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Foresters at the University of Montana will forget their forest wear and adopt the apparel of teachers for their Conservation Week presentations to Missoula grade students in the first week of May.

Three Forestry Club members, Eugene A. Jonart, Thomas Hanson, and Robert Herring, are co-chairing this 14th annual Conservation Week program. The program concludes on May 7 with the bussing of Missoula eighth-graders to Lubrecht Forest, where they will aid in planting some 2,000 seedlings.

UM Forestry students present talks and movies or slide shows to the Missoula grade school students during the week. The elementary set also studies conservation in its classrooms and workshops. Each school gets a different show and forestry moderator.

Miss Gladys Trambley, upper grade teacher in the Washington School, began the conservation project in 1952, and has been one of its leaders ever since. This year she retires from active teaching, lending the program a special significance.

She said she could recall when some of the students would plant as many as 350 seedlings apiece. Already more than 50,000 have been planted at Lubrecht by Missoula grade students.

This year’s program will trade the traditional hot dogs for an elk barbecue. The treat will be extended to include dedication of the seedling planting program with talks by Dr. Arnold W. Bolle, dean of the UM School of Forestry, and Charles Stoddard of Washington, D.C., director of the Federal Bureau of Land Management.

After chow, entertainment will be provided by the Missoula Smokejumpers and forestry students. Guests of the Forestry Club will include the Missoula grade school teachers and representatives of Missoula Forest Products Industry.