



6:00-7:30pm - Fifth General Session - Glenn Carlson Hall

MnIAAA Recognition Banquet

Presiding – Mark Kuisle, Rochester Century MnIAAA 1st Vice President

Invocation - Les Zellmann - St. James High School

Region Athletic/Activity Administrators of the Year

Introduced by Brent Schimek, Deer River High School MnIAAA 2nd Vice President

- 1A Michelle Anderson, Spring Grove High School
- 2A Craig Morgan, Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School
- 3A Andy Ourada, Redwood Valley High School
- 4A Darin Keizer, Southwest Christian High School
- 5A Lee Rood, Rush City High School
- 6A Marc Helmrichs, Pequot Lakes High School
- 7A Jim James, Mesabi East High School
- 8A Jamie Lunsetter, Grygla-Gatzke High School
- 1AA Bill Tschida, Farmington High School
- 2AA Thayne Johnson, Hutchinson High School
- 3AA Phil Kuemmel, Park High School
- 4AA Nate Galloway, Como Park High School
- 5AA Brian Hegseth, Centennial High School
- 6AA Andy Ewald, St. Louis Park High School
- 7AA Beth Clark, Hermantown High School
- 8AA Troy Hendricks, Bemidji High School

Retiring Athletic/Activity Administrators

Presented by Brent Schimek, Deer River High School MnIAAA 2nd Vice President

> Brian Hegseth, Centennial Rick Johns, Providence Academy Bill Lechner, Hill-Murray David Mergens, St. Paul Humboldt Bryce Pack, Red Rock Central David Swanberg, LeSueur-Henderson



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MnIAAA Student Athlete Scholarship Winners

Presented by Brad O'Donnell, St Clair

Olivia Flack, Lake Crystal Wellcome Memorial High School Elijah Kirschstein, Springfield High School

Distinguished Alumni

Presented by Mark Kuisle, Rochester Century MNIAAA 1st Vice President

Magdalyn Mae Ewen, St. Francis High School Karl Erickson, Rochester Century High School ***Dinner Served ***Music: Sauk Rapids-Rice High School Jazz Band, Director Mr. Scott Campbell

School Associations "State Award of Merit"

Presented by Dan Johnson, Hopkins

Bob Grey, Montevideo Public Schools

Hall of Fame Inductees

Presented by Nick Rathmann, The Blake School

Tom Conzemius, Sauk Rapids-Rice, Park Rapids Larry Traetow, Jackson County Central Robert Scripture, New Prague

Athletic/Activities Administrators of the Year

Presented by Brent Schimek, Deer River High School MnIAAA 2nd Vice President

Paul Krueger Class A Activities Administrator of the Year Marc Helmrichs, Pequot Lakes High School

Pete Veldman Class AA Activities Administrator of the Year Brian Hegseth, Centennial High School



Presiding Mark Kuisle, Rochester Century First Vice-President

Music Sauk Rapids-Rice Jazz Band directed by Scott Campbell

REGION ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY ADMINISTRATORS OF THE YEAR

Introduced by Brent Schimek, Deer River 2nd Vice President



Region 1A Michelle Anderson Spring Grove



Region 2A **Craig Morgan** Minnesota Valley Lutheran



Region 3A Andy Ŏurada Redwood Valley



Region 4A **Darin Keizer** Southwest Christian



Region 5A Lee Rood **Rush City**



Region 6A **Marc Helmrichs Pequot Lakes**

> Region 7A Jim James

Mesabi East



Region 8A Jamie Lunsetter Grvala-Gatzke





Region 2AA Thayne Johnson Hutchinson



Region 3AA **Phil Kuemmel Park**



Region 4AA **Nate Galloway** Como Park



Region 5AA **Brian Hegseth** Centennial



Region 6AA Andy Ewald St. Louis Park



Region 7AA **Beth Clark** Hermantown



Region 8AA **Troy Hendricks** Bemidji















2019 Distinguished Alumni

Magdalyn Mae Ewen

St. Francis High School

Presented by Mark Kuisle, Rochester Century MnIAAA 1st Vice President

Magdalyn Mae Ewen, is a graduate of St. Francis High School and Arizona State University. As a thrower, she was a highly decorated student-athlete as a Minnesota State High School League champion 4-times discus and 3-times shot put. Maggie move to the sunny state of Arizona and again blossomed as a student athlete. She had been honored as a First Team All American 11-times in her collegiate career and was a Pac-12 Conference Champion seven times in 3-times hammer, 2-times shot and 2-times discus. She has won four NCAA Championships in shot put indoor

and outdoor, discus and hammer. Maggie has been honored twice as a Pac-12 woman's field Athlete of the Year for her performances at Arizona State University. Maggie is a USA National Outdoor Champion in shot put and runner-up in discus 2018 and runner-up hammer in 2017. She still holds the shot put 54' 8.5" and discus 171' 9" records for Minnesota. Maggie currently lives in Tempe, Arizona and continues to train for national competitions.







2019 Distinguished Alumni

Karl Erickson Rochester Century High School

Presented by Mark Kuisle, Rochester Century MnIAAA 1st Vice President

Karl Erickson, graduate of Rochester Century High School and the University of Minnesota. As a thrower, he was a 4-time Minnesota State High School discus and shot put champion. Currently holds all-time state record in the discus throw at 201'7". After high school, he enrolled at the University of Minnesota and had an outstanding collegiate experience. Karl earned seven All-American honors during the indoor and outdoor seasons between the shot put and discus. He was a 5-time Big Ten Champion between the discus and shot put. The first Big Ten Championship title was in the discus throw, as a freshman for the Golden Gophers. Karl holds the all-time discus record at the University of Minnesota with a mark of 200'6". Karl participated in the 2004 Olympic Trials in both shot and discus and at the 2008 Olympic Trials, in the discus. In addition, Karl was a 4-time competitor in the US Track and Field Championships, represented the United States at the NACAC Championships in 2004, and competed internationally.

Karl is currently a Sports Performance Specialist/Coordinator and Community Outreach Performance Lead for the Mayo Clinic Sports Medicine. He currently live is Rochester, Minnesota and is married to Mia, who is a former US Bobsled pilot and 2-time national champion Olympic Weightlifter. They have two daughters, Javda and Laila.







National High School Federation Award of Merit

Bob Grey

Montevideo

Presented by Dan Johnson, Hopkins

Bob Grey, is the Activities Director, Elementary Principal and Community Education Administrator for the Montevideo School District and has been selected by a committee of his peers as the 2019 MnIAAA State Award of Merit recipient.

Bob is a 1982 graduate of Estherville High School and received his B.S. degree in Mathematics from South Dakota State University. His graduate studies include a Masters of Education in Mathematics from the University of Minnesota and Educational Administration Licensure from St. Mary's University. Bob's teaching career began in the Montevideo Schools in the fall of 1988. He became Athletic Director in 1998 and in 2011 he also became the Elementary Principal and administrator of the Community Education programs. During his tenure at Montevideo, Bob has coached in the football, basketball, baseball and track programs at a variety of levels including 2 years as the head football coach.

His service to the MnIAAA includes three years on the Executive Board, currently serving as the associations President. He also served on various committees starting with the first MnIAAA Strategic Plan, was a Region Representative for four years, and has presented at the spring conference.

His service to Region 3A includes a six-year term that concluded with being selected as its Chairman. Also was one of its delegates to MSHSL Representative Assembly, and is currently in his 7th year as the Sub-Region 12 Coordinator.

His Minnesota State High School League background includes a four-year term on its Board of Directors, serving as the treasurer in his final year. Bob is a member of the MSHSL Education advisory committee along with serving on the Dance Team Rules committee and works the volleyball, soccer, track and field, both the girls' and boys' basketball state tournaments and the Prep Bowl.

Bob and his wife of 32 years Mary, an Elementary Physical Education teacher at Yellow Medicine East, have two children – Tyler, the Assistant Athletic Director at the University of St. Thomas, and his wife Abby, a 2nd grade teacher in the Lakeville School District and daughter Kiersti a 3rd grade teacher and Assistant Dance Team coach in the Marshall School District.





MnIAAA Scholarship

How High School Athletics Has Impacted My Life

By Elijah Kirschstein

Springfield

What would high school have been like without athletics? How would my personality and character be altered without the wonderful opportunities and experiences that athletic activities have afforded me? These are questions that I have began to reflect on as I encounter several lasts in my athletic career during my senior year. High school athletics have had a tremendous impact in my life and have played an invaluable role in helping shape my character and personality throughout high school as I transition into adulthood. I have been involved in athletic activities since before I can remember, from my small-town summer recreation tee-ball team to most recently, our Tomahawk conference championship boys cross country team this past fall. In high school, I have participated in cross country, basketball, and baseball and their impact on my life will be unforgettable.

Athletics have made me who I am today, a determined, competitive, and humble young man who tries to be an example for my peers and those who look up to me. I developed my profound sense of determination from my participation in high school sports by learning that I needed to be willing to accept failure. Being able to accept failure and grow from it has hardened my resolve and determination to turn my failures into successes. One example of this was in baseball my sophomore and



junior years. During my sophomore year, I had been pitching on the JV team and had been struggling somewhat consistently. I made a decision to commit myself in the offseason to improving my pitching so I could make a meaningful contribution as a varsity pitcher in my junior year. Coming into my junior year, I wasn't sure what kind of opportunities I would get, but I knew I would be ready if called upon. Fortunately, I didn't have to wait long as in our first game of the year, I was asked to come in and close out a one-point game in the seventh inning, a game in which I earned the save. High school sports have also instilled a competitive nature in me, and that trait of mine is not only limited to sports. I think that my competitive, yet humble attitude adopted from athletics applies to my academic, career, and life goals. I believe that my competitiveness will make me successful because I set goals for myself that are challenging and I embrace risk-taking as a tool for success. The most important way that high school athletics have influenced my life is by inspiring humbleness and a sense of appreciation within myself. High school sports have taught me how to be humble in victory and gracious in defeat; moreover, they've taught me that the value of giving back to the people and community that helped me succeed can't be overlooked. My dedication to community and volunteer service will remain with me throughout my life, and I can attribute that dedication to the high school athletic programs that have helped me foster that attitude.

I want to share my favorite experience in high school sports, one that occurred throughout my cross country career. I developed a friendship with a kid in the grade below me, and today, he is my best friend because of cross country. However, it isn't just one person; to me, participating in cross country has always felt more like a family than a team, and I will dearly miss not being able to run with them again next fall. In this instance, high school sports brought a group of kids together that encouraged and supported one another, and I will be forever grateful for the endless opportunities that high school athletics have afforded me.





MnIAAA Scholarship

How High School Athletics Has Impacted My Life

By Olivia Flack

Lake Crystal Wellcome Memorial

If there is one thing I am grateful for, it's high school athletics! It has been the highlight of my school years and given me so much more than I could have ever imagined! Athletics are also a big part of my family's life. There are three kids in my family and we are all three-sport athletes. My mom and dad love high school athletics, too. They organize their work schedules around our sports schedules. I've watched my grandparents beam with pride as they tell their friends that I get my athletic ability from them! Athletics bring families and communities together while showcasing the best in the students. I plan to run Cross Country and compete in Track and Field in college because I know I will find like-minded friends to work towards common goals both on the field and in the classroom.

Athletics greatly improved my time management skills. This past year, I wanted to push myself to be the best I could be in Cross Country. I managed my time by getting to bed early and got in extra miles by running or biking to school. I often had neighbors pass me in cars and encourage me with a friendly wave or honk. I also made time during the



season to study for the ACT. By being focused and goal oriented, I learned to use time well! Running Cross Country gave me the athletic outlet that helped me feel ready to study and, in turn, I reached my goals with a high ACT score!

Participating in athletics automatically elevates your visibility in the student body. I've taken the role as a leader very seriously. I'm completely committed to the oath you take to be chemical-free 365 days a year. I've been asked to be team captain in all three of my sports and have been elected Class President by my peers. Athletics has given me an opportunity to practice leadership skills in a supported environment.

Playing sports has encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone. I can remember being nervous and shaky when first stepping up to the free throw line in front of my friends and neighbors as a young basketball player. As the years have gone by, I now look forward to the chance to go to the line. This confidence has translated into other areas including serving my community as a volunteer accompanist for our church and at school concerts. Athletics makes me feel closer to my community and gives me confidence to try new things.

Finally, and most importantly, athletics has taught me gratitude. I am so thankful for the support of my teachers and coaches over the years. They have invested so much of their time in their athletes. I notice when their spouses are at our games; I think about all the sacrifices coaches and their families make for athletes. I would encourage all students who want to make the most of their high school years to take part in athletics! You'll gain so much!





2019 MnIAAA Hall of Fame Tom Conzemius

Sauk Rapids-Rice, Park Rapids

Presented by Nick Rathmann, The Blake School MNIAAA Hall of Fame Chair

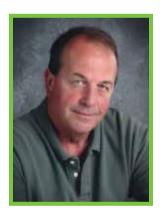
Tom Conzemius was a graduate of Wadena High School. He earned his B.A. from Moorhead State University, and his M.A. from Southwest State University. In 1976, Tom began his 38 year career in education as a teacher, coach, athletic administrator, and board member.

Tom's impressive career includes over 20 years of coaching football, basketball, and track and field. He served as an Athletic Administrator for a combined 25 years at Park Rapids and Sauk Rapids-Rice. His achievements as an Athletic Administrator are themed by being an advocate for all students.

He was a tireless worker at the State level. He has served the MnIAAA in many ways, being a member since 1992 to present. He served on the MnIAAA board both as an officer and ultimately as President in 2005. He has been a presenter and moderator several times. Tom also has received the the MnIAAA award of Merit in 2010 and the Distinguished Service Award in in 20111. If that wasn't enough, he also served as a board member for the Minnesota State High School League.

A colleague of Tom's wrote a letter of recommendation which stated "Tom was a strong advocate for education based athletics at every turn and made sure that his coaches, athletes, and parents were aware of what was expected of them. In actuality, Tom Conzemius made the schools he worked for, better."





2019 MnIAAA Hall of Fame Robert Scripture

New Prague

Presented by Nick Rathmann, The Blake School MNIAAA Hall of Fame Chair

Robert "Bob" Scripture is a 1964 graduate from Eau Claire High School. He went on to attend Winona State University College where he earned his BS in Health and Physical Education. After spending two years in the United State Army, he started his career in education as a Physical Education and Health teacher at Richland Center in Wisconsin.

Scripture came to New Prague in 1977 as a teacher and became Activities Director in 1981, a position he held for 27 years. During his tenure, he would serve as a coach in several sports, head coach in girls track and field and girls tennis, community education director, and dean of students. The town would celebrate 8 State Championships in a variety of sports such as gymnastics, football, girls basketball and boys track and field.

Bob was an active member of the MnIAAA. He presented and moderated several times at the MnIAAA State Conferences. He served as a region committee member numerous times and hosted many section events. Scripture would twice be named MnIAAA Activities Director of the Year, and in 2016 was inducted in the New Prague Hall of Fame. In the community, he was actively involved with Holy Trinity Lutheran Church as a Sunday School Teacher and usher, the New Prague Golf Club Tournament, and many youth coaching experiences.

A colleague of Bob's wrote, "he's the most professional person I have worked with in the state. The way he embedded himself in New Prague in every aspect is both impressive and admirable. He sets the example for doing this job the right way."





2019 MnIAAA Hall of Fame

Larry Traetow

Jackon County Central

Presented by Nick Rathmann, The Blake School MNIAAA Hall of Fame Chair

Larry Traetow was a graduate of Welcome High School. He earned his B.A. from Huron University and his M.A. from Mankato State University. In 1979, he started his career in education first as a physical education and social science teacher while coaching football, basketball, and track. He would go on to be a college coach, high school dean, elementary principal, high school principal, and an athletic administrator.

During his career, Larry has been honored as the Region 3A Activities Administrator of the Year, 2004 Class A Activities Administrator of the Year, and the Patriotic Award for Employee Support of the Guard and Reserve.

Larry has served the MnIAAA in many ways. First as a region rep, then numerous times as a moderator and invocator. He has served on the Advisory Committee, 8 years as a Region Representative, 4 years on the Executive Committee, and MnIAAA President in 2011.

A few of the most notable accomplishments include being an event manager for a plethora of events, 11 State Championships in his 16 years as Activities Director, and the consolidation of three schools bringing athletes and programs together.

A colleague of Larry's wrote a letter of recommendation which stated "Larry is a natural leader, has passion for kids and education, and highly typifies the five core traits of good character identified by our school system in honesty, respect, responsibility, self discipline and compassion. Mr. Larry Traetow is a person of tremendous integrity."





PAUL KRUEGER CLASS A AD of the YEAR

Marc Helmrichs

Pequot Lakes

Presented by Brent Schimek, Deer River Second Vice President

Marc Helmrichs is the Activities Director at Pequot Lakes High School: "Home of the Patriots". His career spans 32 years as an Educator, Coach and Activities Director in three Minnesota schools: Isle, Hibbing, and Pequot Lakes. Each day Marc strives to continue the growth of every child to maximize their individual potential. A fellow leader states, "Marc surpasses all expectations as a professional educator who is student centered, mission driven, and grounded in best interests of all who participate on and off the court."

Marc is a proud alumni of Deer Creek High School. He has been a coach of five different sports and received his CAA in 2006. He has earned the reputation as having a positive outlook on the work we do, and the communities he serves. An Educator states," He is extremely humble and models a tireless focus on doing what is right for each student-always!"

Marc is involved with the MnIAAA as a Region Rep and has moderated at numerous MnIAAA State Conferences. He has served various Athletic Conferences as a committee member or president. He has hosted numerous sectional events for the MSHSL and served on various committees.

Marc has degrees from Fergus Falls Community College and the University of MN Morris.





PETE VELDMAN CLASS AA AD of the YEAR

Brian Hegseth

Centennial

Presented by Brent Schimek, Deer River Second Vice President

Brian Hegseth is the Activities Director at Centennial High School: "Home of the Cougars". His administrative leadership spans 27 years at Centennial High School. Brian's approach speaks to the fact that he is committed to the development of the whole student, ensuring that it centers on important things that go beyond wins and losses or how they perform. Part of the Centennial motto is connecting. Brian excels at this. He fosters relationships with others to move the Centennial communities as one.

Service to others and Minnesota activities frames Brian. Brian has served on numerous MSHSL committees the past 27 years and is currently on the Board of Directors. His leadership in Region 4AA and 5AA has been a steady influence on many AD's starting out in their career. A colleague states, "Brian is one of the best people I have met in my career in education and I am a better person, leader, and human being just because of my access and admiration for the things he does. He has left an indelible mark on the lives of others."

Brian is a graduate of Wanamingo High School and has degrees from Hamlin University and St. Thomas University. He Received his CAA in 1997.



AD OF THE YEAR

YEAR	RECIPIENT	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1973	Giffy O'Dell	Minneapolis
1974	Jerry Eckstein	Plainview
1975	Bob Strand	Crookston
1976	Earl Bruhn	Owatonna
1977	L.B. "Lewis" Bredeson	Appleton
1978	Orv Schwankl	Mankato
1979	Ab Strommen	Washington County
1980	Dale Scholl	Redwood Falls
1981	Earl Seaton, Jr.	LaCrescent
1982	Delevan Hiebert	Ceylon
1983	Jack Conley	Forest Lake
1984	Dick Maher	Blue Earth
1984	Russell Anderson	Willmar
1985	Bruce Frank	LeSueur
1985	Gay Johnson	Hastings
1986	Paul Krueger	Saint James
1986	Kerwin Engelhart	Rochester
1987	Bernie VonWald	Saint Paul Harding
1987	Lloyd Stussy	Wells
1988	Rudy Marolt	Ely
1988	Tom Mahoney	Fairmont
1989	Don Nesheim	Saint Peter
1989	Don Miller	Mankato East
1990	Dick Frie	Monticello
1990	George Barnard	Waterville-Elysian
1991	Darien DeRocher	Foley
1991	Stephen Schultz	Eden Prairie
1992	Marie Meyer	Braham
1992	Del Mottaz	Park Center





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YEAR	RECIPIENT	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1993	Nancy Bergert	Buffalo
1993	Andy Rohweder	Pine City
1994	Al Siegle	Pelican Rapids
1994	Lowell Nomeland	Faribault
1995	Howard Herbst	Maple River
1995	Richard Olson	Virginia
1996	Ron Stolski	Brainerd
1996	Roger Licari	Mesabi East
1997	Connie Knoche	Stillwater
1997	Ron Mitchell	Residential Academy
1998	Don Miller	Hastings
1998	Bob Nangle	Pipestone-Jasper
1999	Julian Bertogliat	Esko
1999	Ron Sellnow	Hopkins
2000	Dave Sieben	Melrose
2000	Dave Hartmann	Alexandria
2001	Don Kostelecky	Fergus Falls
2001	Wally Connaker	Pine City
2002	Doug Darnell	Brooklyn Center
2002	Gary Addington	Rochester
2003	Sharon Euerle	Mankato West
2003	Dwight Lundeen	Becker
2004	Warren Keller	Warroad
2004	Jim Short	Simley
2005	Larry Traetow	Jackson County Central
2005	Jim Baker	Richfield
2006	John Ostrowski	Dover-Eyota
2006	John Anderson	Shakope





AD OF THE YEAR

YEAR	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
2007	Keith Swanson	West Centeral
2007	Wayne Pender	Grand Rapids
2008	Pete Cheely	St. John's Preparatory
2008	Mary Haugen	Prior Lake
2009	Darrel Ulferts	Southwest MN Christian
2009	Byron Olson	Lakeville North
2010	Dale Decker	Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted
2010	Jaime Sherwood	Wayzata
2011	John Schumacher	Park Rapids
2011	Lee Alger	Tartan
2012	Terry Bentele	Granada-Huntley-East Chain
2012	Tom Johnson	Hastings
2013	Fred Sailer	Perham
2013	John Washington	Minneapolis Schools
2014	Emmett Keenan	St. Cloud Cathedral
2014	Tom Graupmann	Northfield
2015	Rick Fischer	Sauk Centre
2015	Mark Kuisle	Rochester Century
2016	Dave Schroeder	Maple Lake
2016	Ken Hubert	Faribault
2017	Bruce Woitas	Sleepy Eye St. Mary's
2017	Tim Hermann	White Bear Lake
2018	John Vraa	New London-Spicer
2018	Jeff Whitney	Rochester Mayo
2019	Marc Helmrichs	Pequot Lakes
2019	Brian Hegseth	Centennial



YEAR	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1988	Ted Meinhover	Perham
	Ab Strommen	Park High School
	Bob Collison	Richfield
	Jack Campbell	Anoka
	Rudy Raukar	Warroad
	Kerwin Engelhart	Rochester
1989	Art Avis	Hutchinson
	M.R. "Big" Carrigan	Jackson
	Russ Smith	Thief River Falls
1990	Louis Todnem	Mankato
	Jack Malevich	Eveleth
	C.A. Bisel	Butterfield
1991	Harold "Red" Hastings	Austin
	Art Stock	Virginia
	Ken Thompson	Worthington
	Chuck Beyer	Blue Earth
	John Conzemius	Wadena
	Mario Retica	Hibbing
1992	Earl Bruhn	Owatonna
	Bruce Frank	LeSueur
	Lloyd Stussy	Wells
1993	Tom Mahoney	Fairmont
	Pete Herges	Albany
	Dale Scholl	Redwood Falls
1994	Evar Silvernagle	Rochester
	Orv Schwankl	Mankato
	James Norwick	Brooklyn Center
	Paul Krueger	Albert Lea
1995	Steve Kerzie	Gilbert
	Vern Morrison	St. Cloud
	Griffith O'Dell	Hopkins



YEAR	RECIPIENT	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1996	A.J. Kramer	Roseau
	Phil Seljevold	Moorhead
	Mac Dahl	LaCrescent
-	Pete Boelter	Wykoff
1997	Wendell Franke	Farmington
	Delevan Hiebert	Ceylon
	Gerald Bernatz	Chatfield
	Ambrose Koll	Sebeka
	Russell Adamson	Willmar
	Lowell Nomeland	Faribault
	Roland Bromberg	Cloquet
1998	Jerry Eckstein	Plainview
	Gordon Hakes	Mankato
	Art Hass	Austin
	Bob Pates	Burnsville
	Earl Seaton, Jr.	LaCrescent
	Don Swanson	Minneapolis Henry
1999	Ora Buchanan	Montgomery
	Will Sarkela	Grand Rapids
	Charlie Reps	Spring Valley
	Arthur "Dick" Schmitz	Sauk Centre
2000	Ken Denny	Preston
	Rudy Marolt	Ely
	Richard Olson	Little Falls
	Ron Stolski	Brainerd
2001	Richard Frie	Monticello
	Dick Lawrence	Eveleth
	Jim Loomis	Paynesville
	Don Miller	Mankato
	Edward Prohofsky	Minneapolis



YEAR	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
2002	Al Eckmann	Austin
	Dick Maher	Blue Earth
	Del Mottaz	Osseo
	Darien DeRocher	Foley
2003	Bill Hare	Greenway
	Roger Licari	Mesabi East
	Bob Nangle	Pipestone
	Ron Sellnow	Hopkins
	Pete Veldman	South St. Paul_
2004	Jim Gustafson	Albert Lea
	Don Nesheim	St. Peter
	Tom Smith	New Richland-Hartland
	Jerry Style	Glencoe
2005	Jerry Berg	Kenyon-Wanamingo
	Bill Hansen	Prior Lake
	Bill McMoore	Minneapolis
	Ed Rundell	St. Peter
2006	Jim Baker	Richfield
	Joe Dolan	Bloomington Schools
	Ray Herman	Martin County West
	James Mader	Albany
	Carlyle Potratz	Zumbrota
2007	George Larson	Cambridge-Isanti
	Ron Robinson	Springfield
	Jim Sands	Kasson-Mantorville
2008	Arley Ihrke	Houston
	Stephen Schultz	Eden Prairie
	Al Siegle	Pelican Rapids
	Connie Walker	Chatfield
2009	Jim Colletti	Irondale
	Stan Wilfahrt	New Ulm Holy Trinity



YEAR	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
2010	Omer Sieben	Melrose
	David Sieben	Melrose
	Julian Bertogliat	Keewatin
2011	Sharon Euerle	Mankato West
	Neil Pierce	Alden-Conger
2012	Don Hazeman	Red Lake
	Brad Johnson	Rushford-Peterson
	Jim Lasley	Redwood Falls
_	Wayne Pender	Grand Rapids_
2013	Gary Addington	Rochester Public Schools
	Douglas MacIver	Duluth Denfeld
2014	Ron Dobbs	New London-Spicer
	Kathy Fredricksen	Moose Lake
	Dwight Lundeen	Becker
2015	Elmer Menage	Luverne
	Don Miller	Hastings
2016	Glen Hasselberg	Staples-Motley
	Wayne Huffman	Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa
	Scott Larson	Apple Valley
2017	George Barnard	Waterville-Elysian-Morristown
	Raalph Hagberg	Kenyon
	Barb Lehman	Robbinsdale Cooper
	Rollie Johnson	Blake
2018	Wally Connaker	Pine City
	Jay Johnson	Eden Valley-Watkins
2019	Tom Conzemius	Sauk Rapids-Rice, Park Rapids
	Robert Scripture	New Prague
	Larry Traetow	Jackson County Central



AWARD OF MERIT

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1988	Charlie Reps	Spring Valley
1989	Sonny Carlson	Bloomington
1990	Richie Olson	Virginia
1991	Paul Krueger	St. James
1992	Pete Veldman	South St. Paul
1993	Dick Maher	Blue Earth
1994	Del Mottaz	Park Center
1995	Roger Licari	Mesabi East
1996	Don Miller	Hastings
1997	Dwight Lundeen	Becker
1998	Al Eckmann	Austin
1999	Kathy Fredricksen	Moose Lake
2000	Gary Addington	Rochester Public Schools
2001	Ed Rundell	St. Peter
2002	Steve Schultz	Eden Prairie
2003	Ken Van Den Boom	Caledonia
2004	Sharon Euerle	Mankato West
2005	Glen Hasselberg	Staples-Motley
2006	Gerald Keenan	St. Paul Harding
2007	Emmett Keenan	St. Cloud Cathedral
2008	Wayne Pender	Grand Rapids
2009	Rick Fischer	Sauk Centre
2010	Tom Conzemius	Sauk Rapids-Rice
2011	John Schumacher	Park Rapids
2012	Don Hulbert	Moorhead
2013	Les Zellmann	St. James
2014	Dr. Dave Hartmann	Alexandria
2015	Marv Peters	Rochester Lourdes
2016	Jaime Sherwood	Wayzata
2017	Brad O'Donnell	St. Clair
2018	Tom Graupmann	Northfield
2019	Bob Grey	Montevideo



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

YEAR	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1984	Wendel Anderson	St. Paul
	Paul Giel	Winona
	John Mayasich	Minneapolis
1985	Chuck Clocum	Madelia
	Rollie Delapp	Rochester
	Ron Johnson	St. Cloud
1986	Ralph Englestad	Thief River Falls
	Angelo Guiliani	St. Thomas Academy
	Dave Jennings	Truman
	Glen Mattke	Morton
1987	Wes Lauretson	MN School For Deaf
	Bob Nelson	Stillwater
	George Sather	Fosston
1988	Billy Bye	Minneapolis
	Dick O'Connell	Marshall
	V.L. Reishus	Biwabik
	Mario Retica	Hibbing
1989	Earl Bowman	Minneapolis
	Jack Malevich	Eveleth
	Hal Norgard	North St. Paul
1990	Jim Christopherson	Henning
	Walter Mondale	Elmore
	Ardyn Sponberg	New Richfield
1991	Willard Ikola	Edina
	Wally Johnson	Minneapolis
	Butch Nash	Minneapolis
1992	Jim Fitzharris	St. Cloud
	Corey Johnson	Colorado State
	Stephanie Schlueder	U of MN
1993	Janet Karvonen	New York Mills
	Odis "Oats" Legrand	Fergus Falls
	Mike Wright	Minneapolis
1994	Ray Christensen	Minneapolis
	Lloyd "Butch" Raymond	Jasper
	Steve Sviggum	Kenyon
1995	Keith Fahnhorst	St. Cloud
	Richard Knowlton	Austin
	Myer "Whitey" Skoog	St. Peter
1996	John Blanchard	Minneapolis
	Roy Griak	Duluth
	Jim Malosky	Crosby-Ironton



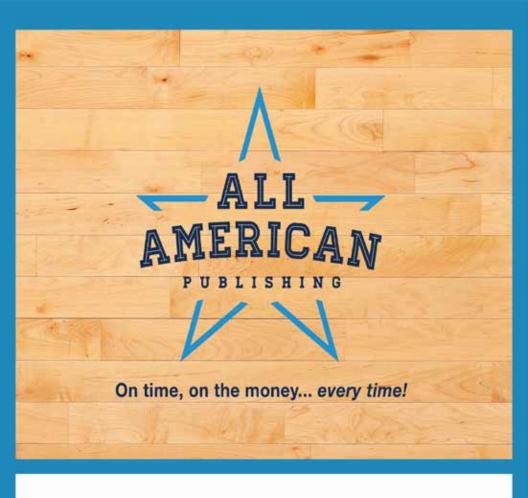
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YEAR	RECIPIENT	<u>SCHOOL</u>
1997	Larry Buendorf	Wells
	Burdette Haldorson	Austin
	Norm Kragseth	Duluth Central
	Dave Peterson	St. Paul Harding
	Briana Scurry	Anoka
1998	Jim Carter	South St. Paul
	Bill Christian	Warroad
	Ken Leuer	Wayzata
	Todd Oakes	Spring Grove
1999	Bill Butter	White Bear Lake
	Randy Breuer	Lake City
	Jim Johannson	Rochester Mayo
	Jim Leclair	South St. Paul
	Emery "Bud" Thompson	Austin
2000	Robert Gebhard	Lamberton
	Tom Lehman	Alexandria Jefferson
	Darrel Thompson	Rochester John Marshall
	Kathy Williams	La Crescent
2001	Neal Broten	Roseau
	Bernie Kukar	Gilbert
	Sev Legred	Bricelyn
	Tom Moe	Edina
2002	Dewayne Kurpius	Staples
	John Norlander	Virginia
	Terry Steinbach	New Ulm
	Paul M. Youngdahl	Minnehaha Academy
2003	Dick Beardsley	Detroit Lakes
	Orv Bies	Anoka
	Mark Lutz	Rochester
	Tom Reagan	Crosby-Ironton
	Chuck Warner	Brownton
2004	Barry Bennett	North St. Paul
	Ross Fortier	Bemidji
	Bob Reid	St. Louis Park
	Harold Vanevery	Wayzata
2005	Phil Housley	South St. Paul
	Robert Kierlin	Winona
	Bill Sexton	Jasper
2006	John Haugo	Waubun
	Tim Laudner	Park Center
	Skip Peltier	St. Paul Johnson
	Lt. Colonel Michael Rounds	Blaine



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2007	Roman Augustoviz	DeLaSalle
	Scott Bjugstad	Irondale
	Lisa Lissimore	St. Paul Central
	Jerry Seeman	Plainview
2008	Dave Goltz	Rothsay
	Stan Nelson	Anoka
	Steve Nelson	Anoka
	Carrie Tollefson	Dawson-Boyd
2009	Annie Adamczak-Glavan	Moose Lake
	Leo Bond III	MN School For The Deaf
	Mike Max	Gaylord
	Linda Roberts	St. Paul Central
	Pete Veldman	Albert Lea
2010	Perry Kozlowski	Pipestone
	Julie Nelson	Dover-Eyota
	Jaime Sanger	Wayzata
2011	Art Downey	St. Paul Central
	Gene Glynn	Waseca
	Stephanie Klaviter	New Ulm Cathedral
	Karl Mecklenberg	Edina West
	Jenny Potter	Edina
2012	Dave Dahl	Centennial
	Craig Hiller	Redwood Falls
	Doug Woog	South St. Paul
2013	Gabriele Anderson	Perham
	Mark Scharenbroich	St. Cloud Tech
	Jeff Swenson	Minneapolis South
2014	Joe Dziedzic	Edison
2015	Chris Meidt	Minneota
	Dennis Ryan	St. Paul Highland Park
2016	Cindy Haugejorde	New London-Spicer
	Denise "Olson" Holm	Duluth East
	Bob Karn	St. Cloud Cathedral
	Phil Vercota	Duluth East
2017	Henry Boucha	Warroad
	Lindsay Whalen	Hutchinson
2018	Shjon Podein	Rochester John Marshall
	Kelly Kirwin	Grand Rapids
2019	Karl Erickson	Rochester Century
	Magdalyn Mac Ewen	St Francis









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