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**DAMROW RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD**

**MISSOULA--**

Todd A. Damrow of **Helena** will be honored for his superb career performance and outstanding ambassadorship of The University of Montana during this year's Homecoming celebration.

Damrow is one of nine UM graduates to be honored with the Alumni Association's 1999 Distinguished Alumni Awards. The awards will be presented at the traditional Singing on the Steps of Main Hall ceremony starting at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8.

Damrow received a master of science degree and doctorate in microbiology from UM in 1979 and 1983, respectively. An epidemiologist for the state of Montana, he has done ground-breaking research and education on health concerns like E. coli, Lyme disease, hantavirus, rabies and tuberculosis.

He received an award for Distinguished Service in Environmental Health in 1996 from the Montana Environmental Health Association, which also named him Diplomat of the Year in 1997.

Damrow, who was raised in Watertown, Wis., and now lives in Helena, has appeared as an expert commentator on TV's "48 Hours" and "Prime Time Live."

Other recipients of Distinguished Alumni Awards are John J. "Jack" Burke, John M. Dixon, Linda McDonald DuMoulin, Don Kinney, Jerry Norskog, Albert L. Picchioni, Garvin F. Shallenberger and Nels E. Turnquist.

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