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**DIXON RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD**

**MISSOULA--**

John M. Dixon will be honored for his superb career performance and outstanding ambassadorship of The University of Montana during this year's Homecoming celebration.

Dixon 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.

Dixon earned a bachelor of science degree in institutional management from UM in 1959, and went on to collect a juris doctorate from the New England School of Law and a master of business administration degree from Boston University. He built a successful career in hotel management, opening three world-class hotels including the prestigious J.W. Marriott Hotel in Washington, D.C.

A graduate of John Rogers High School in Spokane, Wash., he now teaches in the Department of Hotel and Restaurant Management at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

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

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