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300 UM ALUMNI AND FRIENDS EXPECTED TO ATTEND BANQUET

Missoula, Mont .--

Three hundred University of Montana alumni and friends from the San Francisco bay area are expected to attend the Order of the Grizzly awards banquet Monday (Nov. 26) at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco to honor five prominent, former Montanans.

The award recipients are William M. Allen, <u>Seattle</u>, <u>Wash</u>., chairman emeritus of the Boeing Company; George H. Boldt, <u>Tacoma</u>, <u>Wash</u>., senior judge of the U.S. District Court for Western Washington and chairman of the Pay Board until March 1973; James R. Browning, <u>San Francisco</u>, <u>Calif</u>., circuit judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the ninth circuit in San Francisco; Carroll O'Connor, <u>Los Angeles</u>, <u>Calif</u>., actor and star of the television series "All in the Family," and Ralph Edgington, <u>Long Beach</u>, <u>Calif</u>., president of Edgington Oil Company. All are University of Montana alumni.

Also attending the banquet will be several former Order of the Grizzly recipients, including Robert O'Brien, <u>Butte</u>, <u>Mont</u>., retired chairman of the board of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer; Norman J. Holter, <u>Helena</u>, <u>Mont</u>., biophysicist; Paul E. Hoover, <u>San Francisco</u>, <u>Calif</u>., retired chairman of the board of Crocker-Citizens National Bank in San Francisco; Charles A. Horsky, <u>Washington</u>, <u>D.C</u>., presidential adviser to Lyndon B. Johnson and John F. Kennedy; Jack M. Pope, <u>San Jose</u>, <u>Calif</u>., retired president of Food Machinery Corporation, and Gage Lund, <u>San Francisco</u>, <u>Calif</u>., retired vice president and director of Standard Oil Company of California.

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UM President Robert T. Pantzer, who has announced his resignation effective June 30, 1974, will present the awards. Pantzer has served as UM president since December 1966. Also representing the University at the banquet will be Robert Kiley, dean of the UM School of Fine Arts; Thomas J. Collins, director of the UM Foundation, and George Oechsli, director of the UM Alumni Association.

Marvin McArthur, Palo Alto, Calif., will be master of ceremonies at the banquet.

The Order of the Grizzly was initiated in 1965 to honor those individuals who are no longer Montana residents but have sustained a long and active interest in Montana and whose accomplishments have contributed to the welfare of the state, nation and world.

Following the awards banquet will be an auction of celebrity memorabilia and art objects donated by New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller, Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana, Sen. Sam J. Ervin, D-N.C., Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, Sen. Edmund Muskie, D-Maine, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and Sen. Walter F. Mondale, D-Minn.

Also donating objects to the auction are Jean Stapleton, Burgess Meredith, Sammy Davis, Joe Namath, Richard Burton, Elizabeth Taylor, Don Rickles and many other celebrities.

Art objects contributed by faculty members of the School of Fine Arts and other Montana artists also will be featured.

Items for the auction were collected for the University by Mrs. Marcus Daly III, Las Vegas, Nev., Mrs. Carroll O'Connor, Los Angeles, Calif., and Ray Dockstader, administrative assistant to Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, <u>Washington</u>, D.C.

The auction, which is being held in support of the fine arts program at the University, will be conducted by Bill Holt, Missoula, Mont., an auctioneer and professional announcer.

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