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UM STUDENTS PERFORM FRENCH COMEDY

MISSOULA--

Several University of Montana students who are studying French will perform a French comedy in the original language at 7 p.m. Friday, May 6, on the Great Western Stage in UM Main Hall.

"Le Bal des Voleurs," by Jean Anouilh, is directed by Dr. Sigyn Minier-Birk, an assistant professor of French at UM, and is the 10th annual play presented by the French section of the UM Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

The comedy is about three robbers who seek their fortune by deceiving and winning the favor of a rich lady and her two nieces--in the end, however, it is the robbers who are deceived.

Students with roles in the play are listed below:

GLENDIVE--Thomas Biel, senior in English; Michael Dufner, senior in mathematics; and Thomas Webster, senior in French.

HELENA--Lisa Dowling, freshman in French and business administration, and Chuck Drake, senior in business administration.

KALISPELL--Harlan Fredenberg, junior in honors and French.

LEWISTOWN--Page Pennell, junior in economics and finance.

MISSOULA--Laura Lanfear, sophomore in general studies, and Susan Ridgeway, senior in history.

OUT-OF-STATE--Nicolle Dennis, Denver, Colo., junior in French; Audrey Olmer, Cross River, N.Y., senior in French; Mercedes Gonzales, Vancouver, Wash., junior in Spanish; Mark Kirk, Yakima, Wash., junior in French.

Also assisting in the production are Marie-Noelle Bonnifassy and Pierre Ballani both UM students from France, and Connie Peterson and Carina Curnow, both of Missoula

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