Foresters conservation program is set for grade schoolers

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MISSOULA--

Missoula's seventh and eighth graders in 21 area schools will get special conservation presentations Thursday and Friday by members of the University Forestry Club.

The special presentations began in 1953 when Miss Gladys Trambley invited the foresters to speak to her grade students.

Debbie Trenerry and Neil Harrington, conservation week chairman and co-chairman respectively, said the presentations allow for the individuality and special interests of the 40 student speakers and moderators.

The foresters will present movies, slide talks and other visual aids along with their own discussions of the different aspects of conservation: forest, wildlife, water, range, etc.

Greg Harose, publicity chairman, said the presentations would culminate with a tree planting Saturday on the Lubrecht Experimental Forest near Greenough.

The School of Forestry Board of Visitors will hold its second day of spring meetings at the Lubrecht Forest and observe the tree planting in the morning.

One hundred fifty Missoula grade students will plant ponderosa pine seedlings provided by the State Forest Nursery.

The Forestry Club will host the students for a lunch donated by Missoula merchants and provide a woodsmanship demonstration in the afternoon.

By 1966 some 50,000 trees had been planted on the Lubrecht Forest by Missoula grade students. At that time the area was dedicated as the Gladys Trambley Tree Plantation.

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