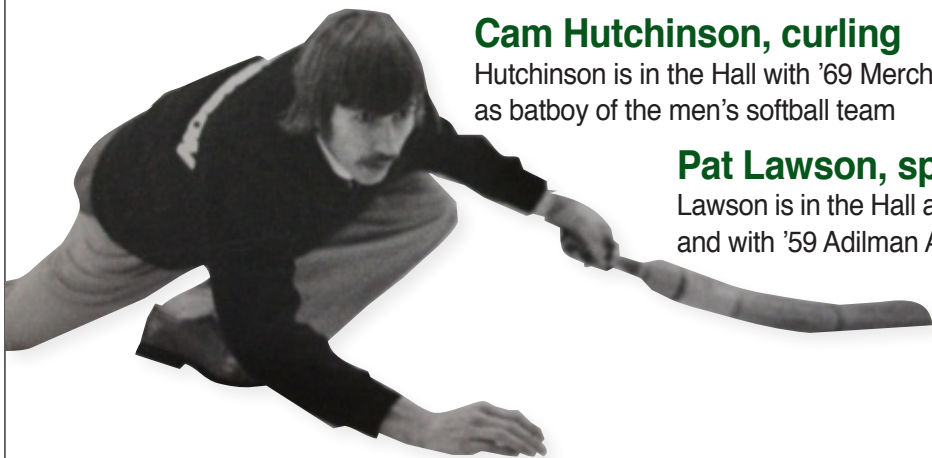


TAKING FLIGHT: HALL INDUCTEES IN ACTION



Clara Wall, long jumping

Wall is in the Hall with U of S Huskies track & field team when she competed in relays, 600 metres



Cam Hutchinson, curling

Hutchinson is in the Hall with '69 Merchants as batboy of the men's softball team

Pat Lawson, speed skating

Lawson is in the Hall as an athlete in many sports and with '59 Adilman Aces basketball team

Barb Danaher, golfing

Danaher is in the Hall as a golfer

Touching base with Hall inductees



Hall of Fame team inductees **Don Bates** and **Les Howey** coached Canada into the playoffs at the 13th International Softball Federation men's world championship in March in Auckland, N.Z. Bates is head coach of the Canadian team. Howey, who lives in Conception Bay South N.L., is an assistant coach. Canada went 6-1 in its pool then in the playoffs was defeated by Venezuela 3-1 and by Argentina 2-1. New Zealand beat Venezuela 4-1 in the final ...Hall inductee **Lyle Sanderson** was

in Monaco in March for the annual meeting of the school and youth commission with the International Association of Athletic Federations ... **Morgan Sawatzky** of the University of Saskatchewan Huskies won the 300 metres in the Canada West conference track and field championships this season and finished fifth at the Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) championships. Morgan's mother **Linda Sawatzky** is in the Hall with the '85 Huskies track and field team. Morgan's father **Kevin Sawatzky** was an All-Canadian receiver with the football Huskies ... Hall inductee **Diane Jones Konihowski** was inducted into the Athletics Canada Hall of Fame this month.

Coach Sargeant, Hilltops win awards

Tom Sargeant received the coach of the year award from Sask Sport for 2012. Coach Sargeant led the Saskatoon Hilltops to the



Canadian junior football title. He is in the Hall as a player, assistant coach and head coach of Hilltops teams. The Hilltops are SaskSport's team of the year for 2012 ... **Brian Guebert** is the new special teams coach of the football Huskies. Guebert works as high performance director with Football Saskatchewan. He is in the Hall with the Hilltops, winning the Canadian title in 2001, '02 and '03 as a defensive lineman ...

Hall inductee **Curtis Leschyshyn** is an assistant coach with the Saskatoon Blades who were fourth in the Memorial Cup this year ... Hall inductee **Jerry Friesen** is the new defensive co-ordinator of the UBC Thunderbirds football team ... The International Olympic Committee is dropping wrestling from the 2020 Summer Games. Two wrestlers in the Saskatoon Sports Hall have been at the Olympics: **Gord Garvie** as an athlete in 1968 in Mexico City and coach in 1976 in Montreal, and **Bob Molle** as an athlete in 1984 in Los Angeles ... **Roger Schmidt** played lead on **Rick Folk's** rink that finished second at the 1978 Brier in Vancouver. Schmidt is director of the Curling Academy in Switzerland. This year he led Russia into the world men's championship for the first time and is developing the Russian curling program for the 2014 Sochi Olympics.



Let's hear from you

Have you competed in the Legion national youth track and field championships? Do you know somebody who has? The event has been held in Canada for 73 years.

If you have a comment about the championships or a picture, whatever year, a new website for Legion track invites you to send it to: YoungOlympians.ca

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Mann Park Crooks

Merv Mann is inducted into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame with **Bayne Secord's** rink that won the 1954 Canadian high school curling championship. Mann is one of three Saskatoon athletes who have appeared in Faces in the Crowd, a feature in Sports Illustrated magazine. Mann was in Sports Illustrated in 1970 after winning the CBC curling championship.

Jeff Park and **Sarah Crooks** have also had their picture in the magazine. Park as a high school football player for Bedford Road Collegiate in 1970 and Crooks as a University of Saskatchewan Huskie student-athlete in 2007. Crooks is a two-time winner of the Nan Copp Award as women's basketball player of the year in Canadian Interuniversity Sport.

Coach Hundseth, Earl high achievers in basketball

Scott Hundseth and **David Earl** are in the Hall as teammates on the 1990 Huskies football team. This season they met in the city final in the girls division of the Saskatoon High School Basketball League. Hundseth is head coach of the Holy Cross Crusaders and Earl is head coach of the Evan Hardy Souls. Holy Cross won the girls city championship and was second in the 5A provincial final. Hardy was runner-up in the city final and third in provincials ... **Marc Chartier**, **Dave Adolph** and **Willie Desjardins** were teammates on the 1983 Huskies hockey club that is in the Hall. This year Adolph led the Huskies into the University Cup national championship tournament for the 10th time in the 20 years he has been head coach of the team. Chartier is head coach of the Saskatoon Contacts, fourth-place finishers at the Telus Cup Canadian AAA midget championship in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. Desjardins is AHL coach of the year with the Texas Stars ... Detroit RedWings head coach **Mike Babcock** from Saskatoon was the cover story in March in the magazine published by the Coaching Association of Canada ... Huskies basketball coach **Lisa Thomaidis** is the new head coach of the Canadian national women's program.



Marc Chartier

Double play for Gavlas

Brian Gavlas of the U of S Huskies is the Canada West conference coach of the year in men's volleyball. Gavlas is in the Saskatoon Hall with the 1987-88 Huskies team and as an athlete ... **Cindy Pischke** is in the Hall with the 1979, '80 and '81 Huskies volleyball teams. Cindy's son **Dane Pischke** of the University of Manitoba Bisons received the national Dale Iwanoczko Award this year for academics, athletics and community achievement. Both Dane and his sister **Taylor Pischke** will represent Canada at the Universiade in July in Russia, Dane in indoor volleyball and Taylor in beach volleyball. Taylor won bronze at the recent world under-23 championships in Poland ... As a StarPhoenix reporter, **Ron Rauch** wrote a truckload of articles on athletes, builders and teams who are inductees in the Saskatoon Sports Hall, especially curling and softball. Rauch moved to Victoria and was a reporter with the Times-Colonist for the last 20 years. Rauch is this year's recipient of the Fred Collins Award presented by Canada West athletics for coverage of university sports ... Saskatoon Sports Hall inductees **Chuck Armstrong**, **Evelyn Nesdole**, **Allan Semeniuk** and **Gwen (Wall) Ridout** are in the Class of 2013 joining the Saskatchewan Sports Hall. Armstrong (sports physiotherapy) and Nesdole (track and field official) are both being inducted as builders. Semeniuk (wheelchair rugby) and Ridout (400-metre hurdles) are athlete inductees. Also being inducted is the '98 Huskies football team. Several members of the club are in the Saskatoon Hall ... **Don Bristow** is in the Hall with the football Huskies who won the 1990 Vanier Cup. This season, Bristow coached Saskatoon bantam A Comets to the provincial girls hockey title ... **Bernie Federko**, who played for the Saskatoon Blades, and **Bill Hay**, who played for the Huskies, are inducted into the Saskatchewan Hockey Hall in July in Swift Current.



Chuck Armstrong

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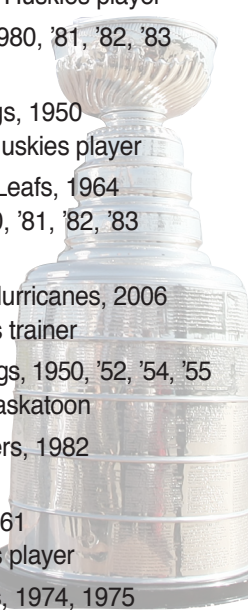


Bill Hay

Glory days

Stanley Cup winners with a connection to Saskatoon:

- Mike Babcock**, head coach, Red Wings, 2008 Bruins minor hockey, Blades, U of S Huskies player
- Bob Bourne**, centre, Islanders, 1980, '81, '82, '83 Saskatoon Blades player
- Gerry Couture**, centre, Red Wings, 1950 Saskatoon Quakers player, U of S Huskies player
- Gerry Ehman**, right wing, Maple Leafs, 1964 scout, assistant GM, Islanders, 1980, '81, '82, '83 Lived in Saskatoon in off-season
- Pete Friesen**, athletic therapist, Hurricanes, 2006 University of Saskatchewan Huskies trainer
- Gordie Howe**, right wing, Red Wings, 1950, '52, '54, '55 Played for King George School in Saskatoon
- Neil Hawryliw**, right wing, Islanders, 1982 Saskatoon Blades player
- Bill Hay**, centre, Black Hawks, 1961 University of Saskatchewan Huskies player
- Orest Kindrachuk**, centre, Flyers, 1974, 1975 Saskatoon Blades player
- Curtis Leschyshyn**, defenceman, Avalanche, 1996 Saskatoon Blades player
- Tony Leswick**, left wing, Red Wings, 1952, '54 Saskatoon Dodgers player, Saskatoon Quakers player
- Dave Lewis**, defenceman, Islanders, 1980 Saskatoon Blades player
- Ed Litzenberger**, right wing, Black Hawks, 1961, Maple Leafs, 1962, '63, '64 University of Saskatchewan Huskies player



- Vic Lynn**, left wing, Maple Leafs, 1947, '48, '49 Saskatoon Embassy, Saskatoon Quakers player
- Brent McEwen**, scout, Kings, 2012 University of Saskatchewan Huskies player and coach, Saskatoon Blades GM
- Todd McLellan**, assistant coach, Red Wings, 2008 Saskatoon Blades, U of S Huskies player
- Troy Parchman**, equipment mgr, Black Hawks, 2010 University of Saskatchewan Huskies trainer
- Garry Peters**, centre, Canadiens, 1965 Saskatoon Blades coach, instructs hockey in Saskatoon
- Brian Skrudland**, centre, Canadiens, 1986 Saskatoon Blades player
- Harry Watson**, left wing, Red Wings 1943, Maple Leafs 1947, '48, '49, '51 Saskatoon Quakers player

Passings

Phylis Barclay, 1915-2013, age 98 Athlete inductee in Hall, golf

Phylis Barclay of the Saskatoon Golf & Country Club won the Saskatchewan women's golf title four times — in 1950, '51, '52 and '62 — was twice the provincial champ and once won the Saskatchewan senior title. She represented Saskatchewan 11 times at the Canadian championship and B.C. once in the senior event.

Phylis played second on the rink with lead Merle Dertell, third Eileen Sexsmith and skip Maybelle Spooner that won the Saskatchewan women's curling title in 1952. She also finished second in the half-mile event in the city speed skating championships.



Phylis Barclay

Johnny Esaw, 1925-2013, age 87, broadcasting

Esaw, a native of North Battleford, turned the CFL and figure skating into mainstream TV sports in Canada. He started broadcasting in 1949 for CKRN in Regina.

Phyllis Funk, 1945-2013, age 67 Team inductee, softball

Funk was a pitcher on the Saskatoon Imperials who won the Canadian senior women's softball championship in 1970. The team was 2-6 at the world championship in Osaka, Japan.



Phyllis Funk

Geoff Gowan, 1929-2013, age 83

Gowan, from Halifax, served with the Coaching Association of Canada for 25 years. He is the chief architect of the Coaching Certification Program in Canada. Saskatoon Sports Hall inductees Keith Russell and Lyle Sanderson are among the coaches in Canada who have received the Geoff Gowan Award for coaching.

Ann Turner, 1920-2013, age 92 Athlete inductee in Hall, diving

Turner won the Canadian springboard diving title three times from 1946-48. Turner made a sudden splash on the national scene by finishing second in her first Canadian championship at age 22.

Twyla Widdifield, curling

Widdifield, a native of Kamsack, won the Canadian senior women's curling championship from 1984 to '86 on a rink skipped by Evelyn Krahn of Regina. The rink won the Saskatchewan senior title for six consecutive years.

PLAY BALL!

Softball fits Saskatoon like a glove. The Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association has a new Hall of Fame at Bob Van Impe Stadium. SASA president Bryan Kosteroski said the Hall features team jackets, uniforms and pictures as well as honours Saskatoon teams which have won a Canadian championship.

Softball inductees in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame include Marlene Ackerman with the 1969 and 1970 Imperials senior women's team, Dale Dirks with the 1994 Rempel Bros. senior men's team and Ann Tkachuk with the 1973 Blue Angels junior women and 1978 Harmony Centre senior women.

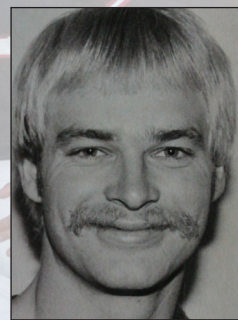
Saskatoon Softball Hall of Fame at Van Impe Stadium Open 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday and during weekend events at the diamond



Bryan Kosteroski



Marlene Ackerman



Dale Dirks



Ann Tkachuk