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MCH DIRECTOR TO DISCUSS PROGRAM IN CENTRAL, EASTERN MONTANA MAY 21-25

MISSOULA--

Bruce R. Sievers, director of the Montana Committee for the Humanities (MCH), will tour central and eastern Montana communities May 21-25 to explain MCH objectives and solicit ideas for public forums conducted under a \$155,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

The grant was awarded to the MCH by the NEH in October 1972.

"A total of \$77,947 of the \$155,000 grant has been awarded to 22 groups in the state to assist Montana residents in exploring such areas as the environment, education, the state's economy and minority group questions from a humanistic standpoint," Sievers said, "but we want to insure that all residents, especially those in the state's outlying areas, have an equal opportunity of sponsoring programs under the MCH award."

Sievers, whose headquarters are at the University of Montana, <u>Missoula</u>, said he will visit with residents in 13 communities during his tour.

Sievers said the public is encouraged to attend any of the community sessions and may contact the following people listed in parentheses in each of the respective communities for additional information.

Times, places and contact persons during Siever's itinerary follow:

MONDAY (May 21)--<u>Butte</u>, 9:30 a.m. at 72 E. Park (Micele Robinson); 10:45 a.m. at Montana Tech, Student Union Building, room 202 (Lucille Alt); noon at the Silver Bow Kiwanis meeting (William Slaughter); <u>Bozeman</u>, 3:30 p.m. at Montana State University, Bighorn Yellowstone Room in the Student Union Building (Pierce Mullen or Scottie Giebink); <u>Livingston</u>, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Elizabeth Hurley.

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TUESDAY (May 22)--Harlowton, 9 a.m. at the Harlowton Youth Center (Hal Stearns); Lewistown, noon at the Yogo Inn (Bradley Parrish); <u>Malta</u>, 7 p.m., contact Malta Public Library (place to be announced).

WEDNESDAY (May 23)--Glasgow, 9 a.m. at the First National Bank Building, second floor meeting room (Alene Cooper); <u>Wolf Point</u>, noon at the Sherman Motor Inn (Ray Randolph); Sidney, 3 p.m. at the Richland National Bank meeting room (Calvin Oraw).

THURSDAY (May 24)--<u>Glendive</u>, 9 a.m. at the Jordon Hotel (Mr. Vanada, or Louise Cross); <u>Miles City</u>, noon at the Red Rock Inn Lions Club (Alan Saylor); 1:30 p.m. at the Miles <u>Community College conference room (Sydney Sonneborn)</u>.

FRIDAY (May 25)--<u>Hardin</u>, 9 a.m. at the Purple Cow Restaurant (Hal Hawley); <u>Billings</u>, 1:30 p.m. at the Rocky Mountain College Widen House conference room (Thomas Dicken); 3 p.m. Eastern Montana College faculty lounge, eighth floor of EMC Liberal Arts Building (Flora Willett).

UM President Robert T. Pantzer is MCH chairman.

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