

University of South Dakota Graphic Edge Alumni Meet

Jan. 15, 2011 - DakotaDome - Vermillion, S.D.

USD T&F Hall of Honor Recipients

- 2011** - Wayne Haines, Paul Brozik and Erik and Sarah VanLaecken
2010 - Linda Duba and Matt Hoyt
2009 - Pat Sand, Mary Sand Kuncil and Lionel McPhaul
2008 - Chase Anderson, Deb Dodds Duggan and Jay Ortman
2007 - Melissa Lodmel Heinen, Terri Scott, Darren Ennis and Al Johnson
2006 - Todd Poling, Julie Tolstedt LaFleur and Kristi Dean Nedved
2005 - Todd Pharis, Mike Martin, Janet Intveld Saar and Vern Holter
2004 - Courtney Clayborne, Catie Tobin Naas, Steve Williamson and Cliff Deverall
2003 - Norm Herren, Tim Young and Nancy McCahren
2002 - Doug Schull and Yvette Greer

Wayne Haines

The father of five Coyote student-athletes, Wayne Haines is a long-time supporter of USD Athletics. Raised on a ranch north of White Lake, Haines earned all-conference football honors and two silver medals at the state track meet as a junior at White Lake High School. During his senior year in 1972, he claimed all-state football accolades and two gold medals in track. At the time of his graduation, he was the school record holder in basketball for assists and held five track records. One record still stands today, while the other four were eclipsed by his sons.

Haines attended Dakota Wesleyan University for one year and competed in football, basketball and track. He is third all-time on DWU's 880-yard run list. Haines transferred to Reich College of Auctioneering and, after graduating, worked for the 37 years as an auctioneer. Specializing in livestock, he auctioned hundreds of sales in several states and was eventually named the South Dakota State Bid Calling Champion in 1991.

During this time Haines expanded the family ranch, coached prep basketball and hosted the local Hershey Track Meet for more than 20 years. He was a member of the local school board for five years, and played amateur baseball for 30 years. He currently operates a pheasant hunting operation on their nearly 4,000-acre Aurora and Brule County ranch.

He and his wife, Kristie, have four sons (Wyatte, Jesse, Oakly and Colte), three daughters (Tia, Ali and Ivy) and two grandchildren who plan on attending USD in 2028. Wyatt, Jesse, Oakly, Colte and Tia were Coyote track and field members, while Wyatte, Jesse and Oakly also played football.



Paul Brozik

A native of Winner, S.D., Paul Brozik was a three-time state champion in the high jump and a member of the state champion 4x100-meter relay. He helped guide Winner to a state team title in 1999 and is the school record holder in the long jump, high jump and 4x100-meter relay.

Brozik was a three-time All-American for the Coyotes from 2000-04. He claimed an eighth-place finish in the high jump at the 2002 Indoor NCAA Championships and followed with eighth in the high jump and sixth in the long jump the following year. During 2003 he was also named the North Central Region Athlete of the Year for the indoor season and was named the MVP of the North Central Conference Indoor Championships. He was a five-time conference individual champion in the long jump, high jump and pentathlon and also helped guide USD to two NCC team titles and a fourth-place finish at the 2002 NCAA Indoor Championships. He still holds USD school and state records in the long jump (25-2) and pentathlon (3,916).

An Academic All-American, he graduated with a bachelor's in recreation and psychology. He and his wife, Courtney, have one daughter, Sydney, and currently reside in Lawrence, Kan.



Erik and Sarah VanLaecken

Two Coyote All-Americans, Erik and Sarah (Hoffman) VanLaecken are the first couple to go into the USD Track and Field Hall of Honor. Erik, a native of Parkston, earned two All-America honors as a sprinter/quarter miler before graduating with a bachelor's degree in education in 2001, while Sarah, hailing from Mitchell, claimed two All-America accolades in the heptathlon and earned her degree in recreation in 2003. Both completed graduate school at USD while serving as coaches for the track and field squads.

Erik was hired by the Vermillion School District as a teacher and coach after graduation and Sarah worked at USD as an Academic Advisor and assistant track coach. The two married in 2007 and currently live in Tea with their two children, Tate (2 1/2) and Jayna (6 months). Erik is currently employed at Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls as Director of Information Technology and Chief Information Officer. Sarah currently works at the Avera Sports Institute with the Frappier Acceleration program and director of the ASI Triathlon club.

The oldest of two children of Rob and Joanne VanLaecken, Eric enjoys hunting and fishing, timing and managing track and cross country meets, and spending time with his family. Sarah, the third of five daughters of Corinne and Dave Hoffman, enjoys attending sporting events, spending time with her family, and being outside in her spare time.



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Schedule of Events

COLLEGE EVENTS

10:30 am Women's 20-Pound Weight Throw
10:30 am Men's Long Jump
11:00 am Women's 3,000-Meter Run - Unseeded
11:15 am Men's 3,000-Meter Run - Unseeded
11:30 am Women's Pole Vault
11:30 am Women's 60-Meter Hurdles - Prelim
11:40 am Men's 60-Meter Hurdles - Prelim
11:50 am Women's 60-Meter Dash - Prelim
11:50 am Men's 35-Pound Weight Throw
12:00 pm Women's Long Jump
12:00 pm Men's High Jump
12:00 pm Men's 60-Meter Dash - Prelim
12:10 pm Women's One-Mile Run - Unseeded
12:20 pm Men's One-Mile Run - Unseeded
12:40 pm Women's 400-Meter Dash - Unseeded
12:50 pm Men's 400-Meter Dash - Unseeded
1:05 pm Women's 800-Meter Run - Unseeded
1:15 pm Men's 800-Meter Run - Unseeded
1:20 pm Women's Shot Put
1:25 pm Women's 200-Meter Dash - Unseeded
1:35 pm Men's 200-Meter Dash - Unseeded

COYOTE GOLD ZONE EVENTS

1:30 pm Women's High Jump
1:35 pm Men's Triple Jump
1:40 pm Men's Pole Vault
1:50 pm Women's 60-Meter Dash - Final
2:00 pm Men's 60-Meter Dash - Final
2:10 pm Women's 60-Meter Hurdles - Final
2:20 pm Men's 60-Meter Hurdles - Final
2:30 pm Men's Shot Put
2:30 pm Women's 800-Meter Run - Gold Zone
2:40 pm Men's 800-Meter Run - Gold Zone
2:40 pm Women's Triple Jump
2:50 pm Women's 400-Meter Run - Gold Zone *
3:00 pm Men's 400-Meter Run - Gold Zone *
3:10 pm Women's 200-Meter Dash - Gold Zone *
3:20 pm Men's 200-Meter Dash - Gold Zone *
3:30 pm Women's One-Mile Run - Gold Zone
3:40 pm Men's One-Mile Run - Gold Zone
3:50 pm Women's 4 x 400-Meter Relay - Final
4:00 pm Men's 4 x 400-Meter Relay - Final
4:20 pm Alumni 200-Meter Challenge
5:00 pm Alumni and Parents - Family Day at Pro's

* - Two heats of four



Coyotes Tabbed Second in GWC Preseason Poll

The South Dakota track and field teams were picked to finish second at the 2011 Great West Conference Indoor Championships, the league office announced Thursday. The preseason polls were determined by a vote of the conference's head coaches.

After winning both team titles the past two seasons, the Coyotes received three first-place votes on the women's side for 59 points to be edged by Utah Valley with 60 points and five first-place votes. Houston Baptist finished third with 43 points, while Texas-Pan American (37) and North Dakota (36) rounded out the top five.

The USD men tallied 58 points thanks to two first-place votes to finish second to Utah Valley with 62 points and six first-place votes. Houston Baptist was picked third with 47 points, while North Dakota and Texas-Pan American tied for fourth with 33.

The 2011 GWC indoor champions will be determined at the conference meet on Feb. 27-28, when NJIT hosts the event at the Armory in New York, N.Y.

For a full recap of today's event, including final results, check the official web site of South Dakota Athletics at USDCoyotes.com.

