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BASKETBALL SENIORS MAKE FINAL HOME APPEARANCE fultz/st 2/21/73 sports local

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Three University of Montana seniors, Earl Tye, Mike Murray and Dale Parker, make their

final home appearances as Grizzlies when Montana hosts Big Sky foes Weber State and Northern

Arizona this weekend.

The three have contributed a great deal to the Montana basketball program, and all three have been regulars this season.

Murray, a Seattle product, earned all-conference honors at his guard position last season and leads Montana in scoring this year with a 16.3 average. He ranks 11th on the all-time Grizzly scoring list.

Tye has been a mainstay defensively for three seasons. The 6-7 native of Central Point, Oregon, was the recipient of the John Eaheart Memorial Award as the team's top defensive player last year.

Parker, like Murray, is a junior college transfer. He transferred from Grays Harbor Community College and Murray transferred from Highline Community College. Parker was sixth man and part-time starter during the 1971-72 season and has been a starter for Montana most of this season. At 6-5, he showed his versatility by playing guard early in the season, but has since moved back to his natural position, forward.

The three seniors can be a part of a second-straight winning season if they can lead Montana to victory over Big Sky Champion Weber State Friday night and Northern Arizona Saturday night.

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