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Letter to the Editor Policy

We really hate letters from our readers, but we feel obligated to publish them because our editor-in-chief is always going on about serving as a forum for community ideas, blah, blah, blah. If you have a hare-brained opinion, we'd rather you not enlighten us. If you absolutely must send us something, note that letters will be edited in order to conform to AP Style and to misconstrue your point completely.

This Misrepresents The Author

I write to this paper to express my hearty disapproval of your writin' staff, particularly this Pete Heisman or whoever you got blaspheming the fine way of life that is the cowboy. First of all, how can this comic readin' punk have the gall to even think of insulting cowboys? My slow cousin Jim-Bob writes better than him in crayon.

This LAND GRANT university was founded for one thing and one thing only: ag. We don't even have other majors here, for the love of John Wayne! I don't even know what these Washington granolas and East Coast floozies are studying here.

It is a very sad day that after my family kept a pure bloodline running our ranch for six

generations that this state could be insulted by the Code of the West being compared to some FICTIONAL CHARACTER called Bantam. I'm glad my Daddy never learned to read, so he'd never have to be exposed to this garbage.

Everyone knows that cowboys were the ones who created Montana, the original residents of this state who turned it from an uninhabited wilderness to the golden place it is today. That is, until the Californians ruin it forever with their open-mindedness. That is exactly why we have to have the Code of the West. All of these new ideas and diversity will destroy Montana if we don't stop them dead in their tracks.

So, for the sake of the original residents of Montana, please stop publishing this garbage.
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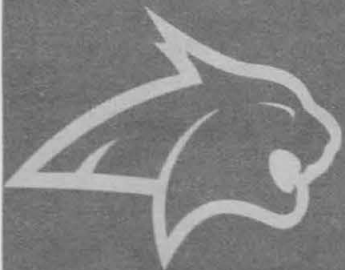
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Excepting our advertisements (and this statement, if you're the type of reader who notices logical contradictions), nothing in the paper in front of you should be construed as entirely serious. Where we've attributed words to certain public figures in these pages, the quotes are our own, not theirs (and I'd hasten to add that we jest with all due affection). I'd like to thank those local business owners who've had the courage to place ads alongside our content this week. Without your support, both this week and others, we wouldn't be able to do this.

As always, we welcome comments, complimentary or otherwise on our work--feel free to direct them to editor@exponent.montana.edu.

— Eric Dietrich, Editor-In-Chief

From the Editor's Desk Please Bear With Us



Francis F. Bear
Editor-in-Chief

Hi. I'm your new editor. I graduated from UM's journalism school last semester, I listen to better music than you, I'm cooler than you, and I'm a goddamn bear. I've decided to take over

the Exponent's Editor-in-Chief position, mostly because I thought it would be ironic.

Now I'm sure you have some questions, such as, "Man, this bear kind of sounds like a hipster." WRONG. Do I drink PBR and amazing coffee? Yes. Do I like house parties and music that you've never heard of? Yes. Do I totally rock v-necks, flannel and '80s sunglasses? You bet your comparatively hairless butt I do.

But I do NOT use a fixed-gear bicycle

and I do not wear skinny jeans. In fact, I don't wear pants at all. Winnie the Pooh doesn't wear pants, I don't wear pants, and if you have a problem with that, too bad. Let me reiterate this: I am not a hipster, and I'm definitely not a vegan, so don't get any funny ideas. Although I was totally on a diet of nuts and berries way before anyone else.

Anywho, back to why I'm behind the editor's desk. Apparently your previous editor was too nice and concerned with journalistic integrity for a college paper. Someone from administration thought that you, the students, deserved an edgier, less considerate and less politically aware publication. I wasn't doing much in Zootown anyway so thought I'd try out Bozangles for a while; you know, check out the scene, mix things up a bit. So I wrapped up your editor in his sheets while he slept

and put him on a train to Canada. Judging by his cheery disposition and beard, he'll do just fine there.

You'll notice that I've made a few changes to the paper. You can let me know what you think about them by sending your letters to 331 Bear Lair Way. To be



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honest, I'm not going to read them; I've got too much Kerouac and Vonnegut to catch up on. I'll probably just cut them up and make a collage out of them.

You might also be seeing some changes in staff. I'm a very open-minded bear; I just don't like people who disagree with me. I mean, you're totally free to speak your mind, and I'm totally free to bear-paw swipe you in the face. That being said, I wouldn't expect to see too many more articles written by anyone with the last name Smith.

So enjoy your new college paper, and if you don't, then that's too bad. My door's always open and you're more than welcome to come voice your opinion. Fair warning: there's like an 80 percent chance that I will just respond with a series of angry grunts and roaring, followed by the tearing off of at least one of your limbs and making you watch me eat it.

Yours Truly,

Francis F. Bear, Editor-in-Chief

In Memory of Garrett Smith

We'll always remember your last words, "What do you mean we have a bear for an editor? I could totally do a better job — they don't even have opposable thumbs." Thanks for paving the way in what-not-to-say. You will be missed.

EDITORIAL

Student Government Gets Shit Together

In recent months, MSU's student government has made great strides toward making itself more relevant to its constituents. In fact, to quote an Exponent editor of questionable sobriety, "they seem to actually be getting their shit together."

Not only have a majority of student senators begun to approach their job with greater professionalism (going so far as to cease the tradition of pre-gaming before Thursday-evening meetings and, in some cases, actually keeping office hours), but the institution as a whole seems to be developing an actual sense of responsibility toward servicing its constituents.

Francine Pomegrattin, recently elected to an off-campus senate seat, echoed a common sentiment: "We have to do more to get out there and expose ourselves to the student body." It seems that student government, often referred to as ASMSU

by campus insiders, may even go so far as to move away from sending the student body mass e-mails containing dozens of exclamation points and "VOTE" written in all caps.

This is frustrating, to say the least. Despite the good intentions behind them, these changes have compromised the ability of Exponent reporters to make student government interesting to the greater public by blowing minor shortcomings out of proportion. That's a profound step backward for this campus.

Furthermore, it is commonly understood that student government exists primarily as a means to benefit those directly involved with it. Senators, for example, serve not because of any sense of civic duty to the greater student body, but to bolster their resumes, and, in some cases, develop a sense of inflated self-im-

portance by debating issues too complex to be readily understood by the average student. That cannot be allowed to change.

A few voices on the senate seem to understand that. One in particular, Sen. Charles Farnsworth, has spoken against efforts to forge the body into an organization that creates real change instead of simply providing a forum for student leaders who enjoy the sound of their own voice. "What the f--- happened to the senate I used to know?" he yelled at a recent meeting. "Where's the spirit? Where's the guts, huh? This [Thursday] could be the greatest night of our lives, but you're gonna let it be the worst!"

If allowed to develop further, a legitimate ethos of servant leadership would devastate the senate's proud tradition as an exclusive in-group that accomplishes little beyond providing university administra-

tors with a superficial means to consult the "student voice." Particularly with the pending change to electing senators by academic college, it's possible that students could find themselves able to engage in meaningful dialogue with their elected representatives on a regular basis.

While that could do wonders for student engagement, it has distressing implications for the Exponent. This publication's ability to provide interesting coverage of ASMSU is dependent on the perpetuation of the historical disconnect between the student body and its elected representatives. If student government is able to progress there, we could be forced to comment instead on issues a majority of students actually care about or, worse, ASMSU's achievements.

! Navel - Gazing

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The rising stars of the Grand Old Party | Image compilation by Daniel Cassidy

Alicia Exley
Not A Witch

Obama may have a run for his money in the 2012 presidential election. Though no Republicans have officially declared that they will run for the position, many, out of genuine humility, have stated that they

may be up for the challenge.

The first candidate that will probably run next year is a familiar face: Mitt Romney. Romney is a genuine conservative. He doesn't want to waste money on frivolous spending like emergency contraception for rape victims. If you're on the fence about abortion look no further; Romney can't make his mind up either. But he does know that he doesn't support gay marriage or sex education. If kids don't know what sex is they're not going to have it, right?

Another very popular maybe-candidate is Newt Gingrich, former Speaker of the House. Gingrich is a big supporter of the "Rediscovering God in America" program, which would stop dangerous secular humanists from brainwashing our schoolchildren. He also thinks homosexuality is a sin. But after his affair became public, he made sure to dispel any rumors that he had committed a sin by explaining that he cheated on his wife because he felt passionate about his country. What

dedication!

Since the Bushes have had such success running the country in years past, Republicans thought that they should complete the package with W.'s brother, Jeb Bush. Bush says that there's no need to teach kids about abortions if we teach them abstinence. He believes that homosexuals and those pesky feminists are



Their silver hair is a shining beacon of hope for our country.



"modern victim movements."

Of the top three picks for likely Republican candidates, all represent the group of people we Americans trust the most: white, wealthy, middle-aged men. Their silver hair is a shining beacon of hope for our country, promising change in the years to come. Their traditional values promise to keep the focus on the nuclear family, and their strategies for debt reduction through cutting unnecessary programs for the poor but increasing military spending will surely bring our country out of the recession. These silver foxes truly represent our American ideals.

GOP Promises America Invisible-Hand Jobs



Where we are and where we've been... exponential growth. | Image compilation by Adrian Lucas

Matt Smith
Liberal Whiner

In response to election promises of addressing America's prolonged economic recession, the GOP hosted a press conference this week, unveiling its plan to stimulate America's

down-turned economy. Republican Speaker of the House John Boehner of Ohio, flanked by Republican Majority Leader Eric Cantor of Virginia, released their party's economic strategy, entitled "Stimulating the Economy: Invisible-Hand Jobs."

The Republican plan makes reference to Adam Smith's 1759 free-market economic theory. Widely held as the founder of capitalism and a much-celebrated conservative icon, Smith argued that free markets function best when left untouched, though House Republicans argue that some stimulation is necessary to pull out of the current economic downturn. The GOP won a 55 percent majority in the House and major gains in the Senate in last fall's mid-term election with campaign promises of turning a "limp, impotent" economy to one where prices would "hold firm."

These proposed invisible-hand jobs from the GOP, however, appear to be little more than an awkward, spontaneous attempt at stimulation that lack the long-term commitment to economic arousal necessary to birth new jobs. The plan will be funded by the systematic reduction of social services – like Planned Parenthood – which leave America precariously unprotected from unchecked economic stimulation should the Republican plan go further than expected.

"We all know too well what happens when an excited GOP exerts ideological pressure on America's institutions," commented White House Press Secretary Jay Carney, pointing to the Bush years as an example. "Former President Bush once claimed the economy was 'drunk.' For that reason it seems odd that his party now

thinks that unregulated invisible-hand jobs should follow."

Undeterred by criticism, the GOP remained pushy and referred consistently to counter-analogies of baseball and Reaganomics throughout the press conference.

"This is about the American dream," a teary-eyed Boehner asserted. "When I was 14 years old, all I could think about what how I was going to make it to first base, then second ... you know, score a home run!" As an emotional Boehner stepped back from the microphone to compose himself, Cantor continued, making references to Reagan's "trickle-down economics" and how the plan will leave no part of America un-stimulated. "We want this to touch all of America – every American will feel the benefits of this plan, and we'll push forward whether it chafes Democrats or not!"

Apparently the Senate was not to be outdone, as the GOP veterans from the other side of the Capitol displayed their own stimulus plan, though it had taken months to work up. Sponsored by former presidential candidate and Arizona Republican Sen. John McCain, the Senate plan is a bit more hands-off than the House GOP stimulation plan. Citing previous campaign slogans and his military record as a Navy pilot, McCain explained, with a surprising pop-culture reference to 1986's "Top Gun": "I'm hoping to be less of a Maverick and more of America's Goose – a wing-man for America to create its own economic stimulation and long, long-term growth."

Unfortunately for America, the Republicans appear well endowed with a majority in the House and the ability to block Democratic attempts in the Senate. Equipped and excited to "whip out" their strategy, as Majority Whip Kevin McCarty of California put it, America should expect the worst. Known for his puns and jumbled grammar, he continued: "We want to get America's future well planned and, ultimately, laid by the end of the year ... laid in one year from today."



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Animals worldwide yell out for universal care. | Image by Adrian Lucas

Petcare Reform: A Biting Issue

Hogan Peterson
Heartless Libertarian

Hi, I'm Hogan Peterson. You may know me from my work in music, ending the depravity of my fellow residents with soulful guitar interpretations of songs like Buckcherry's "Crazy

Bitch." Today, I want to talk to you about something affecting a more important type of bitch: The state of our nation's broken pet care system.

Each day, thousands of animals are left to wither in their owner's homes, all because the veterinary system is outdated, profit-oriented and unfair. We can't hear the voices of our pets, because they don't have vocal chords. I urge you to call your representatives and tell them that we need veterinary reform, and we need it now.

Every day I hear heartbreaking stories about pets, stories like that of "Cleopatra," a reticulated python who died because of digestive failure linked to the consumption of "Bowser," a neighbor's obese retriever who had to search for food nearby. His family couldn't afford to satiate MilkBone's filthy lust for profits.

The more vile side of human nature has proven that we cannot have adequate veterinary care if left to our own devices. We don't have to debate to realize that the current system isn't working. It isn't a political issue, it's an issue of basic needs. That's why I'm proposing three simple changes that make sense.

First, the creation of a single-payer veterinary care system is in order. Private industry has done enough damage. We need to emulate our renowned government-quality solutions to the problems of the past, victories like No Child Left Behind and the Patriot Act. When we work for the greater good, we'll find ourselves saying, "Yes We Did."

Secondly, we need to quit living under the illusion that our wealthiest citizens have a right to the fruits of their labor when the cost of neutering can be more than \$300. In a time of great need, we are

reminded of the importance of great sacrifice. However, no owner making less than \$250,000 will be required to pay a single penny more for pet care.

Finally, we need to address the fundamental reality that comes with owning a pet, the fact that some simply have more needs than others. President Ronald Reagan once said that wealth should come "from each according to his ability, to each according to his need." Some pet owners are fortunate enough to have pets that don't need veterinary care, but that doesn't mean that those with issues are OK. That's why the price of care needs



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to be viewed in a progressive way. Care should cost the same, regardless of whether we make healthy pet-buying decisions.

With criticism must come praise for the few redeeming factors of our system, namely euthanasia. For humans, 90 percent of costs come in the last year of life, but with animals, we have avoided this bugaboo.

While this decision isn't to be taken lightly, it's important to recognize the usefulness of the fact that in sensitive eyes, it just makes more sense to put them down. Individuals are bound by emotion, but the new system would be able to exercise efficiency in such matters, because institutions aren't bound by the shackles of feelings. The conversation about the future of pet care may be awkward, but it's a good thing. It's what America is all about.

The Real Treasure State



Nuclear power infiltrates the Flathead Valley | Image compilation by Adrian Lucas

Virginia Schmidt
Hockey Mom Wannabe

The state of Montana is in dire need of improvement and revision.

Some of us might not have realized this, but thankfully our pioneering, insightful state legislators

have put forth a great variety of bills that illuminate the path onto which Montana should veer.

We now will take a little journey down that path and see the positive, practical, and by absolutely no means utterly useless ways in which the currently proposed Republican legislation could transform the state. Come along for the ride and watch as these legislative gems truly help transform a prospective Montana into the "Treasure State." The following is a brief account of what a future Montana could look like if all the proposed bills mentioned in this article were to pass.

Citizens hail the passage of House Bills 384 and 558 because now they no longer have to fear for their safety in bars, churches, banks or schools since guns have become legal in all these environments. No more unruly churchgoers: The pastor puts a speedy stop to those who fail to close their eyes during prayer by flashing his .357 Magnum -- eyes shut faster than the speed of a bullet! No more barriers to becoming a bank robber since anyone can bring their gun in and give it a shot. And of course, schools become much more enjoyable as detention is done away with. (Give me detention and I'll shoot ya!)

But the improvements don't stop in the public sphere. Thanks to House Bill 354, landlords and homeowners don't have to worry about the legal requirement of those pesky carbon monoxide detectors anymore. The relief is intoxicating.

Montana's favorite pastime, hunting, has transformed for the better as well. Landowners no longer have to be bothered by the sound or awareness of poachers as House Bill 174 permits hunting with

silencers. With this new silent take on hunting, what people can't hear, can't hurt them -- just the animals. The thousands of ostracized and underappreciated hand-thrown spear hunters also finally receive recognition in Senate Bill 112 and can spend the rest of their days throwing spears without shame or fear.

Environmental concerns continue to be paramount in this new and improved Montana as the nuclear ban has been lifted and the Flathead Valley now hosts a completely safe and environmentally friendly nuclear reactor courtesy of House Bill 326. Fortunately, the state simultaneously



No more unruly churchgoers.



realized how hilariously pointless wind power initiatives were in the state and eliminated all state funding and incentives toward it in House Bill 244. Montana, ahead of the curve as always, also has realized global warming must be presented as a positive asset for state tourism, and House Bill 549 has got the sightseers pouring in for some atmospheric-damage induced mountain sunshine.

As we conclude our tour of the new Montana, something else has become apparent: Not only has it become a better state, it's actually become its very own, independent state! Once House Bill 382 created a panel to nullify all federal laws, Montana simply decided it might as well secede from the union. With a fully-armed militia in every town (courtesy of House Bill 278), Montanans are both sovereign and safe.

Who needed those other 49 states anyway? It's abundantly clear that the current Montana Legislature would create a state far superior to anything our forefathers ever could have imagined.

Navel - Gazing

MIKEservations

Smokers Are a Lower Form of Life



Mike Tarrant
Bobby Blue-Eyed Asshole

"Finally, we're tobacco-free!" said Sen. Joe Steffins, in between keg stands and fist pumping at the recent ASMSU election after-party. "I mean 100 percent of people who smoke do eventually die. We're

looking out for those people since they obviously don't care themselves to take the action. And besides, I care about my health enough to force others to act upon it."

MSU students have spoken: 61 percent of the 21 percent or so of students who voted in the recent election said that tobacco is disgusting and the miscreant users should take their secondhand smoke and Gatorade bottles of spit across the street. They will now congregate in places like Town & Country, Joe's Parkway or random neighborhoods within walking distance that are without the threat of campus police intervention, which is expected to be rather strong in an effort to "get the bastards."

While 61 percent of 21 percent is only 1,736.9079 of the 13,599 students enrolled, the people have nonetheless spoken, and this overwhelming majority has urged the MSU administration to seriously consider a tobacco-free campus because "everyone else is doing it."

The estimated 24.3 percent of the student population that smokes tobacco, or the 3,304.557 nicotine-dependent, slow-suicide-committing collegiate attendees, obviously were too busy doing other things to take the time to vote, and therefore, have lost their chance to be viewed as equal citizens.

However, a paternalistic approach is academically acclaimed by the best minds of the world and with due merit. Without Social Security, old people would never save money or plan to live after retirement, and without drinking laws, all college kids under the age of 21 would know what Natty Ice tastes like. The fewer choices we give tobacco-crazed wackjobs on campus, the better. And by fewer, the MSU students mean as close to none as possible.

"This is really for their own health, though," said outgoing ASMSU Vice President Amandy Deihl in a press state-

ment released immediately following the results of the election. "President Eric Fishter has even sworn off alcohol and presented legislation to outlaw ASMSU senators from touching a single satisfying drop of the poison – all for their own health, of course, and the health of our collegiate community. We're even looking at the safety of owning a car and what receiving letter grades does to a student's self-esteem as well."

This is a step in the right direction for the 1,736.9079 students who oppose tobacco on campus. No longer will they have to walk through billowing chimeneas of smokers, standing 23 feet and 8.7 inches from the door outside the library. Now, as these students walk on the sidewalk, no longer will their morning coffee be tainted by the wafting smoke of a degenerate example of the human race that relies on any sort of stimulant to get through their day.

Now, these students, who have raised their voice to a loud murmur – sufficiently loud enough to urge the MSU administration to act – will feel safe and fresh inside their classrooms, never trapped in the same room with a nicotine craving co-student, or, God forbid, an authority figure with the hint of smoke on their collar and the power to control our grades.

It is time this happened. Although college students insist on seeing themselves as an enlightened, tolerant and exploratory group of people, finally, the ASMSU Senate and 1,736.9079 MSU students have stepped up for the good of this community. We may not always act in our best, healthy interests, and now someone is here to tell us how to behave and how much a smoke-cop will fine us if we don't. So snuff out that cigarette and put away your long cut – 1,736.9097 people and a few nonsmoking ASMSU senators have spoken.

Read: "The Science of Survival," by L. Ron Hubbard. Mail checks due to following revelations to Mike Tarrant, in care of the Exponent.

Mike is well aware that he is critical, cynical and brutally honest, often at the expense of being called a jerk. If you disagree with him, make sure he knows by e-mailing the Exponent at letters@exponent.montana.edu. Fan mail, however, can be sent direct via his Facebook page.

Hearsay

Campus Crusade Partners with MSU Polo Team, Plans to Stage Actual Crusade

Brent Zundel

In a move that has many members of the Bozeman community scratching their heads, MSU's chapter of Campus Crusade for Christ has partnered with the polo team and announced plans to stage an actual crusade.

The polo team's motivations were unclear, but sources point to a particularly painful loss at the hands of the Grizzlies last week. Many others believe the team is simply trying to raise student awareness of the fact that MSU has a polo club.

This sentiment was confirmed when the Exponent spoke with Peter Dawkins, a graduate student in religious studies. "I didn't even know we had a polo team," he said.

The MSU Archery and Fencing Clubs have also received invitations from CRU to participate.

CRU's motivations have been more difficult to discern. Jerome Wood, a freshman member, claimed that the group was "tired of waging spiritual warfare against the powers of darkness that reside on campus" and wanted to wage a "literal crusade."

Fed up with the underage binge drinking, premarital sex and low church attendance for which college students are notorious, the logical progression, according to Wood, was crusading against these ideas.

Although primarily composed of evangelical Protestants, the group asked Bozeman's Catholic parish to sanction the action before their declaration. "We just wanted to be consistent with previous religiously-sanctioned military campaigns," one CRU member said on condition of anonymity.

The parish declined, with Pastor Richard Clark explaining that "we still get a lot of shit for that word."

MSU's Muslim Student Association declined to comment on the developments, citing the fact that the word "crusade" carries almost a millennium of hostile implications against Muslims. Ironically, the group's president referred the Exponent to Matthew 5:9, mentioning that "for what it's worth, there's some decent stuff in there."

Perhaps the most confusing aspect of CRU's announcement is the lack of any

tangible opponent. No physical developments have been reported apart from a 36-hour "Assassin's Creed" binge.

It is also unclear what weapon the modern-day Crusaders will employ. While the more conservative members have urged maintaining tradition by using battle axes, broadswords, bows and basic siege machines, others hope to use automatic rifles, rocket-propelled grenades and tanks.



"It doesn't matter who you fight, as long as you do it for Jesus."

- Paul Urban
Senior CRU member



Senior member Paul Urban is pushing for the group to use modern weapons, believing they might give members an advantage. In addition to the superior firepower, he explained that most CRU members already have significant experience with modern-day weaponry, noting the popularity of the "Call of Duty" and "Halo" video games.

"In the end, we're fighting this war for God, so we might as well whoop their asses," he explained.

When asked why CRU had decided to include the polo team, Urban sheepishly confessed, "That wasn't my idea. The really conservative guys want us to go about this like they did back in the 11th century – with horses and all that. And, well ... none of us can ride a horse."

Urban went on to explain that he didn't believe horses were necessary and expressed excitement at the possibility of learning to operate a tank. "I think it'd be a great bonding experience for everybody," he said.

When asked why they had decided to conduct a crusade or against whom they intend to crusade, Urban finished, "It doesn't matter who you fight, as long as you do it for Jesus."



Hearsay

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Boy Seeks Counseling After Friday

Ryan Bowry

On Sunday night, sophomore Daryl Nutter excitedly called over his roommate Steve Joiner to “watch this shit!” After viewing the viral video, Joiner walked away from the computer mumbling, “Fun, fun, fun, fun.”

When Joiner arrived at class on Monday he was asked about his weekend, to which he replied, “partyin’ partyin’ YEAH!” Friends began to get concerned after he told them to, “think about fun – you know what it is.”

Joiner’s girlfriend, Rachel Hillson, assumed he would eventually “snap out of it,” but decided to dump the 20-year-old

Alaskan after he whispered, “We, we, we so excited,” during an intimate moment.

Campus police became involved when Joiner was seen moping around Wilson courtyard Wednesday at 7 a.m. An officer questioned his intentions, and Joiner reportedly answered by chanting, “Gotta have my bowl.”

After being taken into custody, Joiner explained that he only wanted a bowl of cereal and was subsequently released.

Later that day, Nutter casually informed Joiner that he was, “looking forward to the weekend.” Joiner responded by singing, “FRIDAY, FRIDAY!” and

running from his roommate with his head in his hands.

Joiner found that by Thursday evening he was still “kickin’ in the front seat,” and decided to seek professional help.

Counseling Services deals with diverse problems, everything from stressed freshmen enrolled in too many credits to therapy for roommates of students who traffic guns. But staff counselor Theresa Littlefoot said she was not prepared when Joiner walked into her office, asking, “Which seat can I take...?”

Sources close to Joiner said he is continuing to see Littlefoot indefinitely. When

asked what he and his counselor are doing to remedy the issue, Joiner said only, “We gonna have a ball today,” and refused further comment.

“If you or anyone you know suffers from this terrible condition,” Littlefoot pleaded, “please seek professional help.”

Friends and Family of Joiner have established the Steve Joiner: Tomorrow is Saturday Fund to search for a cure. Donation information will be published in next week’s edition.

College of Business To Replace Textbooks with ‘Atlas Shrugged’

Garrett Smith

The College of Business announced plans to replace all of its textbooks with philosopher Ayn Rand’s “Atlas Shrugged.”

Rand’s philosophy, Objectivism, is a large proponent of individual freedom and laissez-faire capitalism. It is also highly critical of any and all forms of large government spending.



“When Ayn Rand told me to be an individual, I felt immensely empowered.”

- Brian Shiplett



In a statement to the press released last week, the College of Business explained its decision, saying, “We decided to make this change to further educate our students in the humanities. We hope including the work of political philosopher Ayn Rand will allow our students to cultivate their critical thinking ability.”

Our bottom line indicates that only 90

percent of our students fail or withdraw their ethics courses,” noted marketing professor James Strong. “In order to prepare them for the real business world, we are seeking to increase this by 10 percent over ten years,” he said.

The Exponent interviewed several business students to gauge their opinion on the College’s new direction, all of whom praised the initiative. Almost every student who was interviewed had read at least one of Rand’s works, and many counted Rand as their biggest inspiration.

“When Ayn Rand told me to be an individual, I felt immensely empowered,” business major Brian Shiplett commented. “I’m happy that the department has decided to spread the gospel across campus.”

Another business student, Kelley Minnatee, said, “Objectivism is just so logical and I can relate to it with my major in business.”

The College of Business has seen a surge in enrollment in the past three weeks. It is suspected by the university that many of these newly enrolled members of the student body are actually adult members of the Tea Party, who are coming back to school to learn more about economic theory.

Guy Tells Ex How He Really Feels

Derek Brouwer

In what witnesses described as a “stumbling, drunken stupor,” sophomore engineering student Jason Topp finally confronted his ex-girlfriend during a party last weekend. The incident began when Topp commented to a friend that it was “time to sack-up,” walked behind Jen Newberry and poured beer over her head.

“She never saw it coming,” Topp said.

As Newberry turned to see who had attacked her, Topp smiled and said, “Payback’s a bitch, bitch.”

A flurry of verbal insults ensued, though witnesses said Katy Perry’s “Firework” prevented anyone from actually hearing the argument.

“Did they really have to fight in the middle of the dance floor?” complained Kimberley Preston, a freshman at the party who was “just a little buzzed.” “I mean, really,” she added, “I was just starting to make ‘em go ahh, ahh, ahh.”

Topp explained that Newberry had dumped him earlier in the week, but that it was “still way too soon” for her to be flirting with other guys. Topp’s roommate, Rider “Warbird” Strong, said he knew that “shit was gonna get real” when Newberry came to the spotlight party dressed in green, while Weeks chose a more considerate yellow outfit.

“Only sluts wear green,” Strong insisted.

Though no one heard the argument, witnesses said “shit got messy.” According to sources close to Newberry, Topp made various gestures involving his middle finger that were “just wrong.” Newberry, meanwhile, was seen holding her thumb and index fingers just apart and laughing hysterically.

“I think she was making fun of his big nose,” said Margaret Jane, a home-schooled student who wore a “super cute” purple blouse to the party.

Strong said he felt bad for Newberry, who reeked of PBR for days, until he saw that she continued to grind upon a fraternity brother even as she argued with Topp. “Of course she would,” Strong sighed.

Newberry said she was not upset by the ordeal. “Yeah, having beer in my hair all night was lame, but listening to [Topp] try to stand up to me was so entertaining,” she said. “He never even made eye contact. Plus, with his lisp and all, it was like listening to a drunk Elmer Fudd.”

Finally, after telling Newberry that he never even liked her, Topp walked over to his friends, pounded his chest and proclaimed, “Dats da way yyou do-wit bwoys!”

Monkeys Escape from Cooley Lab, Barricade President's Office, Run University

Matt Smith

Environmental activists from the militant wing of MSU's Network of Environmentally Conscious Organizations (NECO) claimed responsibility for a recent monkey escape from Cooley Lab earlier this week that has led to a takeover of Montana Hall. It is estimated that 13 animals, including macaques, spider monkeys and at least four chimpanzees, were freed and are now in control of the university.

"We hold that all creatures deserve moral consideration. As such, freedom is an inalienable right even for the rhesus

macaque, which is now bald and albino due to extensive scientific experiments at the hands of MSU researchers," NECO said in a statement on its Web site.

Once the monkeys were released from their cages, the animals overpowered the NECO activists, tied them up and stole their belongings.

"It's like [the monkeys] have been planning this for years," said an exasperated MSU Police Lieutenant as he manned a barricade that surrounded Montana Hall, where the monkeys have been holding-up for the past 48 hours.

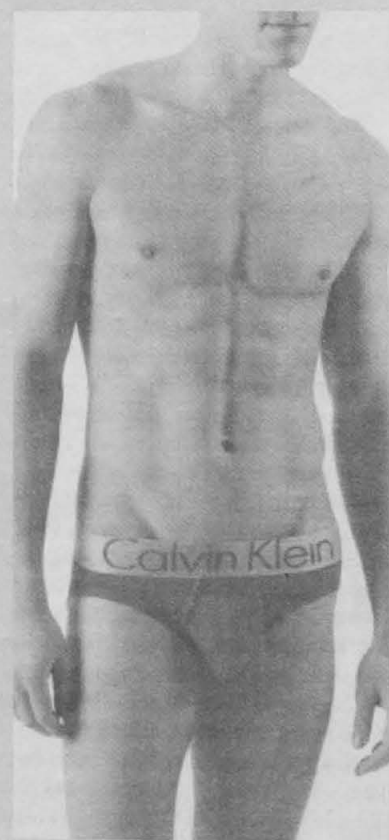
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"It's like [the monkeys] have been planning this for years," said an exasperated MSU Police Lieutenant
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The monkeys appear to have locked themselves in the MSU president's office,

where the university is run by a panel of buttons and levers. Though their intentions are not entirely clear, the escaped monkeys released a paw-written note that requested \$4 million cash, a private plane to Geneva and the re-contracting of Charlie Sheen to the popular sit-com "Two-and-a-Half Men." The show is apparently a favorite amongst primates across the world.

The note concluded with a threat of dire consequences for MSU if authorities "tried any monkey-business."

Briefs



Student Government Overthrown in Spontaneous Coup

Matt Smith

In what many are calling the "Cello Revolution," former ASMSU senator and accomplished concert-cellist John Spurvey took control of the MSU's student

government early yesterday morning.

"I was walking home from Cello lessons and decided it wouldn't be that difficult [to stage a coup]," explained the new ASMSU president. "Bjornson [the recently elected ASMSU president] is a bit of a wimp: He weighs a buck-twenty and wears his dad's clothes. I just carried him out of the office and threw him out of the SUB."

Bjornson was recently released from Health Services after treatment for a bruised ego, but had no comment on the matter.

University Red Tape Revealed as Health Promotion Initiative

Matthew Rine

Two weeks ago, second-year chemical engineering student John Raima, 19, attempted to transfer to another dormitory. He is still searching campus for the appropriate person to talk to, in what may be described as the most infuriating exercise program devised yet by a college campus.

When asked, he stated that he walks on average 5 - 10 miles a day going back and forth from buildings on campus. "Honestly by the end of the day, I sometimes don't even remember what I'm walking around for. I don't know if I'm changing my meal-plan, dropping a class or what."

This is not an uncommon problem on campus. Another student, while attempting to drop a class, had to visit 11

different buildings, three of which were not even on campus.

When confronted about this excessive amount of running around, backtracking and intense bureaucracy, ResLife director John Hashmore had this to say: "College students today don't get enough exercise, they eat fatty cafeteria food and have unhealthy sleep schedules. They don't get outside enough. This way they have no choice and hardly realize they're getting exercise."

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Erin Ratcliff

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Crows Call Foul on Magpies

Erin Ratcliff

A cry of foul play has erupted into

full-blown warfare on the Montana State University campus. After much struggle between the crows and magpies, a no fly zone has been erected by the pigeons and ducks of the area.

Tired of having their food taken by magpies, a group of crows decided to attack the perpetrators. The rebel spirit has spread across campus and now a majority of crows are standing up for their rights.

"I just need food to feed my children!" cried an outraged crow, a father of seven.

But the magpies are fighting back.

Said one magpie, "This [uprising] is just plain silly."

Campus ducks and pigeons stepped in this week, agreeing to implement a no-fly zone. Twenty-four hour patrols are keeping the area under control, using quick attacks whenever a crow or magpie is seen flying.

"The situation is just getting out of hand, but we didn't want to get too involved," Mr. Wood Duck said of the coalition's decision. "We thought [the no-fly zone] would allow them to fight their battles, but take away the magpie's unfair military advantage."

A pigeon added, "It keeps them away from our families. They don't have the power to fly very far anymore, and the war is staying within their own grounds and no longer disrupting our homes."

Girl Snags Last Pears, Students In Arms

Matthew Schwager

Tragedy struck the Miller Dining Hall on Tuesday, March 29, when "some girl" reportedly took the last of the pear halves at the end of breakfast, leaving hungry students in a lurch. Students are up in arms over the incident, accusing the unidentified girl of efficient, practical dining hall use.

The girl allegedly took the last three pear halves at 10:30 a.m. after waiting quietly in line for 30 seconds. According to eyewitnesses, she was a "total jerk" and walked quickly away, ignoring the glares of several nearby students. Ramona Whittaker, the student who was next in line, recognized the girl as a person who "pulls stuff like this all the time."

"I think it's totally unacceptable," remarked student Robert Craighead, who was also in line when the incident occurred and was forced to choose between fruit salad and artificially-sweetened strawberry yogurt. "She didn't even make eye contact," he said. "[She] just took them all in one scoop. I mean, who does that?"

"This other stuff is, like, yuck," Whittaker added.

Whittaker, who is a junior in business management, and Craighead, a freshman in English literature, both agreed that the quality and availability of food in the three MSU dining halls is of utmost concern to undergraduates.

"Ever since orientation, I knew that being picky about inconsequential things would make college a lot more bearable," Whittaker said. "When some guy in the Hedges elevator complained about the rice in Miller during the entire ride to the 11th

floor, I knew I belonged here."

"Honestly, I'm not even hungry right now," said Ryan Wilcox, a Liberal Studies major who agreed with Whittaker. "It's just that the dining halls are the best place on campus to be absolutely insufferable. Next, I'm going to walk around in high-traffic areas really, really slowly for half an hour."

MSU operates three dining halls in major dorms on campus. Although employees try their best to keep meals fresh and available, soggy pear halves are considered a "low" priority, according to University Food Service Director Julia Martin.

"What [the unidentified girl] did was kind of a dick move, but, honestly, it was almost lunchtime," Martin said. "If students want pears, maybe they should get up a little earlier."

Even during slower periods throughout the day, employees cannot constantly patrol the canned fruit reserves, remarked Operations Manager Steve Ryan. He said workers are often too busy with more important matters, such as "sneaking deserts out of the kitchen, manning the tongs so that students don't take off with all the chicken strips – that sort of thing."

"The chicken strip problem is actually what we're focusing all our efforts on at the moment," Ryan added.

For now, according to Martin, the best that the university can do is promote community healing after the debacle, saying, "Maybe tomorrow we'll put out mango spears. That'll shut them up. Unless that girl comes back again."

Hearsay

Homecoming King Carroll Rejected, Again

Matt Smith



Left, Nate Carroll at the peak of his glory and right, Carroll last week | Image by Tina Smith

Montana State University's 2010-2011 Homecoming King Nathan Carroll has been rejected again. After experiencing a meteoric rise to fame, the prized paleontology undergraduate, honors student and cartoonist has "hit rock-bottom," according to sources close to Carroll.

"[Carroll] was one of my role models," lamented Exponent writer Matt Smith. "The way he talked to girls, grew his moustache – he even got Ms. Montana USA's phone number after the [recycled fashion] show last fall!" said a teary-eyed Smith.

The number turned out to be fake and now Carroll, once clean-shaven and bright-eyed, now spends most of his time on a secondhand couch in the newspaper office formerly owned by his ex-girlfriend and has "let himself go," sporting facial hair that resembles Michael J. Fox in the 1985 film "Teen Wolf."

Rarely leaving the office – even to visit home for a shower and shave – Carroll has created a "perma-stench" on the SUB's third floor, according to Voice Center staff down the hall.

Two weeks ago, the City of Bozeman's Animal Control served Carroll with a subpoena requesting his presence in a Gallatin County courtroom under a charge of animal cruelty. Carroll has a pet turkey, "Dr. McGillicutty," who neighborhood residents claim has gone unfed for days.

"That baby turkey, he's cute as a whistle, but that damn cartoonist is a f---ing son of a bitch," said Martha Murphy, a white-haired 85-year-old who lives next door.

Many say that the final straw came after Carroll sent an e-mail to MSU President Waded Cruzado, asking her out on a dinner date. The e-mail has gone unanswered, and the former Homecoming King has been reported to rant, "She promised to listen to students! She promised..." before crumpling into the fetal position and sobbing until he falls asleep

in exhaustion – a regular event.

In a resolution that was unanimously adopted last week, the student senate decreed, "Whereas the position of Homecoming King is not a position to be taken flippantly, it is not pointless, not shallow and not at all a popularity contest."

"Therefore," the resolution concluded, "let it be resolved that The Associated Students of Montana State University hereby declare that Nathan Carroll has two weeks (14 business days) to get his shit together."

Despite his presence in the Exponent office, Carroll's semi-conscious nature left him unable to comment as of press time.

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MSU

Turn 21!
Roll dice.
1-3: Go ahead
12 spaces
4-6: Lose two
turns.

Fail
Spanish.
Los siento.

Party foul!
Go back 2
spaces.

Go to
registrar's
office;
leave
frustrated.

Guy forgets
your name.
Go ahead
3 spaces.

HHD-117:
Bowling
Fundamentals!

Work
hard.
Nothing
happens.

Beer on
sale!
Go ahead
3 spaces.

Go to Cabo.
Go back 7
spaces.

Participate in
Undie Run. Lose
respect, gain
newspaper
photo op.

Purchase big
screen TV.
Whoops. Lose a
turn.

Annual Cat/Griz
game. Roll die. Bob-
cats win on 6. Either
way, get drunk and
lose a turn.

Beat up a
Grizzly. A
fan, not a
bear. Go
ahead 10
spaces.

Existential crisis.
Move backwards
for the next two
turns.

Get hit with
a beer can.
Go back 3
spaces.



Run over
duck. You
lose!

Threshold of
hallucination:
12 days with-
out sleep.

Get lost
in Wilson
Hall. Lose
a turn.

Join
ASMSU.
You lose.

#winning

Feel bitter
and old.

Change your
major. Go back
to Choose a
Major.

Discover
Minecraft.
Game over.

**Choose
a Major**

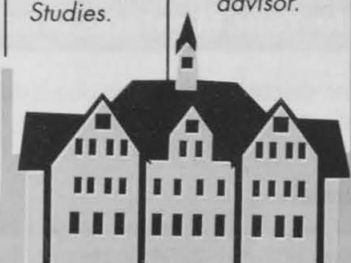
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2nd day of
school. Get
MIP, lose a
turn.

Start in
University
Studies.

Meet your
advisor.

Snow?
Snow! Skip
class, go
skiing. Lose
a turn.



START

GAME PIECES



Move off campus. Go ahead 3 spaces.

End of Freshman year. Now college really starts.

No food service. Lose a turn while figuring out how to feed yourself.

Pick up hitchhiker. Go back 7 spaces.



Wake up in unknown house. Go back 6 spaces.

Join Exponent staff. Lose weeknights.

Advisor's office never open. Lose turn waiting.

Fall in duck pond.

Cut artery in Cheever with exacto knife. Go back 2 spaces.

Fill out FAFSA, find out you're screwed. Go back 10 spaces.

Try to log in to D2L. Lose a turn.

Start playing World of Warcraft. You lose. Stop playing now.

Go to frat party. Lose two turns.



Search for job. Lose a turn.

Lose interest. Get all C- grades. Go back 2 spaces.

Ride Streamline. Go ahead 5 spaces.

Pledge money to KGLT. Go ahead 1 space.

Take Art History class. Even you don't know why. Lose a turn.

Feel inexplicitly good about the future. Go ahead 2 spaces.

Fail final exams. Start over.

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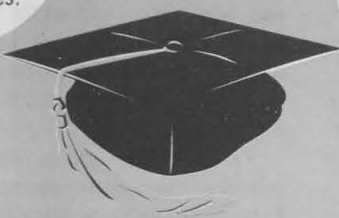
Attend graduation. Congratulations, your experience is officially meaningful.

Find a job. Go ahead 1 space.

Lose notebook. Go back 5 spaces.

Professor suggests you should consider Liberal Studies. Ouch.

Boy, finals really snuck up on you. No sleep for a week.



"REAL LIFE" GRADUATION
Now it gets tough.

Still working hard. Have no social life.

somehow graduate a semester early. Proceed to end.

Climb Ivory Tower that is Montana Hall, defeat trolls within. Go ahead 2 spaces.

Go to costume party. Get another MIP, lose turn.

Change major. Go back to Choose a Major.



Bench Warmers

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Cat/Griz Rivalry Dissolved After Grizzly Steals Trophy

Heather Kruger



Once enthusiastic fans now sit confused after rivalry end announcement. | Image by Adrian Lucas

Following last weekend's theft of the Great Divide Trophy, MSU President Waded Cruzado held a press conference Tuesday to announce that a truce has been declared in the Cat-Griz rivalry.

"I hate to be the one to end a 113-year-old tradition, but things have gotten out of hand," Cruzado said at Tuesday's press conference. "Stealing the trophy was just the last straw."

The trophy in question is none other than the Great Divide Trophy, an insignia of the rivalry. The winner of the annual Brawl of the Wild is awarded the trophy for the following year. It has been sitting in the Student Union Building since February, after the Bobcats defeated the Grizzlies last December for the first time in six years.

But on Monday morning, janitors noticed the family jewel was missing.

"I didn't want to alarm President Cruzado, so I searched for about an hour. But after checking every room in the building, I had to determine the statue was gone," said Joseph Johnson, one of the janitors on

the scene.

Security footage captured a large bear entering the SUB at around 11:30 p.m. Muddy pawprints inside the building match those of Griz mascot Monte, according to Chief of Campus Police Rudy Pope.

After hearing about the incident, Cruzado seemed distraught. She was seen charging across Centennial Mall, yelling, "Nyehhh!!!"

This is not the first act of hatred and taunting since the Bobcats rare win against the Grizzlies last year. Some MSU students reportedly traveled to Missoula just to don their Bobcats sportswear and taunt Grizzly fans, repeatedly shouting, "Eat Shit Griz!" and "Go Cats Go!" Additionally, several UM students were caught attempting to quietly transfer to MSU during the aftermath of their embarrassing loss.

Students are not pleased with the announcement that their rivalry has been declared null.

"I only applied to MSU because my brother is a Griz fan and I wanted him to

know what it felt like to have his losses rubbed in his face," said Felicia Feline, a student in multicultural studies. "Besides, it doesn't sound like MSU had much to do with the [un]sportmanlike conduct. How come we're being punished?"

President Cruzado has decided that it is up to the students at MSU to take the high road. "We don't need to prove to anyone the school spirit that we have," she said. "The rivalry cannot continue if it incites students to commit petty theft and other misdemeanors."

Some have questioned what this announcement will mean for future events, including next year's home game against the Grizzlies and the annual food drive competition. President Cruzado was unable to give a definite answer.

"I'd like to see the community-based events continue. The rivalry has been great for the organizations around town that we help, such as the Food Bank," she said. As far as the game goes, it is too late in the year to change the schedule, but the student body will be reprimanded if shameful actions are taken during the

game."

A few students have already retaliated, tagging campus with anti-Griz accessories. Some have tattooed the Bobcat logo on their arms, while others have resorted to tying a replica of the Grizzly mascot to the tops of their cars and driving brazenly through campus.

"Don't get me wrong. I love our school as much as anyone, and I think President Cruzado is doing a fantastic job, but a school just isn't a school without a rivalry," said Cameron Cubby, a junior at MSU. "I don't really know what to do with myself if I'm not allowed to show my distaste for the Grizzlies."

Punishments have yet to be set in place for those ignoring the new ban on the rivalry.

President Cruzado did say she plans to get the trophy back to its rightful place in the SUB. "That trophy is ours; we earned it. It's only fitting that it spends the rest of eternity at MSU."

Officials and students at UM were, of course, unable to be reached for comment.

Hockey Players, Fans Awash in Melted Misery

Michelle Thomas

The record-high temperatures around the hockey arena have transformed the ice arena at Haynes Pavilion to the consistency of Dairy Queen's Arctic Rushes. The MSU Hellcats were supposed to play their final game this Friday against Russian hockey superstars, KGB. This game was to be the first game a U.S. college hockey team had ever played against an internationally-acclaimed team.

This was also the first time in Hellcats history when the season had to be cut short because of concentrated warm weather in the middle of March. The team

was having a great year and was looking forward to finishing the season with the most challenging match in the club's history.

"We were going to boost the image of our completely athlete-supported hockey team in the eyes of the national and international hockey community," said head coach Derek Porter. "The players are dismayed at the ruined opportunity."

The Russian head coach could not be reached for comment, but an inside source says that, "[The coach] is relieved not to play the Hellcats, because when he loses,

he'll need to kill the other head coach to preserve dignity."

Fans are equally disappointed at this freak weather event.

"It sucks that the last game was like a freakin' blowout over UM," said MSU student fan Stich Ockey. "I know we were all looking forward to the chance to show the Russian fans how well we can hold our beer and support our team."

Hockey games are the highlight of the winter season for many MSU students, as the games give them something to do while drinking besides sitting in their

rooms playing cards. The premature liquefaction worked to crush fans' hopes for what would have been the most exciting game in the history of the Hellcats program.

Similar cancellations of games due to melting rinks have occurred around the nation in Texas, Florida, Hawaii, Arizona and even Alaska. Hockey teams across the nation have decided to move the 2011-2012 season forward a month to try and eliminate this problem occurring again next season.

Bench Warmers

Bridger Bowl Announces Snowboard Only Policy

Max Bordman



Snowboarders only at Bridger Bowl | Image by Adrian Lucas

Bridger Bowl officials announced this week that the mountain will be opening only to snowboarders next season. This came as a shock to most who heard the mountain will be opening a new "shredders only" policy.

There are three mountains within the United States that have adopted policies that don't allow snowboarders, most notably Mad River Glenn in Vermont and Alta in Utah. These policies hit a nerve with the folks at Bridger Bowl and the mountain has decided it will break the trend and battle the ignorance of other mountains by banning skiers next season.

"After reasoning with the other mountains on behalf of shredders we decided if they won't change, we will," said Billy "The Bad-Ass" Boarder, head of operations at Bridger Bowl. "Some people in the industry have said that banning skiers doesn't make us any better, but since we snowboard we know there's no truth in that."

The adoption of the policy next season will make Bridger Bowl the first snowboard-only mountain in the U.S., a claim that Bridger Bowl hopes will open the mountain to a broader range of people.

Because the mountain is on federal land, Bridger Bowl has limited costs to work with and a limited time period to open during the season. Bridger Bowl is hoping the big news of their new snowboard-only policy will drastically enhance the mountain's reputation in the snowboard community, giving snowboarders a place to feel comfortable with people of the same interests, and increasing the mountain's overall revenues and trail quality.

But they also say the move is not based purely on money. "We wanted to give them a place to feel comfortable

and free without any pesky skiers hating on their style or way of life," said Matthew "Johnny Race-Boots" Gnarbucket. "Snowboarders deserve a chance too, and we decided to give it to them."

Snowboarding has always been a sport based on progression and individuality, and Bridger Bowl is now at the forefront of that progression. Never have we as a community had so much support from a mountain as generous as Bridger Bowl. I give everyone there mad props," said pro snowboarder Buck Ferton. Bridger Bowl's announcement has stirred up a lot of passionate feelings in pros and enthusiasts alike. "Sure we may anger a few skiers, maybe even a few locals, but that's a risk we're willing to take. Snowboarders deserve the support," said Billy "The Bad-Ass" Boarder.

However, the decision didn't please everyone. "I've been going to Bridger Bowl since it opened 34 years ago!" complained a Bridger Bowl local known only as Ole-Tymer. "There's no sense in changing such a great mountain. There's plenty of space for skiers like me who need more room to turn slower." Which poses the question: Why cut off so many loyal skiers from the mountain they love? Bridger Bowl released a second press release, apologizing to all of those being affected negatively by the decision but didn't give an answer, instead adding subsequently, "If you like Bridger Bowl, better learn to snowboard."

Bridger Bowl is holding strong to their decision, although there has yet to be any word on how the mountain plans to implement the necessary changes, or if this new policy means any other changes for the mountain. As for this year's ski season, skiers take advantage, because next year, it's shredders only.

Bocce Ball Places Fourth in Honolulu

Michael Gross

Bobcat Bocce Ball. These three words may be unfamiliar to most, but to those who live, breathe and die by the ball, it's more than just a lifestyle. Most of the student body would be shocked to know that the Bobcats have a team.

For three long and hard years, the Bocce team has been training in the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse every Tuesday and Thursday night. Their long and arduous hours served them well in preparation for Nationals, which took place in Hawaii over spring break.

I dropped in on their last Bozeman practice before heading to the competition. They began with group hand exercises, which boost the team's spirit and gets their fingers flexible (flexible fingers are vital to a successful Bocce approach).

I was able to sit down with star player and captain Shelby Harris, who has been playing the game since she was old enough to grab balls. She practiced with the elderly crowd at the local retirement home.

"Despite their slow movements and lack of sensory ability, their fervor for the game really rubbed off on me. I was always honored when a resident who used to play would ask me to continue the Bozeman Bocce Ball spirit for them after they passed. Needless to say, this happened a lot," said Harris.

She and fellow Bobcats have been training hard for the last year, sacrificing their grades and social lives to become the fastest, most aggressive players in the country. Harris told me about the pressure she feels as a captain.

"I feel a heavy weight from the team. I understand how important this is to everybody and I know they all look up to me as a leader. We're ready to take it home for the win. It's time to show the world what

Bozeman Bocce is made of."

There are 10 players in all, from different backgrounds and levels of experience. They shared a mix of ecstatic and nervous emotions before the flight across the Pacific, where they would "lay down their lives for the Bocce."

The team arrived in Honolulu prepared, loose and ready to handle some balls- until they reached the hotel and realized something crucial. Hawaii Bocce Ball is played on sand with coconuts, which neither the coach nor the rest of the team had known before.

Harris described to me her heartbreak at the news. "I broke down inside. I'd never played Bocce on a beach before. I wasn't ready, none of us were. Who does that anyway? What kind of heartless bastard would ever change the game so drastically?" The team's spirit was drenched as their shot at the national title was slowly fading away.

However, the coach gave a resounding pep talk and rallied everyone. She evoked what it meant to be a Bocce player. She reminded them of the blood, sweat and tears they had put into their practices, and how everyone at MSU back home was counting on them. The speech was electrifying. The players were able to connect on an emotional level and that was enough to get the team motivated.

They rested that night. Harris asked to be left alone so she could collect her thoughts, remember her senior citizen teammates and mentally prepare for what she said would be the most important day of her life.

The team brought stiff competition to the beach the next day. Although they came in fourth, the coach said she was proud of how quickly the team pulled it together after the setback.

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Bench Warmers

Why I Love Sports

Matt Schwager



Super fan, Matt Schwager, cheers on the Bobcats.
Image by Adrian Lucas

You may know me as Matthew Schwager, the chronically unhip Opinion Guy who loves to write finger-wagging lectures about politics and vaginas. But there's another side to me that you may not be familiar with: Matthew "Football" Schwager, the Absolute Sports Nut.

It's true! I love every turf-tearing, ball-pounding moment of the Big Game, from the exciting stadium-fillers to the boring ones like track.

After all, sports are undoubtedly the most important aspect of any college education. RHA, the Leadership Institute and my mother, whom I call daily, have convinced me of one thing: You have to go outside and make some friends. Stocking up on a hearty supply of school spirit and the activities that foster it is really the most efficient way to make college count. To that end, I have pledged to abandon my academic studies in favor of the most fulfilling activity of all: watching a bunch of kids from out of state get sweaty and throw a ball around.

This may come as a shock to you, but I didn't always think this way. At one time I thought all sports were worthless; consequently, I never knew

how they worked. It took just one accidental trip to a sporting event to get me hooked. I immediately asked the person next to me how this "football" "game" worked. He smelled kinda boozy and shouted a lot, but the resulting seven frantic seconds of communication before he vomited on my shoes made me decide that I loved this man and what he stood for. I realized that I could quickly learn the rules to all sports with only the help of drunken bystanders.

It is because of these wonderful people that I have come to appreciate these games. I love the squeak of tennis shoes on the glossy basketball court as some of the tallest people I've ever seen try to toss the ball through the goalposts. I love how the snow floats through the frigid air onto the football field as the players fling a weighted sack around to secure what I am told is a "win." I love smelling dew on the green in the early morning while golfers aim their swings toward an array of tiny colored holes, each containing a cash prize. I even love the intimacy and intensity of watching billiards players aim at holes in order to appease the Grand Billiards Judge, who shall soon emerge to cast sinners into the outer darkness.

It's all beautiful. Every sweaty, panting moment spent in a sea of jostling fans who are each screaming unintelligibly is absolute heaven. I wouldn't have it any other way.

I've even taken road trips by myself to attend a couple of the latest basketball games played by our very own 'Cats, each of them resulting in, as far as I can tell, resounding victories. It's not just the "wins" that warm my heart, but also how humbly the team reacts to each inevitable outcome. I love how every player looks dejected at the end of each game simply because everyone knows there is absolutely no way for the Bobcats to do an even better job. Go team!

You might tell me that moderation is the best policy for everything. I say: Shut it. These wonderful pastimes have lit a fire under me. I am in it for the all, the 110 percent, the "win." Sometimes I miss my past life, when I could sleep without being interrupted by the Bobcat growl echoing in my head, when I talked philosophy with my friends rather than about the point-set lineup for the spring season in front of a mirror, but then I remember: I have a game to get to.



Guilty Pleasures

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Fort Building in Leigh Lounge

Randall Blair

On Friday, April 1, the Architecture Department will hold an annual fort building competition, known as "Fuerte Construcción: Construcción de Fuertes," in the SUB's Leigh Lounge at noon. The event is a long-held tradition of the ever-demanding Architecture Department's ARCH 326 class.

As with all of the Architecture program's infamously demanding junior-level design courses, the event is the culmination of a semester-long design process. Students are required to consider all aspects of construction, beginning with

rough sketches drawn on a bar napkin, to blueprints, mini-models and finally, this week, the construction of the actual structures in our very own Strand Union Building.

An hour before the competition, a spectator's competition will be held where the public can storm into Leigh Lounge and build forts at will. Leif Lafterson, the course's professor, explained that the scene is carefully planned to avoid total anarchy. The couches and chairs are divided into six separate "realms" and are handed out to the public on a first-come-

first-serve basis.

Judging for the public competition will be at 11:45 a.m., awards at 11:50, and the structures taken down at 11:55 to make room for the Architecture Department. The rest of the afternoon will be devoted to the architecture students, who will face the judges at 5 p.m..

"I am so excited for this," said Jainye Jortmeister, one of the Architecture students participating this year, "I haven't slept for two weeks, but the curves of our pillow arrangement complement the negative space created by the perpendicular

walls perfectly, and the colors bring out the faded pattern of the carpet as well as you could hope." She added that "these are real structures meant to sustain life!"

A passing civil engineering student, Theodore Angstrom, was less enthusiastic about the proceedings. "Those Architecture students — they never seem to build anything that lasts," he said "they don't even try to build moment-resisting joints into their structures."

Guilty Pleasures

"A Shore Thing" Review

Pat Hessman

They say write what you know. That being said, Snooki was the perfect person to write this story of two single-minded floozies in a competition to see who can be the biggest hussy on the Jersey shore. I considered myself tough for stomaching "Breaking Dawn," but after this pile of whale vomit, I realized Edward Cullen has nothing on Ms. Polizzi.

The story follows transparent author avatar Gia and her cousin Bella, who couldn't be more different. Gia wants to spend the summer having sex with as many guidos as she can, while Bella ... umm ... wants to spend the summer having sex with as many guidos as she can. There's also a pair of villainous muscle-heads who are deviously conspiring to ... have sex with Gia and Bella.

In the course of cousins' noble quest, houses are burned down, laxatives cause six-hour shitting fits and Gia learns to talk to sharks. There was a moral at some point about not needing guys to complete themselves, but it was lost amidst the characters' constant boozing and banging.

Perhaps the book has value as an educational look at the life of young adults

living on the Jersey Shore.

The book assumes one is familiar with Shore slang – it took me several chapters to realize "gorillas" were in fact over-muscled Jersey boys. I also learned how a properly constructed pouf was the pinnacle of a proper Jersey girl's existence.

Another strange lesson is that men in Jersey revel in strange nicknames, characters show up with names like Bender, Hulk and Trouble. In the end though, the book becomes more of an argument to firebomb the place into an ashy Armageddon and salt the land so nothing can grow for seven years.

The book is best described by Chapter 22's title: "The Fine Art of Bullshit." There are two types of people who will enjoy this book: "Jersey Shore" fans and literary masochists. If you dressed up as Snooki for Halloween and dream of finding your own "gorilla" someday, you probably already read the book and have no need for this two-month-late review. If you're of the latter, though, prepare your mind for an exercise in self harm like none other. Just make sure you can cover your therapy bills afterwards.

New Pole Dancing Class at Hosaeus Gym

Bridget Grismer

If you had to spend any amount of time exercising, which none of us really enjoy, why not exercise while learning a very marketable skill: pole dancing? Not only do you get an awesome workout, but you could consider yourself in training for future career opportunities. For, our graduating seniors, this may be just the career advice you need. As for everyone else, why not have an alternative plan to your major? Back-up money-making skills never hurt anyone. Pole dancing classes teach the credited skills of: chair dancing, spinning and floor dancing. These classes

include the option to bring one of your own accessories, including but not limited to hats, gloves, boas or, my personal favorite, hundred dollar bills. Men, I know you're interested and trust me, the pole dancing community is interested in you.

Classes will be starting April 1 at the Hosaeus Gym and will be offered every Monday and Thursday from 3 - 4 p.m. If you don't feel that you quite have the confidence to join a class, one can search the web to buy a new or used pole to practice with on your own.

Important Life Lessons from Rebecca Black

Vanessa Naive



Distraught young man confused over Rebecca Black's life lessons. | Image by Adrian Lucas

Shame on the education system, your parents, your pastors! Apparently, nobody knows what days of the week we have anymore. This is supported by the 600,000 people on Facebook that attended "Friday" and displayed it proudly on their profiles.

Friday is an important night for going out, but many people had no idea until Rebecca Black came onto the scene with her hit single "Friday," claiming that it's the day of "fun fun fun fun fun!"

The 13-year-old has swept the nation with her hit viral video overnight. Not only has she finally reminded us the order of the week (Thursday came before Friday? I thought it was two days after!), she also teaches us some very important life lessons. These lessons include the importance of having a fancy car, skipping school, partying, grammar and which seat to take in the car.

Now, I don't know about you, but I'm pretty sure you would be the coolest 13-year-old in school if you could drive a Mercedes Benz. Unfortunately, this is also breaking all sorts of laws. Therefore, Rebecca Black shows that it's OK to break the law, as long as you're having fun doing it (something that college students do on a regular basis).

Skipping school is also legitimate if it's Friday. Because honestly, who pays attention in class anyways?

Rebecca Black also teaches us a very important lesson: You can have just as much fun partying sober as you can drunk! I don't see any red cups in these

young teens' hands, nor do I see any beer pong tables in the background. These kids really know how to get things going!

If you want to be cool, remember not to use correct grammar. "We we so excited" and "we gonna have a ball today"



Thursday came before Friday? I thought it was two days after!



is the hippest slang to date. "Are" is now officially banned. Only old geezers use "are" in a sentence anymore.

And finally, it's INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT to know which seat you belong in the car. Is it the front? Is it the back? Music elitist Colin Gaiser thinks that it represents a dichotomy in society and the indecision that faces us: liberal or conservative? Coke or Pepsi? While this decision faces us all, Rebecca Black chooses the back seat, and demonstrates the importance of making a decision.

Also, you can only drive in the fast lane if you can rap.

There we have it: the important life lessons of Rebecca Black. Follow this code, and you will become the coolest prepubescent on the block ... or the laughing stock of the entire Internet.

MAR. 31 - APRIL 7

Compiled by Moriah Ellig

Lectures & Forums

SNOOKIE AND THE SITUATION MASTER CLASS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6; 3 PM

PROCRASTINATOR THEATER

Preregistration required; space is limited, so be sure to sign up early. Don't miss this opportunity to pick the brains of New Jersey's finest.



BEING JERSEY IN MONTANA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6; 7 PM

SUB BALLROOMS

Snookie and The Situation will be giving a joint lecture on the difficulties of being Jersey in Montana, and will detail clothing, yelling styles, partying strategies, and sleeping habits to make your transformation complete. If you do not come, Snookie will attack you like a f***ing squirrel monkey.

RAPPELLING 101

MONDAY, APRIL

4; 1:30 PM

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HAZARDS OF WINTER SUNBATHING

TUESDAY, APRIL 5; 3 PM

SUB 236

You hear about it in the summer, but what about the winter? Learn the health risks, alternatives and how to keep your skin healthy in the dry winter months.



100 USES FOR A CONDOM

THURSDAY, MAR. 31; 4:30 PM

SUB 168

Wonder no more.

HOW TO CAFFEINATE EVERYTHING YOU EAT

FRIDAY, APRIL 1; 7 PM

SUB 263

Attend this lecture in preparation for finals week. Learn a variety of methods for adding caffeine to your food.

Music

AIR GUITAR CONTEST

FRIDAY, APRIL 1; 10 PM

SUB BALLROOM A

Bring your own guitar.



Community

DEATH WISH GRAND OPENING

SATURDAY, APRIL 2; 11 AM

NEXT TO PETE'S HILL

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Other

NUDE FUN RUN

THURSDAY, APRIL 7; 12 PM

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LORD OF THE RINGS COSTUME PARTY

SATURDAY, APRIL 2; 8 PM

SUB BALLROOM A

Dance the night away, like a hobbit. Prizes awarded for most creative, most original, and most accurate costumes.

FLASH MOB DANCE

FRIDAY, APRIL 1; 12 PM

CENTENNIAL MALL

Now that you know, you'd better be there.

Sports

LIGHTSABERS VS. WANDS ULTIMATE DUEL

TUESDAY, APRIL 5; 6 PM

ROMNEY GYMNASIUM

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QUIDDITCH MATCH

MONDAY, APRIL 4; 4 PM

BOBCAT STADIUM

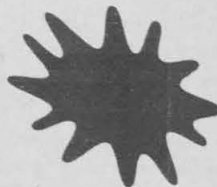
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MONTANA HALL

FRIDAY, APRIL 1; 3:30 PM - 5 PM

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CAMPUS-WIDE

PILLOW FIGHT

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6; 4 PM

CAMPUS WIDE

Bring your own pillow, duh. Only attack those with pillows. Pajamas, especially onesies, strongly encouraged.

ROLLERBLADE RALLY

SATURDAY, APRIL 2; 5 PM

MEET AT HEATING PLANT, WILL
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Film & Theater

A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF A COLLEGE KID

MONDAY, APRIL 4; 8 PM

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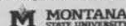
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SEXCREMENT

DO NOT HAVE SEX

I'm a freshman and have always sorta practiced involuntary abstinence, although the way things have been going with a female friend of mine that might change. I'm not necessarily opposed to having sex, but I'm not entirely sure. Any suggestions?

- J. Seamand

Don't do it. Now, I could try to be funny with this and talk about the unsung reasons not to have sex. For instance, do you realize how much time out of your day it takes? Even if you only last three minutes in taking care of the important stuff, you've got at least a half-hour to an hour of making out and foreplay beforehand and about an hour or two of snuggling and pillow talk afterward. With masturbation, you can at least multitask and get an episode of the Golden Girls in.

And forget about sleeping. Even if you're not wearing out each other's knees all night, then you'll be cuddling. Sure, cuddling can be nice for like, ten minutes. But pretty soon the both of you are uncomfortably moist and trying to pretend that the nerve in your arm is not asleep and slowly going numb.

I'm not even going to go into the

whole pregnancy thing, other than to say that the only way to truly avoid pregnancy and STDs is to not have sex. Oh, by the



Don't do it.



way, if you were wondering what having an STD is like, simply cut out the provided STD simulator below and cover your genitals with it in mirror.

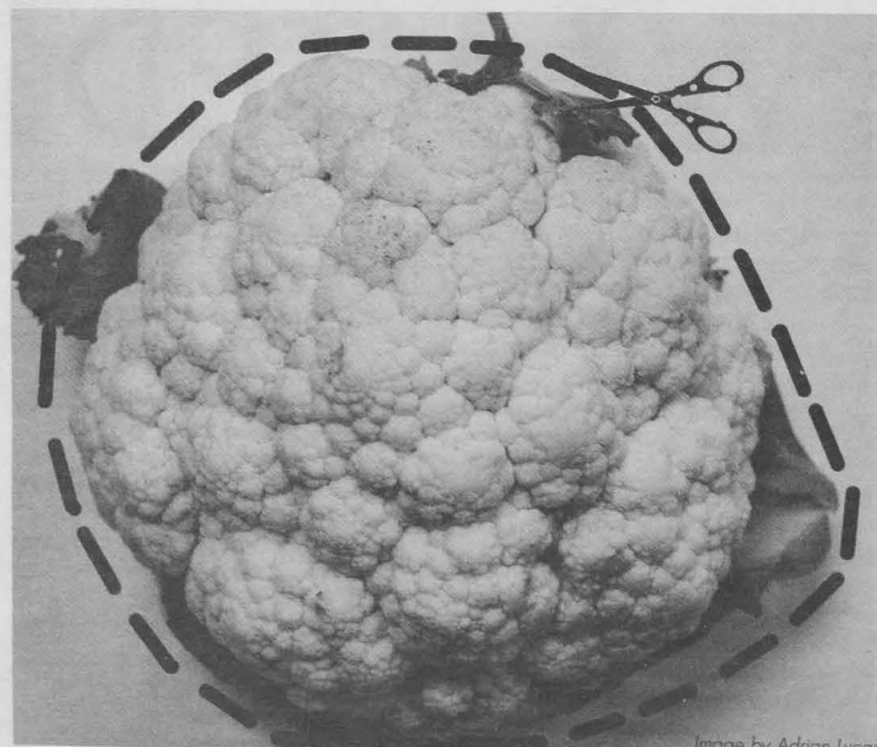


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Student Art

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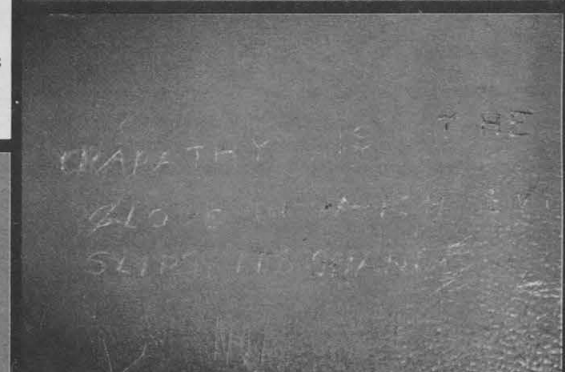
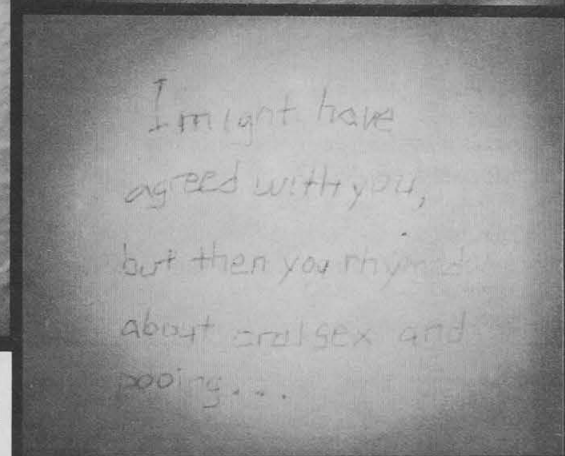
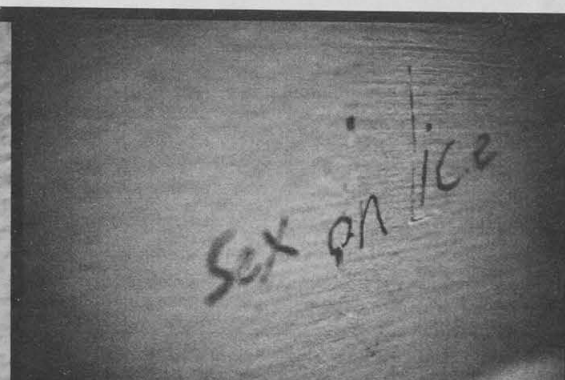
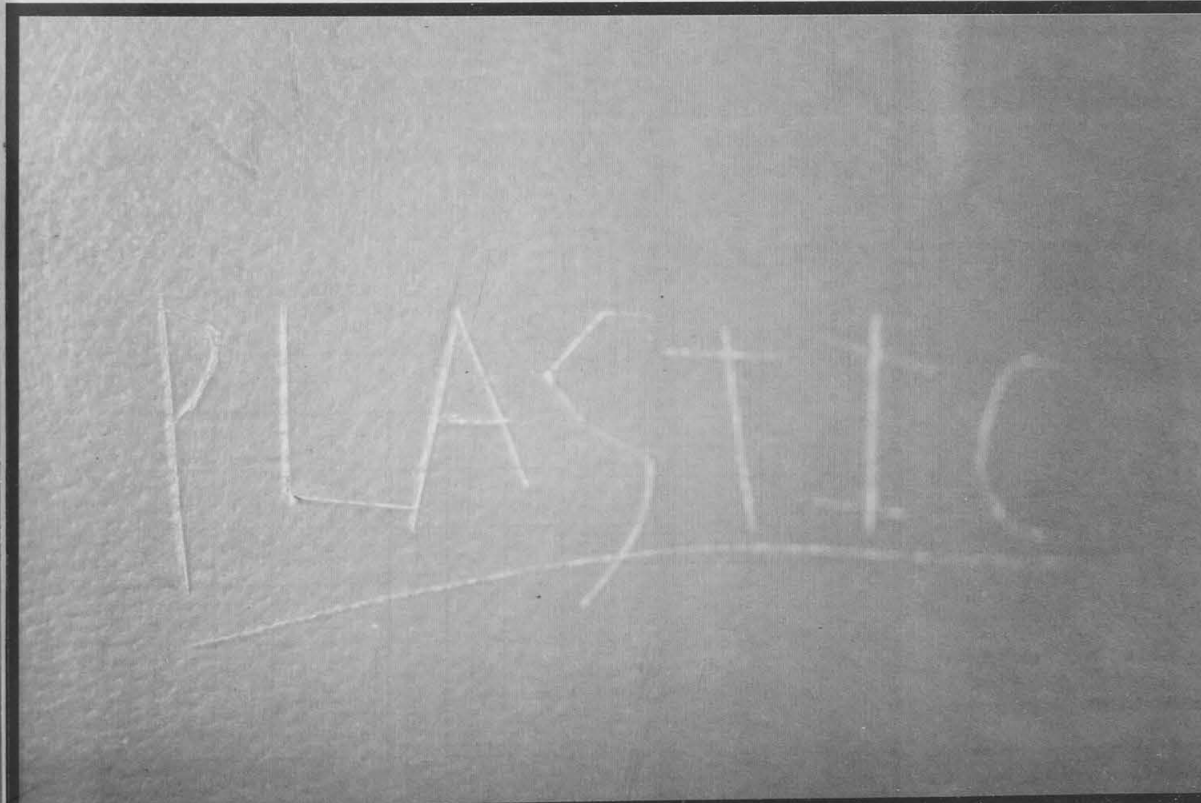


Artist Statement

As a freshman art student, I have had trouble getting my unique style of art into the galleries around campus. This frustrated me until I hit upon an idea during class one day. A student behind me was complaining about his shitty weekend and it hit me: bathrooms!

Only limited tools can be brought inconspicuously into a bathroom, and because it is hard to scratch Van Gogh and DaVinci replicas onto stall doors, I opted to put my minor in English Literature to work and wrote quotes instead.

I feel like I have a bright future in this because students are already recognizing my work and helping me improve it by adding letters to "apathy" and "ice". I feel like these quotes can really speak to college students and that we all have something to offer. MSU bathrooms are just the first step. Eventually my work will be featured all over the world.



THE BOX

Welcome to **The Box**, a weekly feature intended to provide an eclectic array of puzzles, cartoons, jokes and quotes. The Exponent Staff doesn't care about any dumb suggestions for content to be published here, so don't bother e-mailing us at: editor@exponent.montana.edu

IN OTHER NEWS...

STORIES THAT WE WERE TOO LAZY AND/OR HUNGOVER TO PUBLISH.

Student Caught Admiring Bobcat Statue, Motive Unclear

Ski Bum Outraged by Lack of Gnar at Annual Pow-Wow

Hipster Admits Skinny Jeans are Uncomfortable; Experiences Alienation, Chafing

MSU Adopts Charlie Sheen as New Mascot; Tiger Blood New Official Drink

Ann Coulter to Receive Honorary Doctorate from MSU

Cruzado's Plan for Second Year in Office: 'I'm Outta Here'

Study Shows College Students Actually 'Don't Think Real Well'

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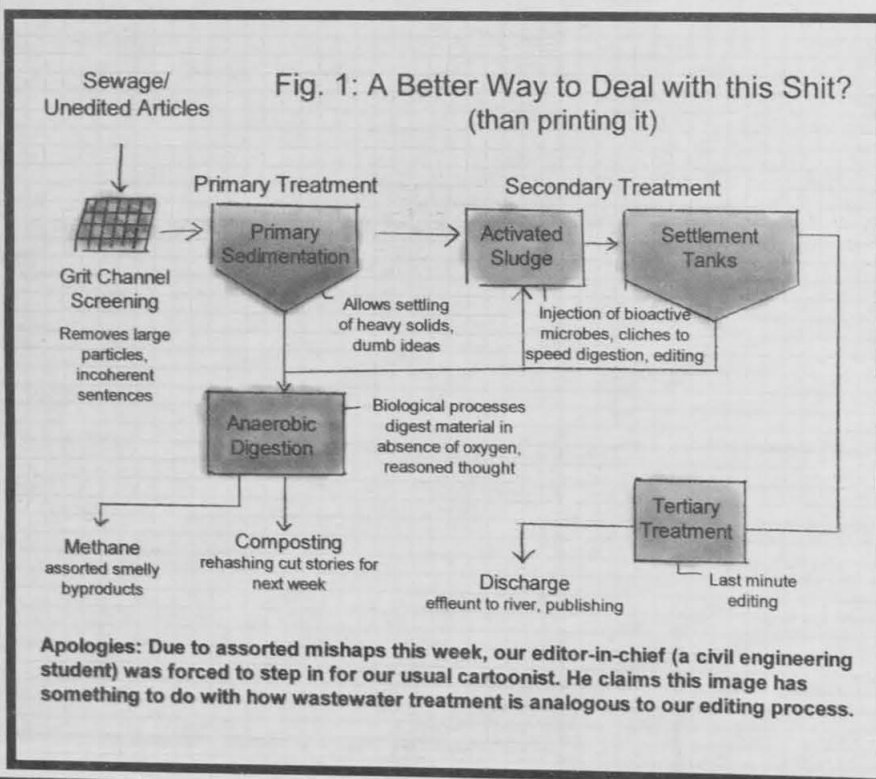
AGR Fraternity Endorses Tobacco Ban

Despite NCAA Commercial, Student Athletes 'Still A Bunch Of Dumb Jocks'

After Failed EWB Composting Experiment, Shit Literally Hits Fan

CARTOON

BY ~~NATE CARROLL~~ Eric Dietric



Big Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Feces
- 5 Rhymes with 'onomasiology'
- 8 Terminal STD
- 12 High-class prostitute
- 14 'Pain in my
- 17 Hangnail
- 18 Homosexual Republican governor
- 19 Excellent potting soil
- 21 Marie-Antoinette's favorite TV show
- 24 80's teen film your sister loves
- 26 Nonviolent massacre
- 30 That, uh, one thing
- 32 Incredible Hulk's calorie intake
- 33 Fun prison experience
- 35 Side effect of Olestra
- 36 Sudden Infant Death Syndrome
- 37 Gris-Gris

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- 38 Cretaceous-era sex toy
- 41 Awkward smear you don't want to explain to the laundromat lady
- 42 My favorite color
- 43 What?
- 5 Evangelical stripper
- 6 Annoying song by 13-year-old Canadian
- 7 Describe your childhood.
- 8 The best two things on a woman's body
- 9 Epilepsy
- 10 Woodland creature named after male genitalia
- 11 Friendly PCP user
- 16 Onager-hole
- 20 Montana's favorite drug problem
- 21 Crossword puzzle clue
- 22 Alex Trebek's mother
- 23 'Blow it out your
- 24 Mastication
- 26 What you do alone in your bathroom at night
- 27 Epilepsy
- 28 'Ain't nothin' but a Thang'

DOWN

- 1 I didn't say anything
- 2 Oh, I thought you did
- 3 Nope
- 4 Famous dead person

SUDOKU

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Place a couple numbers here and there to try and make it add up or something... Oh, who cares. I never understood this stupid puzzle anyway.

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