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Duluth--- Pre-election programs for UMD students will be held this Thursday and Friday (Oct. 31 and Nov. 1) and on election day, sponsored by the Kirby Program Board and the Student Association.

On Thursday, a discussion of presidential candidates will be held at noon in the Bull Pub with representatives of UMD student political groups participating. Represented will be the Young Americans for Humphrey, the Young Republicans, the Students for Wallace, the Young Socialist Alliance and the Anarchist Society.

Each representative will issue a statement on the presidential elections, followed by open discussion for all students.

Also on Thursday at 2:45 p.m., Minnesota Governor Harold LeVander will informally discuss political issues with students in the Kirby Student Center Lounge. His stop at UMD will be part of a swing through points in the eighth congressional district.

At 1:30 p.m., Friday there will be a symposium on law and order in the Bull Pub. Discussing their parties' interpretations of the issues will be students from the Young Democratic Farmer-Labor group, the young Republicans and the Students for Wallace. Each will present a statement and the platform will be turned over to open discussion.

The Student Association will sponsor a straw vote on the presidency and local campus issues on Tuesday (Nov. 5). Polling booths will be set up in Kirby Student Center corridor to question students on their choice for the presidency and opinions on courses included in general education requirements.

Approximately 50 students will actively participate in election coverage on Tuesday evening when WDIO-television originates live coverage of local elections from Kirby Student Center Ballroom.

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Twenty of the students will serve as studio correspondents to compile returns from the field and feed the statistics to studio election boards and the television news reporters.

Others will assist in the production of the show with station personnel, and the remainder will serve as 'stringer' correspondents in the field to phone in precinct results from the four-county area surrounding Duluth.

The station will have live segments in election night coverage at 10 minutes before and 25 minutes past each hour. The first local show from Kirby Ballroom will be at 6:50 p.m., continuing throughout the evening until local political races are final.

Students, the public and local candidates are invited by the student committees to visit the election coverage emanating from the campus.

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