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WEEKLIE COLUMN:

The University celebrated its 67th homecoming last weekend with the Grizzlies playing the Utah State University Aggies in the homecoming tilt. Eight high school bands participated in the homecoming parade and halftime ceremonies.

A University chemist is doing research which he hopes will aid in fire control. Dr. Fred Shafizadeh, director of the UM Wood Chemistry Laboratory of the School of Forestry, said his research is aimed at finding how unburnable cellulose, the main component of wood, is changed into a flammable gas. Once this mystery is solved, research can begin toward more effective fire fighting and controlling.

The Real National Bank, a folk-rock group composed of seven UM students, was invited to appear on the All-American College Show, a college level television talent show from Hollywood.

The invitation was deemed an honor by the group because most appearances on the show are by application and audition only. The Bank traveled to county fairs throughout the U.S. this summer playing and performing.

Annually the Missoula Chamber of Commerce and UM provide a setting, called the Oktoberfest, where members from both communities can meet and relax together. Traditionally the Oktoberfest has a Bavarian theme and is held at the Missoula Snow Bowl, a ski resort close to the Garden City. The event is five hours of informal fun and conversation and allows businessmen and professors an opportunity to see how the other half lives and thinks. This year the Oktoberfest is Thursday, Oct. 10.

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Sororities at UM gathered 140 pledges in the week just past. Freshmen girls are given a week of parties and introductions to the 11 Greek houses on campus and then must decide which they like best.

Ousted Harlem congressman Adam Clayton Powell was heard and seen by over 1,100 students and interested townspeople and faculty when he spoke at the University Oct. 3. He talked about the current demands on the young generation, Black Power and the political situation in America.

Julian Bond, the 28-year-old Negro who led the fight to have the Georgia delegation seated at the Democratic nomination convention, and who later was mentioned as a vice presidential candidate, will speak on the UM campus Friday, Oct. 18.

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