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RAY ROCENE BANQUET FEATURES PRESENTATION
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MISSOULA--

The 22nd annual Ray T. Rocene Sportsman of the Year banquet will be held at the Club Chateau, Monday, May 15 at 6 p.m.

The affair brings veteran football coach Grant Teaff to Missoula as the keynote speaker.

But the highlight of the evening is always the presentation of three awards-- the John T. Campbell Award, the Ed Chinske Award and the major presentation, the Ray Rocene Award for the sportsman of the year.

In past years, a new member has been inducted into the University of Montana Track and Field Hall of Fame, but this year, no new member will be inducted.

The Missoula Mavericks sports booster groups is sponsoring the banquet, with Gene Leonard, Sentinel High School football coach, serving as master of ceremonies.

The John Campbell Award is given to the outstanding University of Montana senior athlete who is a Montana resident and will be made by Campbell, sports director and salesman for KYSS radio and a long-time Missoula sports booster.

Last year's winner was Ben DeMers, who's basketball exploits made him the eighth recipient.

The Chinske Award recognizes the outstanding achievements by sports professionals such as coaches, managers, trainers and sports media. The award was initiated in 1971 and is given in memory of Ed Chinske, former athlete and coach at UM and Missoula County High School.

Bill Schwanke, sports director for KYLT radio will present the award as last year's recipient.

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The Rocene Award honors outstanding member of the community whose involvement with sports is on a voluntary basis. Morris McCollum, last year's recipient will present the 22nd annual award.

The Rocene Award is given in memory of Ray T. Rocene, long-time sports editor for the Missoulian.

Monday night's speaker, Grant Teaff, is the head football coach at Baylor University and was named NCAA coach of the year in 1974. He has had great success at Baylor after that school suffered through several dismal seasons in football competition. A religious man, he is a national trustee in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and known for his highly motivating speeches.

Tickets for the banquet are available from Mavericks members.

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