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EX-POW SEMINAR, CLASS SCHEDULED SEPT. 19 & 20 at UM

MISSOULA--

A seminar and self-care class for ex-prisoners-of-war will be conducted Friday and Saturday, Sept. 19 and 20 at the University of Montana, Missoula. The seminar will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday in the University Center room 360 AB, and the self-care class will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the UM Women's Center room 218.

The Ex-POW seminar will focus on the problems of prisoners-of-war and the new federal guidelines for treatment and compensation. Also art works of Ben Steele, ex-POW and current chairman of the art department at Eastern Montana College, <u>Billings</u>, will be exhibited.

The seminar will be conducted by Greg Rodriquez, field researcher with the American Ex-POW's organization, and Laurie Oklda, ex-POW Vision Quest consulting associate.

A fee of \$30 will be charged for the seminar.

The self-care class will cover methods for making ex-POW's more responsible for their health and general well-being. Class facilitators will be Oklda; Rodriquez; Thomas Whiddon, assistant professor of health and physical education at UM; George Yates, pharmacist; and O.J. Karnes of the National Service Office for American Ex-POW's.

The class will be funded through a Higher Education Act Title I grant and will be free.

For more information about the seminar or class, interested persons may contact Whiddon by writing him at Field House 212, University of Montana, Missoula, MT. 59812, or by calling 243-4211.