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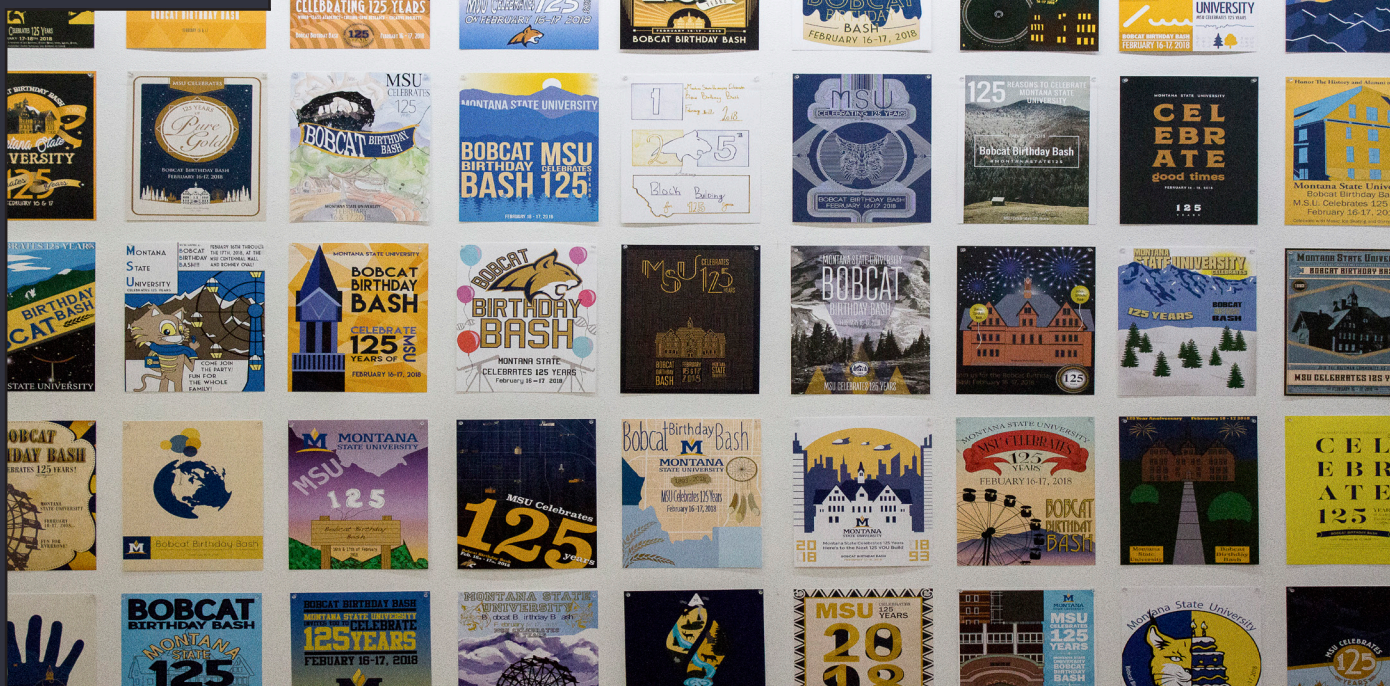


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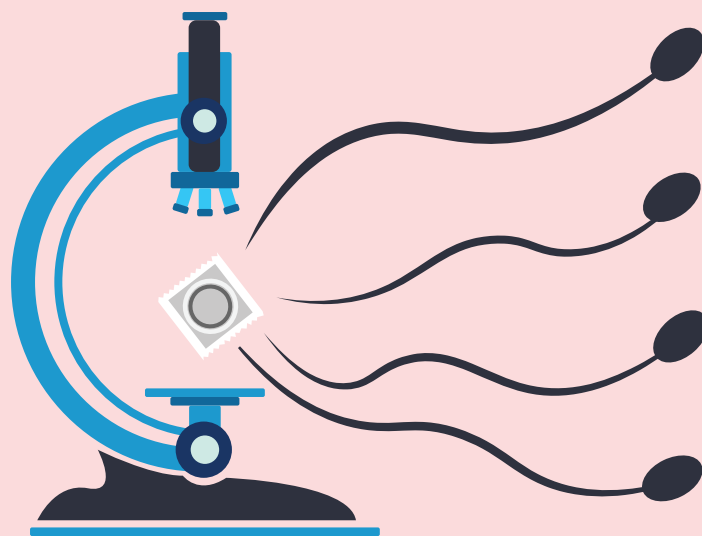
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The Exit Gallery is hosting a showcase of the posters designed to commemorate Montana State's 125th Birthday.

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SIGNIFICANT FIGURES – ON STIs



50 PERCENT OF SEXUALLY ACTIVE PEOPLE WILL CONTRACT AN STI BY 25

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE US WITH HIV **1.1M**

1 in 6 SEXUALLY ACTIVE PEOPLE HAVE HERPES

BABY BOOMERS ARE MORE LIKELY TO GET HEPATITIS C BY **5X**

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HEARD ON THE WEB



From @mtmiss8209:

“Big preparations underway for the 125th Bobcat Birthday Bash! I don't know what they're doing, but we definitely don't see this everyday! #125th #bobcatbirthdaybash #montanahall #montanastate #montanastateuniversity”

INSTAGRAM OF THE WEEK



From @msuwrites:

“Say hello to three of the Writing Center's most studious tutors Ellise, Julia, and Zane as they close out the week with MSU's resident Whitman. “The secret of it all is to write... Without waiting for a fit time or place” -Walt Whitman”

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NEWS

Food, fun and fundraising: International Food Bazaar

BY SHELBY MORRIS

The 35th Annual International Food Bazaar was back for another successful year. The Office of International Programs hosted this annual fundraiser for cultural clubs on campus. On Saturday, Feb. 3 the SUB was home to this collection of fun cuisine. An assortment of clubs, such as Foreign Exchange and Study Abroad, showed up to cook up something tasty, interact with the community and raise funding.

The atmosphere felt like a street bazaar where anyone could find something they loved while walking down the rows of international culture and cuisine. Everyone in the Bozeman community was invited to join in on the festivities, and MSU students got in for free. Once inside, food tickets were available for purchase, encouraging everyone to walk around and try something. Each booth could sell food items for up to six tickets per item or plate (each ticket was \$1). The cultural experience was enhanced through colorful attire along with inviting music and dancing that differed from booth to booth.

"This is so fun," Anna Jurovich, a sophomore studying nursing who attended the event, said. "I wish more cultural events like this were available for MSU students."

Over 25 different countries were represented, and over 50 different food items presented. Those who

joined in on the celebration could grab a tray to collect as many diverse dishes as possible or try one at a time.

Seating was available in Union Market and in the SUB Ballrooms surrounding the main event. Each booth represented a unique country, run either by a group of visiting students from that country, a club on campus which appreciates that country's culture or both. Each booth was run by a different group of MSU students or organizations excited to share their international expertise with the whole Bozeman community.

Each year, the fundraiser welcomes more than 3,000 patrons of all ages who show up to be immersed in a unique dining experience. This event happens every year, and the Office of International Programs hosted yet another year of great fun and excellent food.



Montana State students from Ghana serve traditional cuisine from their home country to students and community members inside a packed and vibrant Strand Union Ballroom in Bozeman on Saturday, Feb. 03, 2018.

PHOTO BY BRAEDEN ROESLER

MOR director McKamey retires

BY KARALEE KOTHE

Shelley McKamey, the Executive Director of the Museum of the Rockies (MOR), announced on Jan. 25 that she will retire at the end of this year. McKamey's 15 years as head of the museum are the longest in its history. Although she became director in 2003, McKamey has worked for the museum since 1987, first working as marketing director.

"It's been a huge part of my life," McKamey said of her time with MOR. "It has made a pretty profound impact on the experiences and opportunities I've had."

The museum has seen major changes since McKamey started working there. Initially, the museum focused only on Montana history and artifacts and had an attendance made up primarily of locals. However, last year the museum set a record attendance number with 196,201 visitor. The paleontology program is internationally recognized and is one of Montana's top 10 tourist destinations. McKamey and the museum's board have worked together to bring the world to Montana with exhibits showcasing King Tut, Leonardo Da Vinci's inventions, Picasso's ceramics and, in two weeks' time, a new Julius Caesar display.

The MOR also shares Montana with the world by traveling its paleontology exhibit, "Dinosaur Dynasties: The Evolution of Montana Dinosaurs in Asia." Last summer the exhibit was in Japan, where MOR has two sister museums. This global exchange "has been a hugely positive thing with the museum," McKamey said.

Once McKamey took over as director, she helped change the face

of the museum by updating all the dinosaur halls to accommodate new research, updating the planetarium, expanding the farm and adding storage space. In 2013, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers requested the MOR's impressive T-rex for display at the Smithsonian to become the "Nation's Tyrannosaurus rex." The MOR then replaced the exhibit with their second T-rex on display within the year, calling it "Montana's T-rex."

The museum has been a division of MSU since 1957. It offers MSU students applied experience in a variety of fields such as paleontology, aspiring agriculture and art teachers, astronomy, museum studies, marketing, civil engineering and architecture, tourism and hospitality majors.

McKamey said the museum is an extension of MSU's land grant principles of research, education and outreach, offering non-traditional educational experiences for four-year-olds with Tours for Tots, up to adults with the Wonderlust program. McKamey graduated from MSU and grew up in Montana's schools, "so to be at something that can contribute to Montana education is really important to me," she said.

As for as the future of the MOR, "I think we are doing a really good job right now, I hope we continue to do that, but better," McKamey said, "[we want to] reach more kids, be at more service to the university and continue to be an economic factor [in the Bozeman community]." MSU will direct a national search for a new director to take over next year.

Campus Pride applauds MSU for inclusivity

BY WANGMO TENZING

As of last week, the non-profit organization Campus Pride has chosen MSU as the most LGBTQ-friendly university in Montana. It beat the University of Montana based on the number of inclusive efforts introduced for the safety and well-being of MSU's LGBTQ students. This recognition came as a result of MSU's endeavor to meet the demands of the Queer Straight Alliance (QSA) following the executive order of Gov. Steve Bullock to prohibit discrimination in state employment in Jan. 2016. The QSA then drafted a letter to President Cruzado with five demands that MSU should consider to make campus more welcoming for its LGBTQ students.

Now, two years later, most of the

five demands are in effect and have been implemented. The demand for gender-neutral bathrooms and a gender-neutral gym locker room are complete and can be found on the

Baird, the current president of QSA and ASMSU Senator At-Large, noted that this demand "manifested in the creation of the graduate assistant [position] in the DISC." It was

The mentoring program to provides support to the underrepresented students and provides a strengthened, inclusive community at MSU.

second floor of the library and the second floor of the Hosaeus Fitness Center, respectively. QSA also wanted personnel hired in the Diversity and Inclusion Student Commons (DISC) who would solely focus on issues that concern LGBTQ students. Jamie

created to advocate for the LGBTQ community and provide students with resources to deal with matters that arise from being LGBTQ.

Baird went on to say that another demand, the Chosen Name Project, is currently playing out well with many

students successfully completing the process of integrating their chosen name on MSU's online systems such as MyInfo, D2L and class rosters. This is an inclusionary initiative that lets gender nonconforming students utilize a name that matches their identity expression rather than their given name.

Another feature that MSU has that led to this recognition is its LGBTQ Mentoring Program. The program connects students in need of guidance with someone who is trained and experienced in dealing with the issues partial to queer students. It was developed to provide support to the underrepresented students and to provide a strengthened inclusive community at MSU.

SPORTS

Track & field keeps on runnin'

BY CALEB RUX

The Bobcat Invitational took place at Worthington Arena in Bozeman on Friday, Feb. 2. Individuals representing Montana and Wyoming schools, includ-

ing Montana State, Carroll College, Gillette College and Montana State University-Billings competed. With only three meets left, many Bobcats competed heavily to earn themselves a spot in the 2018 Big Sky Conference

(BSC) Indoor Track and Field Championships in Flagstaff, Ariz.

The action began on Friday

evening, and the Bobcats did not disappoint. The men's and women's teams combined for an incredible 33 personal bests, and altered eight Bobcat all-time top 10 marks. Furthermore, the Bobcats took first place in 25 of the 32 events.

Notable results included sophomore Alec Nehring, who threw for an impressive 56'8", putting him ninth all-time for the Cats and in first place for the event on Friday. Sophomore Wyatt Thompson-Siporen vaulted his way to first place in the event and fifth for the Cats all-time after clearing 16'6.75," which is second best in the Big Sky so far this season.

Freshman sprinter Trisha Carlson made her mark by taking first place in the 200-meter dash with a time of 2:11.97, slingshotting her to sixth all-time

as a Bobcat. Junior Jadin Casey and freshman Parker Walton both also performed well in the 200-meter dash, setting times of 22.15 and 22.16 seconds, respectively, taking first and second place and making their way into MSU's top 10 all-time for the event. Sophomore distance runners Cameron Carroll and Ty Mogan each set the best times thus far in the Big Sky Conference for the 800-meter dash and the 5000-meter run, respectively, and are both in the top 10 all-time at MSU after Friday.

A plethora of other Bobcats set lifetime bests at the meet and are on a roll just in time for the conference championships. The Bobcats next meet is on Friday, Feb. 9 at 3:30 p.m. at Worthington Arena; conference opponents Weber State, Idaho State and Montana will be competing in the dual-scoring contest.



Montana State runner Drake Schneider (Center) competes in the hurdles during the Bobcat invitational Friday, Feb. 02, 2018.

PHOTO BY ASHLEY SHENYER

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Caudill breaks record, Cats take one of two

BY TRACY ZUHOSKI

The Cats fought two hard conference games over the weekend, taking one out of two with a victory over the University of North Dakota (UND) while dropping the contest to the University of Northern Colorado (UNC).

The Cats welcomed the Fighting Hawks of North Dakota to the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse on Feb. 1, earning a four-game winning streak. The Cats rode tough defense and high shooting percentage throughout the game enroute to a 72-56 win in front of the National Women and Girls in Sports Day crowd. In addition to female student athletes showing off their talents beforehand to the youth of Bobcat Nation, young Bobcat fans helped with gameday activities from directing the band to announcing the game.

Senior guard Rebekah Hatchard topped the leaderboards for the Cats tallying 18 points. All five starters collected double figures in points as the Cats put together a well-rounded team effort.

With a five-game winning streak, the Cats next welcomed the UNC

Bears on Feb 3. Both teams came into the contest with 7-3 conference records, tied for second place in the Big Sky. The Cats looked to start strong and did just that, taking a five-point lead into halftime. The Bears responded in the second half, outscoring the Cats 47-27. The Cats dropped the game by a final score of 78-63.

Senior guard Hannah Caudill found her way to the record books over the weekend after surpassing former Bobcat Vicki Heebner Carle's 20-year-old assist record of 443 assists by earning 455. Senior guard Delany Junkermier led the Cats with 18 points in this game.

With just seven games remaining in conference play, the Cats will look to build momentum toward a third-straight conference title starting with games on the road against Sacramento State and Portland State on Feb. 8 and 10, respectively.

Montana State guard Tori Martell (2) tries to shoot a basket past a group of North Dakota players during a NCAA women's basketball game in Bozeman on Thursday, Feb. 1, 2018.

PHOTO BY BRAEDEN ROESLER



Bobcat tennis swings home

BY TRACY ZUHOSKI

The MSU Women's Tennis Team held their first home matches of the spring season against the University of Montana Grizzlies and the Seattle University Redhawks this past weekend. The match against the Grizzlies was not part of the Brawl of the Wild series, nor did it count toward Big Sky Conference standings.

The Bobcats played well in both matches, but dropped both, falling 6-1 to the Grizzlies and 4-3 in a tightly-contested match against the Redhawks.

The Cats hosted the Grizzlies on Feb. 2 at the Bobcat-Anderson Tennis center. Even without the Brawl of the Wild series or conference standings at risk, both teams played well. The Cats fought hard in the doubles series, but the Griz took the point for the doubles matches, winning two

of three games. With the Cats down a point already, they turned to their singles players to get them back in the match. Freshman Annie Walker got the Cats on the board with her victory over junior Nathalie Joanlanne of UM. The Cats battled hard the rest of the match, but ended on the wrong end of a 6-1 victory for the Grizzlies.

The Cats hosted the Redhawks of Seattle University on Feb. 4 next. They battled down to the wire, with three Bobcats collecting singles wins, but it was not enough as the Redhawks gained the advantage from a 2-1 victory in the doubles that would prove to be the decisive point in the match.

The Bobcat Men's Tennis team voyaged West at the same time, journeying to Gonzaga University on Saturday, Feb. 3 and to Eastern Washington University (EWU) on Sunday,

Feb. 4. The Cats showed signs of improvement while taking on the Pacific Northwest schools, but were unable to muster up any momentum as Gonzaga swept the Cats 7-0.

Improvement reared its head when the Cats traveled to EWU as they earned points off of two singles victories by senior Adrian Torrico and freshman Joaquim Espinoza. Torrico and sophomore Kasper Parklo also took home a victory in the doubles match.

The men's team travels to Missoula next to take on Lewis and Clark State College on Feb. 9, while the women's team will stay home to host Portland State University on Feb. 11.

Montana State tennis player Laura Mary attempts to hit the ball in her match against University of Montana in Bozeman.

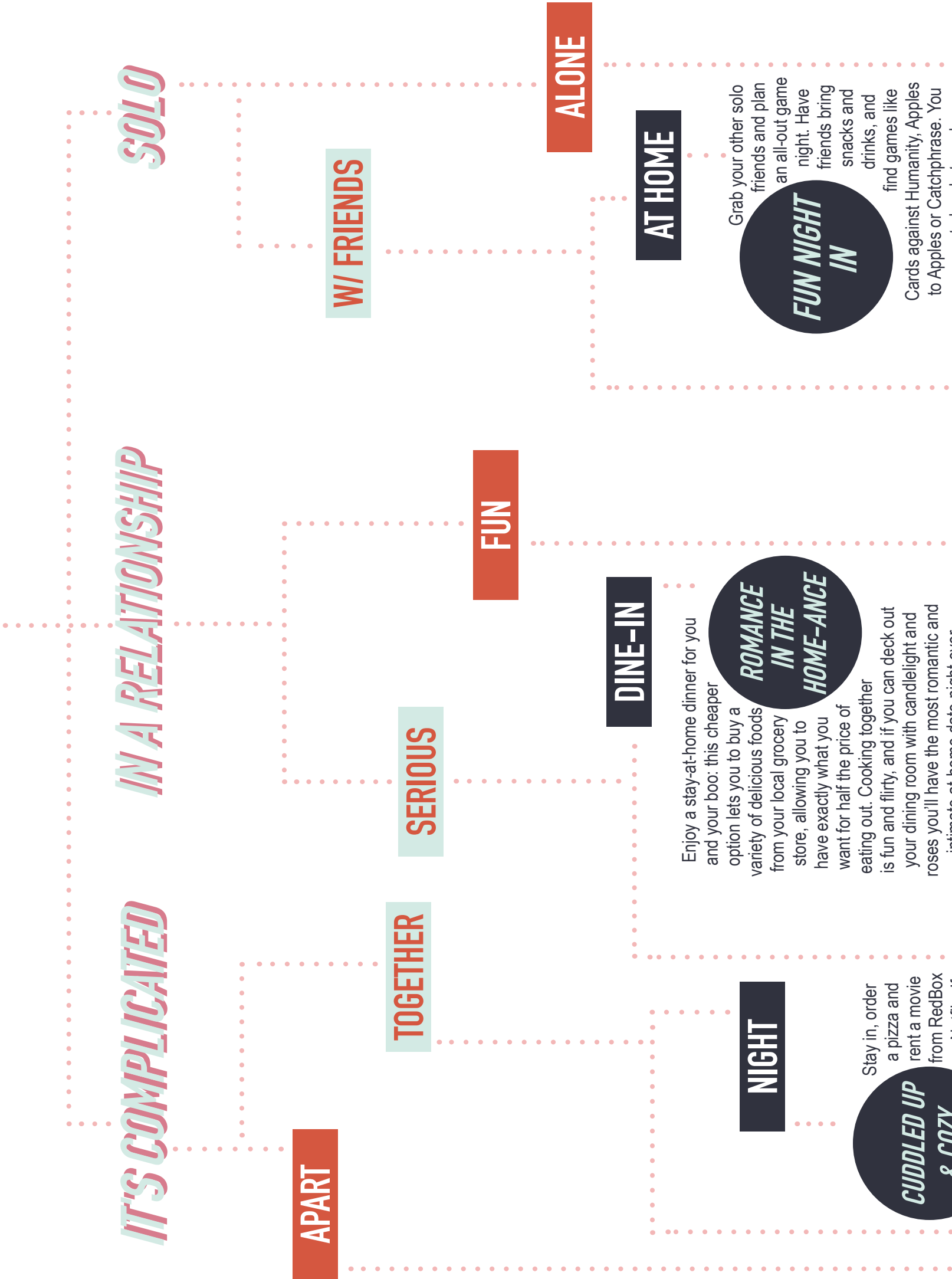
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HOW SHOULD YOU SPEND YOUR VALENTINE'S DAY?

BY JULIA CONNELLEY AND JANA GEMMILL

WHAT'S YOUR STATUS?



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or Netflix. If you're looking for extra fun, gather up blankets to build a blanket fort to watch your movies under. This is a super fun option that lacks the drama of planning a date or a lovey-dovey evening with someone who you haven't quite defined the relationship with yet.

DAY

DAY-TIME DATE TIME
Invite your complicated cutie for a coffee and homework date at Treeline Coffee Roasters (or your preferred coffee spot). This is a more relaxed way to spend time with your person without the pressure of figuring out an overly-romantic date. Since Valentine's Day is in the middle of the week, this option gives you the opportunity to keep up with your school work while still spending time with your not-so-significant other.

INDOORS

STAYING INSIDE THE LINES

Visit Arts on Fire to paint pottery with your true love. This creative option lets you try a new date, and you get a homemade present out of it. You can join other couples for a fun, romantic night out that lets you be social and cutesy.

WINE N' DINE

Treat yourself and your love to the annual Feast of Roses Valentine's Day Dinner at Saffron Table. You will be served an prix-fixe four-course meal starting with a delicious lobster and crab tikki, followed by a winter citrus salad as the second course. The main entree will be a black spiced yellowstone grassfed beef-flank steak and a cheesecake ménage à trois for dessert.

This is a more expensive option as dinner will be \$60 per person plus drinks. Call (406) 586-0800 for reservations beginning after 5 p.m.

AIN'T NOBODY GOT TIME FOR THAT

So you've been seeing someone, but it's casual and you're not ready to spend a day full of love and romance with them? Spend your evening out with friends or treat yourself to a night in. Whatever you decide, check out the ideas under the SOLO section if you're planning on flying solo this Valentine's Day. Don't forget to send your sweetie a cute text letting them know they're still on your mind.



SOCIAL

OUT ON TOWN
Head out with your friends for a fun night of music and dancing. The Filling Station is hosting back-to-back events, so head there to see Head for the Hills perform at 7 p.m. followed by Zach Deputy at 10:30 p.m. Go to one or both if you so choose. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at door for Head for the Hills, and tickets for Zach Deputy are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Select "dual" tickets are sold for \$19.

UNDER THE BIG SKY

Head up to Pete's Hill (located off Church Avenue behind the public library) for an adventurous date. Depending on the weather, you might need extra warm drinks and lots of layers, but nothing is more romantic than deep conversation and cuddling up to your partner under the stars. The Bozeman skies rarely disappoint, but in the event it's cloudy or the weather is simply unbearable, you can hop in your car and head north of town to overlook the beautiful Bozeman city lights without sacrificing the unique opportunity for good conversation and dazzling views.

CHILL

Spend the night by making yourself a bubble bath complete with champagne — only if you're over 21 — and roses. Buy a facemask or a nail kit and keep yourself warm and pampered. Read a book or try a new TV show you've had your eye on for awhile. Whatever you do, make it about you. Treat yourself to a comfortable night-in with your number one: you.

NETFLIX

Cuddle up with a fuzzy blanket and check out one of these must-watch movies. Don't worry — no romance here.

- Meet the Fockers
- Ocean's Eleven
- The Fundamentals of Caring

OPINION

Kill Tinder and the Fear of Being Alone

Valentine's Day is either beloved or dreaded by many. The anxiety of being single and alone, either for the first time, or yet again, can drive us to a desperate desire to be with anyone.

Today, in our digital age, we are all too familiar with dating platforms, such as the infamous Tinder. The attitudes that Tinder endorses and encourages should be stoned and put to death. Any idea that Tinder will lead to anything other than an awful or meaningless hour, or just that people can swipe and then see your face all over town, is ridiculous.



SARAH SNEBOLD
Staff Writer

Full disclosure: I've been on and off Tinder, in the hopes of meeting new people and just for the entertainment. But, I have never met anyone on this platform. With that disclosure in mind, I have found Tinder to provide nothing beyond a way to gain self-confidence and acknowledgement that someone in this world thinks I am attractive (or for the other reason which Tinder is notorious for). The majority reading this who have used Tinder will recognize their experiences as one or both of these categories.

This year, I say we kill Tinder. We all deserve more than a "hey, let's meet up," unsolicited pictures or just blowing everyone off (as I know I have). I can promise the story you heard of that one friend who met a guy on Tinder and now they are happily ever after is an anomaly. The majority of people we meet here will not fulfill our need for affection or attention. It's really just a depressing activity. When I see a picture of a truck (without someone in the photo) or a shirtless bathroom selfie, I immediately

ask myself why I optionally endure this personal version of torture.

For Valentine's Day, you don't need to get blown off by someone you found on Tinder, or disappoint them in reverse. And to note, half the people you would meet on Tinder could also be seen at a local bar, house party or, shockingly enough, even on campus.

It's college, embrace your single lifestyle and take the time to find your self worth outside of sexual engagements or other people. We don't need to get caught up in "being alone, yet again." Own it. It's one day out of the year, and isn't really on the par of holidays in comparison to Christmas or Thanksgiving.

But really, take these years to learn and grow within yourself. You don't need the stress of "finding love" or dysfunctional relationships in college. Kill Tinder today and forever. Appreciate someone having the courage to approach you in person, and learn how to instill that courage yourself. That's how we will meet people actually worth knowing.

And no, Bumble isn't any better.



Sick? Stay Home.

We all know the usual tips for avoiding sickness: wash your hands, cover your cough, eat healthy and stay active. But with this year's influenza virus, sometimes the usual isn't enough. That's why if you're feeling sick, you need to stay home. Whether that means missing work, skipping class or cancelling other plans it is best for all — including yourself — to stay home. Avoid going to any grocery stores, libraries or restaurants so you don't spread the germs.

This year's influenza strain is causing an epidemic and infecting thousands. "Toughing it out" and wandering into public is not only highly discouraged, it's incredibly irresponsible. By venturing out into the world while ill, you risk

infecting others, furthering the epidemic and endangering lives.

Dr. Daniel B. Jernigan, the director of the influenza division at the Center of Disease Control (CDC), estimates that this year's flu epidemic will look similar to those of the 2014-2015 flu year. Around 34 million Americans were infected with the flu, 710,000 were hospitalized and roughly 56,000 died as a result of contracting the disease.

Although the flu is usually most severe for older adults and younger children, this year's strain is breaking away from the normal patterns. Everyone is at risk of catching the virus, from healthy marathon runners like California's Katie Denise Oxley Thomas to bodybuilders like Pittsburgh's Kyler Baughman.



ABBY KLONSINSKI
Staff Writer

The reason this year's flu strain is so deadly is because the dominant virus, H3N2, is "usually the most lethal of seasonal strains," according to New York Times writer Donald McNeil Jr. The CDC's estimation that flu cases had peaked during the week between Christmas and New Years Day has proven inaccurate. It seems to just be getting started, probably because of "kids returning to school," as Jernigan noted.

Medical centers across the nation have seen spikes in visitations concerning flu-like symptoms. Hospitals trying to keep up with the surges and keep vaccines in stock and student health centers at many universities are struggling with the number of students flocking in to receive "sick notes" in order to stay home and rest.

Thankfully, MSU is encouraging students with influenza-like symptoms to

"remain home for self-care." In an email to faculty on Jan. 25, Provost Robert Mokwa affirmed that "sick notes" would not be required in order for possibly infected students to miss class.

Not only does this measure help relieve some of the pressure put on the University Health Partners in writing sick notes and thus freeing up time to check on students with more severe symptoms, but this move also helps reduce the spread of the virus. Hopefully, by not requiring sick students to attend class, the fatal flu outbreak will miss hitting MSU too hard.

It is clear this flu season will be a deadly one, but each of us can do our part to deter the spread of disease. Wash your hands thoroughly, cover your cough and drink lots of liquids. But most importantly? If you're sick, stay home.

CULTURE



Postcard from dentist reminds area man that it's Valentine's Day

BY ROB NELSON

Local man Terry Brown confirmed this morning that it was, in fact, Valentine's Day. Brown woke up like it was any other day, but was greeted by a pleasant postcard with hearts on it upon stepping out of his apartment.

"Well, would you look at that," Brown said, who is father of none and partner to no one. "I guess it's Valentine's Day."

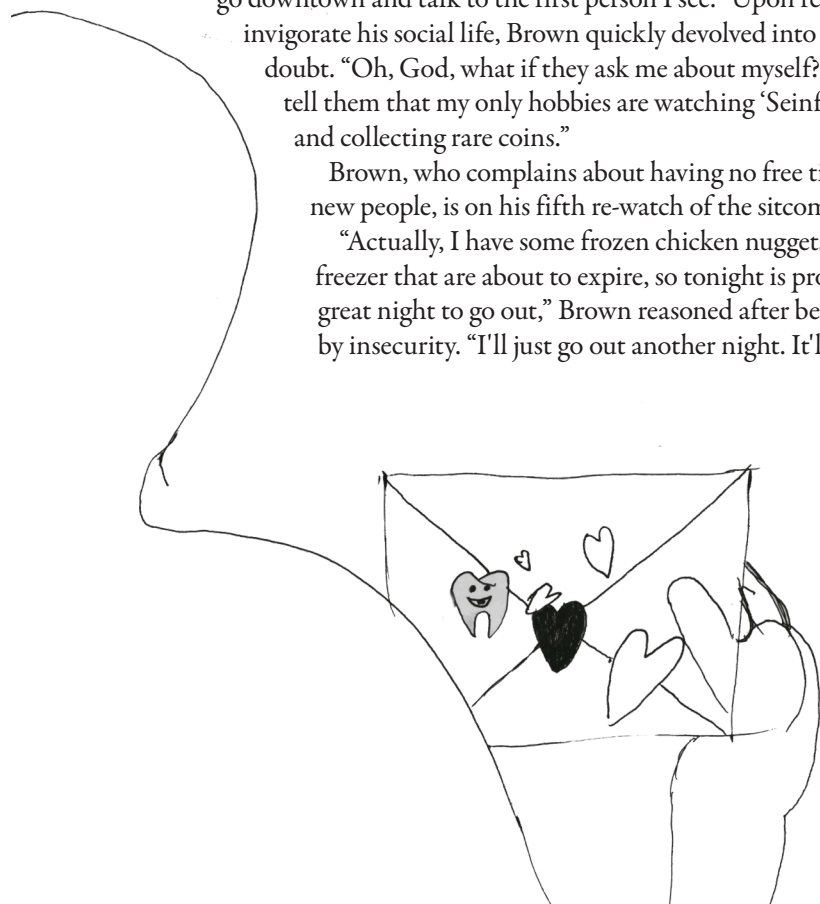
According to sources, Brown had been perfectly content with his mundane morning of plain Cheerios and Folger's coffee before he went to check the mail.

"Now that I think of it, I guess I'm not really living my life to the fullest," Brown stated as he picked out a shirt from the dirty laundry hamper.

"Maybe, I could try to meet someone. After work today, I'm going to go downtown and talk to the first person I see." Upon resolving to invigorate his social life, Brown quickly devolved into personal doubt. "Oh, God, what if they ask me about myself? I'll have to tell them that my only hobbies are watching 'Seinfeld' reruns and collecting rare coins."

Brown, who complains about having no free time to meet new people, is on his fifth re-watch of the sitcom.

"Actually, I have some frozen chicken nuggets in the freezer that are about to expire, so tonight is probably not a great night to go out," Brown reasoned after being gripped by insecurity. "I'll just go out another night. It'll be fine."



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ON CAMPUS



MAES RESEARCH SEMINAR BY DR. MATTHEW TAYLOR
Friday, Feb. 9 at 9:00 a.m.
Lewis Hall

Dr. Matthew Taylor, MSU Department of Microbiology & Immunology, will present a MAES research seminar titled, "Understanding the Effects of Interferon and Superinfection Exclusion on Neuronal Pseudorabies Virus Spread."

MUSIC



LUMINOUS
Friday, Feb. 9, 6:00 p.m.
Wild Joe's Coffee Spot

Built around the unmistakable sound of the vibraphone, Luminous is a trio of experienced musicians. Their sound is created by a dedication to exploring harmonic possibilities, an unwavering focus on improvisation and a deep commitment to groove and rhythmic solidarity. No cover charge.

A STAR-SPANGLED SYMPHONY
Saturday, Feb. 10, 10:30 a.m.
Willson Auditorium

Experience a Star-Spangled tribute to the land of the free and home of the brave with this hilarious script featuring special guests gags, and special effects. Enjoy 50 minutes of Patriotic favorites in this kid-friendly, fun-filled, all-American performance of music and comedy. Free for all.

COMMUNITY



FAMILIES AND LEGACIES: CHALLENGING DECISIONS
Tuesday, Feb. 13, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
White Sulphur Springs Senior Center

Marsha Goetting will be presenting "Families and Legacies: Challenging Decisions" at the White Sulphur Springs Senior Center.

12TH ANNUAL BIG SKY BIG GRASS THURSDAY FEB. 8 THROUGH SUNDAY
Sunday, Feb. 11, all day
Big Sky

12th Annual Big Sky Big Grass is set for Thursday through Sunday, February 8-11. Featured artists include Billy Strings, The Travelin' McCourys, Kitchen Dwellers, Trout Steak Revival, Leftover Salmon, Keller & the Keels, Larry Keel Experience, Madison Range, Two Bit Franks and Laney Lou & the Bird Dogs.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE SATURDAY
Sunday, Feb. 10, 11:00 a.m.
Bozeman Children's Museum

We're celebrating International Women in Science Day. Local women scientists will be at the museum with science experiments, activities and fun for everyone in the family. Join us to discuss women in STEM, explore different fields of science and learn how women in our community are advancing their fields. Partnership with WISE - Women in Science and Engineering. No cost.

SPORTS



MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. SACRAMENTO STATE
Thursday, Feb. 8, 7:00 p.m.
Brick Breeden Fieldhouse

Come out and support the Cats as they take on the Sacramento State Hornets. Free admission with Cat Card. Go Cats.

2-FOR-1 COUPLES SKATE
Sunday, Feb. 10, 2:30 p.m.
Ressler Motors Ice Rink

What's more romantic than a 2-for-1 deal? Ice skating with your best friend. Take your honey, best bud or maybe even your mom on a skate date. Receive 2-for-1 admission during public skate from 2:30-3:45 p.m. on the Ressler Motors Ice Rink at the Ice Barn (located at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds).

MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. PORTLAND STATE
Saturday, Feb. 10, 2:00 p.m.
Brick Breeden Fieldhouse

Come support the Cats in their bout against the Portland State Vikings. Free admission with Cat Card.

FILM, THEATER



'YOU'VE GOT MAIL'
Saturday, Feb. 10, 7:30 p.m.
The Ellen Theatre

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Love yourself

Masturbation. Let's be honest; we all do it, so we may as well talk about it. Masturbating is actually healthy because it allows you to get to know your body — know what you're comfortable with, what you aren't into and what you're interested in trying with a partner. If you don't know your own body, your own pleasure or your own dislikes, how do you expect your partner to? If you want to avoid uncomfortable, awkward or even painful sex, know what you like and communicate it to them.

Moreover, you don't need to masturbate just to learn what you like. If you're not into masturbating, don't ever feel like you have to or that you owe it to yourself to pleasure yourself. For some men and women, that's just not what they like. And that's okay, too. Your sexual experiences are yours to take ownership of.

The double-standard that men are able to own their sexuality and experience pleasure whenever they so desire but women aren't or can't is outdated and inherently sexist. Woman does not exist for the pleasure of man. We are our own beings, and we have every right to experience sexual pleasure and intimacy. Whether this happens with a partner or on our own, female pleasure is a female's right.

Before you move from masturbation to sex, we need to talk about consent. It's not something with unclear lines; it's actually very simple. If you don't want to have sex, or if your partner doesn't want to have sex, then do not have sex. Period. Sex is a very intimate, personal experience and should only take place when both parties are willing and have given a verbal yes.

This means discussing with your partner what you're comfortable with, what your personal boundaries are, and openly communicating throughout any kind of intimacy, whether it's a hot-and-heavy make-out sesh or penetrative intercourse. If you don't feel comfortable talking to your partner about what you want and what you don't want, you probably shouldn't be having sex with them. Sex should be fun, intimate and enjoyable for all parties involved. So make sure they want it and you want it.

Once again, as with masturbating, don't feel like you have to if you don't want to or it makes you uncomfortable. You have every right to own your sexuality and your sexual experiences, and sex should happen when you're ready, wanting it and when your partner(s) feel the same way.

If you are having consensual sex, safety should be one of your primary concerns. Anytime you have vaginal intercourse, pregnancy is a risk, and any type of partnered sexual behavior runs the risk for

STI's. Protecting yourself is crucial in confidently enjoying sex.

Protection against pregnancy: Birth control is your best option

for avoiding pregnancy when you're sexually active. While on it, whether you're using oral contraceptives, intrauterine contraceptive devices or a hormone bar, your body isn't ovulating, so it's physically impossible for you to get pregnant if you're using it correctly. Birth control does not protect against STI's, however, so make sure you're still using a condom — there's no harm in using both.

Protection against STI's: Using condoms is the only way to avoid contracting sexually transmitted infections (STI's) altogether, but again, they only work effectively if you're using them correctly. Make sure you and your partner (there's no reason you can't both be on top of your protection) have access to and are using condoms that fit correctly, and ensure that they're properly applied before any intercourse occurs. Condoms are also important when performing oral sex — yes, you can still get transferable diseases through cunnilingus or fellatio.

If you're not looking to pleasure yourself with a partner and are interested in some solo fun, yes, you absolutely should still be using a condom. While you can't get pregnant from a sex toy, these products need to be properly cleaned and donned with protection because various diseases, while not necessarily STI's, can still exist on the plastic and enter your bloodstream. Again, protect yourself and your body so you can enjoy yourself without any concerns preventing you from relaxing.



Bobcat Birthday Bash

Celebrating 125 years of Montana State University

Feb. 16–17 | MSU Campus
Music • Food • Activities • Fireworks



Events include:

Friday, Feb. 16 | Noon–10 pm

Open Skate	Noon–10 pm	Hannon Ice Rink
The Past, Present & Future of Computing	12:15 pm–1:45 pm	Procrastinator Theatre
Big Sky Tuner Track & Field Event	3:30 pm	Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
125th Opening Ceremony & Fireworks	7–7:45 pm	Spirit Plaza
Ferris Wheel	7:30 pm–10 pm	Centennial Mall
Wagon Rides by Yankee Creek Carriage	7:30 pm–10 pm	Centennial Mall

Saturday, Feb 17

Live Music by Student Acts • Hamilton Hall Lawn

Emma & Samantha	10 am–11 am
Cooper Tedford	11:15 am–12:15 pm
Samuel Buenrostro	12:30 pm–1:30 pm
SwingCats	1:35 pm–2 pm
Wind & the Willows	2:15 pm–3:15 pm
Jacob Rountree	3:30 pm–4:30 pm
Marty Anderson	4:35 pm–5 pm
PermaFunk	5:05 pm–6 pm

Activities & Demos

Innovation Roadshow	10 am–8 pm	SUB Ballroom A
Ferris Wheel	10 am–6 pm	Centennial Mall
Student Scholars Poster Show	10 am–6 pm	Leigh Lounge/SUB Ballroom C
125th Anniversary Poster Show	10 am–6 pm	SUB Exit Gallery
Free Bowling & Billiards	10 am–Midnight	SUB Rec Center
Curling	10 am–10:45 am	Hannon Ice Rink
Cross Country Ski & Fat Tire Bike Races	10 am–12 pm	Dobbie Lambert Fields
Human Bowling	10:45 am–11:30 am	Hannon Ice Rink
Figure Skating Demo	11:30 am–12 pm	Hannon Ice Rink
MSU Club Hockey Alumni Game	12 pm–1 pm	Hannon Ice Rink
Ski and Fat Bike Demos	12 pm–6 pm	Dobbie Lambert Fields
Open Skate	1 pm–6 pm	Hannon Ice Rink
Women's Basketball v. EWU	2 pm	Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
Stoneback Sisters Trumpets	7:30 pm	Willson Auditorium

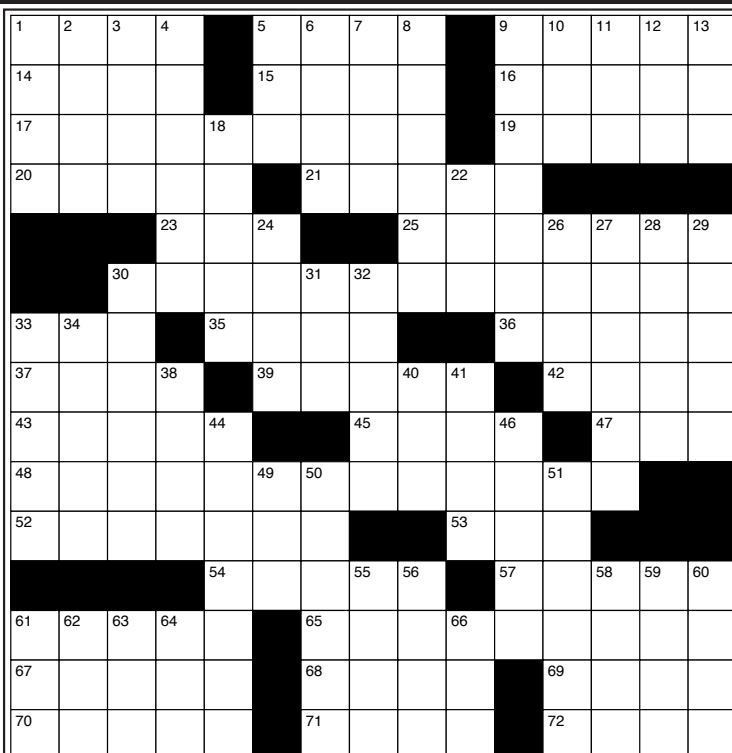
Parking Information: Parking will be available for free in campus lots labeled S/B, E, F. We recommend parking in the South Fieldhouse lot and parking garage. Guests needing accessible parking, use the Hamilton lot— enter from Cleveland and 7th.

Full schedule of events at www.montana.edu/MSU125



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Across

1. "Stand ____" (1986 movie)

5. Initials on an old Russian coin

9. Rash remedies

14. Gumbo thickener

15. Mystery writer Edward D. ____

16. Elliptical path

17. Confessed

19. Household spray

20. Ooze

21. Activist Medgar

23. EPA concern

25. Spot for a soak

30. Persist to completion

33. Bar order

35. Lady of Bavaria

36. Casual affirmatives

37. "Little Women" character

39. Refuse heaps
42. Tune for two

43. ____ God (natural disaster)

45. Lupino and Wells

47. Bride's title

48. Ladd/Lake film of 1946

52. Gallantry

53. Lumber source

54. Stew that originated in Louisiana

57. Hubbubs

61. Caribbean ingredient for chowder or fritters

65. Ocher, for one

67. Anticipate, as an arrival

68. Deuce defeater

69. CCR's "____ a Spell on You"

70. Split (up)

71. Recipe abbr.

72. TV host John

Down

1. Buds in the 'hood

2. Loud cry of pain

3. City bond, slangily

4. Free (from)

5. Energy Secretary Steven ____

6. Contend (with)

7. Security system component, briefly

8. "Friends" character

9. "War and Peace" author

10. Ending for honor or planet

11. Weight units, briefly

12. Union initials

13. Cardinal letters

18. Coffee-bar choice

22. With "Chi," a French president

24. Charlie of country

26. Colored

27. Therapist's concern

28. Wedding seater

29. Outdoes for the blue ribbon

30. Hunting dog

31. Greek T
32. Noticeably moist

33. "Splish Splash, I was takin' ____" (Bobby Darin line)

34. Milk of Managua

38. Vagrant

40. Handheld computer, briefly

41. Satirical Mort

44. Scatterbrained

46. Slow, tree-dwelling mammal

49. In most instances (abbr.)

50. Famed circus clown Kelly

51. "Mine!"

55. Zinger

56. Mined materials

58. Numbskull

59. Big burden

60. Rogen of "Knocked Up"

61. Ne'er-do-well

62. DUI, in Wisconsin

63. Maritime abbr.

64. 104, in old Rome

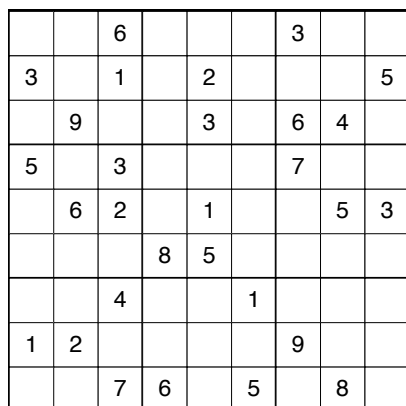
66. Conventional (abbr.)

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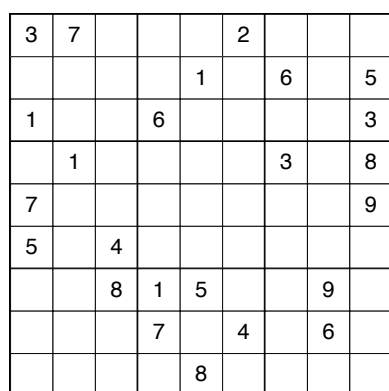
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The Best
First Date
Locations

- The Sewer
- The dump
- Your mom's house
- Your D&D session
- Miller Dining Hall
- The town from 'Footloose'
- Camp Crystal Lake
- Taco Bell drive-thru
- Exponent office
- The Bacchus
- The Phallus Palace
- Erotique
- The Berkeley Pit
- The morgue
- Hastings
- zLime store
- A frat house
- Greg Gianforte's wrestling ring
- The SUB
- Chuck E. Cheese's
- Camp David
- Trump Tower
- Bees?



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CHALLENGING

FUN FACT:

Mary Shelley, author of 'Frankenstein,' kept her dead husband's calcified heart for 30 years until her death.