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ANTHROPOLOGIST, FORESTRY DEAN DISCUSS  
PROGRAMS AT COUNCIL OF 50 MEETING

MISSOULA--

The results of a study investigating diabetes in American Indians and innovations in the forestry profession were two of several topics presented at the annual spring meeting of the University of Montana Council of 50 Saturday (May 12) at UM.

The Council of 50 is a UM advisory group comprised of members from all walks of life who assist the University administration in communicating with various segments of the public in Montana.

Dr. Charline G. Smith, assistant professor of anthropology, and Dr. Robert F. Wambach, dean of the UM forestry school, discussed some of the highlights of their respective programs now underway.

Dr. Smith related the range and scope of activities in physical anthropology and cited the diversity and the public service nature of the programs as being of particular importance to Montana.

"An earlier investigation into the incidence of diabetes in American Indians will be explored in subsequent studies with predictive value in Montana," Smith said.

"We've also assisted the Missoula County Sheriff's department in identifying and classifying human bones discovered during the course of their work," she added.

Wambach, who assumed the forestry dean's post in June of last year, said the role of the professional forester has changed dramatically in the last ten years and the UM forestry school has modified and broadened its curriculum to accommodate the forester's new role.

"In the past, the forester was professionally oriented and was associated with such duties as fighting forest fires and planting trees. Today's forester has greater responsibilities--that of total land use planning and management," Wambach said.

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"The curriculum of the forestry school has been expanded and the emphasis is now on cross-disciplinary studies, including journalism, recreation and other related fields," Wambach explained.

UM President Robert T. Pantzer gave the welcoming address and Richard A. Solberg, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, served as program chairman. Other presentations were made by Dr. H. Richard Fevold, professor of chemistry; Garry D. South, president of the Associated Students of UM, and Larry M. Elison, UM law professor.

A tour of the new five-story \$3.6 million library was conducted by J. A. (Ted) Parker, director of the UM Physical Plant, and Dennis L. Richards, UM documents librarian. Parker said the first phase of the library has been completed and the second phase costing an additional \$3 million is awaiting legislative approval.

The three units in the UM School of Fine Arts--the Departments of Art, Drama and Music--participated in an entertainment program for Council of 50 members and UM faculty and staff attending the Council of 50 dinner Saturday night in the University Center. The dance division of the UM drama department under the direction of Dana J. Bunnell conducted a medley of songs by Stephen Foster and also a selection from the popular film score "Shaft" by Isaac Hayes.

The University Opera Workshop, directed by Esther England and George Lewis, presented a scene from "The Barber of Seville" to conclude Saturday's activities.

Council of 50 members attending the meeting were:

George T. Bennett, Helena; Duane W. Bowler, Billings; D. H. Burns, Missoula; Edward A. Coyle, Missoula; Robert B. Emrick, Conrad; Pat M. Goodover, Great Falls; Orville Gray, Great Falls; T. W. Hughes, Glendive; Howard L. Knous, Helena; Dan Korn Jr., Kalispell; S. M. Lane, East Helena; Donald R. Lee, Billings; B. W. Mann, Red Lodge; Fred Marble Jr., Billings; Dorothy Schoknecht, Kalispell; Brad Seeley, Whitefish; George H. Sheets Jr., Miles City; Joseph Taylor, Missoula; the Rev. Leigh A. Wallace Jr., Missoula, and Francis L. Wamsley, Sidney.

Representing the local executive board were Arthur Deschamps and Alex Stepanzoff.