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McCain backs Burns, Rehberg at Missoula rally

Schweitzer supporters show up, question Arizonan's endorsement choice

Erik Olson
Montana Kaimin

Arizona Sen. John McCain urged voters to send fellow party members Denny Rehberg and Conrad Burns to Washington, D.C. at a Republican rally Tuesday at Missoula International Airport.

"It's hard trying to do the Lord's work in the city of Satan," McCain said, implying that Republicans are doing the Lord's work and that D.C. was Satan's city.

McCain stopped in Great Falls Monday night to stump for Burns, and the three Republicans continued to Billings Tuesday afternoon.

The conference room at Minuteman Aviation was packed with about 75 Republican backers, most holding Rehberg and Burns campaign signs. However, a few supporters of Democrat Brian Schweitzer — Burns' opponent for the Senate seat — showed up holding

Schweitzer signs and were eventually moved outside of the room for most of the rally.

One sign read: "Hey McCain, Schweitzer and Keenan agree with you."

Meta Carr, a field coordinator for Schweitzer, said she came to the rally to hear McCain speak. While inside the rally, Carr said she was shoved off of her chair so she moved outside.

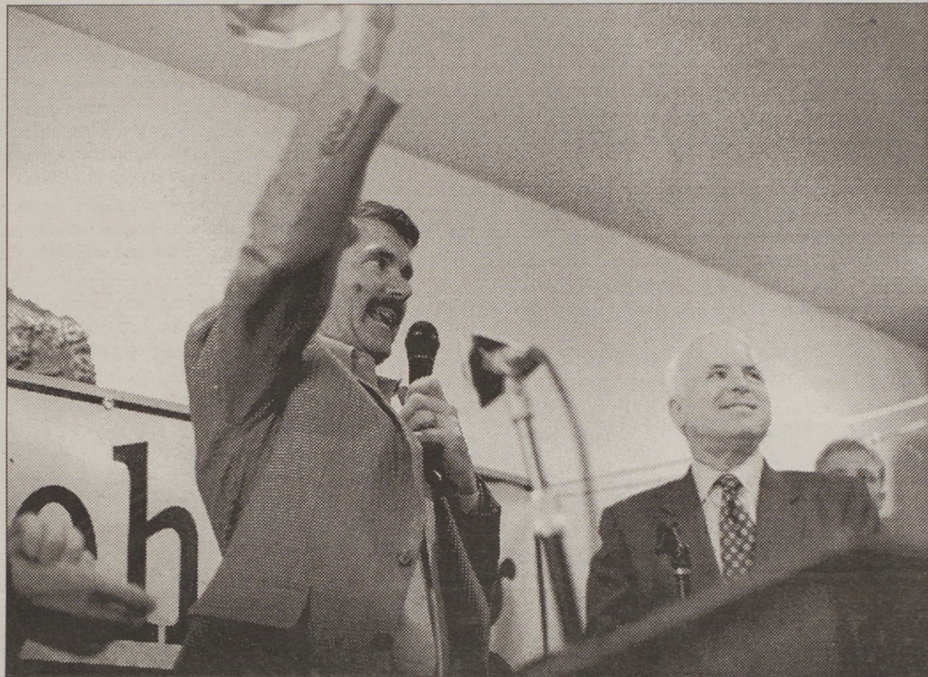
Gary Lee, the Reform party senatorial candidate who gave his support to Burns, also gave Rehberg the nod of the Montana Reform Party in his race against Democrat Nancy Keenan.

Burns praised McCain for his strong run in the presidential primaries against Republican candidate George W. Bush.

"You are an American symbol of dedication and service," Burns said to McCain. "You are the greatest example of the depth of Republican leadership."

McCain urged voters to get out to the polls because both the Senate and Congressional races are too close to call. He said that people in the Eastern part of the country will be staying up late Election Day to discover the outcomes of some of the races in Western states.

The three Republicans took



Olivia Nisbet/Kaimin

Republican congressional candidate Dennis Rehberg presents U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., with a Griz hat Tuesday. McCain was speaking on behalf of the Montana Republican Party at Minuteman Aviation at the Missoula International Airport.

a few shots at Democratic leadership with the election only six days away.

"This administration has hollowed out one of the greatest military machines there is," Burns said, referring to defense cuts by the Clinton administration.

McCain called Clinton's dealings with other countries a "Fekless, photo-op foreign policy." He also called for better care for veterans.

"We are not giving them the health care we promised them," McCain said.

Then Rehberg criticized the

current tax structure.

"The harder we work, the more we pay taxes," he said.

However, Carr said she was surprised that McCain would support Burns, even though the Montana senator voted against the McCain-Feingold

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Crofts: Budget problems stem from the Legislature

Melanthia Mitchell
Montana Kaimin

Band-Aid solutions will only protect UM's budgetary bleeding for so long, said Crofts, the Commissioner of Higher Education Tuesday.

Crofts met Tuesday with UM faculty, staff and students in several meetings to discuss the state of the Montana University System and more specifically, UM's ongoing budget crisis.

"We get more and more evidence all the time that we really don't have our budgets under control," Crofts told UM deans and department chairs.

Controlling budgets is something Crofts said needs to come from within the individual universities. There is no quick fix to the structural budget problems, he said, but there must be more focus on where the money is going.

Crofts said the Board of Regents is concerned that universities are too inclined to say yes to new programs when there really isn't



Adrienne Gump/Kaimin

Commissioner of Higher Education Dick Crofts speaks with ASUM about the future quality of UM's education Tuesday in the UC.

enough funding to pay for for."

"We need to be sure of what we're spending our money on," Crofts said. "(And) not continue to add new things, like programs and centers, without that sound budgeting. You have to be sure you can pay (existing) bills, not just keep adding things on without a certainty they can be paid

Right now, Crofts said, the Regents are very concerned that Montana universities are not using existing budget resources well.

"If these problems don't cease then the Regents will have to step in to find the mechanisms to stop the cycle of budgeting conflicts," Crofts said, adding that universities should take control

before the Regents step in.

"You need to grab control of your own future. You don't want someone else to do it for you," he said.

However, Center for the Rocky Mountain West Director Daniel Kemmis said that Montana university budget problems need to be addressed more at the state and regional level.

"Narrow focus is dangerous," Kemmis said. "You can fall into a kind of cannibalizing (of the institution). We see advantages to thinking regionally."

Crofts agreed that regional solutions might benefit universities in the long run, but right now it doesn't do any good to follow the example of other states.

Part of the reason Montana can't think regionally, Crofts said, is because the Legislature refuses to see the connection between higher education and economic development as do other states. Right now, he said Montana's state funding

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TV stations defend student's position

KECI, KPAX would have also denied unedited footage to city

Erik Olson
Montana Kaimin

Although the Missoula city attorney's office says Linda Tracy should give up her unedited footage because local television stations did, news directors at two stations say they only handed over footage that had aired or was ready to be televised.

Greg Schieferstein, news director at KPAX, said that when he was handed the subpoena, he sold previously aired footage of the Hells Angels riots in late July to the city for \$150, which covered the cost of dubbing and making copies.

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Budget

Blame politics for class cuts

Congratulations to Montana's forward-thinking politicians.

Earth Day is more than five months away and already they're doing their part to save the planet.

One look at the spring semester course catalog will tell you that only about half as many trees were used in making it as in previous catalogs.

But that's where the good news ends.

The spring semester catalog is final, living proof that our worst fears have come to light. The adjuncts really are gone, class sizes really will quadruple, students will be left with fewer choices of interesting, upper-level classes they can take.

Math 117, an already painfully dull class that nearly everyone has to endure at one time or another, will now be even worse as students sit through it in gymnasium-size classrooms with no personal attention.

Picking which classes were to be cut and which were kept was no treat for the deans and department chairs, either.

Like deciding who is going into battle, university higher-ups had to decide what was going to be sacrificed and what got to stay.

Of course, despite the teach-outs and protests, the students had no say in this.

This is really no fault of the administrations, though. The university has been living on borrowed time for years now. In the last eight years, university funding has gone down 24 percent with inflation taken into account.

Look past the doors of Main Hall if you want to see where the problems really lie. Try Helena, or Washington, D.C.

The National Education Association recently named Montana's own Conrad Burns as the worst senator in the entire nation when it comes to voting for education funding.

And, there is representative hopeful Denny Rehberg, who has a good chance to beat education champion Nancy Keenan next Tuesday. Rehberg was in Missoula Monday night, but we can be sure he didn't talk to any students because, as his campaign manager told the Kaimin two weeks ago he's "afraid salmon will be thrown on him."

With intelligent statements like this, we can be sure Rehberg will support UM if he's elected. It's a long-standing tradition here in Big Sky for small-thinking, redneck politicians.

But, hey, at least they're doing their part to save the Earth.

—Jim Wilkson

Campus Voices

Support students with disabilities

Column by

Mike Jakupcak

Imagine coming to the University the week after losing one of your parents unexpectedly. Then add the frustration of your first week getting used to a mobility scooter on a campus that is unknown to you. Your disability is now much more restricting than when you were here for orientation in the spring.

Throw in some significant health issues that force you to the emergency room at St. Pat's on a weekend for IV's and you have "part of the story" of a student I met on campus a couple of weeks ago.

As chairman of the ADA (American with Disabilities Act) committee and professor on campus, I ran into this student as I was coming out of University Hall. I asked about accessibility problems/barriers and he said that wasn't his major concern. We talked in the late afternoon sun about the lack of friendliness and apparent disdain this guy felt from fellow students. I countered that perhaps some of this was his own imagination, being new to campus and new to his scooter. I was wrong.

On Monday (the 25th of September), I helped this student load his scooter in his truck and said goodbye to him as he drove away from the parking lot in front of the field house. His perception of unfriendliness and cruelty were absolutely correct.

In his dormitory (Jesse Hall) he was teased. He was harassed. His partial dental plate was taken from a bathroom shelf where he had left them momentarily. He was laughed at. He was cursed.

I am not assuming that his disability was the sole reason this guy felt alienated. He was a "non-traditional" student and some 15-20 years older than the other residents

in Jesse. He seemed to feel a bit sorry for himself. He was pretty serious. He wasn't necessarily a "fun" guy. His predicament and new role as a student who uses a chair explained a lot, if you listened to his story. Not too many bothered.

In this, the 10th anniversary year of the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), this significant federal legislation is under attack in many states.

The issue of providing basic civil rights with regard to employment, housing and public transportation for those qualified individuals with disabilities remains in question. In our Missoula and University community we are slowly and painfully acknowledging that barriers still exist and must be dismantled. Conscientious and dedicated advocates with and without disabilities demonstrate and march and protest. Some of us write letters such as this.

We can work to open doors. We can provide special parking. We can continue our commitment to provide advice and counsel to all students for legitimate accommodations in their courses. We may even one day get our priorities right with regard to the primary mission of this place and acknowledge that students and access to learning for all comes first.

We, however, cannot mandate kindness. We cannot prevent cruelty. We cannot ensure a sense of welcome.

All of the face-to-face evidences of respect and acceptance depend on individual interactions and acknowledgments.

We have work to do, in the dorms, in our classes, on the Oval, in the UC, in faculty/student organizations and throughout campus.

I don't want to say goodbye to other students like the guy who left this week.

Give me a hand.

Mike Jakupcak is a professor in the school of education.

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Letters to the Editor

"Same to you, buddy!"

I would like to take this opportunity to blast the sentiments expressed towards New York and its citizens in Wednesday's (Oct. 18) Kaimin. If the Mariners couldn't handle the heat, it was time for them to get the bloody hell out of the kitchen. Perhaps "Subway Series" is such a gut-wrenching term to use because once again, both New York teams have prevailed in professional baseball. Regardless of who gets paid what, baseball, like many other things, entails the survival of the fittest. If the Yankees and Mets proved themselves to be so, then it's time the bitching stopped. I thought we learned in kinnergarten that no one likes a sore loser. As far as "mounting a cam in the number 9 train" goes, you can blame that on the media and not on my home. New Yorkers do NOT rip on Montanans for being so delightfully entertained by escalators and other phenomena that have somehow made their way into every other part of the free world, so why should any Montanan rip into a New Yorker for being "self-centered"? That was probably the grossest generalization about New Yorkers I've ever heard. We may pronounce the letter W like it's going out of style; our city may run rampant with rodents, and the Mob may still be somewhat of a concern, but to say that every citizen of New York is

"self-centered" is preposterous, to say the very least. Furthermore, Mr. Divish fears no retaliation from New Yorkers because "they don't know that Montana's an actual state." I got news for ya, pal. If I didn't know Montana was a state, would I be sitting in it now? I think we'd better rethink what the definition of ethnocentricity is; because if Montanans feel that New Yorkers think that "the world revolves around them," I got a choice phrase that we use back at home in mind. "Same to you, buddy!"

*Keara McNulty
freshman
pre-law*

"Star Trek" promotes racism

I noted your recent editorial comparison between "Star Wars" and "Star Trek." One thing disturbs me, admittedly only slightly, about the portrayal of "Star Trek." While the original series was distinctly forward the latter series have promoted restrictive government, and blatant racism. Let me expound. Take any of the series in the last 13 years since Trek returned to TV. Every single race has a defining characteristic that is universal. Klingon's are bloodthirsty ALWAYS; Romulans are ALWAYS deceitful and treacherous, never kind and giving; Cardassians are all cruel sadists who enjoy torture. With virtually no exception

"Trek" of the last decade and a half has taught us that 1) You can judge a book by its cover and 2) all the better attributes are human, we've got it right. After all those characters who have intermarried parents are always "split" between their two halves but always it is the human side that comes across as the good one. We have conquered disease, famine, homelessness all because we let the government run our lives and now we are the moral preachers to all the other races, oh what that's supposed to be species isn't it? That is "Trek's" message.

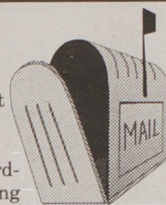
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Imperial Sovereign Court too often misunderstood

I would like to commend the Kaimin for printing the article "Dragging in the bucks for charity," and Dawn Perkins for writing a positive article about the Imperial Sovereign Court of the State of Montana. Too often the organization and the people involved in it are misunderstood; the community often thinking we're involved either for money or personal gain. As a former Mr. Gay Missoula my first involvement with the I.S.C.S.M. was a fund-raiser for kids during the holiday season of 1998, and I chose to run for the title of Mr. Gay Missoula in 1999 so that I, too, could help raise money for the many charities this organization benefits.

It was a lot of hard work and very rewarding, knowing that I was helping many people out there, along with everyone else that is a part of this organization. Perhaps now more people will get involved, either by attending fund raisers, donating money, or becoming more actively involved becoming a member of the I.S.C.S.M., helping plan events, performing, or running for the various titles we support. Even though my reign ended in April, I continue to be a part of this organization because of the work it does. Thank you.

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Nader candidacy timely and exhilarating

How could you, Nate!?! Just when I had come to rely on your earnest encouragement of such marginalized groups as third-party supporters, glam-rock aficionados, homosexuals, non-drinkers, and people who wear "ass-pants," you turn around and stab me in the back. Having followed your work as a Kaimin reporter, KBGA DJ, and eccentric tuba player, I feel like I know you personally and celebrate your role as Missoula's Renaissance man. Thus, I couldn't help feeling bitter disappointment upon reading your sell-out editorial, "A Vote for Ralph is a vote for George." What happened to the utopic idealism that led you to conclude,

just over a month ago, that if every UM student voted for Ralph Nader on Nov. 7, then at least in our state he would receive the 5% popular vote necessary for federal funding in 2004? Much like Nader's chances of taking the White House, the prospect of this occurring is slim. Yet, the spirit of your words is what makes progressive politics hopeful and inspiring.

It is clear at this juncture that Al Gore will not win in Montana, and thus from a progressive point of view, a vote for the vice president is in fact the wasted one. Besides, it is fear that leads to a vote for the lesser of two evils, Gore, and this attitude will never bring about significant social change. For those of us — and we are many — who are fed up with the corporate-sponsored two-party plu-

toeracy which is destroying true democracy in this country, Ralph Nader's candidacy is timely and exhilarating.

Certainly we agree on most of the politics that, Nate, and thus the brunt of your argument lies in the statement that "it's crucial we vote with our heads and not our hearts." I've never taken you for a pragmatist; rather, your wacky flamboyance seems to fly in the face of the more conservative members of our community who disparage "freaks" like you. The way you choose to live is a testament to the emotional, irreverent, and spontaneous side of human nature. It is a testament to heart, not head. Challenging the dominant paradigm of our society by voting for a man who may not win, but nevertheless arouses the powerful possibilities of resistance and change, embodies that same ideal.

Nate, buddy, don't let me down.

Burke Stansbury
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Harper has earned your vote

Hal Harper (D) and Bob Brown (R) are candidates for secretary of state. Both have served 26 years in Montana's legislature. Both are personable and likeable men.

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The Montana Education Association/Montana Federation

of Teachers tracks and saves legislators' voting records on public school-related issues. In their 26 years in the legislature, Harper earned an 88.9% average voting record, and Brown a 75.4% record. Harper's record is 13.5% more positive than Brown's.

The Montana AFL-CIO has recorded Harper's and Brown's voting records, too. Harper has scored an average voting record of 93%, whereas Brown's is a modest 46%. Harper leads Brown by 47% on legislation important to working people.

The Montana Public Employees Association (MPEA) has also kept legislative voting records. According to MPEA, Harper has a 110.5 percent average voting record, and Brown has a 101.2 percent average voting record. Again, Harper leads Brown by 9.3 percent.

The record is clear. In matters affecting teachers, public schools, and working people, Hal Harper not only deserves our votes, he has earned them.

John C. Board
Helena

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Schweber, Bush and Gore wrong on many levels

I feel compelled to comment on Kaimin reporter Nate Schweber's recent editorial claiming that a vote for Ralph Nader will hurt Al Gore and help George Bush get elected. First of all, Schweber is kidding himself in presuming that anyone who votes for Ralph Nader would otherwise vote for Al Gore. In a democracy, should we not vote for candidates we truly support? Unless you believe otherwise, then Nader's votes were never Gore's to lose, and it is the height of arrogance for Gore or anyone else to claim otherwise. Perhaps the most inspiring aspect of Nader's campaign has been that hundreds of thousands of new voters have registered and plan to vote as a result of Nader's candidacy, motivated to do so by the intriguing vision of creating just government and genuine democracy. Apparently pundits like Schweber would rather have these folks sitting home on their couches on Election Day, uninspired to make a choice they know is false in a game they know is rigged.

Schweber's "fuzzy math" aside, Bush's commanding lead in Montana makes it clear that Bush will win this state's three electoral votes.

And the winner-take-all nature of the Electoral College ensures that presidential elections are decided by dozens of electoral votes, not three. (Nader, by the way, is the only candidate advocating the elimination of the electoral college, and a presidential election which is based on the popular vote, just like every other election in this country.)

Further, I strongly disagree with Schweber's assertion that Al Gore comes "a hell of a lot closer" to representing issues that Nader holds dear than Bush. Gore and Bush are

little more than two heads of the same corporate cash-fueled monster. Their differences are largely rhetorical, but in an age when "debates" are actually stage-managed campaign appearances, it is not surprising that these differences seem significant to many people. Neither major party candidate supports substantive campaign finance reform. Both support the expansion of worldwide trade dominated by ruthless and immensely powerful multinational corporations. Neither support a universal health care system in this country. Both support the continuing militarization of our world. In regard to environmental issues, Al Gore, corporate apologist posing glibly as conservationist, and fooling genuine conservationists into thinking he's on their side, is particularly disturbing.

You don't have to look far to find a cynic these days, and Schweber is only one of many.

Schweber deserves credit for acknowledging that Nader is the best candidate. But as long as politicians like Gore can continue to take votes like Schweber's for granted, we'll never get the government we deserve and need. As Ralph Nader said yesterday, "All these good people who have succumbed to the lesser-of-two-evils syndrome are setting themselves up for another cycle of political betrayal." Vote for the candidates you support. To vote based on your fears instead of your hopes makes a mockery of democracy.

Richard Wachs
Missoula

Vote for the repeal of ordinance 3151

Too many university students say they aren't going to vote Nov. 7. Just because the press has already

declared Bush the winner in Montana doesn't mean you can't still influence state or local level elections, which are just as important to us while we live here. Every year in Montana some races determined by a coin toss, and many state level races are still too close to call in this election.

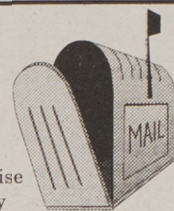
Ballot initiatives are frequently close, and important. On the Nov. 7 ballot there is an initiative to repeal city ordinance 3151, which gives a million dollars in tax money for a parking lot adjacent to the proposed "privately funded" civic baseball stadium, not the last remaining vacant land along the river in Missoula. Stadium backers say they don't need taxpayer money for the three-acre parking lot; if they lose the

election they say they will simply raise the money with voluntary donations, as they originally promised two years ago.

It seems there should be a better use for \$1,000,000. Can you think of any? Perhaps one of your adjunct professors can help?

It isn't very often that we get to remind the politicians so emphatically whose money they're spending, and how far out of touch they are with our priorities. Please vote for repeal of ordinance 3151, but, more important, please vote Nov. 7. It matters.

Jon Schulman
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geology



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Pee McKinney/for the Kaimin

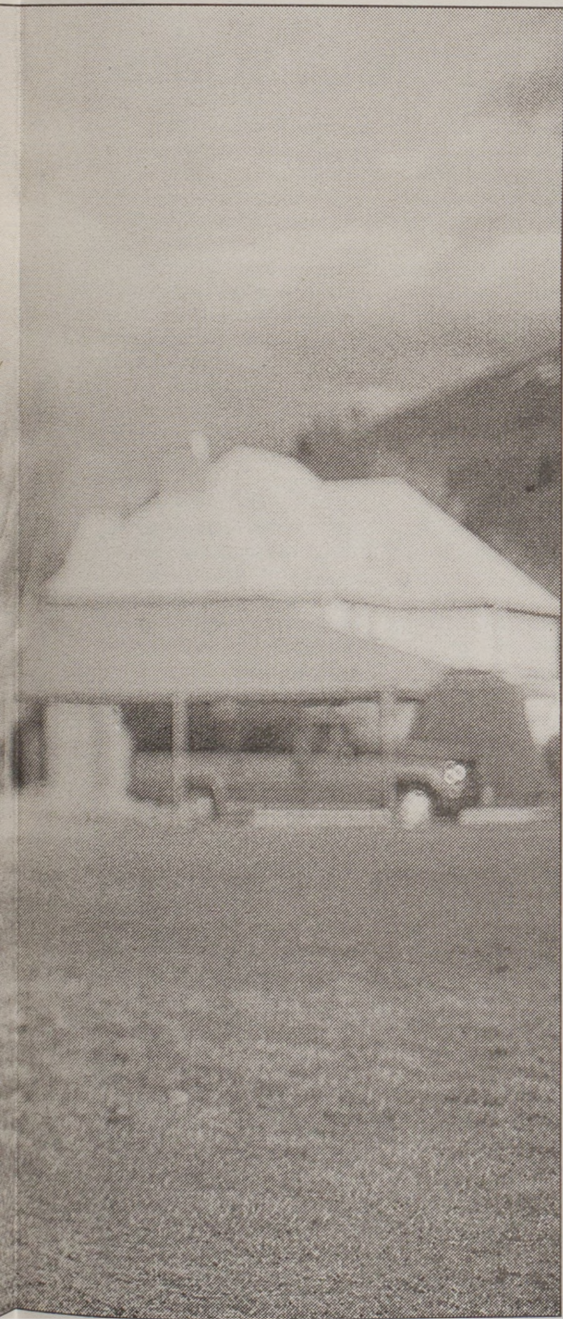


◆ Dressed in Halloween costume Ariel Moris 8, chases Mahalia Pauls, 8, at Paxson Elementary while waiting to be picked up after school Tuesday.

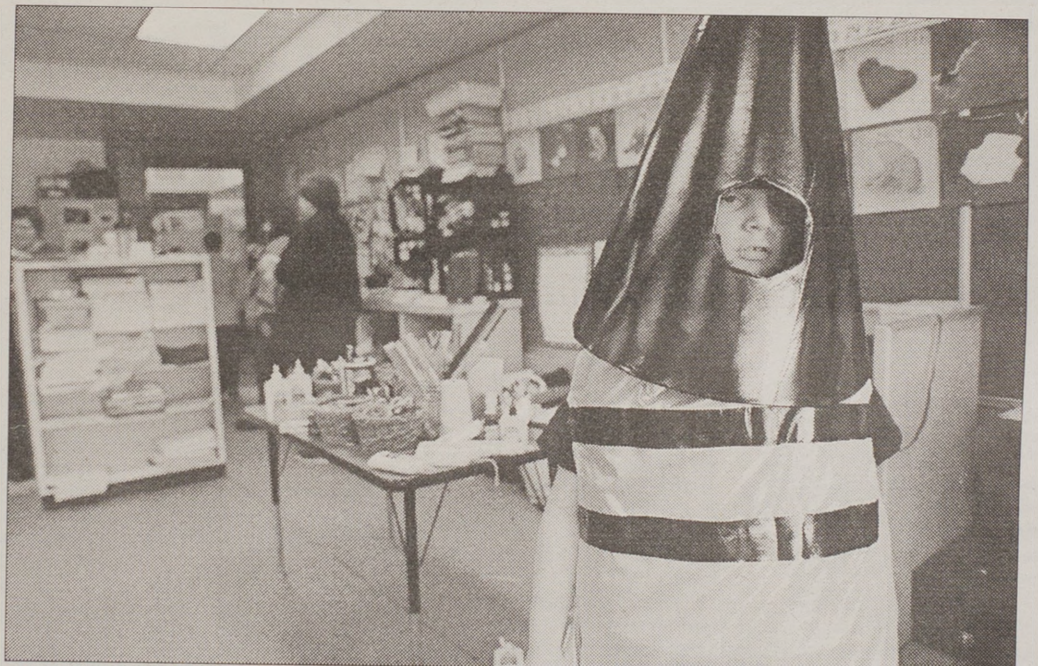


◆ Gabriella Rohrsen-Church, 4, checks out the goodies at Bernice's Bakery while trick-or-treating with her dad, Jim, and brother, Caleb, Tuesday evening. Jim Rohrsen sells organic crepes at festivals around the country in the summers, and Gabriella traded crepes for her costume at a festival this year.

Ericka Schenck Smith/for the Kaimin



Jamey Daniel/for the Kaimin



◆ Hawthorne Elementary student Jacob Sloat patiently waits in his classroom before the annual Halloween parade.

Brenna Chapman/for the Kaimin



◆ Sadie Gibson, left, is forced to make a scary face after losing a round of "Spin the Wheel of Horror" Tuesday afternoon at the Evergreen Assisted Living Home. Sixth grader Kelsey DuBois, right, and her classmates from Rattlesnake school visit the home for a couple hours each week

Ben Lukes/for the Kaimin

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More drilling proposed on the Rocky Mountain Front

GREAT FALLS (AP)—A Canadian company has proposed drilling a natural gas well in the Blindhorse Outstanding Natural Area 25 miles northwest of Choteau.

The notice of staking for the new well, submitted to the U.S. Bureau of Land Management here, signals rising interest among developers in the Rocky Mountain Front as natural gas prices rise.

"With good and oil gas prices now, we see an opportunity there," said Bruce Riep of Calgary, British Columbia-based Startech Energy Corp.

The proposed new well is three miles south of three existing wells that Startech wants to return to production.

Two other proposals also are pending from 1998. The Dorothy Tripp Rutter Trust of Midland, Texas, has asked to reopen an exploratory well that Texaco drilled in the 1960s. It's on private land owned by the Boone and Crockett Club. The BLM oversees mineral development beneath the surface.

Resources Management Association of Denver has proposed drilling a well on a lease in the Lewis and Clark National Forest. The forest supervisor in 1997, Gloria Flora, approved a ban on new oil and gas drilling along the Front, but the Resources Management lease was in place before it took effect.

The BLM and the Montana Wilderness Association both said they will take an especially hard look at Startech's application.

"Oil and gas development, and road building that goes with it, is incompatible with protecting wilderness qualities," said Mark Good of the Wilderness Association.

The notice of staking is the first step toward seeking a permit to drill. BLM officials plan to meet in Lewistown Wednesday to discuss the proposal. They also plan to visit the site in the next few weeks.

There are 25 leases and four wells in the area, but there has been little activity for years. Don Judice, who heads BLM's oil and gas field station in Great Falls, said Startech's three existing wells once produced more natural gas than all others in Montana combined.

"There's a prolific amount of reserves up there," he said.

Intersession could face chopping block

Melanthia Mitchell
Montana Kaimin

The university's ongoing battle to retain students and maintain a spiralling budget could mean the future elimination of UM's intersession program, said Bill McBroom, strategic budget and planning committee member.

"(Intersession) just hasn't lived up to its promise," McBroom said.

The program first began in 1996 to increase access to classes between the fall and spring semesters, McBroom said, but registration numbers have continued to dwindle.

McBroom said most of the classes offered only satisfy university electives and do little to eliminate core requirements.

"Of course you'll cover some students' needs but certainly not all of them," McBroom said.

Limited class availability

and scheduling conflicts has led to decreasing numbers in student registration, McBroom said. This problem has persisted over the years, he said, which tends to make the program a black hole for increasing revenue.

"If intersession is under-subscribed, as it is, then doesn't it make sense to make some changes?"

McBroom said.

McBroom

said no decisions will be made, but the item is on the Faculty Senate's agenda for a later date.

If intersession is eliminated, McBroom said it will allow students a better jump on their job searches for the summer.

Because of intersession, the Christmas break is extended and therefore pushes graduation commencement back. McBroom said when

next spring semester starts Jan. 29, the elimination of intersession would move the start date up to Jan. 8 or 16.

"This would allow students to get in the job market more advantageously," McBroom said.

No final decisions have been made yet,

McBroom said, but the area that must be further examined.

College of Arts and Sciences Dean Thomas Storch said he first heard of the possibility of losing intersession

last week.

He also attributes intersession's inability to generate revenue to the "relatively small number of students that have taken advantage" of the program.

"For a vast majority of students, it appears they're apparently not interested," Storch said.

As with the summer program, which had a shortfall of almost \$250,000 due to low enrollment, Storch said offering a wider variety of classes and better marketing may be solutions to increasing enrollment during the intersession.

If the program must be eliminated, Storch said more seats might be made available during regular instruction or an intersession could be offered after spring semester.

"Some universities have intersession between spring and summer instruction," Storch said. "That's proven quite successful."

"Intersession) just hasn't lived up to its promise. If intersession is under-subscribed, as it is, then doesn't it make sense to make some changes?"

—Bill McBroom
strategic budget and
planning committee
member

Funding for UM's NASA project soars

Erin Everett
For the Kaimin

Thanks to more money from the government, a program at UM can continue showing educators and land managers how to determine changes in the earth from satellite images of its surface.

The U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee recently gave the National Aeronautics and Space Administration \$3 million to pay for the Earth Observing System Training Center's third year at UM, said Lauren Mackay, communication director for the center's Education Project.

The center found its home here after Dr. Steve Running, a professor in the School of Forestry, designed mathematical formulas, called algorithms, for one of the seven sensors on the Terra environmental satellite. The sensors allow the satellite to make a map of the

earth's geography every two days.

NASA created the center at UM to show the public practical uses for satellite imagery and technology through two divisions: the education project and the natural resources project, or forestry project.

First, the Education Project shows teachers how to analyze and demonstrate changes to the earth's surface through pictures of the planet's geography taken by NASA's satellites, Mackay said.

She thanks Sen. Conrad Burns, who is a member of the committee, for pulling for the center.

"Sen. Burns' efforts mean that the EOS education project will receive full funding next year and continue to pioneer advances in education technologies for students in the state of Montana," Mackay said.

The project helps NASA by giving teachers nationwide the brain power to insert satellite

images of the earth's rivers, roads and populations into computer software to illustrate patterns of change, Mackay said.

"NASA has wanted to get their data out of the box," Mackay said. "We make it manageable. Teachers wouldn't think they could use it, but since kids are so technology savvy these days they get it real quick," she said.

Mackay said this technology has been particularly useful in enhancing history and geography lessons. For example, teachers can layer images of different parts of the Lewis and Clark trail to demonstrate how the land is changing, she said.

In the past two years, the project has targeted local and statewide teachers, but in its third year will expand to a national level, Mackay said. The project focuses its variety of free and low-cost workshops mainly to educators who teach kindergarten through grade 12, but the online components can

prove especially useful to college professors and students, she said.

Natural resource project coordinator Michele Thornton, who works for the center's other division, said the forestry project also aims to teach natural resource managers how to use the Terra satellite's images and software. The project works with organizations like the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service to develop applications for the technology.

For example, range managers learn to examine rangeland condition, forest managers can analyze landscape productivity, and watershed managers can measure snowfall at different locations during different times, she said.

Mackay said both divisions of the center are successful in spreading NASA's wealth of knowledge across the general public.

"It's excellent for Montananos

Little known facts about UM's yesteryear

Damian Ingleby
Montana Kaimin

-Do not walk on the grass: In the 1920s and 30s, before the brick path was added to the Oval, walking on the grass was strictly forbidden. Transgressors would have the whistle blown at them, literally, by the Spurs (a women's honorary). The hapless student would then be descended on by the Bear Paws (a group of mainly football players) who carried two-foot-wooden paddles that were used to beat the offenders.

-One helluva party: In the spring of 1974, a multi-

kegger fund-raiser for the library was held on the Oval. An estimated 11,000 plus people showed up and a reputed 1000 kegs were drank. This followed similar events in '73 and '72 that drew crowds of 4,000 and 1,000, respectively. The organizer of these parties, Clark Hanson, wrote a 1975 book titled "Maxi Keggers: A guide to fund raising." The parties were stopped in 1979 by the Missoula County Commissioner because of excessive noise, traffic and environmental damage.

-The "M" as we know it has only been around since 1968. Prior incarna-

tions: white-washed rocks (1909), a wooden stand-up (Hollywood style) complete with a lighting system (1912), a larger wooden version that was later turned into a "14" by the departing class of 1914, a white-washed shale version that was erected to replace the blizzard-wrecked wooden one (1915)

-Contrary to popular belief, the first building erected on the UM campus was not Main Hall but Science Hall, later re-named Venture Center. The center fell into disrepair, leading to incidents like the plaster roof of a classroom collapsing on students, and was torn down in 1985.

The Davidson Honors College now stands in its place.

-President Dennison worked his way through college (here at UM in 1961) by playing guitar in a local house band and selling ladies shoes and handbags at the Missoula Mercantile, which is now the Bon Marche. The band was named the Starfires, after the Oldsmobile Starfire automobile.

Dennison says that he never plays anymore, though he still has a guitar.

"I just forgot. I just played, I never really knew how. By that I mean I never could read music," he said.

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Loose lizard nabbed by Animal Control

Nate Schweber
Montana Kairin

The brown-skinned, blue-tongued, bug-eating Elrod Hall resident was in violation of Residence Life's no-pets policy.

That's why Animal Control came and took the baby Savannah Monitor Lizard away.

Public Safety responded to a report of the lizard at 12:30 p.m. Monday. According to university police, an Elrod resident assistant threw a cardboard box over the loose lizard and called for help. Public Safety called Animal Control, who came and collected the eight-inch reptile.

Public Safety Lt. Charles Gatewood said the lizard belonged to dorm residents. He added that he didn't know who the lizard's owner was.

Amy Zanzig, an animal control officer, said when she arrived, the lizard was very cold. She took the reptile back to Animal Control where she put it in an aquarium that plenty of crickets for munching.

"Savannah Monitor Lizards need to be 78 degrees to metabolize. Once it gets this cold, they wouldn't survive outside," Zanzig said. "It's got a heat lamp on it now and it's doing fine."

Zanzig said that in addition to eating a bunch of crickets, the lizard was also very thirsty.

Paula Nelson, animal control specialist, said that full-grown

Savannah Monitor Lizards grow up to five feet long. She also added that they're "lightning fast" and very predatory.

Savannah Monitor Lizards eat large bugs, small rodents and chickens.

Nelson said that if the lizard isn't reclaimed, she'll give it to a reptile specialist.

Baby Savannah Monitor Lizards, native to the Galapagos Islands and northern Africa, cost \$50, according to Neptune's Palace and Pets.

Residence Life Director Brunell said dorm residents who own pets are in violation of the student conduct code.

"No pets are allowed other than fish in aquariums," Brunell said.

He said the most common contraband pets are puppies and kittens, but he's also dealt with snakes, rodents and birds.

"We see the most pets in the spring when people are a month away from moving out and they find the puppy or kitten of their choice and they think they can make it work for a month," Brunell said. "But it doesn't work."

He said that when he finds a student with a pet, he tells the student to move it and to not bring it back. If the pet returns, Brunell said he calls animal control.

Brunell added that there are around six students each year who try to bring pets into the dorms.

U-Villages stabber pleads guilty

Nate Schweber
Montana Kairin

A Browning teenager who cost UM more than \$12,000 in jail fees since her June arrest pleaded guilty last week to stabbing her sister at the University Villages.

Journey Marie NoRunner, 17, pleaded guilty to an adult charge of assault with a weapon.

NoRunner's counsel, Deputy County Attorney Dori Brownlow, said the charge was amended from attempted deliberate homicide.

NoRunner will be sentenced Nov. 29 by District Judge Ed McLean.

NoRunner was arrested on June 6 for stabbing her older sister, Autumn NoRunner. The elder NoRunner was a resident of the University Villages and Journey Marie was staying with her. The sisters got in a quarrel about bills and Journey Marie stabbed her sis-

ter several times, giving her puncture wounds in the back and lacerations on the arms and hands.

Because she is a juvenile, UM spent \$110 a day to keep NoRunner in the Missoula County Sheriff's Department Detention Facility. Under Montana law, the police force that arrests someone is obligated to pay their jail bills until they are tried. From June 7 to Sept. 7, NoRunner cost the university more than \$12,000.

Public Safety Lt. Charles Gatewood said that on Sept. 7, NoRunner was released on probation but was put back in jail for violating her probation. Gatewood said once she was jailed for violating her probation, the state picked up the cost of her incarceration.

"I'm sure glad we're not paying for her anymore," Gatewood said.

Brownlow said she and the prosecuting attorney have agreed

on a three year suspended sentence for NoRunner. Brownlow said she's hoping the judge sentences NoRunner to stay under the watch of the Department of Corrections for three years.

Brownlow added that she is looking to get NoRunner into a treatment group home in Missoula. She said she hopes she can secure funding for NoRunner's treatment through Turning Point.

Brownlow said part of NoRunner's treatment will include dealing with drug and alcohol abuse.

Autumn NoRunner has recovered from the stab wounds, Brownlow said.

She added that part of the reason Journey Marie NoRunner's charge was reduced was because Autumn NoRunner's wounds were not life threatening.

Dennison to talk on KBGA

Erik Olson
Montana Kairin

For students who haven't heard President George Dennison discuss campus issues, ASUM and KBGA are giving them the chance.

On Wednesday at 2 p.m., Dennison will have a conversation with ASUM President Molly Moon Neitzel about campus issues on KBGA radio, 89.9 FM.

Neitzel said she wants to ask Dennison questions about hot campus issues.

"The average student doesn't

get the opportunity to have a chat with him every other week like I do," she said.

Neitzel added that she would like to students to hear Dennison's perspective on the issue of adjunct professors.

"People have been hearing all sorts of things about the adjunct situation, but sometimes they need to hear it from the mouth of an authority," she said.

ASUM will also address a ban on smoking in the dorms.

Later, at the ASUM meeting at 6 p.m. in UC 332, ASUM will vote on a resolution to support

banning of smoking in all dorms.

Sen. Jon Swan, co-author of the resolution, said that he respects the rights of smokers, but smoking in the dorms poses health problems to students with asthma and breathing problems.

"This is just an example of ASUM showing that it cares about the health of all students," he said.

Business manager Tyler Disburg co-authored the resolution, and Residence Life Director Ron Brunell sponsored it.

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Petek and Humphery pick up Big Sky honors

Jason Mohr
Montana Kaimin

Grizzly defensive end Andy Petek finally got some recognition from the powers-that-be in the Big Sky Conference after he was named defensive player of the week Monday for his efforts in UM's 33-21 victory over Portland State.

The senior from Helena sacked PSU quarterback Jimmy Blanchard three times Saturday. Petek leads the Big Sky in sacks with 14.

Petek was joined by teammate Yohance Humphery in the league limelight, as the junior running back from Eagle River, Alaska was named this week's Big Sky offensive stand-

out. Humphery, out for the three games previous to last weekend's, had the fourth-best rushing day ever by a Grizzly running back, with 194 yards. He needs only 246 yards to surpass Rocky Klever (1977-1981) as UM's all-time rushing leader.

Blanchard, who had only been dumped seven times this season previous to the UM-PSU game, was nabbed five times by Grizzly defenders Saturday. Petek's award came almost exactly one year after he was named player of the week for three sacks and four tackles for losses against Idaho State. He was a second team all-league selection in 1999.

Tough to figure, but the

Griz reversed positions in the major NCAA Division I-AA polls compared to one week ago: UM was No. 4 last week and No. 3 this week in the Sports Network rankings, while the ESPN/USA Today tally had the Griz No. 3 last week and No. 4 this week.

Dancing opposite UM in the rankings is Western Illinois, 73-17 winners over Morgan State. Western Illinois is 8-1 on the season, losing only to Division I-A Missouri in their season opener.

Portland State continued to sink in the polls, dropping to the No. 12 spot in both. Weber State moved up slightly by virtue of their 16-13, last-second victory over Idaho State, to weigh in at No. 20 on the Sports Network list.

Leading both polls, also at 8-1, is defending champ Georgia Southern.

The UM offense had an atypical performance against Portland State as the Griz running game accounted for more running than passing yards for the first time since 1996. UM had 272 yards on the ground and 197 yards in the air against Southern Utah on Oct. 5 of that year, nearly identical to UM's numbers on Saturday.

The reigning national champion Griz swatted Southern Utah 44-13 as part of a 1996 winning rampage that ended only at the hands of Marshall University in the I-AA title match.

The top-rated undefeated team in the Division I-AA ranks



Cory Myers/Kaimin
Redshirt quarterback Dustin Sepich runs through drills with a line of receivers Tuesday at practice.

is the No. 2 Blue Hens of Delaware. Playing in an Atlantic 10 Conference that currently boasts no less than five ranked teams, the Blue Hens certainly made an impression on one of their victims, head coach Joe Gardi of No. 8 Hofstra.

"We were like boys among men," Gardi said recently of Delaware's 44-14 pasting on Sept. 16 of his team.

The Blue Hens have recorded three shutouts this season and are a force to be feared, Gardi said.

Mick Dennehy, assistant coach of those '95 national championship and head coach of the '96 national runner-up teams, has positioned his new squad for a shot at a post-season bowl game.

Dennehy, now at Utah State, is undefeated in the six-team Big West Conference after tromping Arkansas State, 44-31, this weekend. Although the Aggies are only 4-4 this season, wins over remaining league foes New Mexico State and Boise State would earn the Aggies a spot in the Humanitarian Bowl.

But USU dodged a potentially bigger bullet when the NCAA decided to drop an attendance requirement for teams wishing to remain Division I-A, the Salt Lake Tribune reported Tuesday. An average showing of 17,000 people per game over a four-year period was the rule being considered by the NCAA; the Aggies have managed a 21,418-person average this season after years of dismal turnouts.



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Leave God and prayer off the playing field



Ryan Divish

"Beware of practicing your piety before men in order to be seen by them; for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven."

—Matthew 6: 1-2

God has no place in sport. There I said it. Gasps! Shouts! Disbelief!

Bring on the criticism. Call me blasphemous, call me un-Christianlike, call me anything, but don't call me a non-believer.

Because I believe in God. I went to Catholic school for eight years and during those eight years, we studied the Bible and the Catholic faith daily as part of school. And because of that, I have developed some very firm beliefs about the role of God in my daily life. I can honestly say that I believe that

God shouldn't be displayed like a victory banner in sports.

Now before campus Christian groups unite to persecute me, let me clarify that stance a little, because God can play a limited role in sports.

Mainly, a person can pray to God for the safety of teammates, opponents and self. For people to be able to compete and not get hurt is something that I would pray for. Nobody wants to see people get hurt and that is acceptable. Pray for safety, pray for strength, pray for courage but NEVER pray for a win.

An athlete should never pray to God to help his team win. God doesn't care who beats whom. No matter how much Griz fans pray, God won't determine whether the Griz beat Idaho State on Saturday. He doesn't care who wins. He has more pressing issues than a Big Sky conference football game.

Also, why do some athletes feel it necessary to pray on the field after scoring a touchdown or hitting a home run? I don't want to see you drop to a knee and pray in the end zone.

In Matthew 6: 5-7, Jesus teaches his disciples how to pray: "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners; that they may be seen by men ... But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your father who sees in secret will reward you."

And those athletes seem to pray only after doing something good. You never see that athlete drop to a knee after fumbling or striking out.

God has even trickled into the press. Whether it's Kurt Warner or Sammy Sosa, you hear the

same stock quote:

"I just want to thank God for giving me the ability to do the job today."

But you notice that most of their thanks come following games where they do something good. Athletes seem quick to thank God for giving them the ability to run for 175 yards or sink five three-pointers in a game. But why don't they give God credit for the same ability that made them miss three field goals, or make three errors in a game?

It has become cliché to thank God and to the point that almost every athlete does it whether they are really thankful or not.

And don't forget whether they win or lose. Athletes always thank God when they win. Who do they thank when they lose?

Two years ago Randall Cunningham had the audacity to tell people that the Minnesota Vikings were going to win the

Super Bowl because he was a part of the team and that was God's plan for him.

Well, maybe not. The Vikings lost to the Atlanta Falcons and Randall the quarterback didn't fare much better than Randall the prophet.

I've got news for you, Randall. If God judged who would win in sports contests based on the faith of their participants, the Dallas Cowboys wouldn't have won their last two Super Bowls and no team in the NBA would win a single game.

I've come to believe that people's faith is their own. I believe in God in my own way—most likely differently from Cunningham. I respect them for their beliefs, and they should respect the public's own beliefs and leave their faith and prayers in their rooms rather than the playing fields and television cameras.

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Trick or scream?



A boy peers through his Scream mask from the backseat of a car Halloween evening on Brooks Street.

Peet McKinney/for the Kaimin

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Crofts

per student is \$2,100 below the national average.

In his meeting with ASUM, Crofts said this is a problem that everyone must work on together.

"All of (Montana's) campuses are experiencing similar kinds of budget problems," said Crofts.

The budget problems will not go away until enough people approach the Legislature, he said, adding that more people need to remind legislators that they were elected to work in the best interest of the people, not to cut taxes.

"As long as we continue to cut taxes we're not going to have enough money for education," Crofts said. "(Montana) has had a consistent decrease in taxes and yet (state) per capita support for students has not improved."

Crofts said he didn't know if increased class sizes next semester would become the norm next year.

"It's hard for us to know what impact this (budget shortfall) will have

in the long run," Crofts said.

Crofts recognized that as long as universities appear to survive with less state funding, there is no guarantee the funding will increase. When UM has good student placement, gets re-accredited and always manages to come up with more money, Crofts said the Legislature isn't going to recognize any budget problems.

— Dick Crofts
Commissioner of
Higher Education

"Until they get the message from voters that we want a change, they won't recognize a need for change," Crofts said.

Crofts said he is able to guarantee one thing: If the Montana University System does not see an increase in state funding, universities will see a reduction in academic programs and an increase in tuition of more than 4 percent.

Crofts neither agrees with or has much confidence in these two solutions.

"There has been too much of a dependence on tuition," Crofts said. "If there isn't a major infusion of money there might not be any other choice."

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McCain

Bill, which was aimed at limiting the number of dollars going into political campaigns.

"I just think it's ironic McCain's here to support Burns," she said. Shirley Rowe, a Darby resident

who has attended other local Republican rallies, said that Democrats come in and disrupt most rallies that don't have cover charges.

"Every rally that's not paid for, we get this," she said.

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Footage

He added that the station usually erases its outtakes and reuses film and didn't have any outtake footage available for the city.

Jim Harmon, news director at KECI, said his station saved much of its footage of the riots to use for follow-up stories and turned over everything it had aired and had planned to air.

However, both directors said they would not turn outtake footage over to the government, as the city attorney's office has demanded Tracy do.

Under the Montana Media Confidentiality Act, journalists do not have to turn over unused footage or notes to the government, which Tracy is using as her defense.

However, in a motion to the district court on Oct. 27, Deputy District Attorney Gary Henricks

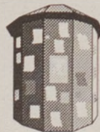
argued that the Shield Law does not protect Tracy because she doesn't have a journalism degree. Also, her small business, Turtle Majik Productions, is listed as a multi-media, video, audio, web design company in a business name application at the office of the secretary of state. The description does not mention investigative journalism, Henricks wrote.

Rick Sherwood, the Helena attorney representing Tracy, said she is a journalist because she produced a 20-minute documentary called "Missoula, Montana."

"The point is, you're not required to have a degree in journalism to be a journalist," he said.

Officials at the district said Sherwood must file a response within 20 days.

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