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GRIZZLY CAGE CAMP HAS STAFF OF EIGHT

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Five Montana high school basketball coaches have joined with three members of the University of Montana staff as the first annual Grizzly Cage Camp proceeds this week.

Camp Director Jud Heathcote reported that a total of 96 basketball enthusiasts are participating in the week-long camp. All but six of the youths are from cities and towns within Montana.

In addition to Heathcote and UM staff members Jim Brandenburg and Dale Parker, the camp coaching staff consists of Doug Palmer, coach of Charles M. Russell High School in Great Falls; Bob Luoma, coach of Sentinel High in Missoula; Jack McWhorter, coach of Flathead High in Kalispell; Bill Sullivan, coach of Philipsburg High School, and Russ Sheriff, coach of Hellgate High in Missoula.

Parker, a former UM player and an assistant with the UM frosh team last season, has accepted a teaching position at Simms High School and will coach the Tigers hoop squad this winter.

Participants in the camp are receiving instruction in individual and team fundamentals, as well as game competition. "We give the kids plenty of basketball, both on the individual and team basis, but they also have time to pursue other recreational interests," Heathcote said.

Heathcote said he is still accepting late registration for the girls' portion of the camp which is to run from June 23-29.