

**2021  
Award of Merit**

**Robert O. Kern**

This recognition is awarded for your outstanding achievement as a coach, official, educator and organizer in track and field. Robert coached track for eighteen years at North Division HS. He has been a long time WIAA official where he had the honor of Starting the State Meet in 2008 and 2009 as well as State Cross Country in 2003 and 2004. Robert has served as a clinician at the WISTCA Clinic in the Officials Caucus. He was the Co-Founder/Executive Director of the Milwaukee Striders Youth Track Club from 1975-1995. He is the Co-Founder/President of the Badger State Track Officials Association since 2013. This Association provides education and training for officials throughout southeastern Wisconsin. He has served on numerous committees with USATF as well as serving nine years as editor of the Pre Meet notes for the National Federation. He has officiated National Meets for USATF and the NCAA as well as International Meets for World Athletics. WISTCA extends of thanks and gratitude for being such a positive influence in helping establish excellence in Wisconsin High School Track & Field and beyond.

**Congratulations**

**Wisconsin State Track Coaches Association**