



HALL OF FAME
RECOGNITION AWARDS
PROGRAM



**HISTORY OF THE CALIFORNIA
INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION
SOUTHERN SECTION
(CIFSS)**

41st historical “tidbit.”
Dr. John S. Dahlem

CIF-SS HALL OF FAME

In 1984, the CIF-SS Hall of Fame was created by then Commissioner Pay Plutko. The purpose of the Hall of Fame in 1984 was to, “Honor the people who have contributed to the strength of the organization for so many years. It was felt at that time the Life Pass Award was somewhat restrictive and the Hall of Fame would, “bring public recognition to the numerous individuals who have contributed to the advancement of interscholastic athletics in the section. In 1952 the Life Pass Award was given to those individuals who had distinguished themselves in service to the CIF-SS. In 2002, the Life Pass Award was changed to the Distinguished Service Award.

During the tenure (2005-2006) of Dr. John Dahlem, President of the CIF-SS Council, it was felt that there were many deserving coaches who were not in the Hall of Fame due to not being nominated. The Hall of Fame, prior to 2007, contained individuals (administrators, athletic directors, officials, and media personnel) who should be Distinguished Service Awardees and not Hall of Famers. It was decided that the Hall of Fame was for the most successful coaches in the history of the CIF-SS. CIF-SS Bylaw 165 and 166 were changed in 2007. Prior to 2007, the only individuals who received a Life Pass were Hall of Famers. It was felt at that time that the Distinguished Service awardees should also receive a Life Pass. A Veterans Committee was established in 2007 to research and find those individual coaches who deserved to be in the Hall of Fame and nominate those coaches to the Distinguished Service/Hall of Fame Committee. Individuals who were long over-due for Hall of Fame recognition and have been inducted include John Herbold, Urho Saari, Clare Van Hoorebeke, Glenn Bassett, Eleanor Dykstra and Bill Armstrong.

Bill Armstrong



FIRST ANNUAL HALL OF FAME AWARDS RECIPIENTS

LESTER "BUS" MCKNIGHT

Lester "Bus" McKnight, teacher, coach administrator, official and community leader in the fields of physical education, recreation and athletics, served the Santa Ana Unified School District with outstanding merit for 33 years (1946-79).



Though his career touched on several areas, Bus McKnight was first and foremost a coach, with all of the qualities that the word "coach" implies. He was a counselor, a teacher and a caring individual who prepared his teams well and was a winner.

From 1955 to 1967, he was the Head Football Coach at Santa Ana High School, directing the Saints to a pair of Sunset League titles along the way. He was also the Head Basketball Coach at Santa Ana for six years, taking his team to three league crowns. In 1959 McKnight was named the Los Angeles Times Orange County Coach of the Year and the same year was appointed Co-Head Coach of the Orange County Lions Club North-South All-Star Football game.

McKnight was active as a member of the California Coaches Association and the National Coaches Association as well as serving on the board of directors that founded the Southern California Football Coaches Association.

As an official, McKnight was involved in several CIF Southern Section playoff and championship contests in football, basketball and baseball. A member of the Orange County Officials association for 35 years, he officiated the sports of football, basketball, baseball and was a track and swimming starter as well. McKnight twice served as President of the Orange County Officials Association, and was recognized by the association for 20 years of service in 1975. In 1980 he was awarded the John McDonough Sportmanship Award for his outstanding contribution to Orange County athletics by the association. He also served the OCOA as an instructor in the sports of football, basketball and baseball.

In 1976 McKnight was recognized by the California State Athletic Directors Association for outstanding achievement and in 1979 he was awarded a plaque by the CIF-SS for his contribution to interscholastic athletics. Perhaps his greatest honor came in 1979, when the Board of Education for the Santa Ana Unified School District authorized the naming of the Saddleback High School Gymnasium, The "Lester McKnight Gymnasium".

In addition, McKnight was awarded the Medallion of Excellence from Saddleback High School for service to the Community and the school, and in 1984 was given an award for devoted, meritorious service to Orange County Athletics by the Orange County Athletic Directors Association.

JAMES A. FAUL

An outstanding teacher, coach and administrator in Southern California secondary schools for over 32 years, James A. Faul was a noted member of the CIF Southern Section Executive Committee for two terms, 1967-75 and 1976-82. Over his long tenure, Jim Faul set a prime example of dedication and



ability, both in the fields of education and athletics.

In addition to his duties as a member of the CIF-SS Executive Committee, Faul served as treasurer of the organization from 1976-82. He was also active as member of the Re-Leaguings Committee, Season of Sports Committee, Nominating Committee and Playoff Committee. Faul also lent his expertise to the betterment of high school athletics in Southern California as a League Representative for 15 years (1960-75).

Faul began his career in education and athletics as a teacher and coach at Bishop High School in 1948. In 1950 he moved on to Banning High School, where he coached no less than four sports: football, basketball, track and field and tennis. In 1952, he was named the Riverside County "Coach of the Year".

After leaving Banning at the end of the 1953 school year, Faul moved to South Pasadena High School, where he spent one year, again directing the athletic fortunes of his school in multiple sports programs: coaching, football, basketball and baseball.

In 1954, Faul moved to La Puente High School, where he successfully coached the football and baseball teams for the next 11 years. During this period, he also entered into the field of educational administration, serving as the assistant principal.

When Workman High School opened in the City of Industry in 1965, Faul was named its first principal. In the following seven years, he guided the progress and growth of the school, establishing many outstanding programs.

In 1972, Faul became the principal of Wilson High School in Hacienda Heights, where he again served a highly successful educational program. Under Faul, Wilson established an outstanding reputation for its curriculum and extracurricular activities as well.

Through the years, Faul dedicated literally thousands of hours of his personal time to providing advancement and quality to the programs of the interscholastic scene.

LEON S. GEORGE

Two words - dedication and professionalism - stand out in summarizing the career of Leon S. George, who has been a teacher, coach, athletic director and administrator in CIF Southern Section schools for the past 35 years. The Assistant Principal at Ganesha High School in Pomona, George will retire at the end of the current school year.

His teaching and coaching career dates back to 1949, when he became the head baseball coach and an assistant on the varsity football staff at Cochella



Valley High School. In three years at Cochella, George directed his baseball team to three league championships and compiled a record of 117-24. In the next school year (1953-54), he held similar positions at Banning High School.

George became the head football coach at Pomona's newly opened Garey High School in 1961, where he would also serve as director of athletics, head of the physical education department and J.V. baseball coach for the next 10 years. While at the helm of the Viking football team, George led his squad to another pair of league championships. His dedication and professional direction is the cornerstone of the fine athletic program Garey has build over the years.

In 1971, George moved to Ganesha High School in Pomona. As an assistant principal for the past 13 years, he has overseen the administration of the school's athletic department in addition to school supervision, plant operation and security.

George has been a member of the Southern California Football Coaches Association, the National Education Association, the California Teachers Association and the Associated Pomona Teachers.

ROLAND T. DAVIS

A man who continually demonstrated a high degree of integrity, honesty and professional competence during his 30-year career at Woodrow Wilson High School in Long Beach, Roland T. "Rollie" Davis was a prominent leader in the development and growth of the athletic program at his school as well as the CIF Southern Section.



At Wilson High, Davis served as Department Chairman of Physical Education, Director of Athletics, coach and teacher from 1932 until his retirement in 1962. In addition to administering the athletic program at Wilson, Davis was the league council representative to the CIF-SS Executive Council for each of the five leagues that Wilson belonged to during his tenure.

Davis' first coaching assignment at Wilson was a four year stint at the helm of the Bruin varsity baseball team (1932-35). In 1936, he became the head golf coach and proceeded to set a standard of success that may never be equalled in CIF-SS competition. Over a 19-year span, Davis directed this golf team to 19 straight league championships and a remarkable 17 CIF-SS titles. From 1938 to 1946, Wilson won an unprecedented nine consecutive CIF-SS championships, a feat that earned Davis the medallion of merit from the Helms Athletic Foundation.

During his employment in the Long Beach Unified School District, Davis co-authored three teacher guides in health education and one in physical education. He was a versatile and dedicated member of the Wilson High School staff, excelling as a model teacher and efficient administrator.

Rollie Davis, who passed away in September, 1983, was known as a soft spoken leader and an outstanding gentleman who was well respected by his contemporaries. He was a principled man who consistently carried out the in-

tent and spirit of the rules. He pursued the concept of good sportsmanship in all of his endeavors.

GEORGE E. TROTTER, JR.

Recognized by his community workers as "Mr. Tustin High School," George Trotter was highly successful in his 17-year career as the Head Football Coach of the Tillers (1956-7



Trotter, who was also the Varsity Baseball Coach at Tustin for years, was highly regarded by his temporaries during the entire length of his career. His coaching and guidance of the young student-athletes who played for him produced teams and individuals that were a source of pride to the school and community in which he worked. He displayed a consistent ability to evaluate people in a fair and equitable manner and was always aware of maintaining a balance between academics and athletics.

While at Tustin, Trotter produced three league basketball champion and five second place finishes. His team reached the CIF Southern Section semifinals in 1961 and returned to quarterfinals the following year. The 1962 team went 21-5 and in 1973 final campaign at Tustin, the Tillers were 20-8 on the season.

In 1966, Trotter was deservedly named the Crestview League Coach of the Year. In 1974, he was honored the Award of Merit by the Southern California Interscholastic Basketball Coaches Association.

Trotter coached a total of 20 league players and five All-CIF selections while at the Tiller helm. In addition, he coached two players that earned All-Orange County honors, including Jeff Cunningham, who was the Orange County Co-Player of the Year in 1966.

Coach Trotter began his career at Stronghurst (Illinois) High School in 1947 as the head football, basketball and track coach. In 1952 he moved to Bushnell High School in Prairie City, Illinois, where he coached the football, basketball, track and baseball teams for four years prior to moving to California in 1956. His 22-year all-time basketball coaching record stands at 287-268.

WILLIAM J. WORTHINGTON

William J. Worthington is a name synonymous with the sport of golf in the CIF Southern Section. In a career that spanned 41 years, Worthington coached the sport at Inglewood High School, initiated developments that led to growth and expansion as a popular CIF-SS prep activity.

Worthington, who began his coaching career at Inglewood High



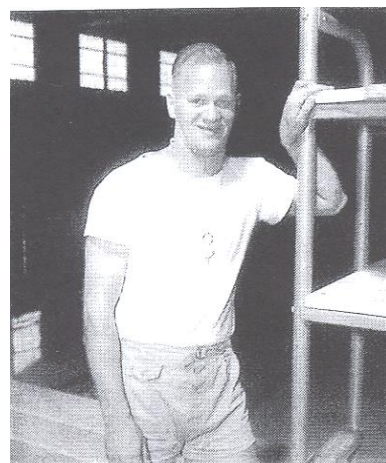
CIFSS HALL OF FAME AWARD RECIPIENTS BY SPORT
(as of October 2014)

ADMINISTRATION (4)

Faul, James	Wilson HH '89
George, Leon	Ganesha '84
Roberts, Jack	Pacifica '84
Mears, Ivan	L.A. Baptist '86

ATHLETIC DIRECTORS (8)

Schuttle, Clarence	Santa Barbara '84
Sheue, Cap	Huntington Beach '86
Gurney, Walt	Azusa '90
Patrick, John	Alhambra '92
Green, Donald	Pomona '93
Kohlmeier, Lee	Glendale Hoover '93
Beatty, Robert	San Geronio '94
Clower, Lyman	Edison '00



Urho Saari

AQUATICS (6)

Stewart, Walter	Harvard '86	...swimming/water polo
DeLong, Tom	Foothill '05	...water polo
Saari, Urho	El Segundo '08swimming/water polo
Most, Jan	Mission Viejo '09	..swimming (girls)
Barnett, Bill	Newport '12	... water polo
Fleming, Debbie	Los Alamitos '12	..tennis too



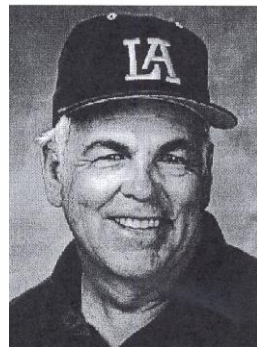
Bill Barnett

BADMINTON (1)

Toutz, Vickie	Garden Grove '02
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BASEBALL (11)

West, Eugene	Hemet '84
Hernandez, Dave	Los Alamitos '91
Horst, Maynard	Keppel '92
Emard, Richard	Temecula Valley '04
McNamee, Mickey	San Marino '04
Bastion, James	South Hill '05
Brock, Vern	La Serna '05
Cariss, Al	Linfield Christian '05
Herbold, John	L.B. Poly/Lakewood '09
Stevenson, John	El Segundo '10
Demarest, Dave	La Quinta '11



John Herbold

BASKETBALL BOYS (17)

Lewis, Phillip "Duffy"	La Salle '84
Liebhart, Don	Anaheim '84
Trotter, George	Tustin '84
Hawk, Russell	Sunny Hills '85
Wallis, Tex	La Habra '86
Espinoza, Bob	San Dimas '01
Brown, Dave	Laguna Hills '02
Danley, Tom	Katella '04
Cvijanovich, Lou	Santa Clara '05
Armstrong, Bill	Compton '08
Phelps, Garry	Palmdale '08
Prestesater, Gary	San Dimas '08
Bartee, Mike	J.W. North '09
Palmer, Rod	L.B. Poly '09
Harris, Jim	Oceanview '12
Massey, Ron	Jordan '12
Greene, Regan	Mammoth '14



Lou Cvijanovich



Bill Armstrong

BASKETBALL GIRLS (6)

Strausberg, Carol	Fountain Valley '05
Vaughan, Joe	Buena '07
Dykstra, Eleanor	Valley Christian Cerritos '09
Nerelli, Gary	Morro Bay '14
Pavin, Nori	Newbury Park '14
Yosida, Wendell	Peninsula '14

FOOTBALL (31)

Howell, Donald	Corona '84
Johnson, Fred	L.B. Wilson '94
McKnight, Bus	Saddleback '84
Cathcart, Sam	Santa Barbara '85
Perry, Leslie	Webb '85
Smitheran, William	Downey '85
O'Hara, Jim	Westminster 89'
Rowland, Skip	L.B. Wilson 89'
Ernaga, Marty	Inglewood '90
Salter, Dick	Arcadia '94
Womack, Paul	Redlands '99
Branum, Paul	Trona '00
Panizzon, Lou	Carpinteria '02
Kusserow, Tebb	Santa Monica '04
Wunderley, Mike	Valley Christian Cerrito '04
Craven, Bill	Pacifica '05
Johnson, Randall	Rio Hondo Prep '05
Boswell, Bill	Westminster '07
Van Hoorebeke, Clare	Anaheim '08
DeSpain, Dwayne	Los Altos '09
Hill, Dick	Downey/Santa Ana '10
Hurley, George	Newbury Park '10
Johnson, Ernie	El Rancho '11
Trifone, Pagone	Baldwin Park '11
Hitchcock, Bob	Temple City '12
Takahashi, Roger	Los Amigos'12
Mullen, Ted	Villa Park '13
Wade, Aaron	Centennial '13
Caffrey, Tom	Whittier Christian '14
Henigan, Terry	Irvine '14
Lester, Bob	El Modena '14



"Van"

FIELD HOCKEY (2)

Snider, Kit	Santiago '13
Helyer, Karen	University '14

GOLF (3)

Davis, Roland	L.B. Wilson '84
Worthington, William	Inglewood, '84
Wilton, Robert	Peninsula '13

GYMNASTICS (1)

Draghi, John	Baldwin Park '09
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OFFICIALS (5)

Olmstead, Richard	Channel Coast '86
Grady, Harvey	'95
Smith, Gene	'95
Valdes, Al	'99
Zepeda, James	Santa Maria '12

SOCCER BOYS (1)

Bryant, Roger	South Torrance '03
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SOFTBALL (3)

Hall, Susie	Kennedy '04
Byrd, JoAnn	Corona '13
Raftery, Scott	Linfield Christian '13

MEDIA/SPORTSWRITERS (3)

Anderson, Claude	San Bernardino '85
Frost, Howard	Bishop '86
Parker, Jim	Ventura '99

TENNIS BOYS AND GIRLS (6)

Ameluxen, Claude	San Bernardino '85
Nissley, Harry	El Monte '97

Castillo, Paul
Bryant, Maureen
Bassett, Glenn
Brodbeck, Rick (Badminton too)

Paramount '02
San Marino '03
Santa Monica '08
Gladstone '12



Glenn Bassett

TRACK/CROSS COUNTRY (16)

Forman, Leon	L.B. Poly '84
Opp, Walter	Muir '86
Francy, Vic	Glendale Hoover '87
Smith, Doug	Arcadia '08
Valenti, Pam	Brea '08
Hirsch, Dan	Buena Park '09
Taylor, Ken	Sherman Indian '10
Weber, Tom	El Modena '10
Reeves, Ken	Nordhoff '11
Fisher, Joe	Costa Mesa '12
Reza, Joseph	Los Amigos '12
Brownfield, Jim	Muir '13
Hailey, Bob	Newport Harbor '13
Hedges, Jack	Westminster '14
Norford, Don	Long Beach Poly '14
Carr, Lonny Lee	Bonita '14

TRAINERS (2)

Murakami, Ray	Ontario 87'
Goodwin, Clark	Montclair '91

VOLLEYBALL GIRLS (2)

Aldrich, Daelea	Mira Costa '07
Willeman, Kim	Bishop Montgomery '11

WRESTLING (6)

Regenfus, Jim	Leuzinger '93
Fernandez, Jack	Mira Costa '99
Dahlem, John	Loara '07
Crosby, Frank	San Diego '10
Witham, Bob	Paramount '11
Azevedo, John	Calvary Chapel '13

HALL OF FAME TIDBITS

- Hall of Fame created in 1984
- 134 members in the Hall of Fame
- Football has the most members with...31
- Members who are in Hall of Fame for non-coaching categories...17
- Women in the Hall of Fame...13
- First woman admitted in 2002
- Sports with no Hall of Famers: girls soccer, boys volleyball, lacrosse, girls wrestling

CIF SOUTHERN SECTION HALL OF FAME AWARD RECIPIENTS

Aldrich, Daelea	Mira Costa High School	2007	Johnson, Fred	Long Beach Wilson High School	1984
Amelkuen, Jack	Mark Keppel High School	1985	Johnson, Randall	Rio Hondo Prep High School	2005
Anderson, Claude	Media	1985	Kohlmeier, Dee	Hoover High School	1993
Armstrong, Bill	Compton High School	2008	Kusserow, Dr. Tebb	Santa Monica High School	2004
Azevedo, John	Calvary Chapel High School	2013	Lewis, Dr. Phillip	La Salle High School	1984
Barnett, Bill	Newport Harbor High School	2012	Liebhart, Don	Anaheim High School	1984
Bartee, Mike	J.W. North High School	2009	Massey, Ron	Jordan High School	2012
Bassett, Glenn	Santa Monica High School	2008	McKnight, Lester	Saddleback High School	1984
Bastion, James	South Hills High School	2005	McNamee, Mickey	San Marino High School	2004
Beatty, Robert	San Geronio High School	1994	Mears, Dr. Ivan	Los Angeles Baptist High School	1987
Boswell, Bill	Westminster High School	2007	Most, Jan	Mission Viejo High School	2009
Branum, Paul	Troya High School	2000	Mullen, Ted "Moon"	Villa Park High School	2013
Brock, Vern	La Serna High School	2005	Murakami, Ray	Ontario High School	1987
Brodbeck, Rick	Gladstone High School	2012	Nissley, Harry	El Monte High School	1997
Brown, Dave	Laguna Hills High School	2002	O'Hara, Jim	Westminster High School	1989
Brownfield, Jim	Muir High School	2013	Olmstead, Richard	Athletic Official	1986
Bryant, Maureen	San Marino High School	2003	Opp, Waller	Muir High School	1986
Bryant, Roger	South Torrance High School	2003	Pagone, Trifone	Baldwin Park High School	2011
Byrd, JoAnn	Corona High School	2013	Palmer, Ron	Poly/Long Beach High School	2009
Cariss, Al	Linfield Christian High School	2005	Panizon, Lou	Carpinteria High School	2002
Castillo, Paul	Paramount High School	2002	Parker, Jim	Media	1999
Cathcart, Sam	Santa Barbara High School	1985	Patrick, John	Alhambra High School	1992
Clower, Lyman	Edison High School	2000	Perry, Lesley	Webb High School	1985
Craven, Bill	Pacifica/Garden Grove High School	2005	Phelps, Garry	Palmdale High School	2008
Crosby, Frank	San Diego High School	2010	Prestesater, Gary	San Dimas High School	2008
Cvijanovich, Lou	Santa Clara High School	2005	Rattery, Scott	Linfield Christian High School	2013
Dahlem, Dr. John	Loara High School	2007	Reeves, Ken	Nordhoff High School	2010
Danley, Tom	Anaheim UH High School	2004	Regenfuss, James	Leuzinger High School	1993
Davis, Roland	Long Beach Wilson High School	1984	Reza Jr., Joe	Los Amigos High School	2012
DeLong, Tom	Foothill High School	2005	Roberts, Jack	Pacifica High School	1984
Demarest, David	La Quinta High School	2011	Rowland, Skip	Long Beach Wilson High School	1989
Despain, Dwayne	Los Altos High School	2009	Saari, Urho	El Segundo High School	2008
Draghi, John	Baldwin Park High School	2009	Salter, Dick	Arcadia High School	1994
Dykstra, Eleanor	Valley Christian/Cerritos High School	2009	Schutte, Clarence	Santa Barbara High School	1984
Emard, Richard	Temecula Valley High School	2004	Sheue, Harry	Huntington Beach High School	1986
Ernaga, Marly	Inglewood High School	1990	Smith, Doub	Arcadia High School	2008
Espinosa, Bob	San Dimas High School	2001	Smith, Gene	Athletic Official	1995
Faul, Jim	Wilson/Hacienda Heights High School	1984	Smitheran, William	Downey High School	1985
Fernandez, Jack	Mira Costa High School	1999	Snider, Kit	Santiago High School	2013
Fisher, Joe	Costa Mesa High School	2012	Stevenson, John	El Segundo High School	2010
Fleming, Debbie	Los Alamitos High School	2012	Stewart, Walter	Harvard High School	1986
Forman, Leon	Long Beach Poly High School	1984	Strausberg, Carol	Fountain Valley High School	2005
Francy, Vic	Hoover High School	1987	Takahashi, Roger	Los Amigos High School	2012
Frost, Howard	Media	1986	Taylor, Ken	Sherman Indian High School	2010
George, Leon	Ganesha High School	1984	Toutz, Vicki	Garden Grove High School	2002
Goodwin, Clark	Montclair High School	1991	Trotter, George	Tustin High School	1984
Green, Donald	Pomona High School	1993	Vades, Al	Athletic Official	1998
Grody, Harvey	Athletic Official	1995	Valenti, Pamela	Brea Olinda High School	2008
Gurney, Wlat	Azusa High School	1990	Van Hoorebeke, Clare	Anaheim High School	2008
Hailey, Bob	Newport Harbor High School	2013	Vaughn, Joe	Buena High School	2007
Hall, Susan	Kennedy High School	2004	Wade, Aaron	Centennial/ Compton High School	2013
Harris, Jim	Ocean View High School	2012	Wallis, Tex	La Habra High School	1986
Hawk, Russell	Sunny Hills High School	1985	Weber, Tom	El Modena High School	2010
Herbold, John	Poly/Long Beach High School	2009	West, Eugene	Hemel High School	1984
Hernandez, Dave	Los Alamitos High School	1991	Willeman, Kim	Bishop Montgomery High School	2011
Hill, Dick	Downey/Santa Ana High School	2010	Wilton, Robert	Peninsula High School	2013
Hirsch, Daniel	Buena Park High School	2009	Witham, Robert	Paramount High School	2011
Hilchcock, Bob	Temple City High School	2012	Womack, Paul	Redlands	1999
Horst, Maynard	Mark Keppel High School	1992	Worthington, William	Inglewood High School	1984
Howell, Donald	Corona High School	1984	Wunderley, Mike	Valley Christian/Cerritos High School	2004
Hurley, George	Newbury Park High School	2010	Zepeda, Jimmy	Official	2012
Johnson, Ernie	El Rancho High School	2011			