

# COUGAR ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

## CLASS OF 96

### Introductions:

MICHAEL BISEK: Mike has been a valuable asset to Kennedy High School. The entire Kennedy community owes a great debt to Mike for his service to our students, parents, coaches, and staff. He works and volunteers at Kennedy. Mike retired from Iowa Manufacturing after 40 years as a draftman in the engineering department. Mike and wife, Myron, have 3 children. Please help me show our appreciation to Mike by welcoming him to our Hall of Fame. Hall of Famer - Michael Bisek!

BOB BROOKS: Bob is currently the Sports Director for KHAK FM radio in Cedar Rapids and has been since January, 1977. His start in radio was at the age of 17. He was attending Franklin High School in Cedar Rapids when he first started volunteering his voice and services at WSUI in Iowa City.

Bob earned his title as "Dean of Iowa Sportscasters" in 1980. He is viewed as a leader in his field, winning such awards as "Announcer of the Year seven times, Cedar Rapids Sports Club Sportsman of the Year, and was named head of the Big-10 Radio Play-by-Play Association. Bob has given himself to high school sports for nearly 50 years!

Bob is being honored tonight for his commitment and dedication to our area young people. The Cougars have always appreciated his support and dedication to our athletes. He has always been there to help high school sports and athletes. Please help me welcome Bob to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Bob Brooks!

COACH JERRY MAUREN: Coach Mauren is completing his 25th year of teaching and coaching at Kennedy High School. He is a native of Wyandotte, Michigan where in high school he starred in football, basketball and baseball. Jerry was recruited to the University of Iowa to play football and baseball. He lettered 3 times in baseball and twice in football. His senior year, he was named the captain of the Hawkeye football team. Jerry earned his bachelor degree from the University of Iowa and his master degree from the University of Northern Iowa.

Coach Mauren taught and coached at 5 different schools during his career. He began as an assistant football coach at Upper Iowa University. He moved to New Hampton High School as the head football and track coach. He was the head football and track coach at Waterloo Columbus High School for 3 years. After his time in Waterloo, Coach Mauren spent 3 years at Washington High School as an assistant football and sophomore baseball coach. He was named the head football coach at Kennedy High School in 1970. He did an outstanding job as our football coach for six seasons.

Jerry and his wife, Charleen, have three sons: Michael, Mathew, and Max. Please help me welcome Jerry to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Coach Jerry Mauren!

LINDA SMITH: Linda is a 1982 graduate of Kennedy High School. She earned 7 varsity letters while competing in: volleyball, basketball and softball. Linda was an outstanding softball pitcher. Her senior year, she led the softball team to its only appearance at the State Softball Tournament. Linda was named as All-State player her senior year. Linda was a member of the National Honor Society and she was named as the Co-Female Athlete of the Year in 1982.

After an outstanding high career at Kennedy, Linda attended and graduated from Iowa State University with a bachelor of science degree in physical education and coaching. Linda started and coached the varsity volleyball program at Hubbard High School for two years. Currently, Linda lives in Union, Iowa with her husband, Charlie and her two daughters, Jessica (7 years old) and Nicole (4 years old). Linda is active as a volunteer at her church and in the community. Please help me welcome Linda to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Linda Smith Haywood!

RICK NETOLICKY: Rick is a 1968 graduate of Kennedy High School. He was a two-sport athlete during his high school career competing in wrestling and baseball. As a baseball player, Rick was named 2nd team All-State his senior year. He was named the Senior Athlete of the Year in 1968.

After an outstanding high school career, Rick went to play baseball at Upper Iowa University. At Upper Iowa, Rick earned All District Honors in 1970, 1971 and 1972. In 1972, Rick was named an All-American! He earned his bachelor of science degree in 1972 and his master's degree in Educational Administration in 1986 from Northeast Missouri State University.

Rick is a veteran teacher-coach in the Cedar Rapids Community Schools. He has taught physical education at Harrison Elementary for 24 years. Rick has coached baseball at Washington High School for the last 19 years; the last 9 years as the head coach! His 1994 Washington baseball team was the 4A State Champions! Rick was named the District and State Coach of the Year in 1994!

Rick and wife Jan, a Cougar alumni of the Class of 1969, who teaches at Harding Middle School, have three sons: Bryan, a freshman at the University of Iowa; and Greg and Chad who attend Washington High School. Please help me welcome Rick to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Rick Netolicky!

KEVIN KILEY: Kevin is a 1972 graduate of Kennedy High School. He specialized in basketball during his high school career. Kevin was a highly energized guard who was noted for his ball handling, passing and his scoring. Under his leadership, his basketball team won the State Championship in 1972!

After graduating from Kennedy, Kevin attended Coe College where he led his basketball teams to 4 consecutive NCAA tournaments. His senior year at Coe, he was named the Captain of the All Conference Team. Kevin earned his bachelor degree in education and he taught for 2 years and was in sales for 12 years. Now, Kevin owns and operates Kenwood Records Management Inc. in Cedar Rapids. He and his wife, Janis, have 3 children. Please help me welcome Kevin to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Kevin Kiley!

LINDA CUNNINGHAM: Linda is a 1977 graduate of Kennedy High School. She was a three sport athlete during her high school career: basketball, cross country and track. She excelled in all three sports! During her senior year, Linda was named to the 2nd Team All-State Basketball Team and she place 2nd in the State in the 880 yard run. She was invited to run the 880 yard run in the International Track and Field Invitational in Chicago during the summer of 1977. Linda was named the Female Athlete of the Year for 1977.

After an outstanding high school career, Linda played basketball at Mt Mercy College in Cedar Rapids. For the past 15 years, Linda has been employed by the United States Postal Service. She currently is a supervisor of customer service. Linda and her husband, Don, have four children: Jill, Ryan, Emily, and Elaine. Please help me welcome Linda, all the way from Gilbert, Arizona, to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Linda Cunningham Kazmierczak!

DON GREENWOOD: Don is a 1971 graduate of Kennedy High School. He was a three sport athlete during his high school career: football, basketball and track. In football, Don was honored by being named to All-Metro, All Mississippi Valley Conference and All-State Football teams. He was active in student government, the Lettermens' Club and the National Honor Society at Kennedy!

Don attended Iowa State University on a football scholarship where he helped the Cyclone football team gain national attention by playing in the Sun and Liberty bowls under Coach Johnny Majors! He earned his bachelor of science degree in Civil Engineering in 1976. He obtained his E.I.T. Certificate in 1977.

He has worked in the construction field his entire career. He is currently the vice-president of construction services with Burns and McDonnell Engineering Company in Kansas City, Missouri. Don and his wife, Sharon, a Cougar alumni, have two children, Daniel and Kathryn. Please help me welcome Don, all the way from Kansas City, to the Cougar Hall of Fame! Hall of Famer - Don Greenwood!

MARK VOTROUBEK: Mark is a 1970 graduate of Kennedy High School. He was a three sport athlete during his high school career. He excelled in football, basketball and track. In football, Mark was named to the first team All Mississippi Valley Conference teams as a defensive back and receiver and to the 2nd Team All-State team. In track, Mark was a state champion in the low hurdles his sophomore and senior seasons. He was a Drake Relays champion in the high hurdles and he set the all time record in the event.

Mark attended Iowa State University on a football scholarship where he helped the Cyclone football team gain national attention by playing in the Sun and Liberty bowls under Coach Johnny Majors! Mark and Don Greenwood were high school and college teammates. Mark earned his bachelor of science degree in the college of Business and Marketing.

Mark has worked in business and management during his business career. He presently employed is with Skogman Realty. Mark has two children: Brent and Spencer. Please help me welcome Mark to the Cougar Hall of Fame. Hall of Famer - Mark Votroubek!