

SASKATOON SPORTS HALL OF FAME

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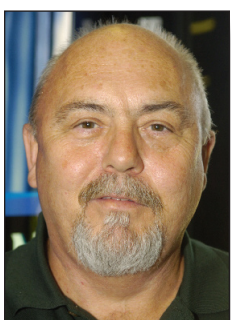
Colette Bourgonje of Saskatoon received the Whang Youn Dai Achievement Award at the Paralympics Games in Canada earlier this year. Bourgonje (pronounced begonia) shares the 2010 award with Endo Takayuki, a sledge hockey player from Japan. The award celebrates athletes for their determination and achievement.

Bourgonje, competing in her 10th Paralympic Games, both summer and winter, won a silver medal in the Games in March in the women's 10-kilometre race for sit skiing and a bronze in the five-km event.

Bourgonje, 48, is a native of Porcupine Plain and a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan in both the College of Physical Education and Education. Her story as a student, athlete and teacher is told in the new book *Moving Forward*, written by Mary Harelkin Bishop of Saskatoon. The book is available at McNally Robinson store.

"I would tell people to enjoy the things they do and to work hard," Bourgonje says in the book. "That is what you feel the most pride in accomplishing."

Harelkin Bishop's sister, Joan Cochrane, adds insight to Bourgonje in the paperback. Cochrane, who is an accomplished distance runner, and Bourgonje have been friends in Saskatoon for 19 years. Cochrane was in B.C. to see the 2010 Paralympics and caught both of Bourgonje's medal races in Whistler.



Sport's Hall of Fame president's message Ed Bryant

It is time to introduce our inductees for 2010. On behalf of the board of directors of the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame, we extend our congratulations to the builders, athletes and team members who have been selected for induction at the banquet and induction ceremonies to be held Nov. 6 at TCU Place.

These inductees are most deserving of the recognition that is to be bestowed on them. They represent nine different sports in which they achieved great successes and accomplishments

that allowed them to meet their personal goals. Through their efforts, dedication and individual achievements they have made great and lasting contributions to the Saskatoon sporting community.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Hall of Fame's induction ceremonies. We encourage past inductees and past board members to attend to honour the 2010 inductees as they are accepted into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame.

25th annual induction dinner scheduled for Nov. 6 at TCU Place

For tickets to 2010 induction ceremony and banquet phone 979-0684



BRIAN GAVLAS volleyball

- Graduate of Yorkton Regional High School was the starting setter and championship MVP for the U of S Huskies when they won the national university volleyball title in 1987-88.
- Head coach of the Huskies going into his 17th season. Under Gavlas, the team has won two national championships, four conference titles and been to the CIS championship 10 times.



RILEY JANES swimming

- Graduate of Mount Royal Collegiate.
- Finished ninth in the 4x100-metre freestyle relay and 10th in the 4x100 medley at the 2004 Athens Olympics.
- Competed for Texas A&M university in the U.S. and set a Canadian record in the short-course 50-metre backstroke in 2000. Also broke Canadian record in the 50-metre long-course backstroke at the 2001 nationals in Edmonton and the 2002 nationals in Victoria.



MELANIE SANFORD volleyball

- Graduate of Bedford Road Collegiate was the starting setter on the first U of S women's volleyball team to win a national championship, in 1978-79.
- Huskiettes went on to win three consecutive national titles, all with Sanford in starting lineup.
- Member of Canada's national junior and senior v-ball team.
- Head coach of University of Concordia Stingers from 1988 to 1999 and the Regina Cougars from 2002-03 to present.



ALLAN SEMENIUK wheelchair rugby

- Semeniuk, a native of Prince Albert, was member of Canadian national wheelchair rugby team from 1991 to 2005.
- He has competed for Canada at three Paralympics Games, winning a silver medal in wheelchair rugby in both Atlanta in 1996 and in Athens in 2004 and finishing fourth in Sydney in 2000.
- Won gold at the 2002 world championship in Gothenberg, Sweden.



GILBERT WIST wrestling

- Conference wrestling champion for U of S Huskies in 1972-73, 1973-74 and 1975-76.
- Twice placed in the top three for Huskies at university nationals.
- Won the Howard Nixon Trophy as U of S Huskies male athlete of the year in 1972-73.
- Teacher at Bedford Road and Walter Murray. Coached high school wrestling, junior football, volleyball and soccer.
- Commissioner of Saskatoon high school athletics from 1991-93.



TERRY FORBES broomball, softball

- Helped establish the Saskatchewan Broomball Association in 1976 and the Canadian Broomball Federation in 1977.
- Certified Level 1 coach in broomball, five-pin bowling and softball.
- Forbes was director of the Zone 6 Saskatoon Sports Council from 1978-1981.
- Received a Sask Sport volunteer recognition award in 1992 and was added to Canadian Broomball Hall of Fame in 2004.



BLAINE KNOLL multiple sports

- Graduate of Yorkton Collegiate was a star running back for the U of Huskies football team and a right-winger for the hockey Huskies.
- Coached Evan Hardy Souls in wrestling and football as a teacher at high school, highlighted by three straight provincial high school football titles in 1977, '78 and '79.
- Head coach of Saskatoon Hill-tops football team from 1981 to 1984 and led the team to two conference finals.



KLAAS POST soccer

- Active as a player and coach with the Saskatoon United soccer team.
- Named province's youth coach of year in 1999 by the Saskatchewan Soccer Association.
- Post was head coach of the University of Saskatchewan Huskies men's team in 1988-89.
- Helped to develop minor soccer programs with the Lakewood boys' teams from 1990 until 2001.
- Involved with the Saskatoon Lions Speed Skating Club.



RON WALSH athletics, football

- Honoured by Football Canada with the Tom Cheney Award in 2000 for his contributions to football officiating.
- The CFL gave him the G. Sydney Halter Memorial Award in 2006 for excellence in officiating amateur football.
- One of first Western Canadian officials assigned to work the College Bowl national university final, now known as the Vanier Cup.
- Has been a starter for track events both at age class events and national championships.
- Saskatoon Kinsmen Sportsman of the Year at its 45th annual dinner.



RANDY WARICK multiple sports

- Football official in three Canadian university semifinals and in the 1984 Vanier Cup final.
- First official from Saskatoon to do games full time in the CFL, from 1993 to 1995.
- Coached junior football, cross-country running and curling in high school in Saskatoon.
- Has coached minor soccer and was an organizer and official in broomball.
- Member of organizing committees for national track and field, junior baseball, hockey and softball championships.



CATCHING UP with NANCY JEWITT-FILTEAU

Jewitt-Filteau, a native of Webb, was a three-time Canadian champion in senior judo. She represented Canada at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and finished ninth in her division. She was inducted as an athlete into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in 1995. Jewitt-Filteau, 48, is in Moose Jaw and is the director of Judo Saskatchewan.

Fill us in. What are you doing now?
Nancy: I'm an animal health inspector. I test elk, deer, cows, horses, pigs. I was away from judo for a while as my two sons are involved in sports — hockey, lacrosse, football. I like hands-on parenting. The team (at high school in Moose Jaw) gets together for a pre-game football meal. I was a mother who helped prepare it.

Now I'm back in judo, doing administration and coaching, too. I am now a director for Judo Sask and have been asked to be an assistant coach for the Jeux Canada Games in 2011. And I'm on the mat again.

I know when I won my first nationals in 1978-79 I was told that was the first for a Saskatchewan athlete in judo since 1967. It can be done. A lot of people have to realize they have the potential.

I like to give back and help kids compete and go on to better things.

Do you have a lasting memory of when you were at the Atlanta Olympics in 1996?

Nancy: Just seeing the family and friends there, cheering me on. The day of the Olympic (competition) I had butterflies. I was thinking 'Holy cow, I've never had that before.'

One of the nearest memories was the Olympic Village before the opening ceremonies. I didn't go to the opening because I had to compete the next day, but there in the Village I put on my uniform and took pictures of the team and saw all the athletes. They were in green and blue and red and white. To see all those athletes from all over the world was a positive thing about sports. That was an awesome experience.

What are you proudest of?

Nancy: There are so many moments, things that make me honoured and proud. I think of being in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame, the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame. As a kid I remember walking in a hall and seeing pictures of people on the wall and thinking 'I wonder if I could achieve the same honour.'

What does being in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame mean to you?

Nancy: To be in the Hall of Fame is something. Look at them. So many great athletes.

People say 'You're not supposed to be in the Olympics when you're 34 years old.' I think that gives me my youthfulness.

Touching base

Dr. Cyprian Enweani, Keith Russell and the 1987-88 University of Saskatchewan Huskies men's volleyball team are among the new inductees into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in Regina. Enweani, a sprinter in track and field, finished ninth in the 200 metres and seventh in the 4x100-metre relay at the 1988 Seoul Olympics. He also competed in the 1983 Pan-American Games in Caracas, Venezuela, the 1990 Commonwealth Games in Auckland, New Zealand and the 1991 world championships in Tokyo, Japan. He is an alumnus of Bedford Road Collegiate and the University of Saskatchewan ... Russell, a native of Prince Albert, developed the Taiso Gym Club in Saskatoon and the University of Saskatchewan gymnastics programs. He has also been a prominent coach/technician with the Canadian national men's gymnastics team and is respected around the world for his contributions toward developing the

the audience about where they've been in sport and what it's meant to them ... Pezer, inducted into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in 1986 for winning four Canadian championships in women's curling, is returning for a second term as chancellor of the University of Saskatchewan. The chancellor presides at convocation, confers degrees and is a member of the U of S board of governors ... Pezer received a Lifetime Achievement Award at the 29th annual Saskatoon YWCA Women of Distinction Awards in May.

Bill Seymour, a long-time hockey coach and high school teacher, and

Jerry Shoemaker, a distinguished curler and curling administrator, are the two new board members with the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame. Both were inducted in the Hall's builder category last year. Joe Bloski and Kelly Bowers have completed their terms as volunteers with the board. Walter Mudge and Mark Tennant say they will continue with the Hall as members-at-large. With 11 people on the board, the Hall says it has openings for two more. The board holds a meeting at the Field House each month throughout the year, oversees the selection of Hall of Fame candidates and organizes the induction ceremony, which is one of the highlights on the Saskatoon sports calendar. The dinner is held each November on a Saturday night at TCU Place downtown ... Bloski is the 2010 winner of the national Community Service Award, presented by the Canadian Sport Tourism Alliance in Toronto. Bloski was vice-president of the world junior hockey championship in Saskatchewan this season and is one of the founding members of the Saskatchewan AAA Midget Hockey League ... Answer: Hutchinson is in the Hall of Fame as batboy for the Saskatoon Imperials, who were Canadian senior men's softball champions in Saskatoon in 1969. Hill was head coach of the University of Saskatchewan Huskies men's volleyball team, which won its first gold at nationals in 1979, taking the title at McMaster University in Hamilton.

Passings

Ron Atchison
1930-2010
football
athlete inductee

Peter Clark
1946-2010
softball
team inductee

Nick Patola
1930-2010
basketball
builder inductee



Paintings of Catriona Le May Doan (left) and Diane Jones Konihowski by Calgary artist Gordon Milne

Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame inductees Catriona Le May Doan (speed skating) and Diane Jones Konihowski (track and field) are among the athletes featured in paintings by Calgary's Gordon Milne. The series of paintings, titled the Canadian Sports Heroes Art Collection, features portraits of 12 Canadian Olympians. Each work measures four feet-by-five feet and were on exhibit in Vancouver during the Winter Olympics last winter.

Half the money made from the sale of posters of the paintings goes to help develop the next generation of Canadian athletes. Jones Konihowski, who is based in Calgary, has been named Chief Executive Officer of KidSport Canada. The organization provides grants for youth age six to 18 with financial need. There are 175 chapters of KidSport in Canada.

"It's an organization I have been volunteering for for 10 years, so I know the cause well," said Jones Konihowski. "It is a great organization and I am excited about all the possibilities that exist to raise more funds so that many more kids can play organized sports."

website: gordonmilneart.com

Jacque Lavallee (athlete

inductee, 2009) is an assistant coach with the University of Saskatchewan women's basketball team which won a bronze medal at the Canadian Interuniversity Sport championship this season at McMaster University. That is the best ever finish by the Huskies team at nationals in women's basketball. Lavallee is also the head coach of the Canadian under-17 girls team for the world championship which begins July 16 in Toulouse, France ... Jerry Friesen, (athlete inductee, 2008) was a guest coach this June at the Saskatchewan Roughriders' training camp ... Ethel Catherine Mitchell, a gold medalist in high jump in the 1928 Olympics and nicknamed The Saskatoon Lily, has been featured on a postal stamp in Canada in both 1966 and 1996. She was one of the original inductees in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in 1986 ... Team inductee Dave Paetkau (Rempel Brothers softball, 1987) is in the coaching pool with the Softball Canada national women's team.

Bill Seymour
Jerry Shoemaker
Phyllis Wilson

Members at large
Bob Florence
Walter Mudge
Mark Tennant

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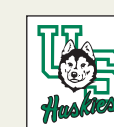
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ATHLETE 2010 INDUCTEES

BUILDER 2010 INDUCTEES



TEAM 2001-02 University of Saskatchewan Huskies Canadian university men's track and field champions

Corey Armstrong, pentathlon, 60m hurdles
Tim Bailey, 4x200 relay
Sean Baynton, 4x800 relay
Cory Bertola, weight throw
Blake Cumming, high jump, triple jump
Garry Drake, 60m, 300m, 4x200, 4x400 relay
Jamie Epp, 1,500m, 3,000m
Ryan Hvidston, pole vault
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Jamie Landry, long jump
Mark Macinnes, 4x800 relay
Steve MacIntyre, 3,000m
Sasho MacKenzie, pentathlon
Mitch McInnes, 4x800 relay
Scott McCubbing, pole vault
Bob Piercy, pentathlon
Jeff Taylor, weight throw
Lindsay Tallon, 60m hurdles, 4x200, 4x400

Emery Tuplin, 60m hurdles, 300m, 4x400 relay, pole vault
Gerrod Wiens, long jump, triple jump
Preston Wilkins, 60m, 4x200 relay
Head coach: Lyle Sanderson
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Dean Bertola, Lariene Blackburn, Kevin Cumming,
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Head therapist: Rhonda Shishkin
Head student trainer: Nancy Thompson
Student trainers: Melanie Elliot, Wendy Ng,
Leanne Scissons, Shannon Storey, Kelly Zachar

SPORTS GROUP

The Saskatoon Amateur Softball Association is honoured as the sports group of the year.

A club or association is saluted by the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame at each induction dinner for the impact it has made and the reputation it has earned.

Bryan Kosteroski, the current president of the SASA, was at the news conference at the Field House in June that announced the softball associa-

tion is the sports group of the year. Also at the conference were former SASA presidents Glenn Reeve, Keith McLean and Ken Gunn.



The SASA oversees junior and senior women's and men's softball in the city, with competition in six divisions.

The SASA will be presented with a plaque at the 25th annual Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame induction dinner Nov. 6.