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"We have nothing to lose and everything to gain. We will just go and play our game," said University of Montana women's volleyball coach Dick Scott after Monday's practice.

The statement pertains to the Grizzlies' trip to Eugene, Ore., and the Regional Championships on Nov. 23-24.

UM enters the regional tournament with a 20-23-2 overall mark and a 2-10 Division I record. The Grizzlies finished in seventh place in the seven-team division.

Scott is optimistic about the Grizzlies chances of a shot at the National AIAW Championships Dec. 6-8.

"Right now I feel as if the girls are playing as well as they are capable of," noted the second-year mentor. "I would say that we have the best shot at playing at a good level which may force other teams to make mistakes."

The Grizzlies open regional competition at 2 p.m. on Friday, going against the Montana State Bobcats. The Grizzlies have not won a match against the Bobcats this season.

A major barrier was broken by the Grizzlies when they downed the Bobcats 16-14 in one game of a three-game match last weekend. UM was also within just a few points in three other contests in that meet.

UM recorded a victory over Washington State University at Pullman in Washington's non-conference triangular.

Scott praised the play of Wendy Ninteman and Jean Cavanaugh at the triangular.

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Women Spikers --- add one

Depending on the outcome of their game with MSU, the Grizzlies will face either Washington State University or Portland State University. If UM should lose the opener, they will play at 8 p.m. on Friday, but a victory would mean the Grizzlies play at 6 p.m.

Two squads from the regional tournament will advance to the National AIAW Championships.

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Team total	356	208	26%	298	92	77

FINAL SEASON COMPOSITE DIVISION I CONFERENCE SEASON (2-10)

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