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## **MONTANA SCIENCE FAIR TO BE HELD AT UM IN APRIL**

### **MISSOULA--**

High school and junior high students from across the state will gather in Missoula on Monday and Tuesday, April 10-11, for the 40th annual Montana Science Fair at The University of Montana.

Displays will be set up for public viewing at the Harry Adams Field House from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Monday and 8 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday.

Students in grades nine through 12 (Division I) will compete for prizes in 13 categories: biochemistry, medicine and health, environmental studies, microbiology, physics, engineering, mathematics, zoology, behavioral and social studies, earth and space sciences, chemistry, botany and computer science. Teams of two or three participants, as well as solo entrants, can compete in any of the 13 categories.

Junior high students in grades seven and eight (Division II) and sixth grade students will compete within their grade levels in the physical and biological science divisions.

The top two individual winners and the top team winners in each Division I category will win gold and silver medals and an expenses-paid trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair to be held May 7-13 in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Top award winners in the seventh and eighth grade categories will receive silver and bronze medals.

Judging will take place from 1 to 5:45 p.m. on April 10. Prizes will be awarded at a

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breakfast banquet at 9:30 a.m. April 11 in the University Center Ballroom.

The Montana Science Fair, sponsored by UM with support from the UM Excellence Fund and the Missoula Exchange Club, was founded in 1955 by Reuben Diettert, professor emeritus of botany. Diettert directed the fair for 18 years.

For more information, contact Jerry Esmay, director of the Montana Science Fair, at the Department of Computer Science, The University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812; (406) 243-2866.

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