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★ PAUL SMITH ★



★ JOE F. VIVIAN ★

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## PAUL SMITH

He was one of the most sought after seniors in 1963, having played tackle and guard for the Roswell Coyotes. He was an accomplished athlete: he earned letters in football (3 years), basketball (2 years), and track and field (3 years). He was named to both the All-District and All-State teams and was named "Lineman of the Year" his senior year.

The University of New Mexico recruited him, a raw-boned 237 lb. young man, recognizing his potential. He had a great start as a sophomore and when fall practice began, he started as an offensive end. He was soon shifted to tackle where he would develop skills which would attract the Denver Broncos. At the end of his sophomore year he was one of three sophomores to be named to the All-WAC Team. He was also recognized by the United Press International as a 1st Team All WAC, as well as becoming the 1st sophomore ever to be awarded the school's lineman of the year award. The following year he was named to second team All-WAC as an interior lineman but he had already caught the eye of the NFL.

During his two years as a Lobo, he was credited with 52 unassisted tackles, 112 assisted, five blocked points, two fumble recovers, and a pass deflection. These impressive numbers enabled him to earn the J.H. Golightly Award (UNM's Top defensive player) in 1965. The Denver Broncos drafted him in 1968 - 9th round - and he was to become the first 10 year man in Bronco history. He played 13 years for Denver, establishing a record until it was broken by Billy Thompson. During this period, Paul had two back to back Pro-Bowl appearances as he led Denver to establish its' reputation for defensive excellence. He also played in Denver's Super Bowl game in 1977.

He was inducted into the "Ring of Fame" in 1986 along with quarterback Frank Tripucka and Charlie Johnson, a NMSU All-American in 1960. John Ralston, his head coach, once said, "Smith was the finest defensive tackle in professional football."

In his career at Denver, he played 134 games (13 years) and posted 55 sacks, sixth most on the Bronco's all-time list. He was presented the Earl Hartman Memorial Award (Denver Bronco's outstanding defensive player).

Paul "Chic" Smith died on March 14, 2000. He was the son of Mrs. Charlie Smith of Dallas, Texas.

## JOE F. VIVIAN

Joe F. Vivian's legacy will be as a teacher and coach, but his accomplishments as a player in football and wrestling are what opened the door to a star-studded career. Joe's student athletic career began at Washington Jr. High School, and it started a career which has led him to be a giant among men. He was named to the All-City Football team as a ninth grader and this opened the door for him to enrich his sports career as a player and coach. He responded by working diligently to being named 1959 All-City and a consensus All-Star football player as a guard for the AHS Bulldogs, as well as becoming a two-time state champion in wrestling.

He opted for a UNM football scholarship over an offer from the University of Wyoming. At UNM, he not only lettered 3 years in football but also distinguished himself as a two-year letterman in wrestling for the Lobos.

He played on the victorious 1961 Aviation Bowl team which was honored in 1990 by being inducted into the UNM Hall of Honor. He was also a member of the 1962 Western Athletic Championship team.

He graduated from UNM with a BS degree in 1964 and his Alma Mater, AHS, welcomed him back as a teacher, head wrestling coach, and assistant football coach. This opportunity enabled him to do what he does best, and that was to mold champions. In his 33 year wrestling coaching career at AHS, Manzano, Cibola, La Cueva, and Albuquerque Academy, he led his teams to 300 wins - 90 loses and one tie; but more impressive, he coached 31 state and 8 All American wrestling champions!

Joe was rewarded for his ability to bring out the best in young men by being named New Mexico Wrestling Coach of the Year four times: 1964, 1967, 1992 and 2000. He was also honored by being named to the Cibola High School Hall of Fame in 1988. In 2000, he received one of the highest honors in high school athletics. He was named "Coach of the Year" by the National Federation of Coaches Association. Then, in 2001, UNM inducted him into the UNM Hall of Honor.

Joe and Betty Vivian have been married 39 years. They have 3 wonderful children, Beverly, Teri and Joe Ray, and 6 grandchildren, Steven, Michelle, Lindsey, Lauren, Samantha and Baylee. Joe is the proud son of Joe and LaLa Vivian, both still living.

Finally, through all of the years of accomplishments, it cannot go without saying that Joe has maintained a commitment and dedication to his family, to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Special Olympics, and to the Meals on Wheels program which he has served unselfishly.

Joe's dignity speaks for itself. He is truly a legend.



**Male Athletes of the Year**  
**JEFF ROWLAND**  
**UNM SOCCER**

UNM men's soccer player, junior Jeff Rowland, was named first team All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America and first team ESPN Magazine Academic All-American. He is the only player to earn both first team awards. Rowland recorded 7 assists, tied a record with 19 goals, and set a record with 45 points. He finished the regular season ranked 2nd in the NCAA with a 1.00 goal per game average and was the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Co-Player of the Year. Jeff led the Lobos to its first ever advancement into the third round of the NCAA Tournament.

**MATT GONZALES**  
**UNM CROSS COUNTRY/TRACK**

Matt Gonzales, a Santa Fe native, finished 4th in the 10,000 meter event at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships. He then tried to qualify for the Olympics with a change to the 5,000 meter event where he finished 6th. In his final collegiate race at the Cross Country NCAA Championships, Matt secured his place as the fastest runner in the 42 year history of UNM Cross Country. He finished 2nd with a time of 30:40.9 in the 10,000 meters, the best in UNM history. Matt is the second Lobo to become a two-time Cross Country All-American.

**CHRIS WILLIAMS**  
**RIO RANCHO H.S. MULTI-SPORT**

He is an extra ordinary athlete from Rio Rancho High School whose performance in football, basketball, and track earned him state honors in all three. In football, he was District 5A Player of the Year, first team All-Metro and player of the year, and selected to play in the North/South All-Star game. In basketball, he was first team All-Metro and leading scorer on the team. In track, he was the state champion in the high jump (6'10"), the 200 meter race, and anchored the 1600 meter race to a come from behind victory with a 47+ leg.

**Coaches and Teams of the Year**  
**STAN MCKEEVER**  
**LA CUEVA BASEBALL**

The La Cueva Bears, under Coach Stan McKeever, became the first NM prep team to complete two straight unbeaten seasons, and this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row that they have been honored as Coach and Team of the Year by the ASHOF. The bears

overall streak reached 58 games, stretching back to a 2002 semi-final loss to Carlsbad. The 58 consecutive wins is a state record. The national mark is 68 in a row by New York's Briarwood Archbishop Molly H.S. in the 1960's. The bears finished their season with an 11-0 win over Clovis in the Class 5A State High School Tournament final at Isotope Park. What a great year for Stan McKeever- a state record of 58 games and a number one (1) ranking in one national poll.

**FRED ROMERO**  
**LA CUEVA FOOTBALL**

This is also the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row that this coach and team have been honored by the ASHOF. In Fred Romero's five (5) seasons, the La Cueva Bears have an impressive 52-8 record. They have reached the playoffs 5 times, made the semi-finals 5 times and captured the state title two years in a row. The last two years La Cueva is 26-0. This year La Cueva beat Clovis twice, Las Cruces twice, Highland once and Manzano once. All of these teams were once ranked in the top 10. The Bears shut out 10 of 13 opponents, allowing only one offensive touchdown, beating their opponents by a combined 611-21 score. In the Class 5A football Championship game at Leon Williams Stadium La Cueva defeated Clovis 40-0.

The Bears are the first Albuquerque team to capture back - to - back titles since the NMAA sanctioned the state playoffs in 1953.

**GEORGE BROOKS**  
**UNM SKI TEAM**

UNM won its first Intercollegiate National Championship title in 2004. Jennifer Delich led the come- from- behind victory winning a giant slalom gold medal, and when combined with two women's and men's bronze medals the following day, it enabled them to finish with 623 combined men and women points to finish 42 points ahead of defending champion Utah.

George Brooks, in his 34 year tenure as coach, has led his teams to finish in the top ten, twenty-one times, and 2004 was the year for him to win the elusive title he's been chasing. The Lobos won only one gold medal by Jennifer Delich, but Brooks knows it was a team effort, which will put his 2004 Lobos in the annals of UNM sports history.

**JEREMY FISHBEIN**  
**UNM SOCCER**

Jeremy Fishbein was named 2004 National Coach of the Year. Leading the program since 2002, his record is 43-14-5 and had the best turnaround in the NCAA this season. His team plays the top teams in the country and won the Mountain Pacific Conference with a 17-1-2 record. This year they finished the regular season ranked #1 by Soccer America and defeated Indiana (then #1 and eventual National Champion) 1-0 in double overtime. Despite a disappointing seeding at 13th, they moved to the third round of the NCAA Tournament and lost 6-5 on penalty kicks. This has been the most exciting team in school history.

**Female Athletes of the Year**  
**ELVA DRYER**

Elva suffered from tendonitis and later an iron deficiency, but was determined to do well at the Olympic Trials. In preparation for the Olympic Trials, she moved from the 5000m race, her previous strength, to the 10,000m and accomplished her goal by finishing a strong second. She then competed in her first 10,000m race in the Olympics and finished 19th with her next goal to do better in the 2008 Olympics.

**JENNIFER DELICH**

A Canadian resident, who placed 11<sup>th</sup> for her country in the 2003 World University Games, was the only 2004 Gold Medal winner, in the giant slalom, for the UNM Lobos. She is a two time ski and academic All-American for UNM. Jennifer was also first team All-RMISA, four time letter winner, and a four time participant in the NCAA championship tournament. She is also one of the 200 athletes to be selected to take part in the NCAA Leadership Conference in 2004.

**Award of Distinction**  
**SHEILA BURRELL**

A 1990 Rio Grande High School athlete of the year, she was the Olympic trial heptathlon champion in Sacramento where a family contingent from Albuquerque went to support her. She performed admirably at the 2004 Olympics in Athens Greece, moving from 12<sup>th</sup> place to 4<sup>th</sup> place the second day. The dream of winning a medal eluded her, but she finished fourth in the world, an accomplishment worthy of recognition and one she can never forget.



<b>PREVIOUS YEARS</b>	<b>HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES</b>	<b>ATHLETE OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>AWARD OF DISTINCTION</b>	<b>PROMOTION OF THE YEAR</b>
1973-1974	F.M. (Tony) Wilson Bobby Unser Roy W. Johnson	Cathy Carr Bob Foster	H.L. (Hickum) Galles, Jr.	Sid Cutter
1974-1975	Don Perkins Paul (Babe) Parenti Bob Foster	Don Woods	George Maloof	-
1975-1976	Ralph Bowyer Al Unser, Sr. Adolph Plummer	Janet Ely Bob Berg	Don Kirby	Albuquerque Jaycees Invitational Track Meet
1976-1977	Jim Cleary John Dolzadelli	Jesse Casteneda	S.Y. Jackson, Sr.	Frank Crosby
1977-1978	Nancy Neeld Pete McDavid Abbie Palz	Val Boyer Chuck Walter	Frank Schifani	Mike London
1978-1979	Mannie Foster Cathy Carr West Mel Daniels	Darlene Anaya Mike Williams	Chet Caldwell	Willie Sanchez (Albuquerque Dukes)
1979-1980	L.F. (Tow) Diehm John Baker	Diana Silva John Whitson	Gwinn (Bub) Henry	Arabian International Horse Association
1980-1981	Tommy McDonald Hugh Hackett	Kathrin Keil	H.I. (Iggy) Mulcahy George Baldwin	Special Olympics
1981-1982	Bob King	Steve Jennings	Carlos Salazar	Albuquerque Journal Gymnastics Meet
1982-1983	-	Alexandra Reinhardt John Jackson	-	Pat McKernan (Albuquerque Dukes)
1983-1984	Toby Roybal 1934 UNM Football Team Charlie Renfro	Dana Miller Mike Winters	Mrs. Ruth Wilson	-
1984-1985	Ben Abruzzo Maxie Anderson Larry Newman	Rosie Jones Jim Everett	W.D. (Bill) Brannin Dave Tomlinson	Rusty Mitchell (U.S. Olympic Gymnasts, Exhibition)
1985-1986	Ira Harge Dick McGulre Clarence Robinson	Claudia Schieyer Terry Landrum Al Unser, Jr.	Lloyd McKee	Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
1986-1987	W. D. (Bill) Brannin Bill Gentry Carlos Salazar	Caroline Keggi Chad Fox Johnny Brown	-	Sunwest Bank Charley Pride Sr. Golf Tourney
1987-1988	Bobby Santiago H.I. (Iggy) Mulcahy Ashby Harper	Al Unser, Sr. Caroline Keggi Ibrahim Hussein	Dr. Jerome Greenblatt, M.D.	Albuquerque Journal Duke City Marathon
1988-1989	Mel Otero	Lance Ringnald Gary Kinder Laurel Kessel	Mike Roberts	McDonald's All-American High School Basketball Game
1989-1990	Dave Tomlinson Chuck Hill Jim Hulsman Owen Smauldin	Terance Mathis Jill Shaver Sheila Burrell	J.D. Kaller	Virginia Slims, 1st. National Bank Women's Tennis Tourney
1990-1991	Rusty Mitchell	Al Unser, Jr. Pauline Manser Maria Gurreri Rosemary Thompson	Joe Zeni	Pat McKernan (Albuquerque Dukes)
1991-1992	Michael Cooper Jack Rushing	Pauline Manser Dana Miller-Mackie Luc Longley Lance Little	Dr. John F. Boyd, M.D.	-
1992-1993	Robin Cole Guyton Hays Ron Nelson	Lisa Escobedo Shelly Steely Trent Dimas Tom Jager Al Unser, Jr.	Art Gardenswartz	Larry Ahrens (Presidential Scholarship Golf Tournament)
1993-1994	George Maloof Mike Roberts Rosemary Thompson	Melissa Moore Mike Nesbitt	Kent Mathis	UNM Lobo Club Kickoff Committee
1994-1995	Vince Cappelli Al Unser, Jr. Mickey Miller	Terance Mathis (Pro) Stoney Case Greg Brown Janet Trujillo	Greater Albuquerque Medical Association	Coca Cola New Mexico Games
1995-1996	Jim Everett Dave Barney H.L. (Hickum) Galles, Jr.	Winslow Ollver Olga Appell	Dick Terwilliger	New Day Shelter Shootout Golf Tournament



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1996-1997	Walt Arnold Tony Valdez Sid Cutter	John Wetteland (Pro) Travis Young Bobby Newcombe Leslie Hammond Tamika Stukes	Don Flanagan	"Pack the Pit" UNM Athletics
1997-1998	Bill Weeks Don Flanagan "Cowboy" Jimmy Moore	Paul Konerko (Pro) Graham Leigh Laurie Hegedorn	Dr. James Bradley	Albuquerque Public Schools Golf Extravaganza
1998-1999	Janet Ely Lagourgue Henry Family Tom Jager	Luc Longley (Pro) Andrea Goldberg Abby Garchek A.J. Herrera	Pat McKernan Jim Schumacher	Sandia Cup Soccer Tourney
1999-2000	Rudy Cordova Pete Gibson Pat McKernan Don Woods	Notah Begay III (Pro) Katie Kern Brian Urlacher	Bobby Gibbs	Paralyzed Veterans of America - Jr. Wheelchair Championships
2000-2001	Kent Bostik Ray Etherly Rosie Jones Dana Miller-Mackie	Brian Urlacher (Pro) Grace Galagan Mike Moharic	Sheila Burrell Elva Dryer Heather Moody Jackie Lance Falliat Ogunkoya	The American Bowling Congress Championship Tournament 2000
2001-2002	Preston Dennard Ray Giannini John "JD" Kaller Carol Hudson Knauber	Brian Urlacher (Pro) Erik Hinterbichler Jarrod Baxter	Backing Albuquerque Baseball Committee	Amature Athletic Union's 2001 Grand National Sanction Wrestling Tournament
2002-2003	Valerye Boyer-Wells Terry "Tito" Landrum Stan Quintana	Brendan Donnelly (Pro) Dontrell Moore Natasha Lee	Tommy Long Sheila Burrell	Erin Trujeque Memorial Golf Tournament
2003-2004	Connie Alexander Sally Marquez Henry O. Sanchez	Kenny Thomas (Pro) Jason Lenzmeier Dontrell Moore Jordan Adams	Jim Johnson	Marty Saiz/State Farm Player of the Week
2004-2005	Joe F. Vivian Paul Smith	Matt Gonzales Jeff Rowland Chris Williams Jennifer Delich Elva Dryer	Sheila Burrell	Great Southwest Track and Field Classic

★ **SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS** ★

**NICK SPEEGLE**

Nick received an athletic scholarship to UNM to play football, and the Lobos foresaw the future. They worked his 6'6" frame from 190 to 250 lbs., and he responded with a work ethic which would make him a first team All Conference outside linebacker in 2004. Despite injuries which might keep a player out of a line-up, he persevered to help the Lobos to three consecutive bowl appearances. His attitude and tenacious defensive skills also earned him a spot on the 2004 American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team. He graduated in May 2004 and is currently pursuing a post degree in Sports Administration.

**KENDRA HARVEY**

Kendra, a 16 year old, home schooled student athlete, was ranked 14th nationally by USA Archery and qualified for the 2004 Olympics. She won 4th place in the trials, despite being very nervous, which qualified her as an alternate for the USA Olympic Team. Kendra won 14 of her last final 18 matches to surge from 11th to 4th place.

**CINDY CHAVEZ**

Cindy Chavez has coached volleyball at Eldorado High School for 22 years. She reached the pinnacle of coaching success by winning her 300th victory in 2004 defeating Valley in District 1-5A semifinal game. In her career, Cindy has led her teams to the state championship games fourteen times. In 2000, she was named 5A Coach of the Year.

★ **PROMOTION OF THE YEAR** ★

**GREAT SOUTHWEST TRACK AND FIELD CLASSIC**

The Great Southwest Track & Field Classic came to Albuquerque (from its origin in Phoenix) in 2000. With John Haaland as chairperson and the help of the Albuquerque track community, the Southwest Classic has grown from a regional competition to being ranked the third best high school meet in the country. It now takes the top high school athletes nationwide. Each state participates as a team with 2 entries per event. Last year 473 athletes competed from across the country and produced some of the best times and distances in the sprints, jumps, and throws in America.

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