



# THE OLYMPIAN



## A HISTORY TO HOLD

USOPF Chairman Gordy Crawford donates storied Olympic collection to USOC

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## A Letter From Richard Fosbury

U.S. Olympians and Paralympians Association President



Dear Olympians and Paralympians,

Summer is such a busy time of the year, kicked off with Olympic Day, then family vacations, sports and many outside activities. This year is even busier than usual for me, with the 50th anniversary of the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City. Individual sport gatherings are planned, to include the entire 1968 team reuniting October 26-28th in Colorado Springs, "Olympic City USA". I feel blessed that I'm able to keep in touch with my teammates and attend events like the 2018 USATF Hershey National Junior Olympics Track & Field

Championships in North Carolina where we talked to the athletes and signed autographs. I cannot wait to see everyone who makes it to our reunion and listen to the epic stories that will be told!

It is rare to have some quiet time for reflection during the summer, but I've managed to think back on the thirteen years I have been involved with the U.S. Olympians and Paralympians Association and our relationship with the USOC. When I started it was still the early days of our Association, following the terms of our founding president, Bill Toomey, past president, John Naber, and when Willie Banks was newly elected. We were told by the USOC leadership, CEO Bill Scherr OLY, and past president Peter Ueberroth, that they appreciated us as the most under-utilized asset of the Olympic Family, and that a few board members were not in favor of the athletes being organized. While we've come a long way, we know we have much more to accomplish on behalf of our USOPA members.

One thing I have realized is that we need to educate everyone about the goal of Olympism, "to place sport at the service of the harmonious development of humankind...." The Olympic Charter states clearly the fundamental principles of Olympism. Most interesting to me is that it does not include anything about a medal count; it speaks about the "joy of effort, the educational value of good example, social responsibility, and respect for universal fundamental ethical principles." We certainly know how to count medals (we are excellent at this), but how do we measure being good examples? Can we make that a priority when we push for an "Athlete-First" culture across the USOC Family? Yes, I believe we can!

In this change of leadership of the USOC administration, I am very pleased that acting CEO, Suzanne Lyons, has been listening carefully to advice from USOPA officers, that she gave us a place on the CEO Search Committee that selected Sarah Hirshland. We have a representative on the newly formed USOC Athlete and NGB Engagement Working Group which was formed to advise on fundamental governance issues facing the USOC. We will

continue to present our voice to support the Athletes' Advisory Council working towards an "Athlete-First" culture and priority. Surveys and studies have been undertaken: being informed is a good first step. Happily, actions to strengthen the Athlete Ombudsman position as a resource for the current athletes are already underway. The Athlete Career & Education Program (ACE) is maturing under the leadership of Leslie Klein, offering many opportunities for athletes of all ages. Within the USOPA, we are working to recognize individual athletes and teams that are doing amazing programs within their communities; nominating them for awards or grants available from the IOC, the USOC, or other prominent sport-based organizations.

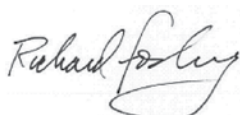
As athletes, we have new opportunities to participate with Olympians and Paralympians around the world, with the "Athlete Charter of Rights and Responsibilities" being developed by an Athlete Steering Committee. You can find info at <https://www.olympic.org/athlete365/>. The issues addressed include: 1) Integrity and Clean Sport, 2) Governance and Communication, 3) Career and Marketing, 4) Safeguarding, and 5) Sports Competition.

Olympians may wish to participate in the large global medical study promoted by the World Olympians Association found here: <https://olympians.org/olympians/health/>.

Paralympians who are interested in the process to obtain post nominal letters after their names (such as OLY for Olympians) may write to me or Vice President Candace Cable. We are also exploring the feasibility of organizing a Paralympic Day in the future.

I hope you had a safe and active Summer! Follow us on our new platform at <https://an.athletenetwork.com/USOPA/index.php>, or our Facebook group, United States Olympians and Paralympians Association.

Yours in Olympic spirit,



Richard Fosbury

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*Cover image:* Gordy Crawford, pictured with a handful of his relay torches, welcomed the Associated Press to his Los Angeles home in August to discuss his Olympic memorabilia and his role as chairman of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Foundation. Crawford recently donated his collection to the U.S. Olympic Committee, and the items will someday be on display at the U.S. Olympic Museum, which is currently under construction in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

*Cover source:* AP





# For U.S. Olympic And Paralympic Foundation **Chairman, Gordy Crawford,** Collection Donation Represents Lifetime Of Preserving Olympic History

Crawford's collection offers rare glimpse at priceless Olympic treasures and - will soon be on display for the world to see.

By: Devin Lowe

What started with a handful of pins soon turned into a lifelong quest for Gordy Crawford.

As a special guest of the ABC network for the Olympic Winter Games Sarajevo 1984, Crawford was introduced to the world of pin trading when a group of burly men in fur coats approached him and asked to trade for the pin on his lapel. At that point, he says, he was hooked.

“By the end of the night, I was working the lobby of the hotel,” Crawford joked. “[I was] stopping an Icelandic representative to trade pins with him.”

Not long after, he acquired his first Olympic winner's medal, bronze from the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin, and since then, his collection has grown to encompass hundreds of Olympic items.

He is the only private collector in the world to assemble a complete collection of Olympic relay torches. He also owns every Olympic participation medal and nearly every winner's medal ever awarded.

“My goal always was to try to collect basically the entire physical history of the Olympics so that when it is displayed, that collection will serve as inspiration to people that see it,” Crawford said. “Whether it's an aspiring athlete, a future sponsor, a potential donor, hopefully it encourages them to support Team USA.”

To give more Americans the opportunity to learn about Olympic history through his priceless memorabilia, Crawford decided this year to donate his collection to the U.S. Olympic Committee. In August, the collection was delivered to USOC headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where it will live



Crawford owns every Olympic participation medal and relay torch, including a gold medal from the Olympic Winter Games Lake Placid 1932 and one of only three privately held torches from the Helsinki 1952 Games.

permanently under the care of Teri Hedgpeth, the organization’s archivist.

“The hardest part was Gordy saying, ‘You’re taking my children,’” Hedgpeth said. “I had to tell him, ‘Gordy, I’m not taking your children, they’re going off to college to be on display for the whole world, where they can share their knowledge. It’s a good thing.’”

Hedgpeth runs the Crawford Family U.S. Olympic Archives, established in 2012 through a transformative gift from Gordy and his wife, Dona, to the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Foundation, and housed on the second floor of the USOC’s headquarters.

At present, the only way to see the treasures within the archives is through a private tour. But in 2020, the U.S. Olympic Museum is slated to open its doors in downtown Colorado Springs, giving Team USA fans a peek at some of the objects Hedgpeth marvels at on a

daily basis, including Crawford’s rarest items.

“Gordy’s collection of prize medals and Olympic torches that were used in the torch relay will be on display at the Olympic Museum,” Hedgpeth said. “He’s very excited about that, because they will be used to inspire others. Instead of 100 people getting to see them, millions throughout the years will be able to see them.”

Visitors to the museum might spot what’s been called the rarest torch in Olympic history: the Helsinki 1952 relay torch comprised of a silver chalice atop a birch wood handle, a unique material among other torches in its time. Only 22 of the torches were made, and of those 22, just three ended up in private hands.

Perhaps they’ll also appreciate the fascinating stories behind some of Crawford’s other torches, like the torch from Stockholm 1956, where the

Olympic equestrian events took place as the rest of the Games unfolded halfway

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across the world in Melbourne due to an Australian quarantine on foreign horses.



Maybe an East German torch, created to commemorate those same Melbourne Games, will be their favorite. That year, the International Olympic Committee called on past hosts of the Games to create specialty torches to mark the occasion, and East Germany provided the lone submission.

Or the gold medal from Lake Placid 1932 might catch their eye, and rightfully so: It was one of the final medals the IOC was missing from its museum in Lausanne, Switzerland, when Crawford outbid the organization at auction for it.

Still, Crawford maintains that picking a favorite item in his collection is impossible.

“Asking me which item in my collection is my most treasured is like asking me which of my children I like the best,” Crawford said. “Every one of them has a story and every one of them has an interesting history, for me.”

At Crawford’s home in Los Angeles, as movers carefully tucked his torches and medals into custom-made boxes, Hedgpeth was struck by the lifetime’s worth of investment Crawford has put into preserving the kinds of precious artifacts she’s spent her career looking after.

Now, those 300-odd items will soon be on display for the world to see.

“It took six hours to pack up a lifetime’s worth of collecting, and I almost cried thinking of the enormity of that,” Hedgpeth said. “I’m quite honored that he entrusted us with his collection. That was something that made me feel really good.”

Crawford says he will keep collecting pins — he owns thousands of them now after he’s attended 15 Olympic Games since Sarajevo — and has ventured into collecting Olympic badges, which serve a similar function as the modern Olympic credential.

Above all, he hopes that his donated items will resonate with current and future Team USA athletes, fans, donors and enthusiasts who make the pilgrimage to Colorado Springs to see Olympic history come alive.

“I love the Olympics. It’s the greatest sporting event in the world. I’m a very patriotic soul, and I love Team USA,” Crawford said. “And I also love the Olympic Movement, the dream of Pierre de Coubertin to bring the youth of the world together, to make the world a smaller place, and hopefully a more peaceful, safer place.”



# U.S. OLYMPIC MUSEUM

To honor the Olympic and Paralympic ideals, document the history of the United States Olympic and Paralympic participation, and celebrate the achievements of U.S. Olympic and Paralympic competitors.

The effort to create The U.S. Olympic Museum and Hall of Fame began in 2013 and after years of foundational work, construction on the project began in June of 2017. In 2014 the USOM signed a renewable agreement with the U.S. Olympic Committee granting a 30-year relationship for the operation of the Museum. Established as the lead project in the City for Champions initiative, the U.S. Olympic Museum will:

- ★ Serve an estimated 350,000 annual visitors, of which 60-80% are projected to visit from out-of-state
- ★ Create 40-60 new permanent jobs with salaries between \$30,000 - \$100,000
- ★ Generate an estimated \$28.3 million in new sales tax revenue over 30 years.

The Museum has hired nationally recognized and locally grounded professionals to design and build the 60,000 square-foot Museum, and have engaged U.S. Olympic and Paralympic athletes in content and exhibition development.

The Museum has received financial commitments from many local, state, and national bodies. In addition to private donors, three local banks teamed up to buy bonds issued by the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority, secured by a state approved tax increment arrangement, and \$26.2 million has been contributed to support the construction of the Museum.

The Museum is currently scheduled to open in spring of 2020 and will further establish Colorado Springs as Olympic City, USA. It will become a premier cultural destination, welcoming people from near and far, and of all ages and backgrounds, to come together in the spirit of the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

## FUNDRAISING

**\$50.8M** GRANTS AND PHILANTHROPY  
**\$26.2M** BOND REVENUE  
**\$77.0M** TOTAL COMMITMENTS

## RECENT ACTIVITY

- May 2018** - Hired Chris Liedel as CEO. Chris joins the Museum team with extensive museum background, having spent the previous six years as President of Smithsonian Enterprises.
- April 2018** - Celebrated "Topping Out" or the placement of the highest structural steel beam. The Museum's construction is roughly 50% complete.
- March 2018** - Selected Centre Screen as audio visual producer for museum exhibits. The firm's portfolio also includes the audio visual exhibits at The International Olympic Committee's Olympic Museum.

## STILL TO COME

- September 2018** Completion of exhibit design
- October 2018** Exhibit fabrication begins
- March 2019** Estimated building construction completion
- November 2019** Soft opening event for All-Team Reunion
- Spring 2020** Anticipated Museum Grand Opening



## ACE LAUNCHES JOB SHADOW PILOT PROGRAM IN COLORADO SPRINGS

The United States Olympic Committee's Athlete Career and Education division launched a job shadow pilot program Oct. 2-5 connecting seven Team USA athletes with four local employers in Olympic City USA. Participating Team USA athletes and organizations include:

- **Tammy Delano**, 2016 Paralympian (Para shooting) – Colorado Springs Police Department
- **Taylor Farmer**, Paralympic hopeful (Para shooting) – Colorado Springs Police Department
- **Jimmy Moody**, world champion (fencing) – Colorado Springs Police Department
- **Charles Platt**, Olympic hopeful

(shooting) – Colorado Springs Police Department

- **Mohamed Lahna**, 2016 bronze medalist (Paratriathlon) – USA Weightlifting
- **Mindy Miles**, Olympic hopeful (shooting) – Visit Colorado Springs
- **Mirai Nagasu**, two-time Olympian and 2018 Olympic bronze medalist (figure skating) – KOAA, Colo. Springs NBC-Affiliate

“We are thrilled to launch the job shadow pilot program and grateful for the support from the participating organizations here in Colorado Springs – Olympic City USA,” said Leslie Klein, USOC director of ACE. “The program

features a variety of opportunities for Team USA athletes to learn and expand their skill set as they explore professional avenues, both in and outside of sport. The experience and traits that make athletes successful on the field of play also transfer well to the workplace, and this pilot is a fantastic opportunity to highlight that transition.”

Through the pilot program, ACE aims to enhance long-term positive engagement within Colorado Springs, which is home to nearly half of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic family's 50 National Governing Bodies.





## ACE MENTOR NEWS

### ENTREPRENEURSHIP OFFERS LUCRATIVE NEXT STEP FOR TEAM USA ATHLETES – AND ACE PROGRAM HELPS THEM GET THERE

By: Devin Lowe

One of the first clues that Team USA athletes were hungry for more opportunities in entrepreneurship came after the Olympic and Paralympic Games Rio 2016, during the Athlete Career and Education (ACE) Program’s post-Games summit.

In one of the career sessions, a panelist asked athletes in the room to raise

their hand if they were interested in potentially pursuing entrepreneurship after their athletic careers.

“And 50 to 60 percent of the room raised their hands,” says Leslie Klein, director of the ACE Program. “It resonates with athletes as a career, as a venture, as a lifestyle.”

Klein and her team knew they’d struck a nerve with entrepreneurship and began

considering how best to respond to what appeared to be heavy demand for resources in the entrepreneurship space.

Enter Alex Popa, who is a member of ACE’s working group, a partner at the investment firm Capital Group and a donor to the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Foundation. Popa attended ACE’s post-PyeongChang summit in Washington, D.C., this April, where he



Athletes mingle with entrepreneurs at the home of Alex Popa.



Host Alex Popa teamed up with ACE staffers and Jill Fontaine (right) to put on the August event.



Popa and the team carefully crafted the guest list for optimal networking and maximum impact.

was inspired by the athletes he met.

“I have a passion for both entrepreneurship and competition, and when the USOPF staff and I were discussing potential areas of involvement, the ACE Program and its entrepreneurship subsection really jumped at me,” Popa says. “I had never been more excited about a nonprofit opportunity and I jumped on it.”

Popa approached Jillian Fontaine, director of major gifts for the USOPF’s Los Angeles region, and ACE staff members with an idea for how to get Team USA athletes involved in entrepreneurship: gather them together alongside his colleagues, connections and friends for a night of network building and a bit of fun. The team refined their vision for the event, drafted the guest list and set a date.

On Aug. 3, entrepreneurs, investors, businesspeople and Team USA athletes joined Popa at his home and spent the evening connecting, setting goals and exploring ways to bring athletes’ million-dollar ideas to life.

“When you put likeminded business folks together, people who are really passionate and eager to be successful — which Olympic athletes definitely are — when you put them in a room with people, you never know what can happen,” says Allison Baver, an Olympic short track speedskater and bronze medalist who recently founded her own clothing line. “I was really excited to see folks who were specific to my business’s needs at the event.”

That carefully curated guest list was intentional, says Popa, who researched the athletes’ backgrounds and



Athletes and entrepreneurs enjoyed a night of networking at Popa’s home in Los Angeles.

entrepreneurial interests beforehand, so he could connect people with common interests.

“[The athletes] came to understand that this was really for them,” Klein says. “It was catered to them and for them to help them, and they were blown away by that.”

Baver and Jaime Komer, an Olympic silver medalist in the sport of water polo, were two of the 14 athletes in attendance in addition to 31 of Popa’s entrepreneurially inclined connections. Thirteen sports — Olympic and Paralympic, summer and winter — were represented.

“I liked that it wasn’t a forced situation of networking,” Komer, who runs her own

health and wellness coaching business, says. “It was very casual, and you got to organically connect with whoever you chose to connect with, whoever you ended up speaking to, about whatever sparked your interest.”

The event, which was the first of its kind, is something that Klein and the ACE team hope to duplicate in the future as more Team USA athletes express interest in entrepreneurship. In addition, the ACE Program is already planning a different kind of entrepreneurship event with the help of Eric and Liz Gasser, two more Team USA and ACE supporters.

Eric Gasser, who teaches at the University of California, San Diego, will host 10 athletes for a multi-day entrepreneurship workshop in



ACE Director Leslie Klein speaks with Rani Yadav-Ranjan, founder and CEO of 4PIA.

November 2018. The application for the workshop, which opened in mid-August, has already exceeded 30 athletes, demonstrating to Klein just how passionate Team USA is about the subject.

“An athlete is often in charge of their own destiny. You may be in a team sport, but basically, you’re me.com in terms of your employment,” Klein says. “[Entrepreneurship] is a way to carry that forward. ... I think going from the top of the podium to the top of the board room is really appealing.”

In addition to entrepreneurship-related events, Team USA athletes are seeking education resources in the entrepreneurship space, which DeVry University fulfills with specialized bachelor’s and MBA programs in small business management and entrepreneurship.

Some athletes have also taken part in the new Tuck School of Business Next Steps program at Dartmouth, which gives military veterans and retiring athletes from around the globe a 12-day

course in entrepreneurship. ACE offers scholarships to cover the program costs and all graduates receive a Dartmouth certificate.

“Being involved in some way in an entrepreneurship event or program helps you figure out what you want, what’s important to you, what you need to get done, whether it’s right for you — it answers a lot of questions,” Komer says. “You have to put yourself out there, even if you don’t have all the answers.”

As ACE addresses significant interest from athletes in entrepreneurship, the athletes who attended Popa’s event can’t help but acknowledge that many of the skills that make someone a successful entrepreneur — risk-taking, leadership, tenacity — also helped them reach the pinnacle of their sport.

“We’re resilient. We’re okay with making mistakes,” Komer says. “You have to be okay with having setbacks and jumping right back in.”

“We’re able to self-motivate, and

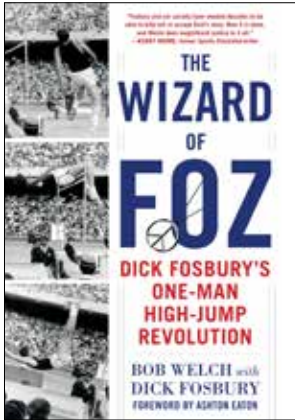
that’s what makes a really successful entrepreneur. We’re goal-oriented, we know how to execute things,” Bayer adds. “There’s so much dedication and passion that goes into performing on the world stage and winning a medal. If you can win a gold medal, if you can be on the podium at the Olympic Games, you can do anything.”

*Interested in exploring opportunities in entrepreneurship? The ACE Program has resources available to help. Please contact Terris Tiller at [ace@usoc.org](mailto:ace@usoc.org) to learn more.*



Olympian Maggie Hogan (canoe/kayak, 2016) shares her story about funding her Olympic dreams through a remote job opportunity.

# BOOK REVIEWS



## Wizard of Foz

Bob Welch, an award-winning author and columnist for Eugene, Oregon's Register Guard, does a masterful job uncovering the deeper story of a teenager navigating turbulent times (brother's death, parents' divorce) during a period of great social and racial upheaval. This remarkable

story about the man behind the famous Fosbury Flop makes an important contribution to the history of innovation in American sports. — Brenda Barrera, Wordlist

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### RESPONSE AND RESOLUTION

**SPECIFIC:** 14

Additional 10 contractual investigators Complaints handled:

August 2017 32 August 2018 153

### TRAINING COMPLETED:

484,000 on line trainings since March 2017

U.S. OLYMPIC  
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# OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC ASSEMBLY



United States Olympians and Paralympians Celebrate together “in the true spirit of sportsmanship, for the glory of sport and the honor of our teams” at the 2018 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Assembly Gala, September 21, 2018.

# UPDATES FROM THE LA84 FOUNDATION



**1.** The theme of this year's LA84 Foundation Summit is: "Athlete Activism + Social Justice: Taking Action for Our Youth."

This coincides with the 50-year anniversary of 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City where Dr. John Carlos, Tommie Smith and Peter Norman's silent protest was heard around the world. All three men faced backlash for their demonstration. Carlos and Smith were sent home from the Games and had difficulty finding employment. Norman went back to his native Australia, where he was ridiculed and not selected to participate in the 1972

Munich Games, despite the fact his qualifying time was good enough to be there. Now — 50 years later — all three men are looked back at as pioneers in the rise of the athlete-activist. Their actions helped inspire future generations.

Here are just some of the athletes we have collaborated with who are getting out in the community to help raise awareness and take action for our youth. Thank you to all of them for their work. If you're an Olympian or Paralympian and want to share your story, get in touch with us through our website [LA84.org](http://LA84.org)



**2.** Julie Foudy, who won three Olympic medals as a part of the U.S. women's soccer team, has been instrumental in working with the LA84 Foundation. She was the emcee of the 2016 and 2017 LA84 Summits and is extremely active working with youth across the country. The Julie Foudy Sports Leadership Academy provides young girls the opportunity to attend a five-day residential sports camp. Foudy also hosts The Julie Foudy Summer Soccer Camp, which is designated for kids who want to work on technical and tactical aspects of the game. She is an advocate for gender equality and is the former president of the Women's Sports Foundation.

**3.** Benita Fitzgerald Mosley won gold in the 100-meter hurdles on home soil at the 1984 games in Los Angeles.

Fitzgerald Mosley was a speaker at the 2016 LA84 Foundation Summit. She is currently the CEO of Laureus Sport for Good Foundation USA — a nonprofit organization using sport to improve the lives of disadvantaged youth in more than a hundred cities nationwide. Laureus' goal is to increase children's participation in sports.



**4.** Gary Hall Jr. is one of the most decorated swimmers in U.S. history. He was a featured speaker at the 2016 LA84 Foundation Summit. Hall won 10 Olympic medals during his time competing on the international stage, who is now the Director of Orthopedics, Sports Medicine and Spine Programs for Verity Health. Hall has been the keynote speaker more than 80 times at international events on advancements in sports-science and medical research.



**5.** Allyson Felix was one of the stars of the 2017 LA84 Foundation Summit as one of the keynote speakers. When the six-time Olympic gold medalist isn't busy on the track, she is focused on another passion of hers, youth sports and education. She served on President Obama's Council for Fitness, Sports and Nutrition, which sets physical fitness standards for public school districts. She's a SportsUnited Envoy, a U.S. Department of State position created to foster youth development in leadership, communication, and academics. Felix believes participating in sports not only opened up doors for her career, but socially as well.



**6.** Tony Azevedo was a longtime member of the U.S. National Men's Water Polo Team. He has worked with the LA84 Foundation at events like the annual Summer Splash — aimed at getting more kids into the pool and participating in team sports. Azevedo won silver at the 2012 Beijing Games and is now involved with the community through his Water Polo camps.



**7.** Kerri Walsh-Jennings' keynote at the 2017 LA84 Foundation Summit was entitled "Inspiring and Delivering the Next Generation of Youth Sports. Walsh-Jennings is eager to support LA84's initiative to close the gender gap in youth sports participation and encourage more young girls to engage in physical activity. Walsh-Jennings is considered one of the greatest beach volleyball players in Olympic history. She has won three gold medals and one bronze during her career. She founded the Chase the Stars Foundation — which supports programs and events that directly improve the well-being, health and quality of children's lives.

many other big names —both on the stage and in the crowd — featured speakers that are scheduled to appear at this year's LA84 Foundation Summit include: Sal Masekela (emcee/TV host), Jordyn Weiber (Olympic gold medalist), Tatyana McFadden (17-time Paralympic medalist), Oz Sanchez (six-time Paralympic medalist), Nicky Nieves (Paralympic gold medalist), Metta World Peace (NBA World Champion), Chris Borland (Former All-American and NFL Linebacker), Joanne Pasternack (Vice President, Community Relations & Executive Director, Warriors Community Foundation), and LA84 Foundation President & CEO Renata Simril. Tickets are available online through LA84's website.

Continuing with the tradition of having Olympians and Paralympians, as well as

# ALUMNI IN HONOR



University of Pittsburgh Inaugural Hall of Fame Class of 2018  
Front row: Lisa Shirk, Olympian Herb Douglas (T&F, 1948), Kathy Stetler, Hugh Green, Tony Dorsett  
Back row: Mike Ditka, Olympian Roger Kingdom (T&F, 1984, '88), Trecia-Kaye Smith, Olympian Charles Smith (Basketball, 1988), Billy Knight, Dan Marino  
John Woodruff (T&F, 1936) was posthumously inducted.

## United States Olympians Highlight the University of Pittsburgh's Inaugural Sports Hall of Fame Class

By: Jerry DiPaola

Some of the greatest athletes in Pitt history started telling stories on the night they joined the university's inaugural Hall of Fame class.

Did you know?

- Mike Ditka went to Pitt because he wanted to be a dentist.
- Jackie Sherrill spent so much time at Tony Dorsett's house while recruiting him, "you would think he was one of my brothers," Dorsett said. "He was there every day."
- When Billy Knight scored 37 points at UCLA, legendary coach John Wooden did something he never had done previously: He walked across the court to shake the hand of an opponent.
- Dan Marino's house on Parkview Avenue in Oakland was only a 10-minute walk from the 50-yard line at Pitt Stadium.
- Track and field athlete Trecia-Kaye Smith, a native of Jamaica, had no idea where Pittsburgh was when she was in high school. But as a student interested

in medicine, she visited the campus, looked around, saw all the hospitals and said, "This is the place for me."

The 16-member class includes basketball players Charles Smith and Knight, football players Dorsett, Ditka, Marino, Hugh Green, Marshall Goldberg and Bill Fralic, gymnast Lisa Shirk, swimmer Kathy Stetler, track and field athletes Smith, Roger Kingdom, John Woodruff and Herb Douglas, and coaches Doc Carlson and Jock Sutherland.

Sutherland, whose teams recorded 79 shutouts, Goldberg, Woodruff and Carlson were inducted posthumously.

The highlight of the evening at Petersen Events Center was a question-and-answer session conducted by legendary broadcaster Bill Hillgrove, called "Mr. Golden Throat" by Knight. Hillgrove is in his 45th season calling Pitt football games, and this basketball season will be his 50th.

Douglas, 96, was the oldest of the inductees. He grew up in Hazelwood, and you could hear the pride in his voice when he announced, "Our family still owns the property my grandfather

bought in 1918."

The only distinction that meant more to him was winning a bronze medal in the long jump in the 1948 Olympics.

Kingdom won two high hurdle gold medals in the 1984 and 1988 Olympics, and when Hillgrove asked him to describe what it was like to hear the national anthem played in his honor, he said it was "overwhelming."

"Kind of like what I'm feeling right now," he said. "It is your one moment in time. Thirty years later, you say, 'Did I do that?'"

Ditka, who played football, baseball and basketball at Pitt, said he never became a dentist.

"There are probably a lot of people out there happy that I didn't make it," he said. "I forgot you had to take chemistry. What does chemistry have to do with dentistry?"

Ditka said he also punted at Pitt. "I could lift my leg, which I can't do now," he said.

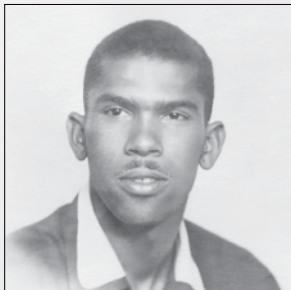
While playing basketball, he covered West Virginia's Jerry West.

"I guarded him for 12 minutes and he had 27 points and I had five fouls," Ditka said. "That's the truth. You could look it up."

Marino said "it was a no-brainer" for him to attend Pitt, but he took all five of the recruiting trips allowed by the NCAA. "I had to have some fun before I went to Pitt," he said.

He thanked Hillgrove for reminding him that the first three passes of his career were an interception, a near-interception and a touchdown pass. He had to be reminded that he threw it to Ralph Stills. The man who reminded him. His coach, Sherrill, seated near the stage.

# ALUMNI IN MEMORIAM



**George Henry Brown, Jr.**

*(Track & Field, 1952)*

George Henry Brown, Jr. died on July 23, 2018 at the age of 86.

George competed at the Helsinki 1952 Olympic Games as a long jumper.

He attended Jordan High School in Los Angeles, California,[3][4] and was unknown as an athlete until his breakthrough in the spring of 1948, his junior year. In addition to long jumping, he was a good sprinter. On April 1, 1949 he jumped 25' 21/2" in a dual meet against Huntington Park High School, breaking Jesse Owens's national high school record of 24' 11 1/4 " from 1933; however, although his record was statistically valid, it didn't receive official NFHS ratification as marks from dual meets were ineligible. Only one athlete of any age exceeded Brown's jump that year, and *Track & Field News* ranked Brown ninth in the world in its annual rankings. He was *Track and Field News* "High School Athlete of the Year" in 1949.

George graduated from high school that year and went to Compton Junior College and then UCLA. He failed to improve his personal long jump best in 1950, but in 1951 he became the world's leading jumper, winning the NCAA and United States championships and topping both the world list and the *Track & Field News* rankings. He went undefeated for the year, with a best jump of 26' 1".

He entered the 1952 Olympic Trials

as a clear favorite. He had won 41 consecutive competitions going back to 1950, and in a coaches' poll ahead of the trials 29 of 31 respondents predicted that Brown would win. He did not, however, despite his third-place finish at the trials, he remained the Olympic favorite. At the Olympics in Helsinki he cleared the qualification on his first attempt. He still maintained his top spot as the best jumper. Brown joined the U.S. Army in 1953 but remained the world's top jumper.



**Stanley "Stan" Cole**

*(Water Polo, 1964, 1968, 1972)*

Stanley Cole died on July 26, 2018 at the age of 74.

Stan became involved in age-group swimming at an early age. He started to swim competitively at the age of 8, and by age 12 he was teaching swimming and playing water polo. He became so successful he made up his mind early, he knew what he wanted, and he had the determination to fulfill that desire. He was totally focused on his goals and did not let distractions get in his way.

He received the highest honor as a senior athlete at Whittier High School; he was chosen as the "Best Athlete of the Year" the first time a person other than a football player had received the award.

After graduation he went to UCLA on an athletic scholarship in both water polo and swimming. In 1963 he led the

Bruin freshman in scoring with 53 goals in 10 games. In 1964 he was chosen as a member of the U.S. Olympic Team heading to Tokyo, Japan. He celebrated his 19th birthday there and received a card from the mayor of Tokyo. He continued to play exceptionally well throughout the years. He complemented his water polo skills competing on the UCLA varsity swim team as well.

Stan won a gold medal at the 1967 Pan American Games and again represented the U.S. at the Mexico City 1968 Olympic Games where Team USA placed fifth. He went on to compete at the Munich 1972 Olympic Games, leading Team USA to the bronze medal, breaking the 40-year medal drought for the United States.

He was elected to the USA Water Polo Hall of Fame in 1984 and to the International Water Polo Hall of Fame in 1986, and he has the distinction of becoming the first-ever water polo player inducted into the UCLA Athletic Hall of Fame in 1990. He was also elected into the Whittier High School Hall of Fame in 2015.

Stan is survived by his wife of 36 years, Mary; two daughters, Alicia Cole (Josh Horst) of Seattle, Wash; Kelsey Raider (Scott) of Encinitas, Calif; one son, Kammann Cole of Encinitas, Calif; three grandchildren, Freya and Amalia Horst and Gage Raider; and his former wife, Annette Wiley of Corona Del Mar, Calif.

# ALUMNI IN MEMORIAM (continued)



**Patrick Cottini**  
(*Para Track and Field, 1996*)

Patrick was an avid cyclist, skier, soccer player and distance runner when he was younger. As a junior athlete he competed in numerous road races and worked his way up to a class B rider. When he turned 15 he was in a serious cycling accident leaving him a quadriplegic. He continued to compete as a Jr. Disabled Athlete and in his senior year was named the MVP Jr. Athlete of the year in the USA.

He was recruited by the University of Illinois for their Track and Quad Rugby programs. He earned his bachelor's degree and two master's (Rehab Administration and Rehab Counseling). Additionally, he earned a master's at CSU Chico in Kinesiology.

He was an exceptional athlete competing in 38 marathons, competed in World Games in Wilkes-Berry, England, Berlin, Germany and Sidney, Australia, winning numerous metals. He also competed in the Atlanta 1996 Paralympic Games, winning two bronze medals in the 5000 meters and the marathon. He loved to hand cycle and competed in this year's Wild Flower in Chico doing 65 miles.

Patrick had a passion for classic autos which was a result of him and his father restoring a 1956 Chevy 210 Del Rey; he also modified a Can-Am Spyder so he could ride to rallies with his father. He was an inspiration for all who became his friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Constance. He is survived by his father, William J. Cottini and sister Christina M. Persinger of Vacaville; Aunt Patsy and Uncle Stan Amacher of Cameron Park; Aunt Diana and Uncle Charles Callsen of Stayton, Ore.; Aunt Jenney Gilligan of Cameron Park; niece Julia Marie Persinger of Vacaville. Close friends Gary and Betty Ozunas of Ridge Crest; Rod and Sue Jones of Minden, Nev.; Jack and Katie Azvedo of Durham; Diane Fossum of Chico; Mike and Sue Nesbit of Quincy; Jerry and Elsa Thomas of Quincy; Clay and Janet Johnson of Quincy.



**James Ralph "Jim" Dunbar**  
(*Rowing, 1952*)

James "Jim" Dunbar died on May 14, 2018 at the age of 87.

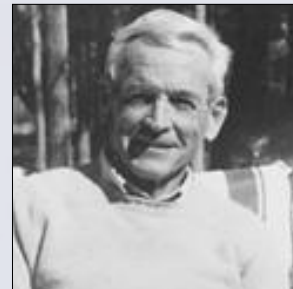
Jim grew up in Darlington, IN and after his first year at Purdue University he was accepted into the U.S. Naval Academy.

While at the Academy he joined the Navy rowing team and was a member of the "Great Eight" that won gold in the Helsinki 1952 Olympic Games. The crew remained undefeated over three years and twenty-nine consecutive races, a feat unmatched by any other in the sport.

After graduating, Jim was commissioned into the U.S. Air Force. He further attended, during his 28-year career, the Armed Forces Staff College, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, and the Aerospace Research Pilot School.

He was a member of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots. He was also a decorated fighter pilot during the Vietnam War where he flew his beloved F-105, Thunderchief. During his test pilot career, he flew many different aircrafts. His favorites were the Century series aircraft (F100-F106). He earned many medals and awards including the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal w/10 OLC, and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

Jim is survived by his three children, Timothy A. Dunbar, Thad P. Dunbar, and Sharon D. McGrath, and five grandchildren. He is also survived by his two brothers Richard P. Dunbar and Fredrick A. Dunbar and his sister Deanna D. Duncan.



**Robert "Jay" Evans**  
(*Canoe/Kayak Coach, 1972*)

Robert "Jay" Evans died on April 20, 2018 at the age of 92.

Jay was born and raised in Concord, N.H. He attended the Walker School and upon graduating from Concord High School in 1943 he served as a 2nd Lt. Norden Bombsite Instructor in the U.S. Army Air Corps in World War II. After World War II, he attended Dartmouth College and graduated in 1949. Jay took his junior year abroad in Switzerland and studied at the University of Zurich.

During his year in Europe, he rode his bicycle through six different countries while sharing his post-war cycling adventures with his hometown

# ALUMNI IN MEMORIAM (continued)

newspaper, the Concord Monitor. Upon graduating from Dartmouth, he married Frances Maxfield, also of Concord, in 1949. Jay and Fran moved to Durham while Jay studied at the University of New Hampshire.

Upon receiving his master's degree in New England Colonial History in 1951, he began his teaching career. His teaching years included Bartlett High School, Bartlett, Pine Tree School in Center Conway, Louisville Country Day school in Kentucky, Blue Ridge Country Day/Powhatan School in Boyce, Va. and the Shore Country Day School in Beverly, Mass. In 1962 Jay began working at Dartmouth College in the Admissions Office. He was a longtime advisor to the Ledyard Canoe Club which honors his years of commitment to the Club with the Jay Evans Service Award.

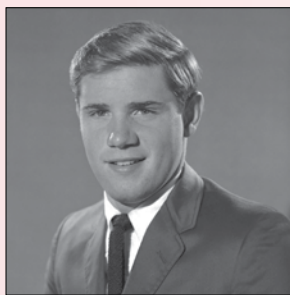
He coached the U.S. Whitewater Canoe and Kayak Teams at the 1969 and 1971 World Championships in France and Italy, respectively. He wrote one of the first books on kayaking called *Fundamentals of Kayaking* and, later, *The Kayaking Book* published by Stephen Greene Press. Jay was named coach of the 1972 United States Olympic Whitewater team which competed in Munich, Germany.

During several summers in the 1960's he was an instructor at the Colorado and Hurricane Island Outward Bound Schools. Following his years at Dartmouth (1962-1974) Jay was employed by Hampshire College in Amherst, Mass. as Director of Recreational Athletics from 1974-1987.

Retirement years found Jay and Fran in Etna, and finally Concord. Well into his '70's he enjoyed running a total of 172 5K road races. He lived a wonderful life.

He leaves his wife, Frances, of 68 years, son, Eric (Jessie Heller) of Putney, Vt. and daughter, Anne Leonard, (James) of

Jackson. Two grandchildren, Kate Hood (Alexander) of Dillon, Colo., and Nicholas Leonard of Aspen, Colo.; and two great-grandchildren, Eloise and Rex Hood of Dillon, Colo.; and several nieces and nephews.



**William Winfield "Bill" Farley**  
(Swimming, 1964)

Bill Farley died on September 2, 2018 at the age of 73.

As an athlete, Farley finished 4th in the 1500 free at the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo. After finishing his college career at Michigan, where he won 10 NCAA All-America awards, he went to serve in several head coaching positions, including his first coaching position as the head coach of the Princeton men's swim team in 1971.

In 9 years with the program, he amassed a 275-69 dual meet record, coached 8 NCAA finalists, 1 NCAA champion and 1 Pan American Games champion.

He also launched the Princeton women's team and served as its first head coach. In 1979, he returned to spend 2 years as the head coach at his alma mater, Michigan, where he had a 23-5 record, put 8 swimmers on the All-America team, and let the squad to two second-place finishes in the Big Ten.

After time spent coaching around the world and working outside of the sport, he returned to the NCAA in 2002 as the head coach of Fairfield University in Fairfield, Connecticut. In 12 seasons

there, he led the men's and women's teams to 107 victories, making him the winningest coach in program history. His teams broke 76 school records and won 10 individual event titles at the MAAC Championships, including the first-ever women's championship in 2006. He retired from Fairfield after the 2013-2014 season.

William Winfield "Bill" Farley was born in Fort Devon, Massachusetts on November 10, 1944. He was active in all sports until at the age of 15, he dedicated himself to swimming for the legendary USC Coach Peter Daland, who was then coaching the Los Angeles Athletic Club. LAAC produced a long list of world class swimmers, including legendary distance swimmers Roy Saari and Murray Rose. Charlie Campbell '73 remembers being a 10 year-old age grouper in the outside lane in the LAAC pool watching Farley and his cohorts with awe.

After graduating from St. Francis High School in La Canada, California, Bill went on to become one of the most decorated and accomplished swimmers in University of Michigan history. Bill won multiple Big Ten Conference Championships in the 200, 500 and 1650 yard freestyle events. He was named All-American in 1964, 1965 and 1966. It is rumored that he set the American Record in the 1000 yard freestyle in a practice time trial at Michigan, after a full lunch of spaghetti and meatballs. He graduated from Michigan in 1966.

In 1963, at the age of 18, Bill placed 4th in the 1500 meter freestyle at the Pan American Games in Brasilia, Brazil. In 1964, he was selected to the United States Olympic Team. He placed 4th in the 1500 meter freestyle in Tokyo, Japan.

After his swimming career at Michigan, Bill retired from competition with ambitions to be a college swim coach.

# ALUMNI IN MEMORIAM (continued)

He received his Master of Science in Education from Eastern Michigan University in 1969. While still in Ann Arbor, Bill coached a young Peter Daly '76 at Ann Arbor Swim Club.

Bill had a long and successful career as a college coach, including as Head Coach of his beloved Michigan Wolverines, and over 10 years as Head Coach of Women's and Men's teams at Fairfield University in Connecticut. At Fairfield, Bill completely turned around a losing program, becoming the winningest coach in Fairfield swimming history. He also produced 150 All-Academic athletes while at Fairfield.

Bill is survived by daughter Jessica Farley Gillooly, son James Anthony Farley, grand-daughter Rose Kathryn Gillooly and grand-son John Christopher Gillooly. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

The Friends of Princeton Swimming is discussing an appropriate tribute to Bill. There will be more news on that in the near future.

God Bless Bill



**Frank Benjamin Havens**  
(*Canoe/Kayak, 1948, 1952, 1956, 1960*)

Frank Havens died on July 22, 2018 at the age 93.

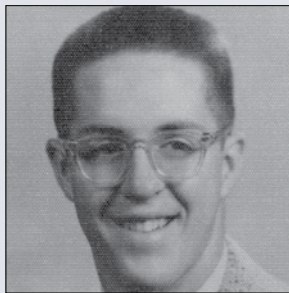
Frank was a United States Army Veteran and retired insurance adjuster. He competed in canoe/kayak at the London 1948 Olympic Games, the Helsinki 1952

Olympic Games, the Melbourne 1956 Olympic Games, and the Rome 1960 Olympic Games. He finished in 1948 as a silver medalist and in 1952 as a gold medalist and remains the only American Olympic gold medal winner in a single canoeing event.

He is an honorary life member of the Washington Canoe Club, member of the U.S. Olympic Team, U.S. Olympians and Paralympians Association, American Canoe Association, Virginia Sports Hall of Fame, Arlington Sports Hall of Fame, and Washington and Lee High School Sports Hall of Fame.

Frank is survived by three sons, Dan (Bonnie) Havens of Vienna, Va.; Frank (Debbie) Havens IV of Parker, Colo.; and Scott Havens of Belle Haven, Va.; and three grandchildren, Sean, Jennifer, and Aimee Havens.

Frank was a resident of Harborton, Va. at the time of passing. He was a United States Army Veteran and retired insurance adjuster.



**R. Bruce Hunter**  
(*Swimming, 1960*)

Bruce Hunter died on July 6th, 2018, the date of his 79th birthday.

Bruce was a star athlete; whose accomplishments were evident early on. The highlight of his swimming career was competing for the United States at the Rome 1960 Olympic Games. He swam the second-fastest time in the semifinals to qualify for the 100-meter freestyle

final, which would become, and remain, one of the most controversial races in swimming history. Bruce finished in fourth place, just four-tenths of a second behind the leaders, and two-tenths of a second out of bronze-medal contention.

As a undergraduate at Harvard University, Bruce was a nine-time NCAA All-American and national record-holder in the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle events. He was inducted into the Harvard Varsity Club Hall of Fame in 1986.

Following his graduation from Harvard in 1961, he enlisted in the United States Navy, which allowed him to train for the Tokyo 1964 Olympic Games as a member of the Navy's training squad. He was awarded the American Spirit of Honor Medal in recognition of his exemplary leadership during seaman recruit training. As a petty officer, Bruce competed in the U.S., Canada, South America, and Europe, winning three gold medals at the International Military Games.

Bruce returned to Harvard after the Navy, earning an MBA from Harvard Business School in 1974. Over the course of his professional career, he worked in a variety of capacities in the finance industry at Raytheon, State Street Bank and Trust, and Fidelity Investments, among others.

In recognition of his athletic achievements, Bruce was appointed the first chairman of the U.S. Swimming Alumni Association and served as president of the New England chapter of the United States Olympians Association. In addition to winning numerous masters swimming championships, he also coached masters swim programs and mentored countless individual athletes.

# ALUMNI IN MEMORIAM (continued)



**Pearce "Rocky" Lane**  
(Boxing, 1956)

Pearce "Rocky" Lane died on July 27, 2018 at age 87.

Rocky graduated from Big Rapids High School and attended MSU on a boxing scholarship. He was the World Amateur Boxing champion in 1954, was the All-Army Worldwide Boxing Champion in 1955 and 1956 and boxed in the Melbourne 1956 Olympic Games. (He earned the nickname "Rocky" before the movie came out!)

For 25 years, Rocky served his country in the U.S. Army, retiring as a lieutenant colonel, and earned many honors. He served two tours in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot and was shot down but escaped injury.

Rocky was named an Outstanding Young Man of America in 1967 and was president of Georgia Olympians. He was honored to carry the torch in the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games.

Throughout his life, Rocky earned other honors and awards, and could tell you a story about all of them. He will be missed along with those stories and his sense of humor.

Rocky is preceded in death by his first wife, Dianne, and son, Bruce. He is survived by their children, Nancy King and Richard Lane; also, his second wife, Betty, and her children, Ronald Helms, Vicki Goss, Richard Helms, Michael Helms and Karen Corey; his siblings,

Gordon Lane, Herman McConnell and Diane Windquist; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He also was preceded in death by brothers, Roger and Kenny Lane.



**Lindy John Remigino**  
(Track & Field, 1952)

Lindy Remigino died on July 11, 2018 at age 87.

Born in Corona, Queens New York, Lindy moved to Hartford in 1937 with his parents Stefano and Rose (Strada) Remigino and brother Rudolph where he later attended Hartford Public High School. He used a full scholarship to Manhattan College to earn a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education.

In the iconic race of his life, Lindy upset the talented field to win the Olympic gold medal in the 100-meter dash at the Helsinki 1952 Olympic Games. He then won his second gold medal as part of the U.S. 4x100m relay team.

Upon his return from Helsinki, Lindy married June Haverty in 1953. He then became a physical education teacher and track and field and cross-country coach at Hartford Public High School in Hartford, Connecticut. For a span of over 40 years, he coached teams to 31 state championships that included many athletes as individual state champions and All-Americans. In addition to coaching, Lindy served as director of numerous state championship and invitational track and cross-country meets, he founded and was the director of the prestigious Hartford Public High

School Invitational for 40 years (a meet that was later renamed in his honor). He was also highly regarded as a track official at meets such as the U.S. Indoor Championships and the Millrose Games where he officiated for 20 years.

Lindy was inducted into the Halls of Fame of several organizations, including USA Track and Field, the New York Athletic Club, the New York Armory Track Center, Manhattan College, the National Federation of High Schools, the Connecticut High School Coaches Association and Hartford Public High School. His 1952 Olympic 100 meters triumph is included in Bud Greenspan's book, "100 Greatest Moments in Olympic History," as well as his video "The World's Fastest Humans."

He is survived by his beloved wife of 65 years, June (Haverty) Remigino; his daughter Patricia Geer and son-in-law Richard Geer of Glastonbury, Conn.; his daughter Elizabeth Remigino-Knapp and son-in-law Ronald Knapp of West Hartford, Conn.; his daughter Linda Moulthrop and son-in-law Jon Moulthrop of Haymarket, Va.; his daughter Kathleen Remigino and partner Gail Briere of Rotonda West, Fla.; and his son Michael Remigino and daughter-in-law Meredith Remigino of West Hartford, Conn. He also leaves 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents Stefano and Rose (Strada) Remigino and brother Rudolph.



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# OLYMPIAN & PARALYMPIAN PHOTO Highlights



**1.** The LA Football Club celebrated Olympic Day by honoring Olympians and Paralympians on their soccer pitch. Pictured LtoR: John Nunn (Rowing, 1968), Lori Ogren (Team Handball, 1992), Heather Bown (Volleyball, 2000, '04, '08), Breanna Clark (Para-Track, 2016), Rey Brown (High Jump, 1968, '72), Rosalyn Clark (T&F, 1976), Gideon Massie (Cycling, 2004, '08), John Naber (Swimming, 1976), Katherine Stark (Swimming, 1984, '88 for Great Britain), Cliff Meidl (Canoe/Kayak, 1996, '00), Connie Paraskevin (Cycling and Speed Skating, 1980, '84, '88, '92, '96).

Photo courtesy of: Juan Ocampo

**2. - 5.** The Angel City Games (adaptive sports) celebrated Olympic Day in Los Angeles by honoring Olympians and Paralympians during their Opening Ceremony at UCLA.

Photo courtesy of: Tiffany J. Photography

**6.** Olympians and Paralympians gather at the Dorothy Franey Langkop Ambassador Awards Luncheon on September 20, 2018 to mark the start of the 2018 U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Assembly. The empty chair is saved for Dorothy and can never be filled.

**7.** Bob Beamon (athletics, 1968) is honored during the Assembly Gala and recognized for his incredible achievement in Mexico City at the 1968 Olympic Games. His long jump Olympic record of 29 feet 2 ½ inches is the longest standing record in Olympic Games history. We will celebrate the 50 Year Anniversary on October 18th.

**8.** Olympian Tracy Evans (freestyle skiing, 1994, '98, '02) has distinguished herself through a lifetime of achievement, both on and off the field and received the Rings of Gold Award – Individual during the Assembly Gala. She founded Kids Play International, a nonprofit organization which aims to promote gender equity and the Olympic values by introducing sport to children in post-genocide impacted countries.





**9.** LtoR: Dick Fosbury (athletics, 1968); Tom Lough (modern pentathlon, 1968); Posy Lough (wife of Tom Lough) and Willie Banks (athletics, 1980, '84, '88) celebrate the awarding of the Dorothy Franey Langkop Ambassador Award to this year's recipient Tom Lough. Tom exemplifies the true meaning of the award by working tirelessly to keep the 1968 Olympians involved with the Olympic Movement and thereby inspiring all to continue to "give back."

**10.** Eric Garcetti, the 42nd Mayor of Los Angeles and who played a major role in leading a successful bid to bring the Olympic and Paralympic Games back to Los Angeles gave an inspiring Keynote Address to all the attendees at the Assembly Gala on September 21st.

**11.** Brother and sister dance team, Maia and Alex Shibutani (figure skating, 2014, '18) did a wonderful job emceeding the Assembly Gala.

**12.** The Jack Kelly Fair Play Award was presented to Dr. Patricia DeLaMora, an IRONMAN who while competing at the 2017 IRONMAN in Santa Rose, California stopped to assist fellow triathlete, Tim Gallagher who was unconscious on the side of the road. DeLaMora's selfless care for the well-being of others, both in and out of competition, is a shining example of the power of sportsmanship and fair play.

LtoR: Tim Gallagher, Dr. Patricia DeLaMora and Sandra Kelly.





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