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MONTANA MODEL UN  
IS NOV. 22-23 AT UM

MISSOULA--

Students and advisers from one Idaho and 15 Montana high schools will assemble for the 18th annual Montana Model United Nations Nov. 22-23 at the University of Montana.

This year the keynote speaker for the MMUN program will be Larry C. Napper, international relations officer for the U.S. State Department's Office of Soviet Union Affairs.

Napper will speak to the students in General Assembly Monday, Nov. 22, at 9:30 a.m. in the University Center Ballroom and hold a press conference at 10 a.m. in the UC Montana Rooms.

At the MMUN conference the students will simulate the business and activities of the U.N. General Assembly and standing committees. Groups of students will represent delegations from various U.N. member nations and will play the roles of those nation's international interests.

Prior to the conference on the UM campus, the students will research and write resolutions to present for action at the MMUN sessions.

Awards will be made based on the students' abilities to use what they have learned in diplomacy, persuasive argument, international law and relations, procedure, role playing and accurate representation of their chosen nations.

Awards banquet speaker will be Dr. Richard R. Drake, UM assistant professor of history.

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Registration and most sessions for the MMUN will be on the third floor rooms of the UM University Center.

Director for the MMUN is Tom Christie, a UM senior from Billings. UM students serving as coordinators are Michael Cetrone, Billings; Julie Curtiss and Daniel Hallstein, Missoula. Carlos Pedraza, Aurora, Colo., will be president of the Security Council.

Several UM faculty members will serve as advisers for political power blocs of MMUN nations and Dr. Maureen C. Curnow, associate dean of the UM College of Arts and Sciences, will be the faculty liaison.

The MMUN program activities are funded by the College of Arts and Sciences, and the students' costs are funded by the participating high schools.

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