



THE HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE SALUTES THE 1980 SOFTBALL TEAM

(Golden State Conference Champions, AIAW Division III Regional Champions, and AIAW Division III National Champions)

The 1980 softball team compiled an enviable record under the coaching of Joan Wallace and Bev Wadsworth. This Chico State softball team chalked up a 38-7 record in winning the Golden State Conference Championship, AIAW Division III Regional Championship, and the AIAW Division III National Championship with five straight shut-outs in the play-offs at Grand Rapids, Michigan. The superb pitching of Kathy Arendsen (22-2 ERA 0.11) and Patty McPhee (15-5 ERA 1.00) and the defensive play of their teammates enabled this team to reach such heights.

In the course of the season, this team defeated the likes of UC Berkeley, Weber State, and Oregon University (three out of four games), all Division I and seeded two, three, and four, respectively in Division I. This team of Wildcats also beat Chapman, Sacramento State (twice), and Portland State (twice), teams that finished two, three, and four respectively in Division II.

CHICO STATE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

KATHY ARENSEN, Warwick

BASKETBALL: 1980

SOFTBALL: 1980

A native of Holland, Michigan, Kathy received a bachelor's degree in sports management from CSU, Chico in 1980. While attending Chico, she played basketball and softball. She led the CSU, Chico softball team to the 1980 AIAW Softball National Championship. Kathy is the only three-time recipient of the Broderick Award (1978-80) as the top collegiate softball player in the nation. Kathy keeps involved in the sport as an active ASA player with the National Champion Raybestos Brakettes. She ranks as one of the nation's premier pitchers, posting a career record of 338-26. She has been named ASA All-American thirteen times in fifteen seasons. Selected as the most valuable pitcher at the 1991 National Tournament, Kathy went on to lead her team to a gold medal in the 1991 U.S. Olympic Festival and was chosen to represent the United States as a member of the 1992 National Team which competed in Beijing, China and Tzumo, Japan. After playing on the U.S. National Olympic Festival and World Championship teams, Kathy became the first player ever to achieve this distinction. She was also the first player to appear on three world championship teams. In addition to being a thirteen-time ASA All-American, Kathy was a finalist for the James E. Sullivan Award in 1981, for the most outstanding amateur athlete in the United States. She gained national attention in 1981 when she struck out Reggie Jackson on ABC's Wide Word of Sports. Kathy spent three years at Northwestern University as assistant softball coach; in each of the three years the Wildcats captured the Big 10 championship and placed in the top ten nationally. Kathy moved on to Eastern Illinois University where she was head coach for two years and is presently the head coach at Yale University, where her teams have broken many school records. Kathy is a member of several national softball associations where she contributes her knowledge and expertise.

OTHEY CANNON, El Verta

SOCCER: 1970, 1971

TRACK: 1970

Otey was a leader both on and off the field at Chico State. As a player, he was very instrumental in establishing Chico State soccer as a dominate western soccer power. During his two years of soccer competition, he assisted in winning two Far Western Conference Championships ('70 and '71) and the NCAA Western Regional Championships ('70 and '71). His accomplishments include First Team All-FWC in '70 and

'71, First Team All-Far West '71, Most Valuable Player, and All-American Honorable Mention in '71. His record as a Chico State soccer player includes most goals in a season-23, most goals in a game-6, most points in a season-46, most points in a game-12, and leading scorer in his two years. Otey has had an extensive career in the NASL Soccer League from 1971 to 1980. During this time he worked with children and youth throughout the country. Since his soccer playing days, he has settled in the Sacramento area where he has been a Highway Patrol Officer since 1981. Otey has been married for twenty-four years and is the father of three teenage children.

GERALD CIRCO, Chico

BASEBALL: 1962 (Frosh), 1964

FOOTBALL: 1962 (Frosh), 1963, 1964, 1965

TRACK: 1962 (Frosh), 1964, 1965

Gerald's football prowess led to his being drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles (1966). He had been named to two all-conference teams (1964-65) as a place kicker and served as a Block C officer. His achievements include being an outstanding teacher-coach in football, basketball, track, wrestling, and tennis at Bidwell Junior and Chico High Schools. He had six championship football and two tennis championships in his tenure as coach. Gerald was also an assistant basketball coach on two state championship womens basketball teams at Butte College. His professional contributions are best stated by his high school principal, who said, "I know Gerald to be an excellent role model, teacher, adviser, and coach for the youth of our school and community....Gerald loves kids, and they love and respect him."

JEROME CIRCO, Yuba City

BASEBALL: 1962 (Frosh), 1963

BASKETBALL: 1962 (Frosh)

BOXING: 1963-1964

FOOTBALL: 1962 (Frosh), 1963, 1964, 1965

TRACK: 1964, 1965, 1966

Jerome is truly one of the most versatile athletes to toil at the University. He was named to the All-Conference Football Team (1963) and served as an officer in the Block C. Jerome has distinguished himself as a teacher-coach at Yuba City High School in basketball, baseball, and football, as well as serving as department chair. He was selected as the Delta League Basketball Coach of the Year (1989). His excellence in teaching has earned him the position of mentor teacher. Jerome has been active in the Special Olympics, has served for many years as a Red Cross volunteer, and is a member of the Kiwanis Club. Other community activities include his involvement in Little League softball and baseball, and youth soccer. Jerome fits the mold of Hall of Fame members, as one supporting letter attests: "...the impact and

contributions which the individual has made upon the lives of others is exemplary...and serves as a model for others to follow."

FRED GEORGE, Acampo

BASEBALL: 1950, 1951, 1954, 1955

FOOTBALL: 1949, 1950, 1954, 1955

Fred George graduated from Woodland High School in 1949 after an outstanding athletic experience, lettering in two sports for a total of eight letters. Coach Roy Bohler was the football and baseball coach at Chico State at that time and was delighted that Fred chose Chico State to further his education. Fred lettered in two sports at Chico State for a total of eight letters. He was All-Far Western Conference second team football in 1954 and first team in 1955. He was co-captain of Coach Gus Manolis' 1955 championship football team. While at Chico State, he was an excellent student and was a member of Blue Key and Block C. He obtained an M.S. from the University of Oregon in 1957. Fred began his teaching and coaching career at Burroughs High School in China Lake, California. After being there for two years, he went to James Logan High School in Fremont for the following three years. In 1962 he moved to Lodi High School where he was the baseball coach for fifteen years, football assistant for several years, and Athletic Director for four years. At the end of his coaching career Fred coached the Lodi High girls basketball team for five seasons, going to the CIF play-offs four times. He retired from teaching and coaching in 1990. Fred was chosen coach of the year several times for the excellent teams he fielded. He is well known and respected in the Lodi area for his community service as a member of Kiwanis and his coaching of the American Legion Baseball Team during the 60s.

JUDY HARVEY, Palo Cedro

BADMINTON: 1970

BASKETBALL: 1971, 1973, 1974

FIELD HOCKEY: 1972

TENNIS: 1970, 1971

Judy came to CSU, Chico in 1969, graduating in 1974 with a degree in Physical Education. She was an athlete of various talents. She participated on the women's varsity tennis team 1970-71, varsity badminton 1970, varsity field hockey 1972, and varsity basketball 1970-74. Judy was a member of the Women's Athletic Association from 1969-74, serving as president 1971-72. She also served as president of the Athletic and Recreation Federation of College Women 1971-72. Judy placed 1st in the NCIAC in women's singles in badminton and was selected to the first NCIAC basketball team, playing regionals in 1973 and being named captain of the team. She also played "club" field hockey 1969-74. She was center forward on the Pacific Southwest team in 1969. In 1969 and 1970, Judy made the Pacific Southwest Field Hockey 2nd Team, and in 1971, she played left inner on the Pacific Southwest Team,

1972 on the 2nd team, and 1st team again in 1973. She played softball with the Chico Peppers from 1971-81. In 1976 the team went to the ASA Nationals and placed 9th. In 1993, the Peppers won 1st at Masters Nationals in Connecticut, and in 1994, they won a silver medal at the World Masters Games in Brisbane, Australia. Judy has quite a coaching career as well, including Pleasant Valley High School field hockey, basketball, and softball; Butte College basketball; Shasta Travelers of Redding, a girls 18 and under softball team. She also held free summer softball clinics for the recreation department. She served on The Shasta Girls Fast Pitch League Board of Directors. Judy is currently a partner in La Comida Restaurant of Redding and Roseville and has been in business since 1983.

RICHARD HESTER, Upland

FOOTBALL: 1950, 1951

TRACK: 1950, 1951, 1955

Rich Hester arrived at Chico State in 1949 via Chaffey Junior College. Richard was a hurdler (high and low) on the 1950 and 1951 track squads and again in 1955 after a stint in the Army. He was also a member of the 1950 and 1951 football teams. At Chico State he was a member of Block C, serving as Big "C" in 1952, as well as a member of Chi Tau and Blue Key. In 1956 Rich started his coaching and teaching career at Chino Unified Schools, which was to last thirty-six years. For the first twelve years he was the head cross country and track coach at Chino High and chair of the Science Department. For the next four years he gave up his coaching duties but was a member of the Southern California Track Starters Association. During that time, he was a starter for many CIF and AAU track meets. In 1972 he was asked to return to coaching track and cross country as a full-time physical education teacher and chair of the department. During his coaching career, he had many outstanding teams and individuals. Twice his cross country teams won thirty or more dual meets without a defeat, and in 1965 his team was runner-up in their division of the CIF Southern Section finals. While coaching at Chino High, all existing school track and field records in every event were broken by his athletes. In 1989 the 40th Chino Relays were dedicated to Richard Hester in recognition of his outstanding coaching career and his dedication to the sport, having served as meet director and manager for twenty years. His last sixteen years in education was as a counselor with a special responsibility in college counseling.

DIANA HONEYCUTT, Albion

BASKETBALL: 1978, 1979

FIELD HOCKEY: 1978, 1979, 1980

SOFTBALL: 1978, 1979, 1980

Diana attended CSU, Chico from 1977 to 1981, receiving her B.A. in Physical Education and her teaching credential. She competed in field hockey from 1977-80, basketball 1977-79, and softball 1978-80. Her accomplishments are many, including

softball 1978 WIAAW Regional 1st Team and All-Tournament player; 1979 1st Team All-Conference; 1980 1st Team All-Conference; WIAAW Regional 1st Team All-Tournament; CSU, Chico Ms. Hustle Award; 1979-80 and '82 Chico Peppers; 1985 ASA National Tournament Women's Class A Fast Pitch, 1st Place Team (Redding Rebels); ASA Women's Class A Fast Pitch, 1st Team All-American; 1978 basketball Miller Sports Award Player of the Week, 2nd Team All-Conference; 1979 again Miller Sports Award Player of the Week and 1st Team All-Conference; field hockey 1979 1st Team All-Conference; 1980 1st Team All-Conference WIAAW Regional, 1st Team All-Tournament, and nominated for National "Broderick Sports Award"; 1981 U.S. Field Hockey Squad, National Sports Festival, Syracuse, NY; and 1979-80 CSU, Chico Outstanding Senior Athlete of the Year Award. Diana coached field hockey at Pleasant Valley High School 1981-84, and in 1984 her team took 1st in league finals and 1st at state finals. At the present time, Diana is managing the Family Timber Ranch and Sweetwater Gardens, Hot Tubs and Massage facility.

TED JOHNSON, Folsom

BOXING: 1955, 1956, 1957

FOOTBALL: 1955

TRACK AND FIELD: 1956, 1957

While at Chico State, Ted completed his B.A. and M.A. and then moved on to the University of New Mexico for his doctorate. His athletic accomplishments as an undergraduate student have been matched by his professional achievements. These activities include teaching physical education and English at Live Oak and Marysville High Schools and serving as a graduate assistant instructor and director of the recreational methods courses and intramural program at New Mexico. He has also served as an associate professor at the State University at Brockport in New York. He has coached NCAA track and field champions, served as chair of the International Special Olympics (track and field) 1976-79 and planned the 1979 International Special Olympics involving over 30 countries and 3000 athletes. He has traveled extensively throughout the world and is currently teaching American Culture at a university in the Ukraine. His scholarly activities included many research presentations, stints as visiting professor, and a long list of professional articles, all oriented toward the profession of physical education.

GILBERT JONES, Chico

BOXING: 1955, 1956

FOOTBALL: 1950, 1955, 1956

Gil was an outstanding athlete and student leader. In addition to his athletic achievements, he served as the president of the Associated Students (1956-57) and Delta Psi Delta fraternity (1955-56). He was recognized as a Blue Key Honor Society member, Blue Key Outstanding Athlete (1957), Art Acker Outstanding Senior Athlete (1957),

most inspirational football player (1956), and a university representative to the Model United Nations in 1957. His affiliation with the University continued after his completion of a law degree from the University of California. He served two terms as President of the Chico State Alumni Association (1968-71), was president of the Chico State Associates (1985-87), Annual Fund Chair (1980-82), and University Foundation Board member from 1970 to 1979. He was reappointed to serve on the Foundation Board in 1986 and continues to serve in that capacity. His community activities include being president of the Butte County Barristers and Bar Associations, where he also served in other capacities. He has been a member of the Chico Junior Chamber of Commerce, Chico Exchange Club, Chico Rotary Club, the Chico Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Temple, Ben Ali Temple, and Chico Elks Club. Gil has served on the Board of Directors of the Chico Work Training Center for the Handicapped, Girl Scouts of America, Rainbow Girls, and Butte Creek Country Club. Like other Hall of Fame members, Gil's accomplishments have extended far beyond his days as an athlete.

***RON LANG, Paradise**

FOOTBALL: 1937 (Frosh), 1938, 1939, 1940, 1942

"Blue" turned his knowledge of football into a tool and coached Frosh football in 1938. While at Chico State, he also served as an officer in the Block C, Class of 1941, and Iota Sigma. He has had a distinguished career in physical education. He was president of the California Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (CAHPER) in 1976, received their award for thirty years of dedicated service to youth and their Distinguished Service Award. He has also been cited for founding the Avenal Little League in 1974, recognized by the Avenal Chamber of Commerce as their citizen of the year in 1976, and served as honorary mayor of Avenal. He was inducted into the Tracy High School Hall of Fame in 1982. Ron passed away in August of 1995.

ANTHONY "TONY" NOVAK, Burlingame

FOOTBALL: 1941, 1942, 1947, 1948

Tony was a running back and quarterback on offense and left halfback on defense. He was captain of the 1947-1948 teams and second team All-Far Western Conference in 1948. While in college, he was a member of almost a dozen campus clubs and societies, notably president of the Fleur de Lis and Newman Club, and a member of the Blue Key and Alpha Psi Omega honor societies. He was Business and Circulation Manager and sports columnist for *The Wildcat* and elected as Pioneer Day Sheriff during the Wild West days at Chico. He was elected to the offices of Vice President and President of the Associated Students. During and after his college days, he had two professional careers. He served more than twenty years with the U.S. Marines. His service began in 1943 and ended in 1969. During that time he served in three wars—WW II, Korea, and Vietnam. He received two individual combat awards, the

Navy Commendation Medal with "V" for action in Korea and the Legion of Merit with "V" as commanding officer of an artillery battalion in Vietnam. He rose to the rank of Lt. Colonel, the rank he held upon his retirement from the Marines. His second career, teaching, began right here in Chico at Hooker Oak Elementary School for two years and then at Foresthill Elementary School as principal, a position he held for two years until recalled by the Marines for the Korean campaign. After he retired from the Marines in 1969, he accepted a teaching position in the Hillsborough City School District. He retired in 1994 with a total of twenty-seven years in the education field. While at Hillsborough, he was awarded the J. Russell Kent Award for being an outstanding innovative teacher and the Care Award for a community member or educator who has made a special contribution to the welfare of Hillsborough's children. Appointed as mentor teacher three times, Tony was just recently recognized by the Hillsborough School Board when they established a perpetual award called the TONY Award—"Teacher, Outstanding, Nurturing, Youth"—in his honor. Tony is married and has one son.

WILLIAM "BILL" E. PAULSON, Monterey

GOLF: 1962, 1963, 1964

Bill's contribution to Chico State's Golf Team during his tenure was outstanding. He led the team to second place in the NCAA Division II Golf Championship in 1963 at Springfield, Missouri. The 1963 team also played in a Mexican Goodwill Golf Match in Mexico City. His accomplishments and leadership since graduation have been exemplary. His awards include 1970 San Francisco City Champion, 1970 Bay Region Champion, 1985 Northern California Golf Association 2-man Champion, 1987 Chico City Champion, 1992 Nevada State Senior Amateur Champion, 1994 Nevada State Match Play Champion, and 1994 Northern Nevada Senior Amateur Champion. Bill is currently the Executive Director of the Northern California Golf Association. He works with hundreds of children, educating them about the rules and techniques of golf. Bill recently received the "John Swanson 'Good Guy' Award" for his outstanding work with the NCGA.

CATHY SULINSKI, Sacramento

BASKETBALL: 1980, 1981

TRACK AND FIELD: 1980, 1981

Prior to attending CSU, Chico, Cathy participated in both basketball and track and field at CSU, Hayward. Cathy arrived at CSU, Chico in 1979 and graduated with a B.A. in Physical Education in 1981. Her athletic career at Chico was outstanding, earning her many honors. In basketball in the 1978-79 season, she was selected 1st Team All-League Player, 1979-80 1st Team All-League and Most Valuable Player of the League, and again in 1980-81 she made 1st Team All-League. Her accomplishments in track and field as a javelin thrower are many, including 1974-77 National

Junior Champion; 1978-79 National Collegiate Champion in javelin, All-American, and third in the AIAW Nationals while at Chico. In 1979, Cathy won a bronze medal in javelin at the Pan Am Games in San Juan, Puerto Rico. In 1984, she placed 10th in Women's Javelin in the Summer Olympics as a member of the U.S. Track and Field Olympic Team, and in October of 1985, she competed as a member of the U.S. Track and Field World Cup Team. Cathy was the assistant track and field coach at Sierra College from 1992-94 and is a sergeant in the California Highway Patrol.

MANNY TRAVINO, Thousand Oaks

CROSS COUNTRY: 1962, 1963

TRACK: 1963, 1964, 1965

Manny came to Chico State in 1962 and immediately got involved with the cross country team, and to this day he is still involved with cross country and track. His work ethic and loyalty to the team was the reason he was voted Most Inspirational on the 1965 track squad by his teammates. The 440 and mile relay were his specialties, but he would fill in anywhere to help earn extra points for the team. After graduation in 1965, Manny did his student teaching at Chico High under the supervision of Mel Jones and served as his assistant track coach. That year Chico High won the Northern Section CIF championship and qualified thirteen athletes to the state track meet. Manny began his teaching and coaching career at Kennedy High in Buena Park in 1966 and remained there until 1971, winning one track championship and serving four years as the director of the Bellflower National Relays. From 1971 to the present, he has been the head men's and women's track and cross country coach and member of the physical education division at Moorpark College. During this time, his teams have won fifteen track and cross country championships. His teams have been in the top three in Southern California track or cross country championships eight times. He has had ten individual state champions in track and cross country. In 1982, he was the California Men's Cross Country Coach of the Year and California Women's Track Coach of the Year in 1986. He has been recognized thirteen times as the Western State Conference Coach of the Year. Presently he is the meet director of the state qualifying cross country meet. Manny and his wife, also a Chico State alum, are grateful for their Chico State experience and recommend their alma mater to many students.

HONORARY:

BEVERLY WADSWORTH, Chico

Bev moved across town from Bidwell Junior High and began teaching at Chico State in 1968 and is still at it. In the 1970s, she was Associate Athletic Director for Women and was in on many of the changes that started to take place in women's athletics. She started the Golden Club for women, the counterpart to the Century Club for men. She created and wrote the newsletter *Gambols* that highlighted the accomplishments of women athletes at Chico State. She was also an assistant coach for the women's softball team for five years, including the 1980 championship team. Bev's athletic background included major level softball with the Irv Lind Florists of Portland, Oregon. She was selected to the ASA All-American Team as a catcher. She was also on one of the first softball teams to tour Japan.

JOAN WALLACE, Magalia

Joan was to softball what Art Acker was to basketball at Chico State. She coached softball for twenty-nine years and had winning records twenty-seven of those years. The highlight of her career was, without a doubt, the championship team of 1980 which is also being honored tonight. That team took her on a great ride that culminated with the AIAW Division III Championship at Grand Rapids, Michigan. Her honors were many: Conference Coach of the Year numerous times; the conference designated the Joan Wallace Scholar-Athlete Award in her honor for the outstanding conference softball player; and she was voted into the Chico Sports Hall of Fame in 1986. She continues in softball, only this last year taking a team to the World Masters Games in Brisbane, Australia. While coaching at Chico State, she spent her summers coaching the Chico Peppers, a major caliber team, to a 396-190 win-loss record. Along with her coaching duties at Chico State, she was also an outstanding teacher and the Women's Athletic Director for many years. She retired from teaching at Chico State in 1990.

Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

* 1986	Elmer Allinger	1986	Ron Farley
1990	Arl Anderson	1989	Ben Farmer
1991	Lance Astrella	1986	Dan Farmer
1986	Carroll (Buck) Bailey	1992	Kaye Harmon Fehlman
* 1989	Ernest L. Barber	1988	Lauren Fickett
1989	Mildred Wilkey Barry	1992	Verne Freitas
1988	Anthony (Tony) Bertuca	* 1988	Robert Frost
1986	Rockwell Blondin	1992	Janice Furman
1991	David Borjon	1987	Michael Garrigan
1992	Horace Brakebill	* 1993	Carl A. Gein, Jr.
1993	Phyllis "P.J." Brock	1993	Lynn Giovannoni
1993	Don Brophy	1990	Joy Miller Graham
1989	Elmeretta Moyes Brown	* 1992	Art Guerra
1990	Pam Maul Buckner	1992	Carol Stanley Hall
1989	Ed Burton	1990	Eugene M. Hammerstrom
1993	Gary Burton	1986	Hugh Harrison
1986	Eddie Butts	1991	Travis Hatcher
1988	Keith Calkins	1989	John "Jack" Heintz
1986	Wallace Campbell	1990	Edwin A. Hendrix
1990	Florence Morrison Campos	* 1988	Clarence (Hank) Henry
1992	Lynn Cannon	1994	Orrin Hoffman
1986	Chris Caraballo	1993	Robert Jellison
* 1986	Harlan Carter	* 1986	Dick Jenks
1991	Marie Casamajor	1986	Herb Jergentz
* 1988	Hal Caywood	1986	Art Johnson
* 1986	Neil Cheney	1990	Deanne KurthJohnson
1989	Paul Chesney	1989	Douglas Johnson
1988	Robert Clements	1994 ..	Gloria (Bellefeuille) Johnson
1989	Helen Allison Colledge	1986	John R. Johnson
* 1986	John Colledge	1994	Melvin R. "Mel" Jones
1994	Wayne "Cookie" Cook	1986	Ed Jorgensen
1992	Dick Copland	1991 ..	Thelma Lagerberg Jorgensen
1990	Fran Coslet	1987	Bill Kemp
1986	Joseph (Jater) Cowan	1989	Rosemma Ahlborn Kibbey
1994	Margaret (Mag) Cozad	1989	Frances King
1987	Clay Dalrymple	1991	Herman Kostiz
1986	Melvin (Bush) Dalrymple	1991	Marsh Kreuter
* 1994	Donavin Davis	* 1986	Ernie Lambrecht
* 1987	Carl Delgado	1991 ..	Lorraine Baldwin Lambrecht
1987	Ellsworth Deering	1992	George E. Langen
1994	Michelle DeVol	1986	William Larkin
1988	John Dilks	1990	Dale Larrabee
1987	Doug Dressler	1993	Mary Ann Lazzarini
* 1987	Garth Dunning	* 1986	Harlan (Goof) Lee
1991	Dale Edson	1989	John Lillie
1989	Gary Engelken	1989	Dan Lippstreu
1988	Thomas Evans	1991	Sally Ann Lord