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DRUG, ALCOHOLISM SERIES BEGINS AT UM THURSDAY EVENING

MISSOULA --

Narcotics addiction, drug abuse and alcoholism will be explained in a three-part lecture series beginning Thursday (June 29) evening at 8 in the Music Recital Hall at the University of Montana. Succeeding lectures will be on July 6 and 13, also at 8 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall.

Pharmacy school Dean Robert L. Van Horne explains that the lectures, which are open to the public without charge, are being initiated at the request of Montana legislators. During the last legislative assembly, they asked that the schools of pharmacy and education at UM conduct the institute for educators, students and other interested persons. The series is not offered for course credit.

In the first lecture, Dr. Van Horne will explain drug abuse, addiction and the laws pertaining to drug abuse. His talk will include a description of drugs commonly misused, their legitimate uses, problems of addiction and an explanation of the legal restrictions on the use of drugs.

Dr. William Hogan, a psychiatrist and neurologist practicing in Missoula will present some consequences of drug abuse, addiction and alcoholism in the second lecture.

The final speaker, Dr. Robert Curry, director of the UM health service, will discuss the student and problems of drug abuse. His talk will include peer group pressures leading to drug misuse, campus attitudes and the need for understanding the legitimate uses of drugs and hallucogenics.

Dr. Van Horne said he anticipates that the program will be developed in future years to provide high school educators with information that may be used to present comprehensive instruction on the topics.

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