

NCADA NAMES HOF INDUCTION CLASS

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Three members will be honored by the North Carolina Athletic Directors Association as the 20th class inducted in its own Hall of Fame.

David Rothwell, Ralph Shatterly and David Vaughn are the newest members of the NCADA Hall of Fame. The three will be recognized at the annual North Carolina Athletic Directors Association state conference at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville later this month.

The NCADA Hall of Fame has been established to recognize achievement and excellence for athletic administration. The inductees are honored at the NCADA's annual state convention, and a permanent display honoring the athletic directors' Hall of Fame is located in the offices of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association in Chapel Hill.

DAVID ROTHWELL

David Rothwell, after 20 years coaching football and wrestling and teaching physical education, became athletic director and assistant principal at Statesville High School in 1992. In 1997 he became principal of East Iredell Elementary School and in 2001 athletic director for the Iredell-Statesville school system until his retirement in 2012. After graduating from Appalachian State University, David returned to his alma mater, Albemarle, to coach football and wrestling from 1972-1978. There he coached three wrestlers to Western North Carolina High School Activities Association (WNCHSAA) individual championships. In 1978, David and his wife, Martha, moved to Asheboro where he coached at Asheboro High School. In 1981, they moved to Statesville where David retired from coaching at Statesville High School in 1992. While at Statesville, Rothwell's Greyhounds compiled a record of 156-10 with nine conference

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championships, three regional titles, the 3A State Tournament Championship, the 3A State Dual Team Runners-Up and four individual state champions. David served as Team Director to the junior national team tournament in Iowa in 1989 and 1990. MAT NEWS named him 3A State Coach of the Year 1992. In his twenty years of coaching, David was conference Coach of the Year 11 times with an overall coaching record of 231-42-3.

Since his 1992 retirement from coaching, David has served as official 3A scorekeeper at the NCHSAA Wrestling Championships. He is a lifetime member of the North Carolina Coaches Association. He served on the committee to revise the DPI middle school athletic manuals in 2005 and 2010 and on the NCHSAA committee for realignment. From the NCHSAA, David received the Proclamation of Achievement Award in 1994 and the Award of Merit in 1995. He was named the Region 7 Athletic Director of the Year in 2002 and served as the NCADA President in 2006. In 2008, David received the NIAAA State Award of Merit.

In 2010, David was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame, was honored with the Charlie Adams Distinguished Service Award for Region 7 and was named the NCAAE Athletic Director of the Year.

RALPH SHATTERLY

Ralph grew up in the small town of Yanceyville where he played football and baseball at Bartlett Yancey High School. He then attended Appalachian State Teachers College, where he majored in history and physical education.

After college he initiated the wrestling program at North Rowan High while also coaching football and track. He coached at North Rowan for 22 years before moving to West Rowan in 1985 in order to coach his sons. During his career, he coached football offensive backs for 30 years, head track coach for 15 years, head wrestling coach for 32 years and served as athletic

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director at both schools. His wrestling teams were WNCHSAA champs in 1968 and 1969. North Rowan and West Rowan wrestling teams won conference championships in the 1960s, 70s, 80s, and 90s. He coached twenty-five WNCHSAA and NCHSAA individual champions. His track team was 1968 WNCHSAA champs. He directed many sectional/regional NCHSAA track meets and in 1983 he directed the NCHSAA State track meet at North Rowan.

He is co-chair of the Rowan County Hall of Fame Committee and has been a member of the NCCA for fifty years. Ralph has been inducted into the high school division of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame, the Rowan County Sports Hall of Fame, and the North Rowan High Hall of Fame. The NCHSAA awarded Ralph the Distinguished Service Award in 1994, the Award of Merit in 1995, and the Service Award in 2008.

Ralph and his wife Sharon, also a high school teacher, have been married 46 years and have four children, Julie, Jill, Jake, and John, and six grandchildren. They are members of Milford Hills United Methodist Church.

DAVID VAUGHN

A native of Alamance County, a graduate of Southern Alamance High School and Elon College (University), David has had an excellent career as teacher, coach and athletic director at Southern Alamance High School.

He has been head football and head baseball coach at Southern Alamance, with his football and baseball teams achieving conference championships and earning him several Coach of the Year honors. His 1988 baseball team was led by the 1988 State Player of the Year, Timmy Morrow, completing the season undefeated at 26-0 and winning the NCHSAA state 3A baseball championship.

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Vaughn became the first full-time athletic director at Southern Alamance in 1989, serving in this capacity until 2006. During his tenure as athletic director, Vaughn oversaw programs that won both conference and state championships. He worked tirelessly to support each head coach in the pursuit of excellence and under his leadership, Southern garnered over 50 conference championships, as well as seven state titles.

As athletic director, Vaughn oversaw building projects which provided over one million dollars in facility upgrades, including seating, lighting and a press box in the football stadium, restroom facilities, tennis, softball and baseball complexes, as well as a strength and conditioning facility.

Because of his devotion and influence to the school community, over 30 former students have gone on to become teachers with many coaching as well, including several members of the current SAHS staff.

In retirement, Vaughn steadfastly continues to support Southern Alamance, his alma mater, in its continuing pursuit of excellence.