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MONTANA MUSIC TEACHERS TO MEET AT UM JULY 21-26

MISSOULA--

Approximately 100 music teachers from throughout Montana will participate in the 41st annual Montana State Music Teachers Association (MSMTA) Music Week on the University of Montana campus, Missoula, July 21-26.

Music Week, sponsored by the MSMTA and the UM School of Fine Arts, will bring a number of artists and composers to the UM campus. All evening concerts will be open to the public free of charge.

Mrs. Edna Jorgenson, a Great Falls piano teacher and MSMTA president, will head the convention.

Special guest speaker at the banquet Wednesday evening, July 24, will be Celia Mae Bryant, a University of Oklahoma piano teacher and 1st vice president of the National Music Teachers Association (NMTA).

For the first time in the history of the Montana organization, according to Mrs. Jorgenson, the MSMTA and the NMTA have jointly commissioned a state musician to compose a number specially for Music Week. Henry Campbell, a music department faculty member at Montana State University, Bozeman, was selected to write the work. He will perform his piece for the first time at the banquet Wednesday evening.

Performances during the convention will be given by both UM music instructors and visiting musicians. All recitals will begin at 8:15 p.m. in the UM Music Recital Hall.

Laurence B. Perry, chairman and associate professor of the UM music department, will present an organ recital July 21.

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A faculty recital July 23 will feature Marilyn Coffee, Lucien Hut and Rudolph Wendt, pianists; Florence Reynolds, cellist, and Robert Jones, clarinetist.

Ylda Novik, internationally known teacher and pianist from Chevy Chase, Md., will present a recital July 25. She will also lecture and give demonstrations each morning during the week. Students will perform before teachers each afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. Bolen will host a reception for all attending the convention Sunday, July 21 from 3-6 p.m. at their home, 119 Lakima Drive, Missoula. A local art shop, The Cartwheel, will hold a reception Monday at 4:30 p.m. Another reception Thursday evening, July 25 following the concert will be hosted by the Missoula Music Teachers Association.

One of several workshops during the week will be "Can We Teach Musicality?" by Mrs. Jane Hevener Lea, UM assistant professor of music.

Lowndes Maury, a Butte native who is a UM alumnus and visiting professor of composition and music, will present a talk on piano technique.

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