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FOLLOWING ROCKEFELLER DONATION

MISSOULA--

The University of Montana Library Book Fund Drive total has reached \$143,000, according to George Oechsli, executive director of the Alumni Association.

The fund was boosted by a \$3,500 honorarium donated by New York Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller for visiting/campus as part of the Mansfield lecture series.

Oechsli announced the new total during the Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting Saturday (May 19). The book fund drive was started by the association in 1970 to help buy books for the new UM library.

Rockefeller delivered the fifth Mansfield Lecture on International Relations at the University April 13. The Mansfield lecture series was established in 1967 by Mike and Maureen Mansfield and brings to the campus experts in the field of international relations.

During meetings with students Rockefeller agreed to donate his honorarium to the Book Fund Drive. Mansfield and the lecture committee later decided the honorarium would be \$3,500.

Oechsli explained that donors to the book fund have their names inscribed in each book purchased. The average cost of a book is \$10, he said, and the interest from a donation of \$250 or more buys a book a year perpetually.

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