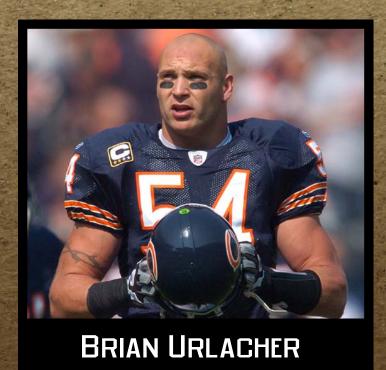


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### HIGH SCHOOL MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Bryce Alford, La Cueva HS

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UNM Men's & Women's Cross Country

### PROMOTION OF THE YEAR

Ty Murray Invitational

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Eastdale Little League Softball, World Series Champions

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Johnny Tapia, Professional Boxer

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Carol & Reed Barnitz, Albuquerque-area Coaches Kenny Thomas, Albuquerque HS, UNM, NBA Brian Urlacher, Lovington HS, UNM, NFL

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# HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

## **REED AND CAROL BARNITZ - COACHES**

Although this couple jokingly squabbled about which one was riding the other's coat tails, at their introduction as two of the newest members of the New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame, the real irony is that neither needed a coat for the respective sports they're best known for.

Carol Barnitz coached volleyball at Manzano High School - in a gym.

Reed Barnitz coached swimming at several area pools. No coat mandated at those venues, either!

They say behind every successful man is a good woman. Suffice it to say in the Barnitzes' case, there's also a good man behind this successful woman.

Married since April 6, 1968 – nearly 45 years ago -- the couple has more than 80 years of coaching sports in the Albuquerque community impacting youth, high school and masters-age athletes alike.

"They feed off each other and steal ideas from each other, and that's what makes them both great coaches," explained Paula Sperling, Carol's sister.

Carol is a 1965 graduate of Highland, where she played four sports in the days before Title IX: volleyball, basketball, softball and track.

A lifelong educator of Albuquerque, she is believed to hold one of the longest-tenured coaching positions in the state, having spent the past 41 years as the head volleyball coach at Manzano High School. She recently retired.

At MHS, she amassed 426 victories, multiple district championships, state tournament appearances and a state championship (1975). She has been honored by the New Mexico High School Coaches Association, the NMAA and APS for her accomplishments, milestones and distinguished service.

Maybe she could have used a coat - she also coached softball and was an assistant track and field coach.

Reed went to high school and played sports in Philadelphia, telling the Journal he "kind of piddled at everything," before swimming "for one year at Temple University." After a time, while in the Air Force and attending a small college part-time in South Dakota, Reed found himself looking for a school that would accept his credit hours.

The rest is Albuquerque history: "UNM took them ... and it was warm here."

He earned a bachelor's in recreation and a master's in counseling at UNM and began coaching in Albuquerque in 1966, with AAU and USA swimming groups at Coronado Aquatic Club.

It's only natural, then, that he met his future wife poolside.

Carol told Albuquerque Journal reporter Harold Smith in 2005 that, "(Reed) was a lifeguard at the Albuquerque Country Club when we met; I thought he was too young for me."

In 1978, he founded Duke City Aquatics Club, which he served as president until 1999. During his time with Duke City Aquatics, his teams won 24 consecutive USA swimming state championships, including short-course and long-course, in age group and senior meets.

During that time, Reed also served as the swim coach at St. Pius X (1981) and Highland for more than 20 years. In addition, he coached Albuquerque water polo teams to junior national championships three times, and more than 25 of his players were invited to the junior nationals selection camp.

Among his junior national champions, senior champs and Olympic trial qualifiers: Jennifer Hommert, Penny Pecastaing and Kirk Hampleman. It is estimated that Reed, who was born in the City of Brotherly Love (Philadelphia) and evidently brought that love here, has coached more than 4,000 athletes in his time as a local swimming and water polo coach.

Among his fans: Former La Cueva swim coach Quint Seckler, who touted Reed as "the best coach in the state" before his Bears went up against the Highland squad coached by Barnitz at the 2003 state meet.

He is the only swimming coach in the state to ever receive U.S. Swimming's highest rating (level 5).

But, wait - there's more: He was the regional Senior Open Division racquetball champion in 2003, the Masters Division national 10K swim champ in 2006 and the Masters 5K runner-up in 2008..

He stays in shape with open-water swims and competitions; he and Carol, who live in Tijeras, stay in shape by riding bikes and jogging in the mountains.



## HALL OF FAME INDUCTIES



## KENNY THOMAS - NBA BASKETBALL PROFESIONAL

Longtime high school basketball fans have no trouble recalling some intense hardwood matchups between coach Jim Hulsman's Albuquerque High Bulldogs and coach Frank Castillo's La Cueva Bears in the 1994-95 season.

Hulsman had the services of a big kid named Kenny Thomas, while Castillo had a future NBA player of his own, A.J. Bramlett, who'd later be at the University of Arizona to help the Wildcats win the NCAA championship in 1997.

After moving from El Paso to the Duke City, Thomas played his senior season (1994-95) for the Bulldogs, averaging 25.2 points and 16.9 rebounds a game. That helped the Bulldogs compile a 22-3 record and the Class AAAA state title. Parade Magazine named Thomas an All-American.

Those Thomas-Bramlett meetings in the 1994-95 season were legendary, and still talked about today.

To refresh your memory: Thomas scored a game-high 29 points and Bramlett had 18 in the first District 2AAAA meeting of the season at Albuquerque High. I meeting at La Cueva, playing for the top seed in the district tournament, Bramlett led all scorers with 25 points, only to see his Bears come out on the

short end again; Damien Jenkins paced AHS with 25 points and Thomas had 21 in the Bulldogs' win.

The biggest game for the teams was the 2AAAA title tilt, with Thomas going off for 29 points and Bramlett notching 30 at Bulldog City in LCHS's 78-77 thrilling win in overtime. Thomas went on to have games with 31, 16 and 22 points in the Bulldogs' path to the state title, in wins over Hobbs, Mayfield and Clovis; Bramlett and the Bears were one-and-done, falling to Alamogordo in the quarterfinals.

By season's end, Thomas had left his mark in the Bulldogs' annals, averaging 25 points and 16.3 rebounds per game. AHS coach Jim Hulsman, who knows a little something about the game (660 wins at AHS and a New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame member) touted Thomas as "a good student, a fine team leader and an excellent basketball player."

Thomas's first college game was in the same place as his last game with Albuquerque High: in The Pit.

His days as a Lobo were memorable. Just ask members of Lobo Nation, or the Red Menace, who can probably recite their best Kenny Thomas tidbits: first player in the history of the Western Athletic Conference to surpass 1,800 points, 1,000 rebounds and 200 blocked shots; All-America honors following his junior season by Basketball Times; and all-conference selection three times and a member of the all-WAC defensive team his final two seasons.

In his four seasons as a Lobo, where he still ranks as the second all-time leading scorer, UNM enjoyed its best four-year mark in school history with Thomas, compiling a 102-30 record from 1995-98, including a 71-3 ledger in The Pit. Thomas, who wore number 4, led UNM to the championship game of the WAC Tournament three times and was named most valuable player as a freshman in 1996. His career scoring high was 31 points on two occasions, while his best rebounding effort was 18 against New Hampshire.

And, as many fans proudly note when recalling the past, UNM advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament an unprecedented four straight years during Thomas's tenure here. To nobody's surprise, Thomas was a first-round pick, the 22nd player taken overall, of the Houston Rockets in the 1999 draft. As a rookie in the 1999-2000 season, Kenny led the Rockets in rebounding and was consistently among the team leaders in rebounds and blocked shots.

He played with the Rockets, where Charles Barkley and Hakeem Olajuwon were teammates, until they traded him to Philadelphia in the 2002-03 season. In the 2003-04 season, he was one of just 11 players to average a double-double.

He concluded his 11-year career as a member of the Sacramento Kings, with career professional averages of 9.3points and 6.9 rebounds per game. He since has been active in charity work, here in Albuquerque and in Houston.



## BRIAN URLACHER - NFL FOOTBALL PROFESSIONAL

Just like the emergence of Don Perkins from the UNM football team to the Dallas Cowboys led many Duke City football fans to root for the Cowboys, the rise of another former Lobo, this time Brian Urlacher, to the starting lineup of the Chicago Bears turned countless Albuquerque fans into fans of Da Bears. Overlooked by almost every college football program in the country, except for the two Division I schools in New Mexico, Urlacher chose to become a Lobo – and one of the most-memorable and most-decorated, at that.

But first, the man they call "Url" made his mark at Lovington High School, where he was an All-State selection at wide receiver and free safety and as a senior led the Wildcats to a perfect 14-0 record and the Class AAA championship in 1995.

He had his LHS jersey number (11) retired during "Brian Urlacher Day" in Lovington in February of 2001.

Wearing number 44 as a Lobo (1996-99), he played the "Lobo" on defense, hauled in passes (of his seven catches, six went for TDs) and two-point conversions on offense, and even spent time on special teams, returning kickoffs and punts. Urlacher was a two-year starter who finished third on UNM's

all-time charts with 442 tackles.

As a junior, he was a First-Team Western Athletic Conference selection after starting every game at free safety and leading the nation with a school-record 178 tackles. As a senior, the MW Player of the Year earned first-team All-America selection by Walter Camp, the Football Writers Association of America and The Associated Press; he also was a second-team choice by The Sporting News and Football News and one of three finalists for the Jim Thorpe Award, given to top defensive back in college football.

He entered the NFL as a first-round selection (ninth overall) by Chicago in the 2000 Draft and quickly made himself known to offensive players throughout the league. And he became quite popular with young football fans, too, who clamored to buy replica bears jerseys with his now-familiar 54 on them.

Among his NFL accolades: eight career Pro Bowl selections while registering 1,691 career tackles, the most ever in Bears history; named the 2005 AP Defensive Player of the Year; he was the third Bear named NFL Defensive Rookie-of-the-Year (after Mark Carrier in 1990 and Wally Chambers in 1973), and just the second Bears player named to that honor( Mike Singletary was first, in 1985 and again in 1988; he leads all NFL linebackers with 14 interceptions; he became the first player in franchise history to have a 90-plus yard fumble return for a TD (90 yards at Atlanta on Oct. 7, 2001). And that Defensive Rookie of the Year award was easily bestowed upon Urlacher, after he shattered Bears' rookie records for total tackles (165) and sacks (8).

Brian Urlacher is more than a great football player, he is a great man!.

He donated football and weightlifting equipment to Lovington High in 2002, supplied shoes for every boys and girls sports programs at LHS in 2006, hosts an annual charity basketball game at LHS benefitting his alma mater, made a donation toward the UNM indoor football practice facility and annually conducts youth football camps in the Duke City. He has never forgotten his Lovington roots, nor his days wearing the Cherry and Silver.

He is the New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame inductee to be selected for the cover of a video game, which SEGA Sports did for its NFL 2K3 game in 2003, as well as appear in TV commercials for and promotions for nationally known products and services, namely Nike, McDonald's, Old Spice and Vitamin Water.

No doubt, some people have speculated, "How can you have a New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame ... without Brian Urlacher?" Ask that question no more.

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# 2012 AWARD WINNERS

## COLLEGIATE TEAM OF THE YEAR UNM MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

UNM men's and women's cross country teams. Heading to Louisville for the NCAA Division 1 cross country championships last fall, UNM head coach Joe Franklin wanted to see top-20 finishes - and his Lobo women definitely did not fail him. The 17th-ranked Lobo women's cross country squad raced to a 10th-place finish while the No. 21 men finished 21st. The Lobos received outstanding performances on the women's side, including an All-American run from 30th-place finisher Josephine Moultrie; the highlight for the men was seeing Luke Caldwell earn All-American status. The Lobo women have finished in the top 10 at the national championships for three years in a row, after placing fifth in 2010 and ninth in 2011. The UNM men, last in the race in 2011, had their best finish since placing 16th in 2010; they had a program-best tie for eighth in 2009.

## PROMOTION OF THE YEAR TY MURRAY INVITATIONAL

Heading into its 17th appearance in Albuquerque in a few weeks, the Ty Murray PBR Invitational has packed thousands of fans into The Pit for three days every March. It was only natural for Murray to have his own event on the prestigious Ford Built Tough Series - the major leagues of bull riding - in Albuquerque. Although his family had a ranch in Glendale, Ariz., they moved into an adobe home on a ranch in Pena Blanca every summer so his dad, Butch, could work as a race starter at local race tracks, including the Downs at Albuquerque and the State Fair. Today's PBR events are much more than just riding bulls: Tingley Coliseum, where the Ty Murray was held before relocating in The Pit a few years ago, and The Pit are packed with people who come from all over the state to enjoy the pyrotechnics and rock 'n roll atmosphere of the "toughest show on dirt." If a New Mexico rider can ride more bulls for eight seconds than the rest of the field, so much the better: L.J. Jenkins of Texico, for example, is a twotime winner.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION EASTDALE LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL TEAM

The Eastdale Little League softball team Albuquerque completed a six-game sweep with a 16-1, five-inning victory over Windermere (Fla.) Little League in the championship game of the seven-day World Series in Portland, Ore., last summer. That championship win was the culmination of a two-year journey that started with manager Reno Sanchez telling his girls in 2010 that their goal was to win this tournament. In a tournament filled with dominant moments, Eastdale perhaps saved its best for last. Leading 5-1 through four innings in the final, the New Mexico erupted for 11 runs in the fifth. Shannon Stein pitched a five-inning complete game, allowing one run on four hits after having pitched 11 no-hit innings coming into the title contest. ELL won all six of its games in the World Series by a combined score of 67-5; its pitchers combined to post a team ERA of 0.39 while the team hit .355. Eastdale's world championship was the first for a New Mexico team since an Albuquerque Little League team won the softball title in 1984.

## AWARD OF DISTINCTION



## JOHNNY TAPIA 1967-2012

Arguably, no athlete in state history has had more fans than Johnny Tapia, a five-time world champion who passed away at his home at the age of 45 on Sunday, May 27, 2012. His biography, appropriately titled "Mi Vida Loca," describes the tough life he lived growing up. When Tapia was 16, he won the 106-pound national Golden Gloves amateur boxing title, and captured a second Golden Gloves title at 112 pounds two years later. He turned pro in 1988 and began fighting with the nickname "The Baby-Faced Assassin." Between 1990 and 1993, Tapia managed to win the first of his five world titles, beating Henry Martinez for the WBO junior bantamweight title, in 1994. His victory over Danny Romero Jr. in a 1997 bout in Las Vegas, Nev., is remembered by many. "In the ring, he would fight anybody" promoter Bruce Trampler said. "He feared nobody, but he was also a gracious winner." Tapia's last fight was a decision over Mauricio Pastrana in June 2011. His pro ring record was 59-5-2.

## 2012 AWARD WINNERS

## HIGH SCHOOL MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR BRYCE ALFORD

Being the son of UNM men's basketball coach Steve Alford didn't make this La Cueva senior a talent, hard work and diligent practice did. Earlier this season, he scored 40 or more points in eight games — averaging 38.6 ppg through the Bears' first 18 games — and had he not been such an unselfish player, often passing the ball away while on his way to what appears an easy layup, he'd be averaging 40 ppg as he chases single-season and career scoring marks. If you haven't seen him play, do so soon ... although you'll still have a chance in years to come: Bryce, La Cueva's 6-3 point guard, will play for his father at UNM, and again be a teammate of his older brother, Kory.

## HIGH SCHOOL FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR MADISON BRIDGES

A member of the Albuquerque High Class of 2012, this record-setting prep swimmer is already competing as a freshman at the University of Missouri, as a part of the Tigers' 200-meter freestyle relay B team. As a Bulldog, she swam for the Lobo Aquatic Club and was good enough to qualify for the 2012 U.S. Olympic Trials in the 100- and 200-backstroke. Madison earned All-America honors in the 100-backstroke and 200-in-dividual medley 2012; she also earned All-America accolades in the 100-backstroke in 2009 and 2010. She won four straight New Mexico state titles in the 200-IM and holds the state record in that event; she also won the 100-backstroke at the state meet from 2009-11. At Missouri, she's majoring in dietetics and minoring in exercise science.

## COLLEGIATE MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR LANDRY JONES

Arguably the best high school quarterback to emerge from the Land of Enchantment and go on to play Division 1 football, Jones led Artesia High to back-to-back 4A championships before heading to Norman, Okla., to take snaps from center for the Sooners. New Mexico's 4A Player of the Year and a finalist for the Joe Montana Quarterback of the Year Award following his senior season at AHS, Jones was a highly regarded recruit and among the highest rated quarterbacks for the 2008 class. He led the Sooners to 10-3 record last season, which ended with a 41-13 loss to Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl, where his namesake, Tom Landry, once coached. Like one of the other New Mexico greats, Jim Everett (Eldorado High School/Purdue), Landry's next stop will be in the NFL.

## COLLEGIATE FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR SHELBY PENDLEY

Shelby Pendley, a 2011 graduate of Rio Rancho High School, rebounded from ACL surgery – and battled a lower back injury late in the season — to have a standout freshman season while starting at shortstop in all 57 games for the University of Arizona softball team last season. Shelby earned first-team All-Pac-12 honors last season as a freshman, after hitting .331, socking 19 home runs (two off the school's freshman record) and driving in 55 runs. She also led the Wildcats with a .703 slugging percentage and was Arizona's only all-PAC 12 first-teamer. Although Pendley opted to leave Tucson after the 2012 season, she enrolled at the University of Oklahoma and began playing for the Sooners in their opener, even slugging a home run in her first at-bat.

## OLYMPIC ATHLETE OF THE YEAR JARRIN SOLOMON

A former La Cueva High School and UNM athlete, after Jarrin made his first international team in 2007 he realized he had a shot at being an Olympian. A bout with pneumonia and a stress fracture forced him to red-shirt his junior year at UNM and put that dream for the 2008 Summer Games on hold. After graduating in 2008, Solomon began running as a pro and working as a personal trainer. Because of his father's heritage, he had dual citizenship with Trinidad and Tobago, which he represented at the 2012 Summer Olympics. He missed qualifying for the 400 by .01-second, but turned in a 44.3-second split in the second leg of the men's 4x400 relay, helping Trinidad-Tobago earn the bronze medal (in 2:59, 4) and setting a new national record for the Caribbean country. With his sights now set on the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Jarrin continues training here in Albuquerque with some of his former UNM coaches.

## PROFESSIONAL ATHLETE OF THE YEAR CHRIS WILLIAMS

Chris, a 2005 graduate of Rio Grande HS, parlayed his football talents into a scholarship at New Mexico State University and played four seasons for the Aggies, recently added Canadian Football League all-star to a long list of accolades from a spectacular 2012 season for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats. He was named the Special Teams Player of the Year and the CFL's All-Star Kick Returner. During the 2012 season, in which the Ti-Cats went 6-12 (last place in the CFL's East Division), Williams was a two-time player of the month recipient and a three-time player of the week award winner. He also tied a single-season CFL record with five punt return touchdowns, set a single-season CFL record with six total return touchdowns and set the Tiger-Cat single-season record for total TDs with 17.

## HIGH SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR RON GEYER

Ron Geyer, now in his eighth season at St. Michael's High School, enjoyed a great 2012, when he led his St. Michael's Horsemen to the Class 3A championship after a thrilling victory over Hope Christian School in The Pit. Later in the year, Ron, who won his 400th game (as a boys coach; he won 58 games as the girls coach at

Los Lunas HS), was named to the New Mexico High School Coaches Association's Hall of Honor. He has a resume includes six state championships – three with the Horsemen (2006, '07 and last March) and three at Alamogordo (1991, '92 and '97). Ron has been a teacher and coach since 1979, beginning his career at Jefferson High School in El Paso. Before coming to St. Mike's, he worked in Ruidoso, Deming, Alamogordo and Los Lunas public schools. Over his 23 years as a head coach, he has brought his teams to 19 state playoffs.

## COLLEGIATE COACH OF THE YEAR JOE FRANKLIN

After a successful 13-year stint as track and field coach at Butler University, Joe Franklin took over the cross country and track & field program at UNM on June 18, 2007. The seventh men's and fifth's women's head track and field coach at UNM, Franklin was the Mountain West Conference's Coach of the Year in 2012. The Lobo men's cross country and track & field teams finished 11th in the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association's John McDonnell Program of the Year award final standings for the 2011-12 academic year, and the women's cross country and track teams finished 16th in the USTFCCCA's Terry Crawford Program of the Year award final standings for the 2011-12 academic year. At the time of his hiring by UNM, Franklin said, "The goals for the program are always to see where we can max out in every event -- let's see how high we can go. Let's see if we can get to be a top-10 team in cross country. Let's see if we can get to be a top-25 team in track and field." He's off to a great start.

## HIGH SCHOOL TEAM OF THE YEAR CLEVELAND HIGH CROSS COUNTRY/TRACK & FIELD

Cleveland High cross country/track & field teams combined for this honor after an outstanding spring and memorable fall. The boys and girls track & field teams followed up their 5A championships won in cross country in the fall of 2011 with undefeated cinder seasons, each winning district championships prior to laying claim to the blue trophies in the spring. In the fall, led by defending individual state champions and seniors Luis Martinez and Malia Gonzales, the Storm boys finished first again and the girls were runners-up at the state cross country meet. After Luis and Malia repeated as state champs, each was later named the Gatorade Cross Country Runner of the Year - Martinez's third, after winning the most recent male cross country and track & field awards from Gatorade. Kenny Henry coaches the cross country and boys track team; Tim Flores is the girls track & field coach.

# PAST INDUCTIES

Previous Years	Hall of Fame Inductees	Athlete of The Year	Award of Distinction	Promotion of the Year
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 Paiz	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
1985-1986	Ira Harge Dick McGuire Clarence Robinson	Gymnasts, Exhibition) Claudia Schleyer Terry Landrum Al Unser, Jr.	Lloyd McKee	Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

# PAST INDUCTEES

Previous Years	Hall of Fame Inductees	Athlete of The Year	Award of Distinction	Promotion of the Year
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 Smaulding	Terance Mathis Jill Shaver Sheila Burrell	J.D. Kailer	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	Art Gardenswartz	Larry Ahrens (Presidential Scholarship Golf Tournament)
1993-1994	George Maloof Mike Roberts Rosemary Thompson	Al Unser, Jr. 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 Oliver Olga Appell	Dick Terwilliger	New Day Shelter Shootout Golf Tournament
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	Pat McKernan Jim Schumacher	Sandia Cup Soccer Tourney
1999-2000	Rudy Cordova Petie Gibson Pat McKernan Don Woods	A.J.´Herrera Notah Begay III (Pro) Katie Kern Brian Urlacher	Bobby Gibbs	Paralyzed Veterans of AmericaJr. Wheelchair Championships

# PAST INDUCTIES

Previous Years	Hall of Fame Inductees	Athlete of The Year	Award of Distinction	Promotion of the Year
2000-2001	Kent Bostik Ray Etherly Rosie Jones Jackie Lance	Brian Urlacher (Pro) Grace Galagan Mike Moharic Falilat Ogunkoya	Sheila Burrell Elva Dryer Heather Moody	The American Bowling Congress Championship Tournament 2000 Dana Miller-Mackie
2001-2002	Preston Dennard Ray Giannini John "JD" Kailer 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 Chris Williams	Matt Gonzales Jeff Rowland	Sheila Burrell	Great Southwest Track and Field Classic
		Jennifer Delich Elva Dryer		
2005-2006	Sheila Burrell Bobby Gibbs Lou Henson Ralph Tasker	Jeff Rowland Danny Granger Jordon Pacheco Holly Holm		All American Baseball Game
2006-2007	Jim Ottmann Lionel Taylor Jorge Tristani Kathy Whitworth	Matt Tebo Alan Branch Dionne Marsh		New Mexico Bowl
2007-2008	Linda Estes Susan Vigil MacEachen Nancy Lopez Buddy Robertson	Alex Darling Malin Hemmingson Curtis Beach John Sullivan	Doug Zembiec	Triple A All Star Game
2008-2009	Notah Begay III Jim Bradley Greg Brown Charley Johnson	Katie Coronado Jeannie Fairchild Joe Hagerty	Larry Waters	New Mexico Sports Authority Tennis at The Pit
2009-2010	Pervis Atkins Chainey Umphrey Terance Mathis Duane Ward	Jodi Ewart Savannah Whitaker Curtis Beach Ronnie Daniels	Abe Estrada	NMAA – "DIG PINK"
2010-2011	Curtis Williams Jim Ciccarello Rocky Long	Julie Foster Anicka Newell Ronnie Daniels Lee Emanuel Darington Hobson	Alex Bregman Michael S. Sanchez Justine Schluntz	U.S. Youth Soccer Far West Regional Soccer Championships
2011-2012	Guy Wimberly John Lomasney L.G. & Cooper Henderson	Sarah Hattis Ashley Williams Cole Gautsche Luis Martinez Blake Swihart	Kendra Stern Gene Pino RCH 3RD 2013 - ALBI	USA Indoor Track & Field

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