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Hugh Edwards, Great Falls insurance man and former Grizzly athlete, has been appointed executive secretary of the Montana State University Alumni Association effective April 1, it was announced by Paul Chumrau, association president. He said that the appointment is "a first step toward strengthening the alumni organization, which we will follow with a series of organizational changes to be considered at the meeting of the alumni executive committee in Billings on April 17 and 18."

Well known throughout the state, Edwards has been very active in civic and charitable affairs. He is a member of the Campfire Girls Council of Great Falls; he is a Cubmaster; he serves on the steering committee for special projects of the Great Falls Y.M.C.A.; is a Mason; a Shriner; a member of the Great Falls Country Club, and of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity.

Born in Butte on April 17, 1917, Edwards achieved All-State ranking in both football and basketball at Butte High School where he was graduated in 1936. He went on to Montana State University, to earn a BA degree and play four years of football. After graduation in 1942, he was scheduled for a tryout with the Chicago Cardinals pro team, but World War II intervened. He was wounded in service while in Germany and retired with the rank of Captain. Following the war, he returned to MSU where he earned a masters degree in Education in 1946.

He was married in November 1945 to the former Lucille Roholt. Also an MSU alumnus, she received her BA degree in psychology that spring. They have two children, William 10, and James 7. His family will remain in Great Falls until the conclusion of the school year before moving to Missoula.

Edwards succeeds Robert Higham who has been serving as alumni secretary since the fall of 1960.