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MISSOULA--

The head basketball coach of the Flathead Valley Community College Mountaineers has resigned to become assistant University of Montana cager mentor.

Jack Swarthout, UM athletic director, said Saturday that Jim Brandenburg will be Lou Rocheleau's assistant coach when the Grizzlies take to the hardcourt next winter.

Brandenburg's Mountaineers recently completed their first season of basketball competition with an impressive 23-4 record. His teams played frosh and JC teams throughout the Northwest.

Winning is nothing new to the new UM assistant. As a high school coach in Texas and Colorado, Brandenburg chalked up a 171-46 record. At Luther Burbank High School in San Antonio, Tex., his team won the 4-A state championship in 1963. The 4-A league in the Lone Star State has the largest schools in the state as members. Brandenburg coached at the Texas high school from 1958-63.

In 1963 he began coaching at Aurora Hinkley High School of the AAA league in Denver. Brandenburg led his teams to the state tourney in 1965 and 1966, while at the school.

He was born in Topeka, Kansas and is a 1953 graduate of Colorado State University with a B.S. in physical education and biological sciences. Brandenburg earned his M.Ed. degree from the Ft. Collins, Colo. school in 1966.

As an undergraduate at Colorado State, Brandenburg played three years of varsity basketball for the Rams. He was a star forward at CSU.

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Swarthout said, "We are very fortunate to attain Jim Brandenburg. He is a great coach with an impressive record and will be instrumental/rebuilding our basketball program."

Rocheleau said, "I knew all along that Jim was a great coach, but when I talked to him at the Class AA Tournament in Bozeman last week, I knew he was the man I wanted."

Rocheleau plans to alter the present coaching system. He said Brandenburg will handle the frosh squad along with assisting with the varsity. The new coach will have a graduate assistant assisting him with the Cubs.

Brandenburg is married and he and his wife, Jan, have two daughters. He will begin his Missoula duties in early April.

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The Hon. Wesley Castles, associate justice of the State Supreme Court and chairman of the Montana Criminal Law Commission, presided over a session dealing with a proposed code of substantive criminal law for Montana.

Supervisors and other Fish and Game Department personnel participated in the seminar. Their names follow. The participants carry the title of warden unless otherwise specified.

Orville W. Lewis, chief of law enforcement; Erwin J. Kent, assistant chief; Don A. Malmberg, training officer, and C. D. Getz and Richard Hammerbacker, all of Helena. Department secretaries participating included Ethel Summerfelt and Forothy Screener, Helena.

Walter Everin, supervisor; M. J. Watt, warden captain; Jim Ramsey, R. G. Marchington and Robert Hoy; Jim DeBoer, warden trainee, Missoula; Robert May, Drummond; Robert Miller, Deer Lodge.

S. P. Markle, warden sergeant, Georgetown Lake; Dale Graff, Superior; Elmer Davis and Court Taylor, Hamilton; Nels Thoreson, supervisor; Earl Davis and Jack LaValley, Great Falls; Gene Clark, White Sulphur Springs; Bud Hubbard, Stanford; Pete Quirino, Lewistown.

Fletcher Newby, supervisor; Jack Kohler, warden captain; Robert Bird, warden sergeant, and Gene Sara and William Harryman, Billings; Max Stone, supervisor; Don Wright, warden captain, and Jim Logan, Miles City; Warren Linville, Broadus; Ray Dupler, Forsy.; Gene Nistler, Baker; Robert Stordahl, Glenlive.

Gene Tierney, Harlowton; Vern Waple, Red Lodge; Jim Eberle, Columbus; Floyd Thomas, Big Timber; John Barthule, Roundup; Richard Gregory, Hardin; LeRoy Ellig, supervisor; Jim Ford, warden captain; Lawrence Hoem, warden trainee; and Chet Anderson, Bozeman; Jack Foster, warden sergeant; Jim Bird, Townsend.

Don Brown, supervisor; Louis Kis, warden captain; Ed Sager and L. Diest, Kalispell; William McKiernan, warden sergeant, Lakeside; Gary Burke and Bruce Kocher, Libby; Sherm Strate, Bigfork; Loren Netzloff, Eureka; Robert Lambeth, Polson, and A. H. Chen... Thompson Falls.
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Robert Chesterfield and Garth Haugland, Butte; Chet Duffy, Ennis; Ken Sears, West Yellowstone; Wayne Fitzwater and William Smith, Dillon; Art Warner, Sheridan; Joe Gaab, Livingston.

Paul Mihalovich, Augusta; Harold Burrel, Shelby; Don Leaf, Fort Benton; Ray Somers, Conrad; Tom Hay, supervisor; Leonard Secor, warden captain, Glasgow; Jack Bright, Fort Peck; Leonard Christensen and Tom Bivins, Havre; Jay Haveman, Malta; Ron Gusick, Sidney; Dave Cooper, Plentywood.

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