



# SASKATCHEWAN SPORTS HALL OF FAME

## FOR THE RECORD

### HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT HUGH VASSOS



2012 will be remembered as an exciting year for the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame. Your Board of Directors and staff have taken on a number of challenges pertaining to the operations of the Hall with determination and a strong sense of vision of where we need to be in the very near future. If the Hall is to continue to serve as the leader in the preservation and promotion of Saskatchewan's rich sports history, we need to make a commitment to major facility improvements, increased levels of funding, and new interpretive and interactive displays more conducive to an era of high technology. We have been implementing our new Strategic Plan and the results are starting to show. We ask for your patience and for your support as we move into a new phase of the Hall's lifetime. Please consider purchasing a Teammate Package to help us reach our goals. Just like in sports, a strong Team will prevail and ultimately win. We want to win just like you did during your sports career. Join the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame Team now so we can win tomorrow!

On behalf of the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors and staff I wish you Happy Holidays and all the very best in the New Year. Thanks for being a Good Sport!

*Photo Courtesy of Hugh Vassos*

### MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHEILA KELLY

It's a girl for Jenna and her husband, Todd. Charlie Leah Parker was born on October 29 at 2:10 a.m. The bundle of joy weighed in at 6lbs 3oz and was 19.25 inches long at birth. Jenna reports that Charlie is growing like crazy and providing her with all sorts of fun. We are all looking forward to Charlie's first visit to the SSHF with mom in tow.

Our current exhibit, *Court is in Session: Moving Indoors for Winter*, puts a special focus on our inductees from volleyball, basketball, racquetball, badminton, tennis, fencing and multi-sport, as well as features artifacts related to these sports from our permanent collection. This exhibit will remain on display until December 28. Next up will be *Winter in Saskatchewan* featuring ringette, skating, skiing, tobogganing, snowboarding, and snowshoeing. As per our strategic plan, this exhibit will focus on our associated inductees and artifacts from our permanent collection. We anticipate that this exhibit will open January 10, 2013 and remain on display through April 12.

December 8 is the date of our *Investor's Reception* in Regina. A Saskatoon event will also be hosted at a later date. Previously known as our *Friends of the Hall Reception* this is our opportunity to say thank you to anyone who has made a contribution to the SSHF over the past year, as well as connect with all of our inductees. Despite it being a very busy time of year it is our sincere hope that you will be able to find time to join us for a little seasonal fun and give us the opportunity to say "thank you"!

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**November/December 2012**

## SPORTS INVESTORS CLUB – TEAMMATES TO DATE

The SSHF would like to thank those individuals and organizations that have chosen to support our Teammate program. Contributors to date include:

Hugh Vassos	Shirley Kowalski	Jim O'Sullivan	Fraser Strategy Inc.	BlackSun Inc.
James R. Zatulsky, CA, FCMA	Westridge Construction	Lana Binning	Lyle Sanderson	Jim Dundas
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Individuals and organizations can still participate in our Teammate program. Benefits of this category include:

- Two (2) tickets to the 2013 President's Reception & Induction Ceremony
- Exclusive Commemorative Teammate Certificate
- Invitation to the *Investors Reception*
- Recognition on the SSHF website as a Teammate
- Tax receipt for \$250.00

Funds raised through the Teammate program will be used to implement initiatives outlined in our strategic plan. In addition, a portion of the money raised will be allocated to our Sports Legacy Fund to support plans for facility and exhibit upgrades.

## ALL STARS TO DATE

We are pleased to announce the recruitment of three All Stars to our Sports Investors Club.

SGI Canada

Access Communications

SaskEnergy

All Star investments are linked to specific events or programs within the SSHF. A full list of opportunities and associated benefits are discussed in person as they relate to the program. SGI Canada and Access Communications were actively involved in our 2012 Induction activities, while SaskEnergy has chosen to support our education program, *Never Give Up*. The SSHF thanks these organizations for their continued support.

## WELCOME TYLER DAKU

The SSHF is pleased to welcome Tyler Daku on a part-time basis to fill our online & social media staffing requirements during Jenna's maternity leave. Tyler joined the team on October 1<sup>st</sup> in order to tag team with Jenna before she started maternity leave on October 19th.

Tyler brings to the SSHF a strong background in media and advertising. Among his accomplishments are providing editorial content for the new, young professional oriented magazine *City Slicker* and serving as the Social Media Coordinator for Spareparts. Tyler is also responsible for developing and maintaining the streetjesus.net website and developing collaborations with companies including Spy Optic, Vans, Vitamin Water and the Regina Children's Hospital Foundation.

Tyler has already made his presence felt on our website ([www.sasksportshalloffame.com](http://www.sasksportshalloffame.com)) with his blog postings and video presentations. Check them out!

We are very excited to have Tyler as part of the staff and look forward to introducing him to everyone in the near future. Please join us in welcoming Tyler to the SSHF team.

*Photo Courtesy of the SSHF*



## ONLINE LESSON PLANS ARE LIVE

Online Lesson Plans based on the 2010 Social Studies Curriculum for Grade 3, 4, 5 and 6 students are now live at [www.sasksportshalloffame.com/education](http://www.sasksportshalloffame.com/education). Educators and students have an opportunity to learn about our Inductees and explore the sport history of Saskatchewan through lesson plans based on specific outcomes and indicators!

The SSHF gratefully acknowledges the financial support of SaskTel as our presenting sponsor for these lesson plans.

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## NEVER GIVE UP EXPANDED FOR 2013

*Never Give Up* compliments Saskatchewan Learning and its Social Studies grade 3, 4 and 5 curriculum. The goal and objectives of the program include:

- Inspiring and educating the students about what it takes to be a hero
- Getting them to understand that there are positive role models that can be heroes throughout their community
- Heroes are different for everyone.

By never giving up, they too can make the impossible, possible.

The theme of 'never give up' is very prominent with SSHF inductee, Ted Jaleta, who is a world class runner, as well as an inspiration to people of all ages. As told in his book, *Never Give Up*, Ted endured many hardships growing up in Ethiopia and arriving in Canada, but with a positive outlook, courage, determination and hard work, he overcame obstacles and is the embodiment of the impossible becoming possible.

For the past two years Ted has been the cornerstone of this program when it was featured in Regina and Saskatoon. We are pleased to announce that along with Ted and our presenting sponsor, SaskEnergy, we are positioned to grow this program to include three Saskatchewan centres in 2013. Ted and Fred Sasakamoose will be our featured speakers in Prince Albert on February 6, and Ted will be joined by speakers (still to be determined) in North Battleford on March 7 and Regina on March 14.

The SSHF is extremely grateful to SaskEnergy for sharing the vision and potential of *Never Give Up* which is allowing us to take it to additional communities throughout the province.



## INDUCTEE NOTES

Congratulations are extended to the following honoured members of the SSHF on their most recent accomplishments.

**Arnold Boldt** (Athletics 1980) was named to the 2012 Canadian Para-Cycling Team to compete at the 2012 Paralympic Games in London. This marked Arnie's fourth appearance in a Paralympic Games where he previously competed in athletics.

**Bernie Federko** (Hockey 2003) has been named the Volunteer Ambassador for the 2013 MasterCard Memorial Cup in Saskatoon.

**Fred Sasakamoose** (Hockey 2007) received the Diamond Jubilee Medal in October, 2012, in recognition of his contributions to hockey and for his community service. The Diamond Jubilee Medal was established to commemorate Queen Elizabeth's commitment and dedication over the past six decades and is awarded to recognize outstanding contributions to community and Canada.

**Margaret Tosh** (Athletics 1978) was Sask Sport Inc.'s Athlete of the Month in September, 2012, as a result of winning gold medals in all six of her Throwers Club Masters events held in Stouffville, ON. Events included hammer throw, shot put, discus throw, javelin throw, weight throw and weight pentathlon. On route to her medals Margaret established Canadian Records in all events and set World Records for the weight throw and weight pentathlon.

## IN MEMORIAM

The members of the Board and staff extend their sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Sylvia, Lee and Joe.

**Sylvia Fedoruk** passed away on September 26, 2012, at the age of 85. Sylvia was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1973 as third on the Joyce McKee Curling Team who won the 1961 Canadian Women's Curling Championship.

**Lee Donison** passed away at the age of 84 on October 20, 2012. Lee was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1982 as an athlete for his contributions to the sports of boxing and wrestling.

**Joseph Kanuka** passed away on October 22, 2012 at the age of 77. Joe was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1998 as a Builder for his contributions to several sports.

## OPEN HOUSE WITH OLYMPIAN KAYLYN KYLE

The SSHF was pleased to host Olympian Kaylyn Kyle on October 20 at an open house presented by Mitchell Developments Ltd. Over 100 individuals had the opportunity to meet Kaylyn, get their photograph taken, and check out the current exhibits. Special thanks are extended to all of our sponsors for making this event the success that it was including Mitchell Developments Ltd., Signature Graphics, Designer Photographic Technologies, and sharpshooter photography. Special thanks are also extended to SaskMilk, the Saskatchewan Soccer Association and Regina Soccer Association. The following blog post was posted on our website by Tyler Daku following the event.



*Kaylyn Kyle may be one of the best young athletes our country has to offer at the moment, and the fact that she grew up right here in Saskatchewan has seen her help the sport grow on a grassroots level like never before. She has traveled the world with the National team, winning medals and making a name for herself, all while wearing her hometown and province proudly.*

*Recently she came home after capturing Olympic bronze in London to a slew of media requests and appearances that have seen her personal time all but disappear. Amongst this frenzy however Kaylyn has managed to maintain a poise and demeanor that has endeared her to both the media and fans everywhere she goes.*

*One of her recent appearances saw Kaylyn visit us at the Hall of Fame for an autograph signing and photo opportunity where that poise, demeanor and grace were on full display. Not only is Kyle a talented young lady, but also her skill and comfort level in front of a camera give her the well-rounded skill set it takes to become an international superstar.*

*As she fielded questions and requests from fans young and old, Kaylyn's smile never faded and it was clear to see that she really does relish every moment she has in this position. She is doing everything she can to see that the momentum she has helped gain for the sport of soccer is not lost on the youth of our community.*

*Kaylyn was happy to spend a few hours of her Saturday hanging out and making sure that ever jersey, ball, card and shoe that needed an autograph got one, and that every aspiring soccer star that passed through our doors got the opportunity to wear her medal in a photographic memory that will last a lifetime.*



So as you look through the photos on this post, remember that dreams do come true and that if you set your mind to something there really is nothing you can't accomplish and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan's Kaylyn Kyle is living proof of that. Photos courtesy of the SSHF.

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