



South Dakota High School  
Coaches Association

# 6th Annual Awards Banquet

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Ramada Inn  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

## PAST PRESIDENTS PAGE

This page is dedicated to those men 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
Paul Marschalk .....	1939
Paul Marschalk .....	1940
Paul Marschalk .....	1941
No Meeting - WW2 .....	1942
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Joe Dunmire .....	1946
Rube Waltman .....	1947
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Bill Hauge .....	1949
Bob Burns .....	1950
Duane Clodfelter .....	1951
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Floyd Mitchell .....	1953
Jim Marking .....	1954
Mylo Jackson .....	1955
Bill Mitchell .....	1956
H.W. Haddorn .....	1957
Don Allen .....	1958
Tom Prendergast .....	1959
Bob Schroeder .....	1960
Clar Lilevjen .....	1961
Howard Naasz .....	1962
Burdell Coplan .....	1963
Rich Greeno .....	1964
Wendel Handley .....	1965
Bob Brooks .....	1966
Marlyn Goldhammer .....	1967
Max Hawk .....	1968
Jerry Applebee .....	1969
Jack Doyle .....	1970
Jack Schuver .....	1971
Dale McElhaney .....	1972
Mike Stadem .....	1973
Bob Dubs .....	1974
Harvey Naasz .....	1975
Jerry Miller .....	1976

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
6TH ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET  
PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies . . . . . Jerry Miller, Past President  
Invocation . . . . . Floyd Farrand, S.F. Lincoln  
Passing of the Gavel . . . . . Jerry Miller, Past President  
Welcome . . . . . Lyle Clausen, President  
Introduction of Guest Speaker . . . . . Lyle Clausen, President  
Introduction of Special Guests . . . . . Max Hawk, Secretary  
Presentation of Awards . . . . . Lyle Clausen and  
Jerry Miller

Football Coach of the Year  
Girls Basketball Coach of the Year  
Boys Basketball Coach of the Year  
Wrestling Coach of the Year  
Gymnastics Coach of the Year  
Boys Track Coach of the Year  
Girls Track Coach of the Year  
Distinguished Service Award  
Sportscaster of the Year  
Roll of Champion Coaches

Special Awards . . . . . Jerry Miller, Lyle Clausen,  
Max Hawk

District 6 Coaches of the Year  
Past President  
Hall of Fame

Closing Remarks . . . . . Lyle Clausen

(General Banquet Chairman - Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls)

S.D.H.S.C.A.  
1977 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

OFFICERS

President . . . . . Lyle Clausen, Brandon  
President Elect . . . . . Roberta Morin, Rapid City  
Executive Secretary . . . . . Max Hawk, Yankton  
Past President . . . . . Jerry Miller, S.F. Lincoln

DIRECTORS

1978 DIRECTORS

FB: Larry Ireland, Mitchell  
BB: Ethan Hanks, R.C. Stevens  
WR: Steve Charron, Winner  
TR: Lyle Clausen, Brandon  
AD: Roger Schaeffer, Elk Point  
GY: Carol Nygaard, S.F. Lincoln  
GB: Ruth Aausmann, Hitchcock  
GT: Orville Pfitzer, Britton  
GF: Gene Erlandson, Watertown  
TS: Phil Trautner, Pierre

1979 DIRECTORS

Steve Swisher, Huron  
Gayle Hoover, Parker  
Frank Kurtenbach, S.F. Lincoln  
John Huth, Abdn. Central  
Dennis Rhead, Flandreau  
Dawn Wilbur, Miller  
Annette Johnson, Spearfish  
Bonnie Urbaneck, Custer  
Roger Hanson, Parkston  
Dorothy Brashear, R.C. Stevens

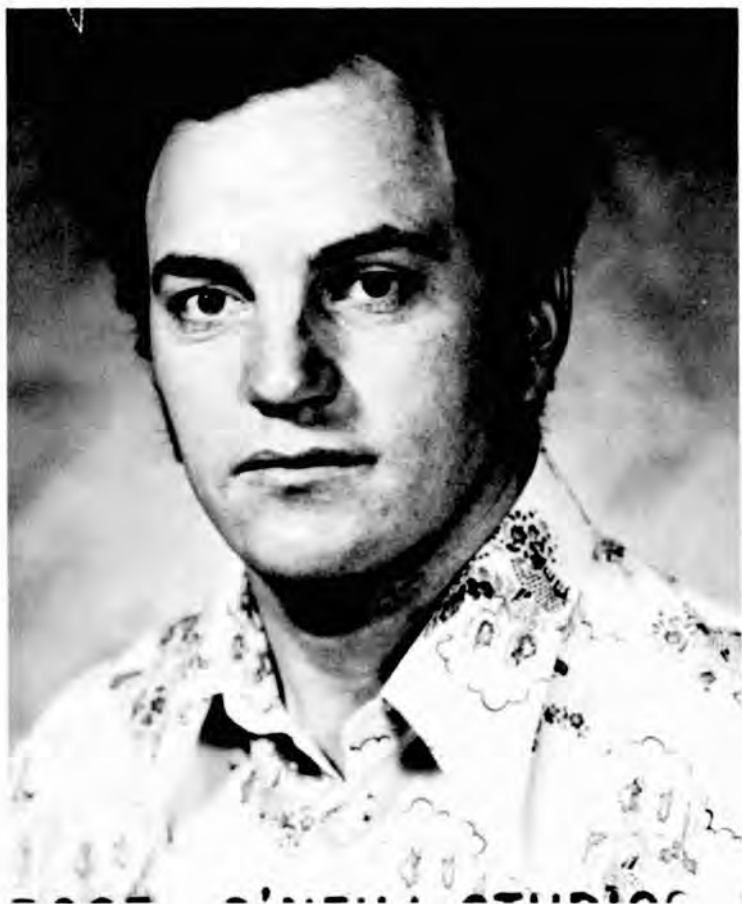
1980 DIRECTORS

Jim Heinitz, Rapid City  
RICK Dohrer, Redfield  
Ron Nelson, Sisseton  
Dave Scott, Hot Springs  
Larry Lutjens, Custer  
Roberta Morin, R.C. Douglas  
Fred Tibbetts, Jefferson  
Laverne Diede, Freeman  
Bob Peterson, Sturgis  
Don Barnes, S.F. O'Gorman

1976-77 AWARDS

Football Coach of the Year . . . . . Bill Witte, Onida  
Boys Basketball . . . . . Jim Thorson, Webster  
Girls Basketball . . . . . Gale Lundberg, Clear Lake  
Wrestling . . . . . Rich Strande, Redfield  
Gymnastics . . . . . Dawn Wilburn, Doland  
Boys Track . . . . . Rodney Knutson, Elk Point  
Girls Track . . . . . Marv Sherrill, Watertown  
Distinguished Service . . . . . Howard "Hod" Nielsen, Yankton  
Sportscaster of the Year . . . . . Danny Olson, Sioux Falls  
District 6 of NHS/ACA  
    Football . . . . . Max Hawk, Yankton  
    Gymnastics . . . . . Lolly Forseth, S.F. Washington  
S.D.H.S.C.A. Hall of Fame . . . . . Elmer Hansen, Sioux Falls  
    Paul Marschalk, Pierre  
    Mel Minton, Rapid City  
    Buell Woodlee, Sturgis

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1976 FOOTBALL COACH OF THE YEAR  
BILL WITTE, ONIDA



Bill Witte, Sully Buttes football coach, led his 1976 team through a 9-0 season. The previous three years his teams had shared the Central Conference Championship.

Witte, an Orient native and a Huron College graduate, has a 48-15 record at Sully Buttes. He started the school's wrestling program and is also the head track coach.

Witte and his wife have three children.

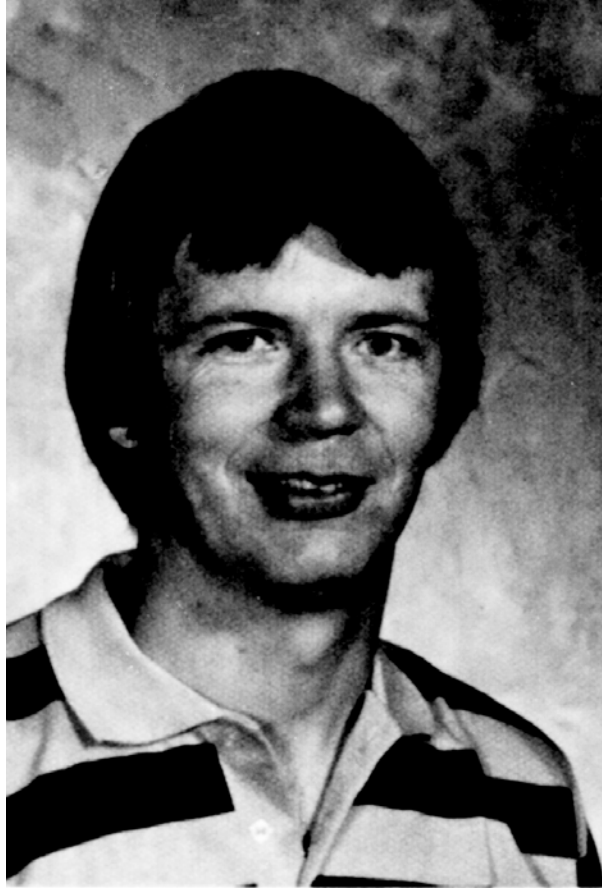
SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1976 GIRLS BASKETBALL COACH OF THE YEAR  
GALE LUNDBERG, CLEAR LAKE



Gale Lundberg, a graduate of Dakota State College, is the first recipient of this honor. He led his squad to an undefeated season and the state "B" championship.

"To be honored by my coaching associates makes this the most cherished award I will ever receive," he said.

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 BOYS BASKETBALL COACH OF THE YEAR  
JIM THORSON, WEBSTER



Jim Thorson is a graduate of Willow Lake High and of South Dakota State. He has coached in Milbank, Sisseton, Gettysburg, and Webster.

This year he guided the Webster Bearcats to the state "B" championship. About the coaching honor he said "I believe this is one of the greatest honors a coach can receive because you need the respect of your peers."

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 WRESTLING COACH OF THE YEAR  
RICH STRANDE, REDFIELD



Rich Strande coached the Redfield Pheasant wrestlers to the state "B" championship this year. The squad included a state champion in the 98 pound weight class.

Strande has coached at Redfield since 1959, including junior high basketball, cross country, and the inauguration of a junior high wrestling program. He is a native of Volga and a graduate of South Dakota State.

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 GYMNASTICS COACH OF THE YEAR  
DAWN WILBER, DOLAND



Dawn Wilber is a graduate of Herreid High School and of Northern State College. She coached gymnastics two years at Doland and led them to the state "B" gymnastics title both years.

Her interest in gymnastics began while she was practice teaching at Redfield. She believes that gymnastics helps give girls poise and confidence.

**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 BOYS TRACK COACH OF THE YEAR  
ROD KNUTSON, ELK POINT**



Rod Knutson's Elk Point track team lost only one meet during the 1977 season and won the state Class "A" title. A year ago, they placed third in the state meet.

Knutson is a native of Canton and a graduate of USD/ Springfield. He has coached the cross country teams the past four seasons and served one year as assistant football coach.

**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 GIRLS TRACK COACH OF THE YEAR  
MARV SHERRILL, WATERTOWN**



Marv Sherrill's girls track team had a record-breaking season, including a number of all-time state records. For the third consecutive year the Arrows won both the E.S.D. conference track title and the Region IAA crown.

The past two seasons the Watertown girls have run a very close second in the state meet.

**SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD  
HOWARD R. "HOD" NIELSEN, YANKTON**



Best known as "the voice of the A and B basketball tournaments" over the special South Dakota sports network, the Yankton native has broadcast more than 1,000 athletic events since World War II. Hod Nielsen has worked for the benefit of athletics for more than 30 years. He has served as a member of the school board, been sports editor of the Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan, and participated in the selection of all-state and all-tournaments teams, and has also been involved in assisting young athletes on to college.

Nielsen graduated from Yankton High School and attended the University of South Dakota, and was in the service during World War II.

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
1977 SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR  
DANNY OLSON, SIOUX FALLS



Danny Olson has had 28 years in the radio field, and thousands of people know him as the sports voice of KSOO radio in Sioux Falls. He estimates that he broadcasts about 30 football games, 100 cage contests, and a number of baseball games each year. Last season's trip to Cuba with USD-SDSU basketball teams was one of the highlights of his career.

Olson attended Luther College in Decorah, Iowa and began his broadcasting career in Indiana. He has been in Sioux Falls since 1952.

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL/ATHLETIC COACHES ASSOCIATION  
DISTRICT 6 COACHES OF THE YEAR

LOLLY FORSETH  
SIOUX FALLS WASHINGTON



Lolly Forseth has compiled a 50-8 record while coaching gymnastics in Sioux Falls. While at Lincoln in 1970-72 she coached teams to titles in the Division of Girls and Women's Sports S.D. Invitational, and has fielded four straight state championship squads since coaching at Washington.

MAX HAWK  
YANKTON



Max Hawk has a lifetime coaching mark of 141-40-2 in 21 years, all in South Dakota. Having been in Yankton twelve years, he has led the Bucks to eight E.S.D. Conference championships. He was also named District Coach of the Year in 1971.

SOUTH DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL COACHES ASSOCIATION

HALL OF FAME  
1977



ELMER HANSEN



PAUL MARSCHALK



MEL MINTON



BUELL WOODLE

**SPECIAL AWARDS**  
 Selected by Members of the S.D.H.S.C.A.  
 1976-77 "25-YEAR COACHES"

Floyd Farrand . . . . .	Sioux Falls
Rich Greeno . . . . .	Sioux Falls
Don Honkamp . . . . .	Sioux Falls
Glen Nelson . . . . .	Elk Point
Cliff Papik . . . . .	Spearfish
Tom Pendergast . . . . .	Sisseton
Edwin "Red" Thomas . . . . .	Rapid City
Phil Trautner . . . . .	Pierre

**1976 ALL-TOURNAMENT GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM**

CLASS "B"	CLASS "A"
Roberta Charles, Canova	Kim Melstad, Huron
Robin Anderson, Clear Lake	Tracy Varland, Lead
Kathy Hansen, Clear Lake	Sonia Mills, R.C. Stevens
Mary Jo Stoltenburg, Clear Lake	Terri Meyer, R.C. Stevens
Wendy Swanhorst, Cresbard	Beth Carney, S.F. Lincoln
Karen Karpen, Jefferson	Lynn Bretsch, Watertown
Tammy Nearman, Jefferson	Kris Edwards, Watertown
Cindy Rigg, Jefferson	Kay Stormo, Watertown
Sandy Calgrove, Lemmon	Lori Burkhardt, Yankton
Joan Brockhaus, Rosholt	Dona Ray, Yankton
Nancy Hargreaves, Stickney	
Susan DeHaven, Wessington	

**1977 OUTSTANDING GYMNASTS**

CLASS "B"	CLASS "A"
Darla Barry, Doland	Dawn Huebner, Aberdeen

**1977 ALL-TOURNAMENT BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM**

CLASS "B"	CLASS "A"
Brian Bindert, Armour	Scott Bosanko, Aberdeen
Barry Glanzer, Armour	Tim Burgard, Aberdeen
Dave Fuller, Armour	Bud Bartholow, Mitchell
Ted Bryant, Custer	Joe Ashley, Pierre
Doug Herrmann, Custer	Jef Andrews, R.C. Stevens
Kurt Benekamp, Custer	Scott King, R.C. Stevens
Brian Jacobsen, Hamlin	Steve Evjen, S.F. Washington
John Baum, Mobridge	Tom Nicholson, S.F. Washington
Troy Hendrickson, Springfield	Blaze Okerlund, Vermillion
Dave Waldowski, Webster	Scott Wagner, Vermillion

**1977 OUTSTANDING WRESTLERS**

CLASS "B"	CLASS "A"
Kirby Phillips, Webster	Randy Lewis, R.C. Stevens

**1977 OUTSTANDING TRACK MEN**

CLASS "B"
Curt Fiedler, Glenham
CLASS "A"
Mark Huber, Andes Central
CLASS "AA"
Dave Bakke, S.F. Washington

**1977 OUTSTANDING TRACK WOMEN**

CLASS "B"
Julie Klein, Armour
CLASS "A"
Cindy Allen, Salem
CLASS "AA"
Lisa McDowell, S.F. O'Gorman

ROLL OF CHAMPIONS  
Coaches of State Championship Teams

FOOTBALL

Class AA . . . . . Max Hawk, Yankton and Denny Moeller, S.F. Wash.  
Class A . . . . . Clarence Kooistra, Garretson  
Class B . . . . . Calvin Aas, Langford

GIRLS GOLF

Class A . . . . . Georgia Ruddy, Brookings  
Class B . . . . . Don Tumbleson, Mobridge

GIRLS TENNIS

. . . . . Don Barnes, Sioux Falls O'Gorman

X-COUNTRY BOYS

Class AA . . . . . Rich Greeno, Sioux Falls Lincoln  
Class A . . . . . Steve Krause, Clear Lake  
Class B . . . . . Gary Fahrni, Selby

X-COUNTRY GIRLS

Class AA . . . . . Gene Breemes, Rapid City Stevens  
Class A . . . . . Lowell Gilbertson, Arlington  
Class B . . . . . Joseph Gill, St. Francis

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Class A . . . . . Lolly Forseth, Sioux Falls Washington  
Class B . . . . . Dawn Wilbur, Doland

WRESTLING

Class A . . . . . Dave Ploof, Rapid City Central  
Class B . . . . . Rich Strande, Redfield

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Class A . . . . . Pat Dobratz, Watertown  
Class B . . . . . Gale Lundberg, Clear Lake

BOYS BASKETBALL

Class A . . . . . Terry Small, Aberdeen Central  
Class B . . . . . Jim Thorson, Webster

BOYS GOLF

Class A . . . . . Don Jones, Sioux Falls O'Gorman  
Class B . . . . . Bob Graff, Onida

BOYS TENNIS

. . . . . Bill Thompson, Sioux Falls Lincoln

BOYS TRACK

Class AA . . . . . Gene Breemes, Rapid City Stevens  
Class A . . . . . Rodney Knutson, Elk Point  
Class B . . . . . Loris Schaffer, Agar

GIRLS TRACK

Class AA . . . . . Jim Heinitz, Sioux Falls Washington  
Class A . . . . . Laverne Diede, Freeman Public  
Class B . . . . . Duane Buys, Dakota Christian