

Russ Hargreaves Memorial Award

Russ Hargreaves was a dedicated member of the Santa Barbara Recreation Department. He spent a lifetime creating opportunities for others to enjoy the benefits of recreational activities. He loved jogging and was committed to total body fitness. He knew that a healthy mind and body were the first steps to a happy and productive life. This award is given to a person recognized by the Parks & Recreation Department as a leader in maintaining quality sports programs.

Past Recipients

1977 Stubby Herman
1978 Frank Van Schaik
1978 Bill Van Schaik
1979 Jim Harvey
1980 Anita Watts
1981 Vic de la Cruz
1982 Jim Rogers
1983 Eric Arneson
1984 George Chelini
1985 Mike Chasson
1986 Cliff Lambert
1987 John Brennand
1988 Bill Hamilton
1989 Sal Rodriguez
1990 Ed Holdren
1991 Earl Pointer
1992 Paul Hodgert
1992 Carol Smith
1993 Mariana de Seña
1994 Richard Medel
1995 John Spaventa
1996 David de Ponce
1997 Kevin Reddick
1998 Girls Inc. of Carpinteria
1999 Joe Coito
2000 Jean & Joe Pommier
2001 Theresa Frazier Brown



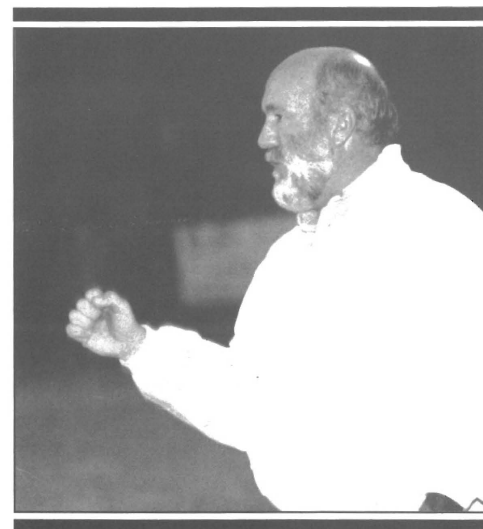
DEBBIE FOLEY

With every thriving organization, success can usually be traced back to one individual whose leadership and dedication were instrumental in its quest to achieve excellence. Debbie Foley's dedication and untiring commitment to youth soccer in Santa Barbara were instrumental in regional soccer attaining the level of excellence seen today. Her direction and organization were key in providing the foundation of the American Youth Soccer Organization in the Santa Barbara region.

During Debbie's four years as AYSO Commissioner, she saw the program grow from 1300 to 2500 participants. Under her leadership, the registration process was streamlined, participant databases were computerized, fund-raising goals were established and accomplished and AYSO was moved from 12 playing sites to 1 location at UCSB. Debbie started the first local soccer tournament (now over 200 teams).

Debbie feels that "you meet the best people" when volunteering for youth athletics. She served for three years as the President of the Charger Association at Dos Pueblos and currently serves as the Tournament Director for the Futbol Club of Santa Barbara. She is an active member of the Santa Barbara Area Soccer Coalition. She continues to work on establishing open spaces for youth athletic programs. Her commitment to youth athletics is a family thing, as her husband and children are active in sports and support her advocacy of youth sports. She has helped provide Santa Barbara youth athletes with a safe, positive and nurturing athletic environment. Russ Hargreaves would be proud!

2002 HALL OF FAME



Jim St. Clair
Special Achievement

As corny as it may sound, Jim St. Clair is with us in spirit at this 35th annual Hall of Fame Banquet.

When St. Clair got involved in an activity, it became more fun because of his high spirits. He even made Dos Pueblos High's football players eager to practice. "He was always a jolly man, always positive," said Jeff Uyesaka, who was coached by St. Clair. "He helped us have a good time while he taught us how to play the game. With the coaches we had, you looked forward to going out there."

St. Clair was a businessman who donated his time to local sports. He started coaching in the Youth Football League. Before he got involved, he made sure that the emphasis was on the kids' having fun.

When local schools experienced a shortage of coaches, St. Clair helped out at Dos Pueblos. He coached the

Chargers freshman football team and later became a varsity assistant. St. Clair made his mark in Santa Barbara as a football player in the late '50s. He was a record-setting quarterback at UCSB. He then worked as a bowling alley manager and rolled several 300 games.

One of his last gigs was as a volunteer bowling instructor for the blind. He shared the joy with his students at the sound of all the pins falling down.

Jim also faced the cancer that took his life earlier this year with high spirits. He got out of his bed at the Serenity House hospice center and made an appearance at a football practice as the DP Chargers prepared for a CIF playoff game. They gave him an autographed game ball. And with much appreciation, the Round Table gives Jim St. Clair its highest honor tonight.