational on Feb. 7, and has been improving their marks as the season progresses.

The Bobcats will have one more dual meet on Feb. 22, before they head off to Idaho for the Big Sky Championships on Feb. 28.

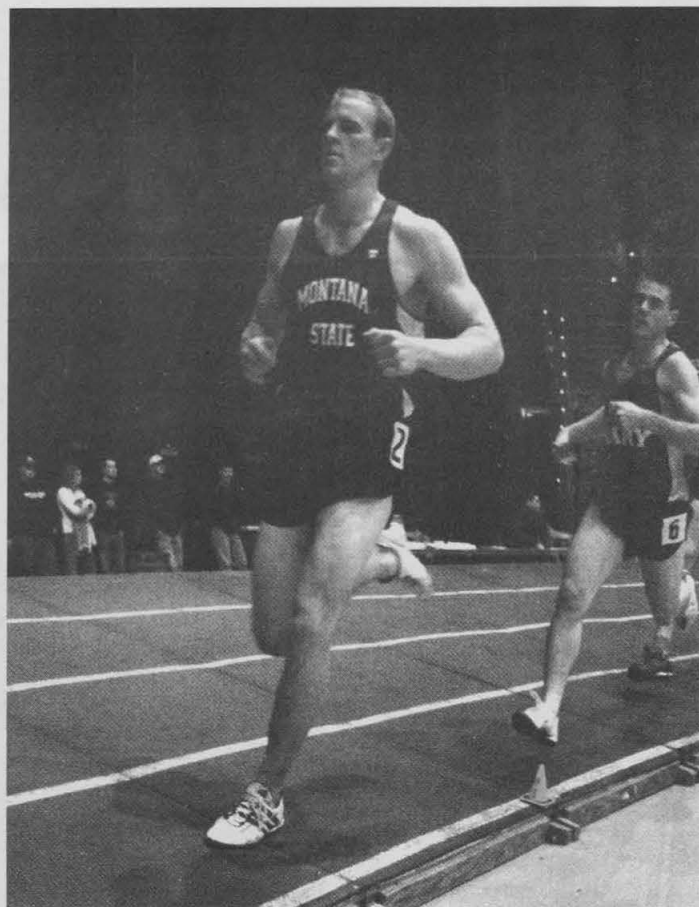


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Ned Miller runs in the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse at last weekend's Invitational. Miller took first in the mile run in a time of four minutes and eleven seconds (4:11.69).

- Michelle Hodge (JR) - The defending conference outdoor champion in the pole vault, Michelle is the only member of the team to already have an NCAA qualifying mark.
- Cortney Ellis (SR) - The defending conference indoor champion in the pole vault, with personal best of 13' 2" set last season.
- Ariana Lee (JR) - In the distance events. Ariana ran the third fastest 3000 ever by a Bobcat in her last meet.
- Lisa Svaeson (SR) - In the hurdles. She has the second fastest indoor hurdle time in MSU history.
- Chrissy McKinstry (SR) - The two-time conference runner up in the weight throw is poised for a good performance.
- All-American Lyle Weese (SR). Lyle ran the 3rd fastest 3000 in the nation last year. He will run the mile against some of the best milers in conference history.
- Brad Sherer (So) - Has the best weight throw in the Big Sky conference so far this season.
- Patrick Ray (Jr) Set a school record in the 200 in Pocatello two weeks ago.
- Cyril Burguiere (Sr) - The conference runner up in the triple jump.

Former volleyball standout named assistant coach

Athletics

Former Bobcat volleyball player Cori Carper has been named assistant volleyball coach at Montana State University. Carper announced MSU head coach Miya Malauulu.

Carper, who played at MSU from 1996-99, is currently in management in Denver. Following her graduation from MSU in 2000, she earned a degree in media and

theatre arts. Carper played professionally in Europe for numerous club teams.

In addition, she worked for BringitUSA Promotions and traveled throughout Europe filming interviews and game footage of professional volleyball players and coaches. She also created recruiting videos for universities in the United States.

"Cori (Carper) will be a great addition to our program," Malauulu said. "As a

student-athlete at MSU, she possessed a work ethic and attitude that I want all our student-athletes to emulate.

"Cori also played an integral role in bringing the Bobcat volleyball program back to the top of the Big Sky Conference during her playing career," Malauulu continued. "She was well liked by her teammates and by the fans of MSU volleyball. Cori also has strong ties within the state of Montana by virtue of her sum-

mer camp experiences."

As a player, Carper guided the Bobcats to a 76-40 mark during her tenure in the Blue and Gold. She was also a part of four consecutive winning seasons, two 20-win campaigns and four straight appearances in the Big Sky Conference tournament. For her efforts, she was a two-time All-Big Sky Conference performer and was the 1999-2000 Bobcat Strength and Conditioning Athlete of the Year.

Carper is one of 12 Bobcat players to reach the 1,000 kill plateau at MSU. She is also ranked among the top five all-time in hitting percentage and blocks. Carper is also fifth on the all-time Big Sky Conference career hitting percentage chart, as well. The native of Lander, Wyo., also holds the school record for best hitting percentage in a match when she notched an .824 attack mark against Virginia Commonwealth in 1996.

"It's like coming home," Carper said. "I played for Miya and Jerry (Wagner, associate head coach), along with Dave Gantt, and they provided me a great atmosphere to be a student-athlete. They treated me like family."

"I'm very excited about this opportunity," Carper said. "The program has continued to get better every year and it's one of the best models of success in the region. I'm ready to help continue that tradition and develop great student-athletes."

She will be responsible for the Bobcat Summer Camps and will assist in recruiting, practice design and match strategies, video exchange and other administrative duties. Carper will also coach the Bobcat middle blockers and will serve as tournament director of the Mizuno-Holiday Inn Classic.

Carper will begin her duties in March.

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Features

February 14, 2008

Underground Theater Company to present

'Real Queen of Hearts'

Julie Hewson
Exponent Writer

Beginning Valentine's Day with a special preview show, the Underground Theater Company will be putting on their production of "The Real Queen of Hearts Ain't That Pretty," a play written by Brad Bailey and directed by Bryce Weinert.

"The Real Queen of Hearts Ain't That Pretty" begins with two teenage girls (Hayley English and Kaet Morris), backstage at their high school beauty pageant, as they begin to talk. Soon two turns to three, when the drunken Paula (Clarissa Gentry) gets kicked out of the Queen of Hearts contest. Near the beginning of the second act the three are joined by another, Sherrilee. Together the girls discuss, talk, fight, cry, drink and grow.

"As we get older we forget how intense the high school years are. We forget how every break-up or problem is such a big deal. With this play I want to capture the intensity of young life," stated Weinert.

Through the play the girls learn more about themselves, who they are, who they want to be. They deal with changing relationships and some terrible secrets they deal with in their everyday lives.

The four characters in the play represent different aspects of the typical personalities of high school girls. Hayley English plays the role of the head cheerleader. Kaet Morris plays Liz's shadow, Cass, who is insecure and looks to Liz for everything.



photo by Charlie Capp

Hayley English, Clarissa Gentry and Kaet Morris rehearse a scene from the upcoming production of 'The Real Queen of Hearts Ain't That Pretty'. They play, a production of the Underground Theater will be in the SUB Theater Valentine's Day and Feb. 19-22.

Clarissa Gentry plays the drunk beauty pageant failure and Maria Wilson plays Sherrilee, the beauty pageant queen and school "goodie, goodie." "It's been a great experience working with this ensemble cast," stated Weinert.

Their Valentine's Day performance of 'The Real Queen of Hearts' will begin on Friday at 8:00 p.m. in the SUB Theater. The night's tickets will be a couples' price in honor of Valentine's Day. The price is \$8 dol-

lars for two tickets. The actual play dates run Feb. 19 through the 22. All shows begin at 8:00 p.m.

The Underground Theater is currently active in a campaign called SOS, or Save Our Stage. They are working to raise money to keep the SUB Theater open and available to Media and Theater Arts classes and productions. "We want to keep the theater a part of the campus's resources. We want to breathe life into the theater," stated Mark Mason, the

Underground Theater Representative to the Bozeman Theater Guild. The Underground Theater's goal is to not only keep the theater a major part of the university, but also to open it up to the community. "The theater is not just for the MTA Department. We want to build a strong base of theater goers on campus and in the community," stated Mason. The company holds several productions a year to raise money for their project and to help with technical funds.

Learning how to love with UCF

Lara Vaienti
Exponent Writer

It's Valentine's Day.

Nobody wants to be skeptic, pessimistic or full of doubts about their "significant other" today. It's going to be another nice time for an idyllic, romantic splurge or maybe the exciting first one.

Relationships aren't easy.

The 'Love Sucks' lecture series occurred weekly over the last month in the SUB 275 for all to find out where stand with their love life. It's purpose was for students to recognize if they're walking down a path of romance with the right person.

The lectures were offered by University Christian Fellowship.

"I attended the UCF program for six years," says Brielle Harson, a graduate student who has been married for two years.

"What UCF did for me has been great. It has taught me how to maintain a healthy relationship."

"Love often is really blind," explained the speaker, Wendy House, last Tuesday night.

"But it surely does not have to be that way, unless you want to find yourself with the wrong surprise," she continued.

Many students filled the room, apparently very attentive to the hints put on the board with overheads, followed by explanations and suggestions.

Love can surely turn someone's life into a paradise, but it can also turn it into a hell as well. And passion, attraction and fun are not all one needs to establish a healthy relationship that may last over time.

"Keep questioning yourself and look inside of you to really know if the person you are dating is the best one that God chose for you," says House. "Finding out mistakes when you are already married is too

late and it's much more painful," House explained.

Questions like: "Does this person bring out the best or the worst in me," "Do I want to go where they are headed," "Am I self-confident enough to love someone else" or "Do I really wanna be part of my partner's whole world," are just a few examples on how the lecture can help students to find out what they are really going through in relationships.

Relationships are not a joke, they can hurt more than one could ever imagine.

Hurtful relationships can leave scars that can, at times, last forever, and looking at the

rate of divorce and the scarce length of too many marriages, anyone who cares should ponder what he or she is doing and how to succeed.

Another point from the 'Love

Sucks' lecture is that of the importance of God in one's life.

God is the matchmaker of Wendy and Max House, happily married for more than 20 years now.

"Let God be in your life, let him help you and know him first, you will be amazed at how your relationship will be," said Max House. At the end of the story, with faith, one will recognize if God has found the best partner for their lifetime or not. God will sustain you, if you let him.

Landen Garspo, another student who's attending these lectures and who broke up with her boyfriend two months ago said, "I have a lot of peace now. I'm learning how to heal and how to behave in the next relationship I will have."

Often, we want to have a Valentine so as not to be sad and alone that day, forgetting how badly we may have fought with them for the rest of the year. But in the ways of love we'll just keep struggling and wandering in a "limbo" of feelings until we find the right one.

Seeing clearly is important, do not forget before it's late. Happy Valentine's Day.

Film festival poses media and options in Montana

Special to the Exponent

Award-winning filmmakers, powerful Hollywood executives and knowledgeable economic experts will be in Livingston on Feb. 21 to explore how to revitalize Montana's once-thriving film industry as an economic engine to help the state's economy.

Presented by the Montana Film Center, a Livingston-based educational organization which presented a symposium in 2001 and with last summer's televised Cheryl Crow in the town's Sacajawea, the 2003 Film and Film Development Conference will be held at the Historic Center in Livingston.

Filmmakers, producers, people and film enthusiasts will have a rare opportunity to interact with film and film professionals from Los Angeles, New York and Montana.

The issues to be discussed will range from how to turn that great idea into a movie to how wildlife programs can be used in films and still photography. Attendees will also offer great economic opportunities for Montana.

Four Montana premieres will be held during the festival segment, including the critically praised Sundance production "Northfork," directed by Roger Ebert as a "classic epic," which was shot in Montana.

The re-opening exhibit at the Depot Center exploring Montana's film history, "The Montana Film," will be on display during the meeting.

All events are open to the public, which is encouraged to attend. A schedule of events and a registration form may be found at www.montanafilmmuseum.org or by calling 570-5167.

The advance registration fee of \$40 (\$15 for students) covers all the events, including the panels, screenings and receptions. Cost will be \$10 door. All fee proceeds will be used to meet the expenses of the Conference.

The event is made possible in part by support from

See Festival

Feel Review 'Recruit' proves to be just another 'spy game' movie

Brian Clark
Managing Editor

The opening sequence of 'Recruit' sets Colin Farrel to look like one of those from high school who this Saturday nights play 'Dungeons and Dragons' watching reruns of 'Mystery Science Theater.' He goes into the MIT job fair, oversleeping and nerds pay into the good graces of employers. Remember the 'Dungeons and Dragons' kids as having glasses and greasy hair. Remember them as at love, brilliant Irish guys can hack into your computer and then kick your ass. That's what Hollywood

brings and, if you like James Bond or 'The Bourne Identity,' it's doubtless you'll hail 'The Recruit' as well.

Al Pacino co-stars as Farrel's senior instructor/father figure in this decent popcorn flick. Pacino guides the youngster through his CIA training, pushing the adventurous protagonist towards an inevitable success. There's a girl, a few surprises and a tightly woven plot and we all go home entertained after a couple hours of intense acting and action extravagance. 'The Recruit,' then, is a well-made film and accomplishes exactly what it intends to.

Unfortunately, I can't help feeling like I've seen this film before. I have to remind myself that, even though the

storyline, characters and plot are unbareably similar, 'Spy Games' is actually a completely different movie. In fact, it's hard for me to make a distinction between 'The Recruit' and dozens of espionage thrillers that have been put on the big screen and gobbled up by American audiences desperate to see white guys triumph over all odds.

With that in mind, however, the ending is carefully planned, and obvious only to the most attentive viewer, helping seal the action fare as a slightly above average evening's worth of entertainment.

The best compliment I can pay to 'The Recruit' is that the acting is first rate. Al Pacino gives one of his better performances of the past several

years as he taunts and teases Farrel, stringing the actor along. Farrel, now in a lead role after upstaging Tom Cruise in 'Minority Report,' responds nicely to Pacino's master teachings. There's a lot of bare muscles shimmering with sweat in one too many boxing scenes, and the top two buttons of his shirt never make an appearance, but behind the flesh is a fairly promising Irish import who rises to the challenge that Pacino presents him with.

On the other hand, 'The Recruit' has no theme worth repeating. Apparently love and trust are for pansies and true men are guys who'll put their lives on the line to save their country. This seems to happen all the time, too, from

what we can gather, and maybe it does in real life as well, who knows. But I find the politics slightly disturbing when the most admirable qualities are the abilities to lie, manipulate and give or take lives for the good of the American name.

What I'm saying is that, despite the fact that 'The Recruit' is a tightly structured story with unexpected twists and skillful pacing. Despite the fact that the acting is good and an appropriate tension carries one scene to the next, I didn't particularly like this film. Perhaps it's because this is just one more mindless action film that will fade to video store obscurity with the likes of Under Siege 2 and Death Wish 5.

Find love at the Baxter's Heartbreaker's Ball

Julie Hewson
Exponent Writer

Looking for a unique way to find that special someone that is a fun loving, party animal? Haven't found that special someone yet? Either case, the answer is the first annual Heartbreaker's Ball this Valentine's Day at the Baxter. The Baxter is teaming up with local community businesses to bring you a night full of fun and excitement. It's going to be a good place to begin," states Porter. The Heartbreaker's Ball is not going to be fun, but it's affordable. The entrance fee for the ball is \$10 at the door. "We're going to fill up early. With the entrance fee so affordable, we're going to be packed." The doors of

the Baxter will open at 6:00 p.m. The Baxter will be a bustle of all sorts of crazy entertainment for the lovebirds and the lover's on the look out.

There will be a Tarot card reader and for a small donation that will benefit Habitat for Humanity, she will tell you the secrets of life. A Kissable lips contest will be held where the most kissable lips will win.

There will be contests held all night for couples and singles alike. The winners of these contests will win prizes including limo rides.

If attending the Heartbreaker's Ball don't forget to dress your best and win a prize for being the most elegant attendee.

As far as food goes, a sushi bar will be open starting at 6:30 p.m. In celebration of the holiday, a chocolate bar with truffles, in all imaginable flavors, will be another place to check out while at the Baxter.

While attending the Heartbreaker's ball one can check out another type of bar. An Aphrodisiac bar will be open with free samples of love honey, love potions and powerful tea.

"The atmosphere is going to be great!" states Porter excitedly,

"Everyone is going to be all goofy, giggly, cuddly and a little crazy from all the different love potions. It's going to be a fun place to be."

A fourth bar will be open offering Aphrodisiac liqueur mixed with different rums and wines. Most of the venue will be non-smoking, there will be a room designated for those who need to feed their nicotine cravings.

What would an evening at the Baxter be without music? The Baxter prodUctions will be presenting the nine piece band Sol Congress and Blues 3. Sol Congress will be performing blues, soul, funk and disco from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m. in the Ball Room. Blues 3 will perform in the Robin

Lounge from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m.

The Secret Garden, a local flower shop will be helping to set the romantic mood of Valentine's Day by bringing in a vast amount of beautiful roses. They will be providing corsages, boutonnieres, bouquets, and long stem roses.

"We're going all out," explains Porter, "There will be flowers, candles, lights. We're even getting out the red carpet. Our workers have had costumes designed. One of them is going to be a practically naked cupid."

For your Valentine's Day fun, check out the Heartbreaker's Ball at the Baxter. The doors open at 6:00 p.m. You must be 21 to enter.



"We're even getting out the red carpet. Our workers have had costumes designed. One of them is going to be a practically naked cupid."

— Sam Porter
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AVENTOURS

Festival: Local filmmakers treated to national speakers

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Montana Department of Commerce, the Montana Film Office, Montana State University's College of Art and Architecture and Department of Media and Theatre Arts, the Northstar Foundation, The City of Great Falls, Buffalo Jump Pictures, the Bozeman Film Festival, Writer's Showcase Guild and Verizon Wireless.

The meeting's events will include panels devoted to successfully developing film ideas, finding funding for films, opportunities in non-Hollywood areas such as wildlife and travel documentaries, and the challenges of living in Montana and working in the film industry.

Speakers and panelists include actress Margot Kidder; Fox television executive Brett Weitz; producers Patrick Markey ("A River Runs Through It," "Horse Whisperer"), Pat Crowley ("The Bourne Identity"), and Nana Greenwald.

Emmy-winning cinematographer Rick Rosenthal ("The Blue Planet") will make an appearance, along with underwater filming legend Al Giddings ("The Abyss," "Titanic"); two-time Oscar-winner Ronald Judkins.

Film finance expert Larry Minkoff will join the line-up with writers Walter Kirm, Elwood Reid, William Hjortsberg, Tim Cahill, and Thomas Goltz; television movie producer Barry Weitz; independent filmmakers Michael and Mark Polish, Alex Smith, Ramin Serry and Michael Miner, whose films will be shown as part of the Festival and television concert producers Tony and Lauren Eaton ("Searching for America... July 4, 2002 Cheryl Crow Concert").

Also making a special guest appearance will be cinematographer Bob Primes, ASC; and Bozeman-based Zoot Enterprises founder and CEO Chris Nelson.

Gallatin Development Corporation Executive director Alicia Bradshaw will deliver the keynote address.

The 2003 Conference and Festival is dedicated to the memory of MistiDawn Peterson, a Livingston native and resident who was active in Montana film and media activities. It is hoped the memory of her energy and talent will inspire all who attend the Conference and Festival.

Complimenting the panels will be the screening of four films, including two made in Montana. The highlight of the Festival will be the Montana premiere of the Polish Brothers' 2003 Sundance Festival entry "Northfork," which was hailed by critics.

One of the other films scheduled to be shown includes the acclaimed 2002 Sundance entry "The Slaughter Rule," directed by Alex and Andrew Smith. Both of these films were shot in the Great Falls area.

Writer-directors Michael Pol-

ish and Mark Polish will introduce "Northfork," which stars James Woods, Anthony Edwards, Nick Nolte and Daryl Hannah. Director Alex Smith will introduce "The Slaughter Rule," which stars David Morse and Ryan Gosling.

To stress the statewide nature of the economic film initiative, two additional independent films will be screened in Bozeman at Linfield Hall on the Montana State University campus as part of pre- and post-Conference Festival screenings presented with the Bozeman Film Festival.

On Thursday, Feb. 20, Ramin Serry's "Maryam," a powerful portrait of an Iranian-born teenager living in suburban New Jersey, will be shown at 6:30 p.m.

On Sunday, Feb. 23, at 2 p.m. in Linfield, Michael Miner's "Book of Stars," featuring Mary

Stuart Masterson, Delroy Lindo, and D.B. Sweeney will be shown. The film is about two sisters and their challenging relationship. The filmmakers will be present at these screenings to discuss their work.

Serry, Miner, and "Book of Stars" producer Marie Cantin will also participate in the economic development conference. All the festival screenings are open to the public. Please call 570-5167 for ticket information.

A special feature of the Festival will be the opportunity for Montana-based filmmakers to show their reels.

A facility will be available on a by-appointment basis in the Murray Hotel to allow filmmakers to screen their works to small groups or potential distributors. Please call 570-5167 to schedule a screening.

There will also be a permanent

re-installation of the "Film in Montana" exhibit, which was previously shown at the Depot. The exhibit will focus on the rich film history of productions filmed in Montana.

Artifacts, posters and memorabilia from such films as "Rancho Deluxe," "The Horse Whisperer," and "A River Runs Through It" will be displayed, along with articles from films associated with Montana and Montanans. A reception will be held Friday night in honor of the re-opening.

The Film Festival and the "Film in Montana" exhibit are made possible in part by a grant from Travel Montana.

For a complete schedule, registration form and details, visit the Montana Film Center web site at www.montanafilmcenter.org, call 406-570-5167 or e-mail elizabeth@montanafilmcenter.org.

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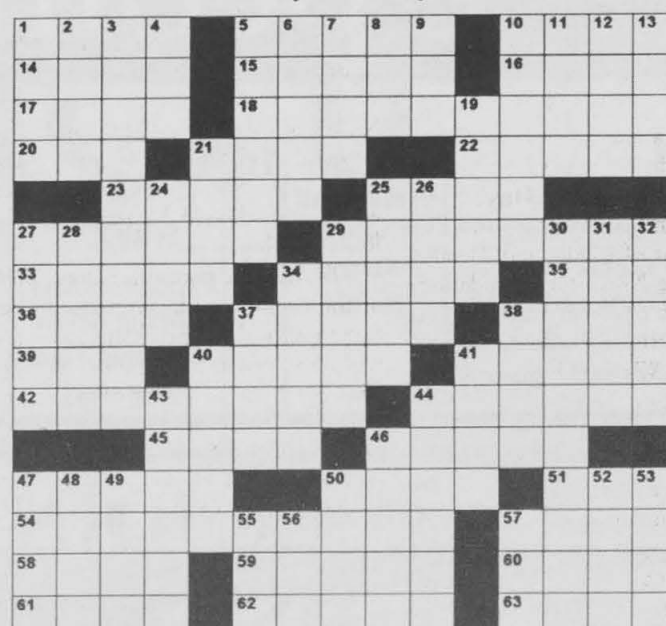
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- 5 Movie theater panel
- 6 Pays attention
- 7 Tallies
- 8 Football fan's utterance
- 9 Free agent, e.g.
- 10 Bivouacked
- 11 Alack's relative
- 12 Salesman's car
- 13 Three Card Monte, e.g.
- 19 Like a bikini
- 21 Disunited
- 24 Social gatherings
- 25 Ice devices
- 26 Charge per unit
- 27 Mediterranean island
- 28 Spreads
- 29 Rich cake
- 30 Smokey's concern
- 31 Poker move
- 32 Be eloquent
- 34 Follows coffee or flour
- 37 A claim on candy:Slang
- 38 Too
- 40 Inflicted a heavy blow
- 41 Shot of liquor:Slang

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Crossword 101

By Ed Canty



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- 46 Serenity
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- 48 Football fans maneuver
- 49 Oklahoma city
- 50 Swarm
- 52 Hallucinogenic drug
- 53 Pegs
- 55 Inherited characteristic
- 56 Swept under the rug
- 57 Fresh

Quotable Quote

*The vice-presidency
ain't worth a pitcher
of warm spit.*

*John Nance Garner
(VP 1933-1941)*

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11 - July 27 and have
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junior standing or above
preferred. Must possess valid
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