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MISSOULA --

Earl Morgenroth, chairman of the Camellia Bowl Fund Raising Campaign, announced Monday that the fund raising effort for the University of Montana "went over the $5,000 mark" set for last week's drive.

Morgenroth said the sum collected from Grizzly football fans and boosters will insure that UM queens, football players and cheerleaders will be able to fly to Sacramento, Calif., to attend the UM-North Dakota State University football game Saturday (Dec. 12).

Saturday's game, scheduled for 1:20 p.m. PST in Hughes Stadium in Sacramento, will decide the National Collegiate Athletic Association's North Region Division's Football Championship.

Referring to the fund raising campaign, Morgenroth said, "I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the people who contributed to the fund raising effort. I was very encouraged by the response to this worthwhile project." 

Morgenroth said that more than 250 tickets to Tuesday's (Dec. 8) Grizzly Testimonial Banquet were given out to persons donating $25 or more during the fund drive.

Banquet tickets still may be purchased for $5 each from any UM Century Club member or at the door of the University Center Ballroom before the banquet. Serving begins at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday.

Special guests at Tuesday's banquet will include UM President Robert T. Pantzer, UM Head Football Coach Jack Swarthout and his coaching staff, Grizzly team members and wives, Coach Harley Lewis and his Big Sky Champion UM Cross Country Team, UM queens and cheerleaders.

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Dr. Joseph A. Mussulman, an associate professor of music at UM, will direct the UM singing Jubileers during the entertainment portion of the program.

Gary Hughes, ticket manager at the UM Field House, said approximately 1,100 reserved tickets have been sold locally for Saturday's game. Tickets must be picked up and paid for by 5 p.m. Tuesday (Dec. 8) or they will be returned to the Camellia Bowl Office in Sacramento. The ticket office phone number at UM is 243-4051.

Students, faculty, staff and the general public are invited to participate in a noise parade beginning at 9:45 a.m. MST Wednesday (Dec. 9) prior to the departure of Swarthout, team members and other UM personnel. The parade will go from the Field House to Johnson-Bell Field.

The plane carrying the Grizzlies will leave Missoula at 10:30 a.m. MST and is scheduled to arrive in Sacramento at 11 a.m. PST Wednesday.

The Grizzlies are scheduled to work out at Sacramento State College Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Swarthout said Monday that it has been raining in Sacramento, but that the playing turf at Hughes Stadium has been covered with a tarpaulin to help keep it dry.

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