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2016 STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL RAIDER SPORTS AWARD CEREMONY



FIRST ANNUAL
HALL OF FAME
INDUCTION CEREMONY
MAY 9TH, 2016
CAROLD HEIER GYMNASIUM

PROGRAM



STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME



Duane Whalen was born and raised in Rapid City, South Dakota graduating from Rapid City High School in 1954. Activities were very important to him in high school where he was a jack of all trades, master of none, as he was involved in sports, band, debate, and journalism. From 1954 to 1958 he attended Black Hills State University where he pursued a lifelong dream to teach and coach. In college he continued his interest in journalism and thanks to a 4 - 5 inch growth spurt from the time he finished high school until he entered college he was able, over the course of four years to play a little college basketball. In the fall of 1958 he began his teaching career in Rapid City. This was the first of 40 years as a teacher, coach and administrator in the Rapid City Schools. He served ten years as a social studies teacher and coach at South Junior High School. Followed by another eight years as a history teacher and coach at Rapid City Central High School. In each setting Whalen had the opportunity to coach football, basketball, and track. He

began his career in athletic/activities administration in 1977 when he was appointed Junior High Activities Director for the Rapid City Area Schools. In 1980, he became the Assistant Principal in charge of Activities at Stevens High. From 1980 until 1998 the Raiders won 49 state championships and was runner-up 28 times.

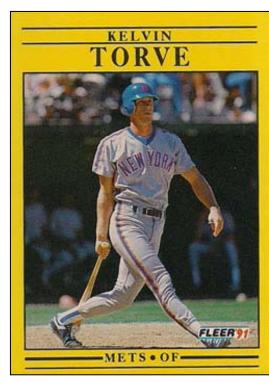
During his time at Stevens High School Whalen served on numerous professional committees and boards at the local, state, and national levels. Most noteworthy on the state level are two terms on the SDHSAA Gymnastics Advisory Committee, three terms on the AD ad hoc committee that studied and revised the SDHSAA calendar (serving as chairperson of the last two committees). For the most part the calendar is still in place today. A long with the Activities Director from Rapid City Central School Duane co-managed 47 SDHSAA state championship events. Also on the state level he served as president of the South Dakota High School Athletic Directors Association, was the liaison between the Athletic Directors and Coaches Association and was a delegate to the National Athletic Administrators Association National Conference several times. One of his most rewarding professional experiences for Duane was serving on the Awards Committee for National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association.

Working with Jim Haar, the AD at Central High School, two noteworthy achievements in Whalen's time as AD at Stevens High School were accomplished. First was the formation of the Greater Dakota Conference, which unfortunately did not last and development of the first Rushmore Bowl. In 1997 Whalen was awarded the South Dakota High School Activities Association Distinguished Service Award. Also in 1997 he was inducted into the Rapid City Sports Hall of Fame and was presented the state award of merit for the State of South Dakota by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. In 2003 he was inducted into the South Dakota Interscholastic Athletic Administrator's Hall of Fame.

During the 1980's there was a saying, "School Activities, the other half of education". Duane Whalen believed this to be true, as he witnessed this in his own life and that of his high school friends, and later in life as a teacher and coach. His only regret in his twenty-one years as an activities/ athletic director was that he couldn't persuade every student in school to get involved in at least one activity and stay with the activity long enough to find out what the activity was about and to enjoy the benefits of the activity

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Kelvin Torve was born in 1960 in Rapid City, SD. Kelvin had a younger brother Kent. He attended Rapid City Stevens and graduated in 1978. At Stevens he lettered in basketball and football two years. He was first team All-State in basketball as a senior and was also named the High School Athlete of the Year for his outstanding football, basketball, and Post 22 career.

Kelvin went on to play college baseball at Oral Roberts University. He was a three year letterman and named to the Sporting News 2nd team All-American team as junior. He finished his college career with a .349 average which ranks 4th all-time at Oral Roberts. In 2009 Torve was elected to the Oral Roberts University Hall of Fame.

In 1981 Torve was drafted in the 2nd round of the Major League

Baseball draft by the San Franciso Giants. He went on to play thirteen years of professional baseball. Torve played for San Francisco, Baltimore, the New York Mets, and Minnesota Twins organizations. Kelvin made it to the Major League level twice while playing for the Mets and one year with the Twins. He also played two years in Japan for the Orix Blue Wave.

In 1993 Kelvin hung up his spikes and began working in sales in Davidson, NC. In 1995 he was inducted into the Rapid City Officials Sports Hall of Fame.

After working and coaching baseball in North Carolina for twenty-five years Kelvin Torve moved back to Rapid City in 2016 to following his dream of coaching baseball for Post 22.

INTRODUCTION OF TEAM

FALL SPORTS

COMPETITIVE CHEER Heart of a Champion Award I Will Never Quit Award Most Improved Stunt Group Academic All State	Kinsey EllisJessica SchmidtShayla SmithHannah RikerClaire PalmreuterAshleigh ThunenCatrina RussJessica SchmidtShayla SmithHannah RikerSidney Ossenfort	
CROSS COUNTRY - Most Valuable	Tristan Christoffer	
Most Improved	Dillon Drew	
Top Newcomer	Liam Vidas	
Runnin' Raider	Kasey Van Zee Anders Enevoldsen	
Academic All State	Jamie Schweiss	
	Nick Looby	
	Kendra Dykstra	
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FOOTBALL - SCO Most Valuable Offensive Player Most Valuable Defensive Player Academic All State	Grant YoungbloodBrett BeyerJames DethlefsNoah DiamondJoe GibsonJoshua ReevesNathan TrotterGrant Youngblood	
BOYS GOLF - DEA		
Most Valuable Player	Grady Martin Taylor Schultz Lane Jensen	
VOLLEYBALL - KYLIE VOORHEES		
Most Valuable Offensive Player Most Valuable Defensive Player Academic All State	Andraya Hawks Whitney Virkula Andraya Hawks Whitney Virkula	

Introduction of Team

GIRLS SOCCER- LUIS USERA

Golden Boot Award	Alexis Colhoff
Top Defensive Player	Regan Odegaard
Most Inspirational Player	Regan Odegaard
SD Elite 11	
	Regan Odegaard
1st Team All State	Gabbi DeMarce
	Regan Odegaard
Academic All State	Olivia Lyle
	Cassie Jones
	Sydney Shorb

BOYS SOCCER - JACOB MEYER

Most Valuable Player	. Nicholas Schmidt
*	. Jacob Nunez
Team First Award	. Tyler Policky
	. Brandon Krúse
Work Ethic Award	. Blake Bendt
	. Bennett Fierro
Most Improved Award	. Jacob Hall
•	. Blake Bendt
	. Jayce Haefs
Team Impact Award	. Jacob Hall
	. Blake Bendt
	. Jayce Haefs
Golden Boot Award	
Enthusiasm	. Brandon Kruse
Character Award	
Courage Award	
Academic All State	. Bennett Fierro
	. Brandon Kruse

GIRLS TENNIS - JASON OLSON

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Olivia Armstrong
Jaden Elliott
Ingrid Anderson
Alisha Wiedmeier
Ally Riddle
Tianna Duda
Jaden Elliott
Julia Wiedmeier
Hanna Vanderwerff
Tianna Duda
Tianna Duda
Alisha Wiedmeier

STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME

JOANN (KRAUSE) STERNER



JoAnn (Krause) graduated from Sisseton High School and earned a BS Degree in Health, Physical Education and Recreation at Northern State in 1963, as well as an MS Degree from South Dakota State in the same field in 1972. Her teaching and coaching career began in the Rapid City School District in 1965, prior to state sanctions and Title IX, which recognized girls' participation in sports. Track and Field, Basketball and Volleyball were offered only as Girls Athletic Association (GAA) activities. During the summer, girls interested in sports started AAU competition until Title IX became a law and girls and women were allowed to participate in organized competitive sports in their schools.

JoAnn stated "My teaching and coaching career began in the early 60's when it was still largely a man's world. Northern State College in Aberdeen opened their doors to me and I joined the PEMM Club (Physical Education Majors and Minors). As president of PEMM, I organized the 1st Volleyball "Play Day" for high school girls to play in a Round Robin Tournament. It took all day because so many teams

showed up and every team played each other. The Play Day could not be called a Tournament because that meant competition. It was certainly obvious these girls were enjoying the 'Tournament'. My advisor at Northern State College encouraged me to join the state and national AAHPERD association as a student member. Well that fired me up and I got more involved in sports. No one would or could stop me now!"

JoAnn continued to attend AAHPERD conferences, clinics and workshops. She felt it was an honor to be asked by the SDHSAA to give clinics to students who wanted to learn new fundamentals. JoAnn said "The sport of gymnastics was the most popular sport for girls in the area at that time and I couldn't learn fast enough to keep up with all the talent. All the girls on my high school teams were great coaching assistants. This was the advent of the sport of Gymnastics in South Dakota".

Before Title IX, she held practice meets with teams from area schools. Space for practice and funds were always limited, but parents were always willing to support their daughters. One of JoAnn's fondest memories was when her team asked her if she would sell her Corvette for a station wagon so they could travel to competitions. She did it for the team and they all enjoyed the new experiences. The initiation of girls' sports in South Dakota was very exciting; every girl tried her hardest and enjoyed the thrill and self-gratification of being on the team. Every morning she would wake up wondering how to empower all girls to become who they wanted to be.

Jo Ann feels very honored to receive the Hall of Fame Award for initiating girls' sports at Rapid City Stevens High School. She is given this honor for coaching the first individual state champions in gymnastics, for putting the Stevens girls' track team in the record books for the first time in 1975, (when they placed second at state), and for being actively involved in Title IX and initiating numerous female sports to become sanctioned by the SDHSAA.

"There is no greater place to live than South Dakota. It's great because we have all taken advantage of various opportunities to make it great. I thank all the parents and their daughters for all the memories they created for me. I was blessed with my opportunities".

STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME



Ken Linstrom was born in Whitewood, South Dakota and attended Sturgis Brown High School where he was a four-year letterman in Track & Field, Football and Basketball. After a stint in the Navy, he attended South Dakota State University majoring in Wildlife Studies. As a Track & Field letterman at South Dakota State University, Ken won North Central Conference titles in the long jump and low hurdles in 1950 and low and high hurdles 1952. He held the All-Time South Dakota Collegiate long jump record of 23' 5-1/2" from 1950 to 1966.

Ken worked for the South Dakota State Game and Fish Department for a year after graduating from SDSU, before taking teaching and coaching positions in Gregory and Winner, South Dakota. He

received his Masters degree in Science Education at the University of North Dakota and then accepted a position as a science teacher at Rapid City High School in 1961. When Stevens High School was established in 1969 he moved there to teach Science and became an Assistant Track & Field Coach focusing on the hurdlers and jumpers. He coached Rapid City Stevens athletes to nine (9) gold medals in the high and low hurdles. In 1982 he became the Head Track & Field and Cross Country Coach. His Boys and Girls teams won nine (9) state championships between 1982 and his retirement in 1988; Boys Tr&F '84-'87-'88, Girls Tr&F '85-'86-'88, BXC '83, GXC '84-'85.

Coach Linstrom received the South Dakota High School Coaches Association Coach of the Year award for Boys Track & Field in 1988. He was inducted into the Sturgis Brown High School Hall of Fame in 2013.

In his spare time, Ken ran twelve (12) marathons between age 50 and 61 with a best time of 3:07. Upon their retirement, Ken and Martha have spent most of their time traveling to visit their children and grandkids. Steve, Jim, Karen and Sue are all Stevens High School alumni.

INTRODUCTION OF TEAM

WINTER SPORTS

0	BOYS BASKETBALL -	
Captains		KJ Watson
		Reid Brost Mason Archambault-
		Drew Varriano
Plost Improve	u	Jacob Martin
		Andrew Martian
	State	
		Bennett Fierro
		Landon Wellendorf
		Taylor Schultz
Raider Award.		Mason Archambault
	GIRLS BASKETBALL -	
Most Outstand	ling Player	Hanna Van Der Werff
		Makinzie Maiden
Miss Hustle		Julia Haefs
Lady Raider Av	ward	Kaitlyn King
Most Improve	d	Ally Kladle
		Kaitlyn King Natalee Hafer
		Natalee Halei Makinzie Maiden
		Tianna Duda
0-0	GYMNASTICS -	
	ders	
		Hannah Riker Hannah Riker
		Jessica Schmidt
		Sidney Ossenfort
	WRESTLING - T	RAVIS KING
Most Valuable	Wrestler	Logan Wood
Most Improve	d Wrestler	Cody BeVier
Academic All S	State	Noaĥ Diamond
		James Dethlefs
		Joe Gibson
	SPRING S	SPORTS
	GIRLS GOLF DE	
Co-Leaders		Svdnev Owen
		Natalee Hafer
	BOYS TENNIS - J	
Captains		Leo Dykstra
		Jarod Keene
		Tyler Greenawalt
		Taylor Schultz

INTRODUCTION OF TEAM

Captains	Kendra Dykstra
	Rylea Norris
	Jamie Schweiss
	Bennett Fierro
	Carter Price
	Grant Youngblood

STUDENT ATHLETE SOLDIER AWARD

NATIONAL GUARD AWARD	Dvlan Hanson
	Rvan Eddv
	Jésse Prestiohn
	Casey Moser

INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS 2015-16

Jaden Elliot	Flight 6 Singles
Ingrid Anderson/Jaden Elliot	Flight 3 Doubles
Hannah Riker	Gymnastics
Logan Wood	Wrestling

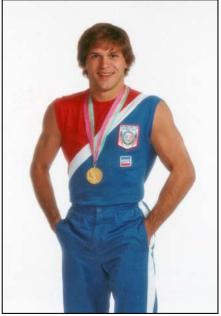
SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONS—JACOB MEYER

STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Mitch Best, a graduate of Stevens, is known by all as the ultimate Raider supporter. On any given day you will find Mitch, one of the most unsung persons around, volunteering at the Sioux Park Sports Complex all year and does the work that no one else wants to do. Just about every day you can find Mitch doing something at Sioux Park including emptying and cleaning the garbage cans, putting out and taking in the court benches, placing the scorecards on the courts on a match day before anyone gets there, cleaning and organizing the storage rooms, putting the up and taking down the flag, raking the jump pits, and getting water off the track. This is all done free of charge! It does not matter what the event is, Mitch will be there to support the Raiders.



STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME



The 1977 Rapid City Stevens grad won the gold medal at 136.5 pounds in freestyle wrestling at the 1984 Olympics, outscoring his first four opponents 52-4 to advance to the final, where he crushed Japan's Kosei Akaishi 24-11 in 4:52. He was the youngest member of 1980 Olympic wrestling team but President Jimmy Carter's boycott prevented the U.S. team from traveling to the Games in Moscow.

He was second in the '88 Olympic trials to John Smith, who wound up winning a gold medal. He was the 1990 Pan Am champion. In the biggest match ever held in South Dakota, Lewis pinned two-time world champion Viktor Alexeev as the USA earned its first ever dual team win over Russia before more than 7,000 fans in Rapid City in a pre-1980 Olympics dual.

At lowa, wrestling for Coach Dan Gable, he was a four-time All-American and two-time

NCAA champion with a record of 127-11-1 with 64 pins. He was the national runner-up at 126 as a freshman, then won NCAA titles the next two years while winning 74 matches in a row. As a senior, he suffered a dislocated elbow during a match, and finished the season using virtually one arm and still made All-American.

At Stevens, Lewis was 89-0 with 83 pins in three years ('75-77), and he set a national prep mark with 45 straight pins. As an 18-year-old high school grad, he became the youngest wrestler ever to win the Junior World Championships (for the world's best 20-and-under wrestlers).

Lewis began his wrestling career as a fifth-grader at Meadowbrook Grade School in Rapid City, winning his first state AAU title that season. He entered the state meet in awe of his competition. "My dad said, 'They might look tough but I'll bet none of them can do 18 chinups like you can.' He also told me not to think of them as the best kids in the state. He said what if they were from Rapid City, and they went to Meadowbrook Grade School, and what if they lived right next door to us? If you couldn't beat them, then you wouldn't be Meadowbrook school champion, and you wouldn't be the toughest kid on your own block. He said, 'You are the toughest kid on the block, aren't you?' I smiled and said, "I sure am!" He used that "toughest kid on the block" mentality the rest of his career, taking him from grade school champion to Olympic champion.

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Janet Gunderson-Powers was born in 1954 and grew up in Rapid City with four sisters. In 1970 as sophomore at Stevens High School Gunderson-Powers won the YMCA National Title for the 50 yard free-style and took 4th in the 100 yard butterfly in York, Pennsylvania. She was also voted the SD Swimmer of the Decade by a panel of sportswriters in 1970.

In 1972 Janet Gunderson-Powers won the SD gymnastics All-Around title. She also took 1st in the Uneven bars and 2nd on the vault. Her father died in 1972 in the flood.

After High School Gunderson-Power continued her athletic career at the University of Iowa. She qualified for the National Intercollegiate Gymnastics Tournament in vaulting in 1974 and took 2nd place in the 100 yard Butterfly and 50 yard Freestyle at the Big Ten Champi-

onships. She also qualified for the National Intercollegiate Tournament.

After college Janet Gunderson-Powers became an avid tennis player. Gunderson-Powers works as a CPA and also the Finance/Human Resources Director for Youth and Family Services, Inc.

She is married to Randy Powers and the mother of Kinsley Powers Groote who won a State Championship team and singles title in tennis for the Raiders in 2002 and was part of the runner-up volleyball team that same year.

Janet and her husband live in Rapid City.

THE LINDSEY KECK AWARD

Athletes who participated in 3 or more SHS Athletic Activities.

Rylea NorrisSoccer, Sideline Cheer, Track Austin StilesGolf, Hockey, Baseball Jessica SchmidtSideline Cheer, Competitive Cheer,Gymnastics Hannah RikerSideline Football Cheer, Competitive Cheer,Gymnastics Catrina Russ......Sideline Basketball Cheer, Sideline FootballCheer, Competitive Cheer **Shayla Smith**Sideline Football Cheer, Track, Ashleigh ThunenSideline Football Cheer, Competitive Cheer,Sideline Basketball Cheer Hannah SmithCompetitive Cheer, Football Cheer,Basketball Cheer Danielle SchmidtGymnastics, Competitive Cheer, Sideline Cheer **Joshua Schumacher**......Cross Country, Basketball, Track Joseph SheffieldFootball, Basketball, Track **Grant Wolthuis**Cross Country, Hockey, Track Kyleigh DevineSoccer, Basketball, Track **Landen Fischer**Football, Wrestling, Track **Logan Fischer**......Football, Wrestling, Track Sarah Keen.....Softball, Basketball, Track Claire MartinVolleyball, Basketball, Track **Zechariah Patterson**Football, Wrestling, Track **Syndey Smith**Cross Country, Basketball, Track

THE DAYE COLLINS AWARD

Athletes who lettered in 3 or more sports.

James Dethlefs	Football, Track, Wrestling
Callie Henrich	Volleyball, Basketball, Track
Elizabeth Schaefer	Volleyball, Basketball, Track
Makenzie Maiden	
Bennett Fierro	
Taylor Schultz	
Kinsey Ellis	Gymnastics, Track, Competitive Cheer
	Cross Country, Basketball, Track
Christina Delzer	Softball, Basketball, Track

GOLD LETTER AWARD

Athletes who competed in 3 sports all 4 years at Stevens High School.

Bennett Fierro Taylor Schultz

TOP BATRER BOY



SDHSCA HALL OF FAME AWARD RECIPIENTS

1977-78	Carold Heier: Athletic Director
1983-84	Gene Breemes: Track
1984-85	Tom Long: Wrestling
2001-02	Forrest Flaagan: Cross Country
2005-06	Lemoine Trout: Track
2007-08	Sheri Keck: Gymnastics
2014-15	Ron Riherd: Basketball

NATIONAL COACHES OF THE YEAR

1983 Tom Long: Wrestling
1999 Forrest Flaagan: Girls Cross Country
2006 Sheri Keck: Special Sports



NATIONAL HALL OF FAME

2009 Forrest Flaagan: Cross Country2015 Sheri Keck: Special Sports



SOUTH DAKOTA SPORTS HALL OF FAME ESTABLISHED BY THE

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Sheri Keck- Gymnastics Tom Long- Wrestling



1978	Carol Heier
1983	Milo Winter
1997	Forest Flaagan
1997	Duane Whalen
1998	Richard 'Doc' Michel
2003	Lemoine Trout
2005	Anella Southwick
2007	Sheri Keck
2008	Rose DuBois
2009	Bill Evans
2015	Phil Hunt
2016	Paul Richter

SDHSCA DISTINGUISHER SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

1997-98	Richard 'Doc' Michel
2010-11	Duane Whalin
2015-16	Paul Richter

Top Raider Girl



Taylor Molstad

Jamie Schweiss

2015

2016



RAPID CITY OFFICIALS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

SOUTH DAKOTA COACHES OF THE YEAR SDHSCA

1977 1977 1978 1978 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1987 1988 1988 1989	Randy Lewis: Wrestling Cindy Sargent: Cross Country, Track Kelvin Torve: Football, Boys Basketball, Baseball Becky Kusler: Girls Basketball Sandy Wieck: Girsl Basketball Robin Lewis: Gymnastics Pam Lewis: Girls Basketball, Track Karen Kamerling: Girls Basketball Sherry Baer: Girls Basketball Sheri Evenhuis: Girls Basketball Sheri Evenhuis: Girls Basketball, Track Jamie Richards: Boys Basketball, Baseball Lisa Darley: Cross Country, Track Paul Hendry: Football, Track Amy Fenster: Gymnastics, Track Dave Peterson: Football, Boys Basketball, Track Barb Riemenschneider: Volleyball, Girls Basketball, Track Tom Doyle: Football, Boys Basketball, Track, Baseball Stacey Opp: Griss Basketball
1992 1994 1995	Greg Jimmerson: Cross Country, Track Kate Wilson: Volleyball, Girls Basketball, Track Becky Hammon: Girls Basketball
1996 1997	Jordan Lintz: Girls Basketball, Golf Erin Erickson: Girls Basketball, Volleyball, Track
1998	Taylor Baker: Gymnastics, Track
2000 2000	Ryan Hanson: Football, Boys Basketball Track, Baseball Jamie Keck: Gymnastics, Track
2001	Eric Grumstrup: Cross Country, Track
2002 2002	Mark Kappelman: Tennis, Golf Annie Clark: Gymnastics, Track
2003	Laura Doshier: Girls Basketball, Track
2004 2005	Julie Schwengler: Cross Country, Track Chris Moram: Wrestling
2005	Ann Doshier: Girls Basketball
2006	Brittany Garner: Girls Basketball, Track
2009 2011	Billy Paluch: Tennis Kris Klappordt: Football, Wrestling
2016	Grant Youngblood: Football, Track

