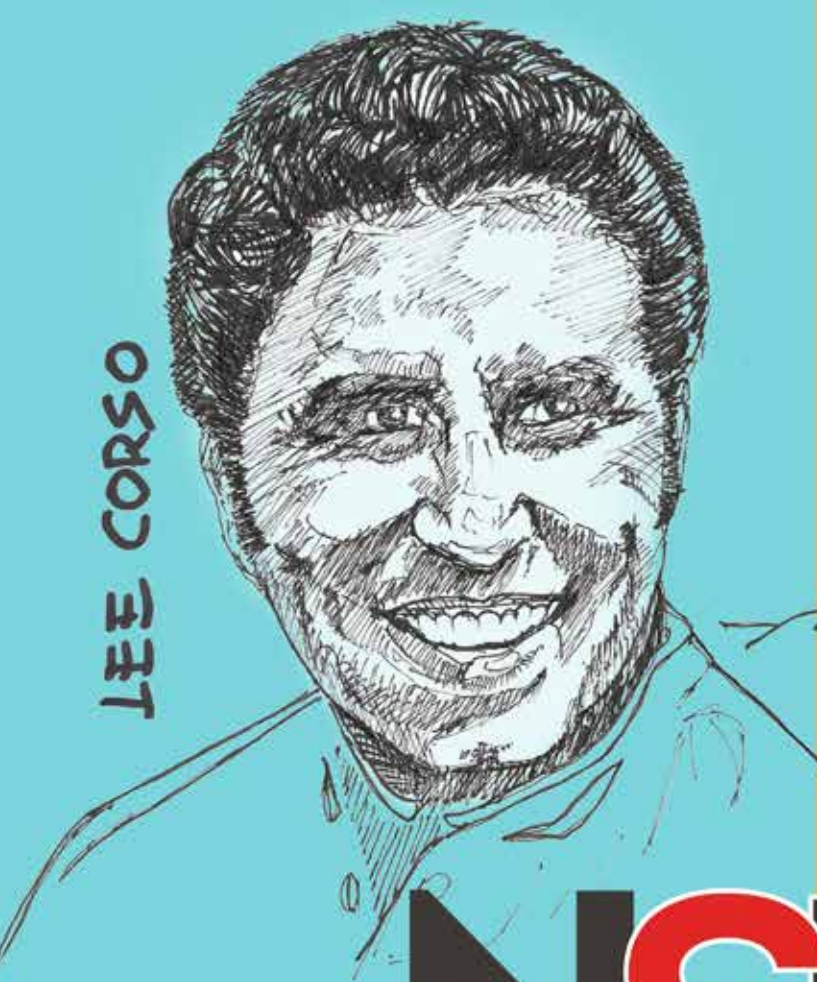


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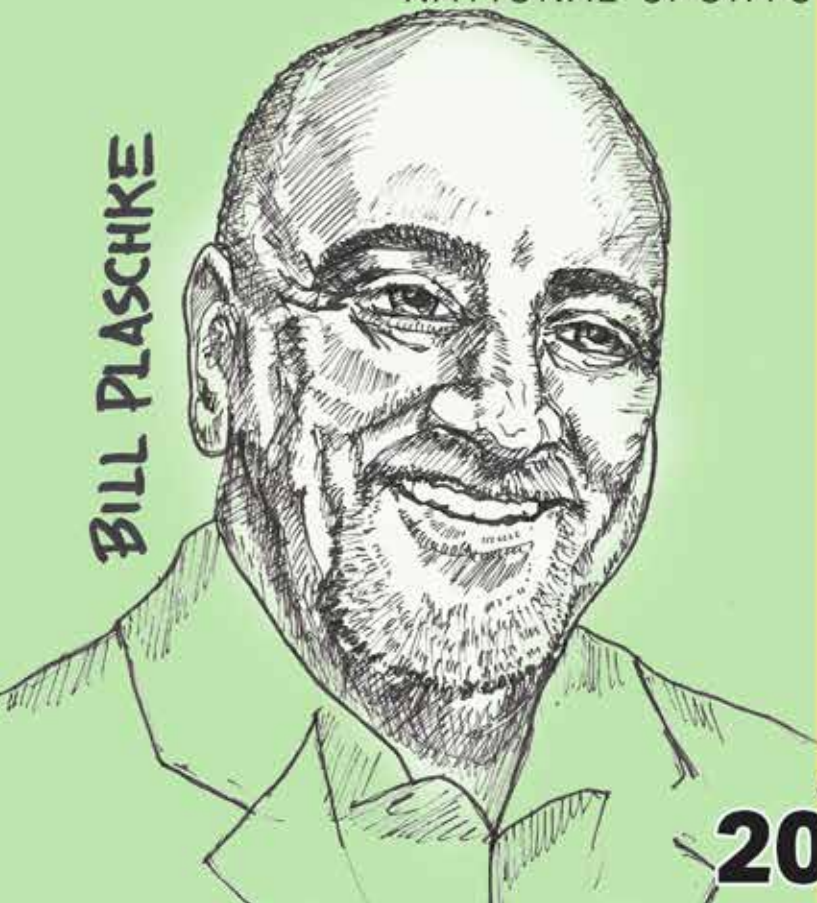
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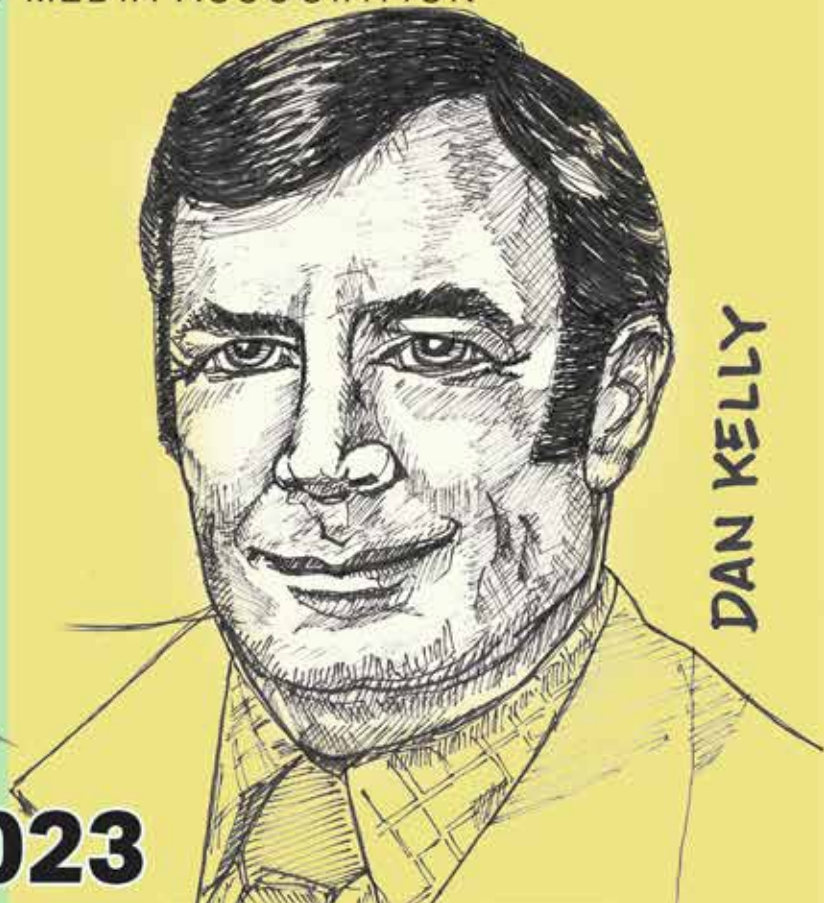
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## **NSMA MISSION STATEMENT**

The National Sports Media Association & Hall of Fame is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which seeks to develop educational opportunities for those who are interested in pursuing a career in sports media, through networking, interning, mentoring and scholarship programs.

The NSMA honors, preserves and celebrates the diverse legacy of sport media in the United States.



# LEARFIELD

## Congratulations To Our Family Of Broadcasters



**Florida - Gene Deckerhoff**  
16th NSMA Award - Florida State Seminoles



**Idaho - Bob Behler**  
6th NSMA Award - Boise State Broncos



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12th NSMA Award - Virginia Tech Hokies



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6th NSMA Award - Wake Forest Demon Deacons



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9th NSMA Award - Ole Miss Rebels



**Utah - Bill Riley**  
3rd NSMA Award - Utah Utes



**New Hampshire - Mike Murphy**  
9th NSMA Award - New Hampshire Wildcats



**New York - Gary Cohen**  
2nd NSMA Award - Seton Hall Pirates



**Kansas - Wyatt Thompson**  
7th NSMA Award - Kansas State Wildcats



**Oklahoma - Dave Hunziker**  
2nd NSMA Award - Oklahoma State Cowboys



**Delaware - Scott Klatzkin**  
6th NSMA Award - Delaware Blue Hens



**New Jersey - Eric LeGrand**  
1st NSMA Award - Rutgers Scarlet Knights

## Woody Durham Voice of College Sports Award



**Rich Chvotkin**  
Georgetown Hoyas



1983-84 GEORGETOWN HOYAS

**"Hoyas Win!!"**

# WELCOME

*from the NSMA Executive Director*

Welcome to Winston-Salem and the 63rd National Sports Media Association Awards Weekend & National Convention! We hope that you take advantage of all our city and its people have to offer.

To our winners, I offer my heartiest congratulations. Please take this weekend to sit back, relax, and enjoy yourself as we celebrate YOU! After all, you're here this weekend because your peers believed that your work over the last year (or your career, in our Hall of Famers' cases) warranted it.

To the families of our award winners, I hope you get to bask in the glow of your family member's accomplishments. Thank you for sharing him or her with us!

To our students and young professionals who are attending, please make sure to get the most out of this weekend that you can. Listen, learn, make connections, and make friends. That's what this weekend is all about.

To our interns and volunteers, thank you for helping to make this weekend a once-in-a-lifetime experience for so many. Your work is much appreciated and does not go unnoticed!

Thank you also to those authors who are taking part in our Sports Book Festival at Bookmarks. For the first time, we have a father (David Maraniss) and son (Andrew Maraniss) participating. And that's not the only connection. Author Jo Lannin's book, *Who Let Them In*, features a chapter on one of the country's first female sportswriters, Mary Garber, of our own *Winston-Salem Journal*. And Terence Moore's book, *The Real Hank Aaron*, tells the story of the baseball Hall of Famer who signed his first professional contract (with the Indianapolis Clowns) at Winston-Salem's Union Station.

Thanks also to those who are presenting as panelists at our Sports Media Convergence Summit on Sunday and Monday. Giving back to our aforementioned students and young professionals is something the NSMA takes great pride in. And we couldn't do it without our winners –and others – who gladly say, "Sign me up" to present.

Again, congratulations to all of our Hall of Fame inductees and award winners. If there's anything that I, or any of our volunteers can do to make your stay better, please don't hesitate to ask.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave". The signature is stylized and cursive, written over a light gray rectangular background.

Dave Goren

NSMA Executive Director

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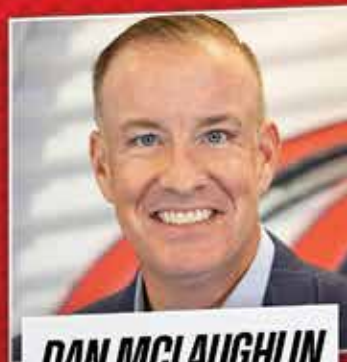
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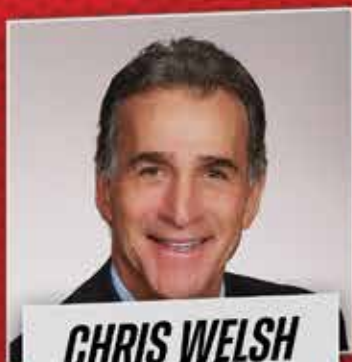
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# History of the



By Ron Morris



Winners gather for first NSMA Awards Banquet, April 12, 1960 at Catawba College in Salisbury, NC.

In 2017, as the National Sports Media Association was about to move to Winston-Salem after a 57-year run in nearby Salisbury, NSMA Hall of Famer and board member, Bob Ryan, said, "Salisbury has become a home away from home for me over the past two decades, and I am looking forward to establishing a similar relationship with Winston-Salem."

Other than 2020, when NSMA canceled its awards weekend, Ryan has attended the awards weekend, usually coming in a day early to take in a Winston-Salem Dash minor league baseball game, or just to relax in his new home away from home.

Safe to say the relationship is solid.

And it's the same for the thousands of others who have attended the Winston-Salem awards weekends starting in 2017.

For close to six decades every spring and summer, Salisbury raised a toast to salute the top sportswriter and sportscaster from each of the fifty states. The annual celebration, which until 2016 was called the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association, got off the ground because of the dream of a Salisbury restaurant owner and grew legs because of the vision of a Salisbury doctor.

Pete DiMizio promoted boxing matches around the Piedmont area of North Carolina by hobby and ran an Italian restaurant by way of making a living. At one point in the early 'fifties, DiMizio imported an Italian chef to dazzle his patrons' taste buds but soon figured out that his wife, Becky, cooked a better pizza than the chef.

DiMizio also figured it behooved his boxing promotions to friend up with sportswriters and sportscasters in the area. In exchange for free food, DiMizio got the free publicity his boxing matches so desperately needed.

One thing led to another and DiMizio was hosting an annual recognition banquet at his restaurant and the guests of honor were the best writers and casters in North Carolina. Then he founded the idea to expand and go national.

That was in 1958. The first scheduled gathering of national winners never got off the ground and was cancelled in 1959. Then DiMizio died of cancer and left the NSSA dream to his wife, who had neither the time nor financial wherewithal to fulfill her husband's wishes.

It stepped the Salisbury-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce, various regional civic clubs and one Dr. Ed McKenzie.

To get the organization off the ground, all parties agreed that a sum of \$12,000 was needed. The total was more than the entire Chamber of Commerce budget. But McKenzie believed it could be raised, so he went about selling tickets to the first banquet at \$100 a plate. That was in 1960. By today's value, which would be the equivalent of asking for \$823 per plate.

McKenzie personally knocked on the door of every business and friend in the Salisbury area. Before long, his list of donors reached 113 --- everyone alphabetically from Howard Aiken of Miller Brewing Co. to Bill Younts of Rowan Dairy --- and the Chamber of Commerce was willing to kick in the remaining \$700.

McKenzie next believed it was important for the organization to get the blessing and endorsement of the state of North Carolina, and he went to work on the governor, Luther Hodges.

"He drove to Raleigh three or four times to see the governor," Nancy, his wife, once told the *Salisbury Post*. "The governor did not want to endorse a flop, the winners had to be assured the banquet was not a gimmick. Ed pulled a lovely finesse to get them all here."

McKenzie believed the organization would gain legitimacy only if the first two national winners attended the event. So, he boarded a train for New York and extended a personal invitation to sportscaster Lindsey Nelson and sportswriter Red Smith.

McKenzie talked his way into Nelson's office at NBC and Nelson agreed to come. Smith was not so easy to get. On assignment, Smith was not expected back in New York for eight weeks. McKenzie sneaked past a receptionist at the New York Herald-Tribune and found an audience with Smith's editor. Six long-distance calls later and McKenzie was assured that Smith would be in Salisbury to be honored.

The inaugural event was smashing. Governor Hodges presented awards to Nelson and Smith. Ms. North Carolina, Judi Klipfel of Asheboro, presented plaques to the thirty-eight state winners who attended. Earl Ruth, the Catawba College athletics director, served as the host.

Nelson said his acceptance speech would be brief.

“I have never tried to make a speech since a woman sent me a telegram saying my speaking ability was the oratorical equal of a blocked punt,” Nelson said.

Smith spoke as he wrote . . . with great prose.

“The very notion of honoring such a disreputable group as ours is utterly audacious,” Smith said. “This is the most gracious and most generous thing that has ever been done for our rather seedy group.”

Three years into the organization’s existence, the board of directors realized it did not have a charter. Upon drawing up the official papers for the organization, the board encountered a delicate problem: Would the organization be called the Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association or the Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association?

To settle the matter, the group decided on a coin flip between Nelson, representing the casters, and Melvin Durslag of the *Los Angeles Examiner*, representing the writers. Nelson won and the organization has ever since gone by Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association.

That same board also established a Hall of Fame and the lone inductee in 1962 was Grantland Rice, long considered the greatest writer of sports.

Of the Hall of Fame, Durslag wrote: “It is probably easier to walk out of the Louvres with the Mona Lisa than it is to be admitted to this hall of fame.” Durslag was inducted into the NSSA Hall of Fame in 1995.

In 1963, McKenzie asked Nelson as a special favor to be the featured speaker at the Spencer High School athletic awards banquet. Nelson agreed but getting to Spencer on time for the banquet was going to be difficult.

Nelson completed the play-by-play announcing of the first three innings of a New York Mets spring training game in Florida, slipped out of the press box and drove seventy-five miles to the airport to fly to Charlotte. McKenzie and the sheriff of Rowan County met Nelson at the Charlotte airport and rode in the sheriff’s car to Spencer.

Nelson arrived after dinner had been served and the tables cleared. He then spoke for 45 minutes, wowing the crowd with impersonations of Mets’ manager Casey Stengel. Then he concluded with a reading of Rudyard Kipling’s poem “If.”

Since that reading, NSSA several years later dedicated its Hall of Fame to youth. For several years, state winners and Hall of Fame inductees were presented copies of Kipling’s poem, which for many years also appeared in the annual banquet program.

The list of honored guests over the years has included many from the world of sports and beyond. Among those who visited Salisbury for the NSSA awards weekend were Yogi Berra, Terry Bradshaw, Jerry Clower, John Elway, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Whitey Ford, Roman Gabriel, Andy Griffith, Lewis Grizzard, Bob Hope, Larry King, Bobby Knight, Bowie Kuhn, Mickey Mantle, Billy Martin, Curly Neal, Jesse Owens, Arnold Palmer,

Richard Petty, Wilma Rudolph, Bart Starr, Lynn Swann, Ted Turner, Gene Upshaw, Jim Valvano, Flip Wilson, John Wooden and Cale Yarborough.

And the tradition of true Southern hospitality has carried on in Winston-Salem, the self-proclaimed “City of Arts and Innovation.”

So is the tradition of helping youth.

More than 400 people have attended the NSMA’s Sports Media Convergence Summit in its four years in Winston-Salem. It allows the organization to live up to the part of its mission that says it “develops educational opportunities for those interested in pursuing a career in sports media, through networking, interning, mentoring, and scholarship programs.”

Austin Peay State University student Jeff Matthews attended the 61st NSMA awards weekend. He said: “You get to come here and you get that experience of just talking with each other. Even if it’s just sharing ideas or just sharing experiences, you’re learning so much and you get that through not just the instructors but peers as well.”

Joining the NSMA is to become a part of something larger than yourself, and in the words of 2021 Hall of Fame inductee Jim Nantz: “I can’t imagine that if you’re trying to make a living as a writer, a broadcaster, or whatever it might be in sports media if you didn’t want to be a part of this organization. It should be automatic.”

Or as fellow 2021 Hall of Fame inductee Tom Verducci said: “Getting involved in NSMA is really a foot in the door because it helps with connections, networking.”

And that networking wouldn’t be possible without the state award winners who not only pay their own way to attend the awards weekend, but also take part in the Summit, as a way to give back to those students and young professionals.

As seven-time Maryland Sportswriter of the Year, Peter Schmuck said: “I’m really proud to be a part of the National Sports Media Association, it’s just a joy to come here.”

*Ron Morris graduated from Salisbury (NC) High School and is a five-time NSMA South Carolina Sportswriter of the Year Award winner.*



# Bear Bryant COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD



From left: Marc Bryant Tyson (Bear Bryant's grandson), Award winner Sonny Dykes of TCU, NSMA executive director Dave Goren at Bryant Awards dinner in Houston, Jan. 10, 2023. (Photo Courtesy: American Heart Association)

For 37 years, the Houston, Texas chapter of the American Heart Association has presented the Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year Award as a salute to those college football coaches who have reached the same high standard of excellence as Coach Bryant did.

NSMA members serve as the voting body for the Bryant Award, which is voted on after the completion of the College Football Playoff National Championship Game and presented on stage in Houston two nights later.

It is a small way for the NSMA to help the AHA fight heart disease and stroke.

## BEAR BRYANT COACH OF THE YEAR WINNERS

2022	Sonny Dykes	TCU
2021	Luke Fickell	Cincinnati
2020	Nick Saban	Alabama
2019	Ed Orgeron	LSU
2018	Dabo Swinney	Clemson
2017	Scott Frost	Central Florida
2016	Dabo Swinney	Clemson
2015	Dabo Swinney	Clemson
2014	Gary Patterson	TCU
2013	Gus Malzahn	Auburn
2012	Bill O'Brien	Penn State
2011	Mike Gundy	Oklahoma State
2010	Gene Chizik	Auburn
2009	Chris Petersen	Boise State
2008	Kyle Whittingham	Utah
2007	Mark Mangino	Kansas
2006	Chris Petersen	Boise State
2005	Mack Brown	Texas
2004	Tommy Tuberville	Auburn
2003	Nick Saban	Louisiana State
2002	Jim Tressel	Ohio State
2001	Larry Coker	Miami
2000	Bob Stoops	Oklahoma
1999	Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech
1998	Bill Snyder	Kansas State
1997	Lloyd Carr	Michigan
1996	Bruce Snyder	Arizona State
1995	Gary Barnett	Northwestern
1994	Rich Brooks	Oregon
1993	Terry Bowden	Auburn
1992	Gene Stallings	Alabama
1991	Don James	Washington
1990	Bobby Ross	Georgia Tech
1989	Bill McCartney	Colorado
1988	Lou Holtz	Notre Dame
1987	Dick MacPherson	Syracuse
1986	Joe Paterno	Penn State



## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

### 2023: Bob Stoops

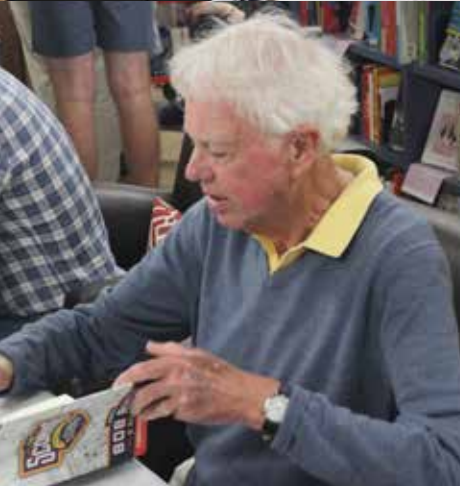
2022	John Robinson	2010	Vince Dooley
2021	Howard Schnellenbeger	2009	Barry Switzer
2020	Bill Snyder	2008	Tom Osborne
2019	Frank Beamer	2007	Glenn "Bo" Schembechler
2018	Steve Spurrier	2006	Jack Pardee
2017	Barry Alvarez	2005	Lou Holtz
2016	Mack Brown	2004	Gene Stallings
2015	Jimmy Johnson	2003	Frank Broyles
2014	R. C. Slocum	2002	Bill Yeoman
2013	Lavell Edwards	2001	Charles McClendon
2012	Hayden Fry	2000	Darrell Royal
2011	Bobby Bowden		

*First awarded in 2000, the Paul "Bear" Bryant Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes the career accomplishments of the nation's finest college football coaches.*



# MEMORIES 2022





# Congratulations to The Athletic's 2022 NMSA Winners

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## National Winner

**KEN ROSENTHAL**  
Sportswriter

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## State Winners

**DOUG HALLER**  
Arizona

**KATIE WOO**  
Missouri

**DAVID O'BRIEN**  
Georgia

**C. TRENT ROSECRANS**  
Ohio

**MARK LAZERUS**  
Illinois

**AUDREY SNYDER**  
Pennsylvania

**BOB KRAVITZ**  
Indiana

**GRACE RAYNOR**  
South Carolina

**SCOTT DOCHTERMAN**  
Iowa

**ANDY BITTER**  
Virginia

**DAN CONNOLLY**  
Maryland

**ERIC NEHM**  
Wisconsin

**BRENDAN QUINN**  
Michigan

# The Annie

## SPORTS CONNECTOR AWARD



Named after Ann Lewallen Spencer, the former President of Goody's Headache Powders, The Annie recognizes a local person who has connected the community through sports. Spencer did that herself through the long-standing Goody's sponsorship with NASCAR. She was also an ardent fan of the University of North Carolina Tar Heels. Not too many people could say they were close friends with both Richard Petty and Dean Smith. But Annie could.

Those passions were matched by her passion for her family and for her hometown of Winston-Salem, where she was involved with Arbor Acres, Senior Services, Rotary Club, Garden Club and many others.

Spencer passed away in 2016, but her spirit lives on through the annual presentation of The Annie!



### 2023 ANNIE PRESENTED TO

## STAN ELROD

Former Winston-Salem Forsyth County teacher, coach, athletic director, and principal, Stan Elrod will be honored posthumously on October 12 with the 2023 Ann Spencer Sports Connector Award from the National Sports Media Association.

"Stan Elrod embodied the spirit of the 'Annie,'" NSMA executive director Dave Goren said. "He was always bringing people together, whether it be from his days as a coach and athletic director, or as a principal when he was in charge of the Frank Spencer Holiday Classic high school basketball tournament. I loved watching him 'work the room' and I'm thrilled that we can honor his memory with the 'Annie.' It was also great to have him attend our Awards Banquet last June. He was all smiles, especially when he got to see Stuart Scott's family (he coached Stuart at Reynolds High School).

Elrod, who passed away last October, was a South Carolina native who began his teaching career at Winston-Salem's R.J. Reynolds High School in 1981. It was there that he also served as a coach, athletic director, assistant principal, and principal. In 2005, he moved to the new Ronald Reagan High School and served as principal there until he became the athletic director for the Winston-Salem Forsyth County school system.

When he passed away, Elrod was in the midst of a campaign for a seat on the Winston-Salem Forsyth County school board, where he intended to further his lasting impact on thousands of local students.

# National Sports Media Association **LEGACY NIGHT AWARDS**

Beginning in 2022, the National Sports Media Association added four awards to its Legacy Night lineup.

## **This year's award winners are:**

### **2022 Sports Book of the Year**

*Path Lit by Lightning: The Life of Jim Thorpe*  
by David Maraniss

### **2022 Sports Documentary of the Year**

*Welcome to Wrexham, FX*

### **2022 Best Young (Under-30) Reporter**

*Andraya Carter, ESPN*

### **2022 Best Sideline Reporter**

*Lisa Salters, ESPN*

In *Path Lit By Lightning*, Maraniss tells the story of Jim Thorpe, widely regarded as one of the best all-around athletes this country has ever produced. Maraniss, who has written acclaimed biographies of Vince Lombardi, Roberto Clemente, Bill Clinton, and Barack Obama, takes readers from triumph to tragedy in detailing Thorpe's life. Author Jonathan Eig has called the book, "a flat-out masterpiece."

*Welcome to Wrexham*, shown on FX, tells the story of Welsh soccer club Wrexham AFC through the eyes of American actors Rob McElhenney and Ryan Reynolds. McElhenney and Reynolds bought the team from a fan-operated trust in 2021. The series, which will have a second season, is produced by Boardwalk Films. It's co-produced by Maximum Effort, a film company founded by Reynolds.

After receiving bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Tennessee where she was also a three-year player for the Lady Vols basketball team, Carter began her ESPN career at SEC Network as a game analyst in 2018. She has added sideline reporter (football, men's and women's college basketball, softball, beach volleyball) and WNBA studio analyst to her job description, and co-hosts *Out of Pocket* on SEC Network.

The longest-tenured sideline reporter in Monday Night Football history, Salters has been with ESPN since 2000. During that time, she has held many roles, including sideline reporter for ESPN's and ABC's NBA coverage (including the NBA Finals), as well as co-host of *E:60*. Salters graduated from Penn State, where she played on the women's basketball team.



David Maraniss



Andraya Carter



Lisa Salters



The New York Times congratulates Jenny Vrentas on being named co-recipient of the **2022 NSMA New York Sportswriter of the Year** award.

# National Sports Media Association *JIM NANTZ AWARD*



This marks the 13th year that the NSMA and the Sportscasters Talent Agency of America have partnered on the presentation of the Jim Nantz Award.

The Nantz Award is the culmination of the STAA All-America Competition, which recognizes the most outstanding collegiate radio and TV sports broadcasters. STAA's mission is to encourage collegiate sportscasters to strive to achieve their best.

Each year, the nation's most outstanding collegiate sportscaster is presented the Jim Nantz Award, named in honor of the 2021 NSMA Hall of Fame inductee and five-time National Sportscaster of the Year.

The 2023 Jim Nantz Award is University of Southern California senior, Carlo Jiménez. Congratulations, Carlo!

## 2023 Winner



**CARLO JIMÉNEZ**  
Senior - University of  
Southern California



Jon Chelesnik (left), CEO of STAA, presents the 2022 Nantz Award to Caroline Pineda of Notre Dame University.



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# JIM NANTZ AWARD



Pineda



Hughes



Carter



(Emmer) Storm



Gatter



Appel



Gallanty



Fitzgerald



Lippman



Spaulding



Faust



Cavalier



Twork

## PREVIOUS WINNERS

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

2022 - Caroline Pineda	Reporter and Sideline Assist - NBC Sports
2021 - Evan Hughes - Sr. - Virginia Tech	Asst. Dir of Broadcast Services - Virginia Tech Sports Properties
2020 - Scotty Gange - Sr. - Arizona State University	Sports Reporter/Anchor - KUSA-TV, Denver
2019 - Drew Carter - Sr. - Syracuse University	Play-by-Play/Studio Host - ESPN/ACC Network
2018 - Katie (Emmer) Storm - Sr. - St. Cloud St. U.	Host/Reporter - Bally Sports North, Minneapolis
2017 - Nate Gatter - Jr. - University of Missouri	TV/Radio play-by-Play - KMOX/SEC Network Plus/Freelance
2016 - Josh Appel - Sr. - University of South Florida	PA Announcer - Miami Marlins; Play-by-Play - Sports USA Media
2015 - Eric Gallanty - Sr. - Syracuse University	Play-by-Play, Boston College, Harvard - ACCN Extra, ESPN+
2014 - Kevin Fitzgerald - Sr. - Syracuse University	Play-by-Play Announcer - ESPN, FOX Sports
2013 - Ross Lippman - Sr - Emerson College	Photojournalist - WSBE-TV (PBS), Providence, RI
2012 - Bill Spaulding - Jr. - Syracuse University	Play-by-Play Announcer - NBC (Olympics, T&F), BC, Harvard, Northeastern
2011 - Alex Faust - Jr. - Northeastern University	TV Play-by-Play Announcer - Los Angeles Kings
2010 - John Twork - Sr. - Eastern Illinois University	Online/Print Communications Coordinator - Illinois State University
2009 - Adam Cavalier - Sr. - Marshall University	Assoc. AD, Athletic Comms/External Affairs - Carson-Newman University

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Congratulations

**ROBIN FAMBROUGH**

National Sports Media Association's

**2022 LOUISIANA  
SPORTSWRITER  
OF THE YEAR**



We at The Advocate are grateful to work alongside Robin Fambrough. She is a consummate professional and the best among us.

Robin is the first, last and only authority on Baton Rouge prep sports. Spanning a 30+ year career, she has earned the respect of hundreds of coaches and countless generations of players.

Congratulations Robin - a true Louisiana legend. You deserve this well-earned honor.

- Your colleagues at  
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## NSMA Student Chapters

NSMA's dual mission includes helping students and young professionals. One of the ways we do that is through our student chapter program, which encourages learning from industry professionals and putting into practice what is learned.



## NSMA Student Chapter Spotlight University of Alabama

Under the leadership of founding member Spencer Tomsett, NSMA's University of Alabama student chapter hit it out of the park in its first year, with 40 charter members. Congratulations to all of our Crimson Tide student members for a great first year!

Bama student member, Gianna Lorito, summarized the chapter's first year:

*Launching the Alabama Student Chapter has been nothing but exciting. The organization has grown with the help of the UA Communications department. Our main focus is to provide our members with as many opportunities as possible to help them thrive in their future careers. This starts with getting to know others in the organization as well as professionals in the industry.*

*Along with completing all the requirements to become a campus organization, diligence was also shown to provide our members with guest speakers. Meetings would be held at least once, sometimes twice a month, giving the opportunity for members to connect with great broadcasters. All meetings were held through Zoom due to the out-of-state and busy schedules of our guest speakers. During the meeting, our guest speaker would tell us about their journey and how they got into the industry. This would include certain programs they were a part of in college and internships/opportunities they took in order to get where they are today. At the end of their background story the floor was open to the members where they were able to ask questions to expand their knowledge about the industry. Each guest speaker was encouraging and honest about the challenges they have faced in the industry and how to overcome them. Our members were exposed to various techniques and strategies to prepare and grow to thrive in their future career. The guest speakers we had this semester included Grace Raynor, Kenny Albert, John Strong, and Mike Emrick. The Alabama Student Chapter has expressed immense gratitude to all of our guest speakers who have taken the time to share their story with us and how to be successful in the industry.*

*In the upcoming year, the Alabama Student Chapter hopes to continue to gain more members and spread the passion for sports media across campus. The executive board has been working together in order to have a full launch at the start of next semester by setting up guest speakers from each part of the Sports Media industry, planning events to entice students to join, and share opportunities for members to gain more experience in the career field. We also plan to collaborate with other sports media organizations on campus to make more connections and learn from each other. In the fall we are expected to have an up and running website along with all of our social media accounts featuring the accomplishments of our organization, members, and hosted events along the way. The Alabama Student Chapter aspires to expand the knowledge of sports media to our members by providing them with resources that lead to success.*

# WHAT I LEARNED

## INTERNING FOR THE NSMA

### MIKE COLLINS

Come back in time with me, to the 61st NSMA Awards Banquet on December 13, 2021.

After receiving his Hall of Fame plaque, Jim Nantz of CBS Sports continued his speech, thanking his family and colleagues for the award.

It was my task at that time to take the award to a photo staging area in the next room, where award winners and Hall of Fame inductees posed with their trophies.

However, when I returned to the side of the stage, Nantz looked toward me and asked, “Where did that award go?”

I said, “It’s in the next room where we have a photo shoot set up.”

“Well bring it back out here! I want to see it again,” he said, as he beckoned to his family to join him onstage in the moment.

“You got it,” I responded with a smile, as the crowd laughed.

At awards weekend not everything will go to plan, and all you can do is adapt and smile.

I have been fortunate enough to take part in multiple award weekends with NSMA dating back to 2018, and have always enjoyed the scope of the event as well as the attention to detail. Whether it is putting together centerpieces with other volunteers in the ballroom, stuffing gift bags in the “war” room,



Mike Collins (center) hams it up with New Hampshire Sportscasters of the Year, Justin McIsaac (left) and Mike Murphy (Daniel Coston Photo)

or hauling the registration desk and photo banners to the various event venues of the weekend, all the tasks and to-dos have allowed me to be a part in one of the largest groups of sports media talent you will find anywhere.

I am so thankful that I have gotten to take part in this amazing event for as long as I have. The people I have met, as well as the vast amount of advice, expertise, and knowledge that I have absorbed from meeting so many talented people in the industry will undoubtedly help me pursue my own career in sports media.

As an intern, it is a great weekend to learn and grow and someday I hope to be back, not as an intern, but a winner.

### SARAH GRUBBS

Interning with NSMA in 2022 was one of the most valuable experiences I have had and is something I will carry with me throughout my professional career. My internship taught me the value of keen focus on detail and collaboration. Being able to have a hand in one of the country’s most-prestigious sports media events, meeting top sports media professionals, and working with a talented group of driven individuals was an extremely rewarding experience that enhanced my vision of the sports media industry as a whole.

I was granted the autonomy and freedom to thrive as an intern, but was also constantly motivated and pushed on a daily basis to be the best I could be. The guidance and mentorship are things you cannot find everywhere, and I am thankful to have had a boss who cares so deeply about the sports media industry, the younger generations’ success in the industry, and the city of Winston-Salem. This internship gave me an opportunity to understand the behind-the-scenes of event



Charles Barkley (left) with Sarah Grubbs

planning and marketing and the precious work that goes into planning an event that unites and brings together people from all over the country. I am forever grateful for the opportunity to intern with NSMA and cannot encourage people enough to get involved. It is well worth it.



**A LOOK  
BACK:  
1996**



# CONGRATULATIONS

## Morgan Adsit

NSMA Maryland Sportscaster of the Year



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sports.



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ALABAMA



SPORTSCASTER  
Mike Parris



SPORTSWRITER  
Nubyjas Wilborn

ARIZONA



SPORTSCASTER  
Jody Jackson



SPORTSWRITER  
Doug Haller



SPORTSWRITER  
Craig Morgan

ARKANSAS



SPORTSCASTER  
Kyle Deckelbaum



SPORTSCASTER  
Alyssa Orange



SPORTSWRITER  
Scottie Bordelon

CALIFORNIA



SPORTSCASTER  
Tim Roye



SPORTSWRITER  
Bill Shaikin

COLORADO



SPORTSCASTER  
Romi Bean



SPORTSCASTER  
Conor McGahey



SPORTSWRITER  
Mark Kiszla

CONNECTICUT



SPORTSCASTER  
Matt Finkel



SPORTSWRITER  
Jeff Jacobs

DELAWARE



SPORTSCASTER  
Scott Klatzkin



SPORTSWRITER  
Brad Myers

WASHINGTON DC



SPORTSCASTER  
Grant Paulsen



SPORTSWRITER  
Barry Svrluga



## FLORIDA



SPORTSCASTER  
Gene Deckerhoff



SPORTSWRITER  
Barry Jackson

## GEORGIA



SPORTSCASTER  
Ben Ingram



SPORTSWRITER  
D. Orlando Ledbetter



SPORTSWRITER  
David O'Brien

# 2022 STATE WINNERS

## HAWAII



SPORTSCASTER  
Rob DeMello



SPORTSWRITER  
Jason Kaneshiro

## IDAHO



SPORTSCASTER  
Bob Behler



SPORTSWRITER  
Jordan Kaye

## ILLINOIS



SPORTSCASTER  
Jeff Joniak



SPORTSCASTER  
Leila Rahimi



SPORTSWRITER  
Steve Greenberg



SPORTSWRITER  
Mark Lazerus

## INDIANA



SPORTSCASTER  
Chris Denari



SPORTSWRITER  
Bob Kravitz

## IOWA



SPORTSCASTER  
John Sears



SPORTSWRITER  
Scott Dochterman



# 2022 STATE WINNERS

## KANSAS



SPORTSCASTER  
Wyatt Thompson



SPORTSWRITER  
Jordan Guskey

## KENTUCKY



SPORTSCASTER  
Mike Pratt



SPORTSWRITER  
Jerry Tipton

## LOUISIANA



SPORTSCASTER  
Brooke Kirchhofer



SPORTSWRITER  
Robin Fambrough

## MAINE



SPORTSCASTER  
Dave Peck



SPORTSWRITER  
Steve Craig

## MARYLAND



SPORTSCASTER  
Morgan Adsit



SPORTSWRITER  
Dan Connolly



SPORTSWRITER  
Rich Dubroff

## MASSACHUSETTS



SPORTSCASTER  
Joe Castiglione



SPORTSWRITER  
Karen Guregian

## MICHIGAN



SPORTSCASTER  
Dan Dickerson



SPORTSWRITER  
Brendan Quinn

## MINNESOTA



SPORTSCASTER  
Cory Provus



SPORTSWRITER  
Andy Greder



SPORTSWRITER  
Patrick Reusse

## MISSISSIPPI



SPORTSCASTER  
David Kellum



SPORTSWRITER  
Rick Cleveland



## MISSOURI



SPORTSCASTER  
Dan McLaughlin



SPORTSWRITER  
Katie Woo

## MONTANA



SPORTSCASTER  
Rocky Erickson



SPORTSWRITER  
Victor Flores

## NEBRASKA



SPORTSCASTER  
Doug Duda



SPORTSWRITER  
Evan Bland



SPORTSWRITER  
Stu Pospisil

## NEVADA



SPORTSCASTER  
Kevin Bolinger



SPORTSWRITER  
Adam Hill

## NEW HAMPSHIRE



SPORTSCASTER  
Mike Murphy



SPORTSWRITER  
Benjamin Rosenberg

## NEW JERSEY



SPORTSCASTER  
Eric LeGrand



SPORTSCASTER  
Brendan Kutu

## NEW MEXICO



SPORTSCASTER  
Lee Faria



SPORTSWRITER  
Jason Groves

2022 STATE WINNERS

**NEW YORK**



SPORTSCASTER  
Gary Cohen



SPORTSWRITER  
Mike Vaccaro



SPORTSWRITER  
Jenny Vrentas

**NORTH CAROLINA**



SPORTSCASTER  
Stan Cotten



SPORTSWRITER  
Andrew Carter

**NORTH DAKOTA**



SPORTSCASTER  
Luke Gamble



SPORTSWRITER  
Tom Miller

**OHIO**



SPORTSCASTER  
Chris Welsh



SPORTSWRITER  
C. Trent Rosecrans

**OKLAHOMA**



SPORTSCASTER  
Dave Hunziker



SPORTSWRITER  
Jenni Carlson

**OREGON**



SPORTSCASTER  
Brooke Olzendam



SPORTSWRITER  
Anne Peterson

**PENNSYLVANIA**



SPORTSCASTER  
Scott Franzke



SPORTSWRITER  
Keith Pompey



SPORTSWRITER  
Audrey Snyder

**RHODE ISLAND**



SPORTSCASTER  
Nick Coit



SPORTSWRITER  
Bill Koch

  
**2022 STATE  
WINNERS**

# 2022 STATE WINNERS

## SOUTH CAROLINA



SPORTSCASTER  
Scott Eisberg



SPORTSWRITER  
Jon Blau



SPORTSWRITER  
Grace Raynor

## SOUTH DAKOTA



SPORTSCASTER  
Steve Ammerman



SPORTSWRITER  
Ryan Deal

## TENNESSEE



SPORTSCASTER  
Willy Daunic



SPORTSCASTER  
Pete Weber



SPORTSWRITER  
Mike Organ



## TEXAS



SPORTSCASTER  
Chuck Cooperstein



SPORTSCASTER  
Robert Ford



SPORTSWRITER  
Kevin Sherrington

## UTAH



SPORTSCASTER  
Bill Riley



SPORTSWRITER  
Sarah Todd

## VERMONT



SPORTSCASTER  
Jack Fitzsimmons



SPORTSWRITER  
Alex Abrami



SPORTSWRITER  
James Biggam

## VIRGINIA



SPORTSCASTER  
Bill Roth



SPORTSWRITER  
Andy Bitter



SPORTSWRITER  
Michael Phillips

## VOTING PROCESS

NSMA members in each state nominate up to three people for state and national awards from mid-October through mid-November. The names of the top two state vote-getters and top 10 national vote-getters (plus ties) appear on the final ballot. If a minimum of two candidates fail to earn a minimum number of nomination votes, that category requires a write-in vote on the final ballot. National Board members supply the 10 Hall of Fame finalists.

Final ballot voting is conducted throughout the month of December. In the event of ties, a tiebreaker vote is conducted. If there is still a tie after the tiebreaker vote, that contest is declared a tie and the candidates are declared co-winners.

## WASHINGTON



SPORTSCASTER  
Chris Egan



SPORTSWRITER  
Gregg Bell

## WEST VIRGINIA



SPORTSCASTER  
Paul Swann



SPORTSWRITER  
Luke Creasy

## WISCONSIN



SPORTSCASTER  
Sophia Minnaert



SPORTSWRITER  
Eric Nehm

## WYOMING



SPORTSCASTER  
Kent Smith



SPORTSWRITER  
Jack Nowlin

2022 STATE  
WINNERS



# WHAT THEY WERE SAYING...



"I have been attending and bringing my students from Austin Peay State University to the NSMA Weekend since 2012. The event keeps getting bigger and better and more beneficial for my students. I notice a definite change in their work ethic and passion for this business when we return to campus and start the new academic year. Dave Goren and his army of volunteers go out of their way to make this a special occasion for everyone in attendance."

- **Barry Gresham**, *Asst. prof. of Sports Communication, Austin Peay State University*

"Thank you. We loved every minute. Outstanding job."

- **Keith Murphy**, *2021 Iowa Sportscaster of the Year*

"Great job by the NSMA staff on another successful weekend."

- **Zach Mackey**,  
*2021 Montana Sportscaster of the Year*

"My first time at this Awards weekend/convention was amazing. I loved getting to connect with industry folks from all over the country and hearing more about their stories. I feel like I left with a dozen new friends."

- **AJ McCord**, *2021 Oregon Sportscaster of the Year*

"The weekend was truly unforgettable. Being in the room with so many people who are so passionate about what we all do was special. I work for my own reasons, but selfishly, in the back of my mind I hope my work earns me a trip to the NSMA awards every year. The national speeches were incredible and still have me shaking with a gauntlet of emotions. Thank you!" - **Brad Galli**, *2021 Michigan Sportscaster of the Year*

"Terrific job by all as usual. Kudos to Dave and the excellent volunteers."

- **John Nicholson**,  
*broadcasting consultant*

"Awesome, awesome event last night. Was great to see/hear from so many titans in the industry. You and your team do an outstanding job. Please let me know how the Dash can support in the future. Thank you for the work put in to make the event so special."

- **Josh Strickland**,  
*Winston-Salem Dash (White Sox High-A affiliate)*

"Where do I begin? Thank you so much for a great weekend at the NSMA Awards Summit. When an event supersedes the accolades I have heard for almost 50 years, I'd say you have a wonderful success in your hands. Everyone was fantastic. You and your staff were meticulous. Thank you so much. I truly had a terrific time and quickly developed a very high regard for what the NSMA stands for."

- **Jim Paschke**, *2021 Wisconsin Sportscaster of the Year*

"The whole weekend and experience was awesome."

- **Joe Person**, *2021 North Carolina Sportswriter of the Year*

"Great show, wonderful honorees & stories. Knocked it out of the park."

- **Mike Wilson**, *Bermuda Run, NC resident*

"... wanted to extend my great thanks for having me out tonight. It was an amazing opportunity to meet some interesting people and I loved every second of it. The event was FANTASTIC. Truly awesome. Thanks so much for including me."

- **Essex Thayer**, *Wake Forest University student*

"A wonderful event."

- **Elizabeth Singer**, *mother of 2021 Colorado Sportswriter of the Year, Mike Singer*

As a young HBCU student being given this opportunity was truly remarkable. In the future, I am sure other students would see a major benefit from the experience! Thank you again!"

- **Aisha Frazier**, *NC A&T State University senior*

"I just wanted to thank you for such an amazing event! As a guest, I've never attended this function and it did not disappoint. It was so inspiring meeting so many who work in sports journalism and seeing the dedication and passion it takes to succeed in this profession. So as an "outsider," I just wanted to say thank you for a fabulous weekend. All the hard work you put into this event was definitely noticed and appreciated!!"

- **Christi Sloan**, *guest of 2021 West Virginia Sportswriter of the Year, Grant Traylor*

## 2023 NSMA Hall of Fame Inductee

# LEE CORSO

Lee Corso, one of college football's most entertaining analysts, is a long-time member of ESPN's college football team. He is best known for serving as an analyst on the eight-time Emmy-Award winning College GameDay, the network's signature Saturday morning show originating from the site of one of the day's best storylines. In addition to his regular Saturday mornings, Corso has appeared across ESPN's vast number of studio shows over the years and been a constant at ESPN's biggest college football events, including numerous national championships.

Corso joined ESPN in 1987 and is the only original College GameDay on-air personality remaining on the show (he was a contributor in 1987-88 and joined as an analyst in 1989). He joined ESPN after 28 years as a coach at the college and professional levels, including 17 seasons as a head coach.

Corso's headgear selection at the end of each College GameDay has proven to be among the most-popular parts of the show. Through the end of 2022, Corso had an all-time record of 264-131. He had donned more than 60 different headgears.

Corso has been honored with two prestigious awards: the US Sports Academy Ronald Reagan Media Award given to those who have made outstanding contributions to sport through broadcasting, print, photography or acting and the National College Football Awards Association Contributions to College Football Award recognizing exceptional contributions to college football and a lifetime of achievement and integrity. He also received the 2011 Jake Wade Award presented to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution in the media to the field of intercollegiate athletics. In 2012, Corso received many additional honors: the Over the Mountain Touchdown Club Lifetime Achievement Award; earned an Honorary Doctorate and was the commencement speaker at Florida State; and was named the Liberty Bowl Distinguished Citizen Award.

In 2001, Sporting News magazine selected Corso as the 17th most influential person in college football. The magazine in January 2004 ranked Corso and fellow GameDay personalities – Chris Fowler and Kirk Herbstreit – as 2003's "Most Powerful Media Personalities in Sports."

GameDay has won a Sports Emmy in 2007, 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. In 2006, College GameDay received the National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame's Outstanding Contribution to Amateur Football Award.

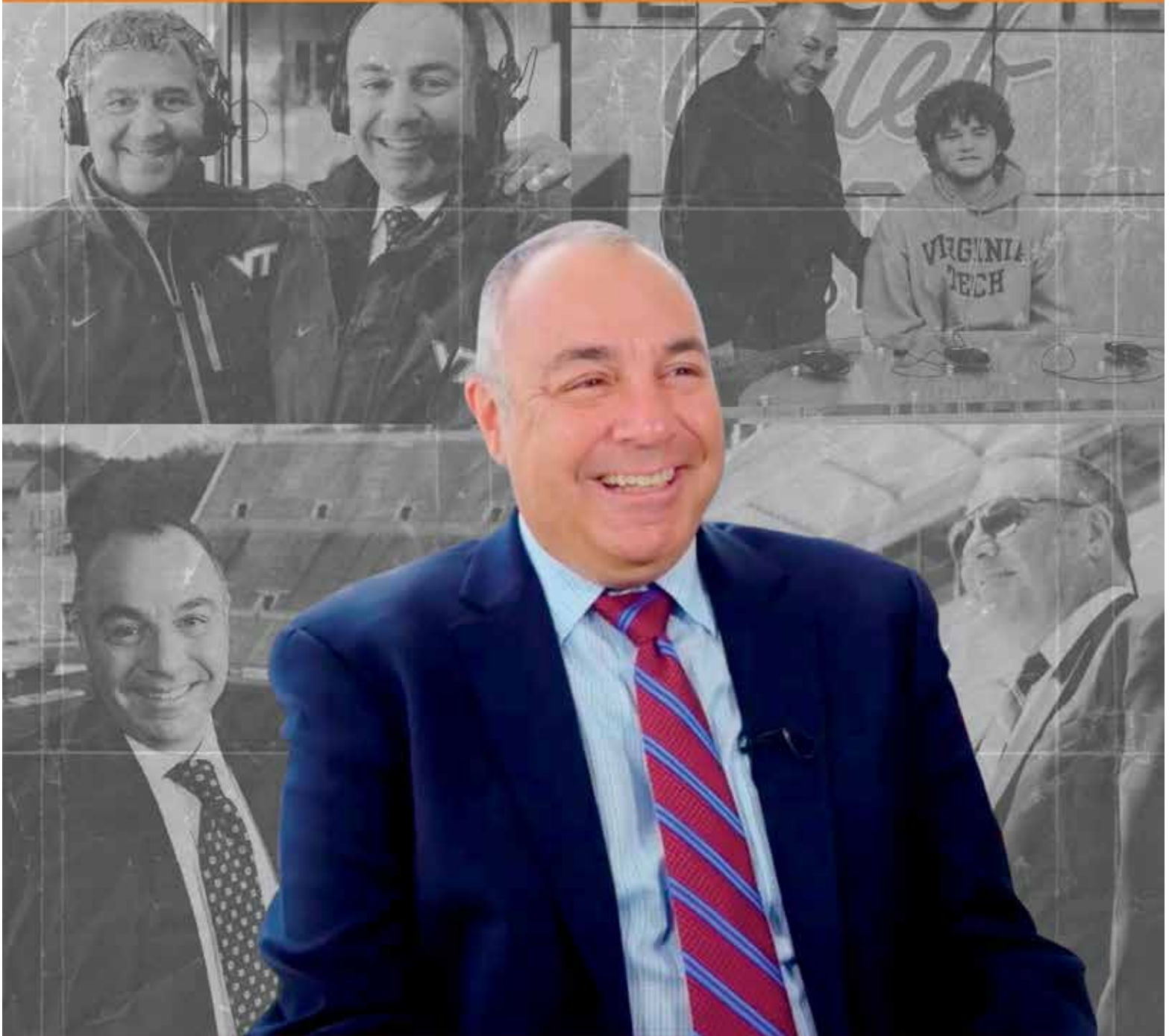
Corso was head coach of the Louisville Cardinals for four seasons (1969-72), and in that short span took the Cardinals to the 1970 Pasadena Bowl. It was the first Louisville football bowl appearance since 1958. During his time at Louisville, Corso compiled a 28-11-3 mark and captured two Missouri Valley Conference Championships (1970 & '71). He then moved to Indiana in 1973 where he spent 10 seasons as the head coach of the Hoosiers, leading the school to their first bowl victory in 75 years, a 38-37 decision over previously unbeaten Brigham Young in the 1979 Holiday Bowl. Corso coached Northern Illinois in 1984 before taking over the reins of the Orlando Renegades of the United States Football League (USFL) in 1985 for one season. He began his

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## Hall of Fame Sportscaster

Virginia Tech School of Communication congratulates



# BILL ROTH

VIRGINIA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR

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## 2023 NSMA Hall of Fame Inductee

Born in 1920, Roger Angell was an American essayist known for his writing on sports, especially baseball. He was the only writer ever elected into both the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the Baseball Hall of Fame. He was a regular contributor to *The New Yorker* and was its chief fiction editor for many years.

He also wrote numerous works of fiction, non-fiction, and criticism, and for many years wrote an annual Christmas poem for *The New Yorker*.

His mother, Katharine Sergeant Angell White, was *The New Yorker's* first fiction editor. And his stepfather was renowned essayist E. B. White. His biological father, Ernest Angell, was an attorney who became head of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Angell attended Harvard University and served in the United States Army Air Forces during World War II. It was during this time, while serving in Hawaii that his contribution was published in *The New Yorker*, his short story titled "Three Ladies in the Morning" was published in March 1944.

Angell's first writing job was at *Holiday Magazine*, a travel magazine that featured literary writers. His earliest published works were pieces of short fiction and personal narratives, several of which were collected in *The Stone Arbor and Other Stories* (1960) and *A Day in the Life of Roger Angell* (1970).

He became *The New Yorker's* fiction editor in the 1950s, sharing an office with his mother, and continued to write for the magazine until 2020. "Longevity was actually quite low on his list of accomplishments," wrote his colleague, David Remnick. "He did as much to distinguish *The New Yorker* as anyone in the magazine's nearly century-long history. His prose and his editorial judgment left an imprint that's hard to overstate."

Angell's foray into baseball began in 1962, when William Shawn, editor of *The New Yorker*, had him travel to Florida to write about spring training. His first two baseball collections were *The Summer Game* (1972) and *Five Seasons: A Baseball Companion* (1977).

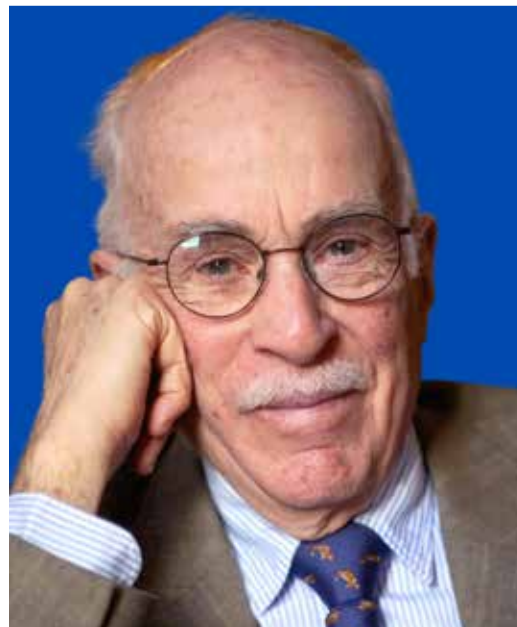
Angell has been called the "Poet Laureate of baseball" but he disliked the term. In a review of *Once More Around the Park* for the *Journal of Sport History*, Richard C. Crepeau wrote that "Gone for Good," Angell's essay on the career of Pirates' pitcher Steve Blass, "may be the best piece that anyone has ever written on baseball or any other sport".

Another essay of Angell's, "The Web of the Game", about the epic pitchers' duel between future major-league All-Stars (and eventual teammates) Ron Darling and Frank Viola in the 1981 NCAA baseball tournament, was called "perhaps the greatest baseball essay ever penned" by ESPN journalist and NSMA board member Ryan McGee in 2021. Angell also contributed commentary to the Ken Burns series *Baseball*, in 1994.

Angell received a number of awards for his writing, including the George Polk Award for Commentary in 1980, the Kenyon Review Award for Literary Achievement in 2005 along with Umberto Eco, and the inaugural PEN/ESPN

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# ROGER ANGELL



## Hall of Fame Sportswriter

**The Post and Courier**

# CONGRATULATIONS

Jon  
Blau

**On behalf of The Post and Courier**

we celebrate Jon as the  
2022 NSMA South Carolina  
Sportswriter of the Year.

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Jon Blau has covered  
Clemson athletics for The  
Post and Courier since 2021.



## 2023 NSMA Hall of Fame Inductee

Born in Canada in 1936, Patrick Daniel “Dan” Kelly was best known as the national network play-by-play announcer for National Hockey League games on CBS, the NHL Network, USA Network, as well as several Canadian TV networks.

He was also the radio voice of the St. Louis Blues from early in their existence (the late 1960s) until his death in 1989.

In addition to his 21 seasons broadcasting the Blues, he broadcast 16 Stanley Cup Finals between 1969 and 1988. He was also the lead play-by-play announcer of the 1987 Canada Cup, and also the lead play-by-play hockey announcer for CTV at the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary.

His voice allowed him to project above the roaring crowds at the NHL arenas, acknowledging that his booming call, “HE SHOOTS, HE SCORRRRES!” was patterned after that of the famous long-time NHL announcer Foster Hewitt.

Kelly called two of the most famous goals in hockey history. One was Bobby Orr’s Cup-winning overtime goal in 1970:

“Bobby Orr... behind the net to Sanderson to OOOORR! BOBBY OOOORR! . . . scores, and the Boston Bruins have won the Stanley Cup!”

The other was Mario Lemieux’s goal with 1:26 remaining in the decisive game 3 of the 1987 Canada Cup:

*“Hawerchuk wins it ahead, here’s Lemieux poking it to center. Lemieux ahead to Gretzky, has Murphy with him on a 2-on-1. To Lemieux. In on goal. He shoots! HE SCORES!! Mario Lemieux, with 1:26 remaining!”*

Kelly was also in the booth for another Stanley Cup winning goal, calling the action for CBS as Bob Nystrom won the Cup for the Islanders in 1980:

*“Islanders’ number 10, Henning to Tonelli. Here’s Tonelli with Nystrom. The pass to Nystrom -- HE SCOOORES! BOB NYSTROM! And the New York Islanders have won the Stanley Cup!”*

He also called a Stanley Cup semifinal in 1971 at Chicago Stadium (nicknamed “The Madhouse on Madison”). When the Blackhawks scored an empty-netter to clinch the series, he yelled, “I can feel our broadcast booth shaking! That’s the kind of place Chicago Stadium is right now!”

Besides hockey, Kelly also broadcast NFL for CBS Sports, as well as Missouri Tigers football, St. Louis Cardinals baseball and St. Louis Cardinals football for St. Louis radio station KMOX at different times in his career. Dan also broadcast the 1964 Grey Cup from Toronto along with Don Whitman and Bud Grant.

Kelly died on February 10, 1989 from lung cancer. His sons, John and Dan, have been broadcasting NHL games for various NHL franchises, including the Blues, for whom John is currently doing the television play-by-play.

Several months after his death, Kelly was the posthumous recipient of the Lester Patrick Trophy and the Foster Hewitt Memorial Award. And in 2006, the St. Louis Blues dedicated the Enterprise Center press box in honor of Kelly.

# DAN KELLY



## Hall of Fame Sportscaster

CONGRATULATIONS  
**BEN INGRAM**

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The Atlanta Braves congratulate  
Ben Ingram on being elected the 2022  
NSMA Georgia Sportscaster of the Year



## 2023 NSMA Hall of Fame Inductee

Bill Plaschke has been an L.A. Times columnist since 1996. He has been named national sports columnist of the year eight times by the Associated Press Sports Editors (20 times in the Top Ten), and twice each by the Society of Professional Journalists and National Headliner Awards.

Plaschke was born and raised in Louisville, Kentucky. He received his bachelor's degree in mass communications from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, where he was the sports editor of the school newspaper. During part of his college career, because he had so little money, he lived in a church basement next to an oil refinery. He has credited this experience for his love of telling stories of forgotten members of society.

Following graduation, Plaschke spent time as a sportswriter in Ft. Lauderdale and Seattle, before hooking on with the L.A. Times in 1987. He mainly covered the Dodgers until he was promoted to sports columnist in 1996.

He is the author of five books, including a collection of his columns entitled, "Plaschke: Good Sports, Spoil Sports, Foul Ball and Oddballs." Plaschke is also a panelist on the popular ESPN daily talk show, "Around the Horn."

For his community service, he has been named Man of the Year by the Los Angeles Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and has received a Pursuit of Justice Award from the California Women's Law Center. Plaschke has appeared in a movie ("Ali"), a dramatic HBO series ("Luck") and, in a crowning cultural moment he still does not quite understand, his name can be found in a rap song "Females Welcome" by Asher Roth.

# BILL PLASCHKE



**Hall of Fame  
Sportswriter**



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**ERIC LEGRAND**

On being named the 2022 NSMA New Jersey  
Sportscaster of the Year

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Lifetime Achievement Award for Literary Sports Writing in 2011. He was a long-time ex-officio member of the council of the Authors Guild, and was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2007. His article This Old Man in The New Yorker on his “challenges and joys of being 93” garnered the National Magazine Award for Essays and Criticism in 2015.

He was inducted into the Baseball Reliquary’s Shrine of the Eternals in 2010, and he was the 2014 recipient of the J. G. Taylor Spink Award of the Baseball Writers’ Association of America; despite being a New Yorker writer, he was nominated by the San Francisco–Oakland chapter. In 2015 he was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Letters, a unique combination with the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Angell was married three times and was the father of three children.

He died of congestive heart failure at his home in Manhattan on May 20, 2022, at the age of 101.

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coaching career as an assistant coach for 11 seasons (1958-68) at Florida State, Maryland and Navy. In addition, from January-July 1991, Corso served as General Manager of the World League’s Orlando Thunder.

Corso received four varsity letters in both football and baseball at Florida State. He is a member of the Halls of Fame at Florida State University, University of Louisville and Indiana University. Corso was also inducted into the state of Florida Sports Hall of Fame in St. Petersburg and most recently into the Kentucky Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2006, he received the Florida State Alumni Association’s Gold Medal, the highest alumni honor.

A graduate of Florida State, Corso earned a bachelor of arts degree in physical education and a master’s degree in administration and supervision. Corso is director of business development for Dixon Ticonderoga, Heathrow, Fla., an international diversified manufacturer and marketer of writing and arts products.



# 63rd National Sports Media Association

## AWARDS SCHEDULE



## SATURDAY JUNE 24

Pickups as needed – Piedmont Triad International Airport, Greensboro (GSO)

- Noon Registration begins - Winston-Salem Marriott lobby (425 N. Cherry St.)
- 3:30- 5:30pm Welcome Reception for award winners, presenters, their guests, local hosts, and other attendees.  
Hearn Ballroom Foyer, Winston-Salem Marriott, 425 N. Cherry St, 2nd Floor (Dress is business casual)
- 6:30-9pm Welcome Dinner, followed by program, Hearn Ballroom, Marriott (Dress is business casual)
- 9pm-11pm Networking after party –Hearn Ballroom (Dress is business casual)

## SUNDAY, JUNE 25

- 7am-10am Breakfast at hotel (award winners give name and room number at Butcher & Bull host stand when entering)
- 9am-1pm Sports Media Convergence Summit I (seminars, panels, and critiques, targeted at young sports media professionals and students), Marriott, 425 N. Cherry St, Hearn Ballrooms, 2nd Floor - Dress is business casual)
- 2-5pm Sports Book Festival at Bookmarks & Social Gathering at Footnote, 638 W. 4th St., Winston-Salem (Dress is casual)
- 2-5pm Wake Forest Athletics campus tour for Award winners and their guests (Shuttles run from Bookmarks and Marriott)
- 6:30-9pm LEGACY NIGHT: the presentation of the Roone Arledge Award for Innovation and NSMA's new awards, Gallery at the Benton (Dress is Business casual)
- 9:30-midnight Networking after party – Rooftop Bar at ROAR, 633 N. Liberty St. (Dress is business casual)



## **MONDAY, JUNE 26**

Pickups as needed – Piedmont Triad International Airport, Greensboro (GSO)

- 7am-10am Breakfast at hotel (award winners give name and room number at Butcher & Bull host stand when entering)
- 8am - 4pm Sports Media Convergence Summit (seminars, panels, and critiques, targeted at young sports media professionals and college students) - Marriott, 425 N. Cherry St, Hearn Ballrooms, 2nd Floor - (Dress is business casual)
- 5-6:30 63rd NSMA Awards Reception - Benton Convention Center, 301 W. Fifth St.  
(Dress: business attire for men/business or cocktail attire for women)
- 6:45-10:30pm Dinner and 63rd NSMA Awards Banquet - Benton Convention Center, 301 W. Fifth St.  
(Dress is business attire for men; business or cocktail attire for women).
- 11pm-1am Networking after party - Butcher and Bull Restaurant, Marriott

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

Drop-offs as scheduled – Piedmont Triad International Airport, Greensboro (GSO)

Breakfast at hotel (award winners give name and room number at Butcher & Bull host stand when entering)



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# 2022-23 College Basketball Coach Of The Year

## BIG HOUSE GAINES AWARD

### RODNEY TERRY

DIVISION I • UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS



Rodney Terry was named the 26th head coach in Men's Basketball program history at The University of Texas on March 27. Terry, who turned 55 on the date of the announcement, had held the title of Interim Head Coach since Jan. 5.

Terry was previously named Acting Head Coach at The University of Texas a few hours prior to the Dec. 12 home game against Rice. He later was named Interim Head Coach for the remainder of the 2022-23 season on Jan. 5. Beginning with a home overtime win against Rice on Dec. 12, Terry guided the Longhorns to a 22-8 record that included the Big 12 Tournament title and a run to the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight.

A former head coach at Fresno State and UTEP for a combined 10 seasons, he sports an overall head coaching career record of 185-164 (.530) in 11 total years. Terry, who has 28 years of collegiate coaching experience including nine as an assistant previously with the Longhorns from 2002-11, was in his second year as Associate Head Coach at Texas prior to being named Interim Head Coach.

Terry was tabbed 2023 Sporting News National Coach of the Year, becoming the first coach in program history to earn the prestigious honor. He also was one of 20 finalists for the Jim Phelan National Coach of the Year Award and one of 25 finalists for the Ben Jobe National Coach of the Year.

Prior to returning to Austin, Terry spent three seasons (2018-21) as the head coach at UTEP and posted a 29-27 record in his final two years in El Paso. He worked for seven years (2011-18) as the head coach at Fresno State University, guiding the Bulldogs to an overall record of 126-108. He posted 20-win seasons in four of his last five years and double-digit win totals in Mountain West Conference play in each of his last four seasons.

Terry spent nine seasons (2002-11) as an assistant coach under Rick Barnes at The University of Texas.

For seven weeks prior to coming to UT, Terry served on Jerry Wainwright's staff at the University of Richmond after spending the previous four seasons under Wainwright at UNC Wilmington.

Prior to his time at UNCW, Terry served two years as an assistant coach at Baylor University (1996-98).

He spent one season (1995-96) as the varsity coach at Angleton (Texas) High School and two years as the head coach at Somerville (Texas) High School. Terry posted a 15-13 mark at Angleton and a 49-21 overall record at Somerville, where he led the school to the Class 2A state semifinals in 1993-94. He also worked for two years (1991-93) as an assistant coach at Austin Bowie (Texas) High School.

A native of Angleton, Texas, Terry started his coaching career as an assistant coach at his alma mater, St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. He worked for one season (1990-91) at St. Edward's before moving on to his post at Bowie High.

Terry graduated from St. Edward's University in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in business administration and a minor in physical education. During his collegiate career, he was a three-year starter at point guard and a three-time Academic All-Big State Conference selection. The Hilltoppers won the Big State Conference title during his freshman season in 1986-87, and he also served as team captain during his junior and senior campaigns.



# 2022-23 College Basketball Coach Of The Year **BIG HOUSE GAINES AWARD**

## **TYNESHA LEWIS**

DIVISION II • ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY

In just her second season as the head women's basketball coach at Elizabeth City State University (NC), Tynesha Lewis led the Lady Vikings to their first Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) Women's Championship with a 20-11 overall record. This win led to the Lady Vikings receiving their first NCAA D-II regional appearance in school history.

Drafted by the Houston Comets as the 31st pick in the 2001 WNBA Draft, Lewis went on to play in the WNBA for six seasons. Her career is highlighted by two seasons with the Comets in 2001-03, two seasons with the Charlotte Sting in 2003-05, and spending her final season in the league with the Minnesota Lynx in 2005-06.

She brings a wealth of experience as a player at the highest level of women's basketball competition in America.

The North Carolina State University graduate was a four-time All-ACC selection helping to lead the Wolfpack to the Final Four in 1998 and a Sweet Sixteen appearance in 2001. She left her mark on the program ranking 1st in triple-doubles recording the only two triple-double performances in school history at that time (male and female programs). Her career averages were 13.2 points, 5.3 rebounds, 2.8 assists, and 1.3 steals; highlighted by 1,621 career points.

Lewis spent three seasons as an assistant women's basketball coach at North Carolina Central University in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. She has previous coaching experience as a women's basketball assistant coach at Illinois State University in 2012-13. She was also a graduate assistant at her alma mater, N.C. State.

As a coach, she says she is "committed to placing emphasis on leadership, communication, and being results-oriented". Her coaching experience includes scouting, player development, game day analytics, recruiting, building relationships, and more.

The Macclesfield, North Carolina native brings an abundance of knowledge on and off the court to ECSU with four academic degrees.

She graduated from North Carolina State with a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry in 2001. In 2004 she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Science from NC State. She earned her Master's Degree in Business Administration in 2006 from American InterContinental University and continued her education earning a second Master's Degree in Education/Curriculum with a concentration in Integration of Technology in 2013.



## *About The Clarence "Big House" Gaines Awards*

*The Clarence "Big House" Gaines College Basketball Coach of the Year Awards are presented to the head coach in NCAA Divisions 1 and 2, who may not earn recognition from mainstream outlets. An NSMA committee votes on the awards at the conclusion of the NCAA men's and women's tournaments. The Awards are presented at the annual NSMA Awards Banquet.*

*Gaines was the head basketball coach at Winston-Salem (NC) State University for 47 seasons. His teams won 828 games, including the 1967 NCAA Division II National Championship. That team was led by Earl "The Pearl" Monroe, who went on to an NBA Hall of Fame career. Among other notable players Gaines coached were Cleo Hill, the first NBA first-round draft choice from a historically Black college or university, and sports media personality Stephen A. Smith. A former president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC), Gaines was elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame in 1982. He died in 2005.*



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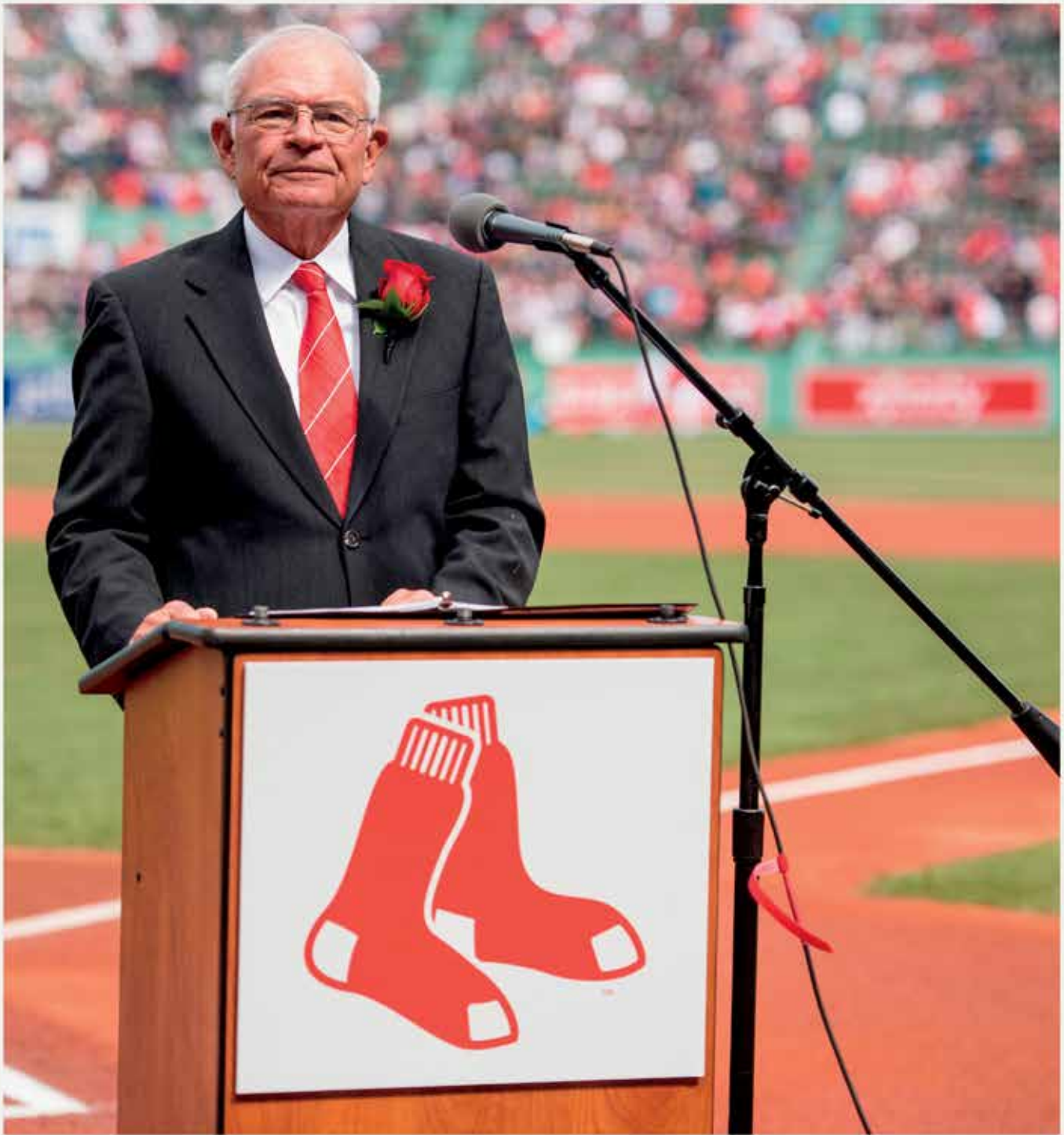
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The Boston Red Sox congratulates Joe Castiglione on being elected 2022 Massachusetts Sportscaster of the Year





# 2022 NATIONAL SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR

## IAN EAGLE

Ian Eagle joined CBS Sports in March 1998 as a play-by-play announcer for the CBS Television Network's coverage of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship. He has called play-by-play for the Network's coverage of the National Football League since 1998, and served as pregame and postgame host contributor during the Network's coverage of Super Bowl LV, Super Bowl LIII and Super Bowl 50. This season Eagle again teams with Charles Davis and Evan Washburn to form the Network's No. 2 NFL ON CBS announce team. From 2014-19, he and Dan Fouts teamed together to form the No. 2 NFL ON CBS announce team calling one of the Network's top Sunday game most weeks. In addition, Eagle called the Network's high definition television coverage of the 2001 AFC Divisional Playoffs and 2000 AFC Championship Game, as well as the Army-Navy football game for seven years (2002-08), NCAA Track and Field Championships for eight years (2004-12) and served as the studio host for the "U.S. Open Late Night Highlight Show" during 2004 and 2005. Eagle called play-by-play for the "First Four" of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship in 2012, 2015 and 2018. He has called play-by-play and been a contributor for CBS Sports' coverage of the U.S. Open Tennis Championships (2004-14), as well as the French Open for the Tennis Channel (2007-19). Eagle also has called the Masters® and PGA Championship for Direct TV/CBSSports.com (2008-14).

Eagle also calls New York Jets' pre-season games on WCBS-TV in New York, and has served as play-by-play announcer for Westwood One Radio Sports Thursday Night NFL Broadcasts since 2009. He served in the same role for Westwood One Radio Sports during its NCAA Tournament coverage (2008-17). From 2005-08 he hosted the NBA show "Full Court Press" on Sirius Radio. Eagle once again called the NBA playoffs for TNT, serving in a more prominent role throughout the 2021 Playoffs, and NBA TV. He covered the 2012 NBA Draft on CBSSports.com along with Bill Raftery. Eagle served as the host of 'Stars on Sports' on CBS, featuring stars of movies, television and music. He also has hosted a show for CBSSports.com, "Conversations



with CBS Sports," which featured interviews with David Stern, Gary Bettman, George Brett, Boomer Esiason and others. He is the play-by-play voice of the video game, "NBA Playgrounds," and was the play-by-play voice of "NBA '09" with Kenny "The Jet" Smith for the Sony PSP video game.

Eagle also served as the blow-by-blow commentator for CBS Sports' coverage of the Showtime Championship Boxing series in 2000. He has served as the play-by-play announcer for the NBA's Brooklyn Nets television broadcasts since 1995, after having called play-by-play for radio broadcasts the previous year. Eagle was nominated for an Emmy Award for Outstanding Sports Personality – PLAY-BY-PLAY in 2014 and 2018. He won a New York Sports Emmy for Outstanding Play-by-Play announcer

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# 2022 NATIONAL SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR

## KEN ROSENTHAL

Ken Rosenthal is the senior baseball writer for The Athletic and a two-time Sports Emmy Award-winner as a reporter and insider for FOX Sports' Major League Baseball coverage. He's spent nearly 35 years covering the major leagues, and he's served as the network's reporter for the MLB postseason since 2006.

On-air since 2005, he delivers weekly pregame reports and serves as a roving reporter during featured matchups on FOX and FS1. Rosenthal has been a major part of MLB Network's programming since 2009, contributing to a wide array of baseball programming throughout the year. In August 2017, he joined The Athletic as a senior baseball writer, covering the latest stories from around the league.

Rosenthal won back-to-back Emmy Awards in 2015 and 2016 in the category of Outstanding Sports Personality – Sports Reporter.

During the 2011 season, Rosenthal became active with "The Bow Tie Cause," a philanthropic initiative created by Cincinnati Bengals linebacker Dhani Jones in honor of Jones' best friend who was diagnosed with lymphoma in 1999. Jones' company produces bow ties that represent a number of nationally known charities, from Livestrong to Ronald McDonald House to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Rosenthal wears a charity's bow tie during each MLB on FOX game that he works and talks about the cause in addition to how fans can offer support during the broadcast.

He spent the early years of his professional career as a baseball writer and columnist at The Baltimore Sun (1987 -2000). Simultaneously, he was a contributor to Sports Illustrated from 1990 to 2000, serving as one of 12 national writers providing weekly notes during baseball season. Rosenthal was named Maryland Sportswriter of the Year five times while at the Sun. He also spent five years as senior baseball writer at The Sporting News, writing a weekly column for the magazine, as well as breaking news and writing features for its web site.



When he's not tweeting (@Ken\_Rosenthal) the latest inside information to MLB diehards, Rosenthal is a frequent contributor to Fox Sports Radio, and had a 14-year run as a radio personality in Baltimore on WJFK-AM and WBAL-AM.

Rosenthal also has authored or contributed to three books. "Chicken Soup for the Baseball Fan's Soul" was released in 2001, while "Best of the Best-35 Major League Superstars", which was produced in partnership with and licensed by MLB Properties, Inc., was published in 1998. His third book, "Dean Smith: A Tribute", was published in 2001. One claim to fame: His laptop once got smashed by a Cal Ripken foul ball.



# 2022 NATIONAL SPORTSWRITER OF THE YEAR

## PETE THAMEL

Pete Thamel is a college football senior writer for ESPN. One of the industry's most widely respected reporters, Thamel covers college football year-round for ESPN, as well as some college basketball.

A top news-breaker and storyteller, Thamel joined ESPN in January 2022. His multi-platform role includes writing for ESPN and ESPN+, and appearing on studio programs – College GameDay, SportsCenter, College Football Live, Get Up, and more. His day-to-day news reporting appears on ESPN.com, while a majority of his features and non-news reporting are part of ESPN+.

An award-winning reporter, Thamel joined ESPN from Yahoo Sports where he covered college sports and the NFL since 2017. Thamel also worked for five years as a senior writer at Sports Illustrated, covering college football and basketball, and he previously spent nine years as the national college sports reporter for the New York Times.

A member of the Football Writers Association of America, Thamel has earned numerous FWAA writing awards the past decade and a half. He's won numerous APSE awards, including first place for beat reporting in 2017 and breaking news in 2011. In 2006, the New York Times nominated him for a Pulitzer Prize for national reporting.

Thamel attended Syracuse University and graduated from the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

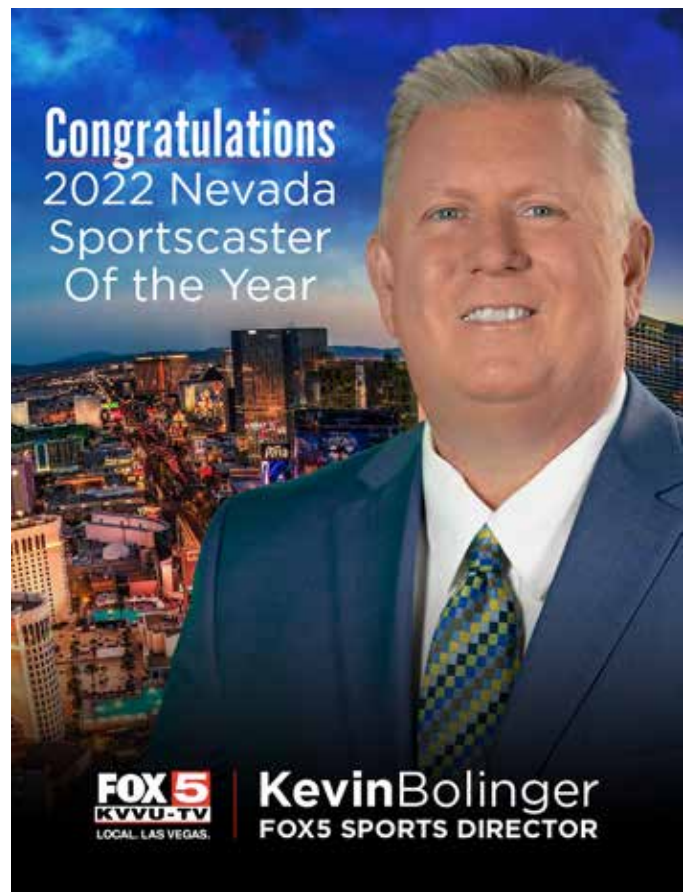


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(2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019). Eagle was named the New York Sportscaster of the Year by the National Sports Media Association (formerly known as National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association (NSSA)) in 2013, 2014, 2016, 2018 and 2019. In 2002 he won a New York Sports Emmy Award for game coverage of the dramatic Nets-Indiana Pacers playoff Game 5. He was the play-by-play radio voice for the NFL's New York Jets in 1997, provided play-by-play for FOX Sports Net on NFL Europe telecasts, and was also a reporter for TNT's coverage of the NBA playoffs in 1996. Eagle joined WFAN Radio in New York in 1990 as a producer and debuted as host of his own show in 1992. He hosted Jets pre- and post-game shows on WFAN from 1993 to 1996. Eagle has appeared in a comedy sketch on THE LATE SHOW WITH STEPHEN COLBERT, and was in the movie "Southpaw."

For 15 years Eagle hosted, along with Bruce Beck, the "Bruce Beck and Ian Eagle Sportscasters Camp" for kids (2002-16).

A 1990 graduate of Syracuse University, Eagle was the play-by-play voice of the Orange for football, basketball and lacrosse, and was awarded the Bob Costas Award for Outstanding Sportscasting. In August 2013, he was inducted into Syracuse University radio station WAER's Alumni Hall of Fame. Eagle lives in Essex Fells, N.J., with his wife, Alisa. He has two children.





# Congratulations to Robert Ford!

2022 NSMA Texas Sportscaster of the Year

From the Radio Home of The Houston Astros



# GENE DECKERHOFF

## 2022 NSMA SPORTSCASTER OF THE YEAR

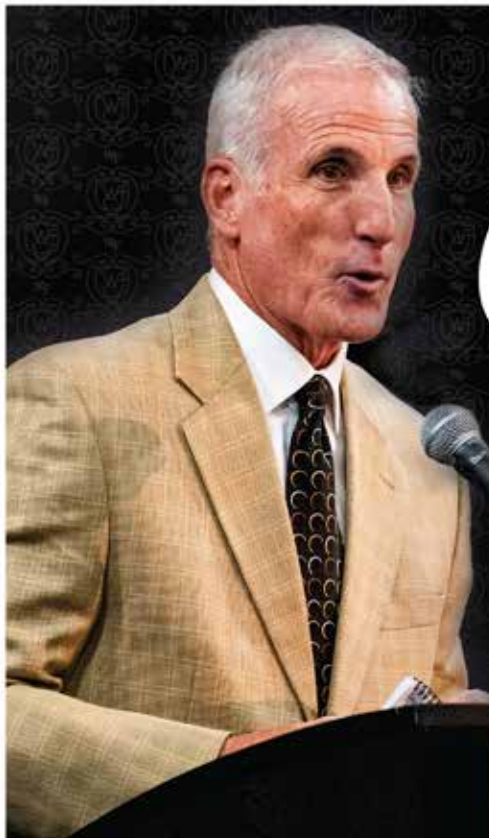


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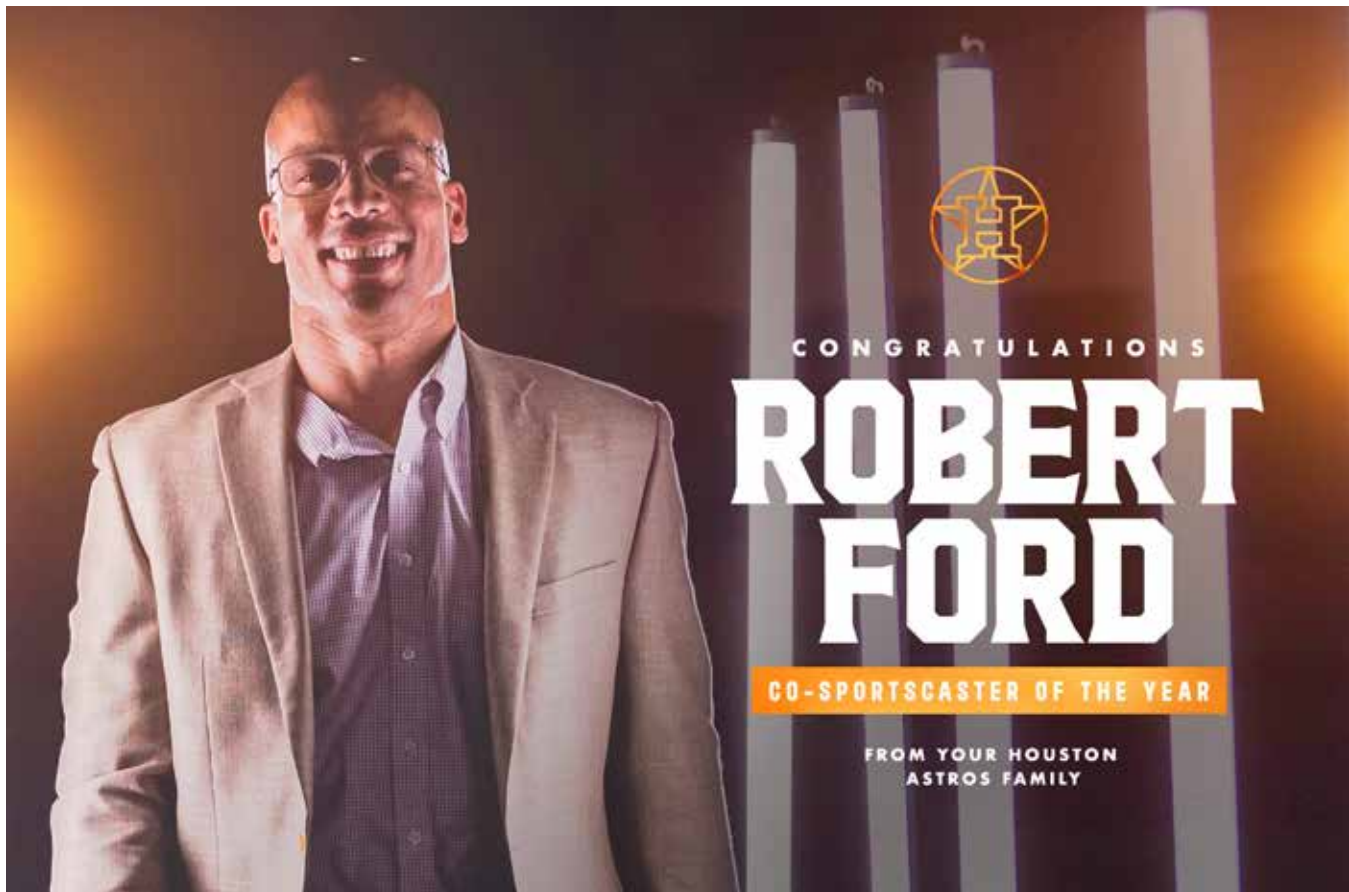
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# NSMA's Sports Media CONVERGENCE SUMMIT

The NSMA's Sports Media Convergence Summit is a series of seminars and panels presented by veteran sports media industry professionals, targeted at college students and young professionals. This year, thanks to the generosity of an increased number of NSMA award winner volunteers, we have added a half day to the Summit.

In addition to the panels and seminars, students and young professionals are also able to play/show samples of their work, while NSMA award winners and other industry veterans give constructive criticism and provide suggestions on how to improve.

These invaluable tools help NSMA fulfill the educational half of our mission.



Lesley Visser (right) gets a laugh from fellow Hall of famers, Jackie MacMullan (left), and Curry Kirkpatrick.



2021 Oregon Sportscaster of the Year, AJ McCord and Kentucky Sportscaster of the Year, Kendrick Haskins give advice during #NSMASummit22.



NSMA interns and volunteers get ready for #NSMASummit22.



Students and young professionals listen during #NSMASummit22.



(right) 2021 Tennessee Sportswriter of the Year, Maurice Patton and Delaware Sportscaster of the Year, Gary Laing kick off #NSMASummit22.

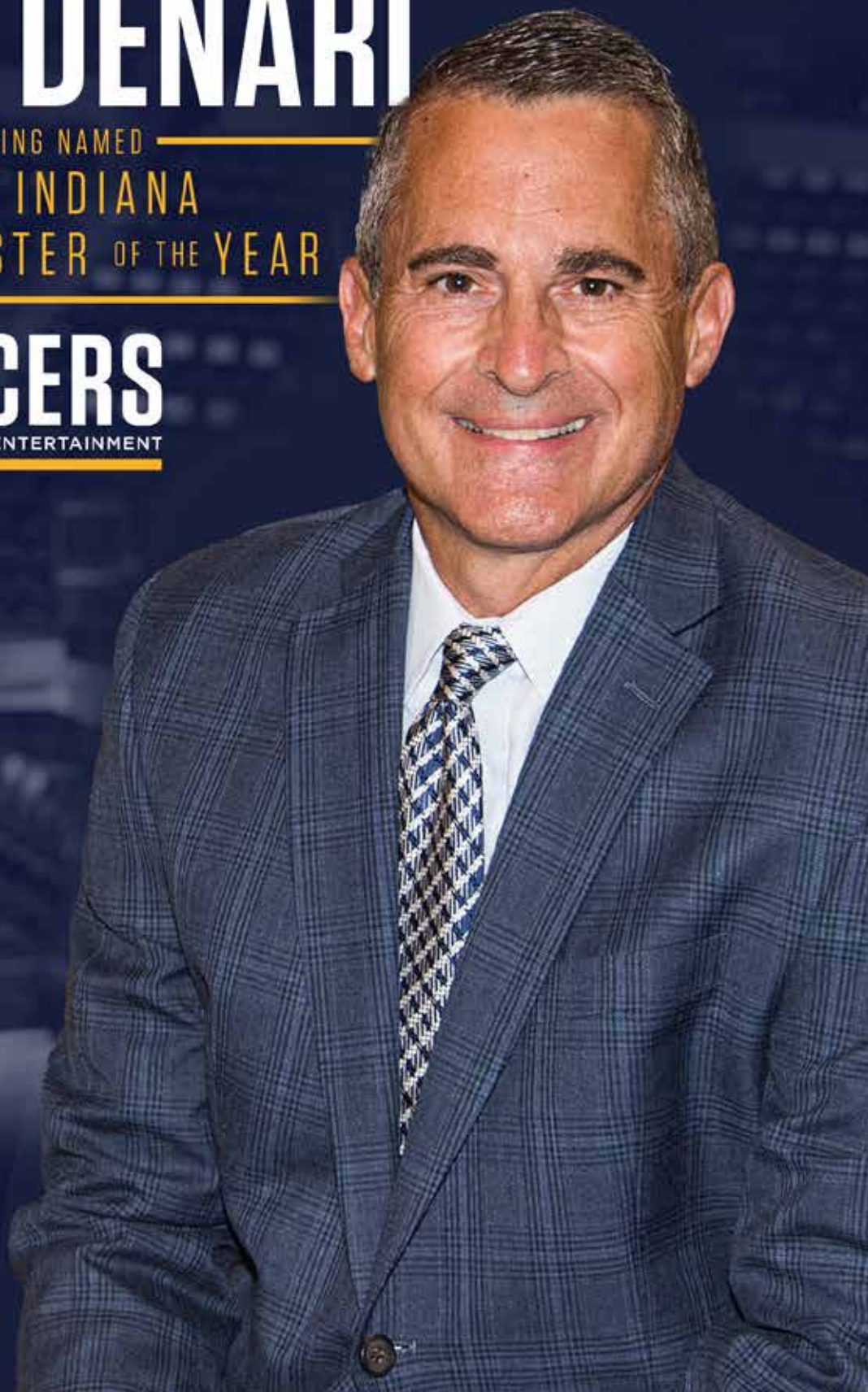


2021 National co-Sportscaster of the Year, Ernie Johnson advises attendees at #NSMASummit22.

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# Rich Chvotkin

2023 WOODY DURHAM VOICE OF COLLEGE SPORTS AWARD

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# Woody Durham

## VOICE OF COLLEGE SPORTS AWARD



The Woody Durham Voice of College Sports Award was established in 2018 to honor a professional play-by-play announcer calling games for a college or university and exemplifies the following traits:

- Preparation
- Association with his/her school
- Tenure
- Efforts in the community
- Mentorship of young broadcasters
- Character

Learfield and the University of North Carolina athletics department are co-sponsors of the award, named for Durham, the legendary Tar Heels' play-by-play announcer, who called UNC football and basketball games for 40 years.

Durham, a 13-time North Carolina Sportscaster of the Year – he won his first two times as a sports anchor at WFMY-TV in Greensboro -- was inducted into the NSMA's Hall of Fame in 2018.

### ALL-TIME DURHAM AWARD WINNERS

2022 Joe Starkey  
University of California

2021 Gene Deckerhoff  
Florida State University

2020 Johnny Holliday  
University of Maryland

2019 Bill Hillgrove  
University of Pittsburgh

2018 Don Fischer  
Indiana University



**2023 Winner**

**RICH CHVOTKIN**  
**GEORGETOWN**  
**UNIVERSITY**

The National Sports Media Association is honored to present Rich Chvotkin, radio play-by-play voice of Georgetown University men's basketball, with the 2023 Woody Durham Voice of College Sports Award.

No one was broadcasting Georgetown games when Chvotkin approached the Hoyas' sports information director and asked about filling that void. After submitting a demo tape, Chvotkin then teamed with athletic director Frank Rienzo and head coach John Thompson to find a radio station that would carry the games. WOOK-AM signed on, Chvotkin called his first game on December 7, 1974, and since then, has called every Hoyas' game (more than 1,500), with the exception of the 1990-91 season. That year, Chvotkin, who has served as a psychotherapist with the U.S. Army, was deployed to Saudi Arabia during the Gulf War.

Among Chvotkin's highlights calling Georgetown games:

- Four Final Fours, including the 1984 NCAA championship;
- All 143 games that Patrick Ewing played for Georgetown and all 184 games that Ewing coached for the Hoyas;
- Seven Big East tournament titles.

Rich and his wife Lynn live in Potomac, MD. They are the parents of two sons, Lorin and Evan, and one daughter, Pamela.

# 2023 Roone Arledge Award



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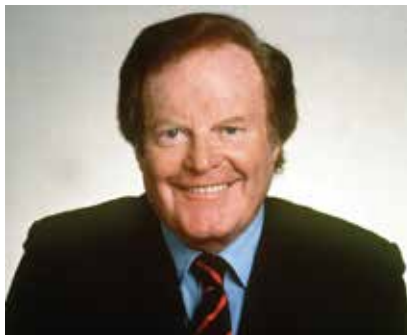


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## SPORTS JOURNALISM INSTITUTE

Sports Journalism Institute, a training and internship program that has been instrumental in helping women and people of color prepare for sports media careers, is the recipient of the National Sports Media Association's Roone Arledge Award for Innovation. Co-founders Leon Carter and Sandy Rosenbush started the program with the idea of enhancing racial and gender diversity in U.S. sports departments.

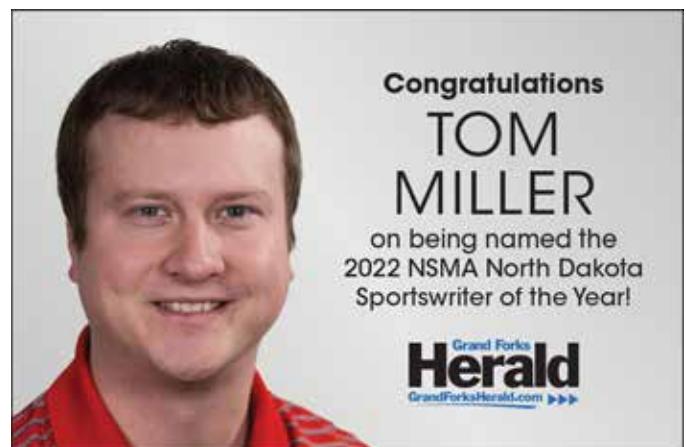
SJI is in its 31st year of placing talented students in internship programs at sports media outlets throughout the country. Among their 350-plus alumni are NSMA State Sportswriter of the Year award winners Rachel Bachman (Oregon, 2009), Eduardo Encina (Maryland, 2016), and Marcus Thompson (California, 2021).

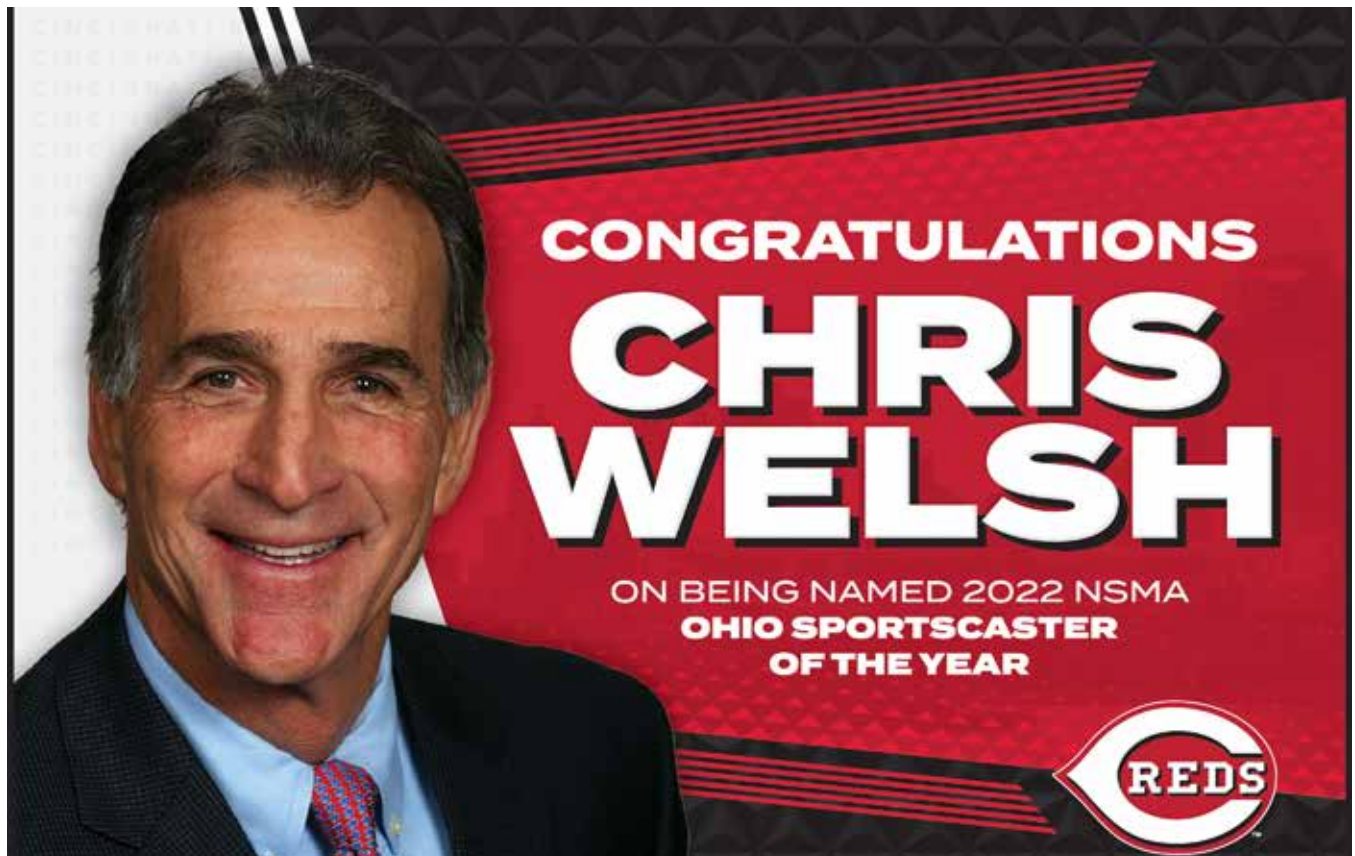


ROONE ARLEDGE

The Roone Arledge Award for Innovation was created in 2015 to recognize people or entities who have contributed new ideas to sports media. The award is named for the former president of ABC News and ABC Sports, who developed such lasting innovations as the sideline camera, the underwater camera, Wide World of Sports, and the "up close and personal" production of major sporting events. Previous winners of the Arledge Award were:

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| 2015 - Roone Arledge (posthumous) | 2019 - International Sports Properties (ISP) |
| 2016 - The Boston Globe           | 2021 - Neil Leifer                           |
| 2017 - The Players' Tribune       | 2022 - Jayne Kennedy                         |
| 2018 - Raycom Sports              |  |







## 2023 HICKOK BELT MONTHLY WINNERS

- April – Jon Rahm, Golf
- March – Mikaela Shiffrin, Skiing
- February – Damian Lillard, Basketball
- January – Mikaela Shiffrin, Skiing



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ANNUAL WINNER 2022

# Aaron Judge (BASEBALL)

## PAST ANNUAL WINNERS

- 2021 - Shohei Ohtani, Baseball
- 2020 - Patrick Mahomes, Football
- 2019 - Kawhi Leonard, Basketball

- 2018 - Patrick Mahomes, Football
- 2017 - José Altuve, Baseball
- 2016 - Michael Phelps, Swimming

- 2015 - Steph Curry, Basketball
- 2014 - Madison Bumgarner, Baseball

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**CBS COLORADO**

# HALL OF FAME GALLERY



**1962**  
Grantland Rice



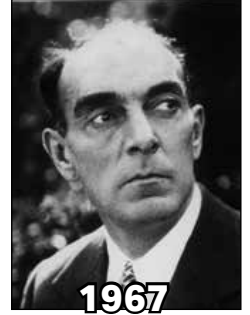
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Graham McNamee



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Damon Runyon



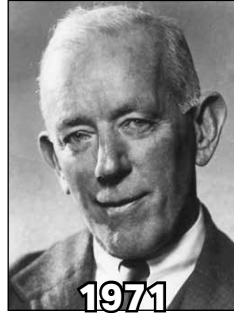
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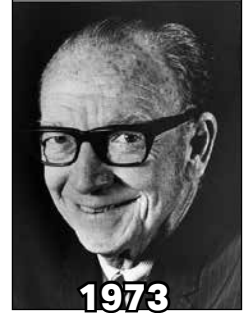
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Clem McCarthy



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John Kieran



**1972**  
Mel Allen



**1973**  
Walter Lanier 'Red' Barber



**1973**  
Arch Ward



**1974**  
Bill Stern



**1974**  
Stanley Woodward



**1975**  
Russ Hodges



**1975**  
Dan Parker



**1976**  
Arthur Daley



**1976**  
Jay Hanna 'Dizzy' Dean



**1977**  
Walter Wellesley 'Red' Smith



**1978**  
Jim Murray



**1978**  
Jesse Owens



**1979**  
Lindsey Nelson



**1979**  
John Wayne



**1980**  
Bob Considine



**1980**  
Lou Gehrig



**1981**  
Curt Gowdy

# HALL OF FAME GALLERY



**1981**  
Chris Schenkel



**1982**  
Ray Scott



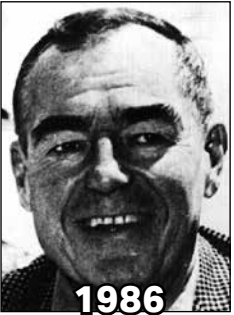
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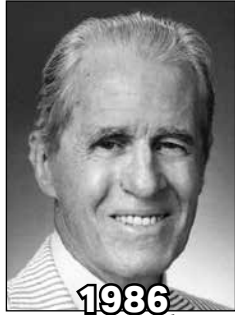
**1984**  
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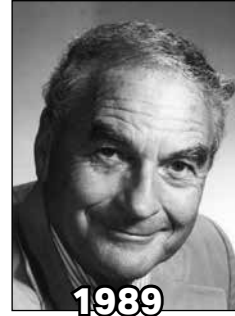
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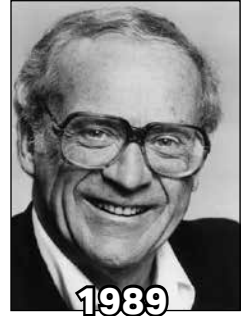
**1988**  
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Jack Buck



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Knute Rockne



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Ronald Reagan



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Blackie Sherrod



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Vin Scully



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Marty Glickman



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# HALL OF FAME GALLERY



**1994**  
Edwin Pope



**1994**  
John Carmichael



**1994**  
Pat Summerall



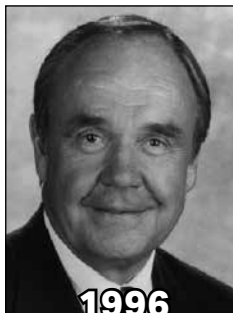
**1995**  
Keith Jackson



**1995**  
Mel Durslag



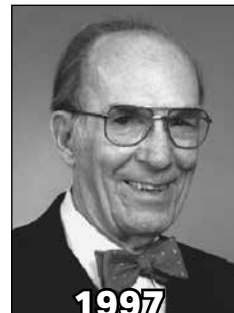
**1996**  
Dan Jenkins



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Dick Enberg



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Francis Dayle 'Chick' Hearn



**1997**  
Robert Wiley Broeg



**1998**  
Al Michaels



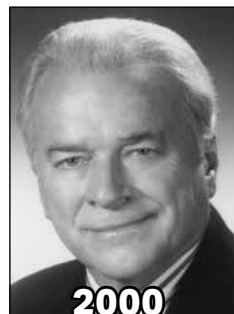
**1998**  
Frank Deford



**1999**  
John Steadman



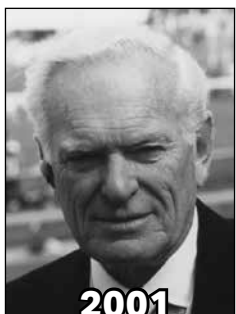
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Jon Miller



**2000**  
Jim Simpson



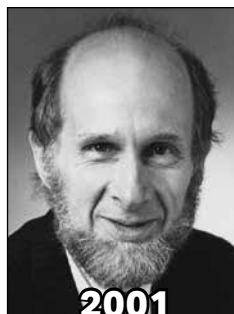
**2000**  
Jerry Izenberg



**2001**  
Jack Whitaker



**2001**  
W. C. Heinz



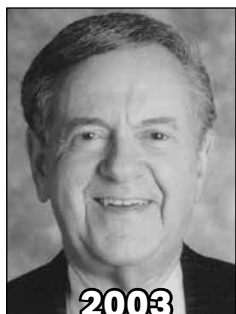
**2001**  
George Vecsey



**2002**  
Bob Murphy



**2002**  
Bud Collins



**2003**  
Bob Wolff



**2003**  
Will McDonough



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Joe Garagiola



**2004**  
Jerome Holtzman



**2005**  
Marty Brennaman

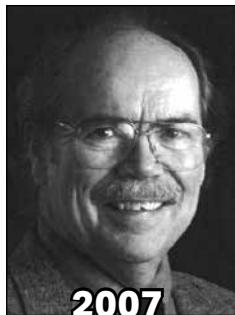
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Sally Jenkins



**2007**  
Verne Lundquist



**2007**  
Dave Kindred



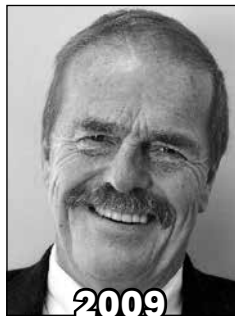
**2008**  
Harry Kalas



**2008**  
Mary Garber



**2009**  
Larry Munson



**2009**  
Leigh Montville



**2010**  
John Madden



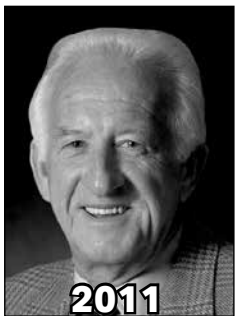
**2010**  
Peter Gammons



**2011**  
Brent Musburger



**2011**  
Bob Ryan



**2011**  
Bob Uecker



**2012**  
Bob Costas



**2012**  
John Feinstein



**2013**  
Mitch Albom



**2013**  
Dick Vitale



**2014**  
Marv Albert



**2014**  
Rick Reilly



**2015**  
Dick Schaap



**2015**  
Hal McCoy



**2015**  
Bill Raftery



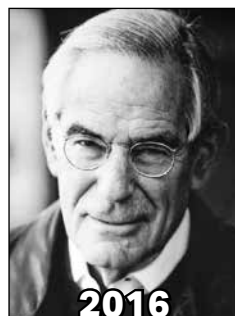
**2015**  
Lesley Visser



**2016**  
Billy Packer

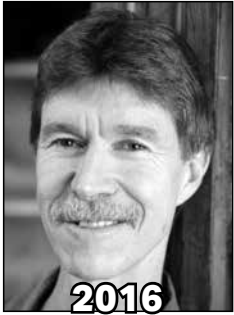


**2016**  
Chris Berman



**2016**  
David Halberstam

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**2016**  
Gary Smith



**2017**  
Frank Gifford



**2017**  
Linda Cohn



**2017**  
Mike Lupica



**2017**  
Sam Lacy



**2018**  
Woody Durham



**2018**  
Bryant Gumbel



**2018**  
Thomas Boswell



**2018**  
Dick Weiss



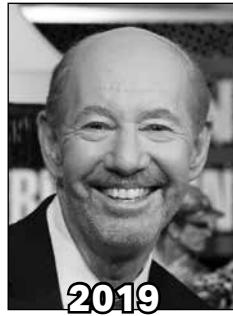
**2019**  
Bob Ley



**2019**  
Mike 'Doc' Emrick



**2019**  
Peter King



**2019**  
Tony Kornheiser



**2020**  
Cawood Ledford



**2020**  
Dan Patrick



**2020**  
Michael Wilbon



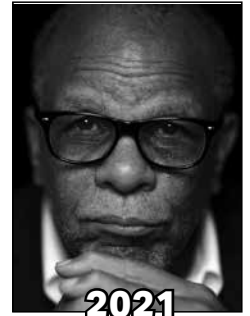
**2020**  
Skip Caray



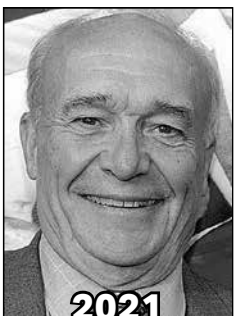
**2020**  
Tom Verducci



**2020**  
Dick Young



**2021**  
William C. Rhoden



**2021**  
William Nack



**2021**  
Rick Telander



**2021**  
Larry Merchant

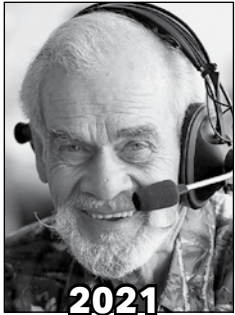


**2021**  
Jim Nantz



**2021**  
Dick Stockton

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**2021**

Bill King



**2022**

Curry Kirkpatrick



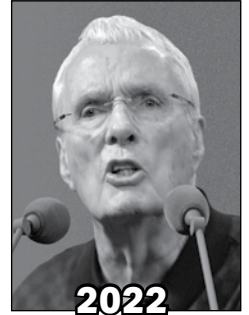
**2022**

Stuart Scott



**2022**

Jackie MacMullan



**2022**

Hubie Brown



**2023**

Lee Corso



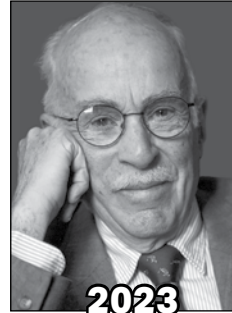
**2023**

Dan Kelly



**2023**

Bill Plaschke



**2023**

Roger Angell

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The Athletic  
Pennsylvania Sportswriter of the Year



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The New York Times  
New York Sportswriter of the Year



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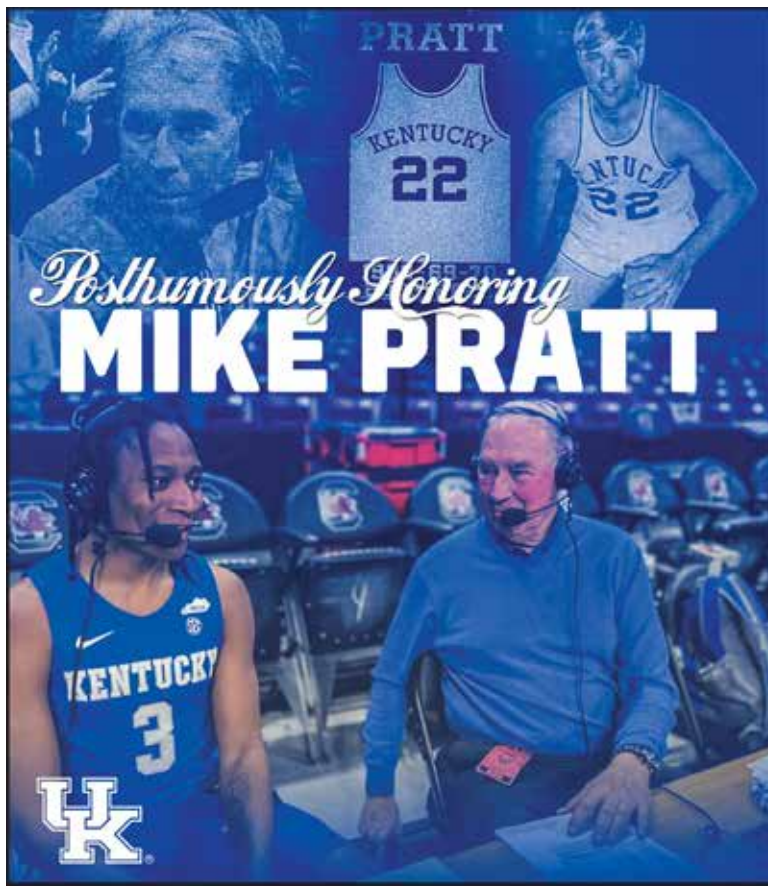
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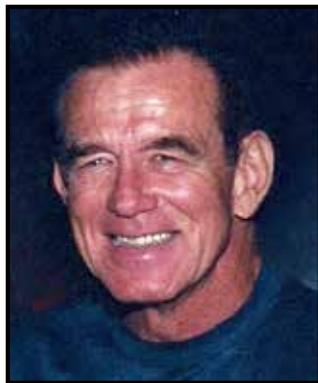


# NSMA REMEMBERS

*The NSMA remembers our colleagues who have left us during the past year, memorializing them in these pages, hoping that their lives and accomplishments will never be forgotten.*



VIN SCULLY



TIM MCCARVER



BILLY PACKER

**STEVE BISHEFF** - covered Southern California sports for 42 years at three outlets

**JEFF CHARLES** - longtime play-by-play voice of East Carolina Univ. and two-time NSMA North Carolina Sportscaster of Year

**LEN DAWSON** - former Chiefs' quarterback who became a Kansas City local radio/TV sportscaster, as well as longtime host of HBO's Inside the NFL

**DIRK FACER** - 27 years at the Deseret News; four-time NSMA Utah Sportswriter of Year

**ANDY GARDINER** - USA Today and Burlington Free Press sportswriter; four-time Vermont Sportswriter of Year

**JOE GODDARD** - 42-year baseball writer at the Chicago Sun-Times

**HANK GOLDBERG** - Longtime South Florida radio and ESPN sportscaster

**JERRY GREEN** - Detroit News columnist for 43 years; covered 56 straight Super Bowls; 11-time NSMA Michigan Sportswriter of Year

**JANE GROSS** - Newsday and New York Times writer; first woman in pro basketball lockerrooms

**FRED HICKMAN** - TV sportscaster best-known for his work as CNN's Sports Tonight co-anchor in 1980s

**RICK HUMMELL** - 50 years as baseball writer for St. Louis Post-Dispatch; three-time NSMA Missouri Sportswriter of the Year.

**NEIL KERR** - covered high school sports for Syracuse Post-Standard for nearly 50 years

**GWEN KNAPP** - prominent sports reporter and columnist at Philadelphia Inquirer and San Francisco Chronicle

**JIM LEAHEY** - 35 years as Univ. of Hawaii TV play-by-play broadcaster and 17-time NSMA Hawaii Sportscaster of Year

**TIM MCCARVER** - former MLB catcher who went on to serve as analyst for all four major US networks

**MIKE NOLAN** - Denver TV sportscaster who won 1987 NSMA Colorado Sportscaster of Year

**BILLY PACKER** - longtime college basketball analyst on NBC and CBS; NSMA Hall of Famer

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**BILL SCHONELY** - 29-year play-by-play broadcaster for Portland Trail Blazers; 3-time NSMA Oregon Sportscaster of Year

**VIN SCULLY** - 67-year Dodgers broadcaster; four-time NSMA National Sportscaster of Year; NSMA Hall of Famer

**DON SHANE** - longtime local TV sportscaster in Chicago, Boston, and Detroit; 2012 NSMA Michigan Sportscaster of Year

**MIKE SHANNON** - former Cardinal third baseman-turned-broadcaster; three-time NSMA Missouri Sportscaster of Year

**JOHN UNDERWOOD** - longtime Sports Illustrated reporter; co-wrote autobiographies with Ted Williams, Bear Bryant

**GRANT WAHL** - longtime Sports Illustrated reporter, collapsed and died while covering World Cup in Qatar

**DAVE WILLS** - 29 years as radio play-by-play broadcaster for White Sox and Rays



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*Mike Parris*

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- Professor
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- Mentor to many
- Father and family man

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