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Dear readers,

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However, while we hope this annual edition can provide laughter and a moment of levity, we'd like to draw readers' attention back to the fact that the MSU community is currently facing an issue of immense gravity. Death threats and hateful messages directed at students in recent weeks have hurt students at MSU and caused students to fear for their safety. In the past week, controversy has risen surrounding MSU's response to these messages. The Exponent remains committed to covering this important issue, and we've published our most recent story about this online, at *msuexponent.com*. We've chosen to publish this serious coverage strictly on our website, and our non-serious Excrement stories strictly in this print edition, to avoid the possibility of causing confusion about what's real and what's not. Our social media posts about this content will be clearly distinguished, with a disclaimer at the beginning of each satirical social media post.

— Gabe Barnard

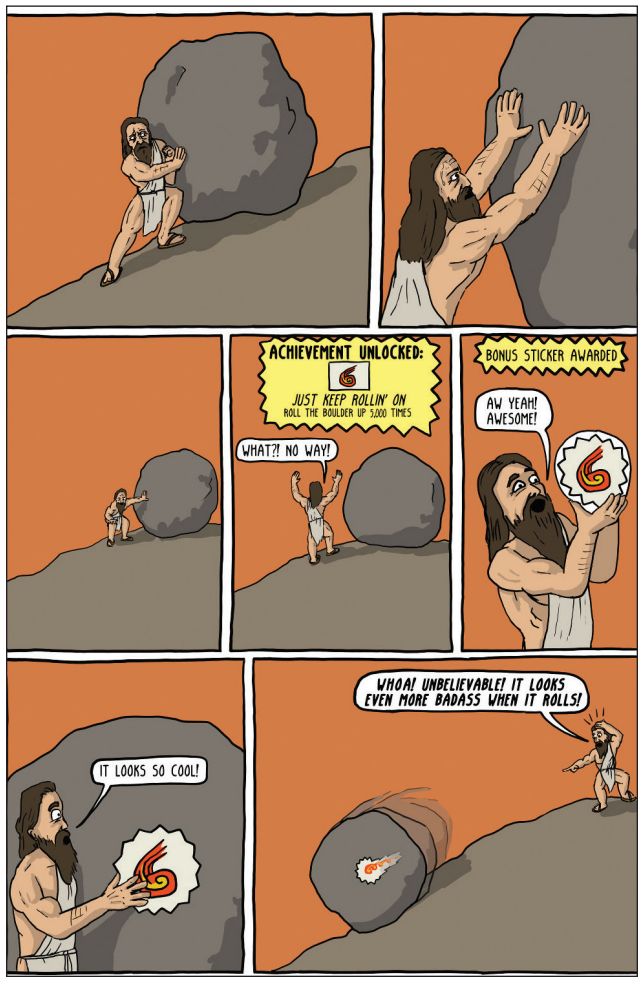


FLASHBULB

As springtime approaches, grizzly bears begin to come out of hibernation. This cute little guy was seen roaming around Montana Hall on Tuesday, March 28. **Photo by Sam Negen**

MEME OF THE WEEK

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SIGNIFICANT FIGURES

ONE DIRECTION

One Direction is the #1 greatest band to ever exist, and this is a proven fact.



While it is commonly said that the band had five members, and eventually four, there is actually a sixth member that is never talked about. His name is Frankie Grande.

The Beatles took 90% of their inspiration from One Direction, which is why their music is so good.

Harry Styles and Niall Horan are 2 of the most attractive men on the planet, according to everyone.



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Duck Pond designated international waters following spy balloon crash

BY GRISTINA CHIBBS

The MSU Duck Pond has been designated international waters after an unidentified spy balloon crashed following a collision with a landing duck. The duck was not harmed in the collision and the data chip in the balloon appeared to only contain footage of the Excrement staff doing a really weird dance party before water damage set in.

It's possible that the unidentified owner of the spy balloon was scouting the Duck Pond for future naval exercises. It's been reported that the person who signed off on converting the Duck Pond to international waters thought he was signing fan mail, not an international treaty. However, according to international law, unidentified vessels must verify their nationality when approached in international waters, and all the spy balloon had on it for identification was an iPod in a plastic bag with the Spanish version of the Hamster Dance playing on repeat.

According to Wikipedia, international waters — or "high seas" — apply where any body of water transcends international boundaries. The Duck Pond has been made an exception to the arbitrary rule on the merits that it's an excuse for students on the west side of campus to cross the street.

As an international flyway for Anas platyrhynchos — the common mallard — the Duck Pond hosts avian guests from around the world, justifying its new global status. There was, for a time, even a confused hawk that landed and was assimilated into the local population. It even tried to wade in the pond, albeit with limited success.

When asked about this series of events, avian citizens of the Duck Pond chose not to respond in any recognizable human language, making it difficult to ascertain the hawk's motives or the residents' subsequent reactions. Upon further investigation, the hawk appeared to have left the territory.

Due to its new status, the Duck Pond is now open to any independent state for fishing, navigation, overflight, laying pipelines and scientific research. However, these protections do not extend to drinking the pond water. For legal reasons, the Excrement does not condone drinking Duck Pond water, although technically this is a free country and most students are legal adults, so do with that information what you will.



The Duck Pond can further be classified as an international waterway, which enjoys the freedom of navigation. Similarly to the Copenhagen Convention of 1857, which opened access to the Baltic Sea, the Duck Pond will now be open to international trade of goods and commodities.

"We look forward to possibly expanding international trade," Duck Pond president Quackimus Prime said. The Duck Pond is crucial to exporting MSU products, such as leftover bread from the MSU Barley, Malt & Brewing Lab and concrete canoe prototypes from the Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering.

However, disputes may ensue between the U.S. and Canada regarding ownership designation, considering the Duck Pond's close proximity to Canada (about 1,722 kilometers.) The Canadians already claim that the Northwest Passage, the sea route that connects the Atlantic and Pacific oceans through the Arctic Ocean, is internal waters. The U.S. officially regards the area as international waters, so the Canadians are starting to get snippy about the new status of the Duck Pond in retaliation.

Experts predict economic sanctions on Canadian goods shipping through the Duck Pond may well be the next course of action.

"We will, under no circumstances, allow Canada to claim ownership of the Duck Pond," Governor Greg Giant Fort said during a contentious meeting in Town Hall last Thursday with both human and avian political representatives. "The sanctity of international status must be maintained for Montana's economic future."

Any agreements regarding the U.S./Canada dispute would be entered into the International Freshwater Treaties Database since the Duck Pond is a freshwater source. The database provides a fully searchable catalog of all agreements that relate to international freshwater resources.

In any sense, on behalf of MSU, "We are excited for what this new status will bring for our ducks, students, faculty and our institution as a whole," Prime said. "Go 'Cats!"

Design by Diana V Ricola

Parking Services conquers Wilson Hall, imprisons students

BY AMANDA FOWL-TOWN

Many may know Wilson Hall as the home of the College of Letters and Science, but in a truly shocking turn of events, Parking Services has overtaken the building and transformed it into a jail for people who complain about them.

"I was so afraid. I only wanted to ask about my parking ticket, but suddenly I was blindfolded and thrown in the back of a van," said freshman business student Shawn Crickets as he recalled the traumatizing turn of events that led to his imprisonment. "I ended up here, behind bars. I don't know how to escape."

"There are over forty of us in here. I don't know why they're doing this, but they're also towing our cars in here too," he said. "I think the giant pile of cars might fall on us soon, it's getting pretty tall. Please spread the word so that I can go back to my dorm and feed my snails."

Parking Services appears to be waging a war of never-before-seen proportions on the MSU community. Their time of passivity is over, and now they're on the offensive.

"I'm so sorry I parked in a Bobcat Lot even though I only have a Stadium permit. I promise I'll never do it again," Crickets begged a masked Parking Services employee, who proceeded to pelt him with balled-up tickets until he fled for safety into Wilson 1-154.

It also appears that Parking Services has learned martial arts to bring down students. "I was tearing up a ticket that was stuck under my windshield wiper when suddenly seven of them appeared and roundhouse-kicked me to the ground. I started screaming for help but nobody responded," said senior graphic design student Taylor Wilkins, who is now also behind bars for her misdemeanor. "I could see people watching, but I think they were too afraid to help me."

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-senior graphic design student Taylor Wilkins

Parking Services going rogue is not unprecedented in MSU's history. In 1986, the director of Parking Services decided to tow every single car in the parking lots and build a giant fortress around Montana Hall overnight — much to the distress of administrators who were trapped inside. For the following seven weeks, the Montana National Guard had to airlift in supplies as negotiators worked to bargain with Parking Services for their freedom.

The standoff ended with only one tar-and-feathering which occurred, unsurprisingly, in the courtyard of Wilson Hall. Negotiators called it a win, Parking Services called it less than deserved.

Nobody knows quite why Parking Services was allowed to resume power over the parking lots of MSU following that incident, but it is suspected that it was because of fear of further retaliation.

In this warzone, Parking Services grows bolder every day, even venturing into MSU territory to carry out its acts of vengeance. "I was sitting in the dining hall, and I was complaining about a ticket I got because I parked on that weird hill in front of the SUB," senior physics student Gregory Gregorivich said. "I didn't know that was when my life would change forever."

"Suddenly, one of them slithered out from under the table like Voldemort in that one Harry Potter movie and grabbed my ankles. He swung me over his shoulder like a sack of potatoes and carried me away. I just want to see my family again," he said.

According to Gregorivich, the prisoners in Wilson Hall — now colloquially referred to as the 'Parkin' Penitentiary' by students on campus — are being fed the expired Starbucks drinks from the first-floor vending machines and occasionally forced to fight for scraps of Rendezvous tater tot casserole.

"I wish I'd never mentioned that stupid ticket. They have eyes and ears everywhere. Don't make the same mistake I made," he said miserably. "Trust nobody."

In any regard, formerly peaceful Wilson has been transformed into a truly menacing sight. Parking Services vans are parked in attack formation around the entire building, and every employee is armed with a pad of tear-off blank tickets and state-of-the-art 2023 Pilot G2 Retractable 0.07mm Gel Pens.

They're locked and loaded to give out dozens— if not hundreds— of parking tickets, and stopping them doesn't seem to be an option this time.

Because everyone else in power has been imprisoned for parking violations, renegade groups have appeared on campus to gather intel and plot the downfall of our new Parking Service overlords.

One of these rebels is Wilson W. Wilson, the local ghost that haunts the besieged building. Every day he scopes out the scene from the safety of Reid Hall with binoculars. "It's absolutely crazy," he said. "They've built like ten chevaux de frise in front of every exit and pathway leading to the building. I also think they're towing cars in there to help fortify the walls. I don't think anyone's getting in there anytime soon."

Wilson is also rumored to be planning a preemptive strike on Wilson Hall along with his mysterious forces of the night, but he chose to flee into the little-known Romney Hall attic —- which seems to be his base of operations — rather than give a statement regarding these campus suspicions.

As of this moment, it appears Parking Services will continue to hold dominion over MSU students and faculty. The fear they inspire is unmatched, and it's clear they aren't holding back this time.



Artful rendition by Brian Viral

Excrement police reports for March

BY JACKSON OLIVE

Recently, crime has been running rampant across campus in response to lack of snow removal on the sidewalks, as students feel the deep snow prevents possible police pursuit. To help protect students from falling victim to any situations like these, the Excrement has decided to detail some of the most recent campus police reports happening around MSU. Be safe out there, Bobcats!

March 2, 13:08: Subject reported a suspicious-looking cat that appeared to be stalking him. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the perp was simply Champ waiting for the subject to finish his lunch.

March 5, 09:43: Multiple callers reported seeing "terrifying monsters" roaming campus. Officer on scene discovered the "monsters" were just Griz fans that wandered into Bozeman by accident.

March 6, 23:14: Caller reported a group of teenagers digging in the park and acting suspiciously. Officers arrived on the scene and discovered that the teenagers were anthropology students "playing Indiana Jones."'

March 9, 08.05: Student reported "feeling targeted" by President Cruzaddy's new "Pure Bronze" emails in which she complains about students on campus. When questioned by an officer, Cruzaddy reportedly claimed there was way too much positivity happening in the "Pure Gold" emails, and students needed to get "knocked down a peg."

March 11, 14:56: A mysterious van was reported driving slowly through the campus. Upon investigation, it was discovered that the van belonged to the Parking Services. The driver was sentenced to life under MSU's new "Anti-Lurking" policy.

March 12. 10:34: A "free thinker" was reportedly removed from campus after protesting the lack of a "Conservative Studies program." The subject claimed having only a "Liberal Studies" degree available was against the Constitution.

March 15, 00:54: Caller reported a strange odor coming from their neighbor's dorm room. After further investigation, it was discovered to be Rendezvous tater tot casserole left over from last week.

March 17, 15:21: Art student indicted for "sitting in the middle of 19th street as a protest for lack of career support in design programs." The subject was informed that they should expect to be unemployed, so these services were not needed for them.

March 18, 17:01: Multiple callers reported a student being attacked by a duck on their way to class. The altercation was said to have taken place after the student was 'waving their sandwich' in the suspect's face. Both were cited for disorderly conduct.

March 21, 11:19: A large construction vehicle was reportedly discovered on the third floor of the MSU library following a three-day weekend. How it got there is pending investigation.

March 23, 04:34: Police reported to Jake Jabs Hall after receiving reports of petty theft. It turns out the business students were running a large-scale operation stealing crayons from the CDC learning center across from them.

March 25, 18:45: A chemistry teacher was busted for making "rock candy" in an underground lab with a local chicken restaurant owner.

March 29, 06:23: The subject reports Wilson Hall's roof has fallen in. It was discovered by an internal investigator that the university has been diverting funds from the College of Letters and Science in order to fund expenses for their new "Bobcat Armed Forces For Domination of UM" program.

April 1, 00:00: Poly Sci teacher exiled by MSU PD because of repeated attempts to encourage students to "secede from the Union and start their own country," because that went so well last time.

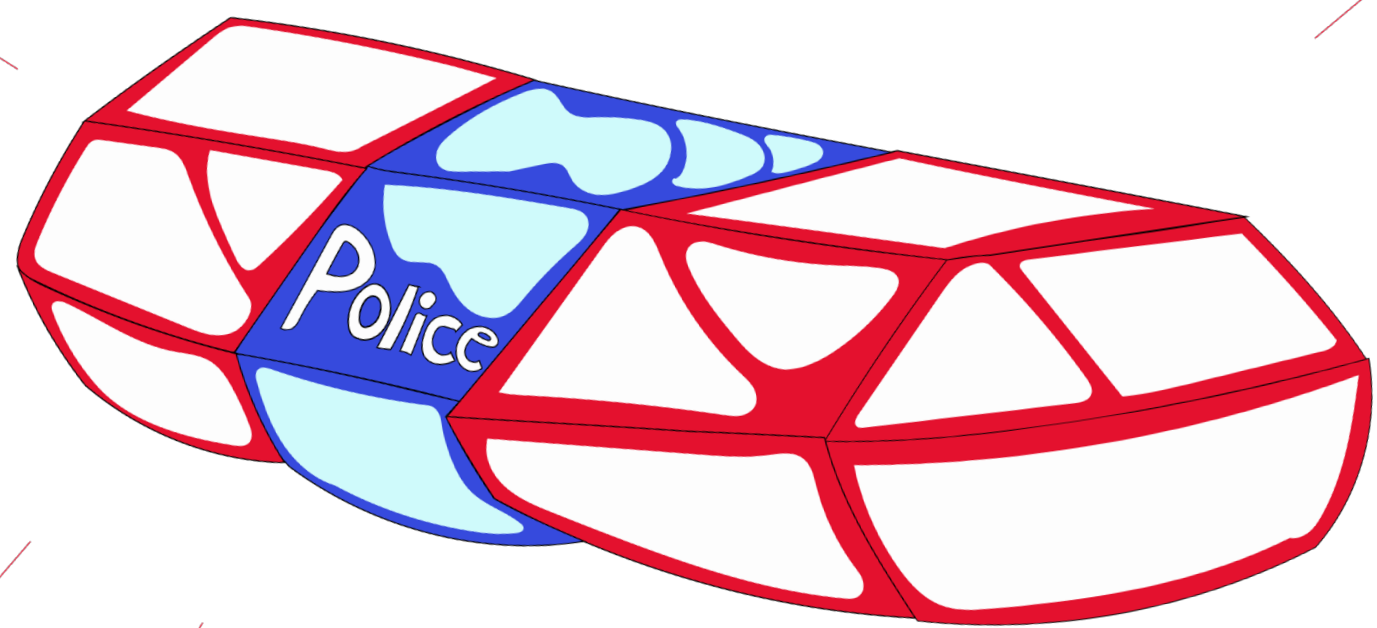
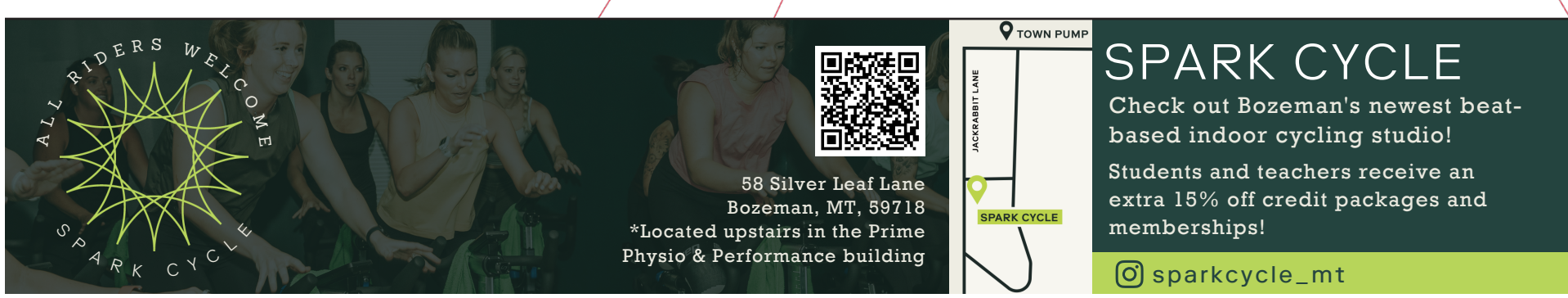


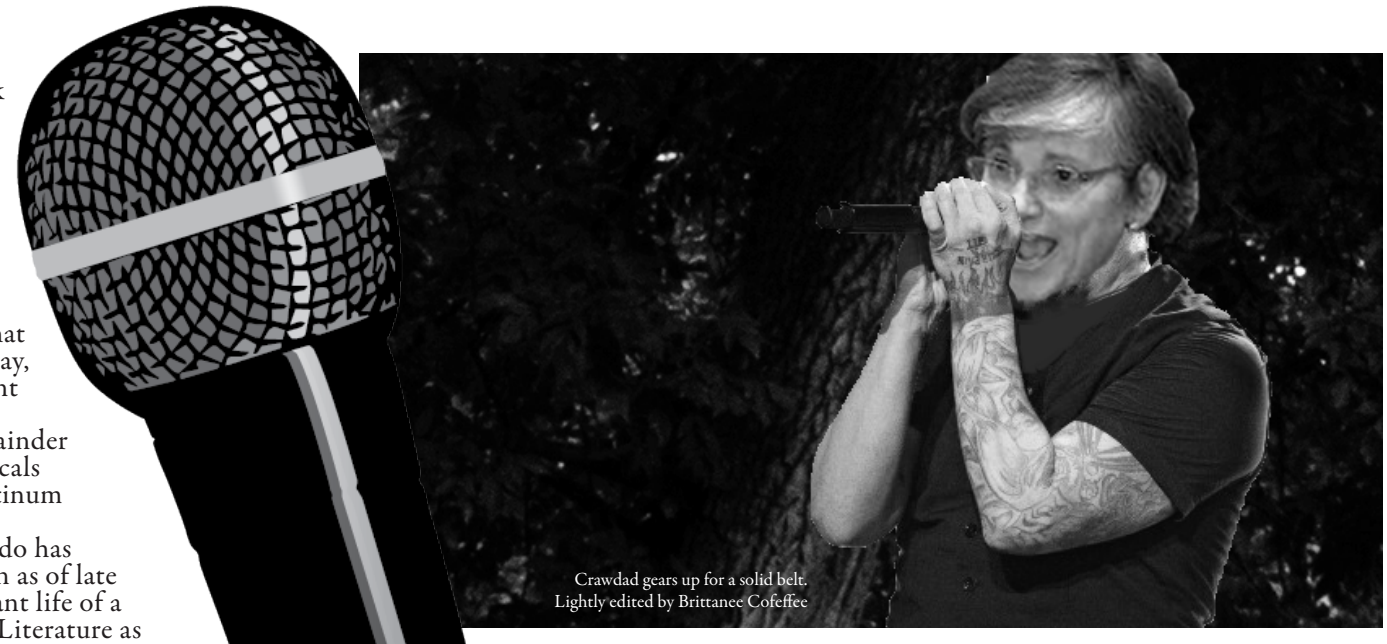
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Wuzado? More like Wuza-do-re-mi-fa-so-la-ti-do

By Ergie Gergie



Crawdad gears up for a solid belt.
Lightly edited by Brittanee Cofeffee

Fans planning to see Shinedown at the Brick Breeden Fieldhouse on May 3 may notice that frontman Brent Smith looks slightly different.

Belting out classics like "Second Chance" and "Sound of Madness" will be Montana State University's own Crawdad Wuzado. You heard that right, it was announced on Wednesday, March 29, that Dr. Wuzado, president of our very own university, would be taking a leave of absence for the remainder of the semester as emergency lead vocals replacement for certified double platinum band Shinedown.

This may surprise some, but Wuzado has been very vocal to whoever will listen as of late about her frustration with the stagnant life of a University president. On my way to Literature as Popular Culture last Wednesday, we crossed paths on the Centennial Mall.

I gave her a friendly smile and waved. Wuzado launched into a rant about how she wished she could "leave this all behind and set out on the open road."

Wuzado continued: "the weather lately just really stinks, y'know? All the snow this winter left me with a leak in my roof the size of a Christmas ham. And jeez, you can only ski Bridger so many times before it becomes work. This idyllic mountain town thing is really for the birds."

Wuzado began to get worked up. I tried to tell her that I'm late for class, but she forged on: "don't even get me started on the state of my yard once the snow melts! I haven't picked up after my dogs since October."

At this point, she became wistful as if she wasn't even speaking to me anymore: "I can't wait to leave this town behind. No one gets me around here. I'm gonna make it. You'll see." Wuzado stormed off humming a tune that sounded suspiciously like "Second Chance". I was left confused.

This strange encounter and Shinedown's recent announcement of Wuzado's installation as lead vocalist led me into an exclusive investigation ending in potentially even more confusion. You simply will not believe the rabbit hole we are about to go down.

> "Whose hand am I supposed to shake at commencement?"
>
> - Anonymous

Wuzado's vocal career has a storied past. In her undergraduate career at the University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez, she sang Alto II and was captain of the since defunct all-female a cappella group The Wailing Janes.

During her senior year in 1982, Wuzado led The Wailing Janes to a dark horse appearance at the International Championship of Collegiate A Cappella (ICCA), the first Puerto Rican group to be represented at the competition. Their set started off with a lively rendition of Joan Jett's "I Love Rock and Roll," slid into Hall and Oates' "You Make My Dreams (Come True)," and finished off with a touching arrangement of Marvin Gaye's "Sexual Healing." The Wailing Janes took home third place at the 1982 ICCA, and Anna Kendrick has cited their appearance at the competition as the inspiration for the 2012 film "Pitch Perfect."

Back in the present, the circumstances surrounding Shinedown's frontman Brent Smith stepping down for the Revolutions Tour are suspicious, to say the least.

Smith and the rest of the guys were gathered in their hometown of Jacksonville, Florida to prepare for tour, which is scheduled to start in Saginaw, Michigan on April 3. According to eyewitnesses, Smith was seen Monday, March 27, walking across the street to enter Shinedown's practice space when he tripped over what is believed to be an inert Hungarian landmine.

Smith reportedly twisted his ankle pretty bad and also skinned his knee. Smith is in stable condition, but remains in the hospital under observation just to be safe. According to authorities, he has been told by his healthcare providers to "take it easy" and to "definitely not go on a three-month cross country tour."

Eyewitnesses also noted a shady figure skulking into an alleyway near Shinedown's practice space shortly after Smith's tumble. The figure, seen in a paparazzi video, bears an uncanny resemblance to MSU's Most Wanted, The North Dome Slasher.

The North Dome of the newly erected temporary fitness center was slashed with a sharp blade on March 5, 2020, leaving two large gashes in the vinyl bubble. In response to the vandalism, MSU PD Chief of Police Mike Standford said, "this is why we can't have nice things." The North Dome Slasher has been at large ever since, and now three years later, they have seemingly resurfaced to do more nefarious deeds.

How did Crawdad Wuzado become the choice to replace Brent Smith, you may ask? Well,



Shinedown's newest full band photo.
Lightly edited by Burned Veal

"Wait, what's Shinedown?"

- Hayden Skrzypczak

nothing concrete has been revealed thus far. However, what little information we do have suggests some sort of bribery or sweet talking was involved.

Inexplicably, before the announcement of Wuzado's installment into Shinedown, Brent Smith was deemed Pure Gold by Wuzado. In the email, she sang his and his band's praises. "Planet Zero is absolutely my favorite album of the decade. The themes of climate change and the corruption of the youth through social media are issues that are near and dear to my heart" Wuzado writes. "As I am sure we both understand the importance of acting on the things you believe in. I didn't ban TikTok just for fun, after all!"

Another mysterious tidbit: MSU PD released a statement on Tuesday, March 28, pardoning the aforementioned North Dome Slasher of all alleged crimes, misdemeanors, and/or hooliganism.

Despite the seemingly endless questions associated with this substitution, MSU students and Shinedown fans seem ecstatic at the personnel change. "I mean, having been a Shinedown fan since birth, the same old vocals have been getting a little boring. It'll be great to get some fresh blood in the group," pontificates *@buttrockdude* on Twitter.

It seems as though the majority of fans online agree that replacing Brent Smith with virtually unknown Crawdad Wuzado is the best thing the band has done since "The Sound of Madness" in 2008. However, the subreddit *r/Shinedown* has been abuzz since the announcement, spurring some contentious discussions in the comments between the pro and anti factions. Through a general poll on the Centennial Mall after the news broke, it is evident that Bobcats have more mixed feelings. "Whose hand am I supposed to shake at commencement?" asked one student.

"I am so frustrated that Brent Smith would just give up like this for a twisted ankle. Even though I'm sure Crawdad will do a great job. It's just, I paid good money to see Brent Smith, so she better step up her game," asserted integrated lens based media junior Mason Slider. "Y'know, with their original lineup there was no way in hell I was going to that concert. Now? You better believe I'll be throwing elbows in the pit," exclaimed university studies freshman Jenna Grouse. "Wait, what's Shinedown?" questioned chemical engineering Senior Hayden Skrzypczak.

Regardless of how we Bobcats may feel on this subject, one thing is for certain: Crawdad is about to jam her heart out on tour for four months whether we like it or not. If you'd like to give our president-turned-rockstar your warm wishes before she departs, ASMSU will be hosting a send off party on April 1, 2023 in the SUB Ballrooms. This event will be catered and is open to all.

Basketball tournament for turf field access

BY SAUCTIN WARTZENBURGER



shotophoped by Tiffanee Lee

As snow storms continue to batter Bozeman, a major problem faces the campus administration: which club sport gets priority to use the single turf field that is regularly plowed? Finally, Athletic Director Lionel Castille has stepped in to provide a solution, with a little inspiration from March Madness.

Castille recently announced that the 27 club sports on campus would play a single elimination basketball tournament, with the grand prize being exclusive rights to the turf practice field near Yellowstone Hall.

The tournament will start on April 1 at the basketball hoop at Bozeman Ponds. When asked why the tournament wouldn't be taking place on campus, Castille said, "We want to really push one team to step up and earn the right to have a club sport be supported by the athletic department. Until then, they can practice and play in local parks."

The proposed tournament idea has drawn a mixed reaction from the club sports community on campus, with some clubs scoffing at the absurdity of the idea and others already scheming for the best way to come out on top.

The women's volleyball club was initially excited at the prospect of using height advantage in the basketball tournament, before reluctantly admitting they had no need for an outdoor turf field.

Trey Thompson, president of the Roundnet club, speculated the tournament wouldn't be possible because Bozeman Pond would also still have snow. "Wait, if there is snow here, shouldn't there be snow there still? I don't think we can play basketball in a foot of snow," Thompson said.

The possibility of snow on the court led several clubs to change their minds about the absurdity of the tournament, sensing a competitive advantage they could exploit. The nordic skiing club has lobbied the administration to allow the team to wear their skis during the game, allowing them to glide over the snow instead of having to plow through it. If this request is granted, they will be a clear favorite to win the whole tournament and secure the plowed turf field, which would be relatively useless to a skiing club.

The polo club, a clear challenger to the nordic skiing team, hopes to be allowed to use its horses in the competition. The obvious advantage of this would be the added height, but the size of the horses would also help to project the polo club as the number one defense in the tournament. Some have argued this would give the team too much of an advantage in the competition, forcing the athletic department to step in and make a rule clarification. "Horses are allowed in the tournament," Castille said. "However, each horse will count as one person. A team could be composed of two horses and three people, or even five horses if you wanted."

While nordic skiing and polo are the clear favorites, don't forget to come to Bozeman Pond on April 1 at 2 p.m. to watch the madness of the tournament unfold and root for potential Cinderella teams like the triathlon club and the women's lacrosse club to win it all.



Tom Brady renounces retirement in favor of Bobcat football

BY GUS NOT THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS

Once again, Tom Brady, or as he is referred to in Boston, Lord Thomas Edward Patrick Brady II, has renounced retirement in favor of a return to the gridiron. Amid rumors swirling that he would continue his NFL career in Miami, Brady has surprised both die-hard experts and casual fans alike by announcing his intentions to play for the Montana State Bobcats in 2023.

"I'm excited to come back to college football. It's just the right move for me at this point in my career," Brady said during a recent press conference. "Coach Bigen and President Wuzado have both been great throughout the entire process. Especially Wuzado. She's been great," Brady exclaimed.

Wuzado seems quite excited to have recruited Brady, saying, "His arm is really going to help out around here."

A number of FCS teams-especially those in the Big Sky Conference- have already entered formal protests in opposition of this MSU roster move. In an open letter to Big Sky Conference leadership, rival schools called the move, "A open and naked disgrace that flies in the face of both NCAA regulations and the spirit of competition itself. Also, he's 45. It's kind of creepy, in all honesty."

Biggus Skyus IV, president and operating manager of the conference, responded to the letter, saying, "My father, Biggus Skyus III, and his father, Biggus Skyus II, believed in the undying fires of competition, and would be proud to have a premier force such as Sir Brady taking the field. As a matter of fact…" (the rest of Skyus' interview was utterly unintelligible due to his thick English accent).

"I don't know about all that, but I do know how great his arm is looking," Wuzado said in response to the accusations from the Big Sky Conference.

Vrent "Maybe-Not PETA approved" Bigen, head coach of the Montana Bobcats, was overjoyed to add Brady to the roster, saying, "Those schools in the Dakotas can take their defenses and shove them *&^%$ *&^%*&& and then (*^^()*** before ((((&%^$&".

Current starting quarterback Mommy Tellot was less than thrilled at the prospect of competing with Brady for the QB1 job. "He can't run particularly well. Maybe I have a shot?" Tellot commented.

There has been buzz around the concept of moving Tellot into a running-back position, given his propensity to drive down the field with little more than his legs and guile.

When Vrent "Grizzly-Eater " Bigen was asked how Tellot's role would change as a result of the move, he said, "Tellot is still going to have a vital role in the team's structure. The right side of the bench isn't going to warm itself."

"Brady's arm is just great," Wuzado said, with a twinkle in her eye. Wuzado was seen continually rubbing Brady's elbows during his introductory press conference.

"Just making sure everything is where it's supposed to be," Wuzado said with a laugh when asked about it. Wuzado's Wikipedia article makes specific mention of her tendency to touch people's elbows when conversing (this is 100% true, you can look it up), leading to some questions to arise. Not to worry- the Excrement's top investigators, the very same ones who uncovered the Great Cheeseburger Scandal of '93, have been put to the task.

REPRINT-BREAKING NEWS EDIT

It has come out that millions of dollars of student tuition were offered to Brady in an under-the-table contract to play for MSU. The Excrement has investigated the contract and discovered a number of clauses related to Brady's elbows, including a stipulation outlining that Wuzado be allowed to touch Brady's elbows at least once a week.

Due to these accusations Wuzado has issued an apology via Youtube, a tearful affair that has a runtime of 27 minutes. "I was simply dazzled by 'dem bows," she said in the video, referencing Brady's elbows.

Brady has denied any and all knowledge of the contract, which bore both his signature and wax seals imprinted with each of his Super Bowl Rings.



Color-graded by Brie Cheese

Bridger Bowl, will be doubling available terrain for 2023-2024 season.

BY SQUILL MARIZZIA

BRIDGEST ~~BRIDGER~~ BOWL

As Bozeman's population increases at a seemingly exponential rate, the local ski area, Bridger Bowl, has received a truly unprecedented amount of traffic.

As the resort struggles to accommodate all the new skiers, they've declared a 100% increase of available terrain for next season. You heard that right: Bridger Bowl will be doubling their skiable acreage for the 2023-2024 winter season.

Sources say the organization intends to build a few lifts on the west-facing side of the ski hill as well as a chair connecting the base of Schlasman's to the top of Saddle Peak.

The Bridger Bowl Association explained their reasoning for the change. Chairman of the association Brennan Lesly, expressed his thoughts.

"It's what the people want, and it's exactly what the resort needs. The more terrain available, the more skiers we'll attract, and the more sick ski movie clips we'll help create," he said. It appears the Association truly has the ski community's best interests in mind.

The mountain intends on redirecting funds from the Bridger Bowl Ski School Program in order to finance the renovations.

"Ski lessons are so out of style. Who needs to take pointers from some old ex racer guy about how to properly carve? Who even carves anymore anyways? I digress. People need to learn out there, on their own at the top of cliffs or the middle of narrow chutes. That's why we're opening the terrain. It's so that people can get better." Lesly explained.

Bridger Bowl ridge enthusiast, Frankie Anderson, locally known as 'Frankie Fracture,' is thrilled by the news. "It's about time Bridger increases their terrain," Anderson said, adjusting the sling on his right arm. "I, for one, have always wanted to ski the west side. People like to say it's dangerous because there is much less snow, but I like the danger. That's how you get better. You're not brave if you're not scared. All these yuppy Bridger midway lappers need to step aside because the age of big mountain skiing is upon us," Anderson said.

The Excrement tried to track down Fracture for more interviews the following day, but he was unresponsive. His friends say he was last seen at the top of the infamous bridger ridge line, 'Sabers Slice' without a helmet on, holding a 16oz can of PBR.

"It's pretty crazy," said one friend of Andersons, Sam Philips, also often referred to as 'Sendy Sam,' "I think Frankie is just so excited about the new terrain for next season; he's just gone full throttle – and just two days after sustaining a broken arm injury. He's truly an inspiration," Philips said.

Sit tight, Bozeman skiers, because more is coming. Our ski hill is going to get bigger and badder than ever. According to Lesly, "This generation of skiers is prepared for this. This is the sport's natural progression. It's time to stop worrying about injury and embrace the send."



Your Perfect Salad Dressing Depending on your Major

BY T SWIZZLE

Picking a major is a difficult and strenuous decision, but choosing your salad dressing shouldn't be.

We all know and love the Union Market dining options, but there has been some stirring controversy over the dressings provided at the salad bar. Picking the right salad dressing for you can be a stressful and difficult decision to make while in the hustle and bustle of the Union Market. Avoid the stress of decision making and use this guide to what salad dressing you should get based on your major.

Your major says a lot about you, and so does choosing ranch as your go-to salad dressing. If you are a business major, whether it be marketing or accounting, you love the basics. The ever so popular ranch fits perfectly with such a popular major. It's a classic and an easy choice, just like majoring in business. You can't go wrong with either.

English majors are rich in knowledge and language because of the over abundance of books that they are required to read in the span of one week. That's why balsamic is the perfect choice for you if you have chosen this path of literature. Balsamic is rich and flavorful while not being too adventurous. The balsamic dressing perfectly suits literature and writing majors alike; it has a little kick to it, while still being a savory option. It's a classic, just like you and the things that you study.

Education majors and honey mustard pair perfectly together. Young at heart and yearning for simpler times, honey mustard is a classic childhood staple that you can put on your salad and pair with your chicken nuggets.

Engineers are tough cookies and an acquired taste. If you're majoring in engineering, you made a difficult but courageous choice, just like choosing blue cheese dressing. Blue cheese dressing is not the most popular or easy, but someone's gotta like it, just like someone has to be the engineer in our world. Stay strong out there engineers and blue cheese lovers.

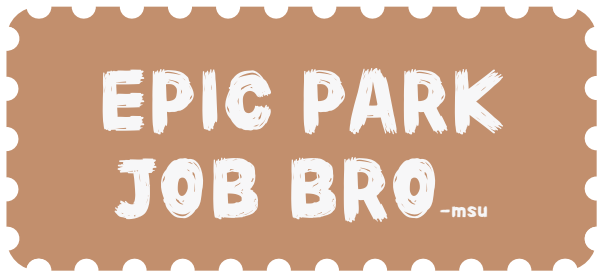
Art majors, whether it's graphic design or you're pursuing the dream of being a freelance artist, you guys are sweet and creative just like raspberry vinaigrette. Raspberry vinaigrette is your go to salad dressing, it's colorful, bright and the sweetest of the salad dressings that are offered in the Union Market. Just like your major, you chose the creative path and you bring a pop of color to our campus just like raspberry vinaigrette can do for you with your next salad endeavor.

Last but certainly not least: thousand island dressing. History majors, this one's for you. Thousand island dressing is rich, creamy and borders on the line of savory and sweet, just like our history textbooks. This tangy salad dressing pairs perfectly with your bold decision to learn about the past so we can attempt to have a better future.

Picking a major is a difficult and strenuous decision, but choosing your salad dressing shouldn't be. Let this be your guide to get through one of the toughest moments in college: making a decision in the dining halls.

Much needed new tickets to come from Parking Services

BY JESSICA WOODSON



The University Police Department and Parking Services have recently come together in an attempt to create a more efficient and safe place for the students at MSU to travel and park in. Tickets may soon expand beyond just parking citations and noise violations, as increased staffing seems to have brought more creative ideas to the table. These potential tickets have been a long time coming and are necessary in order to keep our campus the safest and most efficient that it can be.

A joint operation between the two organizations seeks to bring all of the humor of an

unhinged corporate entity along with some very real financial penalties together. Several new ticket types may seem unusual, but their fines surely are not. Vehicle citations have always been in the Parking Services wheelhouse, but they have really outdone themselves with these new iterations.

The creation of specialized tickets would work toward softening the rough edges of parking services.

These tickets are only targeting the unregulated corners brimming with unsafe heretical practices. Trucks two times larger than a KIA Soul and a wealth of two wheeled death traps threaten the security of our egos.

Any truck where it is inconveniently high in proportion to the officer's arm length will be cited

immediately. Prices will range due to a new scaling multiplier depending on how embarrassed

the person placing a ticket may feel.

This multiplier ranges from tippy toes to piggyback with officer piggybacks doubling the standard ticket amount. Lifted trucks have long since made members of these organizations feel small and slightly inadequate. They are excited to finally crack down on these important issues., protecting the ego of both the organizations and each individual of the student body. A crack down on lifted trucks was inevitable since they have long since terrified and harassed the local pedestrians of Gallatin County. Somewhere in between the pit vipers and duck pond burnouts, many lost faith in the lifted truck; however, it is not just these tall abominations that are receiving new regulations.

To no one's surprise, cars will begin being evaluated on their parking prowess, and these scores will appear in degree works right under your GPA. Unfortunately, drivers will not be evaluated on their overall motor skills as their jurisdiction extends only to parked cars and motorcycles. Parking Services has expressed its deep hatred for anything with two wheels, and will now add wheels to any form of transport displaying less than three.

A recent purchase of several shipments of training wheels will be used to make both organizations more comfortable with these dangerous forms of transportation. Motorcyclists should expect a sidecar with Champ's face to be permanently welded to their bikes in the coming weeks.

These changes are likely to be pushed through in a vote later this week since these

tickets are sure to line pockets and promote safety. Neither of these organizations expect

pushback regarding these new changes to criminal reform.

Montana State has been awarded the title of the one true MSU

BY FRY, EMMA FRY

Tensions are high. The people are rioting. Justice has been demanded. A victor must be named. There can only be one true MSU.

As you may know, there are three MSU campuses: Montana State, Michigan State, and Mississippi State, each dubbed MSU. Now, understandably, one may not think this is a big deal. However, they obviously have never Googled, "Best places to cry at MSU " and got results relating to Michigan or Mississippi resulting in a swift log off and lingering feelings of frustration and sadness.

In response to this epidemic, the brave ASMSU representatives from each academic department forfeited their spring breaks, a time designed for rest and relaxation, to fight for our honor and title of the one and only MSU.

After years of unrest within the campuses, Montana State University, Michigan State University, and Mississippi State University student governments came together to discuss the possibility of a name change to ensure search engine optimization for each campus. However, after weeks of deliberation, nothing had been agreed upon, and a battle of physical strength and wit was declared. The neutral territory of Nebraska was decided upon, and the battle continued.

To represent each team in the athletics department, a star athlete from the leading sport was chosen to participate. Naturally, our very own "Touchdown" Mommy Tellott crushed Mississippi freshman baseball pitcher Juan Cottrell in the zorbing obstacle course as the Mississippian was seemingly hit by the altitude which slowed his game.

For those unaware of this particular sport, zorbing is a recreational activity that involves rolling downhill inside a large, transparent, plastic ball. Think of a very large hamster ball.

Michigan State star ice hockey goalie Travis St. Claire held out longer and quickly formed a defense. St. Claire used his expert reflexes to dodge and weave around the obstacles. However, that classic hockey temper soon showed, and he promptly went tactical, trying to knock Tellott off the course. St. Claire soon lost control and could not right himself enough to finish the course. As a result, Tellott completed the course and won a point for Montana State.

One can not simply be dubbed the ultimate MSU based solely on their athletic ability, but also the top-tier education each university offers.

The representatives of each school of engineering competed in a grueling battle of intellect and wit by working to build the strongest bridge made entirely of different types of pasta and marshmallows. The goal was to create the longest and strongest bridge to cross the Natural Hot Springs.

The engineers set to work building their bridges. They worked tirelessly, twisting and shaping the noodles, connecting them with the soft and fluffy marshmallows. The first bridge to be completed was Michigan; however, because they finished before the others, the judges had yet to arrive, and soon the noodles started to cook from the steam and collapsed into the water below.

Representatives from Montana State built a more complex bridge, complete with a suspension system. The bridge looked pretty imposing, but unfortunately, the noodle choice of spaghetti could have been better as the suspension portion of the bridge started cooking first and lost strength during the judging portion.

Mississippi chose to use penne to build their bridge which added a creative aspect to the bridge but also stayed al dente, resulting in a win for Mississippi.

In the third portion of the competition, the business students whipped out their school supplies of Crayola crayons, and the coloring competition began.

The rules were simple: each student had to color a picture of a ptarmigan. The Bobcats started strong with sharp strokes of the crayon and knew what a ptarmigan was, Michigan was quick behind.

The student reps of Mississippi looked around, needing clarification about what on earth they were supposed to be drawing. Maybe they were confused by the silent p? Mississippi's final product was something looking more like a bear than a rock grouse; which resulted in disqualification.

Even though the state of Michigan doesn't have ptarmigans, the student's submission was incredibly detailed. The Spartans took some creative liberties by coloring their ptarmigan entirely in shades of black and gray with an addition of the white chest of the bird in the shape of a tie. This was their explanation of how it was a "business bird" and represented the serious side of the competition, resulted in a hysterical win for Michigan.

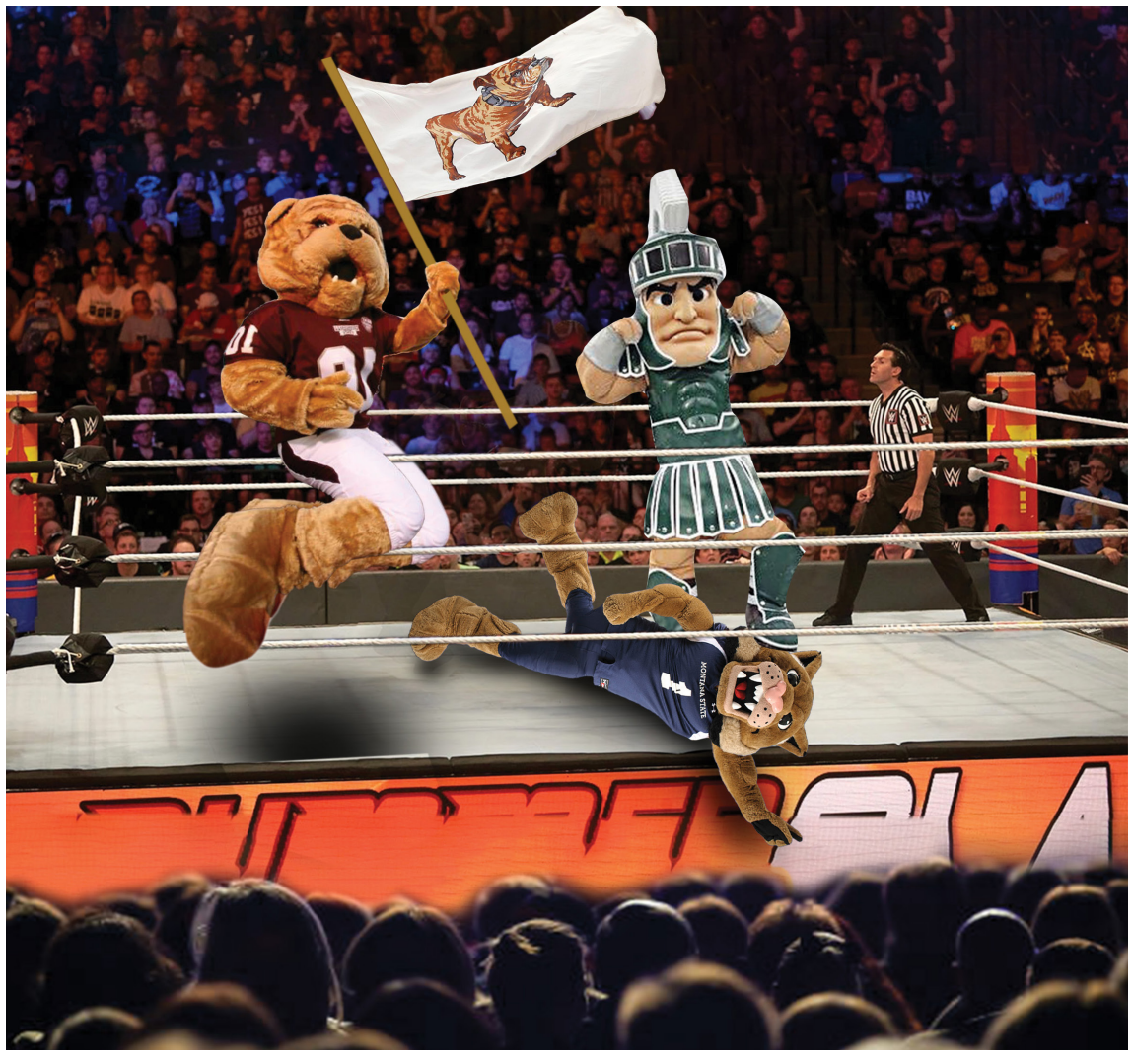
With the tie, tensions were high, and the big guns were brought forward. Each mascot took center stage to display its best lip-syncing skills in classic James Cameron late-night show fashion.

Songs were sung, splits were landed (resulting in pants being ripped), and the cheer team of background dancers shined. The musical delights of “Wrecking Ball,” “Single Ladies” and “Wannabee” filled the ears of all participating, resulting in quite an entertaining fiasco. However, the celebrations and laughter died down during a riveting performance by our very own Champ, who performed the Spice Girls' song, ”Wannabe.” At the song's bridge, Michigan State's mascot Sparty suddenly launched onto the stage and tackled Champ.

However, this was not the most surprising part of the event because when Champ tumbled into the ground with Sparty, the mascot's head rolled off to reveal.... Pat Rule. Yes, you read that right. Pat from the Montana State Bookstore has been the acting Champ and uses the bookstore job as a cover. Looking back, her cat eye makeup has been giving us clues for years now.

Immediately following Pat’s reveal, Sparty immediately hopped up and apologized profusely. In response, all three mascots decided collectively to finish the song together, each taking on the role of a different Spice Girl. I must say, Emma Bunton should be proud of their performance.

In the end, Montana State University was dubbed as the one true MSU. In the weeks following the competition, Google changed its search algorithm to represent the hierarchy of MSU. The new search results should be effective April 1.



Layered by Ronald Weasley

Montana to Secede the Union to Join New Zealand

BY WISH UPON A SHOOTING STARR

It's official: sunny skies and warm weather soon arrive in Montana with the bill titled SB 406, The Make Montana New Zealand Act, has sailed through the state House of Representatives and is set to be heard in the state senate.

Next week, state lawmakers will review a proposal to secede from the union to join New Zealand. The bill, SB406, was proposed by Senate Minority leader Pat Flowers of Belgrade, MT.

"There are way too many Californians coming into Montana. They are buying our homes, ruining our economy, and crowding the mountains. If the state decides to proceed with The Make Montana New Zealand Act, out-of-state residents would be forced to return to California," Flowers said.

This bill arrives at a turning point in Montana's history. Within the past decade, Bozeman and other cities around the state have seen insurmountable increases in their population. Perhaps the great migration inland is driven by the high costs of living near the coasts, but regardless, the people who lived here before the great migration have noticed significant changes to their state.

"Ever since they started filming that "Yellowstone" show, people have flooded the state. City boys from California, Washington and Minnesota walk around our main streets wearing Ariat boots when they've never been to, let alone seen, a real ranch. If we can pass this bill, "Yellowstone" will not be broadcasted in the country," said Montana Governor Gregory Giant.

That also means "Yellowstone" star Kevin Costner will finally be able to retire from Hollywood. Costner has some big plans for the new territory of New Zealand.

"When the act passes, I will buy out Ikon resorts within the territory, lower lift ticket prices, enforce reservation systems, and implement a more local approach to mountain management," Costner said.

Another classic Montana-themed production, A River Runs Through It, will be re-filmed, starring old Brad Pitt in New Zealand, on one of the world's most renowned trout fishing rivers.

The territory of Montana would see an extensive overhaul of its governing system. The first is switching from the United States presidential system to New Zealand's parliament system. Governor Giant will run for Prime Minister against Monica Geller, and the election's winner will assist in creating the new constitution.

Citizens of Montana are the most excited about a possible weather change. Weather systems will bring tropical, ocean-scented air north to Montana if the bill passes. This will bring the beach to Montana while maintaining conditions at higher elevations that are suitable for year-round skiing and riding, something New Zealand is known for. Plans to help Montana residents assimilate to their new culture will include free scuba and surfing lessons, and each household will be gifted a large fishing boat.

"We are excited to hear this bill; it would bring great opportunities to our territory," Flowers said.

Be sure to keep your eyes peeled this week, as deliberations over the act will begin on Saturday, April 1.

"Ever since they started filming that "Yellowstone" show, people have flooded the state." *said Montana Governor Gregory Giant*

Get ready to rumble. Parking is now anarchy

BY FRENCHY FRESH

The struggle to park is over at MSU. The solution? Anarchy. MSU has declared free campus-wide parking until the end of the semester.

With the return of snow last weekend, the worst nightmare of the "parking services" has returned to campus.

This decision was spurred by the return of massive amounts of snow last weekend, the worst nightmare of parking services.

After a moderately dry Spring Break week, over 20 inches of snow completely ruined any dream of seeing the parking spaces clear. Cars are stuck in parking lots, surrounded by inches of snow, and what better excuse for some lifted truck to park diagonally across five parking spots, leading to complaints about the parking conditions.

Many complaints were filed about the dire conditions of parking spaces, tickets were issued to the truckers, and appeals submitted. "I appealed the ticket I received from the MSU police because most of the parking spots are buried under the snow," said John Anthony, an undergraduate student in business, in a survey. "Where do they want me to park my truck? Bertha is big, and she needs room to breathe." Anthony said.

So many complaints piled up that parking services decided to throw their hands in the air and said, "let's get ready to rumble."

In response to these complaints, parking services decided to take a radical stand. "We give up. Just let them park where they want," Parking Manager Doug Johnson said. "Students and staff will have the opportunity to come to the parking services office and be given a free parking permit with the presentation of a CatCard."

As a result, the parking garage behind Norm Asbjornson Hall, at the corner of S 7th and Grant, will be free instead of $12.00 a day (or $5.00/hour) with the same rules applying to Harrison Street on North campus, the stadium lots and ADA parking spaces dropping from $8.00 a day to $0. They are also considering a reimbursement, between $36 and $108, for those with parking permits for the semester.

"We see the struggle in students who come to class late trying to find a place to park that isn't on top of a mountain of snow," said Edith Clarke, professor in electrical engineering. "Although this shouldn't be an issue, seeing this reaction from parking services is nice. I am sure it is going to help many students."

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1. Emmanuel earns less than the person who's making plans for Easter.

2. The employee with the $42,000 salary is making plans for Yom Kippur.

3. The person who grows kiwis is Katelyn.

4. Either the employee with the $66,000 salary or the employee with the $82,000 salary grows oranges.

5. The employee with the $82,000 salary doesn't grow oranges.

6. The person who grows lemons isn't planning ahead for Labor Day or Bastille Day.

7. Of Emmanuel and the person who grows kiwis, one is making plans for Bastille Day and the other is making plans for Easter.

8. The person who's making plans for Easter earns more than the person who grows watermelons.

9. The 4 people were the person who's making plans for Yom Kippur, the employee with the $82,000 salary, the person who grows kiwis, and Jaelyn.

You know you love me,
by Bin



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Alternative ways to shovel a driveway:

Eat it

Flamethrower

Sexy music so the snow gets uncomfortable and leaves

Not shoveling it

Lick it clear

Hire someone to gently fondle it until it melts

Scooting through it like a dog with worms

Burn your house down

A well-targeted smolder to melt it with the power of your good looks

giant magnifying glass

Make your little servant who lives in the basement do it

Light it on fire

Put more snow on top. It should cancel out, right? PEMDAS.

Don't have a driveway

A copious amount of cherry tomatoes mashed into a juicy path.

Send your thoughts and prayers

Your dad's new white New Balance sneakers

Play it Wuzado's album

Scream at it

Sneaky linking outside to generate body heat and melt the snow

Picking it up with a spoon, one scoop at a time.

Get your dog to eat it

Ask it politely to leave

Have a kid, raise and nurture it until it can hold a shovel, and then force it to shovel.

Date someone just long enough to make them do it for you, then break up

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