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ADDRESS BY KENNEDY
TO HIGHLIGHT INDIAN
CONFERENCE APRIL 16-18

MISSOULA, Mont.--

An address by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., will highlight the second annual Kyi-Yo Indian Youth Conference April 16-18 at the University of Montana.

Kennedy is scheduled to speak at 9 a.m. April 18 in the University Field House. The lecture, as yet untitled, will be open to the public without charge.

The Massachusetts' solon also will be on the Missoula campus April 17 to give a public address in the Mansfield Lectures on International Relations, a series launched at UM two years ago in honor of Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield's quarter century of congressional service and the University of Montana's 75th anniversary.

The Mansfield lecture by Kennedy, which also is open to the public without charge, will be at 8 p.m. April 17 in the Field House.

Several hundred Indian college students, reservation leaders and high school students from seven states are expected for the Indian conference.

Theme of the three-day conference will focus on the value of education to the Indian. Conference registration will be from 8-10:30 a.m. April 16 in the University Center, conference headquarters.

Kennedy also will meet with UM students and faculty informally and in classrooms April 17-18.

Five seminars will be among the formal sessions scheduled for the Indian Conference. The seminars are entitled "Indian Student Involvement on Campus," "Education Opportunities and Services," "Indian History and Indian Power," "Educational Progress: American/Canadian," and "Indian Law."

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The conference is sponsored by the UM Kyi-Yo Indian Club with the cooperation of UM and eight other institutions of higher learning in Montana.

States to be represented at the conference will include Montana, Idaho, Washington, Utah, Oregon, Wyoming and Alaska.

University of Montana students heading various conference committees include three from Browning--Thelma Jean Stiffarm, speakers' committee; Deanna Mae McNabb, clerical, and Mary Ellen LaFromboise, scheduling.

Other committee chairmen include John Pambrum, St. Ignatius, entertainment; Joe Begay, Ronan, finance; Robert J. Swan, Box Elder, housing; Rovert Lee Escarcega, Frazer, parade; John P. Well-Off-Man, Havre, cultural; Carmen Elaine Cornelius, Billings, queen contest, and Thomas Ball, Harlem, art show.

William George Harris of Fort Washakie, Wyo., Indian student adviser-counselor at UM, is conference coordinator.

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