

44th Annual

**Lifetime Achievement Awards
And
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Banquet**



**Illinois Wrestling Coaches
and Officials Association**

**Saturday, April 12, 2014
Holiday Inn – Grand Ballroom
Countryside, Illinois**

The Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association (IWCOA)

President's Greeting

Illinois Wrestling Community,

It is my honor as the current President of the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association to welcome you all to the 2014 Hall of Fame and All State Banquets. All of the individuals and teams being recognized at this weekend's ceremonies embody all of the very best our great sport has to offer. The IWCOA has taken great pride in recognizing the accomplishments of wrestlers, coaches, officials, and contributors since 1971. These accomplishments do not occur by chance. They are the result of dedication, commitment, and extraordinary effort on the part of the award winners; none of which would be possible for them without the support of the families, friends, and fans who stand behind them in their journey toward success. The IWCOA and I thank you for this as well as for your attendance this weekend. We hope that you enjoy the event.

Yours in Wrestling,

Rich Montgomery, IWCOA President

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| 1971 – Steve Combs, Coach, Deerfield | 1993 – Augie Genovesi, Coach, Notre Dame |
| 1972 – Steve Combs, Coach, Deerfield | 1994 – Joe Pedersen, Official, Naperville |
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| 1977 – George Dyche, Coach, West Aurora | 1999 – Gary Baum, Coach, Kaneland |
| 1978 – Charles Anderson, Coach, Savanna | 2000 – Dan Fulscher, Official, Lincoln |
| 1979 – Charles Farina, Coach, East Leyden | 2001 – Dan Fulscher, Official, Lincoln |
| 1980 – Tony Parks, Coach, Addison Trail | 2002 – Mike Manahan, Coach, Stanford |
| 1981 – Mark King, Coach, LaGrange | 2003 – Mike Manahan, Coach, Stanford |
| 1982 – Steve Weiss, Coach, Fenton | 2004 – Mike Wilkey, Official, Oak Park |
| 1983 – Rick Mann, Coach, Hersey | 2005 – Mike Wilkey, Official, Oak Park |
| 1984 – Jim Cartwright, Coach, Conant | 2006 – Joe Cliffe, Coach, Prairie Central |
| 1985 – Bernie Botheroyd, Coach, Glenbard W. | 2007 – Joe Cliffe, Coach, Prairie Central |
| 1986 – Jerry Ancona, Coach, Lake Park | 2008 – Mike Bukovsky, Coach, Montini |
| 1987 – Tom Heniff, Official, Oak Lawn | 2009 – Mike Bukovsky, Coach, Montini |
| 1988 – Tom Heniff, Official, Oak Lawn | 2010 – Rob Ledin, Coach, Mahomet-Seymour |
| 1989 – Mark Gervais, Coach, Marist | 2011 – Rob Ledin, Coach, Mahomet-Seymour |
| 1990 – Dan Cliffe, Coach, DeKalb | 2012 – Mike Matozzi, Coach, Hinsdale South |
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| 1992 – Augie Genovesi, Coach, Notre Dame | 2014 – Rich Montgomery, Coach, Rock Falls |

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2012 – Dan Cliffe

2013 – Rob Ledin

2014 – Dan Fulscher

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Saturday April 12, 2014

REGISTRATION & SOCIAL

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

OPENING REMARKS

6:15 p.m.

INVOCATION & DINNER

6:30 p.m.

BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR

MAN OF THE YEAR

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

7:15 p.m.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

8:00 p.m.

SOCIAL

9:00 – 11:00 p.m.

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IWCOA MAN OF THE YEAR

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1985 TED DeROUSSE, Antioch
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1987 RICK MANN, Hersey
1988 LARRY KRISTOFF, SIU-Edwardsville
1989 ED LUETY, Melrose Park
1990 CHUCK FARINA, Leyden
1991 JOE CLIFFE, Plano
1992 GENE SWIERCZEWSKI, Hoffman Estates
1993 LARRY GASSEN, Downers Grove South
1994 LON GERRISH, Sandwich
1995 JOE PEDERSEN, Naperville
1996 J. DENNIS HASTERT, Yorkville
1997 RON REICHERT & DEBBIE NASON
1998 STEVE COMBS, Mahomet
1999 MARK JOHNSON, University of Illinois

2000 DAN CLIFFE, Burlington Central
2001 TOM HENIFF, Olympia Fields
2002 LEO KOCHER, University of Chicago
2003 DAN FULSCHER, Lincoln
2004 KEN KRAFT, Northwestern University
2005 MIKE MANAHAN, Olympia
2006 GEORGE DYCHE, Aurora West
2007 MIKE POLZ, Sandburg
2008 DAVE GANNAWAY, IHSA
2009 JEFF PAPE, Schaumburg
2010 MIKE BUKOVSKY, Montini
2011 Dr. MARTY HICKMAN, IHSA
2012 RICH MONTGOMERY, Rock Falls
2013 MIKE MATOZZI, Hinsdale South
2014 ROB LEDIN, Mahomet

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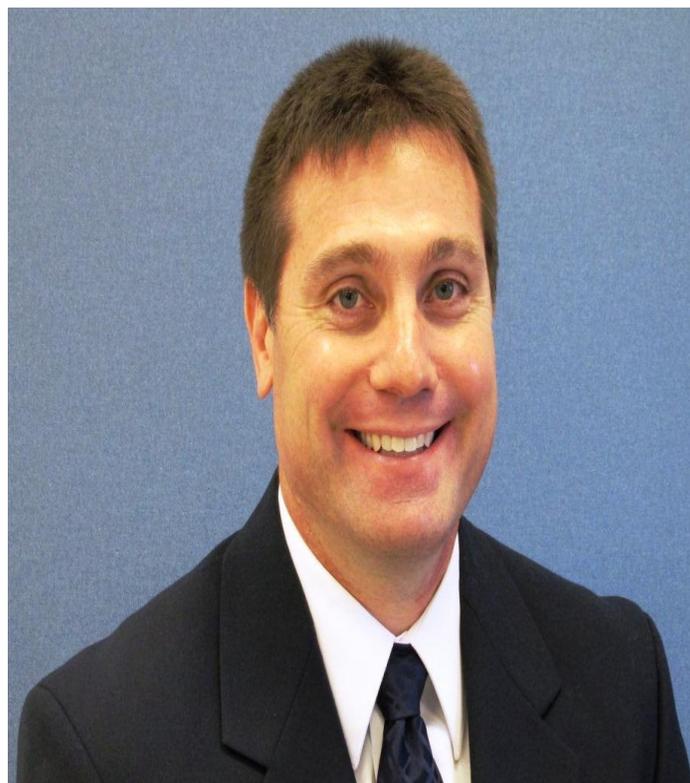
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Rob began his wrestling career in 1976 as a Vittum Park Viking in the Chicago Park District. Donald Ledin, his father and Hall of Fame member, coached Rob to two IKWF state tournaments including a sixth place finish in 1981. A 1985 graduate of St. Laurence High School in Burbank, Rob lettered in wrestling three times. In his senior season he was named Captain and won the Chicago Catholic League Championship and the Regional Championship under Head Coach, Robert Trombetta. Rob went on to wrestle at Illinois State University earning his Varsity "I" under Coach George Girardi. Rob received his Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1990 and later earned his Master's Degree in Educational Administration from ISU in 2006.

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In 1990 Rob began his coaching career at Hinsdale South High School as an associate dean and assistant wrestling coach under Mike Matozzi. After two seasons, Rob left Hinsdale South to pursue a job in the Chicago Park District where he began an IKWF Club at Archer Park. In 1994 Rob moved to Normal where he taught Physical Education, Health Education and Driver Education at Normal Community High School. He served as the Freshman Wrestling Coach and Chiddix Junior High Head Wrestling Coach.

Rob received his first high school Head Wrestling Coach position at Clinton in 1995. For the next 8 years Rob produced an IHSA Dual Team Runner-up finish in 2000 and a Third Place finish in 2001. During his tenure at Clinton, Ledin's teams produced five OKAW Conference Championships and three IHSA Regional Championships. In 2000 Rob was named IWCOA Head Coach of the Year and in 2000 and 2001 he was chosen as the Decatur Herald & Review Head Coach of the Year. In 2001 Rob was selected to coach the Illinois Senior All-Stars in the Illinois vs. Indiana Classic Duals. In 2003 Rob took the Head Coach position at Morton High School and coached there for two seasons. In 2006 Rob was hired by Hall of Fame Coach, Marty Williams, to take the helm at Mahomet-Seymour High School where he currently resides. Rob presently teaches at the Alternative School and serves as the Head Wrestling Coach and Freshman Football Coach. Ledin's teams have won seven Corn Belt Conference Championships, three Regional Titles and a trip to the Elite 8 in 2009. Rob was chosen to coach the Central Illinois All-Stars in the 2009 Cross State Classic. In 2011 Rob was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame. In 2013 Rob was named the Champaign News Gazette Head Coach of Year and IWCOA Executive Board Member of the Year. In addition Rob earned the IWCOA Silver Recognition Award. During his three Head Coaching assignments, Rob has amassed 281 career dual wins, 63 individual state qualifiers, 18 state placers and six state champions.

Rob has served as an IWCOA Executive Board member since 1999. In 2001 Rob was elected Secretary and in 2009 he was elected President. Currently, Rob serves as the IWCOA Membership Chairman. Other committees that Rob currently serve include: Fresh./Soph. State Series, Midwest Nationals Tournament, Hall of Fame Selection, Publicity/Web Page, and Coach/Official Clinics .

Rob and his wife of 23 years, Christa, reside in Mahomet. Rob and Christa have three children: Laura (16), Kiel (13), and Jenna (9).

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Larry Bernard Bolingbrook

A 1968 graduate of Carl Sandburg High School in Orland Park, Larry Bernard wrestled for four years and played baseball for two years. He went on to Western Illinois University and competed in wrestling two years. He completed his graduate work at Indiana State University.

Upon completion of his degree Larry began teaching at Romeoville High School, where he taught PE, Drivers Education and coached football, wrestling and baseball. In 1974 he moved to the newly opened Bolingbrook High School with the same duties. In 1977 Larry became the Athletic Director at Bolingbrook and served in that capacity until 2005.

Larry is a member of numerous professional organizations including the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association, Illinois Athletic Directors Association, Illinois Drivers Education Association, Illinois Traffic Safety Association and the Illinois Coaches Association.

Larry was a registered IHSA official and in 1977 the SICA Conference selected him as Official of the Year. He served as a volunteer at the IHSA State Tournament from 1990 through 2005. He was a member of the IHSA Wrestling Advisory Committee in 1992 and served on the IHSA Legislative Commission from 1998 through 2000.

The IWCOA selected Larry as Administrator of the Year in 1993. He was named as the “Outstanding Class AA Athletic Director of the Year” in 1994 by the Illinois Athletic Directors Association and he received this award again in 2002.

In 2000 Larry was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame. He was inducted into the Illinois Athletic Directors Association Hall of Fame in 2009.

In 2004 Larry was selected by the National Hall of Fame and Museum-Illinois Chapter to receive the Medal of Courage Award. The SICA Conference Wrestling Coaches Association awarded him their Lifetime Achievement Award in 2005.

Larry served as the Grand Marshal for the IHSA Individual State Finals Grand March in 2011.

Larry has been married to Gay Ann for 40 years. They have one daughter and one grandchild.

Tim Cysewski Evanston

A graduate of Glenbrook South High School, Tim Cysewski placed 4th in the state tournament as a junior and was State Champion his senior year. He was a United States Wrestling Federation (now USA Wrestling) junior national champion in Greco-Roman and runner-up in Freestyle.

Tim went on to the University of Iowa and wrestled for Gary Kurdlemeier and Dan Gable. A four year starter at the University of Iowa, he earned All-American honors as a senior in 1976. He placed third in the NCAA Division I national championships at 134 pounds that season and was co-captain of the national champion

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Hawkeyes. At the Big Ten Championships, he placed second as a sophomore (126) and senior (134), and third as a freshman (126). During his college career, he won two Midlands titles, posted a 99-23-4 career record and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

He continued to compete after college and put together an excellent resume of accomplishments capped off with a spot on the World Team in 1977.

Tim also served for six years on the National Wrestling Coaches Association Board of Directors, as well as four years on the NCAA Rules Committee.

Tim's coaching career began as an assistant with the Hawkeye Wrestling Club before becoming an assistant to IWCOA Hall of Famer Ken Kraft at Northwestern University. He served as assistant coach for ten years before taking over the head coaching duties in 1990. For 20 years he oversaw a Northwestern wrestling program that produced four individual National Champions, 27 All-Americans, 12 Big Ten Champions and 88 qualifiers for the NCAA Division I National Championships. From 2005-09, Tim guided the Wildcats to five straight top 15 finishes as a team in the NCAA Championships. Northwestern wrestlers won NCAA individual titles in 2007, 2008 and 2009, making NU the only school in the country to have a least one national champion each of those successive seasons.

The winningest coach in school history with 155 dual victories, Tim was instrumental in recruiting, coaching and mentoring arguably the most decorated wrestler in NU history—Hodge Trophy winner and two-time NCAA champion and U.S. Olympian Jake Herbert.

Tim was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame in 1991. In 2006 he served as the Grand Marshal of the IHSA Individual State Finals Grand March. He was selected by USA Wrestling as the FILA Junior/University Person of the Year in 2008.

Tim and his wife have two children and live in Lincolnshire, IL.

Mark Massery Glenview

Mark Massery's involvement in wrestling has spanned 50 years as a competitor, coach, official, announcer and supporter at local, state, national and international levels.

He began his career at Savanna High School, wrestling under IWCOA Hall of Fame Coach Charlie Anderson. He won back to back state titles for Savanna, a small school in the one class system.

After high school he went on to Northwestern University to wrestle under another IWCOA Hall of Fame Coach, Ken Kraft. While competing for the Wildcats, he was twice a Big Ten Champion and twice an All-American. He won the 1973 NCAA Division I National Championship at 126 pounds. He also won the 1974 and 1975 National Open Freestyle and was USA Team member both years. In 1975 he was World Cup Champion, placed 4th in the World Championships and was Bronze medalist in the Pan-American Games. He placed five times in the Midlands and won the 1976 Championships.

During the 70's, Mark served on the Wrestling National Governing Body, Board of Directors as the Active Athlete Representative. He served as an assistant coach at Northwestern from 1975-1977 and was the Head Coach at Illinois State University for the 1977-1978 season. Mark is Past-President of Northwestern

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University's N Club (varsity letter winner's organization) and is the current President of the Wildcat Wrestling Club. Mark has performed numerous public speaking engagements pertaining to work and athletic activities.

He has also served as the on-camera and color announcer (both live and voice-over) for Northwestern University wrestling TV programming from 1998 through 2007 at the Midlands Wrestling Championships as well as for the Big Ten Network from 2007 through 2010. He has also served as the commentator for the IHSA state championship matches for the past several years.

Mark was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame in 1985 and served as the Grand Marshal for the IHSA Individual State Tournament Grand March in 1992. He was inducted into Northwestern University Athletic Hall of Fame in 1991.

Outside of wrestling, Mark has spent over 20 years in sales and marketing for technology companies. He and his wife have three grown children and three grandchildren, and reside in Glenview, IL.

Dennis McCann Chicago - Gordon Tech - Maine South

Dennis McCann coached high school wrestling in Illinois for 43 years including 23 seasons as a head coach. His career stops were at Gordon Tech in Chicago and Maine South in Park Ridge where he combined to tally over 600 dual meet victories as Head Coach and as an assistant. As a coach, McCann mentored future NCAA Champion Frank Santana, an Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association Hall of Fame member and two National Wrestling Hall of Fame Medal of Courage winners – Brett Harman and his own son Kevin McCann.

Denny was selected as The Chicago Catholic League Lawless Award winner 3 times which is annually awarded to the Catholic League Coach of the Year. Away from the mat, he was named Educator of the Year at Maine South and was received the Illinois Board of Education "Those Who Excel – Award of Merit".

Dennis has also been very involved in football where he served as an assistant coach on 5 Maine South State Championship football teams and has been instrumental in starting youth wrestling programs with the IKWF in Chicago and Park Ridge.

A graduate of St. Patrick High School in Chicago, Dennis attended St. Joseph College in Rensselaer, IN. St. Patrick did not have wrestling but Dennis wrestled at St. Joe's and was named captain and "Most Dedicated Wrestler". He received his B.A. degree from St. Joe's in 1968 and his M.A. from Northeastern Illinois University in 1977. He was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame in 1997 and in 2010 he served as Grand Marshal for the IHSA Individual State Tournament Grand March of Finalists.

Dennis has also been inducted into the Maine South and St. Joseph College Halls of Fame.

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Rich Montgomery Rock Falls

Rich Montgomery has coached and taught in Illinois for over thirty-five years. He is a graduate of Culver-Stockton College in Canton, MO and earned his Master's degree from Northern Illinois University. He spent two years at Jerseyville from 1979-80. He was the head coach at Sterling Newman from 1980-1991. He was the head coach at Rock Falls from 1992 through 2006. During his tenure at each school he also coached football and served as the defensive coordinator for the 1990, Class 1A State Championship Football team.

Rich's teams had career record of 420-237. His teams have won six conference titles, 10 regional championships, and 2 sectional crowns. His 1985 Sterling Newman squad won the Class A Dual Team State Championship while the 1988 team placed third.

In 1985, the I.W.C.O.A. selected Rich as "Class A Coach of the Year." He was nominated as "Coach of the Year" in 1987, 1988, 1989, and 2000. He has coached 62 state qualifiers, 36 medal winners, and 17 individual state champions.

Rich was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame in 2002. In 2010 Rich was selected to serve as Grand Marshal for the IHSA Individual State Tournament Grand March of Finalists. He was named IWCOA Man of the Year in 2012. Rich was named IWCOA Administrator of the Year in 2002 and 2012. He is one of only two individuals to be selected by the IWCOA as Coach of the Year, Man of the Year, Administrator of the Year Hall of Fame member, Grand Marshal, and Lifetime Achievement Award winner.

As a member of the IWCOA Executive Board he has served as Secretary and is currently President. He also serves on the Fundraising, All-State Banquet, Classic Dual, Membership and Hall of Fame Selection Committees. He is also member of the National Hall of Fame and Museum-Illinois Chapter Committee. Rich has been a member of the IHSA Wrestling Advisory Committee and the IHSA Strategic Planning Committee for Finance. He is also the National Wrestling Coaches Association State Representative.

He is a member of the Rock Falls Optimist Club and serves as the Adopt-A-Highway Committee chair. He was president of Rock Falls District 13 Elementary School District, served on Sterling-Rock Falls YMCA Board of Directors, and has served two years on Rock Falls Planning and Zone Commission. He has also served four years as president of the Rock Falls Teachers Association.

In his present capacity as Athletic Director at Rock Falls, Rich is also the activities director, transportation director, Medicaid officer, and District 301 hearing officer.

Ron Oglesby Alsip

Ron Oglesby has served in every capacity in the field of wrestling. He began his career at Oak Lawn High School, where he was a two time state place winner for IWCOA Hall of Famer Jim Craig. He then entered Joliet Junior College where he was a two time All American for another IWCOA Hall of Famer, Henry Pillard. Joliet finished in the top 5 in the National Junior College national championships both years he competed. He then went on to Winona State in Minnesota and placed 2nd in the NAIA National Championships and the team place 3rd.

Post college competition found Ron wrestling for the Mayor Daley Youth Foundation. He was a place winner several times in the AAU National Championships in both Freestyle and Greco-Roman. During this time

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MDYF won several National AAU and United State Wrestling Federation (now USA Wrestling) national championships. He was the 1970 National Champion in the United States Wrestling Federation and was invited to compete in the World Cup. Ron also placed in the Midlands tournament.

Ron spent two years of active duty in the Army.

His coaching career spanned many levels and many years. He started at Winona State as an assistant and then assumed the position of head wrestling coach at Longfellow Junior High School in LaCrosse, WI. Moving home to Illinois, Ron served as an assistant to IWCOA Hall of Famer Tom Heniff at Oak Lawn Richards. While at Richards, he was named assistant coach of the year in SICA Conference. Ron then was named head coach at Shepard High School. In 1985 he moved Mt. Carmel in Chicago to become an assistant to IWCOA Hall of Famer Bill Weick. During his tenure at Mt. Carmel he was nominated as IWCOA Assistant Coach of the Year several times and received that award in 1993. While Ron was at Mt. Carmel, the Caravan won three IHSA State Championships, placed 2nd and 4th. In 2000 Ron became the assistant to IWCOA Hall of Famer Leo Kocher at the University of Chicago. Ron is currently back coaching with Bill Weick at Brother Rice High School in Chicago.

For many years Ron was active in the Illinois Wrestling Federation summer wrestling programs and was an assistant coach at the Junior Nationals several times. He has been involved with helping coach 100 state qualifiers; many place winners, and 25 state champions. Wrestlers that Ron has coached have claimed six NCAA Division I National Championship titles and one of those became an Olympian.

Ron has been an official for the IWF and a FILA official for USA Wrestling. He has officiated at the Olympic trials, junior world trials, world open trials, Canadian Cup in Toronto, 10 senior Open National Championships as well as several Junior National tournaments and IWF State tournaments. He was the Head Freestyle coach for the 1980-81 of Team Illinois.

As a freshman football coach at Mt. Carmel, Ron's teams won 100 of 106 games and claimed 10 Catholic League Championships.

Ron was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame in 1994. In 2011 he served as the Grand Marshal for the IHSA Individual State Finals Grand March.

Ron resides in Alsip with Gloria, his wife of 30 years. They have two children.

Mike Portincaso Glendale Heights

Mike Portincaso attended East & West Leyden High Schools where he wrestled for Marty Schwartz and Chuck Farina, both IWCOA Hall of Fame members. After high school Mike served in the U S Army where he served in the Republic of Viet Nam for 14 months and was awarded the Air Metal, Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

Mike has been an IHSA wrestling official for 42 years. He has officiated 16 Individual State Finals, 7 Dual Team State Finals, 30 Individual Sectionals, 10 Team Sectionals, 32 Individual Regional's and the Junior College Nationals 3 times. Mike has also worked at the Individual State Tournament as a Bench & Weigh In Official for 25 yrs.

He was voted Official of the Year in 1993 and was inducted into the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Hall of Fame in 1996.

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A lifetime member of the IWCOA, Mike has served as a Wrestling Official's Clinician for the IHSA & IWCOA for Officials Training Classes and Clinics for 20 years. While serving as a Clinician he produced the officials training videos "You Make The Call" for 15 years.

He was selected as one of the Grand Marshals for the 2007 IHSA Individual State Wrestling Tournament.

Steve Weiss Fenton

Steve Weiss is a product of Niles East High School. His college wrestling was at Northern Illinois University. He began his coaching career at Illinois State University while working on his master's degree.

Steve began coaching at the high school level at Fenton High School in Bensenville. During his coaching tenure his teams won over 300 dual meets, 11 conference championships, 5 regional titles and 3 sectional championships. His 1973 team won the IHSA State Championship. During a span from 1977 through 1981 his teams won 65 consecutive dual meets. Steve's teams placed in the top 20 at the state tournament 6 times. He has coached 53 state qualifiers, 21 state place winners and 3 state champions. Two of Steve's former wrestlers have been inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame.

In 1973 Steve was named as the IWCOA Coach of the Year. He served as IWCOA President 1981-82. Steve has presented research papers on weight reduction to the National Health and Physical Education Convention. These were the forerunners that created the dialog to address weight control and opened discussion that help in the development of our present day weight management program. He has published over 35 articles on wrestling in various coaching journals.

Steve also served as the Head Tennis Coach at Fenton during his teaching career.

In 1965 Steve was awarded the Outstanding Athlete and Academic Citizenship and Achievement Award at Northern Illinois University. In 1974 Northern Illinois University awarded him the Alumni Coaching Award. In 1986 Steve was inducted into the IWCOA Hall of Fame and he served as the Grand Marshal of the IHSA Individual State Tournament Grand March in 1998.

The IWCOA would like to congratulate all 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award inductees. Your dedication to wrestling will forever be remembered.

Congratulations Larry, Tim, Mark, Dennis, Rich, Ron, Mike, and Steve!

IWCOA Lifetime Achievement Recipients

Adams, Vernon "Art"	2009	Kocher, Leo	2011
Anderson, Charles	2001	Kraft, Art	2008
Bay, Ott	2003	Kraft, Ken	2001
Bee, Floyd	2004	Kraus, Bert	2012
Bernard, Larry	2014	Kristoff, Larry	2001
Botheroyd, Bernie	2010	Lazier, Murney	2012
Bowers, Jim	2007	Leese, Jack	2001
Brooks, Greg	2011	Licocci, Tony	2011
Cartwright, Bill	2006	Luety, Ed	2005
Cartwright, Jim	2005	Manahan, Mike	2005
Cliffe, Dan	2004	Mann, Rick	2005
Cliffe, Joe	2003	Marino, Jack	2011
Combs, Steve	2002	Marquardt, Bill	2009
Conrad, Roy	2011	Massery, Mark	2014
Cozzi, Greg	2011	Mathews, Dave	2013
Craig, Jim	2002	McCann, Dennis	2014
Cummings, Ray	2006	McCann, Terry	2007
Custer, Jim	2007	McLaughlin, Eural	2012
Cyzewski, Tim	2014	Miller, Wayne	2008
Czech, Ted	2008	Montgomery, Rich	2014
DeJarnatt, Carson	2012	O'Connor, Pat	2010
DeRousse, Ted	2003	Oglesby, Ron	2014
Dyche, George	2004	Pedersen, Dr. Joe	2004
Easter, Bob	2007	Peterson, Bill	2013
Ewoldt, Ed	2001	Pierre, Dale	2009
Farina, Charles	2001	Pillard, Henry	2010
Flanigan, Tom	2006	Pittman, Don	2013
Flavin, Don	2002	Porter, Tom	2013
Fulk, Bob	2009	Portincaso, Mike	2014
Fulscher, Dan	2012	Robinson, Jack	2011
Gardner, Jack	2008	Samorian, Harold "Sam"	2004
Gardner, James	2003	Schaus, Jon	2007
Garshelis, Renshaw	2012	Schmitt, William "Red"	2001
Gassen, Larry	2009	Sherman, Walter	2010
Genovesi, Augie	2009	Slimmer, Louis	2003
George, Elias	2002	Stoudt, Jack	2003
George, John	2008	Strange, Robert	2010
George, Pete	2008	Swalec, Dr. John	2011
Gerrish, Lon	2013	Swierczewski, Gene	2003
Gervais, Mark	2013	TenPas, Larry	2006
Geselter, Morrie	2009	Therry, Robert	2003
Girardi, George	2002	Vavrus, Joe	2009
Hastert, Hon. Dennis	2001	Weick, Bill	2006
Heniff, Tom	2002	Weiss, Steve	2014
Hicks, Bob	2002	Whitlatch, Rex	2013
Holzer, Werner	2002	Wilkey, Mike	2007
Hurley, Allen	2008	Williams, Marty	2013
Johnson, Mark	2010	Willson, Pete	2003
Jones, Robert I.	2012	Young, William	2010
King, Mark	2005		





Illinois Lifetime Achievement Members

Year Inducted

1997	Mr. Ott Bay*	2004	Mr. Robert Emmons*
1997	Mr. Charles Farina*	2004	Dr. Joseph Pedersen
1997	Mr. Elias George	2004	Mr. Terrence Stanton
1997	Mr. George Girardi*	2004	Dr. Gene Swierczewski
1997	Mr. William "Red" Schmitt	2005	Mr. Roy Conrad
2001	Mr. James Custer*	2005	Mr. Morrie Geselter
2001	Mr. Theodore Czech	2005	Mr. Dennard Moore
2001	Mr. Edmund Ewoldt	2005	Mr. Jon Schaus
2001	Mr. Don Flavin*	2005	Mr. Joseph Vavrus*
2001	Mr. Peter George	2005	Dr. Wayne Watson
2001	Mr. Robert Hicks*	2005	Mr. Peter Willson
2001	Mr. Art Kraft*	2006	Mr. Floyd Bee
2001	Mr. Lawrence Kristoff	2006	Mr. Robert Easter
2001	Mr. Jack Leese	2006	Dr. Robert Koehler
2001	Mr. Jack Stoudt	2006	Mr. Adam Lauderback
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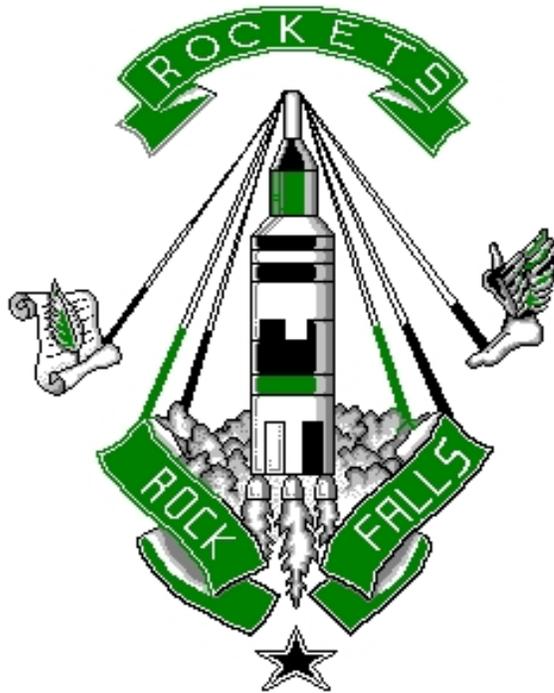
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Steve Axelrod

Tinley Park

Steve attended Peoria Central High School, in Peoria, IL and graduated in 1955. During this time he completed 4 years of wrestling and was a state qualifier. His high school wrestling coach was Tony Juska. He also played football and baseball for Peoria Central. During his high school years, as well as participating in wrestling, football and baseball at Peoria Central High School, he also played basketball and flag football for the American Zionist Association receiving the most valuable player award in both sports.

Wrestling one semester for Coach Bill Zimmer, Steve attended Bradley University. He then joined the US Army reserves and served 6 months active duty.

Axelrod attended Eureka College where he played football and ran track for 4 years, graduating in 1961 with a BS degree. (This college does not have a wrestling program.)

Graduating from Eureka College with a physical education degree, Steve taught in the Niles, Illinois elementary school district and worked for the Skokie Park District. He then spent two years at Wilmington High School and 30 years in Bremen Community High School District 228 teaching history, geography, physical education, health and driver's education, while going to school to further his education, receiving his master's degree in cultural studies from Governor's State University as well as teaching driver's education during the summers.

During his early years, while coaching at Tinley Park High School, Steve developed the Bulldog youth program in both wrestling and football. As a football coach, he won several conference championships at the sophomore level and as Offensive Coordinator for the 1986 IHSA 4A championship team.

Steve's teams placed in the top 10 at the Illinois State finals, placing 8th in 1971, 9th in 1978, and 5th in 1979, giving him a career record of 121-53-3

In 1979 Steve was named Coach of the Year by the Wrestling Coaches Association for the South Inter-Conference Association.

Following his coaching career in wrestling, he continued to be active in the sport by officiating for several years. As well, he coached girl's golf and girls' softball at TPHS and served as Assistant Athletic Director until retirement.

Steve was always community minded and when his children were in elementary school he served as president of the PTO at Armstrong School in Richton Park. Subsequently, he also served as president of the Parks and Recreation Board in Richton Park. As a retiree, he served on the Planning Commission of Kimberling City, Missouri. He was a member of the Elks, American Legion and the Masonic Order.

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Steve retired in 1993, and moved to Missouri where he worked at Silver Dollar City in Branson, Missouri, running roller coasters and other rides. He also worked at an attraction called Shepherd of the Hills as a tour guide. He returned to Illinois in 1999 moving to East Peoria to be near his parents, children and grandchildren.

Robert A. Baker **Byron**

Robert Baker has compiled an impressive career in Illinois wrestling. He began his wrestling experience as a 98-pound wrestler for Plano High School's Reapers. Performing for three different head coaches, Ken Cummins and IWCOA Hall of Famers Mick Ruettiger and Joe Cliffe, his overall prep career record was 77-11-1.

A 1982 IHSA State Tournament qualifier, Baker was at the top of the podium for an Interstate Eight conference Championship (98lbs) as well as two IHSA District (Regional) Championships at 98lbs and 105lbs respectfully.

Baker wrestled collegiately at NCAA DI Northern Illinois University for IWCOA Hall of famer Don Flavin and was a member of the 1985 MAC Conference Championship team.

Baker impact on Illinois wrestling continued once he started coaching. Starting in 1985-87 he was the Head Coach of the (IKWF) Lil' Reaper Wrestling Club and began assisting IWCOA Hall of Famer Glen Dallman in 1988 at Byron High School. In 1993 he was nominated for IWCOA Assistant Coach of the Year and the following year was named Head Coach at Byron, a position he held through the 2004 season.

During his tenure at Byron, Baker's Tigers compiled an outstanding 210-36-2-career record, which included the 1995 Illinois Class A Dual Team State Championship as well as being the 1999 Dual Team State Runner Ups.

Numerous coaching honors have been given to Baker including being twice named the IWCOA Class A Coach of the Year in 1995 and 1999. He was twice tabbed as an Illinois vs. Indiana All Star Classic Coach (1996, 2000).

At Byron, Baker coached 4 State Champions and 3 Runner Ups as well as 18 All State Wrestlers. Baker's team posted eight 20 plus win seasons and won 7 IHSA Regional Wrestling Championship. Baker led 46 IHSA State Qualifiers into the IHSA State Tournament and Coached Team Illinois 2013 Cadet National Champion Team.

Baker is the coach of the IKWF Xtreme Wrestling Club. His two sons are active wrestlers; Nelson a senior was the 2012 IHSA Class A 113 lb State Champion and 2014 Class A 120 lb State Champion. Freshman Nolan is a USA Wrestling All-American in Greco-Roman and 2014 IHSA Class A 113 lb All-State wrestler.

Baker is a past IWCOA friend of wrestling, Executive Board member, Secretary, Academic All-State Chairman, and member of the Wrestling Advisory Board Advisory.

Baker is an IHSA, IKWF and USA Official as well.

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James Busser

Polo

Jim Busser was born and raised in Polo Illinois. He and brothers Bob and Paul competed on the Varsity Wrestling Team at Polo High School. Jim was a Mid Northern Conference Champion, an IHSA Regional Champion, a sectional qualifier and Captain of the team his senior year. Jim also played football for Polo HS all 4 years.

Jim has made contributions to the sport of wrestling in many ways. He was instrumental in starting the first IKWF program for Polo youth and has coached the Polo Junior high program for many years. Many of Jim's young wrestlers have gone on to very successful high schools wrestling careers and some have won state medals.

Where Jim has had the most impact, is on the mat as a wrestling official. Jim has been a Certified Official for 26 years. He has officiated numerous IHSA Regional and IHSA Sectional Tournaments. Jim has been an IHSA State Final Official 11 Times, worked 5 individual and 6 Dual Team State finals

In addition, Jim has officiated at the IKWF State Championships 7 times the Al Dvorak Memorial Tournament 7 times and, the AAU Middle School National Duals in Des Moines, IA 8 times.

Jim is the owner of Busser Builders in Polo, Illinois. His family includes his children Jason of Polo, Dylon who recently graduated from UIC with a degree in Biology, Katlyn who is attending Indiana University and Victoria who is a 5th Grade student at Polo Elementary School. Jim would like to sincerely thank his family and friends who have shown so much support throughout his life and career.

Mark Bybee

St. Laurence High School

Mark Bybee was the 1994 145 pound IHSA State Champion for St. Laurence High School and Head Coach Tom Gauger. Bybee was a three-time All-State wrestler including finishing as the state finalist as a freshman 103 pounder in 1991. He was the third (and one of 12 ever in 75 years) four-time Chicago Catholic League Champions for the Vikings. His career record was an impressive 160-14.

As a three-sport athlete during his high school years, Bybee also lettered in football and cross-country.

Bybee was a member of the 1992 Junior World team in Greco – Roman and a three-time USA Wrestling Junior National All American.

Matriculating to Northwestern University and wrestling for Head Coach Tim Cysewski, Bybee with a career record of 97-25, was an NCAA All American, a Big Ten Champion and a three-time Big Ten finalist.

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Chris Casey Tinley Park

Chris Casey started wrestling in the 7th grade at the Hickory Hills Park District with Coach Bob Zaccone. He continued his wrestling career at Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Palos Hills with Coach Dave Anderson, where he won 2 district (regional) tournaments and 1 sectional tournament and capped off his senior year by taking 6th place in the Illinois State wrestling tournament with a record of 31 wins against just 6 losses.

Chris was a late bloomer and did his best wrestling during his collegiate years at Augustana College (Rock Island, IL) from 1980 thru 1984. Casey was an NCAA Division III National Champion in 1983 (158lbs.) and 1984 (167lbs.). He finished his career with a 153-24-1 record, which at the time was the schools, all-time career win leader in Augustana College history.

Chris also won 4 CCIW (College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin) wrestling titles. At the NCAA Division III national tournament his team placed fifth in 1982, fifth in 1983 and sixth in 1984. During his college career he won the Wartburg College tournament once and the Olivet College tournament 3 times, the Cornell College tournament 3 times, the All-Lutheran tournament at Luther College 3 times and the Wheaton College tournament 3 times.

Chris was inducted into the NCAA National Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1991. In addition he was inducted into the Augustana College's Hall of Fame in 2004 and recently inducted into the School District 230 "Hall of fame" in 2013.

Chris briefly worked as an assistant wrestling coach at Augustana College in 1985 and 1986 then pursued a sales management career in the insurance industry in the Chicago land area. He became involved with the professional organization of the General Agents and Managers Association. Chris was an active member, soon moving up to treasurer, then Vice-President and ultimately became President of the Association. At the same time Chris helped coach wrestling at his high school alma mater, AA Stagg High School with Hall of Fame Coach Dave Anderson.

Following his insurance career Chris became involved in the transportation industry in 2000 and started a Logistics company, Spartacus Logistics which he currently owns and operates out of Tinley Park IL.

Chris currently lives in Tinley Park, IL and is married to Catherine Casey for the past 23 years. He has three beautiful daughters, Samantha Casey 19 years old and attends North Central College in Naperville IL, Abby Casey 15 years old and attends Lincoln Way North High School in Frankfort IL and his youngest daughter Grace Casey 14 years old and attends Summit Hill Junior High in Frankfort IL.

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Glenn Exton **Vandalia – O’Fallon**

Glenn Exton, born in Alton, IL began his wrestling career at Roxana wrestling for IWCOA Hall of Fame coach Larry Milazzo. He compiled an 83-30 career record and was a 2 time IHSA State Qualifier and a Sectional Champion.

Exton was a four-sport athlete at Roxana also lettering in football as an All-Conference Nose Guard, an All-Conference baseball player and a Pole Vault for the track team.

Exton wrestled one year for at Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville for IWCOA Hall of Fame coach Larry Kristoff.

Exton started the Roxana Park District kids program (IKWF) at 19 years old, coaching there for 8 years. He then coached another 5 years at Edwardsville Junior High while continuing his involvement in the IKWF. The dual meet record at Edwardsville Junior High was 43-7 during his tenure. For those 13 years, Exton had more than 80 state qualifiers and 15 place winners.

In 1992 Exton began his high school coaching career at Vandalia High School and coached there for 14 years. Exton is now at O’Fallon Township High School for the last 8 years and has garnered a superb 407-91-3 record. Over that time span he has had 83 IHSA State Qualifiers, 18 All-State wrestlers, 2 State Finalist and 3 State Champions.

Exton’s 1996 Vandalia team went undefeated (23-0) en route to the Dual Team State Championship. He has guided 9 teams into the Dual Team state tournament with 5 of those teams placing in the top 4 in the state. His teams have won 69 straight regular season dual meets, 32 regular season tournaments championships, 12 IHSA Regional Championships, and 13 conference championships.

A four-time finalist for the IWCOA Head Coach of the Year Award, Exton has served on various IHSA committees including the Wrestling Advisory Board.

Exton also has coached football for 18 years at both Vandalia and Edwardsville High Schools. He is currently a Physical Education and Driver’s Education teacher at O’Fallon and his favorite hobbies is fishing.

Ryan Ferguson **Lake Park**

Ryan Ferguson was a two-time All-State wrestler for Coach Jerry Ancona at Lake Park High School 1990 to 1992. Ferguson compiled a career 156-15 record for the Lancers with 11 of those loses coming during his freshman season. He was the Lake Park Athlete of the year 1992 and in his career, a three time IHSA State Qualifier.

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Ferguson began wrestling in the second grade in the IKWF. He compiled a stellar career becoming a 5-time place winner, a 4-time finalist and a three time IKWF State Champion.

Wrestling for Westmar University in LeMars, Iowa and Hall of Fame Coach Milt Martin, Ferguson recorded 146 wins to become the All Time Career leader for the Eagles. A year team captain, Ferguson who was a three time Most Valuable Wrestler as well became a two time NAIA National Finalist and a four time all American from 1992 to 1996.

In 1995 Ferguson competed and trained in Russia and Germany and a member of the USA Collegiate National Team.

With a Physical Education degree in hand began a coaching career, first as a Graduation Assistant at Westmar in 1997 before becoming the Head Wrestling coach at Holy Cross High School in 1998. In 2000 Ferguson became the Head Coach at Wheaton Warrenville South and through 2011 coached 19 IHSA State Qualifiers, 9 All State wrestlers and a State Champion.

In 2012 Ferguson moved to Wheaton North High School where he is currently the Dean of Students as well as the freshman wrestling coach. In addition he is the Head Coach of the IKWF's Yorkville Wrestling Club. Ferguson has a Masters of Arts in Educational Leadership from Chicago State University as well as an Administrative Certificate.

Tom Futris Crystal Lake

Tom Futris was born on December 31, 1948 in Chicago. He attended Evanston Township High School during the early 60's, where he wrestled for National Hall of Fame coach Elias George.

Futris is a Vietnam Veteran, serving in the U.S. Navy from 1967 to 1971. Upon returning home he was excited to be involved in wrestling again, supporting his oldest son, Tom Jr., who wrestled for Arlington and Prospect High Schools.

Throughout the 80's, Tom helped coach the Arlington Cardinals Wrestling Club, where his son Stephen competed. In 1988, Tom began officiating wrestling. During the early years, you could see Tom's wife, Debra, in the stands or mat side videotaping Tom's matches as well as matches of some of the more experienced officials. The Futris' would spend many evenings reviewing the tapes in an effort to improve on Tom's work and refine his mechanics by studying those of many of the state level officials.

In 2000, Tom retired from a telecommunications career spanning nearly 30 years. He has remained passionate and dedicated to the sport of wrestling and to providing a safe, fair and healthy experience for all wrestlers. During a 25 year period, Tom officiated 22 IHSA regionals, 13 sectionals, and 11 State Final Tournaments. In addition Tom also officiated 8 IKWF State Final Tournaments.

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Tom and Debra have four grandsons: their daughter Nicole's sons, Jason and Nikolas and Tom Jr's sons, Tyler and Chad. Since retiring in 2000, each Midwest winter brings with it Debra's wondering aloud about Tom registering to officiate in Phoenix or Maui. However, with their family settled in the Chicago suburbs, and with Tom and Debra's strong desire to watch their grandsons grow up and compete; they will welcome and enjoy many more wrestling seasons from their hometown base in Crystal Lake.

Ryan Geist Fox Lake (Grant)

Ryan Geist is a 1990 graduate of Grayslake High School where he was a two time state qualifier and All-State his senior year. Ryan wrestled in college at Illinois State University earning three varsity letters for the Redbirds.

Geist began coaching at Grant Community High School (Fox Lake), as an assistant in 1997-1998 and took over as head coach at Grant in 1999-2000.

From 2001 through 2010, Ryan's teams had an undefeated record in the NSC Prairie Division (55-0) and won ten consecutive Prairie Division Championships Furthermore, during Coach Geist's tenure the Grant wrestling team has won 7 North Suburban Conference Championships, 7 I.H.S.A. Regional Championships, and had 4 IHSA Elite 8 appearances. He became the only coach in the history of Grant Community High School to win an IHSA State Tournament trophy when his varsity squad placed 3rd in the 2006 Dual-Meet State Tournament. As a result, the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association elected Geist, Class AA Coach of the Year in 2006.

At the IHSA Individual State Tournament Geist has guided Bulldog wrestlers to 5 IHSA State Championships, 20 all-state honors, and 45 state qualifiers. In dual meet competition, Grant under the tutelage of Geist, has a sterling record of 228-38. He has also coached the Illinois National Team in Greco-Roman competition and currently has six wrestlers competing in college at the Division I level in which two of them have attained All-American Honors.

Geist and his wife Karen have a son Ethan and a daughter Emily and currently reside in Ingleside, Illinois. Ryan teaches social studies at Grant and is also the assistant golf coach.

Ben Gerdes Providence – Carl Sandburg

Ben Gerdes started his wrestling career at age six for the Orland Park Pioneers. He was first eligible to wrestle in the Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation State Championship series at age 10, when he won his first IKWF State Championship. For the next three years, he was a finalist, winning one more title.

Gerdes then followed his older brother Ken, III, a two-time Illinois State Champion (IHSA), to Providence Catholic High School (New Lenox) where he wrestled for Hall of Fame coach, Mike Polz. As a freshman, he placed third and fifth as a sophomore. Gerdes followed Coach Polz when he took the head coaching position at

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Carl Sandburg (Orland Park). For the Eagles he took third as a junior and as a senior was the IHSA state finalist at 145lbs. Ben was the first four-time Al Dvorak Memorial Tournament Champion, a four time IHSA State qualifier and a four time place winner with a career high school record of 173-10.

In 1992, Gerdes was the USA Wrestling (USAW) Cadet Freestyle 132lb. National Champion, and he won the Bronze medal at the FILA Cadet World Championships in Istanbul, Turkey. He was the USAW Junior Freestyle 132lb runner-up his junior year, and he placed third his senior year at 143lbs. Gerdes was the World Team Trials Champion, and wrestled on the USA Wrestling Freestyle Junior World team, where he took fifth at the FILA World Championships in Budapest, Hungary.

Gerdes continued his wrestling career at Lassen College (Susanville, CA) and wrestled for Hall of Fame coach Rex Branum. He won the 1995 NJCAA title at 141 lbs. and helped lead the Cougars to the NCJAA National Championship. Gerdes finished his college career at Lock Haven University (Pennsylvania), winning the Eastern Wrestling League (EWL) Conference Championship and was an NCAA Division I National Qualifier for the Eagles.

Ben returned to wrestling as a coach in 2002, succeeding IWCOA Hall of Fame coach Bill Weick in 2003 as head coach at Mount Carmel High School (Chicago). During that time, Gerdes coached 15 IHSA All State wrestlers and 6 IHSA State Champions. His Caravan teams won 4 IHSA Regional Championships, had 3 Dual Team Sectional Runner Up finishes and a Chicago Catholic League Championship.

After leaving Mount Carmel in 2007, Ben went became an assistant coach at Marian Catholic High School (Chicago Heights) from 2007-2010. Gerdes is now the head coach of the Celtic Elite Wrestling Club (New Lenox) and coaches his son, Owen. Ben, his wife Mandy, and their three children, 10-year-old twins, Kate and Owen and Molly (8), live in New Lenox.

Gerdes has recently started his own business, a public adjusting firm called Oak Public Adjustment Inc.

Marty Hickman Bloomington – IHSA

Marty Hickman was named an assistant executive director by the IHSA Board of Directors and joined the administrative staff July 1, 1991 and promoted to Associate Executive Director on July 1, 1999. On June 14, 2001, Hickman was named to replace Dave Fry as executive director of the IHSA, upon Fry's retirement in June, 2002.

A Colorado native who grew up in Illinois and graduated from New Berlin High School, Marty earned his bachelor's degree in education from Eastern Illinois University and a master's degree in educational administration from University of Illinois - Springfield. In 1994, he received his doctorate in education from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana.

He began his career in education as a teacher and a coach at Girard High School from 1980-83. From 1983-85 Marty was the principal of Bluffs Jr.-Sr. High School. For the next two years he was the principal of Westmer Secondary School and in 1987 was named the principal of Monmouth High School where he remained until joining the IHSA staff.

Marty has served as the Chairperson of the National Federation of State High School Association's Strategic Planning Team. Marty is also a member of the Peoria Riverfront Museum Board of Directors, the Special

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Olympics (Illinois) Board of Directors, and the CSIET Board of Directors.

Marty and his wife, Nancy, reside in Bloomington. They have two sons.

Randall Konstans **North Aurora**

Randall Konstans wrestled at St. Charles High School for coaches Fred Bruder and Chuck Robinson from 1978-1982

He was a NCAA Division III wrestler at Illinois Wesleyan University placing three times in the CCIW conference at 118 pounds.

At the conclusion of his active wrestling career in 1987, Konstans became an assistant coach for Mick Ruettiger at St. Charles High School and also assisted at West Aurora High School in 1989.

Konstans twice was named the IWOCA Assistant Coach of the Year (1992 & 1998) and both of those years asked to coach in the Illinois vs. Indiana All Star Dual.

From 2001 to 2006 Konstans was an IHSA Wrestling official. Since 2004 he has been the IHSA Wrestling Tournament Bench Official.

Named the 2006 IWCOA Class AA Administrator of the Year, he is the current treasurer for the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum – Illinois Chapter.

Patrick McMahon **Tinley Park**

Patrick McMahon was the 1979 132 pound State Champion for the Tinley Park Titan's and Head Coach Steve Axelrod. An All State wrestler in 1978, McMahon compiled 132 and 17 record from 1976 to 1979. He was also a 4-time conference champion, a two-time district (regional) champion and an IHSA sectional champion.

Patrick was a two-sport athlete in high school as an all-conference defensive back and in 1978 was named to the All Area football team.

At the collegiate level Patrick enrolled at the University of Illinois (Champaign) in 1979 before transferring to Augustana College in Rock Island. Wrestling for Head Coach Dennis Riccio he compiled an impressive 102-71 record in route to becoming a three-time NCAA DIII All-American.

Patrick was a NCAA DIII National Champion in 1984, a national finalist in 1983, and a third place finisher in 1982. McMahon earned the CCIW Most Valuable Wrestler award in 1982 and was a three-time Conference Champion.

Patrick began his wrestling career for the Tinley Park Bulldogs and was the 1975 IKWF State Champion as well

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as a 1974 State Finalist.

Gary McMorrow Prospect High School

Gary McMorrow began his 50 years of wrestling involvement in Illinois in 1964 as a wrestler under the guidance of IWCOA Hall of Fame coaches Dick Mudge and Tom Porter. At Prospect, McMorrow was a three year varsity letter winner, a two time sectional qualifier, a three time all-conference selection, and team captain his senior year. Upon completion of his senior season in 1968, Tom Porter was named the first head coach of the new John Hersey High School. At that time, Porter told McMorrow to pursue a degree in education and continue to wrestle, as Porter would like to have McMorrow as an assistant coach in the future.

In the fall of 1968, McMorrow enrolled at Western Illinois University to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology/Anthropology and teacher certification. At Western, he wrestled for four years and received two varsity letters, while maintaining a resident assistant position for three years. He graduated in the spring of 1972 and earned a Master's Degree in Guidance and Counseling in 1976 from Western, completing most of his courses during summer school sessions.

Shortly after his college graduation and only a few weeks prior to the start of the 1972-1973 school year, McMorrow received a call from Tom Porter. Porter stated that he had recommended McMorrow for a recently opened cooperative education teaching and assistant wrestling position at Hersey. McMorrow applied and was hired by High School District 214 as a Cooperative Work Training (C.W.T.) teacher/coordinator and assistant wrestling coach at Hersey. McMorrow spent 11 successful seasons at Hersey, as the sophomore coach for Tom Porter his first year and then as the freshman coach for 10 years for IWCOA Hall of Famer Rick Mann.

In 1983, McMorrow became the head coach at his alma mater, Prospect High School. While at Prospect, he spent the first nine years as a guidance counselor and the last 16 years back in the C.W.T. classroom. In May 1994, he was named an "Outstanding Contributor to Education" by High School District 214 for the 1993-1994 school year. McMorrow retired from teaching in 2008 and remained as head coach through the 2009 season.

While at Prospect, McMorrow had 204 dual meet wins. His teams won the Mid-Suburban League-East Division title in 2007 and the overall Conference Championship in 2005 and 2007. For both of those years, McMorrow was named the MSL-East Division Coach of the Year. His 1992 team wrestled in the dual team Regional Final and his 2007 team won the school's first and only regional title. McMorrow had 16 state qualifiers, seven state placers, and two trips to the Grand March. In 2009, Matt Boggess won the 140 pound-3A State Championship to become McMorrow and Prospect's first State Wrestling Champ. It also was McMorrow's last match as a head coach and a great way to end his varsity coaching career. In 2011, Prospect's 54 year old varsity invitational, The Dick Mudge Memorial, was renamed the Mudge-McMorrow Invitational, in appreciation for his 34 years of involvement in the meet as both a wrestler and coach. Since 2010 McMorrow has been a freshman coach at Prospect and has had five successful frosh seasons.

McMorrow has made other contributions to wrestling in Illinois. For the past 31 seasons, he has calligraphied the entire individual and dual team member All-State Certificates presented by the IWCOA at its annual April All-State Banquet. For his efforts he was twice named a "Friend of Wrestling" by the IWCOA. For several years, McMorrow also calligraphied award bracket boards for the Arlington Cardinals annual "Massacre" kids tournament. When his own boys were in grade school, McMorrow helped develop intramural wrestling programs at the elementary school in District 96 and was a three-year volunteer coach at the junior high school

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in District 23.

McMorrow resides in Arlington Heights with Pamela, his supportive wife of 38 years, and has four adult children: Tiffany, Joseph, Jeffrey, and Courtney. Besides continuing to assist Prospect Wrestling, he continues to substitute regularly at Prospect and is known to everyone as “G-Mac”. He also works full-time seasonally for Billy Casper Golf, Inc., as the grounds supervisor at the Harry Semrow Driving Range and Miniature Golf in Des Plaines. He enjoys going to flea markets in his search for Coca-Cola memorabilia and collectables and presently is most eagerly awaiting the arrival of his first grandchild due in June.

Ron Paar **Crystal Lake (University of Wisconsin)**

A 1960 graduate of Crystal Lake Community High School, Ron Paar was a two-time state place winner. He placed 3rd as a junior and was runner-up as a senior and had only 3 losses during his junior and senior year. He also played football and ran track. He was selected as the football team’s Most Valuable Defensive Player and was named Athlete of the Year his senior year.

Ron attended the University Wisconsin on a wrestling scholarship and was one of only seven three-time All-Americans in Wisconsin wrestling history. He also applied his trade on the football field as an offensive lineman for the Badgers from 1961-1964. He played in the Rose Bowl in January of 1963.

Ron placed 4th in the Western Conference in 1962 and was a three-time NCAA All American, placed third at 177 pounds in 1962 before moving up to 191 pounds, finishing third in 1963 and fifth in 1964.

Ron returned to school in 1967 to complete the degree requirements and received a Bachelor’s degree in Mechanical Engineering. He worked as an independent contractor and consultant.

Michael Powell **Oak Park**

Mike Powell, who first walked into the Oak Park River Forest High School Wrestling Room at the age of 5, graduated from Little Huskies Youth Wrestling to become a high school state champion. He won the AA 171-pound IHSA State Wrestling title in 1994 and went on to become a 167-pound NCAA All-American at Indiana University.

In 1999, Mike returned to Oak Park River Forest to teach and coach – and he has excelled at both. In 2010, he received an Outstanding Educator Award from the Northwestern Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, one of the nation’s largest education associations.

Mike’s impressive list of coaching accomplishments includes conference, state and national championships. In just nine years, his teams have amassed a dual record of 155 wins and 39 losses. Along with coaching teams to five National Dual Championships, he has also coached scores of national champions and place winners. In 2009 USA Wrestling named Mike its Cadet Development Coach of the Year.

In March of 2009, just after coaching his team to the IHSA AAA State Dual Team Championship and just before being honored as the AAA Coach of the Year, Mike was stricken with polymyositis, a rare autoimmune disease that results in the destruction of muscle cells, an often crippling or fatal condition.

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He has faced his physical challenge with courage and ferocity. His battle with this disease and his commitment to education and coaching was featured in Sports Illustrated and was chronicled in documentaries on NBC and ESPN.

It is Mike's passion to continue to pass on life's lessons to the young people he meets and mentors. He believes that maximizing one's potential as a high school student/athlete is difficult, so having a plan on how to do it is essential. He stresses integrity, discipline, hard work, respect, kindness and contributions to family, community and the larger world. A father figure to many, including 2012 Olympian Ellis Coleman, Mike assists his students with their life plans even into adulthood.

Mike has also succeeded in creating a Huskies Wrestling Family of parents, siblings, alumni and fans who support the wrestlers by fundraising and cheering at local and state tournaments. They raised almost \$40,000 to allow Ellis Coleman's family to attend his quest for a gold medal in London.

Mike's 2014 edition of the Huskie's reached a pinnacle never achieved before and has been tabbed as arguably the best team ever in Illinois history. The team finished the season ranked as the number two team in the United States. This is an achievement no other Illinois team had ever garnered. In addition the team won the Illinois Dual Team State Championship and at the Illinois Individual State Championship qualified an unprecedented 10 wrestlers with 5 of them earning All-State Honors and 4 of those same wrestlers winning individual state championships.

Following his 2014 team's success Mike decided to step away from his head coach role and take an assistants position with the Huskies. This will allow him to concentrate on his strengths as a technical and motivational coach working within the confines of the Huskie's wrestling room.

Despite his health challenges, Mike continues to serve as a role model for hundreds of athletes, past and present, who look to him for advice, inspiration and help.

Bill Scully Hoffman Estates

Bill Scully began his wrestling career at Brother Rice High School from 1975-1979. However, his mark in wrestling came from coaching others to be great.

Scully honed his coaching skills first as an assistant coach at Providence Catholic (1985-88), then as assistant coach at Conant (1988-91), before becoming Head Coach at Hoffman Estates from 1991-2009.

During a twenty-eight year coaching career Scully's teams produced 9 conference championships, 9 regional championships, 2 sectional championships and a third place finish at the IHSA Dual Team tournament. In addition, as a head coach Scully coached 2 IHSA wrestling officials, 2 varsity head coaches, 8 varsity assistants and mentored 3 varsity head coaches.

Scully was instrumental in creating and implementing today's popular Illinois Frosh/Soph State Tournament.

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Rich Skelnik **East Leyden**

Rich Skelnik wrestled for IWCOA Hall of Fame coach Chuck Farina at East Leyden from 1966 to 1969. He is a member of East Leyden's Wall of Fame lettering in football, track, cross-country and baseball. A four-year varsity wrestler he won the 1967 IHSA Sectional Championship.

At the collegiate level Skelnik attended Triton Junior College (River Grove, IL) graduating in 1972 while posting a 42-11 record. He was named Team Captain for that season as well as a two-time Academic All-American (1972 & 1974). Skelnik also played soccer at Triton during the 1971 season. He also wrestled at the NCAA DI level for Eastern Illinois (Charleston) and had a 51-19 combined collegiate record.

As a coach, every coach that Skelnik wrestled for or coached with is in the IWCOA Hall of Fame, Farina, Art Kraft, Hop Pinter, Butch Diewaldo and Tom Flangan. Skelnik was the SICA Conference Assistant Coach of the Year in 1977.

Skelnik is an accomplished wrestling official who has worked one NCAA National Championship, and five Midlands championships. In addition he was an IHSA official for 12 years. Skelnik was named the floor administrator at the IHSA State Finals from 1976 to 2001.

A resident of Chandler, Arizona, Skelnik is currently the Director of Talent Acquisition and Community Investment for General Dynamics. He received in 2006 General Dynamics first ever President's Award for Exceptional Hiring Practices, University Relations Program and community involvement.

Skelnik's hobbies include walking/jogging, golf, tennis, bike riding, reading fund raising, and music and sports trivia.

Roy Snyder **Rochelle**

Roy Snyder's wrestling career began in the early 1970's in Dubuque Iowa. Roy participated in football, wrestling and track for Dubuque Hempstead High School. He was selected team captain his senior year in both wrestling and football. In addition, Roy received all-conference honors in both sports. Roy went on to participate in football at the college level. He attended North Iowa Area Community College (Mason City IA.) before completing his Bachelor Degree in Industrial Safety at the University of Dubuque.

Roy and his family moved to Mt. Morris, Illinois in 1991. He served the community as a volunteer coach in soccer, baseball, wrestling and football. Roy began officiating football in 1991. Soon after, he became an IHSA licensed official for wrestling, baseball and softball. Roy has been instrumental in Northwestern Illinois in recruiting and mentoring new officials. During his 22 years as a wrestling official Roy has worked 20 regional and 16 sectional wrestling tournaments. He has had the honor of officiating 13 IHSA State wrestling tournaments, 5 IESA, 7 IKWF State Wrestling Tournaments, 7 Dvorak Tournaments and 2 Illinois vs. Indiana Duals. Roy has also been fortunate enough to serve the IHSA as a clinician for baseball, and he has officiated one IHSA baseball state championship and 3 IHSA state championships in football.

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Roy's other activities have included being a school board member in Oregon Illinois for several years, running and completing the Chicago Marathon in 2005, Assistant Scoutmaster for the local scout troop and he has served as Secretary/Treasurer for the White Pines Officials Association for 14 years.

Roy and his wife Cathy live in Rochelle. Roy works for Vactor Manufacturing in Streator, Illinois as a Safety Manager.

Roy and Cathy Snyder have 2 sons, Brian and Nick. Brian graduated from University of Wisconsin Platteville in 2011 with an accounting and finance degree and most recently completed his CPA certification. Nick also graduated from the University of Wisconsin Platteville in 2013 with a teaching degree in PE, Health and a minor in business.

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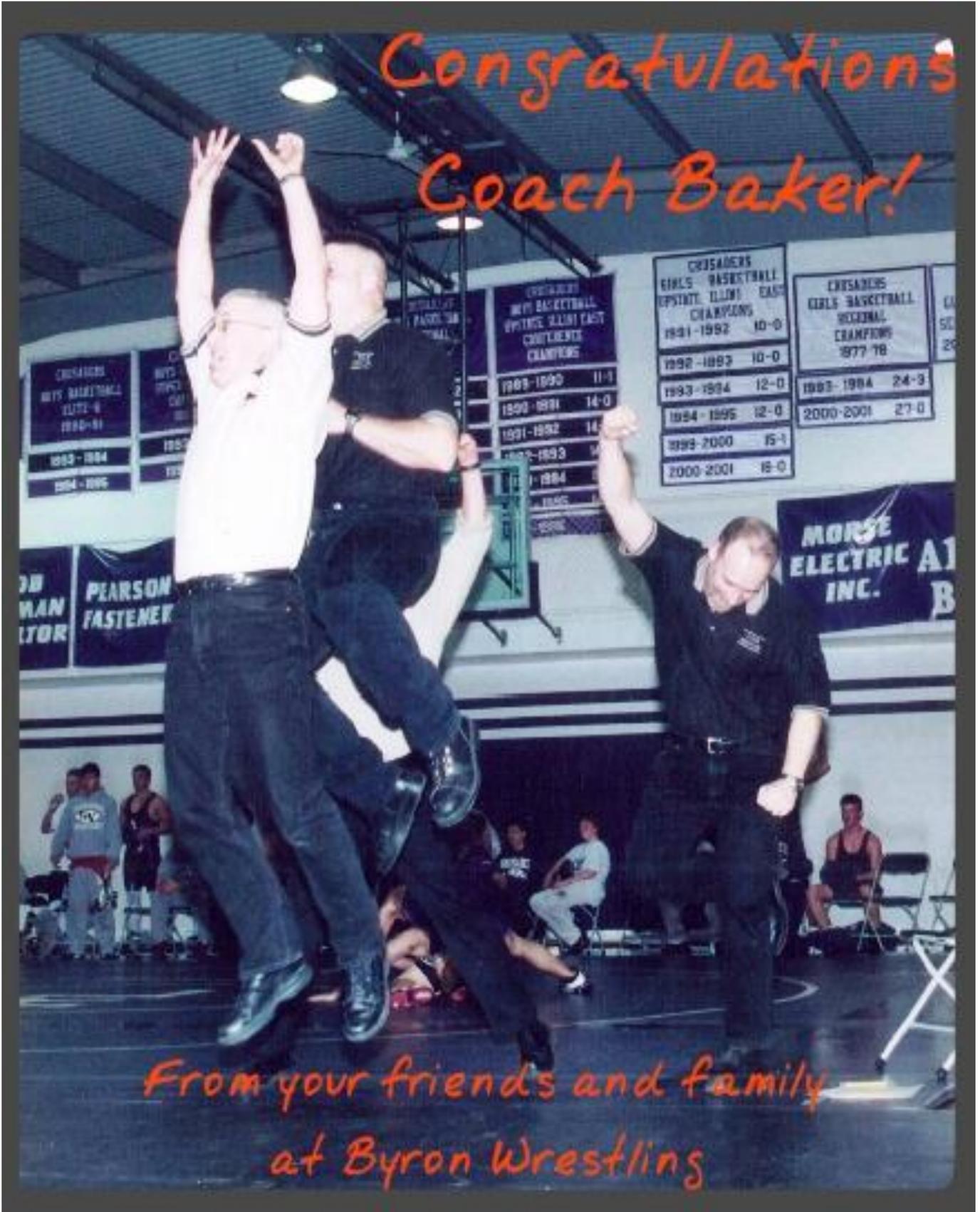
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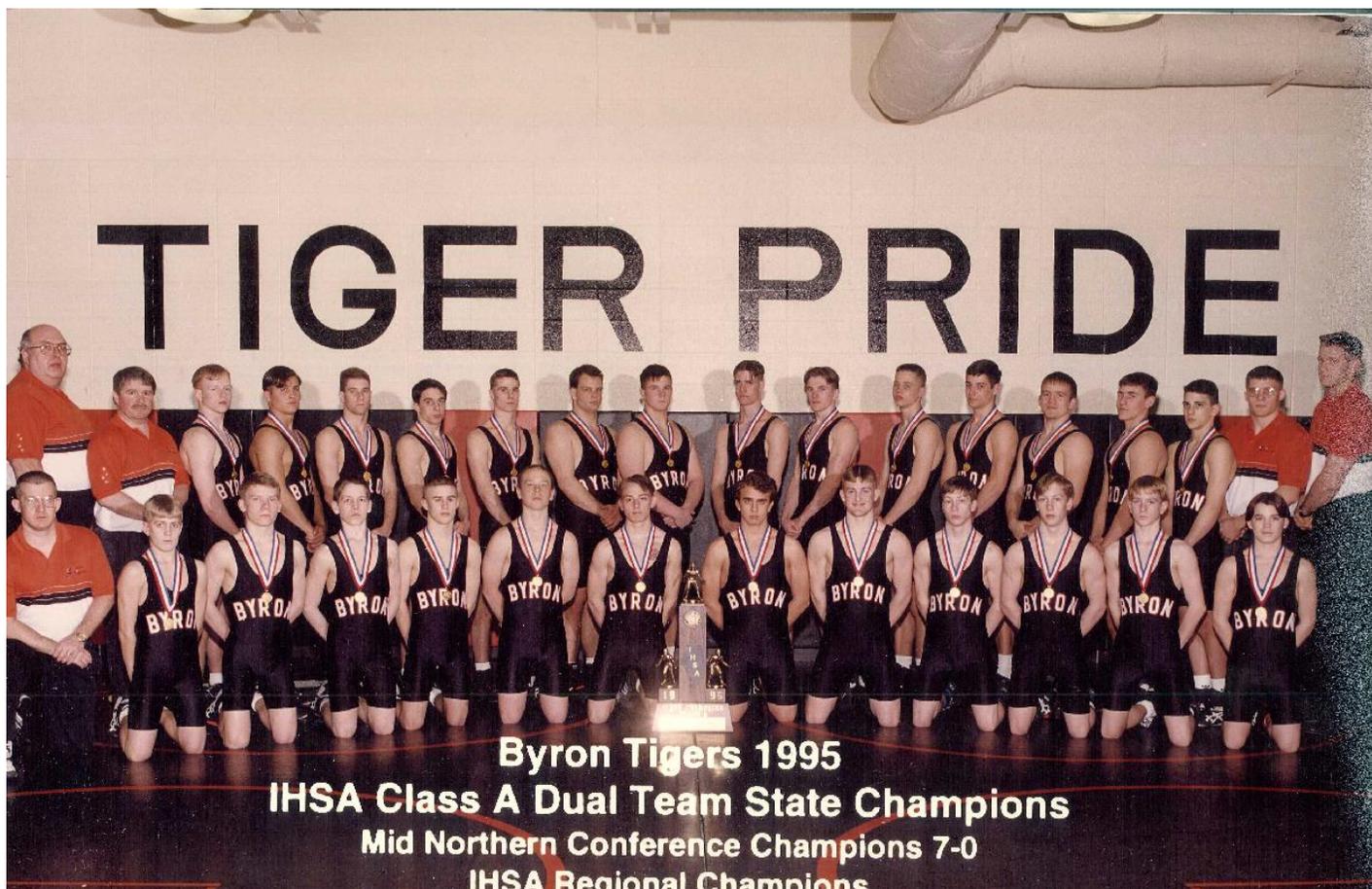


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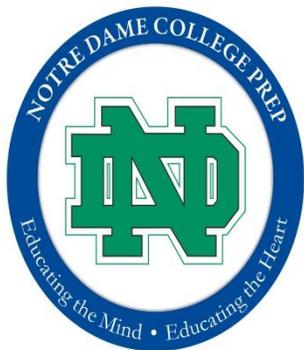




Congratulations Coach Baker on your introduction into the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Official Association Hall of Fame!

The 1995 State Championship Team

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WRESTLER KEVIN McCANN
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BILL SCULLY**

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Congratulations **Coach Ryan Geist** on your induction to
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BADA BING – BADA BOOM

“Your” Undefeated 2013/2014 Grant High School Wrestling Team.

Coaches: Walter Alvarenga, Dave Blanke, Jim Cramer, Leonard Grodoski, Doug Mann, Tom Foster, Ricky Robilotta, Jeff Walls

Team Members: Jesse Anderson, Cole Berg, Jeff Braunsdorf, Christian Coronado, Alex Dague, Jarid Darby, Gage Datlovski, Noah Drabek, Robert Dush, Colin Fabry, Jordan Favela, Noah Flores, Justin Gilich, Steve Herrington, Sam Isidro, Christian Kanzler, Matt Koch, Nicholas Koch, Michael Kouvelis, Thomas Kouvelis, Kobe Lear, Lucas Lenz, John Loris, Brad Miller, Nathan Miller, Antonio Montoya, Anthony Mostachio, Adam Nixon, Troy Parent, Andy Preidis, Jack Resnick, Alex Rodriguez, Kenny Sahs, Brian Tracy, Justen Warden

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1976	Adams, Vern "Art"	Normal	2003	Bulow, Allen	Glenbrook South
2013	Aldridge, Terry	Eureka	1990	Byram, Howard	Niles East
1997	Allen, Andre	Lane Tech	2006	Camden, Brett	Mahomet-Seymour
2005	Amy, Rick	Rockridge	2008	Campbell, Robert	Rich Central
1998	Ancona, Jerry	Roselle (Lake Park)	1996	Carmody, Tom	Jacksonville
2011	Anderson, Greg	Geneseo	2001	Carnahan, James	Rock Island
2000	Anderson, Dave	Palos Hills (Stagg)	2010	Carroll, Dan	Chicago (St. Rita)
1979	Anderson, Charles	Savanna	1993	Cartwright, William	Proviso East
2012	Andreotti, Paul	Marist/Northwestern	1993	Cartwright, James	Conant
1999	Anthonisen, Norman	Chicago (Bowen)	2010	Chaloupka, Jim	Chicago
1997	Antonacci, Dr. Robert	Lindblom	2013	Cheeseman, Pat	Mt. Carmel
1990	Antonides, Robert	Morgan Park	2000	Christenson, Curt	Pontiac
2010	Arkin, Fred	Oak Park	2010	Clarke, Terry	Elmhurst (York)
2008	Arlis, Tom	Naperville N./Batavia	2005	Clarke, Tony	Zion
1978	Armer, Max	LaGrange	1993	Cliffe, Dan	DeKalb
2003	Armes, Les	Normal/Joliet JC	1993	Cliffe, Joe	Plano/Prairie Central
2006	Ball, Dave	Hillsboro	1998	Clinton, Ron	Univ of Illinois/EIU
1980	Bandy, Lester	Danville	2010	Coit, Ron	Farmer City
1979	Barbaro, Tony	Tilden Tech	1989	Coldren, Dick	Northwestern
1996	Bartosz, Bruce	Antioch	1999	Collins, Niall	Oak Park
2006	Baum, Urban	Belleville (East)	1975	Combs, Steve	Moline
2002	Baum, Russ	Cahokia	1987	Coniglio, Frank	Murphysboro
2006	Bay, Mike	Waukegan	1975	Conrad, Roy	Chicago (Schurz)
1972	Bay, Ott	Waukegan	2000	Conrad, Randy	East Leyden
1973	Bay, Rick	Waukegan	1989	Conrad, Ray	River Grove
2006	Bay, Steve	Waukegan	2003	Cook, Gary	Argenta-Oreana
1995	Becker, Howard	Wilmington	1998	Cookas, Mike	Joliet (West)
1989	Bee, Floyd	Lincoln	2011	Corwin, Lloyd	Rock Island
1975	Behm, Don	New Trier	2008	Cotter, Kevin	Byron
2001	Benion, Ernest	Romeoville/U of IL	1995	Cozzi, Greg	Palatine
1995	Benner, William	Peotone	1987	Craig, James	Oak Lawn
2001	Berman, Al	Palatine	1980	Crisler, Ben	Thornton
2000	Bernard, Larry	Bolingbrook	1990	Cummings, Ray	Tolono
2003	Bessemer, Ron	Harper JC	2008	Curby, Dr. David	LaGrange
1987	Billberg, Bob	Libertyville	1974	Custer, James	Pekin
1988	Bishop, Fred	Proviso	2002	Cutlip, Jack	Arlington Heights
2003	Blew, Jerry	Roselle (Lake Park)	1991	Cysewski, Tim	Glenbrook South/NU
1981	Blunk, Clarence	Blue Island	1973	Czech, Ted	Thornton
2008	Bormet, Sean	Providence	1990	Dallman, Glen	Byron
1996	Botheroyd, Bernie	Glenbard West	1998	D'Ambrosio, John	Bremen
1985	Bowers, James	Bloomington	1991	Dannehl, Wayne	Antioch
2012	Bowers, Jeff	Bloomington	2007	Dantzler, T.C.	Thornwood/NIU
1994	Bowman, Randall	LeRoy	1994	Dare, George	Coal City
2001	Bracken, Kevin	St. Laurence	2008	Davis, Jon	Edwardsville
2013	Bradley, Greg	Mt. Zion	2011	Davis, Tony	Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
1994	Branum, Rex	Lincoln JC	1978	DeJarnatt, Carson	Sterling
1999	Brooks, Gregory	Chicago (Fenger)	1978	DeRousse, Ted	Antioch
2002	Brost, David	New Lenox	1991	Deutschmann, Archie	Urbana
1985	Brown, George	Rock Island	1991	Devine, Pat	Tilden Tech
2008	Bukovsky, Mike	Montini Catholic	2012	Devine, Don	Crystal Lake

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1996	Dickason, Donald	Champaign	2004	Garrett, Harold	Bloomington
1985	Diewald, Emil "Butch"	Homewood-Flossmoor	1994	Garshelis, Renshaw	Charleston
2008	Dodge, Tim	Lindenhurst	1995	Gassen, Larry	Downers Grove South
2007	Douglas, David	Luther S/Thornridge	2001	Gauger, Tom	Burbank St. Laurence
1981	Downing, Wirt	East St. Louis	1994	Genovesi, Augie	Niles (Notre Dame)
2004	Drendel, Gene	Naperville	1982	George, Pete	Bensenville (Fenton)
2013	Drosopoulos, Dan	Morrison	1973	George, Elias	Evanston
2012	Dunn, Jim	Lawrenceville	1977	George, John	Evergreen Park
1993	Dunn, Leo "Skip"	Rich East	2013	Geraci, Sam	Roselle (Lake Park)
2007	Durlacher, Lindsey	Buffalo Grove/U of I	2002	Gerber, Walt	Rock Island
1987	Dyche, George	West Aurora	1997	Gerrish, Lon	Sandwich
1985	Easter, Bob	Peoria (Richwoods)	1995	Gervais, Mark	Chicago (Marist)
2009	Eberhard, Dave	Oswego	1993	Geselter, Morrie	Deerfield
2000	Eggert, Dale	Libertyville	2008	Giardini, Gary	Rockford (East)
1998	Eiter, Rob	St. Viator	2009	Gibson, Ron	Naperville
2007	Elliott, Trevor	Sandwich	1994	Giese, Ed	Bensenville (Fenton)
1979	Ellis, John	Palatine	1999	Gilbert, Joey	Tinley Park Andrew
1973	Emmons, Robert	Lawrenceville	1978	Girardi, George	Normal (U - High)
1996	Erikson, Tom	Bloom Township	1993	Giura, John	Oak Park
2002	Everett, Gene	Gibson City	1976	Glass, Brad	Winnetka New Trier
1975	Ewoldt, Ed	Wheaton (Central)	1993	Goransen, Perry	Joliet Township
2005	Fallen, Phil	Chicago (Amundsen)	1991	Govoni, Don	Joliet
2012	Fallico, Craig	Park Ridge (Maine So)	1974	Greene, Kenneth	Rock Island
1973	Farina, Charles	East Leyden	2001	Gremer, John	Urbana
2004	Farina, Jim	East Leyden	1998	Griffin, Jack	Stagg/Northwestern
1985	Farina, Mike	Elmhurst (York)	2010	Grizzi, Bob	Burbank (Reavis)
2000	Farinosi, Dan	Hoffman Estates	1974	Gross, Charles	Peoria
2012	Feldman, Dr. Bernard	Palos Park	2003	Gruszka, Stan	Naperville North
1994	Feutz, Charles O.	Conant	2009	Guzak, Ray	Blue Island/NIU
2011	Filippi, Frank	Glen Ellyn	2001	Haak, Tim	Harvard
1982	Finn, Terry	Oak Lawn/SIUC	2006	Hahn, Mark	Glenbard North
2012	Fiorella, Sammy	Burbank St. Laurence	2005	Handlin, Robert	Mahomet
1974	Fitzgerald, John	Burbank (Reavis)	1986	Hanke, Al	Elmhurst College
1993	Flanigan, Tom	U of I - Loop Campus	2001	Hankenson, Lou	Charleston
1977	Flavin, Don	DeKalb/NIU	2007	Hanley, Reid	Clarendon Hills
2001	Fletcher, Charles	Machesney Park	1988	Hanlin, Bert	East Moline
2005	Flores, Carmelo	Chicago (Lakeview)	1978	Hanson, Charles	Glenbrook North
1988	Fowley, Roy	East Aurora	2005	Harrell, Quintroy	Harvey Twisters
2003	Fox, Ed	Wheeling	2013	Harsh, Jim	Bloomington
1993	Foy, Michial	Thornwood	1980	Hastert, Hon Dennis	Yorkville
1988	Friberg, William	Leyden	2013	Hasty, Bryon	East Peoria
2011	Froehlich, Dave	Rolling Meadows	2006	Healy, Keith	Providence Catholic
1985	Fulk, Bob	Glenbard North	1982	Heniff, Tom	Oak Lawn (Richards)
2000	Fulscher, Dan	Lincoln	2012	Herman, Jevon	St.Charles/U of IL
2006	Gannaway, Dave	Normal/IHSA	2009	Hernandez,Emiliano	Maine East
1989	Gardner, Jack	Springfield	1972	Hicks, Bob	Chicago Tilden Tech
1986	Gardner, Jim	Springfield/EIU	1979	Hill, Eugene	Illinois State Univ
2013	Gardner, Mark	Bloomington	2011	Hill, Jeff	Petersburg (PORTA)
2001	Garland, Mike	Granite City	2001	Holland, Robert	East Leyden/EIU
1987	Garner, Don S.	Wheaton Community	1994	Holm, Dan	Libertyville

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1993	Holtfreter, Richard	Harvard	2013	Lacone, Frank	DeKalb
1976	Holzer, Werner	Chicago Schurz/U of IL	2009	Lackey, Matt	Moline/Univ of IL
2003	Honeycutt, Bill	Woodridge	2001	Lahey, Tom	Tinley Park Andrew
2012	Houston, Rod	Camp Point Central	1992	Lambros, Tony	Chicago (Calumet)
1993	Houston, Ken	Oak Lawn/SIUC	1992	Lancaster, Jerry	Port Byron Riverdale
1979	Hubbard, Jarrett	Joliet (West)	2002	Larsen, Ron	Joliet
2008	Hughes, Matt	Hillsboro/EIU	1976	Law, Glen "Newt"	Univ of Illinois
2013	Hunt, Gary	Decatur	1984	Lazier, Murney	Evanston
1973	Hurley, Allen	Winnetka (New Trier)	2008	LeCuyer, Tom	Plano
1984	Isaacson, Terry	Oak Park	2009	Ledin, Don	Chicago
2007	Jackson, David	Burbank (Reavis)	2011	Ledin, Rob	Mahomet/Clinton
1981	James, Joe	Chicago (Tilden Tech)	1980	Leese, Jack	East Leyden
1988	Jarman, Tom	NU/Wheaton College	2002	Lester, Harry	Moline
2012	Johnson, Fred	Augustana/Waubonsie	1989	Licocci, Tony	Rock Falls
2003	Johnson, Tom	Bismarck-Henning	1996	Llewellyn, Jon	Hinsdale Central/U of IL
2007	Johnson, Tom	Chatham-Glenwood	2008	Lockhart, John	Mahomet/Univ of IL
2012	Johnson, Gerald A.	New Lenox	2001	Loffredo, Fred	Tilden Tech
2008	Johnson, Johnny	North Chicago/NIU	2010	Long, Bob	Yorkville
1987	Johnson, Mark	Rock Island (Alleman)	1997	Lovelace, Norman	Harper JC
2005	Johnston, Gene	Oak Forest	1999	Lovellette, Richard	Litchfield
1994	Jones, Robert I.	Decatur	1991	Luety, Ed	Melrose Park
1980	Jones, Amos	North Chicago	1987	Lundy, Al	Calumet City
1988	Kachiroubas, Lou	University of Illinois	1999	Magruder, Ronald	Wheaton Central
2000	Kading, John	Glenbard South	2011	Mahar, Jim	Amboy
2010	Kaiser, Marty	Rockton (Hononegah)	2001	Mammen, Kirk	Urbana
1993	Kaltofen, Alvin	College of Dupage	1991	Mammen, Wayne	Urbana
2002	Kanke, Larry	Geneseo	1997	Manahan, Michael	Olympia
1998	Kelly, Billy	Oak Lawn (Richards)	1986	Mann, Bobby	Danville
1998	Kelly, Jerry	Oak Lawn (Richards)	1993	Mann, Richard	Hersey
1972	Kenney, Harold "Hek"	Univ of Illinois	1984	Mann, William	Maine South/U of IL
2004	Kerby, Richard	Chicago Kelvyn Park	2011	Marchello, Jack	Thornton
1999	Kienlen, Donald	Joliet Township	1983	Marcucci, Vic	Burbank (Reavis)
1994	King, Mark	LaGrange-Lyons Twp.	1999	Marianetti, Steve	Glenbrook N/U of IL
2011	Kirgan, Allen	Granite City	1975	Marino, Jack	Proviso East
1998	Klemm, Dave	Lincoln/EIU	2009	Markwell, Dave	Fithian (Oakwood)
1975	Klootwyk, Ray	Joliet (West)	1977	Marlin, Kenneth	Champaign/Rockford
1995	Kocher, Leo	University of Chicago	1999	Marquardt, Bill	Bloomington
2004	Kody, Scott	Inverness	2009	Martinez, Lino	Stevenson
1992	Koehler, Bob	Illinois State University	1985	Massery, Mark	Savanna/NU
1992	Koenig, Tom	Bloom Township	2000	Mathews, Dave	Naperville
1986	Konovsky, Bob	Morton Township	2011	Matozzi, Mike	Hinsdale (South)
1973	Kraft, Arthur	Northwestern/Triton	1988	McAdams, Ben	Moline
1978	Kraft, Ken	Northwestern	1997	McCann, Dennis	Park Ridge (Maine So)
1976	Kraus, Bert	LaGrange	1972	McCann, Terry	Chicago (Schurz)
2001	Kristine, Alex	Barrington	2010	McCarthy, Foster	Champaign
2002	Kristoff, Kip	Bethalto/SIU	2008	McCauley, Lawrence	Granite City
1974	Kristoff, Larry	Carbondale/SIU	2000	McCauley, Neil	Naperville North
2013	Kristoff, Mark	Bethalto	1996	McCausland, Ralph	Wheaton Central/EIU
1987	Kruempelstaedter, James	Winnetka New Trier	2007	McCoy, Terry	DeKalb/Kaneland
1995	Krupke, Ralph	Roselle (Lake Park)	2006	McGinnis, Harry	Triton Junior College

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1991	McLaughlin, E. Mac	Joliet (Central)	1976	Pickerill, Ken	Oswego
1993	Meeks, Major Richard	Champaign/U of IL	1984	Pierre, Dale	Wheaton (North)
2012	Mekeel, Donald	Sterling	1986	Pillard, Henry	Joliet Junior College
2009	Mena, Bob	Sterling Newman	1987	Pinther, Harold	Eastern Illinois Univ
2000	Mena, Mike	Sterling Newman	1982	Pittman, Don	Champaign
2011	Mestemacher, Mark	Edwardsville	2004	Platt, Rollie	Quincy
1998	Milazzo, Larry	Roxana	1973	Plaza, Arnold	Chicago (Tilden Tech)
1985	Millard, Don	Pekin/SIUC	2005	Polz, John	Morton
2000	Miller, Don	Mundelein	1999	Polz, Michael	Sandburg/Providence
1981	Miller, Wayne	DeKalb	1990	Porter, Robert	Niles (West)
2011	Miller, Jim	Tolono	1983	Porter, Tom	Hersey
1990	Minot, George	Harvard/U of IL	2011	Porter, Rob	Naperville (Central)
2001	Mirabella, Jeff	Elgin	1996	Portincaso, Mike	Bloomington
2005	Mitton, Bob	Orion	1994	Powell, David	St. Charles
1983	Monroe, Ken	East Leyden	2008	Powers, Rich	Marian Catholic
2002	Montgomery, Rich	Rock Falls	1990	Prehn, Paul	Illinois University
1991	Moore, Ken	Thornton	2011	Pronga, Lou	Chillicothe (IVC)
2012	Morris, Ben	Bensenville (Fenton)	1997	Puebla, Kevin	Augustana College
2002	Morrison, Allie	University of Illinois	2013	Pustelnik, Mark	East Moline (United Twp)
2012	Morrissey, Don	Rosemont/Putnam	1994	Querciagrossa, James	Peoria (Woodruff)
1993	Mottleson, Dr. Ben	LaGrange	2012	Ragan, Dennis	Carbondale
1984	Mudge, Richard	Prospect	1984	Ray, Ron	Orr/Bloom Trail
2005	Mueller, King	Bolingbrook	1999	Reichert, Ronald	IL Wrestling Federation
2005	Murphy, Bill	Homewood	2000	Reif, Gary	Jacksonville/Carlinville
2011	Murphy, Rob	Wilmington	2007	Richards, Jim	Hoopeston
1977	Musgrove, Homer	Sterling	1993	Richoz, Arch	DeKalb
1982	Nacin, Al	Burbank (Reavis)	1974	Riley, Jack	Northwestern
2007	Nason, Debbie	Orland Park	1993	Robinson, Donald	Normal
2013	Nesbit, Bob	Springfield	1979	Robinson, Jack	Thornton
1993	Newlon, Gary	Prophetstown	1997	Rockwood, Joe	Thornton
2004	Nighohossian, Haig	Granite City	2013	Roesler, Karl	Providence/Univ of IL
1992	Nordin, James	Palatine	2000	Rolak, Mike	Chicago Tilden Tech
1994	Nordquist, Ken	Rich South	1990	Roman, Ronald	Chicago Tilden Tech
1977	Norman, Robert	Morton East/U of IL	1976	Romanowski, Walter	Chicago Tilden Tech
1989	Norris, Bernadette	Chicago (Lakeview)	2001	Rosenthal, Todd	Moline
1994	O'Connor, Pat	Glasford-Illini Bluffs	1998	Ross, Paul (Pete)	Lincoln
1994	Oglesby, Ronald	Oak Lawn	2002	Rossetti, Chuck	Willowbrook
1978	Olson, George	Wheaton College	1974	Rauth, Walther	Belleville
2013	Pape, Jeff	Franklin Park	1995	Rowden, Don	Fox Lake (Grant)
1992	Parker, Norman	Highland Park	2004	Rubiano, Tony	Park Forest
1986	Parker, Ted	Deerfield	2009	Ruettiger, Bernie	Minooka
1985	Parks, Tony	Addison Trail	2002	Ruettiger, Dominic	St. Charles/Neuqua Valley
1978	Patacsil, Joseph	Chicago Tilden Tech	2003	Ruettiger, John	Lisle
1974	Patterson, Buell	University of Illinois	1995	Ruettiger, Mark	Providence/EIU
1995	Patton, James	Woodstock	1996	Ruettiger, Tim	Providence
1999	Pearson, Fred	Chicago Tilden Tech	2003	Rumchak, Bill	Bolingbrook
1996	Pedersen, Joe	Naperville	1990	Rumsfeld, Hon. Donald	Winnetka New Trier
2002	Peterson, Jon	Grayslake	1994	Ryan, Ron	Mt. Olive
1984	Peterson, William	Chicago (Lakeview)	1984	Samorian, Harold	Glenbrook North
1983	Pickens, Robert	Evanston	1999	Santana, Frank	Gordon Tech

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1991	Sapora, Dr. Allen	Illinois University	1975	TenPas, Larry	Waukegan/U of IL
1994	Sapora, Dr. Joseph	Illinois University	1975	Therry, Robert	North Chicago
1998	Savenago, Geno	Glenbard North/EIU	2004	Thompson, Ernie	Oak Park
1989	Schaus, Jon	Geneva	2003	Tiffany, Mark	Waukegan/NIU
1992	Schmadebeck, Bill	Glenbrook	2005	Tipsword, Bob	Buffalo Grove
1973	Schmitt, William "Red"	Granite City	2013	Trizzino, Mark	Joliet
2009	Schneider, Russ	Gurnee	2008	Trizzino, Scott	Joliet (Central)
2009	Schroeder, Steve	Metamora/El Paso	1998	Trost, Kirk	Lincoln-Way
1988	Schult, James	Glenbard South	2006	Tschannen, Morris	Roxana
2013	Schultz, Neil T.	Harvard	1994	Tschudi, Dick	Dakota
1992	Schultz, Donald	Carl Sandburg	1999	Turner, Alvin	Chicago (Parker)
2003	Schultz, Chet	Rock Island	2007	Turner, Jim	Marion
1977	Schwartz, Marty	West Leyden	2004	Vail, Bill	Oak Lawn/Joliet JC
1986	Sciacca, John	Harvard	1973	Vavrus, Joe	Moline
2001	Scordino, Joe	Carmel H.S.	1990	Vega, Al	TF North
1987	Seabrooke, Ted	Proviso East/U of IL	2004	Wachenheim, Lee	Elmhurst (York)
2010	Seeman, Tom	Crystal Lake	1996	Waldroup, Derrick	Bremen
1994	Semetis, Ron	Dixon	2013	Walker, Jim	Westmont
1985	Shapiro-Weissman, Dave	Joliet Twp/U of I	1988	Walker, William	Downers Grove N
1986	Sheets, Cliff	Decatur	2004	Warner, Andy	Savoy
1986	Sherman, Dan	Deerfield	2012	Wasserstrom, Sam	Ridgewood
1984	Sherman, Walter	Glenbrook North	2010	Watson, Dr. Wayne	Chicago
2002	Sherman, Winfred	Proviso	2000	Weber, Rory	Proviso E/Northwestern
2006	Sherrill, Rob	Illinois Best Weekly	2003	Wehmeier, John	Belleville
2001	Siebert, Eric	LaSalle-Peru/U of IL	1977	Weick, Clarence	Chicago Tilden
2003	Siebert, Mark	LaSalle-Peru	1973	Weick, William	Chicago Tilden
1977	Silverstein, Ralph	Crane Tech/ U of IL	2010	Weiner, Neal	Wheeling
1991	Silverstein, Ron	Niles	1986	Weiss, Steve	Bensenville (Fenton)
2010	Simon, Jeff	Peoria (Richwoods)	2006	Welter, Steve	Fox Lake (Grant)
2004	Simons, Terry	Wheeling	1999	Wetzel, Eric	Chicago (Dunbar)
1972	Slimmer, Louis	Proviso	1997	Wheeler, Al	Oswego
1991	Smith, Brad	Hersey	2001	Whelan, Khris	Granite City
2003	Smith, Chuck	Homewood	1992	Whelan, Robert	Chicago (Hirsch)
2013	Sorensen, Jeff	Bloomington	1992	Whitaker, Walt	Granite City
1976	Sowinski, Joe	TF South	1979	Whitlatch, Rex	Urbana
2002	Stalhut, Warren	Edwardsville	1980	Wilkenson, Dr. James	Southern Illinois
2007	Stearns, Steve	Oak Lawn/SIUE	1997	Wilkey, Mike	Oak Park
2000	Stevens, Sandy	Glen Ellyn	1999	Williams, Joseph	Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
1990	Stonitsch, Larry	Joliet	1992	Williams, Marty	Yorkville
1983	Stoudt, Jack	Pekin	2006	Williams, TJ	Chicago (Mt. Carmel)
1972	Strange, Robert	Lawrenceville	1981	Williams, Willie	Bloom Township/ISU
2003	Stuart, Don	Oak Forest	1979	Willson, Pete	Wheaton College
2003	Stuart, Ron	Oak Forest	2006	Wilson, Raphael	Waubonsie/Augustana
2005	Summers, Dan	Hersey	2007	Winesburg, Ray	Elgin
2004	Summerville, Joe	Tolono	2004	Wiser, John	Delevan
1981	Swalec, John	Libertyville	1997	Wisniewski, Dan	Highland Park
1984	Swierczewski, Gene	Hoffman Estates	2003	Woods, Jim	Bloom/WIU
1974	Swindell, Roy	Champaign	2006	Wright, Tim	Rock Island/SIUE
2005	Swinford, Randy	Princeton	2003	Young, John	Peotone
1994	Taylor, Lawrence	Cahokia	1990	Young, William	Naperville (Central)

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2004	Ziemek, Thomas	Maine South			
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2005	Zinke, Al	Crow			

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1980

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Ken Kraft, Sterling-Northwestern

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Dennis Hastert, Yorkville

1984

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Jack Riley, Northwestern

1985

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Bob Therry, North Chicago

1986

John George, Evergreen Park
Pete George, Fenton

1987

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Amos Jones, North Chicago
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1988

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Murney Lazier, LaGrange
Bill Weick, Chicago

1989

Roy Conrad, Chicago
Robert Mann, Park Ridge
William Mann, Park Ridge
Larry TenPas, Waukean

1990

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Carson DeJarnett, Sterling
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1991

Rick Bay, Waukegan
George Girardi, Normal
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Pete Willson, Wheaton

1992

Jarrett Hubbard, Joliet
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Jack Gardner, Springfield
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Marty Schwartz, Leyden

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Dale Pierre, Wheaton North
Ron Ray, Bloom Trail
Jack Stoudt, Pekin

1995

Floyd Bee, Lincoln
Bob Easter Peoria Richwoods
Wayne Miller, DeKalb
Willie Williams, Country Club Hills

1996

James Craig, Oak Lawn
Mike Farina, York
Tom Porter, Champaign
Jon Schaus, Geneva

1997

George Dyché, Aurora West
Bert Kraus, LaGrange
Henry Pillard, Joliet
Walter Sherman, Glenbrook North

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Bob Billberg, Libertyville
Ed Luety, Melrose Park
Steve Weiss, Bensenville
Rex Whitlatch, Urbana-Hinsdale

1999

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Brad Glass, Winnetka
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Don Robinson, Bloomington

2000

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Joe Cliffe, DeKalb
John Ellis, Palatine
Bob Pickens, Evanston

2001

Jim Bowers, Bloomington
Ray Cummings, Pesotum
Tony Parks, Addison Trail
Jack Robinson, Harvey

2002

Mark King, LaGrange
Terry McCann, Chicago
Dr. Joseph Pedersen, Darien
Dr. Dan Sherman, Deerfield

2003

Bill Cartwright, Proviso East
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Jim Kruemplestaedter, New Trier

2004

Greg Cozzi, Palatine
Mike Manahan, Stanford Olympia
Mac McLaughlin, Joliet
Norm Parker, Chicago

2005

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Larry Gassen, Downers Grove South
Morrie Geselter, Deerfield
Mike Wilkey, Oak Park

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2007

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Mike Portincaso, Glendale Heights

2008

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Dan Fulscher, Lincoln
John Gremer, Urbana
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2009

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2010

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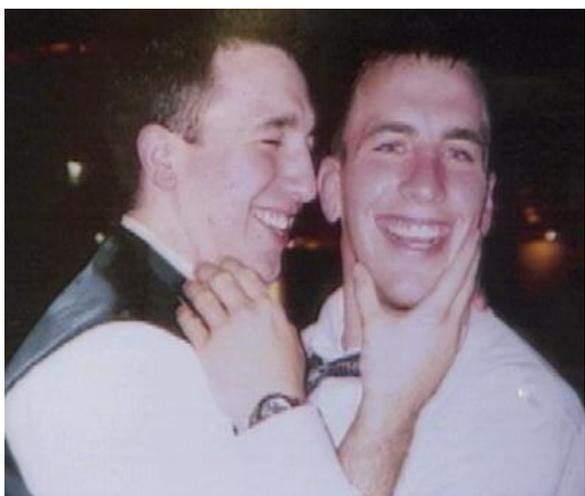
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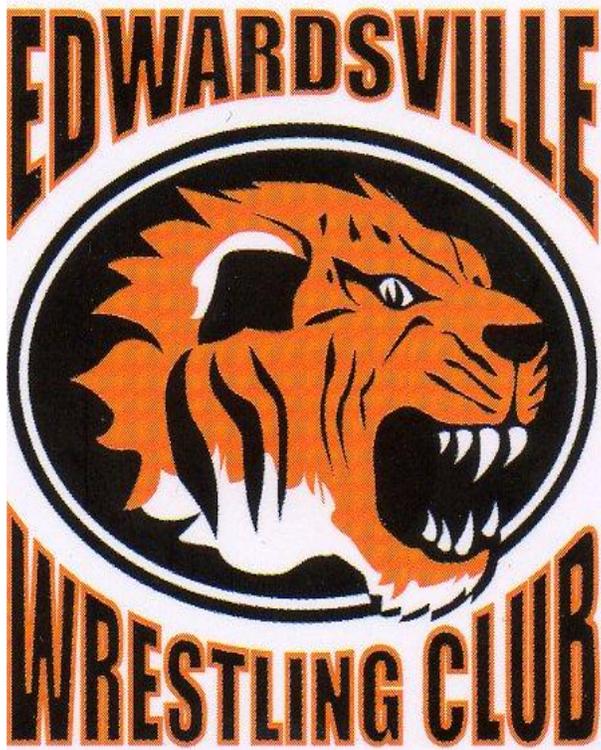
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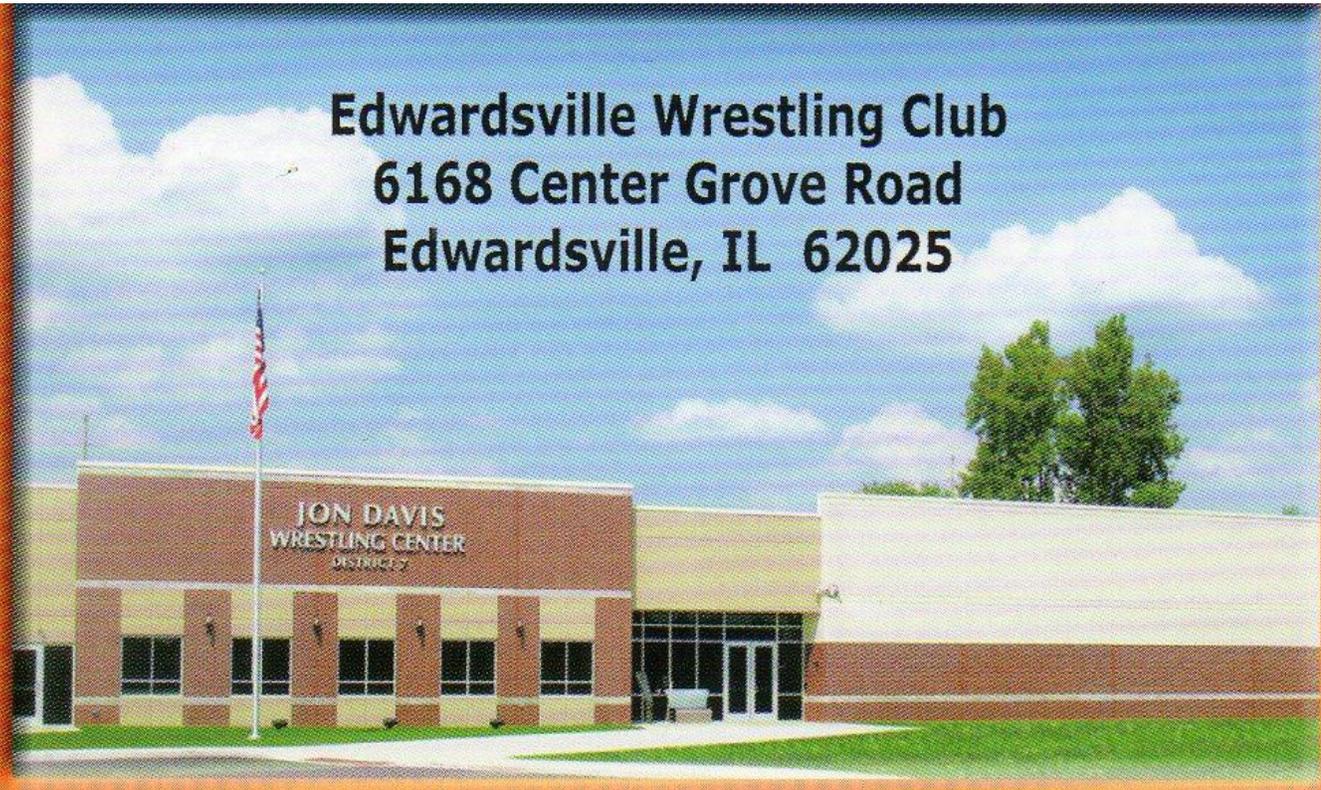
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