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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **HOMECOMING PARADE ENTRIES ACCEPTED THROUGH SEPT. 23**

#### **MISSOULA –**

It's time to strike up the band and turn flatbeds into floats for The University of Montana's 2005 Homecoming Parade at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1. This year's theme is "Treasure the Past, Embrace the Future."

The UM Alumni Association will accept applications and a \$20 fee for parade entries until 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23. Applications are available in the UMAA office on the first floor of Brantly Hall, and should be returned to the same location. Those who would like the entry form faxed to them may call the alumni office at 243-5211.

The parade – the largest in Montana – begins downtown and travels south on Higgins Avenue in the heart of Missoula, but after that the route changes a bit from years past.

Because last year's parade topped 145 entries, traffic was backed up across the Madison Street Bridge near campus all the way onto Interstate 90. This year only entries with direct UM ties will turn down University Avenue. The rest will be diverted into the nearby Slant Street Neighborhood.

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