

31st  
Annual  
Awards  
Luncheon



SOUTH DAKOTA  
HIGH SCHOOL  
COACHES  
ASSOCIATION

*LUNCHEON AT 11:45 A.M.*

*THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2002*

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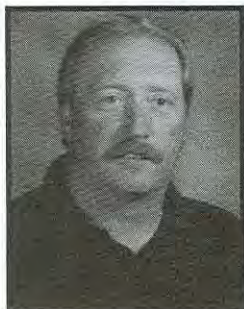


## PAST PRESIDENTS

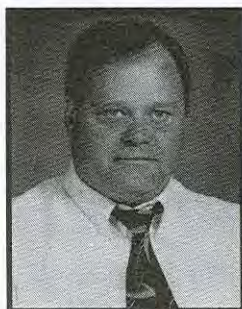
*This page is dedicated to those coaches who have served the South Dakota High School Coaches Association as President. May it inspire other coaches to serve their organization in some way.*

<u>President</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Year</u>
Paul Marschalk . . . . .	1939-1941	Harvey Naasz . . . . .	1975
No Meeting, W.W. II . . . . .	1942-1945	Jerry Miller . . . . .	1976
Joe Dunmire . . . . .	1946	Lyle Claussen . . . . .	1977
Rube Waltman . . . . .	1947-1948	Robertta Morin . . . . .	1978
Bill Hauge . . . . .	1949	Roger Schaffer . . . . .	1979
Bob Burns . . . . .	1950	Steve Swisher . . . . .	1980
Duane Clodfelter . . . . .	1951-1952	Fred Tibbetts . . . . .	1981
Floyd Mitchell . . . . .	1953	Rich Donovan . . . . .	1982
Jim Marking . . . . .	1954	Marv Sherrill . . . . .	1983
Mylo Jackson . . . . .	1955	Dave Scott . . . . .	1984
Bill Mitchell . . . . .	1956	Annette Johnson . . . . .	1985
H.W. Haddorn . . . . .	1957	Wayne Carney . . . . .	1986
Don Allan . . . . .	1958	Cal Corey . . . . .	1987
Tom Prendergast . . . . .	1959	Lolly Forseth . . . . .	1988
Bob Schroeder . . . . .	1960	Galen Busch . . . . .	1989
Clar Lilevjen . . . . .	1961	Virg Polak . . . . .	1990
Howard Naasz . . . . .	1962	Ron Riherd . . . . .	1991
Burdell Coplan . . . . .	1963	Judy Busch . . . . .	1992
Rich Greeno . . . . .	1964	Jim McGlone . . . . .	1993
Wendell Handley . . . . .	1965	John Huth . . . . .	1994
Bob Brooks . . . . .	1966	Mick Wysuph . . . . .	1995
Marlyn Goldhammer . . . . .	1967	Georgia Adolph . . . . .	1996
Max Hawk . . . . .	1968	John Nyhaug . . . . .	1997
Jerry Applebee . . . . .	1969	Daryl Fletcher . . . . .	1998
Jack Doyle . . . . .	1970	Jim Dorman . . . . .	1999
Jack Schuver . . . . .	1971	Jim Drake . . . . .	2000
Dale McElhany . . . . .	1972	Marv McCune . . . . .	2001
Mike Stadem . . . . .	1973	Marc Murren . . . . .	2002
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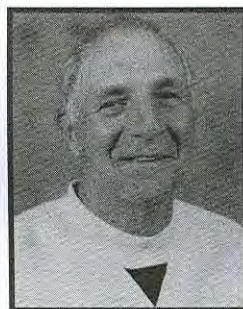
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Ron Riherd, Virg Polak,  
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**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
31st ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON PROGRAM**

Master of Ceremonies . . . . . Jim Dorman, Madison  
 Invocation . . . . . Georgia Adolph, Past President  
 Passing of the Gavel . . . . . Marv McCune, Past President  
 Welcome . . . . . Marc Murren, Sioux Falls  
 Introduction of Special Guests . . . . . Marv McCune

- Football Coach of the Year*
- Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year*
- Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year*
- Girls Basketball Coach of the Year*
- Gymnastics Coach of the Year*
- Volleyball Coach of the Year*
- Wrestling Coach of the Year*
- Boys Basketball Coach of the Year*
- Girls Track Coach of the Year*
- Boys Track Coach of the Year*
- Tennis Coach of the Year*
- Golf Coach of the Year*
- Spirit Coach of the Year*
- Assistant Coach of the Year, Boys' Sports*
- Assistant Coach of the Year, Girls' Sports*
- Assistant Coach of the Year, Jr. High/Middle*
- Athletic Director of the Year*
- Athletic Director Award of Merit*
- Official of the Year*
- Sportswriter of the Year*
- Distinguished Service Award*
- Roll of Champion Coaches*

Special Olympics Awards . . . . . Carol Husby, Director  
 Special Awards . . . . . Marc Murren and Max Hawk

- Max Hawk Award*
- Region Six of N.H.S.A.C.A.*
- Past President*
- S.D.H.S.C.A. Hall of Fame*

Closing Remarks . . . . . Marv McCune

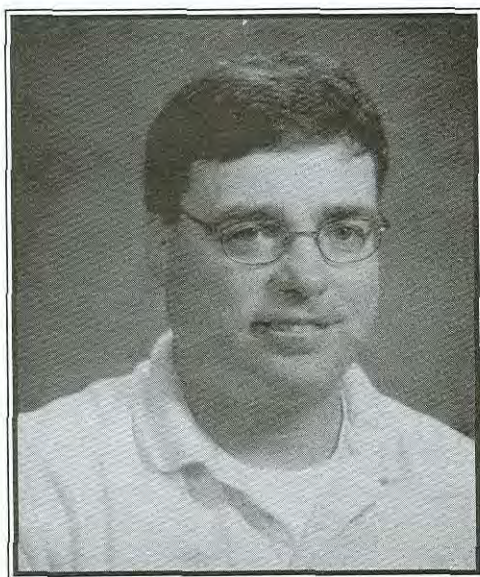
Luncheon Chairmen - Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls and Virg Polak, Watertown



2001 FOOTBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

*DOUG SCHOOLEY*

Watertown



Doug Schooley changed his mind last winter -- and it was a good change. After 11 seasons as the Watertown Arrow head football coach, he decided to take it easy during the fall and become a full-time classroom teacher. However, when the teaching-coaching situation in the Lake City changed - his mind did, too, and he remained with the Arrow gridders.

The decision paid off, and he guided his talented team to a 12-1 season and to a tough decision over the Brookings Bobcats for the state class-IIAA football championship - their second in the past six seasons.

Schooley, whose 12-year record now stands at 99-39 at Watertown, modestly would like to share his honor with his staff: Virg Polak, Gregg Streuwe and Gary Maxwell, who have been with him his entire tenure.

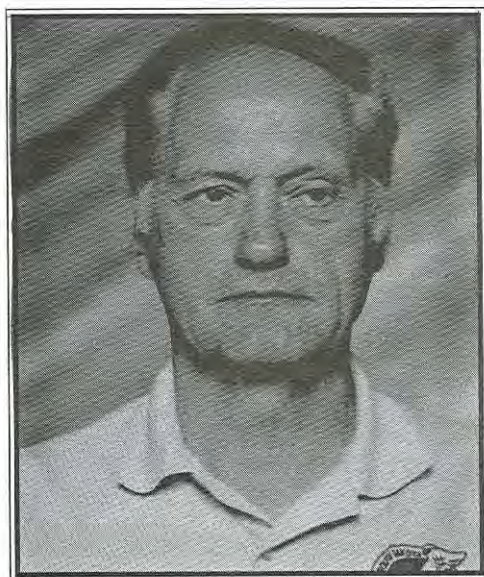
It is Doug's second SDHSCA Coach of the Year award as a football coach. He was also named following the Arrow's 1996 title.



2001 BOYS CROSS COUNTRY COACH OF THE YEAR

*KURT SCHULTZ*

Baltic



Kurt Schultz has been the head coach of the Baltic cross country team for the past 28 years. His teams have not only won back-to-back state titles in 2000 and 2001, but this will also be the third time that Coach Schultz has received the Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year award. Besides two state titles, Schultz's teams have achieved fifteen region championships and four runner-ups at state. He has placed several runners in the top three places at state, but this is the first year that he has ever had a first-place runner.

Schultz believes that hard work and dedication have made his teams what they are today, and he hopes to continue the winning tradition. Schultz says he is extremely honored to be receiving the Coach of the Year award again and attributes his success to the outstanding members of his cross country teams.



2001 GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY  
COACH OF THE YEAR

*RANDY FISCHER*

McCook Central



With an outstanding group of young athletes, Randy Fischer took what could be a record-breaking first step in the establishment of a South Dakota Class A cross country dynasty at McCook Central High School. For this year's Cougar success, Fischer was named the Girls' Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Fischer took over the head job two years ago, though he does not teach in the McCook system. The Cougars won this year's Class A title with a team of eight runners, seven of them sophomores or younger. "We have a bunch of good, young seventh graders," Fischer said. "We should be good again next fall."



2001 GIRLS' BASKETBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

*BOB SITTI*

Baltic



Bob Sittig, a Baltic native and graduate of Augustana College, has been the head girls' basketball coach at Baltic for 15 years during which time his teams have compiled a record of 254-93. Under Sittig's guidance, the Baltic Girls' Basketball Team captured State "B" Championships in 1995, 1996, 1998 and 2001, along with a State Tournament 3rd place finish in 1997. Sittig says that the 2001 season, in which his unranked team entered the state tournament seeded 8th and captured the state championship, was one of the most satisfying seasons of his coaching career. The 2001 team, a hard-working, unselfish group, had great team chemistry with all girls accepting and fulfilling their roles.

Sittig has had 23 years as an educator at Baltic; fourteen as a math teacher, six as secondary principal/AD, and three as superintendent. Sittig and his wife Ann, a Brandon-Valley English teacher, have four children; Jacob - 13, Tom - 8, Molly - 4, and Sam - 7 months.



2002 GYMNASTICS COACH OF THE YEAR

*BARB BAUDER*

Mitchell



Barb Bauder, a former Mitchell High student/athlete, has come full circle with the Kernel's gymnastics program. She went from star gymnast to the head coaching position.

As the coach, she brought the Mitchell girls to their high point in state competition and to a close second in the well-matched ESD Conference. This year her team walked away with the conference title, won the regional crown, and scored their highest team total ever in the state meet. These accomplishments have brought her the Gymnastics Coach of the Year honors.

Modestly, she commented, "I think that anybody could have walked into that gym and coached that team. Those kids were so dedicated that they coached themselves." Mitchell was either first or second in every meet they entered, until their third place at state. Several team and individual records were set.



2002 VOLLEYBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

*CAROL SNYDER*

Harding County



“Hard work in the early going,” was the key for the state Class B volleyball team in their successful championship season. Carol Snyder, Harding County High School, has been selected as Volleyball Coach of the Year.

Coach Snyder used a new technique this season, switching from her normal laid-back style to team conferences and one-on-one talks. The change in their mental attitude was exactly *what the physically talented team needed*. They exhibited their courage by rebounding from a first-round loss to win six straight pressure-packed matches.

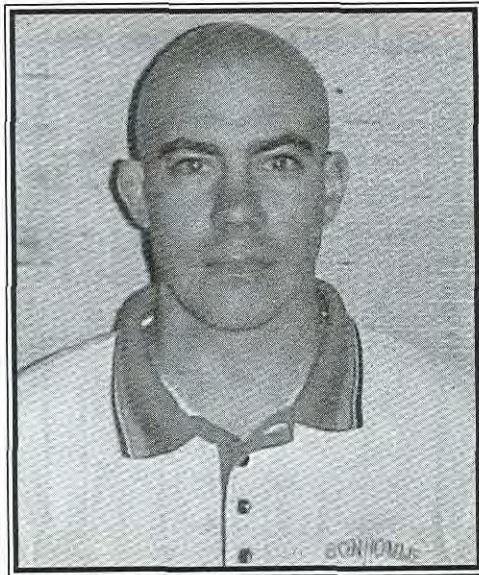
“The girls had to realize that they had enough talent to win the whole show, and they did,” coach Snyder said, in accepting her honor as top volleyball coach.



2002 WRESTLING COACH OF THE YEAR

*MARK STOEBNER*

Bon Homme



Bon Homme's Mark Stoebner, who led his Cavaliers to the 2002 Class B state wrestling team and dual titles this year, has a good background for a successful coaching career. Stoebner was an assistant under Steve Keszler when the Bon Homme High School's 1995 team won state honors. This year Keszler took the Sturgis Scoopers to the top in Class A.

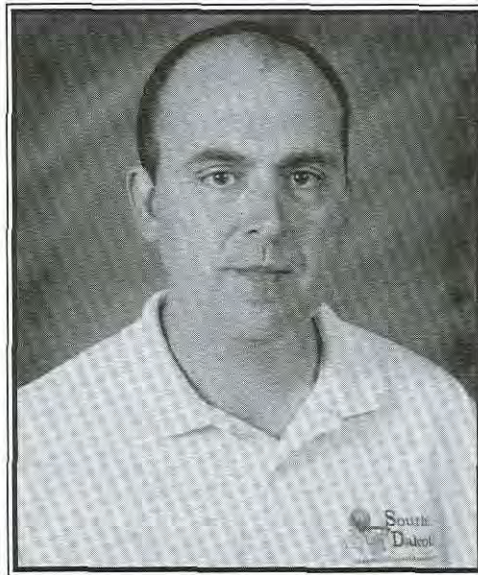
"We knew that we would be competitive," commented Stoebner. "We knew we had a shot, but never dreamed we could win both the dual and the team tournaments. I can't say enough about the sacrifices that our guys made to become champions," the proud coach added. "We will return some outstanding wrestlers. I'm excited about next year."



2002 BOYS' BASKETBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

*DAN MARTIN*

Spearfish



The Spearfish Spartans put together a season that coaches only dream about - 23 wins and only one loss. It resulted in a conference title and the state Class AA championship.

Dan Martin comes by his coaching expertise naturally, as his father Doug is a longtime South Dakota college coach. The genial Spearfish coach is quick to give outstanding senior leadership credit for keeping everyone on the straight and narrow, both on and off the floor. "Our seniors will be greatly missed," he added. "But what's fun about high school athletics is that you introduce a new group each season. Our goals will be high again."

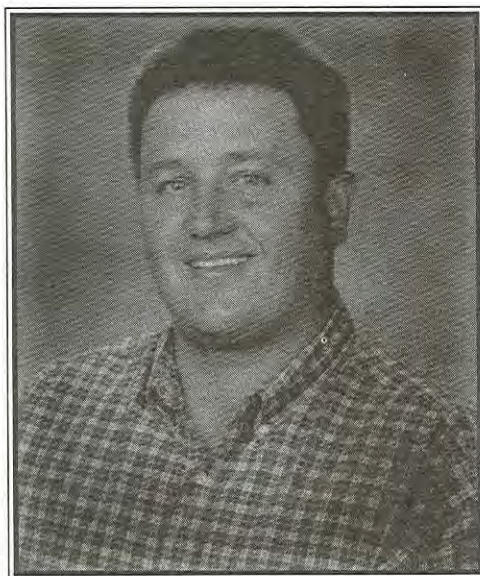
For this year's outstanding success, the Spartan coach has been designated the Boys' Basketball Coach of the Year.



2002 GIRLS TRACK COACH OF THE YEAR

*KEN BRUCKNER*

Menno



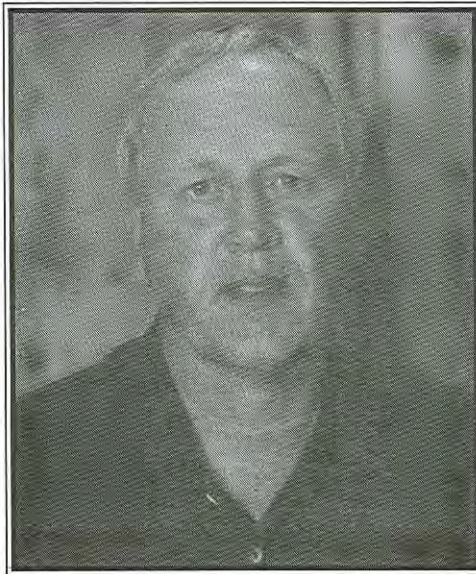
Ken has been teaching and coaching for 23 years, the last ten years at Menno. He has been a head coach for seventeen years, twelve as girls coach, and served as assistant for six years. He is a 1975 graduate of Conde High School and a 1979 graduate of Northern State University. His other coaching duties have included seven years as head football coach, sixteen years as assistant coach, 21 years as head basketball coach and one year as head girls' coach.



2002 BOYS TRACK COACH OF THE YEAR

*ALLEN WEIER*

Platte



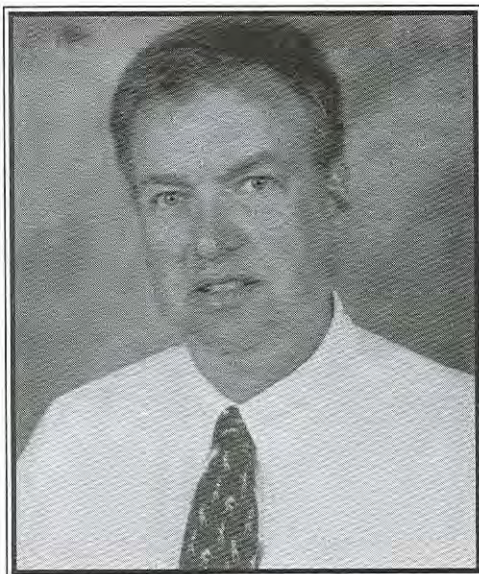
Allen Weier is the head boys' and girls' cross country and track coach and assistant football and boys' basketball coach in Platte. In his 27 years at Platte, his teams have won 42 conference track titles, seven conference cross country titles and twelve regional track titles. The boys' track teams have won two state titles. Last year's boys went undefeated in the regular season, won the region championship and finished second at state, while this year the boys went undefeated and won the state title.

Weier's awards include region basketball assistant coach, region cross country coach, region track coach and girls cross country coach of the year, assistant boys basketball coach of the year and assistant boys coach of the year. He was named to the Platte Relays Hall of Fame in 1993.



2002 TENNIS COACH OF THE YEAR

*TIM MULHAIR*  
Yankton High School



Tim began coaching Gazelle tennis in 1985 and Buck tennis in 1993. His first year of coaching girls' tennis, his team was 3-9, and within five years had a school record 15-2 mark. Likewise, the boys' team had a 1-7 record in 1993, and by 1996 had a school record 15-6 in duals.

Consistency has been the mark of Yankton tennis. The Gazelles have recorded double-digit wins the past four seasons, and the Bucks have recorded double-digit wins the past seven years. Mulhair's career win record stands at 234 wins. This past year the girls finished 5th in the state, with a new school best, 18-5 record, and the boys finished 8th at state, with an 11-4 dual record. Tim has had eleven girls play tennis at the college level. He has served as the SD Prince All-American chair, the tennis representative for the SDHSCA for ten years, and the representative for the SDHSAA tennis committee for six years. Dr. Mulhair was nominated for Tennis COTY in 1993.



2002 GOLF COACH OF THE YEAR

*JIM SORENSEN*

Beresford



Jim Sorensen graduated from Augustana College and later acquired a Master's Degree at the University of South Dakota. A longtime coach at Beresford, he currently serves as the boys' basketball coach and guides both the boys' and girls' teams in golf.

This past season, the girls' team finished undefeated, winning their second straight state championship. The boys' team finished first in the region and eighth at the state meet. During Jim's career, the state meets have brought home eleven championships and ten second-place finishes.



2002 CHEERLEADING COACH OF THE YEAR

*CINDY KOPECKY*

Faulkton



Cindy Kopecky, who doubles as business manager of the Faulkton school, has been named the Cheerleading Coach of the Year.

Her teams have won six different cheerleading competitions in the past four years. "Faulkton has a reputation for doing well in competition, and on the floor and on the field," Kopecky said. "The success of our program and the respect we have stems from the effort that the girls put into it."

Kopecky, who has noted several changes over the years, is hopeful that the new schedule changes will not hurt. "In small schools, girls are playing more than one sport at the same time, and involved in oral interp and one-act plays It will take time management," she warns.



2002 ASSISTANT COACH OF THE YEAR  
IN BOYS' SPORTS

*DON CAMPBELL*

Yankton



Don Campbell, a graduate of Northern Michigan University, spent his first seven years out of college coaching and teaching in Michigan. He then moved to Brookings High School in the early 1980's, and his 1983 Bobcats won the state Class AA football title. Don jumped to the college game at the University of Sioux Falls, but he missed coaching at the high school level so accepted a job in Yankton. There he has been an important cog in the Bucks' success.

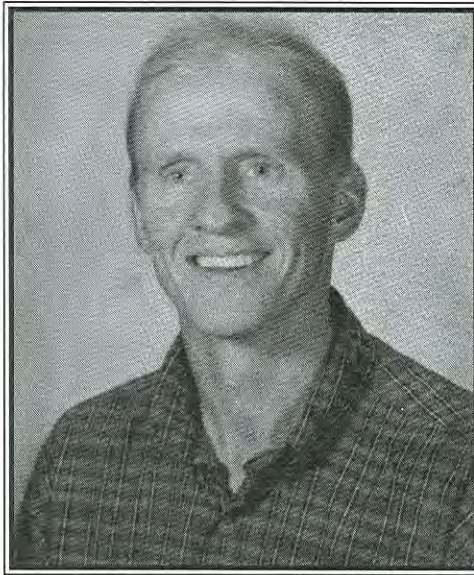
"Don's ability to work with our youth and to teach football has helped us have a solid defense," said Yankton coach Arlin Likness. "He has a commitment to excellence."



2002 ASSISTANT COACH OF THE YEAR  
IN GIRLS' SPORTS

*BOB DE BOER*

Huron



Don De Boer has been an integral part of the Huron High School basketball coaching staff for a number of years. The last eleven years he has been the girls' varsity assistant and the junior varsity coach.

Prior to moving to Huron, De Boer headed the cage program at Elkton. He has, over the years, been an active member of the SDHSCA and served on their Board of Directors.



2002 ASSISTANT COACH OF THE YEAR  
IN JUNIOR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS

*BRUCE MAXWELL*

Parkston



Bruce Maxwell, an outstanding all-around athlete while a student at Parkston High School, spent several years coaching football, basketball and track at Huron. He then entered the business field in his old hometown. For the past 22 years, he has been a volunteer coach for Parkston's fourth through sixth grade boys - and with a great deal of success.

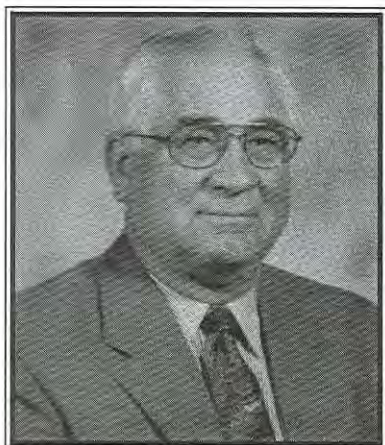
Trojan coach Gerald Gramm said, "A big reason for Parkston's basketball success has been because of the program that Bruce and his helpers have developed at this grade school level. By the time I get them, they know how to play basketball."



2002 Athletic Director of the Year

*HARVEY HAMMRICH*

Watertown

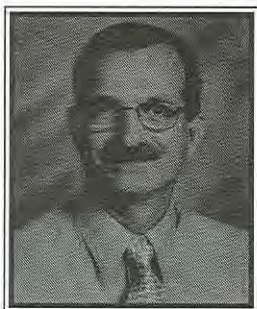


Watertown's capable and popular athletic director, a veteran of 25 years at this job, has been selected as the Athletic Director of the Year by the South Dakota High School Coaches Association. It is the second time that he has been so honored.

"It should be given to all our coaches and athletes" said Hammrich, "they're the ones who make these awards possible." Hammrich was also named the Athletic Director of the Year by the

National High School Athletic Coaches Association in 1997.

Hammrich has served as an athletic director for 42 years, five at Eureka, twelve at Webster, and the last 25 in Watertown. He also coached football, basketball and track in Eureka before moving to Webster. There he coached the football, wrestling and track teams. While at Watertown, he has been the host and tournament director for many post-season events for the region and state. The state events included girls' basketball, volleyball, gymnastics, golf, cross country and wrestling.



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*JIM DORMAN*

Madison





2002 OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

*KELLEY DEVINE*

Sioux Falls



Along with being an active volleyball official in South Dakota, Kelley Devine has taken a leading role in planning and conducting officials clinics and jamborees throughout the state. She has officiated the state volleyball tournament each of the past ten years, working all three classes. She has also been active in officiating on the collegiate level.

Now a Sioux Falls business woman, Kelly commented, "Officiating can be a very humbling experience, but I appreciate the opportunity to meet and interact with the coaches, the athletes and a lot of other good people associated with volleyball. I am happy for the experience."



2002 SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR

*DAVE VILHAUER*

Aberdeen



Vilhauer was born and raised in Aberdeen. He graduated from Aberdeen Central High School and obtained degrees in English and Sociology from Northern State University. He began writing by-line stories for the American News in the fall of 1980, while a junior in high school. Through the years, Vilhauer has covered numerous state tournaments and is a three-time recipient of the Press Person of the Year as selected by the S.D. Wrestling Coaches. He has interviewed Michael Jordan, Richard Petty, Kirby Puckett, Dennis Rodman, Phil Jackson, Don Mattingly, Pat O'Brien and John Wooden among others. He is currently vice-chairman of the S.D. Tennis Association and won the 4.0 state singles championship in 2000. He is active in his church where he is a deacon, Sunday school teacher, AWANA leader and chairman of the Christian Education Committee. He and his wife, Laurretta, have two children, Mariah (5) and Isaiah (2).

## ROLL OF CHAMPIONS

### S.D. Coaches of State Championship Teams

#### FOOTBALL

11AA . . . . . Doug Schooley, Watertown  
 11A . . . . . Jim Uttecht, West Central  
 11B . . . . . Dan Olson, Britton  
 9AA . . . . . Jeff VanLeur and Tim Hawkins, Emery/Ethan  
 9A . . . . . Dale Taylor, Kimball  
 9B . . . . . Kent Schuster, Roslyn

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Girls AA . . . . . Vic Godfrey, Watertown  
 Girls A . . . . . Randy Fischer, McCook Central  
 Girls B . . . . . Lori O'Farrell, Summit  
 Boys AA . . . . . Forrest Flaagan, Rapid City Stevens  
 Boys A . . . . . John Collignon, Madison  
 Boys B . . . . . Kurt Schultz, Baltic

#### GOLF

Girls AA . . . . . Bill Scholten, Brookings  
 Girls A . . . . . Kirk Hogen, Vermillion  
 Girls B . . . . . Jim Sorensen, Beresford  
 Boys AA . . . . . Mike Begeman, Sioux Falls O'Gorman  
 Boys A . . . . . Bud Postma, Madison  
 Boys B . . . . . Todd Slater, Dakota Valley

#### TENNIS

Girls . . . . . Tom Krueger, Sioux Falls Lincoln  
 Boys . . . . . Chris Dummermuth, Sioux Falls Lincoln

#### GYMNASTICS

Girls AA . . . . . Lana Bauer, Sioux Falls O'Gorman  
 Girls A . . . . . Meridee Wiese, Madison

#### BASKETBALL

Girls AA . . . . . Fred Tibbetts, Sioux Falls Roosevelt  
 Girls A . . . . . Cal Schubert, Sisseton  
 Girls B . . . . . Bob Sittig, Baltic  
 Boys AA . . . . . Dan Martin, Spearfish  
 Boys A . . . . . Larry Luitjens, Custer  
 Boys B . . . . . Mike Tuschen, Stickney

#### WRESTLING

Boys A . . . . . Steve Keszler, Sturgis  
 Boys B . . . . . Mark Stoebner, Bon Homme

#### TRACK

Girls AA . . . . . Paul Hendry, Rapid City Stevens  
 Girls A . . . . . Geoff Gross, Winner  
 Girls B . . . . . Merle Sveen, Colman-Egan  
 Boys AA . . . . . John Huth, Aberdeen Central  
 Boys A . . . . . Allen Weier, Platte  
 Boys B . . . . . Phil Moore, White Lake

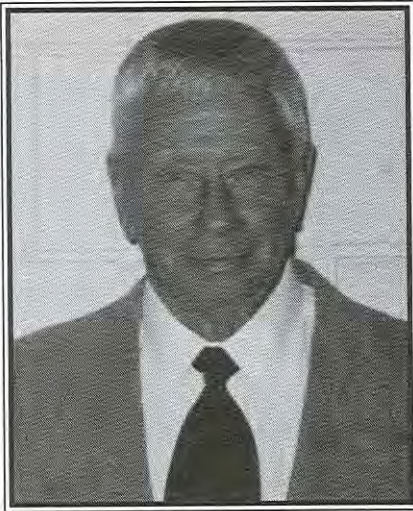
#### VOLLEYBALL

Girls AA . . . . . Julie Kolbeck, Sioux Falls O'Gorman  
 Girls A . . . . . Danielle Eszlinger, Aberdeen Roncalli  
 Girls B . . . . . Carol Snyder, Harding County



## 2002 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

*Given for outstanding contributions to high school athletics and dedication to the highest and best in high school athletics.*



**WILLIAM (BILL) JONES**  
Spearfish

Bill Jones' impact on South Dakota sports has literally spanned the state. He competed in all sports while growing up in Waubay, then attended Northern State where he was on the football and track teams. After his college graduation, Bill coached in Dupree and in Canistota -- football, basketball, track and baseball. Then he changed careers and became a member of the sales staff for Dakota Granite in Milbank. That move opened the gates for four valuable decades of helping young athletes on a volunteer basis.

From 1963 until he retired in 1992, Jones was active on the Milbank scene. He started a grade school basketball program, started and officiated in an annual grade school track program, led a drive to build a Milbank swimming complex, helped the golfers by coaching the girls' team and served as an officer at the Milbank Country Club.

When Jones retired and moved to the Black Hills area, he took over where he left off, helping where and when he could and also coaching the Spearfish High School golf team. Bill has also been active in his U.C.C. church and in civic organizations like Kiwanis and the Masons.



PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS  
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

- 2001 Dennis Kokesh (deceased)  
Virgil Wolrhoff, Canton
- 2000 Charles Schad, Spearfish
- 1999 Wayne Carney, Sioux Falls
- 1998 Richard Michel, Rapid City  
Judean Schwinger, Watertown
- 1997 Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls  
Vernon Bechen, Flandreau
- 1996 Gale Rohr, Watertown
- 1995 Ron Babb, Wakonda
- 1994 Bernie Stocking, Pierre
- 1993 Harve Johnston, Mitchell
- 1992 Ken Kessinger, Sioux Falls  
Jack Dorman, Castlewood
- 1991 Don Ahrend, Sioux Falls  
Dodie Bemis, Watertown
- 1990 Dale McElhany, Watertown
- 1989 Sarah Trish, Sioux Falls
- 1988 Howard Connors, Vermillion
- 1987 Max Hawk, Yankton
- 1986 William Timmins, Mitchell
- 1985 Tom Walsh, Sioux Falls
- 1984 Jim Prosser, Vermillion
- 1983 Charles Hoover, Onida
- 1982 Warren Williamson, Brookings
- 1981 Forrest Lothrop, Sioux Falls
- 1980 Sid Lundquist, Strandburg
- 1979 Fred Claudon, Sioux Falls
- 1978 Keith Fitzpatrick, Mitchell
- 1977 Howard Nielsen, Yankton
- 1976 Dr. C.C. Pascale, Centerville
- 1975 Foster Green, Hot Springs
- 1974 Bill Tredway, Huron
- 1973 Elmer Hansen, Sioux Falls  
Philip McKeoun, Webster
- 1972 Dr. Merritt Auld, Yankton

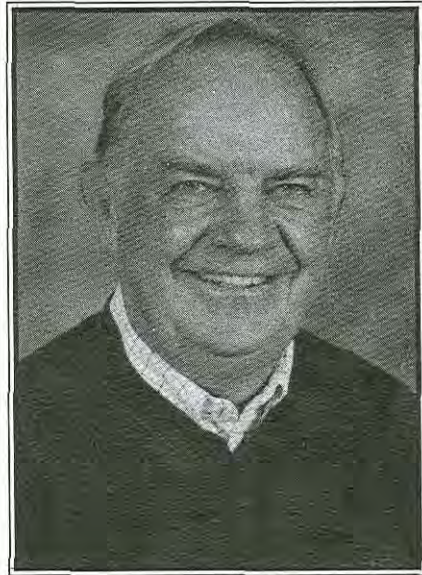


NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC COACHES ASSOCIATION

HALL OF FAME



**HOWARD TAPLETT**  
(Deceased)



**BOB WINTER**  
Yankton

Criteria for selection into this distinguished group:  
years of service, championship years, winning percentage,  
awards and honors, and professional service.

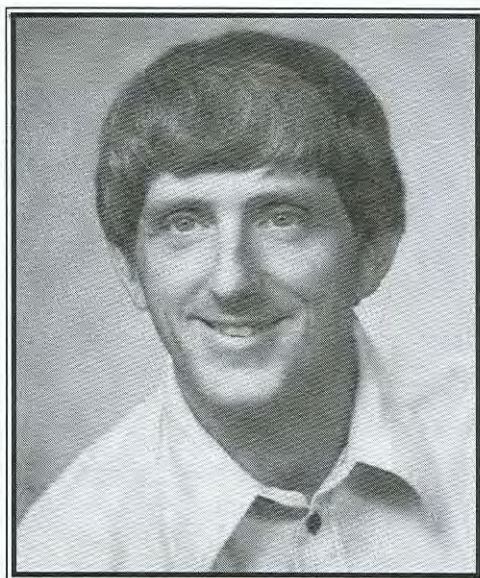
## HALL OF EXCELLENCE



2001-2002 NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
VOLLEYBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

*GALEN BUSCH*

Mission



*This award is presented to South Dakota  
high school coaches who have achieved  
national prominence in the coaching profession.*

# SPECIAL OLYMPICS SOUTH DAKOTA OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS



## *Special Olympics*

### *South Dakota*

#### **FAMILY OF THE YEAR**

**Ray & Kim Habeck  
Jesse, Lance, Tyler  
Aberdeen**

#### **OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER**

**Dean Gertsma  
Watertown**

#### **OUTSTANDING MEDIA**

**B93.7  
Brookings  
&  
KNBN - PAX  
Rapid City**

#### **OUTSTANDING SPORTS ORGANIZATION**

**Black Hills  
State University  
Spearfish**

Volunteers do everything there is to do in Special Olympics and more. They are fund-raisers, cheerleaders, administrators, food handlers, chauffeurs, chaperones, trainers, coaches, huggers, publicists, policy makers, trash collectors, friends, comrades and supporters of Special Olympics.

They serve without salary, without recognition, without honors or awards. Special Olympics could not do without them - their devotion, their work and their love.

So "thank you" volunteers! You represent the highest values of the human spirit. You get your thanks, not in money or words or praise, but through what you do for Special Olympics.

For, as the poet E.A. Robinson said, "There are two kinds of gratitude; the sudden kind we feel for what we take and the larger kind we feel for what we give". That larger kind of gratitude is what Special Olympics feels for you!

#### **OUTSTANDING COACH**

**Jill Christenson  
Brookings**

#### **OUTSTANDING JUNIOR VOLUNTEER**

**Annie Feller  
Watertown**

#### **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

**Coca Cola  
Bottling Co.  
Sioux Falls**

*"Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."*

**Special Olympics Oath**

## **DON BAKER AWARD**

*The "Don Baker Award" is the highest received from Special Olympics South Dakota. It is given in honor of Don Baker who was a volunteer and official starter for Special Olympic events for many years. The award is given annually to an individual, organization, business, or institution who has given outstanding support to Special Olympics South Dakota.*



**Sandi Ragels**  
(Posthumous)  
Sioux Falls



**April Cease**  
Groton

## **ROBERT E. BECKER AWARD**

*Outstanding Special Olympics Athlete - is one who used his or her ability to the fullest.*

## **STATE OFFICE STAFF**

Carol Husby, Executive Director  
Melanie Frosch, Competition/Training Director  
Johna Thum, Special Events Director  
Ruth Erger, Office Manager

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **OFFICERS**

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### **DIRECTORS**

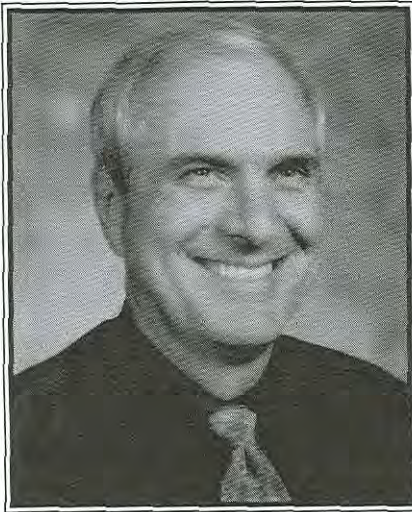
Robert Arnold, Sioux Falls  
Tom Farrell, Sioux Falls  
Phillip Konechne, Kimball  
Judy Miller, Beresford  
Duane Popham, Watertown  
Dean Toman, Huron  
Denelle Wilson, Sioux Falls

Myron Berry, Sioux Falls  
Jim Hornby, Brookings  
David Lien, Brandon  
Mike Norcross, Rapid City  
Pam Titze, Aberdeen  
Gerald Tracy, Watertown

## MAX HAWK AWARD



*This award, in honor of Max Hawk, is to recognize and honor outstanding leadership, contributions and dedication of service to the South Dakota High School Coaches Association.*



## RON RIHERD

Rapid City

Coach Riherd started his career at Yankton in 1970. He assisted in the boys and girls basketball programs, was the head track, cross country and tennis coach at various times during his tenure in Yankton. In 1981, he moved to Rapid City to become the girls head basketball coach. He has remained in that capacity until the winter of 2002. His Stevens' teams have competed in 13 state tournaments. He is Past President of the SD Basketball Coaches Association (1988-1989) and Past President of the SD High School Coaches Association (1991-1992). Coach Riherd's tenure has spanned thirty plus years. He and his wife Gloria have two daughters, Jill Deckert of Brandon Valley and Jody Gentry of Rapid City.

*Previous recipients: Georgia Adolph, Flandreau; Dave Scott, Hot Springs; Mick Wysuph, Rapid City; Jim McGlone, Flandreau; SDHSCA Sports Association; Howard "Hod" Nielsen, Yankton; Judy Busch, Sioux Falls; Cal Corey, Sturgis; Marv Sherrill, Watertown; Lolly Forseth, Sioux Falls; Wayne Carney, Hayti; Annette Johnson, Spearfish; Jane Hawk, Yankton; Rich Donovan, Groton; Roberta Morin, Rapid City; Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls; Lyle Claussen, Brandon.*



## REGION SIX

*Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota,  
North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado*



Volleyball  
Galen Busch  
Mission



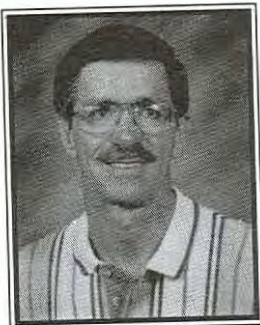
Wrestling  
Randy Park  
Arlington



Golf  
Jim Sorensen  
Beresford



Tennis  
Chris Dummermuth  
Sioux Falls

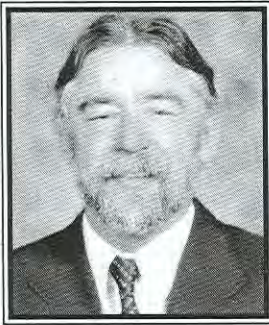


Athletic Director  
Dusty Kracht  
Pierre

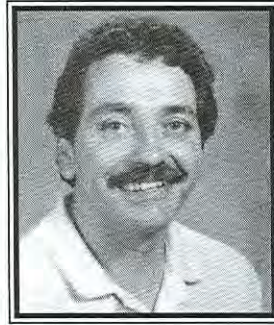


Girls Track  
Lemoine Trout  
Deceased

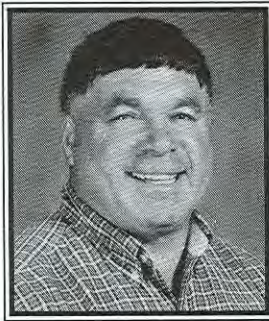
SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
HALL OF FAME



Forrest Flaagan



Ron Flynn



Ken Ruml



Bill Welsh (deceased)

**FORMER HALL OF FAMERS**

- 1976: Don Baker, Euclid Cobb, Ken Greeno, Joe Quintal, Howard Wood  
1977: Elmer Hansen, Paul Marschalk, Mel Minton, Buella Woodlee  
1978: Clyde Cotton, Wally Diehl, Carold Heier, Floyd Mitchell  
1979: Rich Greeno, Max Hawk, Clar Lilevjen, Howard Taplett  
1980: Allen "Pete" Baker, Don Diede, Jim Marking, Bob Schroeder  
1981: Bill Amacher, Bert Dent, Lewis Papendick  
1982: Rollie Greeno, Howard Naasz, Nusier Salem  
1983: Burdell Coplan, M.J. "Moe" Shevlin  
1984: Gene Breemes, Duane Clodfelter, Bob Burns  
1985: Lloyd Dobratz, Glenn Draisey, Laton Greeno, Tom Long  
1986: Flory Farrand, Dave Strain, Bob Winter  
1987: Gayle Hoover, Phil Trautner  
1988: Larry Luitjens, Jerry McElroy, Harvey Naasz  
1989: George DeKlotz, Lolly Forseth  
1990: Arnie Bauer, Dan Moran, Jack Richardson  
1991: Wayne Haensel, Marv Sherrill  
1992: Lee Dolan, Harry Prendergarst, Andy Zephier  
1993: Wayne Carney, Dale McElhany, Jerry Miller  
1994: Dan Barkér, Judy Busch, Gary Munsen, Rich Strande  
1995: Harvey Hammrich, Jim McGlone, Jim Miner, Don Reshetar  
1996: Jim Cordts, John Houska, Dean Mann  
1997: Eldon Barnes, Joe Dunmire, Norman West  
1998: Gordon Bergquist, Lowell Gilbertson, Clarence Kooistra, John Odney  
1999: Jim Calhoon, Jim Luce, Gale Lundberg  
2000: Elwood Dietrich, Bob Judson, Tom Prendergast, Fred Tibbetts  
2001: Ronnie Brown, Richard Day, Richard Donovan, Jim Heeren

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## **SPECIAL AWARDS** *(Selected by Members of the S.D.H.S.C.A.)*

### **2001-2002 25-YEAR COACHES**

George Adolph, Flandreau  
Bryan Brace, Volga  
Ronald Graves, Cresbard  
Mark Greeno, Sioux Falls  
Bob Herting, Canton  
Pam Hoiland, Sioux Falls  
Cheryl Huddleston, Hot Springs  
Mitch Johnson, Watertown  
Jim Martin, Spearfish

Phil Moore, White Lake  
Tim Mulhair, Yankton  
Pam Murra, Sioux Falls  
Marc Murren, Sioux Falls  
Frank Podraza, Hitchcock  
Doug Sims, Madison  
Fred Wilson, Newell  
Greg Young, North Sioux City

### **2001 OUTSTANDING FOOTBALL PLAYERS**

#### **Class Lineman**

9B Andrew Schuster, Roslyn  
9A Dustin Bogenhagen, Kimball  
9AA Dennis Duba, Emery-Ethan  
11B Matt Kraft, Britton  
11A Aaron Twedt, West Central  
11AA Marty Kranz, Watertown

#### **Backs**

Tyler Lee, Roslyn  
Monte Pickner, Kimball  
Phillip Olinger, Emery-Ethan  
Kevin Tchida, Britton  
Dustin Ingalls, West Central  
Matt David, Watertown

### **2001 CROSS COUNTRY INDIVIDUAL CHAMPS**

#### **Girls**

B Melinda Zirbel, Summit  
A Kari Schaefer, Madison  
AA Amy Lindner, SF O'Gorman

#### **Boys**

B Patrick King, Baltic  
A Jay Sanderson, Chamberlain  
AA Shane Ahlers, Sturgis

### **2001 ALL TOURNAMENT GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM**

#### **Class "B"**

Chelsey Hegge, Baltic  
Amanda Brack, Baltic  
Jennifer Kruthoff, Baltic  
Dana Johnson, Harding County  
Allison Johnson, Mount Vernon  
Kara Overweg, Mount Vernon  
Amber Kocmich, Avon  
Kari Thompson, Selby Area  
Heather Thoompson, Selby Area  
Jeannie Nowell, Tulare  
Sara Jensen, Waverly-South Shore  
Brittney Klipfel, Frederick-Hecla

#### **Class "A"**

Jennifer Morrisette, Red Cloud  
Edie Aberle, Lead  
Ashley Bjorkman, Vermillion  
Ashlei Fawbush, Madison  
Janna Hanson, Madison  
Lindsay Stoesser, Stanley County  
Nicole Geraets, Dell Rapids  
Billie Evans, Dell Rapids  
Chelsey Nelson, Platte  
Morgan Campbell, Platte  
Ashley Harles, Sisseton  
Courtney Grimsrud, Sisseton

#### **Class "AA"**

Renee Leucke, SF Roosevelt  
Lindsay Thomas, SF Roosevelt  
Meghan Woster, SF O'Gorman  
Mary Stoll, SF O'Gorman  
Tara Miller, Mitchell  
Jeanna Hoffman, Mitchell

Laura Legge, Aberdeen Central  
Laura Wegehaupt, Aberdeen Central  
Laura Doshier, RC Stevens  
Kara Kurth, Pierre  
Danielle Storm, Yankton  
Maggie Youngberg, Yankton

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## 2001 ALL-TOURNEY GYMNASTS

### Class "A"

Lindsey Stoesser, Stanley County  
Janessa Goeman, Madison  
Amanda Weiss, Hot Springs  
Elizabeth Sinclair, Milbank  
Sara Christopherson, Vermillion  
Kelli Heitman, Britton  
Darcy Werdel, Miller  
Amanda Harmon, Madison  
Ariel Hofman, Vermillion  
Chelsea Heasley, Miller  
Brittany Postman, Madison

### Class "AA"

Mistina Hufford, RC Stevens  
Annie Clark, RC Stevens  
Angie Burns, RC Stevens  
Andrea Leonard, RC Stevens  
Mallory Peck, SF O'Gorman  
Alex Hughs, SF O'Gorman  
Jeana Hoffman, Mitchell  
Anne Marie Kirshman, Brookings  
Kristin Dunn, Watertown  
Danielle Goetz, SF O'Gorman

## 2003 S.D.H.S.C.A. SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Matt Bendixen, Dell Rapids  
Johathan Kranz, Watertown  
Brienne Vette, Spearfish  
Abigail Millman, Sioux Falls - Mgr/Trainer

Susan Farrell, Madison  
Machel Oltmanns, Lennox  
Amber Welke, Warner  
Kelsie Smith, Arlington -  
Dave Prohl Scholarship

## 2001 OUTSTANDING WRESTLERS

### Class "B"

Joe Clark, Hoven

### Class "A"

Nate Althoff, Watertown

## 2002 ALL TOURNAMENT BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS

### Class "B"

Jay Wammer, Harding County  
John Melius, Northwestern  
Travor Diegel, Gettysburg  
Brett Marlette, Gettysburg  
Jordan Odens, Mitchell Christian  
Nathan Graves, Mitchell Christian  
Brandon Swenson, Castlewood  
Brooks Little, Castlewood  
Kyle Weiczorek, Stickney  
Ben DeWaard, Stickney  
Colby Fitzgerald, D.R. St. Marys  
Eric Mergen, D.R. St. Marys

### Class "A"

Mike Warren, Clark  
Tyler Stone, Abdn. Roncalli  
Tyrrell Salway, Pine Ridge  
David Sinkgraven, SF Christian  
Paul Elgersma, SF Christian  
Tracy Sazue, Crow Creek  
Zach Campbell, Platte  
Clayton Wulf, Lennox  
Ryan Rothenberger, Lennox  
Steve Kruse, Lennox  
Tyler Curtis, Custer  
Travis Meyer, Custer

### Class "AA"

Andy Witte, Yankton  
Nate Hilbrands, SF Washington  
Mark Kappelman, RC Stevens  
Eric Kuehn, Aberdeen Central  
Matt Schock, Aberdeen Central  
Charlie Johnston, Aberdeen Central

Bryan Voss, SF Lincoln  
Rob VanDemark, SF Lincoln  
Tommy Flyger, SF Lincoln  
Matt Martin, Spearfish  
Deming Haugland, Spearfish  
Aaron Croff, Spearfish

## 2002 OUTSTANDING TRACK

### Girls

Class "B" Angie Pfeiffer, Colman-Egan  
Class "A" Janie Sershen, Chester  
Class "AA" Megan Trotter, RC Central

### Boys

Class "B" Colte Haines, White Lake  
Class "A" T.Jay Sanderson, Chamberlain  
Class "AA" Tony Schwan, Aberdeen Central

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## 2002 ALL TOURNAMENT VOLLEYBALL TEAM

### Class "B"

Dana Johnson, Harding County  
Lana Giannonatti, Harding County  
Amanda Nilsson, Warner  
Amber Welke, Warner  
Carrie Simon, Warner  
Amber Tennany, Sully Buttes  
Kimberly Weischedel, Sully Buttes  
Chelaine Knudson, Andes Central  
Katrena Brooks, Andes Central  
Jaela Johnson, Gettysburg  
Tara Adamson, Centerville  
Cindy Rusche, DeSmet

### Class "A"

Hillary White, Aberdeen Roncalli  
Riley Schoechehmaier, Aberdeen Roncalli  
Ashley Fettig, Aberdeen Roncalli  
Betwy Haskvitz, Hot Springs  
Jenny Merrill, Hot Springs  
Alicia Evangelista, Hot Springs  
Dana Vander Haar, SF Christian  
Samantha Vanden Kamp, SF Christian  
Megan Akland, Alcester-Hudson  
Milissa Hofer, Alcester-Hudson  
Erica Schroeder, Miller  
Shannon Stormo, Hamlin

### Class "AA"

Meghan Woster, SF O'Gorman  
Mary Stoll, SF O'Gorman  
Tabitha Coleman, SF O'Gorman  
Kellie Heier, Aberdeen Central  
Chelsey Deibert, Aberdeen Central  
Angie Hayes, Aberdeen Central

Tara Houlihan, SF Lincoln  
Stacey White, Brookings  
Heather Sieler, Huron  
Chelsey Miller, Mitchell  
Laura Doshier, RC Stevens  
Carrie Dickmeyer, SF Washington

## 2001-2002 ALL-TOURNEY TENNIS PLAYERS

### Girls

Liz Donohue, SF O'Gorman  
Tara Houlihan, SF Lincoln  
Angie Norberg, SF Lincoln  
Megan McCarthy, SF Lincoln  
Katie Chiu, SF Lincoln  
Catherine Ludens, SF O'Gorman  
Lindsay Waltman, RC Central  
Mikala Hanzlik, RC Stevens  
Whitney Paluch, RC Stevens  
Ulijana Schkarupina, Yankton

### Boys

Luke Wilcox, SF Lincoln  
Pete Sorensen, SF Lincoln  
Corey Paluch, RC Stevens  
Chris Williams, Pierre  
Eric Sorensen, SF Lincoln  
Tom Jelsma, SF Washington  
Matt Bittner, SF Washington  
Joe Ekert, SF Roosevelt  
Dustin Lecy, RC Central  
Max Grassby, RC Central

## 2001-2002 OUTSTANDING GOLFERS

### Girls Class "B"

Jessica Jewitt, Flandreau  
Ashley Kaufman, Clark  
Michelle Powers, Avon  
Kayla Nielsen, Wakonda  
Brittany Stockholm, Bon Homme  
Elizabeth Okeson, Harrisburg

### Girls Class "A"

Allison Stewart, Vermillion  
Karrie Plate, Vermillion  
Brittnay Hofer, Lead  
Ambur Vanneman, Winner  
Heather Snavelly, Winner  
Chelsea Zomer, Canton

### Girls Class "AA"

Kelly Evans, Brookings  
Heather Dammann, Huron  
Nicole Lloyd, SF Lincoln  
Karla Murra, SF Roosevelt  
Carley Roach, Brookings  
Tara Merkwon, Mitchell

### Boys Class "B"

Jason Bontje, Beresford  
Riley Pugh, Miller  
Tom Habicht, St. Thomas More  
Lawrence Larson, Dell Rapids  
Bobby Truhe, Elk Point-Jefferson  
Nate Barbee, Dakota Valley  
Carlos Gutierrez, Wagner  
Jacob Snyders, Garretson

### Boys Class "A"

Mark Moller, Hot Springs  
James Green, Madison  
Robert Erikson, Madison  
Greg Lindholm, Miller  
Paul Green, Madison  
Sam Steen, Belle Fourche

### Boys Class "AA"

Ryan Trasamar, SF Roosevelt  
John Campbell, Watertown  
Tom Carlson, Watertown  
Josh Goettsch, SF Washington  
Jon Murdy, Aberdeen Central  
Geoff Mead, RC Stevens