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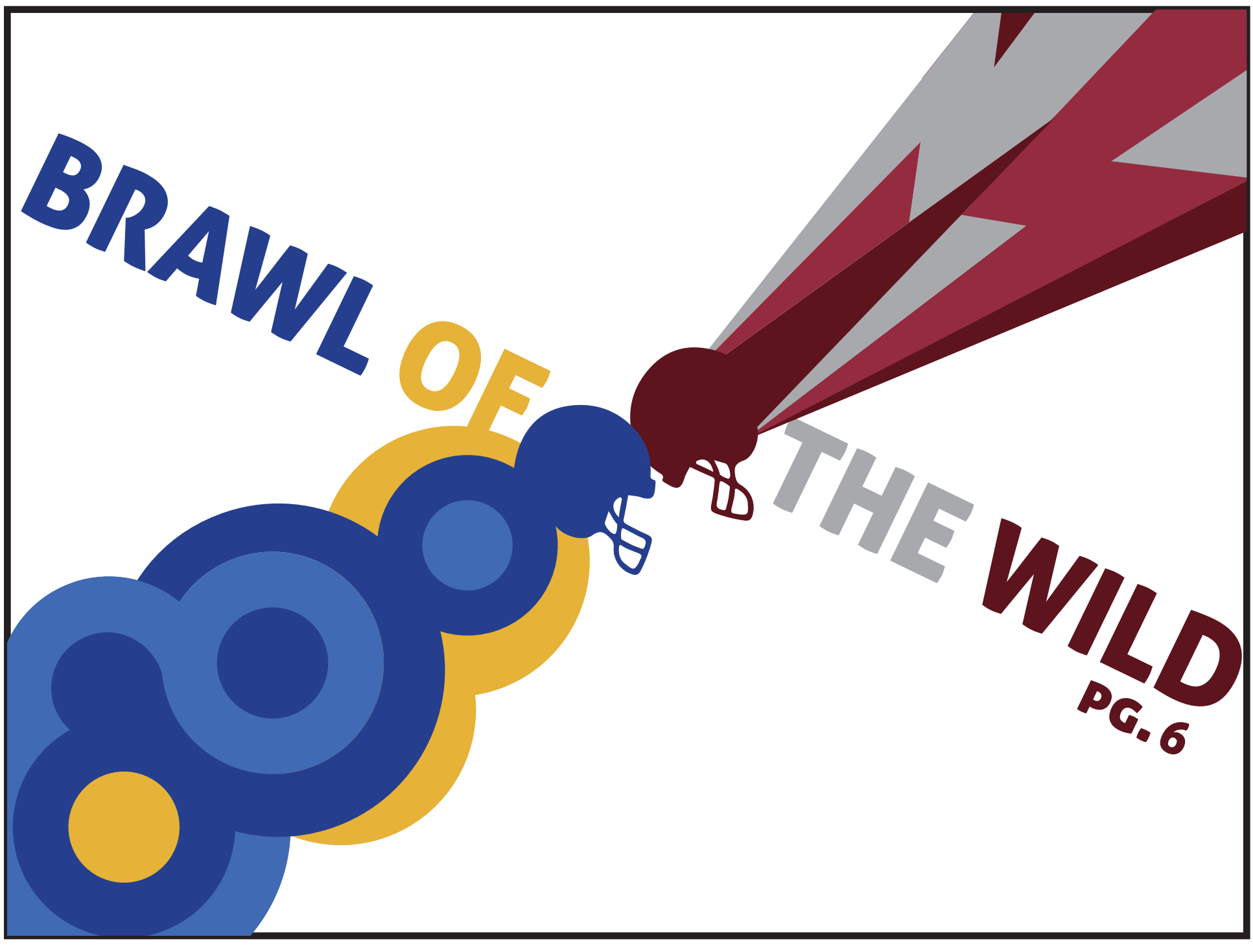

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Mark Skidmore, Ph.D., lectures about his research on glaciation at Hager Auditorium at Museum of the Rockies on Tuesday, Nov. 14.

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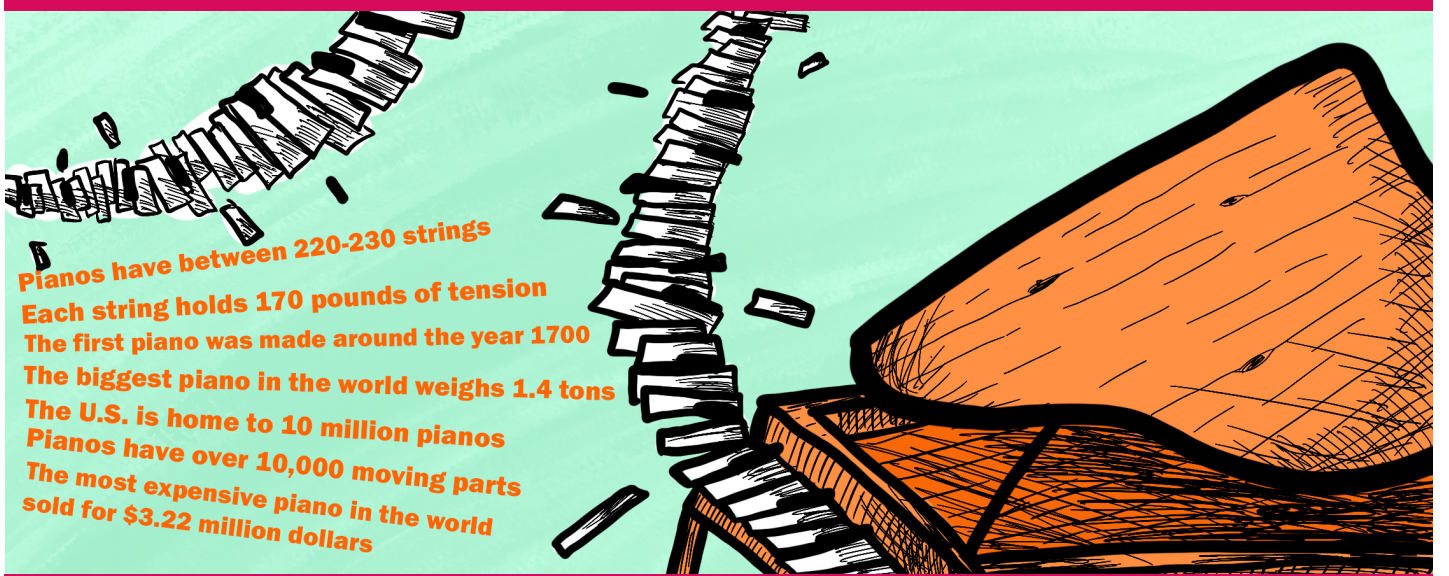

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"I can't believe this season of marching band is almost over! Lucky to have spent it with some amazing people. Go cats!"

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Cheever, chili, c(h)eramics, oh my

BY DYLAN VOGEL

The Ceramics Guild held their 2018 Fall Chili Bowl sale in the Dean's Gallery on Nov. 7 and 8. All bowls were hand made by ceramics students and were available to purchase for $20. Although they did not take inventory of how many bowls were made in total, it was assumed that in a guild of 40 people, each person made about 30 bowls.

The students worked incredibly hard on crafting the bowls. Excluding the couple of days it takes to glaze and dry the ceramic, a bowl can take up to two hours to craft. When a student found a bowl they liked, they could purchase the ceramic and immediately use it to get some of the chili that was provided for the event.

There were seven different crock pots of chili available to attendees. Options included meat and vegetarian chilis, all home-made by the students, as well as President Cruzado's special white-meat concoction. In addition, there was homemade cornbread, chips, soda and brownies available to purchase.

All proceeds from the event will be put to use in the MSU ceramics program, with the aim of raising money for the department so that they can buy more wood for firing, bring in more artists for demonstrations and have enough funds to send students to the National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts conference in Minneapolis. This is the biggest ceramic conference in the United States and, in March, students from all over the country will travel to attend the annual convention.

The Chili Bowl is an annual event and takes place during the winter. So next year, when the temperatures begin to drop, be on the lookout for another round of good chili and even better pieces of art.

Senate turns down concealed carry

BY LEXIE GARDNER

On Nov. 8, ASMSU Senate voted against a resolution that would take the first steps towards allowing students to carry concealed weapons on campus. Even though 12 states around the nation allow individuals with a permit to carry concealed weapons on college campuses, ASMSU Senate had many reasons behind their decision to reject the resolution.

Student-led club, College Republicans at MSU (CRMSU), proposed this bill to the Senate in an effort to utilize their right to the Second Amendment. According to CRMSU, the club works to fulfill its "obligation to preserve the Republican Party by balancing debate on Montana's liberal college campuses and fulfilling our mission" to empower and motivate College Republicans.

"Even though 12 states around the nation have allowed individuals with a permit to carry concealed weapons on college campuses, the MSU Senate had many reasons behind their decision to reject the resolution."

One of the reasons the resolution failed was for "poor writing." The Senate agreed that before the resolution could be considered, it would have to be amended drastically, as well as be more thoroughly-researched. In the meeting, they briefly discussed amending the resolution in the moment, but decided against it.

Another reason was because of safety concerns among the students, many of whom spoke against the resolution for a variety of reasons. These students represented minority and marginalized groups on campus. The Sustainability Club, History Grad Students Association, American Studies Student Association, Queer Straight Alliance (QSA) and the Black Student Union were among the campus clubs and organizations that opposed the resolution. Attendants told their personal stories as well as passed on worries from students who were not able to make it to the meeting.

Koley Clements, President of QSA, spoke out about the increased risk this will pose for the LGBTQ community. This initiative will put this community at a higher risk for self-harm and suicide attempts. Many of these students supported their claims using statistics and anecdotes of mass shootings that have occured on college campuses around the nation.

There were also students in attendance who supported the resolution. They mentioned how having their firearm on hand at all times made them feel more secure and that their main concern lied with protecting themselves. One student voiced that students can't control people so the university should allow them the opportunity to protect themselves. They also used statistics and personal accounts to persuade the Senate.

At the end of the discussion, ASMSU Senate voted against the resolution, 16-4. For more information about ASMSU Senate, they are located in SUB 221 and found online at *montana.edu/asmsu*. Weekly senate meetings are held Thursdays in SUB 235 at 6 p.m.

Cagers on the court

BY TRACY ZUHOSKI

Football season coming to an end can only mean one thing: Bobcat basketball is back. That's right all you basketball fanatics, the Bobcats have returned to the court. Both the men's and women's teams enter 2018 with high hopes. Talent-packed transfers have been the talk of the town for the last year as both teams expected the arrival of highly-touted prospects. With hopes and dreams abound, the Cats will have their work cut out for them in the coming seasons.

THE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

After the winningest year in school history in 2016-17 (25-7 overall, 15-3 in conference), the Cats followed it up with an average year last year. Even with the down year, the Cats showed great promise as multiple underclassmen showcased their skills leading to another Big Sky Conference Tournament victory. Their only downside is losing seniors Rebekah Hatchard, Delaney Junkermier and Hannah Caudill, who were impact performers during their years at MSU.

But all loss isn't a bad thing — senior forward Claire Lundberg and junior forward Martha Kurderer transfered to MSU from Seton Hall. Each sat out the 2017-18 campaign per NCAA regulations. Lundberg brings a multitude of talents as a stretch big. At 6'1", she can handle the tough inside presence of the Big Sky Conference teams but also snap a three from deep. Kurderer adds another sharp-shooter to an already impressive three-point shooting team.

These two additions should make for a stacked roster capable of taking on anything the Big Sky Conference has to offer. In preseason polls, the Cats were picked fifth and sixth in the coaches' and media polls, respectively. When looking at the group they have assembled and their schedule, I believe the team to start somewhat slow but pick it up by the time conference play hits in December, and will finish strong through the end of the season.

ZUHOSKI'S PICK: third in conference, possibility to hit a run in the Big Sky Tournament and make noise

MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

Coach Brian Fish has developed a no-quit attitude at MSU as exemplified extensively in previous seasons for the Cats. A triple-overtime thriller against Southern Utah in 2017, a down-to-the-wire game against North Dakota in 2018, and countless moments in between have cemented their culture. Granted, the Cats have not won many, but their effort is without a doubt present. Their perseverance will be the driving force behind an impressive squad heading into the 18-19 season.

Senior guard Tyler Hall has already found the national spotlight after his breakout sophomore season (2016-17) where he finished in the top-10 in scoring per game nationally. Knicks and dings took its toll on him throughout his junior year where his production dropped. Nevertheless, Hall is positioned to take an impressive jump in his senior year as his leadership will surely be needed with Cats fans looking at a possible conference championship.

Senior forward Keljin Blevins has already shown great ability to score inside this year as he posted a 26-point, 15-rebound performance against Presentation College early in the season. The Cats added a home-grown talent for this season in Ladan Ricketts. A Livingston native, Ricketts finished his two-year program at Sheridan College, a two-year program, and joined the Bobcats squad this year.

Picked to finish fifth and sixth by the media and coaches' poll respectively, the Cats will be in for a test this year. As the schedule sits, the Cats will face a tough slate throughout their non-conference schedule as they battle perennial heavyweights like Indiana, Washington State and Arkansas. With most of their starting five remaining from the previous season, the team is poised to play with composure and consistency. A dabble of transfer help and additional freshman energy should lead to a productive season.

ZUHOSKI'S PICK: Fourth in conference, make at least the semi-finals of the Conference Tournament

Tune in throughout the rest of the season to see how Bobcat basketball fares.



MSU guard Tyler Hall drives toward the basket during an NCAA basketball game at Brick Breeden Fieldhouse in Bozeman Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018.

PHOTO BY AMY LYNN NELSON

Bad news Bears beat up by Bobcats

BY TRACY ZUHOSKI

The MSU football team notched its first winning season under Head Coach Jeff Choate on Nov. 10 when they defeated the Northern Colorado Bears 35-7 on Senior Day. A total of 11 seniors played their final home game for the Cats before they travel to Missoula on Nov. 17 for the Brawl of the Wild. The winning season is the first for the Cats since 2014, when the Cats finished 8-5 and hosted a playoff game.

The game started out in Northern Colorado's favor as two untimely penalties on the Bobcats granted the Bears two first downs, each occurring on a third down. The drive ended in an eight-yard touchdown run to put the Bears up 7-0 early. A three-and-out on the Cats' first possession had fans on the edge of their seat hoping the defense could stiffen up. That wish was granted as junior safety Jahque Alleyne picked off a Bears' pass and returned it to Northern Colorado's seven-yard line. Four plays later, sophomore do-it-all quarterback Troy Andersen skirted around the edge of the defense for a four-yard score.

Two plays into the second quarter, Andersen doubled his passing touchdown total on the year as he connected with senior running back Logan Jones from 18 yards out to put the Cats up 14-7. A fumble inside the ten yard line put MSU in amazing field position late in the second quarter. Andersen muscled his way in from four yards to position the Cats at a healthy 21-7 lead going into the half. Both offenses stalled in the third quarter as neither team found its way to the scoreboard.

After the fourth turnover of the day by the Bears and a fumble inside the Bobcats' red zone, MSU was ready to put the nail in the coffin. Junior wide receiver Travis Jonsen did just that, with a 4-yard rush to add to the lead. Andersen found his way to the end zone one last time to finish up the scoring for the Cats. Andersen's three touchdowns on the ground added to his lead for rushing touchdowns in the Big Sky Conference. Andersen has amassed a staggering 16 rushing scores on the year. With 104 yards on the ground, Andersen eclipsed 1,000 rushing yards for the 2018 season. Senior defensive end Tyrone Fa'anono flexed his quickness as he accounted for one of the two interceptions in the game off a dart thrown across the center of the field.

The Cats have played themselves into a possible playoff spot with the win. The University of Montana Grizzlies stand in the way of the potential bid as both teams sit at 6-4 overall.

A hostile climate? Check. Snow possible? Check. Possible playoff spot on the line? Check. What more could a Cats fan ask for going into the annual Brawl of the Wild contest.

True tale of a backpacking scare (and how to avoid it)

BY ROSS KIEFFER

Mother nature is often a peaceful space, filled with fresh air and quietly beautiful scenery. But once in a while, she can provide something else — a genuine fear for your life.

This lesson was made abundantly clear to me on a recent backpacking trip with a friend. We hiked two miles up to a pristine view of Emerald Lake, which is filled with arctic grayling and their distinct blue fins. These prehistoric-looking fish led to my initial mistake.

Arctic grayling are not the smartest fish in the stream when it comes to avoiding an angler's hook. In fact, I was able to catch 10 the first evening. Even though I released the fish, their smell was everywhere and I'd forgotten soap. No amount of scrubbing with lake water could get the smell off. This was my first mistake, and certainly not the only one.

No backpacking trip is complete without candy bars, and we chose a bag of snickers. My friend was a first-time backpacker, so I explained that the snickers needed to be stored outside the tent. Apparently, my friend considered under the fly to be "outside the tent."

Night came and the temperature dropped to the 40s; I went to bed caked with fish slime and snickers sitting "outside the tent". To a bear, the tent probably smelled like an appetizing burrito with multiple layers.

Around 3 a.m. I heard a noise outside the tent. The sound was somewhere between the clomp of hooves and the padding of paws. It was coming from about 15 feet away. As it got louder, I sat up in my bag and pulled the safety off my bear spray. Whatever was making the noise was close enough for me to hear breathing and sniffing. The sniffing started slow and became faster. It's nose scraped the outside of the tent.

I am not a particularly loud person, and I don't swear frequently, but, the scraping against the tent invoked enough fear in me to produce lots of loud cursing. Fortunately, the curious nose scraper promptly ran off. Unfortunately, I also woke up everyone camping around the lake.

Obviously, I made many mistakes on this backpacking trip; here is a list of steps you can take to avoid a similar situation:

1. Bring soap to wash off any food smell
2. Cook away from camp
3. Change clothes after eating and before sleeping
4. Hang food, toothpaste, deodorant and other fragrant items in a tree away from camp
5. Do not keep snickers under the fly

This is only a list of the rules that I didn't follow, a more extensive list can easily be found with a Google search. I did do one thing right: I brought bear spray. If you don't own bear spray and are planning on going into the mountains, it is available for rent at the outdoor recreation center here at MSU located behind Yellowstone Hall.

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PIGSKIN PROPHECIES

BY CALEB RUX

On Saturday, Nov. 17, the Bobcats will compete against the University of Montana Grizzlies in the 118th Brawl of the Wild contest. This year, MSU will travel to Missoula to battle against our cross-state rivals. The Cats have won the past two matchups and will be vying for a three-peat, while Montana will look to reclaim the Great Divide Trophy and the State Champion title.

Heading into Saturday's competition, both teams sit at a 6-4 record, and a win has the ability to push either program into the FCS playoffs. Football fans should be ready for a battle under the Big Sky.

The Bobcats come into this weekend ranked 25th in the nation by the STATS FCS poll after winning their last two games. After a rough patch in the middle of the season, the Cats seem to have gotten back on track, and just in time.

Offensively, the Cats have increased their production in the last few weeks. During their past two games, MSU has scored a total of 84 points while holding their opponents to only 49. The Cats look to continue their explosive running game, as it has fueled their offense throughout the 2018 campaign. In total, the Bobcats have ran for 2,269 total yards, 1,092 coming from sophomore quarterback Troy Andersen and 780 from true freshman running back Isaiah Ifanse. While the Bobcats rushing game has been consistently great, their passing game has remained almost nonexistent, something they will need to change against Montana's strong run defense.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Bobcats have continued to shine. During the last two contests, they have forced six total turnovers resulting in an impressive 35 points — a trend they will be looking to continue on Saturday. The Cats' strong defensive line will look to bully the Griz's mediocre offensive line, something Montana's head coach Bobby Hauck has harped on all season. The Cats will also need to contain Dalton Sneed, the Grizzlies junior transfer quarterback who has proven he can both run and pass the football.



GRIZZLIES

The Grizzlies have also been on the top of their game as of late: they have won their last two games after a three-game slide, including tough losses to Portland State and North Dakota. Hauck is back at the helm of Montana football, a coach who brought them to three national championship games during his seven-year tenure as the Grizzlies head coach before leaving in 2009. While the Griz don't appear to be a national force this year, they're still no slouches.

Their offense is led by Sneed, a quarterback who played at UNLV before playing one season at a junior college and transferring to Missoula. During the 2018 season Sneed has thrown for a tremendous 2,369 yards, rushed for over 650 yards and has accounted for 26 touchdowns this season, either through the air or on the ground. The offense's only downside, as mentioned earlier, is their O-line.

Defensively, the Grizzlies have allowed an average of 28.5 points per games to their opponents in 2018. Their star defender is junior linebacker Dante Olson. During the Griz's 10 games, Olson has racked up an astounding 133 tackles, only one stop short of the nation's leading tackler. The Grizzlies are going to have to try to contain the Bobcats' running game, especially Troy Andersen.

MSU Head Coach Jeff Choate spoke about the matchup on Monday. Throughout the press conference he emphasized how the Grizzlies are a different team this year, and are playing some of their best football right now. When asked about the last two Brawl of the Wild victories, Choate responded, "Throw the last two games out the window. It's a different coaching staff. It's a different scheme, it's different players to a large degree." He went on to comment on their coaching, saying they are a "really well coached team," later adding, "I think we will have our hands full."

Overall, I think the Bobcats have the edge in the matchup. With their strong defensive line and backfield they should be able to limit Montana's offense. But home-field advantage can't be overlooked, and like Choate said, you can pretty much throw out the record books for this one.

PREDICTED FINAL SCORE: Bobcats 31, Grizzlies 27

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Trump's Rally Obsession is Bigly Bad for America

BY QUINCY BALIUS
OPINION COLUMNIST

"What a crowd! You are incredible people."

If this phrase sounds familiar, it's because President Donald Trump has used some iteration of it to kick off the 50-plus rallies he has held since winning the presidency. Dozens of these rallies were specifically intended to raise support for his re-election campaign. In opposition to every other president before him who filed at midterms or later, Trump filed the paperwork for his re-election campaign on January 20, 2017, the day he took office.

As a comparison, Barack Obama held 33 campaign events in the first two years of his first term (2009 and 2010), including rallies for Democratic politicians, fundraisers for the Democratic Party and Democratic party dinners. None of these events were to promote his re-election campaign. He didn't file his paperwork until April 11, 2011, three years into his presidency.

Trump supporters claim that Trump's unending stream of rallies is due to his comfort "rubbing shoulders with the people." However, the real reason that Trump holds these rallies is to keep the spotlight shining constantly on him. Trump rarely interacts with his supporters at the rallies and instead uses them as a conduit for self-promotion. Trump purposely holds political rallies to fulfill his goals of bolstering his own reputation, spreading violent and insulting speech about political opponents and misleading his political base.

The Washington Post's Fact Checker examined the contents of the Trump rally in Billings on Sept. 6 and discovered that the majority of Trump's statements involved abuse toward the Democratic Party, self-promotional speech and deception regarding his administration. He called liberals "fools," claimed that he could build the wall in a year and said that his proposed tax cut would be "the biggest tax cut in the history of our country." 70 percent of Trump's statements were determined to be "false, misleading, or unsupported by the evidence." However, the cost of Trump's rallies goes beyond a psychological toll to a material loss.

As a Republican president, Trump has repeatedly emphasized his focus on revitalizing the economy through conservative fiscal austerity. In particular, he promotes tax cuts for all Americans. However, his rally obsession has cost cities (and by extension taxpayers) tens of thousands of dollars. According to Business Insider, his rally in Phoenix cost the city $450,000 in enormous public security, transportation and public works expenses. A much smaller rally in Burlington, Vermont resulted in a cost of $8,500 in security and traffic control expenses. While the re-election campaign committee covers some of the costs for his rallies, taxpayers foot the bill for police and emergency services, traffic control, Secret Service and cleanup.

I understand that Trump wants to create a Congress united around his ideology with whom he can pursue his conservative agenda. I can appreciate the importance of promoting policies to a wide audience and drawing support. However, Trump's position is not that of Rally-Master General. Instead, he is the President of the United States. His focus should be on leading the country, not stumping for Republican Party members and himself at every opportunity.

Trump's rallies are unnecessary, expensive acts of showmanship that serve no vital political purpose. Actions speak louder than words, and Trump's rallies are a loud and clear message that he values his ego over putting his policies into practice.

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AED BASICS
Thursday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m.
Gaines Hall Lobby
Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) are essential life-saving tools that are designed for ease of use in an emergency situation. This course will teach you how to use any of the over 80 AEDs that MSU has on campus. University employees are encouraged to attend, but must register online at *montana.edu*.

BREAKING BENJAMIN AND FIVE FINGER DEATH PUNCH
Saturday, Nov. 17, 6 p.m.
Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
MSU gears up for some serious rock n' roll this weekend with the arrival of Breaking Benjamin and Five Finger Death Punch at the Fieldhouse. Don't worry if you forgot to buy a ticket, as there are still some available at *ticketswest.com* starting at $25.

UNDERSTANDING RANCHERS' BELIEFS
Monday, Nov. 19, 11 a.m.
Wilson Hall 11128
Megan Moore, M.S. candidate from the Department of Earth Sciences, will defend her thesis "Understanding Ranchers' Beliefs and Behaviors Regarding Drought and Natural Water Storage in Southwest Montana." All thesis defenses are free and open to the public.

MONTANA SCIENCE OLYMPIAD
Tuesday, Nov. 20, 7:45 a.m.
MSU Campus
The Montana Science Olympiad is an academic competition that aims to increase STEM literacy in grades 6-12. The competitors have prepared for months studying and building their various devices. While the events will be held across campus, the opening ceremonies will be held in the SUB Ballroom.

ATHLETICS

MSU VS. IDAHO STATE
Thursday, Nov. 15, 7 p.m.
Shroyer Gym
Join the Bobcats volleyball team as they celebrate both Senior Day and military appreciation in their match against the Idaho State Bengals. Current and former members of the military receive free admission to the event as a thank you for their service. Students get a free ticket with the presentation of their CatCard.

CAT-GRIZ WATCH PARTIES
Saturday, Nov. 17, 12 p.m.
Rocking R Bar
Even if you can't make it to Missoula to cheer on the football team as they take on the Grizzlies, you can still take part in the festivities at Rocking R Bar. Cat-Griz watch parties are organized by the MSU Alumni Foundation and take place all over the country as Bobcats new and old come together.

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS
Sunday, Nov. 18, 2 p.m.
Brick Breeden Fieldhouse
The original Harlem Globetrotters are here at MSU as they prepare for their 2018 World Tour. A star-studded roster will have fans on the edge of their seats as they witness the ball-handling wizardry and showmanship that have become the Globetrotters' trademark. Tickets are available at *ticketswest.com* starting at $27.

HUFFING FOR STUFFING
Thursday, Nov. 22, 7 a.m.
Museum of the Rockies
What better way to start Thanksgiving morning than with the 12th annual Huffing for Stuffing 5K Run? The goal for this year's race is to reach five thousand participants, so ask your friends and family to consider running as well. Register online at *huffingforstuffing.com*.

THE ARTS

ART ON THE ROCKS
Thursday, Nov. 15, 6:30 p.m.
Rocking R Bar
Art on the Rocks is back and this month it is focusing on two of the classics — Mic Ultra and Mick Jagger. Paint pictures of your favorite artists and bands while enjoying various lagers. This is the last Art on the Rocks of 2018 so don't miss out. Tickets cost $40 and can be purchased at *rockingrbar.com*.

"RBG"
Friday, Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m.
The Ellen Theatre
Go and watch the captivating biopic "RBG," an intimate portrait of an unlikely rockstar: Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. With unprecedented access, the filmmakers explore how her early legal battles changed the world for women. The film begins at 7:30 p.m. and is Rated PG. Tickets cost $6 and can be purchased at *theellentheatre.com*.

"MAMMA MIA!" SING-ALONG
Saturday, Nov. 17, 7:30 p.m.
The Ellen Theatre
Dust off your pictures of Colin Firth and get your vocal cords ready, "Mamma Mia!" is going to be on the big screen for one night only at the Ellen. Sing along to your favorite ABBA songs and relive the musical all over again. Tickets cost $6 and can be purchased at *theellentheatre.com*.

CONCERTO AND ARIA COMPETITION FINALS
Monday, Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m.
Reynolds Recital Hall
The top six finalists in the MSU Concerto Competition will perform their pieces for the public. The finalists will have their performance times selected randomly and, at the discretion of the judges, a winner may not be selected if none of the performances are deemed of sufficient quality.

COMMUNITY

20TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES
Thursday, Nov. 15, 8 a.m.
Best Western Plus GranTree Inn
The Festival of Trees is a holiday event aimed at helping Liberty Place, Inc. to raise funds to support brain injury survivors. Trees will be on display throughout the hotel with a gala dinner scheduled for Nov. 16 at 5:30 p.m. Register online at *bozemanevents.com*.

17TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR
Friday, Nov. 16, 9 a.m.
The Emerson Center for Art and Culture
The Emerson's Holiday Bazaar is a celebration of local and regional artists and acts as a fundraiser for the Center. Exhibitors display original fine art and distinctive crafts. New this year is the addition of Thursday and Friday's Bazaar which is held in conjunction with Broad Comedy in the Crawford Theater.

ROCKING R BINGO
Tuesday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m.
Rocking R Bar
Bingo night will consist of six rounds with trivia questions in between each round to earn extra spaces. The cost for the event is $10 for three cards, $15 for six cards or $20 for twelve cards. Each purchase comes with a free well drink or craft beer.

TRIVIA NIGHT
Wednesday, Nov. 21, 8 p.m.
Molly Brown
Did you compete in Knowledge Bowl in high school? Are you confident in your ability to answer question after question on obscure facts and events? If so, then head to the Molly Brown for trivia night and show off you mental prowess. For added incentive, the winning teams will have their bar tabs covered.



The golden cages and broken dreams of child migration

BY QUINCY BALIUS

How much can the American Dream endure before it breaks?

"La Jaula de Oro," titled in English as "The Golden Dream," is a Spanish dramatic road movie about unaccompanied child migration from Central America to the United States. Its documentary style takes a hard look at the inequalities and violence of immigration. The title's literal translation, however, can be expressed as "The Golden Cage," which strikes a brutal contrast with its English counterpart and encapsulates the devastation of hope found in this film.

The Humanitarian Club hosted a screening of "La Jaula de Oro" on Nov. 8 in the Procrastinator Theater. The small space and few audience members served to make the film an oddly-intimate experience and strengthened its impact.

The film follows the journey of four teenagers (Samuel, Juan, Chauk and Sara) from Guatemala to the United States. While there is no explicit explanation for their migration, the group discusses how "everything will be better up north" throughout the story. However, their odyssey across Central America is certainly not easy.

The band of teenagers sneak onto freight trains, walk across railroad tracks and hitch rides to cover thousands of miles. Along the way, they confront hunger, gang violence, drug cartels and sexual assault. In the end, only one of the teenagers survives the journey and crosses the border. The film concludes with a scene of this migrant staring up into a streetlight with snow falling around him, an empty expression on his face.

Films like "La Jaula de Oro" expose the horrifying personal truths of child migrants both during their journeys and in their lives after crossing the border. Today, over 12,000 unaccompanied child migrants wait in detention centers throughout the U.S. to find out whether they will be allowed to stay in America or forced back to their homelands. Like the teenagers in "La Jaula de Oro," many of these migrants came over the border illegally in a desperate attempt to escape crime and danger, and to find a better life.

The debate over immigration rages intensely both within the halls of Congress and on the streets of America. No one can deny that it has become an enormous and highly divisive issue with no easy solution. Immigration will never be simply a question of politics. Instead, it's a human issue. As "La Jaula de Oro" shows us, our eventual answer must honor our collective humanity as well as our individual nationalities.

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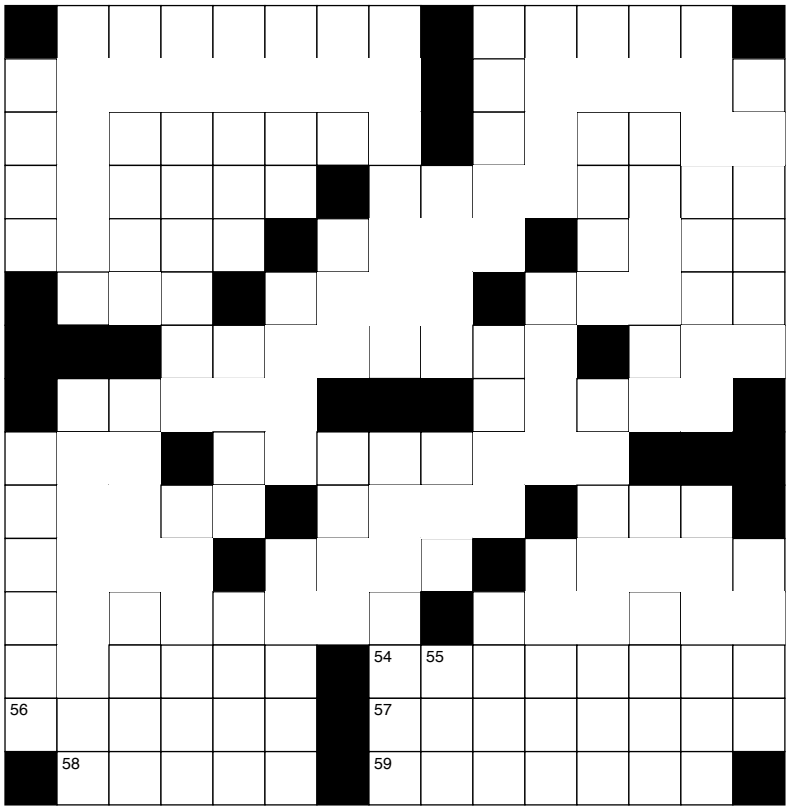

Across

1. Muslim holy month
8. Generous
13. Like some Mediterranean wines
14. Move a portrait
16. "Green Eyes" singer Helen
17. "____ Feeling" (Black Eyed Peas hit)
18. Weighted down
19. Cliff Huxtable duds
21. Eerie glows
22. Break one's back
23. Metals from the earth
24. Summer hrs. in California
25. Damp and clammy
26. Foolish
27. Imagine
30. Digital display, for short
31. Programmer
33. Go badly together, as colors
35. Union foe, for short
36. "_____ it pains me to say it..."
40. "This ___" (shipping label)
42. "It's ___ you!"
43. Solidify
46. Flabbergast
47. Optimistic
48. Kuwaiti money
50. Pain in the neck
52. "How much is that ____ in the window?"
53. Single-celled alga
54. Festooning
56. Con's plan
57. Pesters
58. Heavyweight Mike
59. Le Champs ___

Down

1. Make back
2. On the ship
3. Decreed
4. Queen ___ lace
5. Title document
6. Matlin's communication syst.
7. Harriet, Ozzie and Rick
8. Sharon of Israel
9. Prefix for tron or byte
10. Massless particle
11. Short football passes
12. Dig in
13. "Damn Yankees" dame
15. Filled (up) the tank
20. Collaborative Web project
22. Ice skater Babilonia
25. TV recorders
26. "To Live and Die ____" (1985 film)
28. First quarter moon tide
29. Eight, in Ecuador
31. Political moderate
32. Adamance
34. Rights recipient
35. Dwell
37. Elementary particle
38. Buffalo, to Brooklynites
39. Place with a seat (abbr.)
41. Legendary Colts quarterback Johnny
44. Auto's heart
45. Contaminates
47. Budget-friendly noodles
48. Campus bldgs.
49. Rules, shortly
51. ____ Gigio
52. Small boat
55. U.S. agncy. concered with occupational safety

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Things to bring up at Thanksgiving dinner:

Uncle Bob's age
Rachel's drinking problem
Bees?
"This is America"
Why you don't have a girlfriend
"I'm vegetarian"
CHOATE
The universe's impending heat death
Midterms (either one)
How dry the turkey is
~~Doing~~ acid
Mayo vs. Cool Whip
Tiger's Milk
Gun Control
How surprisingly moist the turkey is
D20s, the forbidden snack
Peter Fox
Polar Bears in the show "Lost"
"Detective Pikachu"
Millennial Monopoly
Cruzado 2020
Christmas
My gayness and there's nothing you can do
NOTHING
2005
The Real Scranton Strangler
Man and other plants

Tall Tales & TIDBITS

Cheese is just a dank loaf of milk.



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