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ORIENTATION WEEK

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Freshman Orientation Week, which precedes the opening of autumn quarter at the University of Montana, will familiarize about 2,000 new and transfer freshmen with the academic environment in which they will live.

The / <sup>eight</sup> days of freshman orientation begins Sunday (Sept. 21) and continues through Sunday (Sept. 28). Classes begin Sept. 29.

Jack L. Green, a UM junior, and Mrs. Donald E. Olson, a UM senior, both of Missoula, are cochairmen of Freshman Orientation Week activities. Mrs. Olson is the former Karen Peck of Choteau.

Freshmen will be divided into 55 groups, each with two upperclassmen leaders, during orientation activities. New students will take campus tours, complete registration and will participate in discussions and other activities related to university life.

About 500 transfer students coming to the University also are expected to participate in an orientation program under direction of Jerry Staples, Gildford. Transfer student orientation begins officially on Tuesday (Sept. 23).

Concerning the week's activities, Mrs. Olson said, "Orientation week, while hectic, is a time when students help students. Many of the 110 group leaders have had, at one time, the same problems of today's freshman. Besides helping the freshman feel more at home, students working to make the week successful are building an atmosphere of pride around the University."

Group leaders are not paid. "They enjoy donating their time to the new students," said Mrs. Olson, who is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peck, Missoula, formerly of Choteau.

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A first for orientation week this year is the addition of two panel discussions to be heard by new student groups. Discussions are entitled "Which Way Shall I Choose, Greek or Independent?" which deals with fraternity and sorority rush, and "Drugs in Our Society."

Said Mrs. Olson, "Many freshmen going through rush have problems related to it but have nobody to talk to. The panel, while not a debate, will attempt to provide the new students with some straightforward answers about both Greeks and independents." The panel of UM students will consist of two Greeks and two independents.

"The panel on drugs," she continued, "is an effort to give the new student some background on drug abuse, and to cause him to think before he becomes involved." A doctor, two UM faculty members, and one student will comprise the drug panel.

Residence halls will open at 1 p.m. Friday (Sept. 19). American College Testing Service exams (ACT tests), required of all incoming students who have not taken them, will be administered at 8 a.m. Saturday (Sept. 20) in the Field House (FH). A fee of \$8 may be paid before the tests are taken.

A schedule of Orientation Week events follows:

Sunday, Sept. 21--UM President Robert T. Pantzer is luncheon host for new students and parents, 12:30 p.m., Treasure State Room, Lodge; fraternity rush begins with 1:30 p.m. rushees' meeting in Music Auditorium; President's Convocation for parents, University Theater (UT), 2 p.m.; sorority rush begins with 2 p.m. rushees' meeting in Music Auditorium; president's reception for new students, parents, Five Valleys Room, University Center (UC), 3:30-5 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 22--President's Convocation for new students, UT, 9 a.m.; new students assemble in groups in assigned rooms, 10 a.m.; campus introductions by faculty speakers to student groups, 11 a.m.; mathematics placement test, FH, 1-3 p.m.; shorthand and typing test, Business Administration, room 312, and music test, Music Building, room 104, 4-5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 23--Meetings of new students in home rooms, 9 a.m.; instructions, specific study / <sup>majors</sup> 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Panel discussions: "Which Way Shall I choose, Greek or Independent?" and "Drugs in Our Society," 2-3 p.m. and 3:15-4:15 p.m., UT and UC.

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Wednesday, Sept. 24--Home room registration instructions to new students, 9:30 a.m.; new students meet with advisers in groups, 1:30-3:30 p.m.; consultations with group leaders in home rooms, 3:30-5 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 25--Freshmen, including freshmen transfers, register, FH, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; picnic on Oval, 11:30 a.m., upperclassmen register, including upperclassmen transfers, FH, 3-5 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26--Upperclassmen register, FH, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; student groups to UM Health Center to check records, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; Singing on the Steps, Main Hall Steps, 7:30 p.m.; "Beanie Bounce" dance, sponsored by Spurs and Bear Paws service groups, Five Valleys Room, UC, 9 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27--Freshmen paint the "M" on Mount Sentinel after meeting on old Dornblaser Field, 9 a.m.; football, UM Grizzlies vs. Northern Arizona, new Dornblaser Field, 1:30 p.m.; registration dance, Five Valleys Room, UC, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 28--Get-together before church, UC, 10 a.m.; church-sponsored dinners for new students, 5:45 p.m.

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