



SASKATCHEWAN — SPORTS — HALL OF FAME

FOR THE RECORD

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT RANKIN JAWORSKI



As I reflect on the past year at the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame (SSHF) I would like to start by thanking everyone who joined us at the induction dinner to celebrate our 2017 class of inductees. From Olympic champions to innovative builders and a trailblazing jockey who opened the door for women around the world, this year's class of inductees exemplifies the remarkable athletes and builders that this province is proud to call our own. With a new group of seven officially enshrined, we are thrilled to carry forward the proud tradition of celebrating Saskatchewan sports excellence.

While the resumption of our annual induction dinner was the marquee event of 2017 it was far from the only thing happening around the hall. The SSHF continued moving forward from last year's 50th anniversary with a number of exciting events throughout the year and we look forward to keeping the momentum going in the New Year. 2018 will be a busy sporting year for Saskatchewan and the SSHF will be right in the middle of it. Our traveling exhibit is scheduled to take its first winter travels and will be a part of many of the national sporting championships

happening in Regina. We have also recently announced a new collections agreement with the Regina Pats and are excited to continue that partnership in 2018.

As I look back over our accomplishments of 2017, I would be remiss to not once again congratulate our Executive Director Sheila Kelly on her receipt of the very prestigious Bill Schroeder Distinguished Service Award from the International Sports Heritage Association. Sheila has been the sustaining constant of the SSHF for over a quarter century and her passion, dedication and leadership have had far reaching impacts across Canada and North America. Sheila is a very deserving recipient of this award and it is my pleasure to again congratulate her on this accomplishment.

On behalf of myself, and the Board of Directors I would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season. We hope your 2017 was full of great memories with friends, families and teammates and wish you a safe and happy 2018.



Website: www.sasksportshalloffame.com

Facebook: SaskSportsHF

Instagram: @SaskSportsHF

Twitter: @SaskSportsHF

Review us on TripAdvisor

Photos (Left to Right): Induction attendees filed into the Traveling Exhibit; One highlight of the evening included a hotstove panel featuring members of the new induction class; For the first time ever, our Induction was held on the Theatre Stage at the Conexus Arts Centre; 2017 Inductees Dave "Tiger" Williams and Guyle Fielder during the hotstove panel.

Happy Holidays,
Rankin Jaworski

November/December 2017

SAVE THE DATE: CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS



Photo: Courtesy SSHF archives.

DIAMOND GIRLS GOES DOWN UNDER

From performances in small towns throughout Saskatchewan, to the international stage, *Diamond Girls* has been a home run! As we made preparations for our 50th anniversary, one very unique opportunity presented itself when Menagerie Productions and playwright, Maureen Ulrich, proposed a one-act, one-woman play featuring the Saskatchewan connection to the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League. The leading actress has the challenging task of portraying a whopping 21 characters throughout this one hour performance including three Saskatchewan players, Mary “Bonnie” Baker, Arleene (Johnson) Noga, and Daisy Junor.

After putting on its first performance in June, 2016 we are thrilled to learn that *Diamond Girls* will be taking on international audiences in 2018! The girls of summer will be traveling to the world’s 2nd largest fringe festival in Adelaide, South Australia in March, 2018! To learn more about *Diamond Girls*, and their upcoming performances, please visit menageriepro.weebly.com.



SAMER AWADH JOINS SSHF BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Photo courtesy: MLT Aikins

The SSHF is pleased to announce the addition of Samer Awadh to the 2017/18 Board of Directors. Samer was born in Aden, Yemen and has lived in such places as Abu Dhabi, New York, Halifax, Calgary, and Saskatoon before making Regina his home. While travelling to many parts of the world, there was always one constant in his life, his love for sports.

“I firmly believe in the crucial role sports play in our society,” Samer said. “A sport can be an outlet for fun, a tool for building character, a way to produce better citizens, and a force for shaping our culture. This is why I am thrilled by the opportunity to contribute to the SSHF.”

Samer is currently employed as a corporate/commercial lawyer at MLT Aikins LLP. He also has extensive volunteer experience and is currently the Chairperson of the Canadian Bar Association (CBA) Saskatchewan Business Law (South) Section, an executive member of the CBA National Business Law Section, a member of the Leaders Council at the Hill and Levene Schools of Business, and the Treasurer of the Regina Soccer Association.

We look forward to having Samer as part of the SSHF team.

NEW YEAR, NEW EXHIBIT

Every four years Saskatchewan pauses for a moment to cheer on Canada and its home grown athletes and coaches at the Winter Olympics. The SSHF will be celebrating our previous Olympic champions and keeping an eye on our gold medal contenders in *From Chamonix to Pyeongchang: Saskatchewan at the Winter Olympics*. This exhibit will officially open on February 5, 2018.

LONG TIME VOLUNTEER RETIRES

Rosemary Oddie has been one of the SSHF’s most dedicated volunteers. She first joined our team back in 2007 and dedicated one afternoon a week to us almost every week since then, often coming in 47 weeks per year. It has been quite a contribution. During that time she has diligently worked away on our catalogue backlog and then moved on to address the new acquisitions. Rosemary will be greatly missed at the SSHF, but we wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

SSHF BECOMES REGINA PATS OFFICIAL REPOSITORY

Thanks to a new partnership with the Regina Pats, the history of the world's oldest major-junior hockey team is in good hands. Under the agreement, the SSHF will serve as the official repository for the Regina Pats permanent collection. This partnership represents the first of its kind with a Saskatchewan based Western Hockey League franchise.

“Ensuring the preservation of our history for generations to come is very important to the organization,” said Regina Pats Chief Operating Officer Stacey Cattell. “As the experts in this field, it only makes sense to partner with a Saskatchewan institution like the Sports Hall of Fame. It will be in a place our fans know and in the future can go to and appreciate the rich history of Regina Pats hockey.”

The current Pats collection has been placed into safekeeping with the SSHF. Going forward, every effort will be made by the Regina Pats to ensure the ongoing history of the 100 year old franchise is captured through the addition of artifacts and archival documents to our permanent collection.

As part of the team's centennial celebration during the 2017/18 season, a new installation has been done at the Brandt Centre. Ten new exhibits celebrate different components of the last 100 years. The exhibit can be viewed along the north side of the Brandt Centre in the Link (connecting Queensbury and the Brandt Centre). The installation will stay in place throughout the 2017/18 season until the conclusion of the 2018 MasterCard Memorial Cup.

Photos: Two examples of exhibit cases currently on display at the Brandt Centre in Regina, Saskatchewan. Courtesy: SSHF archives.



INDUCTEE NOTES

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



Photo – An example of Gordie Howe's limited edition stamp. Photo Courtesy: Canada Post.

Terry Hincks (Football – 1973 & 1978) On October 30, 2017, the City Council voted unanimously to rename the Lakeridge skateboard park in Regina in honour of Terry Hincks. Terry was a longtime supporter of youth sports and was strongly in favour of the skateboard park. He passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer in October, 2016.

Gordie Howe (Hockey – 1971) On September 27, 2017, Canada Post unveiled a series of Canadian hockey legends to conclude its five-year NHL stamp collection at the Hockey Hall of Fame. Gordie was selected along with an elite group of individuals including Maurice Richard, Jean Béliveau, Bobby Orr, Mario Lemieux and Wayne Gretzky. This final installment will serve to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Stanley Cup.

IN MEMORIAM

Members of the Board & staff extend their sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Dunc.

Duncan “Dunc” Fisher (Hockey – 2011) A natural athlete, Dunc first established himself as a hockey player with his hometown team, the Regina Pats. By the 1948 season the talented goal scorer made the jump to the National Hockey League and suited up with the New York Rangers. After his playing days were over, Dunc returned to Regina as manager of the Lawson Aquatic Centre. Dunc passed away on September 22, 2017, shortly after his 90th birthday.

HOLIDAY HOURS

The SSHF galleries will be closed from December 23-January 2 in order to give our staff a much-needed break. We will return to regular hours on Tuesday, January 2. From all of us at the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Please make plans to visit us in 2018!

2017/2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Rankin Jaworski
Vice President: Nathan Morrison
Treasurer: Mike Babcock
Secretary: Donald Gallo
Past President: Linda Burnham

Directors: Samer Awadh
David Belof
Fiona Cribb
Kevin Dureau
Robb Elchuk
Laurel Garven

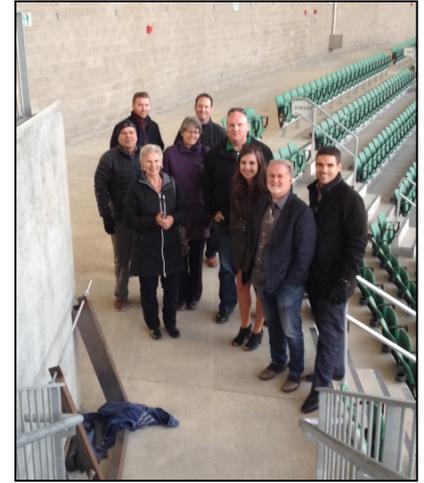


Photo: (Back) Nathan Morrison, Kevin Dureau, (Middle) Donald Gallo, Fiona Cribb, Robb Elchuk, (Front) Linda Burnham, Laurel Garven, Trent Fraser, Rankin Jaworski, (Missing) Samer Awadh, Mike Babcock and David Belof. Courtesy: SSHF archives.

STAFF

Executive Director:	Sheila Kelly
Curator:	Brock Gerrard
Communications Coordinator:	Autumn McDowell
Admin Assistant/Education Coordinator:	Vickie Krauss



GENERAL INFORMATION

Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame
2205 Victoria Avenue
Regina, Saskatchewan
S4P 0S4

E-mail: sshfm@sasktel.net / sshf@sshfm.com
Web Site: www.sasksportshalloffame.com
Telephone: (306) 780-9232
Fax: (306) 780-9427
Twitter: @SaskSportsHF
Instagram: @SaskSportsHF
Facebook: www.facebook.com/SaskSportsHF

Galleries – Monday to Friday
Galleries – Saturday
Admin Offices – Monday to Friday

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Noon – 5:00 p.m.
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The SSHF is closed on statutory holidays.

PHOTO CREDITS

Headshot of President Rankin Jaworski – Courtesy of Greystone Managed Investments
2017 Induction Photographs – Courtesy Designer Photographic Technologies
Diamond Girls Promotional Poster – Credit Designer Kylie Rae Dahlstrom/Wanda Harron Photography
Land Titles Building, home of the SSHF – Courtesy of the SSHF archives

COMMUNICATION SPONSORS

The Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame gratefully acknowledges our 2017 Communication Sponsors:



Season's Greetings & Happy New Year