

## New president to lead RMC convocation

Rocky Mountain College's new president, Thomas R. Oates, will be featured speaker at the fall convocation, the official opening of the 2002 fall semester.

The convocation begins at 11 a.m., Sept. 12 in Losekamp Hall.

Before taking over as Rocky's president in July, Oates was president of Spalding University in Louisville, Ky.

During his tenure, the university increased enrollment from 1,100 to more than 1,600 students, completed a capital campaign, increased faculty salaries and staff compensation and developed international programs.

Oates wrote several books and has produced film and photographic documentaries. He received bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. degrees from St. Louis University.

During the convocation, an honorary doctor of humane laws degree will be given to Rockwood "Rocky" Brown, Billings attorney, community leader and a member of the RMC



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Board of Trustees for nearly 20 years.

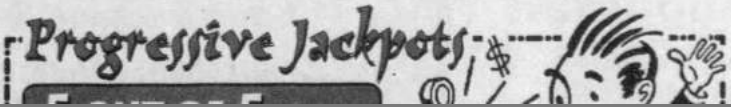
Brown was a member of Rocky's successful "To the Summit" capital campaign and is co-chairman of the board of trustees' advancement committee. The Keith Brown Business Ethics Scholarship Fund at RMC honors Rocky Brown's brother. The Brown family's latest gift created the ethics chair, which is held by James McDowell.

Brown received a bachelor's degree in 1950 and a J.D. degree in 1952 from the University of

Montana. He served in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General's office from 1952 to 1954. Since 1954, he has been an attorney with Anderson, Brown, Gerbase, Cebull & Jones.

He received the William J. Jameson Award from the Montana Bar Association, which recognized him as one of Montana's finest lawyers. He is a member of the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation and has served as president of the Yellowstone County Bar Association and as chairman of the Commission on Practice of the Supreme Court of Montana.

"Rocky Brown has displayed the highest qualities of leadership and ethics throughout a distinguished career in the law," said Susan McDaniel, RMC academic vice president. "He is being honored for his inspired community leadership and dedication to Rocky Mountain College and its students."



## Rocky Brown Receives Honorary Award from RMC

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