

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION



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In Memory

Katherine a. Larson



Kathie graduated from Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls, SD in 1974. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Augustana College in 1978 with a major in physical education along with her coaching certificate. Kathie began her teaching career with the Sioux Falls Public Schools as an elementary physical education teacher, as well as being the assistant gymnastics coach for Lincoln High School from 1975-79.

In 1980, Kathie was the head gymnastics coach for the University of North Dakota while completing her graduate work in physical education with an emphasis on counseling and guidance. During her time at UND, her team placed first at the Division II Regional Tournament and qualified two in the all-around competition for Nationals. This was the first time in history a UND gymnastics team qualified for nationals.

Kathie moved back to Sioux Falls after one year at UND to begin a long and successful career as an educational assistant in biology and gymnastic coach. As the assistant gymnastics coach for Lincoln High School from 1980-1991, along with head coach Lolly Forseth, Lincoln won nine regional championships, three runner-up state titles, and four state championships. Kathie won the "Assistant Gymnastics Coach of the Year" award by the South Dakota Gymnastics Coaches Association three times; 1988, 1989 and 1990. Kathie took over as the head gymnastics coach at Lincoln High School from 1991-1996.

Kathie believed strongly in professional growth and involvement in the state and national sports associations. Some of Kathie's professional affiliations were:

- South Dakota High School Coaches Association – 20 years
- South Dakota High School Coaches Association Board of Directors – 8 years
- South Dakota Gymnastics Judges Association – 20 years
- South Dakota Gymnastics Coaches Association – 20 years
- National High School Athletic Coaches Association – 16 years

Kathie attended eleven National High School Athletic Coaches Association clinics. The SDHSCA held a special place in Kathie's heart. She cherished the friendships that she developed amongst her peers throughout the state and nation.

"Kathie will be remembered for her sincerity and loyalty toward the people that she inspired throughout her lifetime and her spirit will live in our hearts forever." – Lolly Forseth (Lincoln Gymnastic Coach)

In 2010 Kathie Larson's sister, Linda Larson, started the Kathie Larson Coaches' Grant Program. The purpose of this grant is to provide financial assistance to members of the South Dakota High School Coaches Association to attend national coaching/athletic clinics, conferences or seminars. One grant must be awarded to a female, one awarded to a gymnastics coach and the remainder can be head or assistant athletic coaches or athletic directors. If no female or gymnastics coaches apply those grants may be awarded to other applicants. An individual must be a member of the SDHSCA and can only receive this grant once every five years. For further information go to the association web site.

This year's recipients are:

Lolly Forseth	Rod Garrison	Paul Hendry
Phil Hunt	Mary Ellen Luikens	Marc Murren
		Kim Nelson

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SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION

43RD ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies.....	Brittney Eide
Welcome.....	Arlin Likness, President
Introduction of Special Guests	Bob Billotto, Past President
Invocation	Georgia Adolph, Past President
Luncheon	
Awards:	
	<i>Girls' Cross Country Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Boys' Cross Country Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Football Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Volleyball Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Wrestling Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Gymnastics Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Girls' Basketball Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Boys' Basketball Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Spirit Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Tennis Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Girls' Golf Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Boys' Golf Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Girls' Track & Field Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Boys' Track & Field Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>Assistant Coach of the Year in Middle School/Junior High</i>
	<i>Assistant Coach of the Year in Boys' Sports</i>
	<i>Assistant Coach of the Year in Girls' Sports</i>
	<i>Athletic Director of the Year</i>
	<i>Official of the Year</i>
	<i>Sportswriter of the Year</i>
	<i>Distinguished Service Awards</i>
	<i>Max Hawk Award</i>
	<i>(Biographies written by Bruce Conley, Sioux Falls)</i>
	<i>Roll of Champions – State Championship Coaches</i>
Special Olympics South Dakota Awards.....	Daryl Nordquist, Director
	<i>NHSACA National Coach of the Year Finalists</i>
	<i>NHSACA National Coach of the Year</i>
	<i>NHSACA National Hall of Fame</i>
	<i>SDHSCA Hall of Fame</i>

Closing Remarks & Passing of the Gavel.....	Arlin Likness, President
Past President Award.....	Bill Clements, President Elect



2013 Girls' Cross Country Coach of the Year

Todd Thorson

Ipswich

Todd Thorson's coaching philosophy is simple: "Try to improve every day." The Ipswich student-athletes filling the roster of his girls' cross country team have been listening. Since he reinstated the program in 2000, Thorson's Tigers have won 101 team competitions, claimed 22 conference championships, and have captured five state Class B championships, including the last four. His 2013 squad won five meets with perfect scores and was voted High School Girls' Team of the Year by the South Dakota Sportswriters Association. At the state meet, Ipswich placed five runners in the top 16 finishers. The Tigers' successes will likely continue with two juniors and a freshman spearheading the 2013 team. And in the wings stand some gifted grade school competitors, who have witnessed the awards of striving to improve every day. This is the second time in three years Thorson has been designated Girls' Cross Country Coach of the Year by the SDHSCA.

Other Nominees:	Jason Bohl, Garretson	Jesse Coy, Rapid City Stevens
	Larry Buffington, Gayville-Volin	Karen Karim, Custer

Previous Winners

1977-78	Gene Breemes - Rapid City
1978-79	Lowell Gilbertson - Arlington
1979-80	Jim Gemar - Lennox
1980-81	Fran Esser - Redfield
1981-82	Dave Scott - Hot Springs
1982-83	Russ Strande - Brookings
1983-84	Don Greenfield - Hoven
1984-85	Dick Wherry - Milbank
1985-86	Roger Loecker - Huron
1986-87	Dennis Ortman - Lennox
1987-88	Michael Oltmanns - Lennox
1988-89	Allan Weier - Platte
1989-90	Terry Ulmer - Hecla
1990-91	Michael Oltmanns - Lennox
1991-92	Tom Freece - Spearfish
1992-93	Chuck Seurer - Hoven
1993-94	Vic Godfrey - Watertown
1994-95	Don Lhotak - Bonesteel/Fairfax
1995-96	Marlene Lorenz - Arlington
1996-97	Rod Neuman - Faulkton
1997-98	Jeff Sylliasen - Garretson
1998-99	Terry Vincent - Elkton
1999-2000	Jeff Sylliasen - Garretson
2000-01	Todd Thorson - Ipswich
2001-02	Randy Fischer - McCook Central
2002-03	Forrest Flaagen - RC Stevens
2003-04	Dan Fitzsimmons - Yankton
2004-05	Dan Fitzsimmons - Yankton
2005-06	Don Sutera - Sioux Valley
2006-07	Dan Fitzsimmons - Yankton
2007-08	Gary Pepper - Scotland
2008-09	Bill Martens - Aberdeen Central
2009-10	Jason Bohl - Garretson
2010-11	Scott Peterson - Sturgis
2011-12	Todd Thorson - Ipswich
2012-13	Larry Buffington - Gayville-Volin

Previous Winners

1977-78	Lyle Claussen - Brandon
1978-79	Jim Gemar - Lennox
1979-80	Rich Greeno - SF Lincoln
1980-81	Dave Archambault - Kyle
1981-82	Gene Breemes - RC Stevens
1982-83	Rick Evans - Marty
1983-84	Keith Christensen - Mitchell
1984-85	Jerry McElroy - Watertown
1985-86	John Houska - RC Central
1986-87	Dan Bohl - Hoven
1987-88	Dan Bohl - Hoven
1988-89	Kurt Schultz - Baltic
1989-90	Connie Nyhaug - Viborg
1990-91	John Houska - RC Central
1991-92	Gene Bormann - Yankton
1992-93	Neil Goter - Marty
1993-94	Gene Danielson - Salem
1994-95	Dave Scott - Hot Springs
1995-96	Forrest Flaagen - RC Stevens
1996-97	Bill Martens - Aberdeen Roncalli
1997-98	Forrest Flaagen - RC Stevens
1998-99	Don Ray - Deubrook
1999-2000	Forrest Flaagen - RC Stevens
2000-01	Kurt Schultz - Baltic
2001-02	Kurt Schultz - Baltic
2002-03	Tom McGough - Miller
2003-04	Bob Salmi - Aberdeen Central
2004-05	Tony Skonhovd - Wakonda
2005-06	Dan Fitzsimmons - Yankton
2006-07	Dan Fitzsimmons - Yankton
2007-08	James Benning - Estelline
2008-09	Shannon Jewett - Cheyenne/Eagle Butte
2009-10	Becky Bell-Krueger - Wessington Springs
2010-11	Tim Franz - Redfield/Doland
2011-12	Phil Bjorneberg - Parker
2012-13	Robert Cordts - Madison

2013 Boys' Cross Country Coach of the Year

Ervin Gebhart

Elkton High School

Ervin Gebhart is the recipient of South Dakota High School Coaches Association Coach of the Year honors for two sports. In 2005 his Elkton boys' basketball team registered a 20-2 season's record and claimed the state Class B championship. It was Elkton's first state tournament appearance in 85 years. In 2013, Gebhart guided Elkton to the state Class B boys' cross country championship with Quinn Fargen and Justin Sudtelge posting top six finishes. Gebhart graduated from Elkton High School in 1980 and from South Dakota State University in 1985. His 28 years in public education includes the last 22 years at Elkton, where he teaches 7th-10th grade science and physical education, serves as athletic director, and is head coach of the boys'/girls' cross country teams and girls' track team. His coaching honors include region Basketball Coach of the Year in 2001, 2002, and 2005. He is one of Elkton's most decorated track athletes and in 2009 was inducted into the Howard Wood Dakota Relays Hall of Fame. Ervin and his wife, Lisa, are the parents of three daughters.



Other Nominees:	Cody Schilling, Dell Rapids St. Mary's
	Brendan Streitz, Flandreau

Tonya Whirlwind Soldier, Todd County
Eric Pooley, Sioux Falls Lincoln



2013 Football Coach of the Year

Vern Smith

Gettysburg

Vern Smith learned from one of the best when he began teaching business education and coaching at Gettysburg High School. After assisting Bill Witte, a Hall of Fame football coach for several years, Smith

was put in charge of the Battlers. Since taking over in 2002, Smith's teams have won seven region championships and were state runners-up in 2002, 2004, 2006, and 2008. In 2013, Smith and the Battlers (Potter County) struck gold by winning the state Class 9A championship over Leola Frederick. The Battlers' Chayce Hall was named winner of the Joe Robbie MVP Award, while Teammate Carson Kirby was chosen the outstanding lineman. Smith has compiled a 105-29 coaching record with Gettysburg, and most recently the Potter County Co-op. Smith graduated from Deubrook High School in 1981 and from Dakota State University in 1986. He expresses gratitude for "the privilege to work with and enjoy the successes of many excellent football players and coaches." Vern and his wife, Nancy, are the parents of three children: Katrina, Lucas, and Aaron.

Other Nominees: Aaron Beavers, Sioux Falls Lincoln
Tom Culver, Avon

Rich Lundstrom, Canton
Jeff VanLeur, Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan

Previous Winners

1971-72	Burdell Coplan - Canton
1972-73	Ron Struck - Colome
1973-74	Dale McElhaney - Watertown
1974-75	Harvey Naasz - Winner
1975-76	Max Hawk - Yankton
1976-77	Bill Witte - Onida
1977-78	Russ Morrell - Burke
1978-79	Bob Bozied - Pierre
1979-80	Glenn Sellevold - Brandon Valley
1980-81	Harvey Naasz - Winner
1981-82	Harvey Naasz - Winner
1982-83	Bob Garry - Lennox
1983-84	Rick Swenson - Belle Fourche
1984-85	Dan Thelen - Montrose
1985-86	Steve Entringer - Tripp
1986-87	Burdell Coplan - Canton
1987-88	Harvey Naasz - Winner
1988-89	Steve Kueter - SF O'Gorman
1989-90	Mike Klinedinst - Brandon Valley
1990-91	Clarence Kooistra - Garretson
1991-92	Arlin Likness - Hamlin
1992-93	Frank Podraza/Kim Johnson - Hitchcock/Tulare
1993-94	Keith Huber - Harrisburg
1994-95	Max Hawk - Yankton
1995-96	Russ Morrell - Bon Homme
1996-97	Doug Schooley - Watertown
1997-98	Mark Kool - Spearfish
1998-99	Gary Maffett - Brookings
1999-2000	Arlin Likness - Yankton
2000-01	John Nyhaug - Viborg
2001-02	Doug Schooley - Watertown
2002-03	Arlin Likness - Yankton
2003-04	Gary Hoffman - Spearfish
2004-05	Steve Gilbertson - Arlington
2005-06	Terry Dosch - Aberdeen Roncalli
2006-07	Terry Dosch - Aberdeen Roncalli
2007-08	Jeff VanLeur - Emery/Ethan
2008-09	Aaron Beavers - SF Lincoln
2009-10	Mike Flakus - Aberdeen Central
2010-11	Brian Hermanson - SF Washington
2011-12	Kim Nelson - SF Roosevelt
2012-13	Steve Hansen - Dell Rapids

Previous Winners

1982-83	Galen Busch - Mission
1983-84	Kim Weed - DeSmet
1984-85	Galen Busch - Mission
1985-86	Jim Mitchell - St. Francis
1986-87	Lunette Birkenkott - RC Stevens
1987-88	Cindy Nelson - Webster
1988-89	Kathy Hunt - SF O'Gorman
1989-90	Jill Christensen - Parker/Marion
1990-91	Spencer Brende - Elk Point
1991-92	Jonel Smith - RC Stevens
1992-93	Chris Schultz - Hurley
1993-94	Connie Nyhaug - Viborg
1994-95	Joyce Farrell - Madison
1995-96	Mike West - Philip
1996-97	Beth Schutt - Watertown
1997-98	Jeff Skatrud - Vermillion
1998-99	Shelly Buddenhagen - Huron
1999-2000	Kathy Graves - Northwestern
2000-01	Kelly Northrup - Hot Springs
2001-02	Carol Snyder - Harding County
2002-03	Greg Murley - Aberdeen Central
2003-04	Deb Thill - Mitchell
2004-05	Nancy Hoeke - Milbank
2005-06	Leasa Woodward - Yankton
2006-07	Nora Groft - Northwestern
2007-08	Kacy Kienholz - Pierre
2008-09	Amy Tyler - Wagner
2009-10	Dennis Northrup - Aberdeen Central
2010-11	Anita Boeck - Arlington
2011-12	Erika Paladino-Hazlett - SF Lincoln
2012-13	Kari Jung - Warner

2013 Volleyball Coach of the Year

Julie Kolbeck

O'Gorman

A love for volleyball drove Julie Kolbeck's successful pursuits both as a player and coach. She competed for Sioux Falls O'Gorman's state championship teams in 1987 and 1988. In 2013, she guided the Knights to a 23-1 record and the state Class AA crown. It marked the second time she coached an O'Gorman state title team. On the way to the 2013 state championship, Kolbeck's Knights defeated both the top-ranked teams in Class A (Sioux Falls Christian) and Class B (Warner). The setback ended Warner's 55-match win string. Kolbeck also played for South Dakota State University and began her teaching and coaching career in the Sioux Falls Catholic School System. "I was fortunate enough to be under the tutelage of one of the finest coaches in the state, Kathy Hunt, from 1994-1999," said Kolbeck. In her first stint at O'Gorman, Kolbeck took the Knights to a state championship in 2001. She was out of coaching for three years and then returned to Sioux Falls to coach the Roosevelt Rough Riders. She has been the head coach at O'Gorman since 2011 and has compiled a 56-16 record in her second stint with the Knights. "I am humbled by this award and have the utmost respect for my coaching peers," Kolbeck said. Julie and her husband, Darin, are the parents of two children.



Other Nominees: Jean Benson, Chester Area

Kari Jung, Warner

Jaime Keiser, Winner

Rick Pruitt, Dakota Valley



2014 Wrestling Coach of the Year

Rocky Burkett

Aberdeen Central

In his second year as Aberdeen Central's head wrestling coach, Rocky Burkett guided the Golden Eagles to their first state Class A championship. Aberdeen dominated the competition to win by 30 points. Following a fourth-place finish in 2013, Burkett's squad had 12 place winners in 2014. Five Golden Eagles were runners-up and John Frisco capped a 49-0 record by claiming the 170-pound crown. In addition, two team members earned Academic All-State honors. Earlier in the season the Golden Eagles captured the team title at the Sanford Pentagon Tournament in Sioux Falls with 11 of their 14 team members placing. Burkett served as an assistant wrestling coach at Northern State University for six seasons, coaching 10 national qualifiers, two All-Americans, and one national champion. "I am greatly honored by this award," he said. "It is a team award that reflects the hard work our wrestlers, coaching staff, and wrestling community have put towards reaching our goals. I thank Clint Gard for having a huge impact on me as a wrestling coach and mentor; I thank Gene Brownell for giving me the opportunity to coach at a great school and providing me with great support. Finally, I thank my family, especially my wife, Jennifer, for always being there and supporting me in all that I do."

Other Nominees: Matt Donnelly, Philip
Marc Murren, Sioux Falls Washington

Tyler Sorenson, Beresford
Mark Stoebner, Bon Homme/Scotland

Previous Winners

1971-72	Dick Bleth - Faulkton
1972-73	Marv Sherrill - Watertown
1973-74	Chuck Scheppy - Webster
1974-75	Al Bowar - Garretson
1975-76	Tom Long - Rapid City
1976-77	Rich Strande - Redfield
1977-78	Jerry Opbroek - Mitchell
1978-79	Gerald Schlekey - Vermillion
1979-80	Rod Moon - Mobridge
1980-81	Fran Esser - Redfield
1981-82	Bill Boggess - Mitchell
1982-83	Willie Seibel - Vermillion
1983-84	Fran Esser - Redfield
1984-85	Bob Dolezal - Philip
1985-86	Bob Johnson - Kimball
1986-87	Mike Kadera - Spearfish
1987-88	Gary Wallman - Freeman
1988-89	Rich Strande - Brookings
1989-90	Bob Hirsch - Milbank
1990-91	Andy Tate - Mitchell
1991-92	Wayne Scherr - Wagner
1992-93	Bob Hirsch - Milbank
1993-94	Ken Cihak - Huron
1994-95	Rick Jensen - Pierre
1995-96	Ken Ruml - Howard
1996-97	Andy Tate - Mitchell
1997-98	Brad Kelvington - Harrisburg
1998-99	Marv Sherrill - Watertown
1999-2000	John Donovan - Harding County
2000-01	Tim Wishard - RC Stevens
2001-02	Mark Stoebner - Bon Homme
2002-03	Marv Sherrill - Watertown
2003-04	Bill Kaiser - Winner
2004-05	Steve Keszler - Sturgis
2005-06	Joe Meyer - Parker
2006-07	Wade Rausch - Ipswich
2007-08	Ernie Valentine - Wagner
2008-09	Fran Esser - Redfield
2009-10	Steve Keszler - Sturgis
2010-11	Wade Rausch - Webster Area
2011-12	Ryan Noyes - Pierre
2012-13	Jared Diggemann - Parkston

Previous Winners

1976-77	Dawn Wilber - Doland
1977-78	Charlene Johnson - Mitchell
1978-79	Jackie Hanson - Groton
1979-80	Dawn Wilber - Miller
1980-81	Bill Beesley - Wagner
1981-82	Lolly Forseth - SF Lincoln
1982-83	Mark Upward - Vermillion
1983-84	Mark Upward - Vermillion
1984-85	Lolly Forseth - SF Lincoln
1985-86	Lolly Forseth - SF Lincoln
1986-87	Sandy Greenough - Miller/Wessington
1987-88	Patty Jorgenson - Brookings
1988-89	Mark Upward - Vermillion
1989-90	Le Anne Vette - Spearfish
1990-91	Lolly Forseth - SF Lincoln
1991-92	Cliff Jorgenson - Stanley County
1992-93	Mark Bellum - Watertown
1993-94	Sherri Olson - Mitchell
1994-95	Linda Collignon - Madison
1995-96	Randy Hagen - RC Central
1996-97	Dan Fitzsimmons - Yankton
1997-98	Susan Heitmann - Britton
1998-99	Sheri Keck - RC Stevens
1999-2000	Linda Collignon - Madison
2000-01	Linda Collignon - Madison
2001-02	Barb Bauder - Mitchell
2002-03	Lana Bauer - SF O'Gorman
2003-04	Maridee Wiese - Madison
2004-05	Shawn Bauer - SF O'Gorman
2005-06	Mark Bellum - Watertown
2006-07	Audra Rew - Mitchell
2007-08	Jeanne Sinclair - Milbank
2008-09	Melissa Van Gilder - Watertown
2009-10	Lynn Gudmundson - Deuel
2010-11	Lynn Gudmundson - Deuel
2011-12	Vicky Fisher - Watertown
2012-13	Mark Upward - Vermillion

2014 Gymnastics Coach of the Year

Sherri Knippling

Chamberlain

Sherri Knippling caught the gymnastics bug when she was a seventh-grader. She started coaching youth programs when she began her freshman year in high school. She competed with the Sturgis Scoopers for six years and in May, 1985, was hired to coach Sturgis' junior high squad. She advanced to the varsity team coaching job two years later and after one season moved to Chamberlain. Knippling judged gymnastics competitions for the next five years and in 1993 accepted an offer to coach Chamberlain's team. Over 21 years she took the Cubs to 16 state meet competitions. She has coached 115 individual state qualifiers and 52 of her student-athletes have earned 126 places at state. Her first meet at the Cubs' helm resulted in 89.2 points. Last year Chamberlain scored a season-high 133 points. In addition to coaching, Knippling has served on the SDHSCA Board of Directors for the past five years. "I have been blessed with extremely talented athletes and amazingly supportive parents," she said. "I tell my gymnasts all the time that what you do as an individual affects us as a team."



Other Nominees: Emmy Cotton, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Pam Junek, Rapid City Central

Audra Rew, Mitchell
Lori Warne, Sioux Falls Roosevelt

Previous Winners	
1976-77	Gale Lundberg - Clear Lake
1977-78	Bob Winter - Yankton
1978-79	Fred Tibbets - Jefferson
1979-80	Gale Lundberg - Clear Lake
1980-81	Joe Lockwood - SF Washington
1981-82	Joe Lockwood - SF Washington
1982-83	Don Shields - Pierre
1983-84	Jerry Altenburg - Armour
1984-85	Jim Holwerda - Brookings
1985-86	Charlie Sizer - Miller
1986-87	Bob Hopkins - Bennett County
1987-88	Gordon Berquist - Milbank
1988-89	Ron Flynn - Wakonda
1989-90	Byron Utter - Langford
1990-91	Cheryl Jenner - Sisseton
1991-92	Wade Rozell - Mellette
1992-93	Sheila Huth - Hurley
1993-94	Randi Faeth - Newell
1994-95	Tim Pflanz - Wakonda
1995-96	Bob Sittig - Baltic
1996-97	Doug Pesicka - Yankton
1997-98	Neil Goter - Wagner
1998-99	Fred Tibbets - SF Roosevelt
1999-2000	Doug Groth - Selby
2000-01	Todd Jutting Waverly/South Shore
2001-02	Bob Sittig - Baltic
2002-03	Dean Leuning - Tri-Valley
2003-04	Jason Christenson Mount Vernon
2004-05	Brad Noem - Hamlin
2005-06	Jeff Dvorak - Dell Rapids
2006-07	Mark Senftner - Sully Buttes
2007-08	Nate Malchow - SF Washington
2008-09	Pat McClemans - Watertown
2009-10	Steve Kruse - Elkton-Lake Benton
2010-11	Mark Stadem - Brandon Valley
2011-12	Rob Van Laeken - Parkston
2012-13	Stewart Bohle - Warner

2014 Girls' Basketball Coach of the Year

Nate Malchow Sioux Falls Washington



Before leaving coaching to become an administrator, Nate Malchow reestablished Sioux Falls Washington High School's girls' basketball program as a Class AA power.

The Aberdeen native compiled a 162-55 record while leading the Warriors to three state championships in seven years. He was named the South Dakota High School Coaches Association girls' basketball coach of the year in 2008 as the Warriors claimed their first state crown in 27 years. Washington also won state titles in 2010 and 2013, while placing second in 2012, and taking consolation honors in both 2011 and 2009. With Malchow at the helm, Washington earned seven consecutive appearances in the Class AA tournament. From 2008-2014, the Warriors rang up a 31-4 record in post-season play. Malchow is a four-time recipient of the Greater Dakota Conference's girls' coach of the year award, and twice was named Washington's head coach of the year. "Washington High School is a special place," Malchow said. "I have been very fortunate to be surrounded by great student-athletes, dedicated assistant coaches, supportive administrators, and the positive culture of the Washington High School community."

Other Nominees: Larry Aaker, Winner
Stewart Bohle, Warne

Brandon Kandolin, St. Thomas More
Wes Morgan, Mitchell



2014 Boys' Basketball Coach of the Year

Michael Ricke Madison

In 1997, one year removed from Augustana College, Michael Ricke began coaching and teaching in the Madison Central School District. The 2013-2014 season was his 10th as head coach of the Bulldogs' varsity boys'

basketball team. During that decade he compiled an outstanding 203-39 record. Under Ricke the Bulldogs have earned eight conference championships, seven district crowns, and six region titles. In six state Class A tournament appearances, the Bulldogs' record shows four championships, a runner-up finish, and third-place. The Bulldogs marched through the 2013-2014 campaign without a loss, culminating with the state title and a 25-0 record. Madison will begin the 2014-2015 season with a 37-game win streak. In 2010 Ricke received the Ole Odney Award from Augustana for his significant accomplishments as a coach. Ricke and his wife, Myra, are the parents of four children: Jacob, Amanda, Jonathan, and Nathan. "I am extremely proud to receive this coach of the year award," Ricke said. "I didn't get into coaching for personal accolades, but it is gratifying and humbling to be named "Coach of the Year" by my peers. I've had the privilege to coach some outstanding basketball players over the years and owe a tremendous amount of my success to them. I would like to thank my family for all of their support throughout the years; I couldn't do this job without them."

Previous Winners

1971-72	Bob Dockter - Miller
1972-73	John Bruce - Britton
1973-74	Gayle Hoover - Parker
1974-75	Ron Bennett - Freeman
1975-76	Pierre Du Charme - Aberdeen
1976-77	Jim Thorson - Webster
1977-78	Roger Schaffer - Elk Point
1978-79	Roger Pries - Pierre
1979-80	Dan Moran - Stickney
1980-81	Dan Moran - Stickney
1981-82	Bob Judson - Pierre
1982-83	Wayne Carney - Hamlin
1983-84	Bob White - Wakonda
1984-85	Gary Munsen - Mitchell
1985-86	Larry Hessing New Holland Dakota Christian
1986-87	Jesse Mendoza - Pine Ridge
1987-88	Terry Small - Aberdeen Central
1988-89	Jay Hennies - Vermillion
1989-90	Jim Trett - Northwestern
1990-91	Tim Hooten - Lennox
1991-92	Kraig Ulveling - Watertown
1992-93	Chuck Welke - Warner
1993-94	Gene Lorenz - Madison
1994-95	Marv McCune - DeSmet
1995-96	Jim Schlekey - Mobridge
1996-97	Rick Weber - Flandreau
1997-98	Brad Thorson - Brandon Valley
1998-99	Galen Swenson - Castlewood
1999-2000	Dan Sabers - Tripp/Delmont
2000-01	Galen Swenson - Castlewood
2001-02	Dan Martin - Spearfish
2002-03	Jeff Larson - Lennox
2003-04	Tim Buddenhagen - Huron
2004-05	Ervin Gebhart - Elkton
2005-06	Mike Parry - Arlington
2006-07	Derek Robey - SF O'Gorman
2007-08	Frank Cutler - Platte-Geddes
2008-09	Robin Burgard - SF Lincoln
2009-10	Eldon Marshall - White River
2010-11	Mike Tuschen - Corsica/Stickney
2011-12	Derek Robey - SF O'Gorman
2012-13	Terry Becker - Pierre

Other Nominees: Frank Cutler, Platte-Geddes Darwin Hofer, James Valley Christian Adam Nelson, Sisseton Lee Taylor, SF Roosevelt

Previous Winners

1996-97	Rita Berg - Baltic
1997-98	Dawn Williams - Alexandria
1998-99	Patsy Hendricks - Brookings
1999-2000	Michele Koch - Stickney
2000-01	Lynn Seftnar - Timber Lake
2001-02	Cindy Kopecky - Faulkton
2002-03	Bruce Kleinsasser - Aberdeen Central
2003-04	Patsy Hendricks - Brookings
2004-05	Brittney Eide - Corsica
2005-06	Deb Esser - Redfield
2006-07	Bruce Kleinsasser - Aberdeen Central
2007-08	Diane Gilbertz - Brandon Valley
2008-09	Cindy Kopecky - Faulkton
2009-10	Dawn Stluka - Pierre
2010-11	Krista Daily - Watertown
2011-12	Marla Tegethoff - Platte-Geddes
2012-13	Cami Bacon - Dell Rapids St. Mary's

2014 Spirit Coach of the Year

Sheri Keck

Rapid City Stevens



Rapid City Stevens turned to a Hall of Fame coach when the school launched a competitive cheer team four years ago. Success soon followed as the Raiders won the Small Stunting/Tumbling category at the 2011 and 2012 state meets. Inducted into the South Dakota Sports Hall of Fame in 2012, Keck is one of the most successful gymnastics coaches in state history. She guided the Raiders to six state championships and two runner-up finishes. She was named the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Special Sports (gymnastics) Coach of

the Year in 2006. That same year she received the National Association for Girls and Women in sports' Pathfinder Award. In 2000 she was inducted into the S.D. Gymnastics Coaches Hall of Fame. Said Keck: "I was challenged with starting the first competitive cheer team at Stevens High School four years ago. With a gymnastics coaching background and a group of girls who trusted and believed in me we started a team. Through words of wisdom from fellow coaches, knowledgeable assistants, dedicated athletes and a dream, we built a successful program. This honor is a credit to my athletes; they made me the coach I am today."

Other Nominees:

Dawn Bonham, Sioux Falls Lincoln

Krista Dailey, Watertown

Bruce Kleinsasser, Aberdeen Central

2014 Tennis Coach of the Year

Pat Moller

Mitchell



Pat Moller began coaching Mitchell's boys' and girls' tennis teams in 2011. His boys' teams have made steady progress in state tournament action, finishing ninth in 2012, fifth in 2013, and claiming runner-up honors in 2014. Moller credits the Kernels' success to the unwavering dedication of his coaching staff to the development of the players, and the commitment to tennis made by the student-athletes. Moller's philosophy is simple – create an atmosphere in which the players can develop a passion for tennis, and then foster that passion with hard work and dedication. Moller grew up in Stickney where he played football, basketball and ran track for the Raiders. He earned his undergraduate degree at Dakota State University, and a graduate degree from Southwest Minnesota State University. He started teaching and coaching middle school basketball in the Mitchell School District in 2003. Said Moller: "I am honored to be chosen among so many great coaches as this year's tennis coach of the year. This would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the Mitchell tennis players. I share this award with my assistant coaches, Chad Larson, Bruce Mastel, and Ken Chan. Without their dedication the success that we have enjoyed would not have been possible. Thank you to my wife, Michele, and my two daughters, Marissa and Amber, for all of the support and understanding when I was away for tennis."

Previous Winners

1983-84	Phil Trautner - Pierre
1984-85	Sherwood Hatch - Brookings
1985-86	Phil Trautner - Pierre
1986-87	Hank Hustl - Huron
1987-88	Gregg Talcott - SF O'Gorman
1988-89	Chris Dummermuth - SF Lincoln
1989-90	Phil Trautner - Pierre
1990-91	Chris Dummermuth - SF Lincoln
1991-92	Kraig Ulveling - Watertown
1992-93	Mike Begeman - SF O'Gorman
1993-94	Mike Begeman - SF O'Gorman
1994-95	Gayle Klein - Mitchell
1995-96	Chris Dummermuth - SF Lincoln
1996-97	Chris Dummermuth - SF Lincoln
1997-98	Chris Dummermuth - SF Lincoln
1998-99	Lana Bauer - SF O'Gorman
1999-2000	Matt Johnson - SF Washington
2000-01	Matt Johnson - SF Washington
2001-02	Tim Mulhair - Yankton
2002-03	Don Barnes - SF O'Gorman
2003-04	Chris Dummermuth - SF Lincoln
2004-05	Don Barnes - SF O'Gorman
2005-06	Doug Sims - Madison
2005-06	Colette Qualm - Aberdeen Roncalli
2006-07	Judy Rezatto - Aberdeen Roncalli
2006-07	Scott Ewald - Watertown
2007-08	Jeff Schleketway - Pierre
2007-08	Lisa Link - Aberdeen Central
2008-09	Mark Schleketway - Brandon Valley
2008-09	Jim Dahl - Milbank
2009-10	Jason Olson - RC Stevens
2009-10	Don Barnes - SF O'Gorman
2010-11	Jason Olson - RC Stevens
2010-11	Jeff Schleketway - Pierre
2011-12	Braden Bradford - SF Washington
2012-13	Scott Ewald - Watertown

Other Nominees:	Don Barnes, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
	Jason Olson, Rapid City Stevens

Mark Schleketway, Brandon Valley
Doug Sims, Madison



2014 Girls' Golf Coach of the Year

BillieJo Indahl

Burke

As head coach of the Burke/South Central girls' golf team, BillieJo Indahl has enjoyed many memorable competitions. But the 2014 season that ended with a state Class B runner-up finish was especially gratifying. With just three players in the lineup, Indahl's team put together a gritty effort. "The girls handled a little more pressure knowing they didn't have that fourth golfer to rely on when things don't go their way," Indahl said.

Indahl's ties to Burke golf go back to her high school days when she won individual honors at the 1996 "B" tournament and contributed to team titles in 1994 and 1996. She made her coaching debut in 2008 and since then her teams have won four region championships, finished second twice, and advanced to the state tournament six out of seven seasons. The run was capped with a state championship in 2012 and a perfect season's record. Indahl also coaches the boys' golf team, is the head volleyball coach and teaches second grade. "I am very proud and honored to receive this award," she said. "I feel this is not only an award for me, but also for my past and present players, my school, my family, and especially for my assistant coach, Deb Indahl. Together, we will strive to continue the tradition of a successful program through hard work and perseverance."

Other Nominees: Mike Buseth, Deubrook Area
Don Garnaas, Sioux Falls Christian

Tyler Hockett, Parkston
John Knox, Pierre

Previous Winners

1978-79	Jim Sorensen - Beresford
1979-80	Jim Sorensen - Beresford
1980-81	Joyce Farrell - Madison
1981-82	Bruce Olson - Webster
1982-83	Clarence Zacher - Custer
1983-84	Jim McGlone - Flandreau
1984-85	Norman West - Yankton
1985-86	Daryl Fletcher - Elk Point
1986-87	Rich Halverson - Clear Lake
1987-88	Bill Scholten - Brookings
1988-89	Daryl Fletcher - Elk Point
1989-90	Daryl Fletcher - Elk Point
1990-91	Marv Bohnet - Hamlin
1991-92	Jim McGlone - Flandreau
1992-93	Susan Heitmann - Britton
1993-94	Phil Hunt - Rapid City Stevens
1994-95	Jim Sorensen - Beresford
1995-96	Joe Schlimgen - Plankinton
1996-97	Joe Schlimgen - Plankinton
1997-98	Jim McGlone - Flandreau
1998-99	Bill Scholten - Brookings
1999-2000	Rod Garrison - SF O'Gorman
2000-01	Mick Hoglund - Dell Rapids
2001-02	Jim Sorensen - Beresford
2002-03	Bill Scholten - Brookings
2003-04	Phil Hunt - Rapid City Stevens
2004-05	John Brown - Clark

Boys

2005-06	Mike Schouten - SF Christian
2006-07	Tim DeJong Dell Rapids St. Mary's
2007-08	Jay Weber - Avon
2008-09	Ryan Mors - Freeman
2009-10	Brett Sime - Yankton
2010-11	Gale Lundberg - Deuel
2011-12	Mick Hoglund - Dell Rapids
2012-13	Kari Stoltenberg - Dell Rapids

Girls

2005-06	John Brown - Clark
2006-07	Joan Rachetto - Lead/Deadwood
2007-08	Todd Schlimgen - Colman-Egan
2008-09	Eric Norden - Parkston
2009-10	Rod Garrison - SF O'Gorman
2010-11	Dave Fuller - Parker
2011-12	John Knox - Pierre
2012-13	Tyler Hockett - Parkston

2014 Boys' Golf Coach of the Year

Mick Hoglund

Dell Rapids



Mick Hoglund is recognized as the Boys' Golf Coach of the Year by the South Dakota High School Coaches Association for the third time since 2001. He was chosen in 2001, and again in 2011. In 2011 his Quarriers nosed out Harrisburg by a single stroke in the battle for the state Class A championship. And for the second time in two years, Dell Rapids won the 2013 crown by a single stroke, edging Parkston for the title. Adam Karst led the Quarriers' charge with a runner-up finish. A graduate of Hamlin High School, Hoglund began coaching and teaching in the Dell Rapids School District in 1984. His Quarriers claimed the Class A title for the fourth time in 2013. Hoglund has also coached football, basketball and track and field. "It's an honor to receive this award," he said. "There are many great people involved in South Dakota High School Athletics and I feel proud to be a part of it. Athletic competition has allowed me to meet thousands of great people and I feel very fortunate." Mick and his wife, Shauna, are the parents of two children: Morgan and Ty.

Other Nominees: Mike Buseth, Deubrook Area
Scott Carroll, Brandon Valley
Rod Garrison, O'Gorman

Tyler Hockett, Parkston
Kari Stoltenberg, Garretson



2014 Girls' Track & Field Coach of the Year

Bob Garry

Sioux Falls Christian

Retirement has resulted in some satisfying achievements for Bob Garry. Following coaching/teaching stops at Miller, Lennox, and Sioux Falls Lincoln, Garry retired in 2007. But sitting back didn't last long as Garry accepted

the challenge of starting a football program at Sioux Falls Christian. He skillfully guided the Chargers through five seasons of "growing pains" before leaving the sideline. Garry, who served as a volunteer with the Chargers' track and field programs, agreed to become the head coach for both the girls' and boys' programs in 2011. After sixth, third, and runner-up finishes at the state Class A meet, Garry took the Charger girls to the championship in 2014. SFC earned 119 points, won four relay titles, crowned five individual champions, and established three meet records. It was the school's first state track and field crown since 1985. In 1982, while coaching at Lennox, Garry was named football coach of the year by the SDHSAA. He feels blessed to have earned the respect and honor that accompanies this latest honor. "I have been so fortunate to have had a long and fruitful career in athletics and am very grateful to many outstanding athletes, assistant coaches, and school officials, but especially to my wife, Shirley, for her encouragement and support during our 42 married years," Garry said.

Other Nominees: David Dolan, Rapid City Central
Paul Hendry, Rapid City Stevens

Brent Mutchelknaus, Irene-Wakonda
Todd Thorson, Ipswich

Previous Winners

1974-75	Merline Doyle - Wall
1975-76	Laverne Diede - Freeman
1976-77	Marv Sherrill - Watertown
1977-78	Russ Strand - Brookings
1978-79	Jim Miner - Yankton
1979-80	Jack Rasmussen - Salem
1980-81	Cal Corey - Sturgis
1981-82	Larry Lundeen - Pierre
1982-83	Randy Hermansen - Eureka
1983-84	Eldon Knudson - Custer
1984-85	John Huth - Aberdeen Central
1985-86	John Huth - Aberdeen Central
1986-87	Judy Busch - Sioux Falls Lincoln
1987-88	John Nyhaug - Viborg
1988-89	Larry Guischer - Bridgewater
1989-90	Klark Thompsons - Lake Preston
1990-91	Klark Thompsons - Lake Preston
1991-92	John Houska - Rapid City Central
1992-93	Duane Tordoff - Spearfish
1993-94	Norm Stethem - Hoven
1994-95	Gene Brownell - Aberdeen Central
1995-96	Gene Brownell - Aberdeen Central
1996-97	Dave Scott - Hot Springs
1997-98	Norb Reuer - Faulkton
1998-99	Richard Luther - Lennox
1999-2000	Curtis Sage - Marion
2000-01	Lemoine Trout - Rapid City Stevens
2001-02	Ken Bruckner - Menno
2002-03	Ray Slaba - Bonesteel/Fairfax
2003-04	Paul Hendry - Rapid City Stevens
2004-05	Kristi Rieger - Sioux Falls Roosevelt
2005-06	Jim McGuire - Vermillion
2006-07	Allyson Hiedeman - Colman/Egan
2007-08	Kim DeRouchey - Hanson
2008-09	David Dolan - Rapid City Central
2009-10	Paul Hendry - Rapid City Stevens
2010-11	Joan Peters - West Central
2011-12	Todd Thorson - Ipswich
2012-13	Jim Appl - Aberdeen Central

Previous Winners

1971-72	David Vogelgesang - Willow Lake
1972-73	Rich Greeno - Sioux Falls Lincoln
1973-74	Jake Schlicht - Yankton
1974-75	Eldon Barnes - Flandreau
1975-76	Ron Lounsbury - Centerville
1976-77	Rod Knutson - Elk Point
1977-78	Buzz Stevenson - Huron
1978-79	Don Diede - Freeman
1979-80	Dick Brook - SF Washington
1980-81	Jerry McElroy - Watertown
1981-82	Jim Cordts - Madison
1982-83	Jim Egeberg - Groton
1983-84	Bryan Brace - Volga
1984-85	Lyle Claussen - Brandon Valley
1985-86	Vern Miller - Pierre
1986-87	Tom Main - Chester
1987-88	Ken Linstrom - Rapid City Stevens
1988-89	Ed Evenson - Beresford
1989-90	Jim Sattler - Menno
1990-91	Jerry Kippes - Marion
1991-92	Jim Miner - Yankton
1992-93	Jerome Garry - Madison
1993-94	Jerome Garry - Madison
1994-95	Jim Sattler - Menno
1995-96	Jim Miner - Yankton
1996-97	John Houska - Rapid City Central
1997-98	Vic Godfrey - Watertown
1998-99	Duane Tordoff - Spearfish
1999-2000	Scott Muckey - Corsica
2000-01	Phil Moore - White Lake
2001-02	Allen Weier - Platte
2002-03	Richard Luther - Lennox
2003-04	Bob Billotto - Eureka
2004-05	Brad Olson - Milbank
2005-06	Geoff Gross - Pierre
2006-07	Gary Pepper - Scotland
2007-08	Brock Rops - SF Christian
2008-09	Larry Buffington - Gayville-Volin
2009-10	Jerry Rhodes - Philip
2010-11	Everett Gebhart - SF Washington
2011-12	John Nyhaug - Viborg/Hurley
2012-13	Craig Black - Custer

2014 Boys' Track & Field Coach of the Year

Jim Jarovski

Sioux Falls Lincoln

Jim Jarovski's Lincoln Patriots headed to the 2014 state Class AA track and field championships without their distance ace. But Jarovski's team came together, scored 118 points, and captured Lincoln's first state crown since 1989. "All the guys just stepped it up," Jarovski told the Argus Leader's Justin Wulf. It was a similar finish fashioned by the football team, overcoming the loss of its starting quarterback to win the 2013 11AAA title. Jarovski is an assistant coach with the varsity football squad. A graduate of the University of Sioux Falls, Jarovski coached Lincoln's high jumpers and sprinters from 2000-2005. Since becoming the head coach in 2006 he has mentored 28 individual and relay state champions. He coached Gemedu Godi, the boys' Class AA MVP in 2011 as well as Nevada Sorenson, the 2009 girls' MVP. His 2009 girls' team took runner-up honors at state. "I am honored to receive the 2014 track coach of the year award," he said. "It is an award that I would not have received without a great staff of assistant coaches, great administration, and a great group of athletes to work with at Lincoln High School. I am fortunate to be at such a great school and to learn from some great coaches, who I have worked with in the past and currently have the opportunity to work with."



Other Nominees: Phil Bjorneberg, Parker
Craig Black, Custer

Doug Fiedler, Dell Rapids
Rory Hermansen, Freeman



2014 Assistant Coach of the Year Middle School/Junior High

Craig Connell Eureka-Bowdle

For the past 32 years in Eureka, Craig Connell has groomed countless student-athletes for competition at the varsity level. Currently, Connell is coaching Eureka-Bowdle fifth and sixth grade girls' basketball, and is assisting with track and field. He has been chosen region coach of the year for girls' basketball and guided his team to a sixth-place finish in the 1985 state tournament.

With his assistance, the Patriots have claimed conference and region titles in track and field. He has contributed to teams that have won four state and three combined state crowns. Connell has a passing for jumping, and over the last 16 years has helped four student-athletes to a total of nine jumping titles. Said Connell; "I would like to thank the entire coaches association for choosing me for this award. It is such an honor to be selected by your peers. At this point in my coaching career, I am humbled by your generosity."

Previous Winners

1988-89	Jim Miner - Yankton
1989-90	Virg Polak - Watertown
1990-91	Vern Miller - Pierre
1991-92	Ken Knapp - Rapid City Central
1992-93	Gary Satter - Yankton
1993-94	Tim Raabe - Lennox
1994-95	Mary Ellen Luikens - Scotland
1995-96	Terry Engelland - SF Lincoln
1996-97	Doug Schooley - Watertown
1997-98	Cheryl Huddleston - Hot Springs
1998-99	Roger Loecker - Huron
1999-2000	Diane Braskamp - Madison
2000-01	Doc Michel - Rapid City
2001-02	Bob DeBoer - Huron
2002-03	Carmen Robinson - Yankton
2003-04	Georgia Adolph - Flandreau
2004-05	Ken Bruckner - Menno
2005-06	Dave Scott - Lennox
2006-07	Tricia Neugebauer - Mitchell
2007-08	Todd Jorgenson - Brookings
2008-09	Brett Schleekeway - SF Washington
2009-10	Carmen Robinson - Yankton
2010-11	Larry Toft - SF Washington
2011-12	Jeff Walder - Andes Central
2012-13	Bob Tiff - Redfield

Previous Winners

1988-89	Jim Miner - Yankton
1989-90	Virg Polak - Watertown
1990-91	Vern Miller - Pierre
1991-92	Ken Knapp - Rapid City Central
1992-93	Gary Satter - Yankton
1993-94	Jerry Miller - Sioux Falls Roosevelt
1994-95	Ray Kooistra - Yankton
1995-96	Ray Boetel - Rapid City Stevens
1996-97	Harry Himmerich Edmunds Central
1997-98	Bob Judson - Pierre
1998-99	Allen Weier - Platte
1999-2000	Larry Holland - Howard
2000-01	Roger Heirigs - Vermillion
2001-02	Don Campbell - Yankton
2002-03	Ken Bruckner - Menno
2003-04	Mel Fathke - Avon
2004-05	Dick Tschetter - Spearfish
2005-06	Allen Weier - Platte
2006-07	Tom Osterberg - Madison
2007-08	Andrew TerWee - Garretson
2008-09	Ken Schaefer - Yankton
2009-10	Tom Starr - Mitchell
2010-11	John Gilman - Parkston
2011-12	Randy Gross - Yankton
2012-13	Scott Embry - Sioux Falls Lincoln

2014 Assistant Coach of the Year Boys' Sports

Dan Mitchell Yankton



Recognition of Dan Mitchell's abilities and accomplishments as an assistant coach reaches beyond South Dakota. The Wayne State (Neb.) graduate, who has spent his entire 29 years in coaching at Yankton, is a finalist for assistant coach of the year for boys' sports from the National High School Athletic Coaches Association. Since 1988 Dan has served as an assistant with the Bucks' varsity football team. He has worked with offensive and defensive linemen, wide receivers, defensive ends, outside linebackers and special teams. Currently he serves as the defensive coordinator. Mitchell has helped mold nine Eastern South Dakota Conference championship teams and four state championship squads.

Off the playing field he founded the National Strength and Conditioning Association Fly Solo weight lifting program at Yankton in 2009. In 2014 he assumed the presidency of the South Dakota Football Coaches Association. "I am honored to receive this award from the SDHSCA," Mitchell said. "I would like to think it's because the coaches, activities director, and the district are doing things right in Yankton."



2014 Assistant Coach of the Year Girls' Sports

Cindee Evenson Menno

Cindee Evenson never imagined her passion for running would one day lead to coaching. Menno was in need of an assistant track coach when Evenson joined the faculty in 1999. When asked if she would be interested in lending a hand, Evenson was hesitant at first. But, she accepted reasoning it would only be for a year. That fall she fielded another request to assist in cross country. Again she accepted and has filled the post for both sports ever since. She looks back on her decisions with no regrets. "I have gained so much from coaching, from the relationships with the athletes, their families and the community, and to getting to know and learn from the other coaches around the state." She is especially grateful to Menno coach Ken Bruckner for his guidance and support. Before arriving at Menno, Evenson taught in Freeman, where for seven years she coached up to eight squads of cheerleaders each year. During that time she coached a state championship and state runner-up cheer squads.

Previous Winners

1993-94	Nick Kranz - Watertown
1994-95	Kenn Anderson - Sioux Falls
1995-96	Lucy Lindskov - Sioux Falls
1996-97	Duane Donat - Aberdeen
1997-98	Pamela Jo Holland - Sioux Falls
1998-99	Mike Merkwan - Yankton
1999-2000	Annette Johnson - Spearfish
2000-01	Virg Polak - Watertown
2001-02	Bruce Maxwell - Parkston
2002-03	Ron VanLaecken - Watertown
2003-04	Bob Billotto - Eureka/Bowdle
2004-05	Alan Hamre - Willow Lake
2005-06	Kevin DeCurtins - Madison
2006-07	Tom Oster - Avon
2007-08	Connie Deibert - Aberdeen
2008-09	Ron Wackel - Dakota Middle School
2009-10	Sue Gapp - Aberdeen
2010-11	Tim Boeck - Arlington
2011-12	Becky Jensen - Chamberlain
2012-13	Skip Kurth - Pierre

Previous Winners

1979-80	Pete Baker - Scotland
1980-81	Jack Richardson - Yankton
1981-82	Don Reshetar - Aberdeen
1982-83	Harvey Hammrich - Watertown
1983-84	Jim Holwerda - Brookings
1984-85	Lloyd Dobratz - Sioux Falls
1985-86	Barry Huitema - Huron
1986-87	Wayne Carney - Hamlin
1987-88	Howard Naasz - RC Central
1988-89	Jim Haar - Aberdeen Central
1989-90	Jerry Hunter - Miller
1990-91	Ken Keck - Clark
1991-92	Jerry McPartland - Castlewood
1992-93	Wayne Carney - Hamlin
1993-94	Robert Lowery - Vermillion
1994-95	Lowell Gilbertson - Arlington
1995-96	Bob Peterson - Sturgis
1996-97	Rob VanLaecken - Parkston
1997-98	Jim Haar - Rapid City Central
1998-99	Jerry Miller - Sioux Falls Roosevelt
1999-2000	Butch Bachman - Tri-Valley
2000-01	Dusty Kracht - Pierre
2001-02	Harvey Hammrich - Watertown
2002-03	Jim Dorman - Madison
2003-04	Gene Brownell - Aberdeen Central
2004-05	Terry Stulken - Colman/Egan
2005-06	Rick Weber - Flandreau
2006-07	Mark Wendelgass - Huron
2007-08	Doug Schooley - Watertown
2008-09	Steve Berseth - Brookings
2009-10	Darren Paulson - Rapid City Central
2010-11	Gene Brownell - Aberdeen Central
2011-12	Jim Dorman - SF Lincoln
2012-13	Tom Murphy - Aberdeen Roncalli

2014 Athletic Director of the Year Mark Meile Sioux Falls School District



Twenty-one years ago, Mark Meile was the right choice to become the Coordinator of Physical Education and Athletics for the Sioux Falls School District. His qualifications included 14 years as a teacher/coach at four South Dakota schools. He coached girls' and boys' basketball teams in addition to girls' track. He had seven years experience as an athletic director and coordinator. He was a nominee for boys' and girls' basketball coach of the year, in addition to athletic director of the year. His Bridgewater girls' basketball team compiled a 24-1 record, he won district and region basketball championships, and he coached numerous all-state players. His career coaching record is an impressive 235-110. In his role with the Sioux Falls School District, Meile has managed countless state events for the South Dakota High School Activities Association in addition to serving as meet director for the Howard Wood Dakota Relays. In 2009 he was inducted into the Augustana College Athletic Hall of Fame, and in 2013 received the State Award of Merit from the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. Despite a rigorous schedule, Meile can be seen officiating grade school basketball on weekends. "It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve our students, coaches, and public for the past

28 years," Meile said. "Athletic administrators play a vital role in creating great experiences for the student-athletes from across the state; experiences that last a lifetime."

Other Nominees: Clay Anderson, Belle Fourche

Bill Clements, Dakota Valley

Joey Struwe, Estelline



2014 Official of the Year

Don Kayser

Alexandria

In 1991, Donnie Kayser put on the striped shirt, picked up a whistle and began working junior high and junior varsity basketball games for the Hanson School District in Alexandria. During the 2013-14 season, Kayser worked more than 60 varsity games and was chosen to call his first state Class B boys' tournament. Leading up to his state tournament assignment, he officiated the District 12B and 5A meets. The past season concluded with his reception of the NFOA Girls' Basketball Active Officials Award. During that memorable first season on the court, Kayser said he was fortunate to gain experience and knowledge from many veteran officials. Encouraged by Jim Haskamp, Kayser registered with the SDHSAA in 1992 and was assigned to his first varsity girls' and boys' contests. In addition to some college games, Kayser has officiated eight state "B" girls' tournaments, including the championship games in 2007 and 2011. But the memories he most cherishes are the friendships he has developed with school administrators, activities directors, coaches, fellow officials, and fans. Kayser and his wife, LeAnn, are the parents of two children: Heather and Jayden.

Previous Winners	
1992-93	Colin Kapitan - Yankton
	Marge Evjen - Sturgis
1993-94	Gary Reed - Sioux Falls
1994-95	Al Sime - Britton
1995-96	Richard Rockafellow - Geddes
1996-97	Jim Johnson - Mitchell
1997-98	Buck Timmins - Mitchell
1998-99	Dan Barker - Madison
1999-2000	Keith Kusler - Aberdeen
2000-01	Curt Ehresmann - Watertown
2001-02	Kelley Devine - Sioux Falls
2002-03	Jeff Sylliaasen - Garretson
2003-04	Dave Tate - Fort Pierre
2004-05	Keith McVay - Marion
2005-06	Dana Nelson - Yankton
2006-07	Jim Ricketts, Sr. - Sioux Falls
2007-08	Gene Bjorklund - Volga
2008-09	Keith Kusler - Aberdeen
2009-10	Lee Johnson - Wessington Springs
2010-11	Terry Nebelsick - Huron
2011-12	Dan Sudbeck - Dimock
2012-13	Jerry Beers - Brookings

Other Nominees: Tammy Griffith, Aberdeen
Jim Haskamp, Alexandria

Ignacio Magbuhat, Box Elder
Mike Mebius, Wessington Springs

Shavonne Mitchell, Pierre
Jim Ricketts, Jr., Sioux Falls

Clark Slykhuis, Letcher

Previous Winners

1975-76	Don Lindner - Rapid City
1976-77	Danny Olson - Sioux Falls
1977-78	Roger Toland - Rapid City
1978-79	Norm Hilsen - Yankton
1979-80	(None chosen)
1980-81	Mark Ovenden - Sioux Falls
1981-82	Ron Feickert - Aberdeen
1982-83	Tom Maxwell - Sioux Falls
1983-84	Greg Hansen - Mitchell
1984-85	Jim Burt - Sioux Falls
1985-86	Bruce Conley - Sioux Falls
1986-87	Mark Ovenden - Sioux Falls
1987-88	J.T. Fey - Watertown
1988-89	Dellas Cole - Brookings
1989-90	Eileen Breisch - Aberdeen
1990-91	Todd Enderson - Watertown
1991-92	Ron Wood - Rapid City
1992-93	Jeff Anderson - Madison
1993-94	J.T. Fey - Watertown
1994-95	Scott Kooistra - Yankton
1995-96	Don Lindner - Rapid City
1996-97	Mark Ovenden - Sioux Falls
1997-98	Roger Toland - Rapid City
1998-99	Tom Nieman - Sioux Falls
1999-2000	Roger Merriam - Watertown
2000-01	Mark Ovenden - Sioux Falls
2001-02	Dave Vilhauer - Aberdeen
2002-03	Tim Smith - Mitchell
2003-04	Korrie Wenzel - Mitchell
2004-05	Joe VanGoor - Vermillion
2005-06	Roger Toland - Rapid City
2006-07	Erik Thorstenson - Sioux Falls
2007-08	James Cimburek - Yankton
2008-09	Mike Henriksen - Dell Rapids
2009-10	Deb Smith - Aberdeen
2010-11	Steve Morgan - Mitchell
2011-12	Padraic Duffy - RC Journal
2012-13	Pat Morrison - Mobridge

2014 Sportswriter of the Year

Wade LaRoche

Pierre

Wade LaRoche turned his lifelong passion for sports into a career and entered the journalism field during a special time in the Pierre Capital Journal's area of coverage. A Stanley County High School graduate, LaRoche began working at the Capital Journal as a freelance writer after graduating from Minnesota State-Mankato in 2011 and eventually was offered the position of sports editor at the publication.



LaRoche has won three first-place prizes in the Associated Press small daily newspaper contest, while garnering two second place and two third-place finishes in the same contest. He also won a first-place honor in the South Dakota Newspaper Association's yearly contest in 2014.

Since becoming sports editor, LaRoche has interviewed a variety of accomplished personalities ranging from Senator John Thune to former Heisman Trophy winner Eric Crouch. While he's enjoyed interviewing some of the more well-known figures in South Dakota, LaRoche's true enjoyment has come through working with some of South Dakota's top high school athletes and coaches.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

The Distinguished Service Award is given for outstanding contributions and dedication to high school athletics.

2014	Tom Boltjes, Platte Mark Stanforth, Colorado Springs, CO Mona Smith, Aberdeen	1997	Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls Vernon Bechen, Flandreau
2013	Dana Dykhouse, Sioux Falls Joel Harris, Carroll, Iowa Bob Lowery, Pierre	1996	Gale Rohr, Watertown
2012	Charlie Childerston, Sioux Falls Bob Denny, Sioux Falls Duane Whalen, Rapid City	1995	Ron Babb, Wakonda
2011	Charlie Childerston, Sioux Falls Bob Denny, Sioux Falls Duane Whalen, Rapid City	1994	Bernie Stocking, Pierre
2010	Greg Kendall, Sioux Falls Nick Kranz, Watertown Terry Tople, Fort Pierre	1993	Harve Johnston, Mitchell
2009	Jerry Bussler, Rapid City Roger Nelson, Brookings Jim Robinson, Yankton	1992	Ken Kessinger, Sioux Falls Jack Dorman, Castlewood
2008	Vern Uhlir, Kadoka	1991	Don Ahrend, Sioux Falls Dodie Bemis, Watertown
2007	Judy Busch, Sioux Falls Lolly Forseth, Sioux Falls	1990	Dale McElhany, Watertown
2006	Tom Allen, Spearfish Ruth Rehn, Pierre Gene Struck, Montrose	1989	Sarah Trish, Sioux Falls
2005	John Cornette, Yankton Bob Tiff, Redfield	1988	Howard Connors, Vermillion
2004	Virg Polak, Watertown	1987	Max Hawk, Yankton
2003	Dick Hunhoff, Yankton Marlyn Goldhammer, Pierre	1986	William Timmins, Mitchell
2002	William (Bill) Jones, Spearfish	1985	Tom Walsh, Sioux Falls
2001	Dennis Kokesh (deceased) Virgil Wolthoff, Canton	1984	Jim Prosser, Vermillion
2000	Charles Schad, Spearfish	1983	Charles Hoover, Onida
1999	Wayne Carney, Sioux Falls	1982	Warren Williamson, Brookings
1998	Richard Michel, Rapid City Judean Schwinger, Watertown	1981	Forrest Lothrop, Strandburg
		1979	Fred Claudon, Sioux Falls
		1978	Keith Fitzpatrick, Mitchell
		1977	Howard Nielsen, Yankton
		1976	Dr. C.C. Pascale, Centerville
		1975	Foster Green, Hot Springs
		1974	Bill Treadway, Huron
		1973	Elmer Hansen, Sioux Falls Philip McKeoun, Webster
		1972	Dr. Merritt Auld, Yankton

2014 Distinguished Service Award Winners

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



Linda Larson Sioux Falls

Linda Larson was an outstanding student and athlete at Sioux Falls Lincoln High School and Augustana College. As the years have passed, she has continued to show a high level of support for the athletic programs at both schools and for all coaches of the South Dakota High School Coaches Association.

Larson has provided a grant program open to all SDHSCA members to attend a national conference or clinic. This grant is provided annually to 7 coaches/athletic directors in the amount of \$700 each. Through her generosity, coaches are provided the opportunity for professional growth and involvement in the national sports associations.

She also serves on a committee for the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation- "Excellence in Education". This committee reviews grants for teachers. She serves on the Augustana Athletic Club Board where she shares her expertise and love of sports. She also provides a scholarship for Augustana students in honor of her mother and father. At Sioux Falls Lincoln High School, she provides a scholarship every year to an athlete that displays outstanding character traits.

Larson has a very high respect for teachers and coaches. She has shown continued and loyal support to South Dakota coaches through her generous grants to the South Dakota High School Coaches Association.

SDHSCA Scholarships

Emily Bohle, Aberdeen

Anna Flitner, Presho

Chesney Garnos, Presho

Alyssa Jung, Warner

Cody Martens, Aberdeen

Matthew Nugent, Piedmont

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Dave Prohl Scholarship

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Coaches Against Cancer Scholarship

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Cassie Jacobsen, Lake Preston

Jordan Little, Watertown

SD Coaches Foundation Scholarships

Trevor Jacobsen, Viborg

Clara Schild, Yankton

Les Williams, Wall

Graphic Edge Scholarship

Dylan Fischbach, Vermillion



MAX HAWK AWARD

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



2014 Max Hawk Award Bill Weber Watertown

In addition to teaching and coaching, Bill Weber has generously given of his time and talent to help others.

He graduated from Grant-Deuel High School in 1980, and earned a bachelor's degree in education/industrial technology from Northern State University in 1985.

Weber taught Industrial Arts in Rosholt from 1986 to 2004. He compiled a 97-67 record as head football coach of the Tri-School and Veblen Rosholt Raiders for 18 years, claiming four region and seven ECC Conference championships.

He was the head track and field coach for Rosholt and Veblen Rosholt Raiders for 18 seasons, guiding both the girls' and boys' team to region titles and three top four finishes in state meet competition. While living in Rosholt, Weber served with the volunteer fire and ambulance crews, church council, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

From the fall of 2004 to the spring of 2006, Weber taught welding and coached football and track in Mitchell. He has been in Watertown since the fall of 2006, where he teaches Industrial Technology. In addition, he is an assistant football coach with the Arrows' junior varsity team, and heads up the junior high track program.

He is active in the South Dakota Football Coaches serving as region representative for eight years and served as its president from 2000-2002. He has been on the Board of Directors of the SDHSCA since 2000 and served as the president in 2010-2011.

With his industrial technology background, Weber has been making the wood display board with all the sponsors, honor holes, memory holes for the Foundation Golf Tournament for the past 6 years. He has also created many wood, glass, mirror, and ceramic title items he donates to the SDFBCA, SDHSCA, and the SDCCTCA to help raise money for scholarships and needy coaches projects.

Weber and his wife, Kristi, are the parents of three children: Rachel, Marcus, and Kimberlin.

Roll of Champions

State Championship Coaches 2013-2014

TENNIS

Girls Don Barnes, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Boys Tom Krueger, Sioux Falls Lincoln

GOLF

Girls AA Rod Garrison, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Boys AA Rod Garrison, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Girls A Tyler Hockett, Parkston
Boys A Mick Hoglund, Dell Rapids
Girls B Mike Buseth, Deubrook Area
Boys B Gary Aderhold, Aberdeen Christian

CROSS COUNTRY

Girls AA Jesse Coy, Rapid City Stevens
Boys AA Eric Pooley, Sioux Falls Lincoln
Girls A Jason Bohl, Garretson
Boys A Tonya Whirlwind Soldier, Todd County
Girls B Todd Thorson, Ipswich
Boys B Ervin Gebhart, Elkton-Lake Benton

CHEER

Girls AA Molly Christianson, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Girls A Kris Dailey, Watertown
Girls B Casie King, Sioux Valley

DANCE

Girls AA Angela Nieman, Sioux Falls Washington
Girls A Melissa Strong, Dakota Valley

VOLLEYBALL

Girls AA Julie Kolbeck, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Girls A Rick Pruett, Dakota Valley
Girls B Kari Jung, Warner

FOOTBALL

11AAA Aaron Beavers, Sioux Falls Lincoln
11AA Jayson Poppinga, Pierre
11A Kent Mueller, West Central
11B Rich Lundstrom, Canton
9AA Jeff VanLeur, Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan
9A Vern Smith, Potter County
9B Tom Culver, Avon

GYMNASTICS

Girls AA Audra Rew, Mitchell
Girls A Maridee Dossett, Madison

WRESTLING

Boys A Rocky Burkett, Aberdeen Central
Boys B Jared Digmann, Parkston

BASKETBALL

Girls AA Nate Malchow, Sioux Falls Washington
Boys AA Lee Taylor, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
Girls A Brandon Kandolin, St. Thomas More
Boys A Michael Ricke, Madison
Girls B Stewart Bohle, Warner
Boys B Darwin Hofer, James Valley Christian

TRACK & FIELD

Girls AA Paul Hendry, Rapid City Stevens
Boys AA Jim Jarovski, Sioux Falls Lincoln
Girls A Bob Garry, Sioux Falls Christian
Boys A Craig Black, Custer
Girls B Todd Thorson, Ipswich
Boys B Phil Bjorneberg, Parker

2014 SPECIAL OLYMPICS SOUTH DAKOTA OUTSTANDING AWARDS



Special Olympics
South Dakota



Athlete Of The Year

Presented to the Special Olympics athlete who has demonstrated the true spirit, courage, sharing and joy of Special Olympics.

Tanner Stirling
Parkston

NOMINEES:
• Melissa Heckel, Spearfish
• Randell Hills, Redfield
• Derek Nieland, Rapid City

Volunteers do everything there is to do for Special Olympics and more. You are fundraisers, cheerleaders, administrators, chauffeurs, chaperones, trainers, coaches, policy makers, trash collectors, referees, food servers, score keepers and everything in-between.

You serve without salary, without recognition, without honors or awards. Special Olympics would not exist without you - your dedication, your work, and your love.

Thank you volunteers.... You represent the highest values of the human spirit and we are grateful for your service!

Don Baker Award



This is the highest honor presented by Special Olympics South Dakota. It is given in honor of Don Baker who was a volunteer and official starter for Special Olympics events. This award is given annually to an individual, organization, business, or agency that has given outstanding support to Special Olympics South Dakota.

Kip Eggebraaten
Sioux Falls

NOMINEES:

- ADVANCE, Brookings
- Belle Fourche Area Community Center, Belle Fourche
- Patrick Belling, Mitchell
- Myles Kennedy, Spearfish
- Mike & Cindy Markley, Aberdeen

“Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt.”
-Special Olympics athlete oath

Lyle Farrand Award

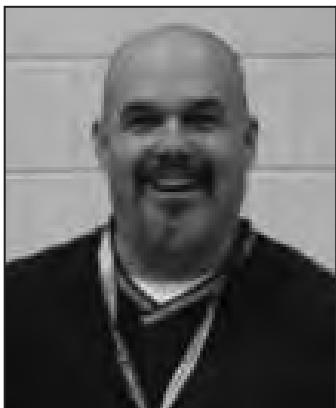
Volunteer of the Year

This award is given in honor of Lyle Farrand of Sioux Falls. In 1968, Farrand was instrumental in starting Special Olympics South Dakota. This award is given to an individual who has had a positive impact on Special Olympics.

Jody Grubb Belle Fourche

NOMINEES:

- Wayne Steckline, Ft. Pierre
- Amber Stirling, Parkston
- Laura Young, Spearfish



Family Award

This award is presented to a family who has demonstrated unique and outstanding support of Special Olympics athletes.

Bradwisch Family Mitchell

NOMINEES:

- Bolyard Family, Rapid City
- Foote Family, Spearfish



DJ Mertens "Champion" Award

This award is given in honor of DJ Mertens who was instrumental in establishing and growing SOSD. This award is presented to a business, organization, or media outlet which has made a major contribution to Special Olympics South Dakota.

Sammons Financial Group Sioux Falls

NOMINEES:

- Spearfish Middle School



Ron Stewart Award Coach of the Year

This award is given in honor of Ron Stewart of Rapid City who was a Special Olympics Coach for over 25 years. The recipient of this award has given his/her time to encourage Special Olympics athletes to achieve their fullest potential.

Jennifer Dobney Irene-Wakonda

NOMINEES:

- Lindsay Bruce, Redfield
- Sandra Chasing Hawk, Redfield
- Brenda Hendricks, Spearfish
- Missy Hill, Aberdeen
- Brian Jacobsen, Lake Norden
- Gwen Schwartz, Redfield
- John Tanner, Rapid City



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2014 NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR FINALISTS



Back Row, Left to Right: **Kim Nelson**, Sioux Falls Roosevelt in Football;
Bill Clements, Dakota Valley Athletic Director; **Paul Hendry**, Rapid City Stevens in Girls' Track & Field;
Phil Hunt, Rapid City Stevens in Golf; **Dan Mitchell**, Yankton, Assistant in Boys' Sports

Front Row, Left to Right: **Mark Upward**, Vermillion in Special Sports-Gymnastics;
Mary Ellen Luikens, Scotland, Assistant in Girls' Sports; **Steve Keszler**, Sturgis in Wrestling

Not Pictured: **Phil Bjorneberg**, Parker in Boys' Cross Country
Don Barnes, Sioux Falls O'Gorman in Tennis



NHSACA
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC COACHES ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR & NATIONAL HALL OF FAME

Criteria for Selection into this Distinguished Group:
Years of Service, Championship Years, Winning Percentage,
Awards and Honors, and Professional Service.

2014 National Coaches of the Year



Mark Upward

Gymnastics
Vermillion

Mary Ellen Luikens

Assistant Girls' Sports
Scotland

Steve Keszler

Wrestling
Sturgis

2014 Hall of Fame



Rod Garrison
Sioux Falls O'Gorman



Jim Haar
Rapid City

2014 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



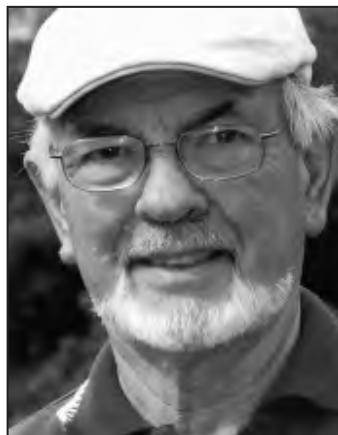
**John Bruce
Britton**

Introduced By:
Terry Shelsta



**Daryl Fletcher
Elk Point-Jefferson**

Introduced By:
Roger Schaffer



**Vic Godfrey
Watertown**

Introduced By:
Ryan Godfrey



**Donna Schmitz
Gregory**

Introduced By:
Dan Whalen



**Don Shields
Pierre**

Introduced By:
Skip Kurth

HALL OF FAME PAST INDUCTEES

2013 Jim Dorman, James Drake, Burnell Glanzer, John Nyhaug, Doug Schooley
2012 Georgia Adolph, Ken Bruckner, Virg Polak, Les Tlustos
2011 Steve Berseth, Fran Esser, Earl Hilton, Connie Nyhaug, Allen Weier
2010 Jim Sorenson, Rob Van Laecken, Chuck Welke, Bill Witte, Don Barnes
2009 Frank Podraza, Russell Strande, Francis Zacher
2008 Cal Corey, Sheri Keck, Roger Pries, Gary Reed, Jim Uttecht
2007 Rob Garrison, Marv McCune, Pam Johnson Murra, Gary Wallman, Tom Walsh, Sr.
2006 Tom Main, Joe Lockwood, Lemoine Trout, Terry Small
2005 Galen Busch, Gene Danielsen, Bill Scholten, Dave Scott
2004 Chris Dummermuth, Jim Holwerda, Jack Theeler
2003 Linda Collignon, Jim Haar, Jerry Opbroek
2002 Forrest Flaagan, Ron Flynn, Ken Rumli, Bill Welsh
2001 Ronnie Brown, Richard Day, Richard Donovan, Jim Heeren
2000 Elwood Dietrich, Bob Judson, Tom Prendergast, Fred Tibbetts
1999 Jim Calhoon, Jim Luce, Gale Lundberg
1998 Gordon Bergquist, Lowell Gilbertson, Clarence Kooistra, John Odney
1997 Eldon Barnes, Joe Dunmire, Norman West
1996 Jim Cordts, John Houska, Dean Mann
1995 Harvey Hammrich, Jim McGlone, Jim Miner, Don Reshetar
1994 Dan Barker, Judy Busch, Gary Munsen, Rich Strande
1993 Wayne Carney, Dale McElhany, Jerry Miller
1992 Lee Dolan, Harry Prendergast, Andy Zephier
1991 Wayne Haensel, Marv Sherrill
1990 Arnie Bauer, Dan Moran, Jack Richardson
1989 George DeKlotz, Lolly Forseth
1988 Larry Luitjens, Jerry McElroy, Harvey Naasz
1987 Gayle Hoover, Phil Trautner
1986 Floyd Farrand, Dave Strain, Bob Winter
1985 Lloyd Dobratz, Glenn Draisey, Laton Greeno, Tom Long
1984 Gene Breemes, Duane Clodfelter, Bob Burns
1983 Burdell Coplan, M.J. "Moe" Shevlin
1982 Rollie Greeno, Howard Naasz, Nusier Salem
1981 Bill Amacher, Bert Dent, Lewis Papendick
1980 Allen "Pete" Baker, Don Diede, Jim Marking, Bob Schroeder
1979 Rich Greeno, Max Hawk, Clar Lilevjen, Howard Taplett
1978 Clyde Cotton, Wally Diehl, Carold Heier, Floyd Mitchell
1977 Elmer Hansen, Paul Marschalk, Mel Minton, Buelle Woodle
1976 Don Baker, Euclid Cobb, Ken Greeno, Joe Quintal, Howard Wood

SPECIAL AWARDS

(Selected by members of the SDHSCA)

2013 Cross Country Individual Champions

Class	Girls	Boys
B	Laura Nelson, Gayville-Volin	Jase Kraft, Wessington Springs
A	Madisen Lavin, Vermillion	Logan Burns, Custer
AA	Annie Kruse, Yankton	Addison DeHaven, Brookings

2013 All-Tournament Volleyball Team

Class "B"	Class "A"	Class "AA"
Erin Benson, Chester	Hannah Bauer, Dakota Valley	Ellie Benson, Sioux Falls Washington
Haylee Biel, Herreid/Selby Area	Jade Bergmann, Dakota Valley	Maggie DeJong, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
Samantha Boeck, Arlington	Lindsey Calhoon, Winner	Macy Denzer, Watertown
Anna Flitner, Lyman	Morgan Ham, Belle Fourche	Maddie Goetz, Aberdeen Central
Brett Heuer, Arlington	Cassidy Hanson, Winner	Emily Herrera, Rapid City Central
Sara Heyn, Chester	Sara Husher, Winner	Taryn Kloth, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Courtney McKee, Alcester-Hudson	Kim Koupal, Wagner	Brianna Kusler, Aberdeen Central
Jenna Reiff, Chester	Stacy Smidt, Sioux Falls Christian	Kelly McCarty, Huron
Miranda Ristau, Warner	Lindsey Smith, Dakota Valley	Hannah Niemann, Sioux Falls Washington
Ashley Rozell, Warner	Kristin Stern, Sioux Falls Christian	Dalee Stene, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Carly Rozell, Warner	Brooklyn Tolliver, Wagner	Erinn Temple, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
Sierre Stugelmeyer, Harding County	Fehrin Ward, Belle Fourche	Lauren Witte, Sioux Falls O'Gorman

2013 Outstanding Football Players

Class	Lineman	Backs
9A	Chayce Hall, Potter County	Carson Kirby, Potter County
9AA	Blake Bartscher, Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan	Tyler Myers, Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan
11B	Gabe Dolen, Canton	Aaron VanVoorst, Canton
11A	Cody Bussell, West Central	John Blue, West Central
11AA	Alexander Gray, Pierre	Kyle Veitz, Pierre
11AAA	Caden Quintanilla, Sioux Falls Lincoln	Levi Rozeboom, Sioux Falls Lincoln

2014 All-Tournament Gymnasts

Class "A"	Class "AA"
Alyssa Anderson, West Central	Krisia Bramer, Watertown
Shantel Bairey, Chamberlain	Chelsey Christensen, Rapid City Central
Jenny Giles, Madison	Colette Christensen, Rapid City Central
Marilyn Nasomwat, Chamberlain	Quinci Herll, Mitchell
Kaitlyn Plut, Deuel	Taylor Kelsey, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Erin Punt, Warner	Alaina Klapperich, Rapid City Central
Ashley Schwebach, Madison	Lizzie Miller, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Shania Schwebach, Madison	Ellie Rew, Mitchell
Shannon Winthers, Madison	Rebecca Sadler, Mitchell
Kelly Woolschlager, Deuel	Abby Thuringer, Sioux Falls O'Gorman

2014 All-Tournament Girls Basketball Team

Class "B"	Class "A"	Class "AA"
Kelia Barta, Gayville-Volin	Keely Bertram, Elk Point-Jefferson	Ellie Benson, Sioux Falls Washington
Ballie Beer, Lemmon	Kelsey Bertram, Winner	Kaitlyn Hinch, Spearfish
Kynedi Cheeseman, Hanson	Moira Duffy, St. Thomas More	Kelsey Knecht, Sioux Falls Washington
Jazmyn Hinker, Kimball/White Lake	Haley Edmundson, Garretson	Sydney Koel, Sioux Falls Washington
Brooklyn Halverson, Lyman	Becca Glanzer, Mt. Vernon/Plankinton	Tagyn Larson, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
Leah Marsh, Hanson	Anna Keefe, Sioux Valley	Nicole Matcher, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
Miranda Ristau, Warner	Madison Kirsch, St. Thomas More	Macy Miller, Mitchell
Ashley Rozell, Warner	Kennede Mathis, Winner	Paige Mriden, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
Myah Selland, Sanborn Cent./Woonsocket	McKenzie Mennenga, Elk Point-Jefferson	Lynsey Prosser, Sturgis
Shelby Selland, Sanborn Cent./Woonsocket	Alexys Swedlund, St. Thomas More	Dalee Steen, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
Karlea Stahl, Sully Buttes	Lindsey Vogl, Webster Area	Virginia Vifquain, Rapid City Stevens
Remi Wientjes, Sully Buttes	Santana White Dress, Pine Ridge	Taylor Volesky, Mitchell

2014 All-Tournament Boys Basketball Team

Class "B"

Blake Bartscher, Ethan
 Travis Burbank, White River
 Carter Dykstra, Platte-Geddes
 Bo Fries, Langford
 Tyler Hohenberger, Faith
 Coby Johnson, Platte-Geddes
 Caleb Meinke, Potter County
 Seamus O'Malley, Centerville
 Drew Planteen, Langford
 Andrew Ulvestad, James Valley Christian
 Alex Waldner, James Valley Christian
 Andrew Ulvestad, James Valley Christian

Class "A"

Brendon Boomsma, Tri-Valley
 Jacob Brown, Pine Ridge
 Jordan Cornelius, Sisseton
 Gunnar Ensz, Tea Area
 Jacob Giles, Madison
 Spencer Hanson, Sioux Valley
 Jeron Lavrenti, St. Thomas More
 Creighton Lebeau, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte
 Preston Nordling, Madison
 Tarin Smallfield, Tea Area
 Trae Vandeberg, Madison
 Wyatt Youngblom, Sisseton

Class "AA"

Kellen Barden, Sturgis
 Justin Decker, Huron
 Deng Geu, Sioux Falls Washington
 Brady Hale, Yankton
 Kaleb Johnson, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Brevin Kaiser, Pierre
 Colton Kooima, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
 Addison Park, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Chris Phillips, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
 Steven Schaefer, Rapid City Stevens
 Jason Spicer, Sioux Falls Roosevelt
 Brett Stanley, Sioux Falls Washington

2014 Outstanding Wrestlers

Class "B": Lucas Forsling, Elk-Point Jefferson

Class "A": Jesse True Blood, Pine Ridge

2013-14 All-Tournament Tennis Players

Girls

Mary Billion, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Morgan Brower, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Sydney Brower, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Jenna Czarnecki, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Sam Czarnecki, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Berkley Darr, Sioux Falls Washington
 Madison Fenske, St. Thomas More
 Grace Goble, St. Thomas More
 Kristen Hanson, Aberdeen Central
 Mical Johnson, Sioux Falls Washington

Boys

Arjun Choudhry, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Kaleb Dobbs, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Sam Dobbs, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Tommy Entwistle, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Elliot Hartwig, Sioux Falls Washington
 Brent Heflin, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Jake Moran, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Austin Noldner, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Erik Rossing, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Chuck Tang, Rapid City Stevens

2013-14 Boys All-Tournament Golf Team

Class "B"

Drew Seubert, Canistota
 Tristen Rush, Philip
 Riley Hanson, Deubrook Area
 JJ Cooney, Andes Central
 Mat Beardt, White River
 Trent Johnson, Deubrook Area

Class "A"

Michael Duch, Aberdeen Roncalli
 Adam Karst, Dell Rapids
 Jake Weber, Parkston
 Dylan From, West Central
 Tayler Anderson, Madison
 Tanner Burg, Madison
 Jeron Laurenti, St. Thomas More

Class "AA"

Tommy Vining, Sioux Falls Lincoln
 Chris Gaher, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Max Donohue, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Jace Guthmiller, Yankton
 Tate McVay, Sturgis
 Dayton Schumacher, Sioux Falls Washington
 Drew Mahowald, Watertown

2014 Girls All-Tournament Golf Team

Class "B"

Maggie Fiscel, Scotland
 Kali Trautman, Deuel
 Sydney Benter, Burke/South Central
 Morgan Schwartz, Deubrook Area
 Madison Hand, Philip
 Kayla Ovall, Deubrook Area

Class "A"

Sydney Bormann, Parkston
 Sydney Weber, Parkston
 Samantha Langford, Madison
 Liz Day, Belle Fourche
 Mary High, Dakota Valley
 Aspen Watts, Hot Springs

Class "AA"

Elle Carlson, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Katie Bartlett, Pierre
 Meredith Turner, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Karissa Guthrie, Pierre
 Myla Brown, Sioux Falls O'Gorman
 Becky Frick, Yankton

2014 Outstanding Track & Field Athletes

Class

Girls

B (Track) Macy Heinz, Ipswich
 B (Field) Sierra Stugelmeyer, Harding County
 A (Track) Jordyn Oostra, Sioux Falls Christian
 A (Field) Emma Johnson, Tri-Valley
 AA (Track) Courtney Dowling, Pierre
 AA (Field) Alexis Gannon, Brookings

Boys

Jase Kraft, Wessington Springs
 Dakota Thorstenson, Herreid/Selby Area
 Zack Schroeder, Dell Rapids
 Bret Nichols, Dell Rapids
 Jacob Simmons, Sturgis
 Jack Lembcke, Sioux Falls Roosevelt



2013-2014 25 YEAR COACHING AWARD WINNERS

Dale Bartels
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Lennox

Bill Ellwanger
Stanley County

Tal Farnham
Elkton

Todd Foster
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Steve Gilbertson
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Dave Hagen
Aberdeen

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Dell Rapids

Nick Joslyn
Canton

Patrick Kraning
Estelline

Lema Leader Charge
Todd County

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PAST PRESIDENTS

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

President	Year	President	Year
Paul Marschalk.....	1939-1941	Steve Swisher.....	1980
(No meetings - WWII).....	1942-1945	Fred Tibbetts.....	1981
Joe Dunmire.....	1946	Rich Donovan	1982
Rube Waltman	1947-1948	Marv Sherrill.....	1983
Bill Hauge	1949	Dave Scott	1984
Bob Burnse.....	1950	Annette Johnson	1985
Duane Clodfelter.....	1951-1952	Wayne Carney.....	1986
Floyd Mitchell	1953	Cal Corey	1987
Jim Marking	1954	Lolly Forseth.....	1988
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