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IHSAA ANNOUNCES HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2021

The annual Idaho High School Activities Association's Hall of Fame ceremony honors individuals who have given many years of exemplary service to Idaho's youth. One such individual will be inducted as the Hall of Fame Class of 2021. Polly Dahlke (Bear Lake HS) will be honored at ceremonies during the 41st annual Hall of Fame banquet Wednesday, August 4th, 6:30 p.m. at the Boise Centre in downtown Boise. The inductees from the Class of 2020 will also be honored as the 2020 banquet was cancelled. Ticket information will be posted on the IHSAA website in May.

Other awards to be presented at the banquet include the 2021 Dick Fleischmann Memorial Award, the Wes Lowe Memorial Award and the Duane D. Wolfe Memorial Award. Distinguished Service Awards for each of the six activity districts, the Spirit of Sport Award and Official of the Year will also be presented. Those recipients will be announced at a later date.

Hall of Fame - Class of 2021

Polly Dahlke, Bear Lake HS A lifelong teacher, coach, administrator and advocate of high school activities, Polly Dahlke retired as the athletic director of Bear Lake High School in 2013. Polly coached volleyball, girls' basketball, track and golf during her exemplary thirty-three-year coaching career. She also had a profound impact across the state as a well-respected administrator and has served as the LTI coordinator for the Idaho Athletic Administrators Association since 2008. Polly has held leadership positions in many professional organizations including the NIAAA and the Fifth District Board of Control. She was honored as the Idaho 3A AD of the Year twice as well as being inducted into the IAAA Hall of Fame in 2014. Polly was also selected as the District V Distinguished Service award recipient in 2016.

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Bill Hawkins, Madison HS Bill Hawkins spent twenty-nine years as the head boys' basketball coach at Madison High School and created a dynasty that won't soon be matched. During his career at Madison, his teams advanced to the state tournament an amazing twenty-two times where they earned trophies fifteen times and won the state title five times. During that time Bill was also a leader in numerous professional organizations including the Sixth District Coaches Association and the Idaho State Coaches Association. He was named Idaho Basketball Coach of the Year five times, earned the Distinguished Coach of the Year award and was presented with the Hugh Brady Award for Outstanding Service. Bill Hawkins is by all accounts a coaching legend in Idaho and he continues to serve as a mentor and role model for young coaches today.

Tracy Leinen, Boise HS Tracy Leinen is one of the most well-respected administrators in the state of Idaho. In her thirty-five years in education, she has impacted literally thousands of young people and was instrumental in the growth, promotion and advancement of the Idaho Athletic Administrators Association. Before being named Boise High School athletic director in 1998, Tracy spent twelve years coaching a variety of sports including girls' basketball, volleyball and softball. She earned numerous coaching awards including district coach of the year honors seven times. However, Tracy's true impact came from her years as an outstanding athletic administrator and leader of the IAAA. She spent twenty-seven years serving her fellow AD's in both the IAAA as well as the NIAAA. She was a member of both the IHSAA and NIAAA Board of Directors, received Idaho Athletic Director of the Year honors three times, earned the 2006 NFHS Citation award and the Dick Fleischmann award in 2009. Tracy was also inducted into the IAAA Hall of Fame in 2019.