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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: G. M. Dennison, President

RE: Campus Report for the September 2008 Board of Regents' Meeting

- Annie Oakes, a graduate student in anthropology/cultural heritage, has received a \$3,000 Susan Koch Library Research Scholarship. Oakes is the seventh recipient of the competitive scholarship, which recognizes outstanding research using archives, special collections, maps, and other primarysource materials at UM's Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library. Her winning paper is titled "Native Influences on the Mullan Road, Mineral County, Montana and Beyond."
- University of Montana Professor Stewart Justman will be the keynote speaker at Science Day, a
 forum in Maryland for the exchange of scientific information sponsored by the Food and Drug
 Administration Office of Clinical Pharmacology. Justman, who directs the Liberal Studies Program,
 will present "Finasteride and Preventive Medicine."
- The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars has selected James McKusick, dean of the Davidson Honors College, for its 2008 Liaison of the Year Award. The award recognizes McKusick's exceptional dedication and support of the Washington Center, where he has worked to bring internship and seminar opportunities to students and to encourage participation.
- **Gus Chambers**, a television producer for the Broadcast Media Center, recently received an Emmy Award for Individual Accomplishment in Audio from the Northwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. Chambers received the award for his historical documentary "Hidden Fire: The Great Butte Explosion."
- The Montana Chefs Association recently named University Dining Services certified executive chef **Tom Siegel** "Chef of the Year." Since 1978, Siegel has devoted his career to educating UM guests and staff members about culinary issues, international cuisine and sustainable food practices.
- University of Montana's University Dining Services recently won the Silver Award from the National Association of College and University Food Services for a catering event designed to showcase sustainable practices. The submission, "A Farm to College Wedding," received second place in the Catering-Special Event category of the 2008 Loyal E. Horton Dining Awards contest.
- An anthology edited by Native American Studies Professor Richmond Clow is a finalist in the 2008
 National Indie Excellence Awards. The anthology, "The Sioux in South Dakota History: A Twentieth
 Century Reader," also recently won bronze in the anthology category of the twelfth annual
 Independent Publisher Book Awards.
- The University of Montana is among only 10 schools in the nation that met all standards of a recent National Council on Teacher Quality study for preparation of teachers in mathematics, published in the report "No Common Denominator: The Preparation of Elementary Teachers in Mathematics by America's Education Schools."
- Once again, The University of Montana is on the Princeton Review list of top four-year colleges and universities in the United States.

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