

Don't drop that box!



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Senior Nicole Chicoine, left, a Psychology major, moves furniture from the Delta Gamma House with roommate Christian Lowe, a senior in Economics, and her dad Glenn Lowe.

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Rural town runs dorm giving kids a new life

Education: Students in trouble find support at boarding school in secluded Central Oregon

MITCHELL (AP) — Jaime McLawhorn, 18, needed a change of scene. Her grades were in the gutter and her friends were drifting toward drugs, alcohol and trouble.

When she heard about a public boarding school in this Central Oregon town, she thought she might find support here for starting over, far from the temptations of her old school in a Portland suburb.

First, however, she had to find Mitchell. After a 200-mile drive into the lonely sagebrush hills of Oregon's high desert, Jaime and her mother went straight through town without realizing it.

"It looked like a little ghost town," Jaime recalled. "I said, 'Where are the hangouts? Where's the pizza parlor? Where's the 7-Eleven?'"

Mitchell, population 185, has none of those things. Indeed, Mitchell has not much of anything — and that's precisely the point of an unusual experiment in public education taking place here.

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GOOD MORNING

► **SEATTLE (AP)** — It would cost \$136,700 to truck as many as 60 sea lions from the Ballard Locks to their breeding grounds on the Channel Islands of Southern California — before this winter's run of steelhead trout arrives at the locks.

The sea lions are lurking at the locks, presumably waiting for this year's annual winter run.

The proposal has been endorsed by a committee of biologists from the National Marine Fisheries Service, the state Department of Wildlife and members of Trout Unlimited, the Muckleshoot Tribe and the Washington Environmental Council.

At least some of the sea lions would return to Seattle and have to be hauled home a second time.

HIGH 55°
LOW 45°

► **HELENA, Mont. (AP)** — A frantic search for a seven-year-old Canadian boy buried in an

avalanche ended sadly Saturday with the discovery of his body. The death of Miles Merrill brought the death toll to five.

The boy's body was found at 1 p.m., about 24 hours after he and six others were caught by the avalanche during a snowmobiling outing on Friday.

Miles and three other victims were from Cardston, Alberta, just north of the border.

► **SEATTLE (AP)** — The Marlboro Man is riding out of the Kingdome on New Year's Day, run out of town by an ordinance that bans tobacco advertising from all county buildings — including the Seattle Mariners' ballpark.

The 55-foot ad over left field, depicting a cigarette-smoking cowpoke, was being covered with flat black paint Saturday by the Foley Sign Co.

Knight Library undergoes changes

Renovation: Six CD players and DAT player added to new Douglass Room

By John Fleischli
For the Oregon Daily Emerald

During the winter break, the Knight Library went through some changes that patrons returning to the library may be surprised to find.

If you had tried using the library during the break, you would have

found that it was closed so staff could move about one million volumes of books into new parts of the library and so several offices and departments could be relocated.

Students, staff and a handful of movers were busy shelving books, moving furniture, buffing and waxing floors and removing gum from the undersides of tables.

About 8,200 hours of labor were involved in the project, which resulted in the move of the Special Collections materials to improved storage

areas in the new addition. The Acquisition, Catalog, Preservation and Binding, and Systems departments also moved from temporary quarters to the renovated Meyer Technical Services Center on the main floor.

The Knight Library has gone through several major changes in its history. The latest wave of change is known as the Expansion and Renovation Project and began in Apr. 1992.

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Promoter builds Hawaii-style party site in Monroe

Paradise: Builder plans to rent 21-acre expanse for weddings and private parties

MONROE, Wash. (AP) — Between the sprawling gravel pits and the stately penitentiary, Pete Wood is building himself a pseudo-Disneyland with a tropical twist.

There's no Matterhorn, Space Mountain, or any other thrilling rides for that matter. But there are waterfalls, fountains and streams, banana trees and black weeping locusts.

At the center of this madcap, 21-acre, Hawaiian-style marvel is a structure Wood calls the Huma Huma bar, crafted of woven coconut palms and surrounded by carvings of seminude maidens and Tiki torches.

Close by is a 10-acre artificial lake that Wood is slowly filling with the aid of four large hoses. Wood estimates it will be full in another 125 days.

Wood even installed a pipe along the top of the five-

tiered flagstone terrace to shoot out a cooling mist. It's the kind of contraption you might find in fancy outdoor eateries in such desert towns as Palm Springs, Calif., and Phoenix.

But in Monroe?

"People are going to love it. They're just going to love it," a beaming Wood said the other day as he fed dried hunks of bread to a squealing flock of gulls that circled low over his lake.

"If it works, it could be a masterpiece," said Dick Fredlund, Monroe city planner.

"Once people know about it, they'll come from miles around," said Kenneth Robinson, publisher of the *Monroe Monitor*, the city's weekly newspaper.

"Peter is a largely undiscovered legend around there. People are amazed when they see what he does."

Wood, the giddy — some say wacky — visionary some days calls his creation "Pete's Party Pit." Other

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