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MISSOULA--

About 120 forestry students from 11 western colleges and universities will participate in the Association of Western Forestry Clubs (AWFC) Annual Conclave May 2-4 at the University of Montana in Missoula.

The three-day program will include field trips, seminars and woodsman competition sponsored by students in the UM School of Forestry.

Field trips May 2-3 will include visits to the Bitterroot Valley; local lumber mills; The Northern Forest Fire Laboratory; the UM Biological Station at Yellow Bay on Flathead Lake; Glacier Park; Condon Ranger Station, and the UM forestry school's Lubrecht Experimental Forest, 30 miles east of Missoula.

On Saturday, May 4, a team of UM forestry students will compete in various logging skills at Lubrecht with student woodsmen from other schools. The Lubrecht competition is open to the public.

Besides UM, other schools participating in the conclave will include Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff; California State University, Arcata; Sierra Community College, Rocklin, Calif.; American River College, Sacramento, Calif.; Colorado State University, Fort Collins; University of Idaho, Moscow; University of Nevada, Reno; Oregon State University, Corvallis; Central Oregon Community College, Bend, and Clatsop Community College, Astoria, Ore.

The first AWFC conclave was held at UM in 1939. Sixteen schools are active in the AWFC.

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