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$2,000 still needed in $12,000 drive for Camellia Bowl

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MISSOULA, MONT.— Earl Morgenroth, Missoula, chairman of the Century Club Camellia Bowl Boosters Committee, said Thursday that $2,000 is urgently needed to complete the drive for $12,000 to meet Camellia Bowl expenses.

"Deadline is Dec. 11 for donations to have maximum benefit for the Camellia Bowl game Dec. 13," said Morgenroth. "The $12,000 will be used to send the Grizzly football team, the University of Montana Marching Band, UM cheerleaders and two representatives of the Associated Students of UM to the game."

The Grizzlies meet the number one ranked North Dakota State University Bison from Fargo in the Camellia Bowl at 2:30 p.m. MST (1:30 p.m. PST) at Hughes Stadium in Sacramento, Calif.

After a 10-0 won-loss record in regular season play, the Montana Grizzlies were ranked number two behind North Dakota State, which had a 9-0 season.

Morgenroth said University alumni and friends may send contributions to the Camellia Bowl Boosters Committee in care of the University of Montana, Missoula, Mont. 59801.

Donations by phone may be made by calling 243-2311 at the University.

Two of the most noteworthy gifts to the fund drive made so far include a $100 contribution from the University of Montana Cheerleaders to help meet the travel expenses, and an unspecified contribution from an anonymous donor so the wives of five married Grizzly football players can attend the game.

Mike Frellick, executive secretary of the U of M Camellia Bowl Committee, said flight accommodations for the general public still may be obtained by contacting United Travel Service (UTS) in Billings.

The plane, sponsored by the UM Alumni A-sociation, will make stops in Great Falls at 3 p.m. and Billings at 4 p.m. MST Dec. 12 before going to Sacramento for the game.