

2024



14th Annual Induction Ceremony

Class of 2024 Inductees

Denny Busch*: Huron '59

Jay Ellwein: Huron '94

Wayne Fix*: Aberdeen '53

Kay (Stormo) Freund: Watertown '78

Roger Hammerbeck: Chamberlain '66

Dale Jacobsen*: Lake Norden '54

Derrick McCauley: Aberdeen '04

Dick Padrnos: Lake Andes '51

JoEllen (Hofer) Salmen: Hitchcock '94

Jill (Young) Sargent: Mitchell Christian '07

Troy Schaefer: Pierre '83

Brian Shanks: Huron '74

Dennis Smith: Glenham '67

Tara (Batcheller) Volesky: Mobridge '78

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Jim Iverson, Platte '48
Don Jacobsen, Lake Norden '57
Lance Luitjens, Custer '92
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Rod Merriam, Huron '80
Gene Smith, Watertown '47
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Rex Swett, Huron '58
John Thomas, Alexandria '65
Harold Thune, Murdo '37
Lisa Van Goor, Yankton '80
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Cathy Coyle-Grubb, Belle Fourche '79
Terry DuPris, Cheyenne-EB '76
Gordon Fosness, Presho '53
Diane Hiemstra-Gabriel, Yankton '80
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Alan Miller, Stickney '81
Roger Nelson, Brookings '54
Rick Nissen, Miller '72
Harley Petersen, Hayti '54
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Jim Sutton, Onida '53
Kim Templeton, Miller '72
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Garney Henley, Hayti '55
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Wayne Rasmussen, Howard '60
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Harley Zephier Sr., Dupree '55
- 2017:** Joe Ashley, Pierre '79
Ron Bertsch, St. Lawrence '61
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Guy Mackner, Sisseton '65
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Welcome to the 14th annual South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame banquet at the Ramkota Hotel and our home at the Sanford Pentagon.

The rich history of high school basketball in South Dakota was established in 1912 with the first state champion, the Redfield Pheasants. It continues today with hometown basketball that has kept South Dakota winters warm and alive with outstanding boys and girls athletes participating throughout the state.

From the inception of our Hall of Fame the mission has been to preserve history, create a museum of treasures, and honor those who have made basketball the centerpiece of each community in South Dakota throughout the season.

The number of schools that have helped inspire young student/athletes to strive for excellence has been greatly reduced through the passing of years. But the relentless enthusiasm associated with prep basketball has provided a wonderful opportunity to continue the rich tradition established over a century ago.

The Hall of Fame is proud of our biannual newsletter that spans the country with 1,500 subscriptions in 44 states. The newsletter is



Dave Wagner

free and you can sign up today and enjoy the fall edition to be published soon.

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Please visit our website www.sdbbhof.com and take a ride back in time that will keep you entertained for hours. We encourage you to nominate a worthy boys or girls player for Hall of Fame consideration. You can go to our website to download and print the official nomination form.

Pentagon tours are available upon request. It is well worth the time spent to view hundreds of pictures, newspapers and donated items that make the museum so special.

Sincerely,

Dave Wagner

Executive Director
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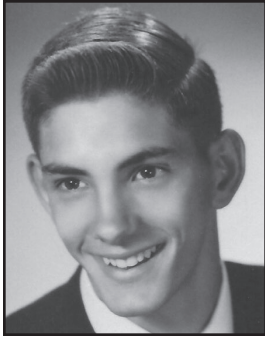
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- Recognition of Board Members** Dave Wagner
- Honoring Past Inductees**..... Dave Wagner
- Salute to Team of Excellence** Dave Wagner
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- Hall of Fame Class of 2024** Dave Wagner
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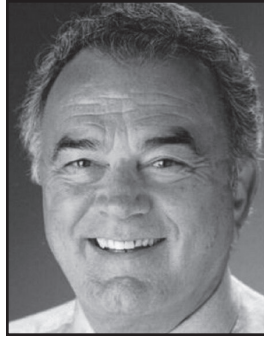
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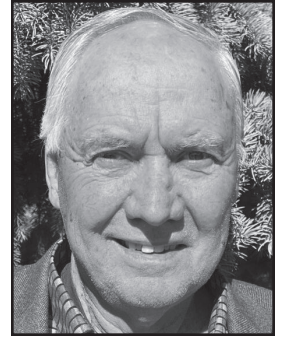
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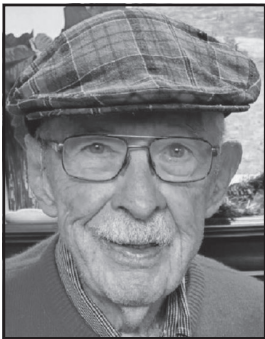
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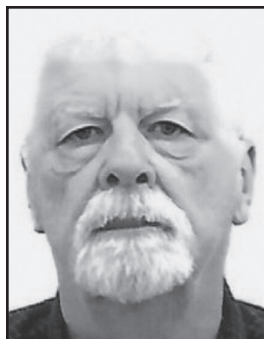
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Denny Busch

Huron 'Tigers' - 1959

During the span of six seasons, from 1958 to 1963, versatile guard Denny Busch played on three of the greatest basketball teams in the history of South Dakota.

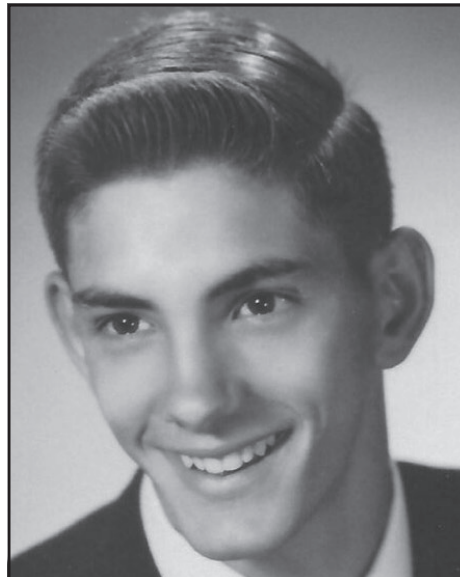
Busch was a junior at Huron High School when the Tigers completed an undefeated season by winning the State Class A Tournament in 1958.

The *Argus Leader* assembled a panel of South Dakota basketball experts in 1988 to rank the best prep teams ever to perform in the state. Huron of 1958 finished second in that poll, trailing only No. 1 Miller of 1972.

Carold Heier coached the Tigers. Huron featured six players, including the 6-foot-1 Busch, who received recognition on the all-state team and honorable mention list.

The Tigers won the Eastern South Dakota Conference after posting two regular season victories over a strong Watertown team led by 6-8 Tom McGrann, a future standout at the University of Minnesota.

Huron defeated Spearfish and Sioux Falls Washington in the state tournament to reach the finals. In order to clinch the title the Tigers needed to best Watertown for a third time. With a 54-45 victory



Denny Busch



over the Arrows, Huron put the finishing touch on a perfect 22-0 record.

Busch was an all-state senior the following season. Known for his defensive tenacity as well as for his considerable offensive skills, Busch led the Tigers to third place in the 1959 state tourney.

Also a gifted baseball player and track and field athlete, Busch graduated as the state record holder in the

pole vault at 12-10½.

During the following four seasons Busch played on two South Dakota State teams that were among the most successful in state collegiate history.

Busch was a starting guard who averaged eight points per game as a sophomore for Coach Jim Iverson in 1961 when the Jackrabbits finished third in the NCAA College Division National Tournament.

State earned its way back to the tourney in 1963 and this time Busch and the Jackrabbits emerged as national champions. In the title game State beat Wittenberg (Ohio) 44-42.

Busch lost his life at age 23 when he was electrocuted while working a summer job on an Interstate 90 highway project near Humboldt on Aug. 26, 1964. His wife was Margaret. Their daughter is Mary Margaret.

Huron established the Dennis Busch Memorial Award to honor his memory. It is presented annually to a deserving athlete at the school.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Denny Busch posthumously as a member of its Class of 2024.

Jay Ellwein

Huron 'Tigers' - 1994

Jay Ellwein was a multi-skilled guard who as a prep and collegiate player ranked among the premier shooters in South Dakota.

As a three-year starter Ellwein helped Huron High School to an overall record of 54-18. The Tigers went 15-9 in 1992, were 20-4 when Ellwein was a junior, and finished 19-5 in 1994.

Ellwein played for Coach Tom Reid. He averaged 13 points per game as a sophomore. Then in 1993 the Tigers won the Class AA state championship. Ellwein was a junior and made his first of two appearances on the all-state team.

Huron defeated Watertown 76-65 in the title game as Ellwein paced the Tigers with 23 points. That season he averaged 19 points per game.

During his 1994 senior season Ellwein improved his scoring to 24 points per game. He shot 52 percent from the field and converted 79 percent of his free throws.

Ellwein concluded his prep career as one of the leading scorers in Class AA history. He totaled 1,383 points for Huron with a single game high of 43.



Jay Ellwein



Remaining in his home town to begin his college career, Ellwein produced two outstanding seasons for Huron University.

Ellwein netted 13 points per game as a freshman for the Tribe of Coach Fred Paulsen. Huron was a member of the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference.

In his sophomore season Ellwein delivered 15 points per game and led the Tribe in

assists and steals. Huron was champion of the SDIC and finished 19-13 overall.

Ellwein was all-SDIC and helped the Tribe reach the NAIA National Tournament. Huron beat Western Oregon 71-66 in the first round before falling to Doane (Neb.) 87-74.

The 6-foot-2 Ellwein then transferred to Augustana University of the North Central Conference. Gary Thomas was coach of the Vikings and they went 12-15 in the 1997 season.

Ellwein led Augustana in scoring with an average of 21 points per game. He was the Vikings' top long-range threat, hitting 42 percent of his 3-point attempts on 71 of 168.

Perry Ford took over the Augustana program in 1998 and Ellwein missed his senior season due to an injury.

Ellwein is involved in business and lives at Huron. His wife is Raven. Children are Isabelle, Blake, Myles, Berkeley and Scarlett.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Jay Ellwein as a member of its Class of 2024.

Wayne Fix

Aberdeen Central 'Golden Eagles' - 1953

Wayne Fix and his Aberdeen Central High School teammates suffered a heartbreaking loss in the State Class A Tournament of 1952.

The following season Fix made sure that did not happen again.

Fix was a talented 6-foot-1 forward whose all-around play helped the Golden Eagles to a position of basketball prominence in the competitive Eastern South Dakota Conference.

Aberdeen defeated ESD rival Mitchell in the quarterfinals of the state tourney when Fix was a junior in 1952. Semifinal night sent the Golden Eagles against another foe from the ESD.

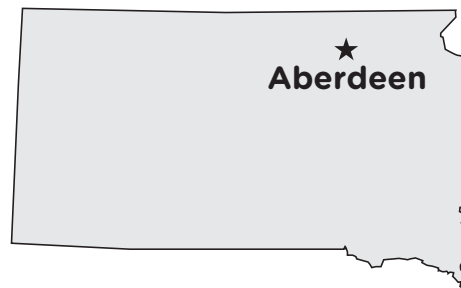
Brookings and Aberdeen battled into overtime before the Bobcats emerged by a single point, 44-43. Brookings went on to win the championship while the Golden Eagles bounced back to claim third place by beating Sioux Falls.

There was no all-state team selected in South Dakota at that time. The only postseason recognition available was the all-tourney team. Fix represented Aberdeen on that honor squad.

Mylo Jackson was coach



Wayne Fix



of the Golden Eagles and he guided them back to the state tournament in 1953. Aberdeen faced defending champion Brookings in the quarterfinals.

Fix and the Golden Eagles edged the Bobcats 68-67 and then got past Milbank 59-54 in the semifinals. The championship game matched ESD members Aberdeen and Yankton.

The Golden Eagles hoisted the championship trophy after topping the Bucks 71-58.

They finished 12-7. Fix, who also competed in football and track and field, was again chosen to the all-tourney team.

A highly coveted prospect, Fix was recruited by a number of different colleges. He decided to continue his career at the University of Minnesota.

The best season experienced by the Golden Gophers during Fix's three varsity seasons occurred when he was a sophomore in 1955. Minnesota had an overall record of 15-7 and was No. 11 in the final Associated Press poll.

Iowa won the Big Ten that season with an 11-3 record in conference play. Minnesota, coached by O.B. Cowles, and Illinois both came in at 10-4 to share second place.

After his graduation Fix had an active business career in which he developed and headed several different successful companies. He was living at Green Valley, Ariz., at the time of his death in 2016. His wife was Mary. Children are Steven, Nancy, Thomas and Jane.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Wayne Fix posthumously as a member of its Class of 2024.

Kay (Stormo) Freund

Watertown 'Arrows' - 1978

Girls basketball was making its modern-day debut in South Dakota in 1975 and Kay (Stormo) Freund was one of the first stars to emerge.

Freund was a sophomore at Watertown High School when that first State Class A Tournament was held. The Arrows carried an undefeated record into the championship game before falling to Yankton 39-34.

Watertown was coached by Pat Dobratz and finished the season 22-1. Freund made her first of three appearances on the all-state team.

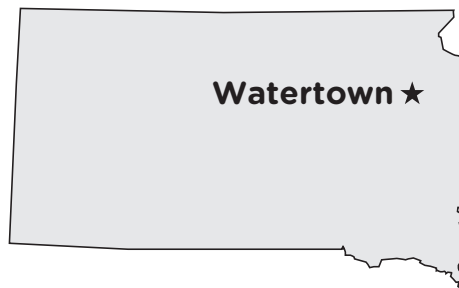
The Arrows battled their way back to the title game of the state tourney when Freund was a junior in 1976. This time their opponent was Rapid City Stevens.

Watertown topped the Raiders 73-49 to clinch the championship. For the second consecutive season the Arrows went 22-1. Freund averaged 15 points and nine rebounds per game while also excelling defensively.

Freund was 5-foot-7 and spent time at both the forward and center positions. During her senior season she scored 17 points per game and grabbed 11 rebounds. She ended with 1,032 career points.



Kay (Stormo) Freund



One of the state's all-time greatest runners, Freund was dominant for Watertown in both cross country and track and field. She led the Arrows to the Class AA track championship in the spring of 1978. Freund won 18 medals, including 10 gold medals, at state meets.

Freund's multi-sport prowess earned her the rare distinction of being honored twice by the South Dakota Sportswriters Association as

the South Dakota High School Girls Athlete of the Year. She received that award in 1976 and again in 1978.

Collegiate success followed for Freund. She became a four-time Big Ten Conference champion while competing for the University of Iowa in cross country and indoor and outdoor track.

At the time of her graduation Freund held seven school records for the Hawkeyes in individual events and relays. She was the silver medalist in the 880-yard run at the AIAW National Indoor Meet in 1982.

Freund was a three-time All-American as a collegian while competing for the Hawkeyes.

A member of the University of Iowa Athletics Hall of Fame, she also was inducted into the South Dakota Sports Hall of Fame.

Freund is retired from IBM and lives at Georgetown, Texas. She is co-owner of Vitae Springs Vineyard and Winery in Oregon. Her husband is Britt. Children are Katrina and Randy.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Kay (Stormo) Freund as a member of its Class of 2024.

Roger Hammerbeck

Chamberlain 'Cubs' - 1966

Chamberlain High School arrived at a basketball destination it had never before reached when Roger Hammerbeck led the Cubs to the State Class A Tournament in 1966.

The Cubs had advanced to the State Class B Tournament in successive years during the 1960 and 1961 seasons. But after being elevated to Class A they had yet to reach the big-school tourney.

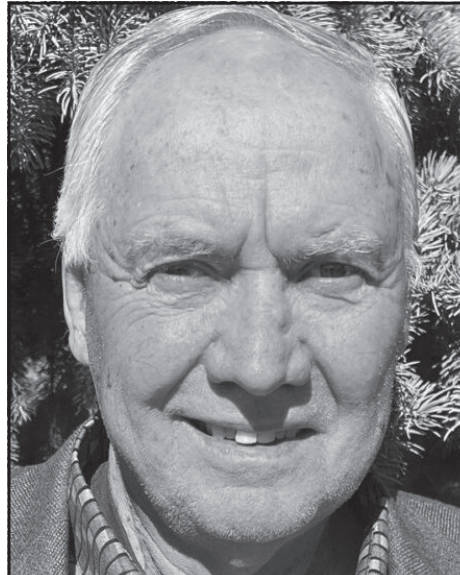
That changed on the night when Hammerbeck, a 6-foot-4 senior center, scored 29 points in the Section 4 Tournament championship game to power Chamberlain past Mitchell 84-54.

With their decisive victory over the Kernels, the Cubs of Coach Elton Byre moved on to the state tournament at the Sioux Falls Arena despite being the smallest school in Class A.

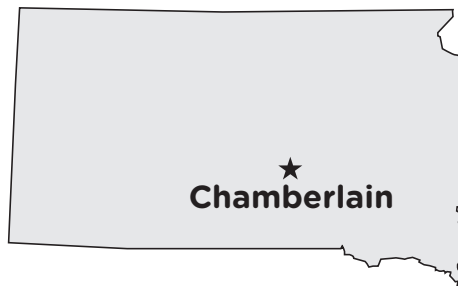
But a nagging back injury hindered Hammerbeck during the tourney. That proved to be a serious blow to the Cubs' championship goal.

Canton outlasted Chamberlain 61-54 in the quarterfinals. The Cubs bounced back in the consolation round to defeat Belle Fourche 62-54.

Then in the tournament's fifth-place game the Rapid



Roger Hammerbeck



City Cobblers edged Chamberlain by four points, 65-61.

Despite being slowed throughout the three games by his injury, Hammerbeck still totaled 53 points in the tournament and was selected to represent the Cubs as a member of the all-tourney team.

Chamberlain ended the season with an overall record of 16-5. That included a winning streak that reached

14 games which the Cubs carried into the state tournament.

Hammerbeck capped his season by being chosen to the all-state team. He scored 20 points per game, pulled down an average of 13 rebounds, and was the anchor around which the Cubs built their defense.

During his three seasons on Chamberlain's varsity Hammerbeck played in 63 games. He had career totals of 916 points and 775 rebounds.

Hammerbeck was also a standout for the Cubs in football and track and field, where he specialized in the shot put, discus and sprints.

After his Chamberlain graduation Hammerbeck accepted a scholarship to the University of South Dakota. He spent time with the Coyotes in both the football and basketball programs.

Hammerbeck has had a career in farming/ranching and lives at Hamill. His wife is Luanne. Children are Brian, Brad, Kyle and Kory.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Roger Hammerbeck as a member of its Class of 2024.

Dale Jacobsen

Lake Norden 'Bluejays' - 1954

The outstanding career of Dale Jacobsen at Lake Norden High School set the stage for some future basketball glory days for the Bluejays.

Jacobsen was 6-foot-2 and mastered all phases of the game. He was a proficient scorer, averaging 19 points per game as a senior, as well as a rugged rebounder and spirited defender.

Lake Norden received recognition in the statewide Class B poll during the 1954 season. Jacobsen was a forward playing for Coach Burt Wrede.

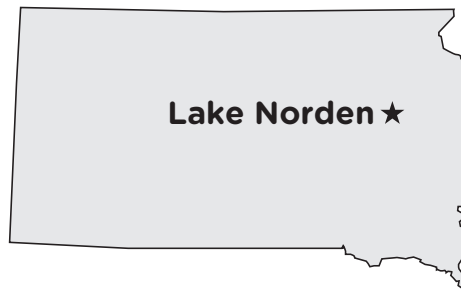
But geography was working against the Bluejays. Lake Norden is located about six miles from Hayti. The two schools resided in the same district and during Jacobsen's career the rival Redbirds were dynamic.

Hayti reached the state tournament four consecutive seasons beginning in 1952. The Redbirds won the championship in 1954 with a 32-2 record. One of their two losses was inflicted in the regular season by Jacobsen and the Bluejays.

Jacobsen set a positive example for younger Lake Norden players such as his talented brother Don, who was a freshman when Dale



Dale Jacobsen



was a senior. The Bluejays soon had a three-year state tournament run of their own in 1957, 1958 and 1959.

Wrede coached Lake Norden from 1954-59. During that time the Bluejays had an overall record of 155-27.

South Dakota did not have an all-state team when Dale Jacobsen was a prep. While at Lake Norden he also competed in track and field.

Jacobsen played basketball

and baseball at South Dakota State. The Jackrabbits of Coach Sox Walseth won the North Central Conference basketball title and went 17-7 when Jacobsen was a sophomore in 1956.

Jim Iverson then took over as coach and State repeated as NCC champion while going 19-3 overall when Jacobsen was a junior in 1957.

After his graduation Jacobsen coached at Wallace. He then served in the U.S. Army as a member of the Military Police before returning to Lake Norden to coach the Bluejays.

Jacobsen entered the banking profession in 1965 and during his career served banks at Lake Norden, Hayti and George, Iowa.

He also spent many years as a player and manager of the Lake Norden amateur baseball team.

Jacobsen was living at George at the time of his death in 2003. His wife was Joan. Children are Debra, Brian, Dean and Brett.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Dale Jacobsen posthumously as a member of its Class of 2024. He joins his late brother Don who was inducted in 2010.

Derrick McCauley

Aberdeen Central 'Golden Eagles' - 2004

Uncommon creativity was a quality that helped make Derrick McCauley a special basketball player.

McCauley led Aberdeen Central High School to the State Class AA Tournament in Rapid City during the 2004 season.

Golden Eagles coach Derek Robey was asked about his versatile 6-foot senior guard by a sportswriter covering the tourney at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center.

"Derrick is just unbelievable," said Robey. "He does some things with a basketball I've never seen before."

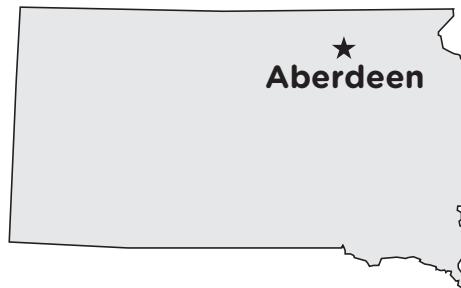
McCauley starred at Waubay before transferring to Aberdeen Central. He put up impressive numbers for the Dragons while earning Class B all-state honors as both a sophomore and junior.

Waubay rolled to a 21-0 record when McCauley was a sophomore in 2002 before falling in the championship game of the region tournament.

In the 2003 season McCauley scored 25 points per game for Waubay while also averaging eight assists, seven rebounds and five steals. He made 80 percent of his free throws and shot 48



Derrick McCauley



percent from 3-point range.

McCauley was also a standout in track and field for the Dragons. He cleared 6-3 to win a Class B state championship in the high jump.

After arriving at Aberdeen Central for his senior season McCauley made an impact in the Eastern South Dakota Conference. In a win against Yankton he had 42 points, going 18 of 19 on free throws.

The Golden Eagles finished fifth in the state tournament and McCauley was named to the Class AA all-state team. He averaged 21 points, five rebounds, four assists and three steals per game.

McCauley later had an outstanding career playing at Sisseton Wahpeton College for Coach Jerry Kassin.

The Mustangs won two championships in the American Indian Higher Education Consortium Division I National Tournament and in the process McCauley earned tourney MVP honors.

During his Sisseton Wahpeton College career McCauley averaged 16 points per game while directing the Mustangs' attack with his expert ball-handling and passing. He also contributed six assists, five rebounds and three steals per game.

McCauley lives at Waubay and is youth director of Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate. His significant other is Burgandy Schrader. Children are Malia, Tanner, Drew, Piper and stepsons Parker and Ian.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Derrick McCauley as a member of its Class of 2024.

Dick Padrnos

Lake Andes 'Eagles' - 1951

Lake Andes High School entered the Region 7 Tournament with a clear objective in 1951. The Eagles had never before qualified for the State Class B Tournament. Dick Padrnos and his teammates were determined to change that.

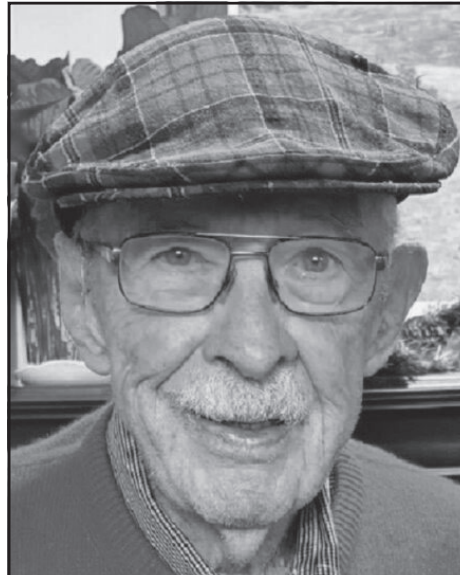
The Eagles were undefeated and were ranked No. 1 in the final statewide poll of the regular season. With a district title already secured, Lake Andes was two wins away from reaching the state tourney.

Padrnos was only 6-foot tall but played center for the Eagles. He scored 24 and 21 points in the Region 7 games as Lake Andes claimed the championship trophy.

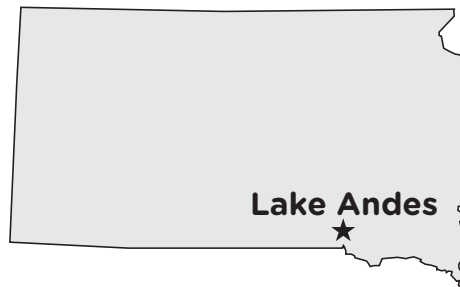
The Eagles were then 28-0 and turned their attention toward the Corn Palace in Mitchell where the 17th annual State 'B' was to be held.

George Padrnos was the Lake Andes coach. He was the older brother of Dick Padrnos and a former player at Southern State and the University of South Dakota.

Dick Padrnos scored 23 points, including the last four of the game, to power the Eagles past Flandreau 53-51 in the quarterfinals. Eventual



Dick Padrnos



champion Harrold then defeated Lake Andes 51-40 in the semifinals despite 15 points from Padrnos.

The third place game between the Eagles and Ethan was drama filled. The teams battled evenly until Padrnos hit a 20-foot shot from the corner to give Lake Andes a 56-55 victory. He scored 31 points, including 15 of the Eagles' 16 points in the fourth quarter.

Lake Andes ended the season 30-1. South Dakota did not have an all-state team at that time but Padrnos represented the Eagles on the all-tournament team.

A four-year starter, Padrnos averaged 19 points per game as a junior and 23 as a senior. His high game was 40 points and his career scoring total was over 1,700 points.

Lake Andes played six-man football and Padrnos was an outstanding quarterback for the Eagles. He also competed in track and field.

Padrnos went on to play basketball at USD where his coach was Rube Hoy. After graduation he moved to New Orleans and earned a medical degree from Tulane University.

After serving in the U.S. Air Force for four years, Padrnos settled in Colorado where he was an ear, nose and throat surgeon.

Padrnos lives at Boulder. His wife of 68 years is Dona. Children are Rick, Laurie, Tom, Anne, Sally and Dan.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Dick Padrnos as a member of its Class of 2024.

JoEllen (Hofer) Salmen

Hitchcock 'Bluejays' - 1994

For six seasons Hitchcock High School's girls basketball opponents were forced to contend with the unique talents of JoEllen (Hofer) Salmen.

As a seventh-grader Salmen was a top reserve for the Bluejays. She then became a five-year starter, averaging 11 points and eight rebounds per game as an eighth-grader.

During her freshman season Salmen boosted her averages to 24 points and 13 rebounds per game. She was on her way towards becoming one of the leading career scorers in state history.

Hitchcock reached the State Class B Tournament when Salmen was a junior in 1992. The 5-foot-11 forward set a consolation round scoring record when she had a 51-point game.

Salmen netted 28 points per game as a senior while shooting 58 percent from the field. She also averaged 10 rebounds and seven assists playing for Coach Beth Conroy. Salmen totaled 2,564 career points.

Chosen to the all-state team three years, Salmen also participated in volleyball and track and field for the Bluejays.

In college Salmen led two



JoEllen (Hofer) Salmen



different schools to an NAIA national championship game. Salmen played for Coach Shane Warwick and Huron University in 1995 and 1996. The final Division II poll in 1996 ranked Western Oregon as No. 1 and Huron as No. 3.

Those two teams battled their way to the title game in the national tournament. Western Oregon edged the Tribe 80-77. Huron finished 30-5 and Salmen was

selected to the NAIA All-America team.

After transferring Salmen earned NAIA All-America honors for Black Hills State University as a junior in 1997 and a senior in 1998. The Yellow Jackets went 27-7 in 1997, falling to Northwest Nazarene (Idaho) in the Division II national finals, and 25-5 in 1998.

Robin Schamber coached Black Hills in 1997 and Kevin Dobbs took over in 1998. The Yellow Jackets won the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference both seasons.

Salmen scored 929 points in her two seasons at Black Hills, averaging 17 points and eight rebounds per game. She was named to the all-SDIC team each of her four collegiate seasons and was MVP of the SDIC in 1997.

She is a member of the Yellow Jacket Hall of Fame.

Salmen is a teacher in the Hitchcock-Tulare School District and lives at Tulare. Her husband is Tom. Children are Elizabeth, Thomas John, Erik, Matthew and Neil.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct JoEllen (Hofer) Salmen as a member of its Class of 2024.

Jill (Young) Sargent

Mitchell Christian 'Golden Eagles' - 2007

When she concluded her Mitchell Christian High School career Jill (Young) Sargent had scored the most points in the history of girls basketball in South Dakota.

Making her first of five appearances on the Class B all-state team as an eighth-grader, Sargent maintained a high level of performance through her senior year in 2007 when she was the state's Miss Basketball.

That season Sargent averaged 29 points per game. For the second consecutive year she was the Gatorade Player of the Year in South Dakota.

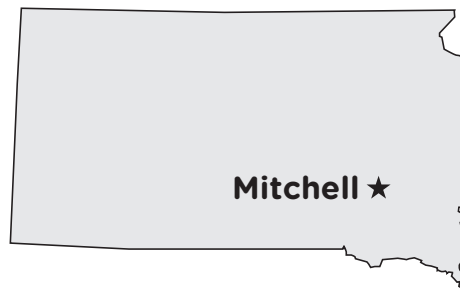
Sargent was a six-year starter for Mitchell Christian and finished with a state girls record 3,317 points. Her single game high was 48 points. Sargent also totaled 790 rebounds, 638 assists and 418 steals. She made 462 3-point goals including 11 in a single game.

The Golden Eagles were coached by George Erdahl and won the state championship when Sargent was a junior in 2006. In the title game Mitchell Christian downed Centerville 50-32 behind 25 points from Sargent to finish 24-2. Sargent averaged 31 points per game that season.

Sargent was named High



Jill (Young) Sargent



School Girls Athlete of the Year for 2006 by the South Dakota Sportswriters Association.

Known as a premier shooter, Sargent continued that accuracy while playing for Coach Aaron Johnston at South Dakota State University. During her career for the Jackrabbits she converted 84 percent of her free throws and shot 42 percent on 3-point attempts.

SDSU was an overall 97-37 during Sargent's four seasons. The Jackrabbits were Summit League regular season champions twice and they won the conference's postseason tournament all four years.

The most successful SDSU season in that span came in 2009. The Jackrabbits were 32-3 overall and 17-1 in the league. They beat Texas Christian 90-55 in the first round of the NCAA Tournament before being edged by Baylor 60-58.

That season Sargent was named the Summit League sixth woman of the year. She earned all-conference honors in 2012.

During her SDSU career Sargent totaled 1,356 points. She had 452 rebounds, 252 assists and 115 steals. Sargent graduated with a school and Summit League record 305 made 3-point goals.

She then played professionally in Germany.

Sargent lives at Waynesville, Ohio. Her husband is Clint. He is the men's basketball coach at Wright State University. Children are Gracie, CJ, Jordy and Landry.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Jill (Young) Sargent as a member of its Class of 2024.

Troy Schaefer

Pierre ‘Governors’ - 1983

Troy Schaefer’s unique athletic versatility was on display whether Pierre Riggs High School was competing in basketball, football or tennis.

The Governors won the State Class A Basketball Tournament in 1982 when Schaefer was a junior. Pierre defeated Aberdeen Central 62-42 in the quarterfinals and got past Watertown 45-41 in the semifinals.

In the championship game the Governors faced Rapid City Central. Pierre prevailed 56-43 to finish with a record of 22-1.

As a senior Schaefer led the Governors back to the finals again in 1983. Sioux Falls Washington completed an undefeated season by edging Pierre 59-56 in a competitive title game.

The Governors wound up with a 20-3 record that season under Coach Bob Judson, giving them a two-year mark of 42-4.

Schaefer averaged 19 points per game during his senior season and was named to the all-state team for the third consecutive year.

A 6-foot-4 forward, Schaefer was extremely accurate. He shot 55 percent from the field and converted 82 percent of his free throw



Troy Schaefer



attempts. Schaefer finished with 1,124 career points, which was a Pierre school record at the time of his graduation.

Also a strong rebounder Schaefer capped his senior season by being named co-Mr. Basketball in South Dakota.

Schaefer also excelled for the Governors on the football field. He was chosen to the all-state team as a wide

receiver during both his junior and senior years.

A talented tennis player, as well, Schaefer won a singles championship for Pierre in the Eastern South Dakota Conference tournament in 1983. He also was a member of a winning doubles team.

The South Dakota Sportswriters Association acknowledged Schaefer’s mastery of three sports when it named him the South Dakota High School Boys Athlete of the Year in 1982.

Schaefer was recruited heavily by colleges for both his basketball and football ability. He elected to continue his football career as a collegian and chose to attend Augustana University.

During his career Schaefer was a valuable performer for the Vikings. He was an all-North Central Conference tight end for Coach Jim Heinitz.

Schaefer has had a career in orthopedic sales and lives at Rapid City. His wife is Kim. Children are Gregory, Steven and Elizabeth.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Troy Schaefer as a member of its Class of 2024.

Brian Shanks

Huron 'Tigers' - 1974

Fans who saw Lake Preston play during the 1972 season understood that there were big things in the basketball future of talented young center Brian Shanks.

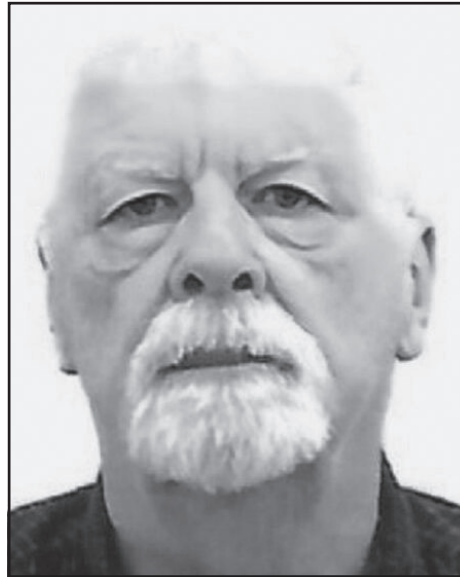
That season Shanks averaged 29 points per game and became one of the few sophomores during the two-class era to be named to the Class B all-state team.

One year later, after Shanks had transferred to Huron High School, he and his Tigers teammates cut down the nets at the Sioux Falls Arena after winning the State Class A Tournament of 1973.

Huron was coached by Bob Judson and opened the tourney by beating Rapid City Stevens 64-59. Shanks had a 25-point, six-block game in the semifinals to power the Tigers past previously unbeaten Sioux Falls Washington 57-52.

The championship game sent Huron against Eastern South Dakota Conference rival Yankton. The Tigers outlasted the Bucks 50-48 to give Huron its first state title since 1958.

Shanks was chosen to the Class A all-state team after leading Huron to an overall record of 16-8. He produced



Brian Shanks



22 points, nine rebounds and four blocks per game while hitting 57 percent of his shots from the field.

During his 1974 senior season the 7-foot Shanks was the ESD scoring champion and averaged 26 points and 15 rebounds per game.

He ended his prep career owning the Huron single-game scoring record of 42 points and making his third

appearance on the all-state team.

Shanks had 1,800 career points at Lake Preston and Huron. He was a popular recruiting target of many different colleges and chose South Dakota State University.

The Jackrabbits of Coach Gene Zulk had a 12-12 record in 1975 and Shanks made a significant contribution as a freshman by scoring 10 points and grabbing eight rebounds per game.

Shanks later transferred to Northern State University and finished his collegiate career playing for Coach Bob Wachs.

During his final season Shanks and the Wolves went 18-15 in 1978. He averaged 15 points and nine rebounds per game.

Shanks had a 32-year career in education, including a number of years as superintendent of the Elk Point-Jefferson School District. He lives at Elk Point. His wife is Melissa. Children are Molly, Scott and Adam.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Brian Shanks as a member of its Class of 2024.

Dennis Smith

Glenham 'Eagles' - 1967

Dennis Smith was a complete basketball player who possessed the ability to adjust his game based on the needs of his team.

The Eagles of Glenham High School depended heavily on Smith's scoring. He responded by averaging 25 points per game over his four seasons as a starter.

Later, on the collegiate level, Smith's role was different. He was called upon at Northern State University to concentrate on running the offense as the Wolves point guard and setting up his teammates. He did that so well that he earned all-conference honors.

Smith was a 6-foot guard who was named to the Class B all-state team after his junior and senior seasons at Glenham. He set the school single-game scoring record of 51 points while playing for Coach Bert Cameron.

As a senior Smith averaged 32 points per game for the Eagles. He accounted for 768 points during that 1967 season to become a member of the 2,000 point club in South Dakota. He finished with 2,186 points.

Smith was named to the all-Yellowstone Trail Conference



Dennis Smith



team after each of his four seasons. He also participated in track and field for Glenham and was a record setting pole vaulter. He played American Legion baseball for Mobridge.

Northern won the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference championship when Smith was a junior in 1970.

The Wolves were 20-8 overall, went 10-2 in the league, and advanced to the

NAIA National Tournament. In the opening round they lost to Wartburg College (Iowa) 91-78.

In the 1971 season Northern finished with a 22-8 record under Coach Bob Wachs and again reached the NAIA National Tournament. They opened by beating Illinois Wesleyan 88-76 before falling to Stephen F. Austin (Texas) 99-62.

Smith was all-SDIC as a senior that season. He was the Wolves' primary ball-handler. Smith led the team in assists and averaged 13 points per game in conference play while converting an impressive 58 percent of his shots from the field.

Also an outstanding baseball player for the Wolves, Smith is a member of the Northern State University Athletic Hall of Fame.

Smith was a teacher and administrator at Tulare High School from 1975-2010. He lives at Tulare. His wife is Linda. Children are Shannon, Erin and Brandon.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Dennis Smith as a member of its Class of 2024.

Tara (Batcheller) Volesky

Mobridge 'Tigers' - 1978

Mobridge High School spent time in both Class B and Class A while Tara (Batcheller) Volesky starred for the Tigers. Competing against smaller schools or the largest schools, it didn't matter, Volesky ranked as one of the finest girls basketball players in South Dakota.

Volesky was chosen first team all-state in 1975 when Mobridge was a member of Class B. That was a rare accomplishment for a sophomore. She earned that honor again during her junior season for the Tigers.

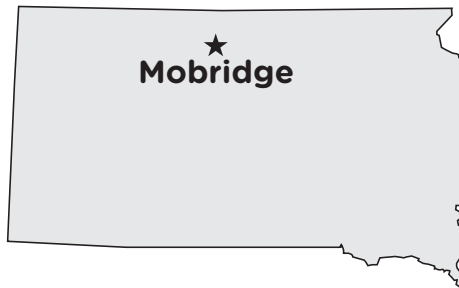
Mobridge was moved up to Class A in the old two-class system when Volesky was a senior. During that 1977 season she scored 24 points per game and also averaged 12 rebounds.

Named a first team all-stater for the third consecutive year, Volesky was described in the all-state story that appeared in newspapers as a high caliber scorer and rebounder with an exceptional ability to initiate the Tigers' fast break with accurate outlet passes.

Volesky was a versatile player for Coach Alvin "Pee Wee" Kludt. She was 5-foot-10 and spent time at center, forward and guard depending



Tara (Batcheller) Volesky



on Mobridge's needs against different opponents.

Also an accomplished golfer, Volesky was the individual champion at the State Class B Tournament that was held at Watertown in 1977.

In addition to being medalist in the tourney Volesky led the Tigers of Coach Don Tumbleson to the team championship.

The South Dakota

Sportswriters Association noted the multi-sport talents of Volesky when it named her the South Dakota High School Girls Athlete of the Year in 1977.

After her Mobridge graduation Volesky decided to head west to Provo, Utah. The coaches at Brigham Young University recognized the versatility of Volesky and gave her the option of participating in either basketball or golf for the Cougars.

Choosing to join the golf team, Volesky was a scholarship player at BYU. The Cougars participated in the Western Athletic Conference.

Deciding to come back to South Dakota, Volesky transferred from BYU to Northern State University where she played basketball for the Wolves of Coach Curt Fredrickson.

After finishing her collegiate career Volesky spent time as a touring professional golfer.

Volesky is a real estate developer and lives at Mitchell. Her husband is Ron. Children are Tyler, Turner, Tucker and Taylor.

The South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame is proud to induct Tara (Batcheller) Volesky as a member of its Class of 2024.

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Leon Tobin. Milo Wepking. Pat Morrison. Vern McKee. Their names were as well known to a generation of South Dakota basketball fans as were the names of the state's greatest players.

Steadfast friends and proud colleagues, they shared a common belief. They officiated with a conviction that the integrity of the game depends upon all players being treated respectfully and both teams being given an equal path to victory.

Tobin, Wepking, Morrison and McKee worked high school and college games across the state for many years. They were fixtures at state tournaments when the consequential games of March were contested.

During the Hall of Fame's early stages Tobin was a member of the board of directors. He and his wife Virginia made the initial \$5,000 donation which allowed the Hall of Fame to create an endowment in 2016.



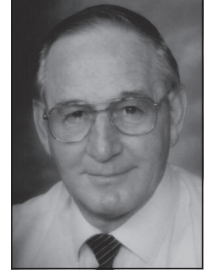
Leon Tobin



Milo Wepking



Pat Morrison



Vern McKee

That fund helps ensure the financial health of the Hall of Fame into the future. After Tobin's death in 2023, at age 87 while living in Aberdeen, his family gifted the endowment an additional \$5,000 in his memory.

Tobin was a graduate of Waubay. He served in the National Guard and earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Northern State University. He spent 47 years in education, many as superintendent at Warner.

During the more than 30 years that Tobin officiated in South Dakota he worked nearly 1,700 high school games including 23 state tournaments.

Wepking served in the U.S. Army during World War II after his graduation from Avon. He earned a bachelor's degree from Southern State Teachers College and a master's from the University of South Dakota.

He was director of admissions at Nettleton College, then spent many years in a variety of leadership positions at National American University.

An official for 35 years, Wepking worked games with a unique flair that made him popular among coaches, players and fans. A former commissioner of the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference, he was 81 and living

at Huron at the time of his death in 2004.

Morrison played at Mobridge while the Tigers were a Class B basketball power, winning state titles in 1943 and 1944. He then was a pitcher on the baseball team at the University of Michigan.

After earning bachelor's and master's degrees at Michigan, he served in the U.S. Army. Morrison was a radio broadcaster for 60 years and was known as the Voice of the Mobridge Tigers.

He officiated for 35 years and estimated that he logged over 250,000 miles by car traveling to and from games. Morrison died at age 92 while living at Mobridge in 2017.

McKee was raised in Huron but spent his senior year at Browns Valley, Minn. He was in the U.S. Navy before enrolling at Huron College, where he earned a bachelor's degree and was all-SDIC in basketball and football.

But baseball was perhaps McKee's best sport as he played several years in the minor leagues. He obtained a master's degree from USD and coached at several high schools in South Dakota as well as at North Dakota State University, Yankton College, USD and Huron College.

An official for 28 years, McKee died in 2004 at Sioux Falls. He was 74.



The 26-0 Packers of 1978. Armour team members were, from left, Assistant Coach Rick Clark, Jeff Tiefenthaler, Gregg DeSpiegler, Brad Freidel, Jeff Johnson, Dennis Tiefenthaler, Tim Scholten, Brian Bindert, Tom McFarland, Joe Morrow, Dan Freidel, Barry Glanzer, Marvin Powell and Coach Burnell Glanzer. (Submitted Photo)

During the 1978 season Armour High School constructed the foundation for what would become the greatest winning streak in the history of boys basketball in South Dakota.

The Packers went undefeated through a 26-game schedule, winning the State Class B Tournament in the process. That set in motion a three-year run that peaked at 64 consecutive victories.

Burnell Glanzer was a Freeman native who arrived at Armour after graduating from the University of South Dakota. His first season in 1976 produced a 15-4 record and in his second year the Packers went 25-1. That set the stage for 1978.

Armour relied on an eight-man rotation that was directed by point guard Barry Glanzer, younger brother of the coach and a future all-North Central Conference player at USD.

Joe Morrow was a classmate of Glanzer. Those two seniors made major contributions as did juniors Brian Bindert,

Tom McFarland and Brad Freidel. Armour counted heavily on a pair of talented sophomores, Dan Freidel and Dennis Tiefenthaler, and also got valuable minutes from promising freshman Jeff Tiefenthaler.

The Packers were exceptionally athletic. They wore down opponents with fast-paced offense and defense that applied constant pressure.

In recognition of their memorable season the 1978 Packers are being honored by the South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame as its Team of Excellence for 2024.

Armour downed Hamlin 77-54 and Stanley County 87-58 in the state tournament at the Sioux Falls Arena to set up a championship showdown against Elk Point. The Packers led the Pointers at the end of each of the first three quarters. But things got intense in the final eight minutes.

Elk Point rallied to take a 41-38 lead before Morrow scored eight straight points to return control to Armour. The

Packers then prevailed 57-53 to conclude their season of perfection.

Morrow finished the game with 15 points while Glanzer and Dennis Tiefenthaler each netted 13. Defense was a factor, as it so often was for the Packers, as they forced 26 turnovers.

Glanzer was named Mr. Basketball in the first season that the award was presented in South Dakota. He averaged 20 points and eight assists per game while shooting 62 percent from the field.

Armour's domination in 1978 was from start to finish. The Packers were highly regarded from the first poll of the season. They never wavered en route to claiming the championship trophy in the state tournament.

For 37 seasons Burnell Glanzer coached the Packers, then Tripp-Delmont/Armour, until retiring after the 2012 season. He had a career record of 617-209 and guided Armour to state titles in 1978, 1979 and 1997.

SISSETON '63

2011: The first Team of Excellence, recognized in 2011, was Sisseton '63. The Redmen of Coach Jack Theeler Sr. won the Class A state title and finished 25-0. All five starters went on to play college basketball - Jack Theeler Jr., Myron Moen, Simon Schloe, Bob Hull and Bob Brewster.

WEBSTER '46-47-48

2012: A three-peat in Class B would not have been possible without a half-court shot by Lefty Engebretson in the quarterfinals of the 1946 tournament. That basket lifted Coach George Houk's Bearcats past Platte 45-44 and set a path to three straight titles.

HOWARD '64

2013: The Tigers went 28-0 under Coach Jim Cordts. Howard was led by Dennis Carlson, Glen Rasmussen and Roger Truman. Each was named to the all-tournament team as the Tigers won the Class B championship after being ranked No. 1 all season.

MITCHELL '85

2014: Coach Gary Munsen guided the Kernels to a Class A championship and 23-0 record. Mitchell boasted three first team all-state players in Bart Friedrich, Chad Andersen and Tim Byrd. Friedrich went on to a stellar career playing at Drake.

WAKONDA '90

2015: The 26-0 Warriorettes won their third consecutive Class B girls championship. Ron Flynn was coach and the team featured Becky Flynn, later a Creighton standout, and Nicky Johnsen. Wakonda ended the season with a 78-game winning streak.

SALEM '26 & HURON '58

2016: Salem, coached by George Edmonds, won the single-class state tournament, took third in the National Tournament in Chicago, and went 40-1. Class A champion Huron, which achieved a 22-0 record under Coach Carold Heier, was led by future Nebraska ace Rex Swett.

PINE RIDGE '87

2017: The Thorpes marched through a 26-0 season and claimed the Class A championship. Jesse Mendoza was the Pine Ridge coach. The Thorpes were built around the play of stalwarts Willie White, George Bettelyoun and Bryan Brewer.

TRIPP '67

2018: A 28-0 season and state championship was achieved by Coach Jim Flevaris and his Wildcats. Mike Freier, who netted a Class B state tournament record 103 points, was joined by teammates Dick Prien and Bill Fischer on the all-tourney team.

WATERTOWN '59

2019: The Arrows of Coach Jim Marking were paced by Tom McGrann, who went on to star at Minnesota. Tom Jensen and Doug Peterson also were major contributors for the Arrows. Watertown was Class A champion and wound up 20-2.

WASHINGTON '80

2020: A pair of first team all-state standouts, Ann Pancoast and JoElle Byre, were the catalysts on a 23-0 team that won the Class A state girls championship. Joe Lockwood was coach of the Warriors. Washington went on to repeat as champion again in 1981.

2021: No team selected due to pandemic.

BROOKINGS '85

2022: Rated as the No. 3 team in the nation by *USA Today*, the Bobcats of Coach Jim Holwerda went 23-0, won the Class AA girls championship, and extended their win streak to 48 games. Brookings was led by Amy Mickelson, Renae Sallquist and Paula Kenefick.

MILLER '72

2023: Kim Templeton, Rick Nissen and Jeff Wilber were mainstays for the Rustlers as they claimed the Class A state championship. Miller, the smallest school in Class A, was 24-0 under Coach Bob Dockter.

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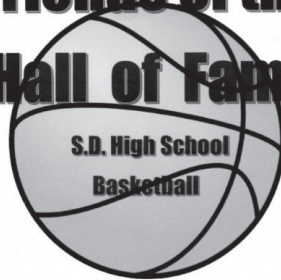
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