

NSAA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS - 2022-1979

2022

Dan Keyser, Sutherland
Neal Randel, Beatrice
Scott Schoneman, Holdrege
Greg & Kristy Parr, Norfolk
Jeff Motz, Lincoln
Kathi Wieskamp, Lincoln

2021

Larry Mollring, Lincoln
(posthumously)
Dr. Kody Moffatt, Omaha
Ronda Schmidt, Lincoln

2020

Allen Beermann, Lincoln
Daryl Blue, Lincoln
(posthumously)
Carolyn Chamberlain, La
Vista
Clayton Heath, Lincoln
Jeff Johnson, Papillion
Mark Norvell, Geneva
Larry Porter, Lincoln
Mark Skillstad, North Platte
Deb Velder, Lincoln

2019

Lynelle Fritzen, Kearney
Alan Garey, Curtis
Larry Puntenev, Lincoln
Chuck Ross, Wisner
Mike Sloup, Columbus

2018

Nolan Beyer, Omaha
Kelly Classen, Spencer
Bryan Cook, Beatrice
Mike Fuehrer, Norfolk
Doug Kristensen, Minden
Tom Lorenz, Lincoln
Jeff Maul, Lincoln
Rex Schultze, Lincoln
Jack Tarr, Malcolm
Dolores Terwey, Omaha

2017

Michael "Mac" McCuiston,
Lincoln
Ann Gaffigan, Olathe, KS
Wendy Henrichs, Lincoln
Rocky Ruhl, Wayne
Mike Patterson, Omaha
Ron Powell, Lincoln

2016

Larry King, Lincoln
Larry Loomis, Lincoln
Bob Polzin, Lincoln
Bob Jensen, Central City
Rick Moses, Lincoln
Sue Maryott, Lincoln

2015

Dr. Peg Naylon, Omaha
Bob Danenhauer, Omaha
Chuck Larsen, Fayetteville,
AR
Jim Carmichael
(posthumously), Lincoln
Bud Dahlstrom, Waverly

2014

Kent Halley, Mitchell
Jerry Bartee, Omaha
Bob Moderow, Hastings
Rob Marshall, Columbus

2013

Steve Borer, Seward
Scott Martens, Omaha
Karen Hand, Lincoln

2012

Dr. Dallas Watkins,
Benkelman
Gary Puetz, Columbus
Dick Scott, Sidney
Dr. John Mackiel, Omaha

2011

Max Kroger, Ord
Margie Pinkerton, Weeping
Water
Charlie Caverzagie,
Plattsmouth
Mary Caverzagie, Plattsmouth
Jerry Stine, Papillion
Dwight "Doc" Wininger,
Lincoln
Dave Schultz, Lincoln
Jim Nemetz, Hastings
Dr. Jim Tenopir, Greenwood,
IN

2010

Joe Turco, Lincoln
Jack Guggenmos, Lincoln
Dave Struebing, Brainard
Donald Shostrom, Polk
Jane White, Beatrice
Robert Radke, Lewellen
Rich Brodersen, Kearney
Don Freeburg, Plattsmouth

2009

Royce Corder, Elwood
Donald Zavadil, Humphrey
Terry Kenealy, York
Steve Shanahan, Blair
Kim Carson, Lincoln
John Makovicka, Ulysses
Dick Beechner, Kearney

2008

Don Briggs, Kearney
Dwayne Gahan
(posthumously), Oakland
Lavelle Hitzemann, Hampton
Bruce Vires, Imperial
Dennis Edwards, Chadron
Steve Johnsen, Eagle
John Post, Bloomfield

2007

Dr. Brian Maher, Centennial
Wendy Birdsall, Lincoln
Bill Bryant, Panama
Skip Olds, York
Dr. Jack Gilsdorf, Lincoln
Dr. Dan Ernst, Waverly
Terry Gilliland, Mitchell
Bill Israelson, Grand Island
Glen Morgan, Neligh
Walt Smith, Ord

2006

Chuck Hafer, Mullen
Ross Jernstrom, Omaha
Ryly Jane Hambleton, Lincoln
Stu Pospisil, Omaha
Don Seifried, Sargent
Bill Hughes, Battle Creek
Ed Spethman, Omaha
Dale Kastens, Lodgepole

2005

Nate Stineman, Oxford
Mike Troxel, Sutherland
John Henry, Lincoln
Mike Purdy, Bellevue
Vernon Plambeck, Kearney
Justin Kerchal, Kearney

2004

Leroy Cundall, Bayard
Bill Lewis, Adams
Cindy Wells, Grand Island
Rod Borders, Gordon
Bill Pile, Leyton, Potter-Dix

2003

Dr. Marshall Adams, Seward
Sid Charf, Neligh
Allan Gaskill, Cambridge
Gene Haynes, Omaha
Sue Mehaffey, Omaha
Dorothy Nielsen, Lincoln

2002

James Riley, Lincoln
Rex Jones, Lincoln
Bill Schnoor, Valley
Ted Gill, Arapahoe
Jim Paige, Wayne

2001

Irene Colborn, Lincoln
Dean Dahlke, Bertrand
Al Papik, Lincoln
Jack Payne, Omaha
Dennis Smith, Papillion

2000

Ray Ehlers, Lexington
Larry Coorts, Adams
Bob Clay, Aurora

1999

Al Combs, Potter-Dix
Dr. Duane Haith, Omaha
Butch Hug, Lincoln
Don Kraemer, Norfolk

1998

Conde Sargent, Lincoln

1997

Larry Rice, Ainsworth
Larry Bock, Blair
Dean Dorsey, Cozad
Dr. Dennis Connolly, Lincoln
Dr. Larry Helmick, Kearney
Dr. Mike McCoy, Lincoln
Louis Stithem, Broken Bow

1995

Les Roberts, Lincoln
George Shinker, Atkinson
Ron Huston, Omaha
Dave Webber, Omaha
Duane E. Johnson, Hastings

1994

Roy Churchill, Lincoln
 Jack Hallstrom, Omaha
 Wilbur D. Brawner, Dix
 Swede Hawkins, Oakland-
 Craig

1993

Lavern J. Fitzgibbon, Chadron
 Buford M. Grosscup, Lincoln
 Neil Kluver, Randolph
 Eugene (Hoppy) McCue,
 Alma

1992

Eugene Miller, Grand Island
 R. D. (Dick) Thompson, North
 Platte
 Richard A. Perry, Lincoln
 Robert Vohland, Gibbon
 Thomas L. Hallstrom, Omaha
 Al Bahe, Fremont
 James Sommers, Lincoln

1991

Gene Kruger, Elkhorn
 Ernie Behne, Brainard
 Cecil Walker, Fremont

1990

Larry Sheppard, Fremont
 Delmar Bailar, North Platte
 Barry Moore, Lincoln
 Robert (Babe) Penney, Omaha
 Ed Childress, Lincoln

1989

Roger Miller, Papillion-
 LaVista
 Dr. William Gogan, Ord
 Thomas R. Mihane,
 Scottsbluff
 Loren Kuper, Minden
 Harold Johnson, Elmwood

1988

Denny Fuehrer, Norfolk
 Don Kraft, Millard South

1987

Phil Sprague, Lincoln
 Kenneth P. Ackermann, Utica

1986

Paul Basler, Papillion-LaVista
 Jerry Neely, Norfolk
 Robert Pease, Lincoln
 Arnold Peterson, Alma
 Allen Friesen, Henderson

1985

Bill Madden, Scottsbluff
 Bill Miller, Lincoln

1984

L. Max Ingram, Bartley
 J.R. Mollring, Cambridge
 E. Lee Todd, Grant

1983

Ross Bonham, Franklin
 William Conner, Scottsbluff

1982

Dr. Owen Knutzen, Omaha
 Hartley White, Omaha
 Joe Di Natale, North Platte

1981

Waldo Johnson, Wausa
 Dr. Howard Sorensen, Omaha
 Leo Stangle, Scottsbluff

1980

Ed Colleran, Spalding
 Bill Pfeiff, Lincoln

1979

Leslie Chamberlin, Lincoln
 Walter R. Olsen, Fremont

NSAA OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS - 2022-1979

2021-2022

Football—Tom Moates, Springfiled;
 Rich McGill, Fremont; Roger Douglas,
 Crete

Golf—Deb Loseke, Columbus; Al
 Hiedbalski, Columbus

Volleyball—Sue Mailhot, Bellevue

Track & Field—Tim Bond, Omaha; Tom
 Hood, Hallam; Bob Whitehouse,
 Papillion (posthumously); Dusty Decker,
 Omaha; Greg Rice, Omaha; Steve
 Eubanks, Omaha

Baseball—Adam Bonesteel, Lincoln;
 Jeremy VanAckeren, Papillion; Jason
 Ryan, Papillion; Kathi Wieskamp,
 Lincoln

Journalism—Marsha Kalkowski, Omaha

Play Production—Lori Long,
 Gothenburg; Kathy Larson, Johnson
 Lake; Linda Crandall, Kearney
Speech—Matt Heimes, Lincoln; Peggy
 Belt, Battle Creek; Carol Duncan,
 Lincoln

2020-2021

Bowling—John Losito, Lincoln
Cross Country—Brady Bonsall, Kearney
Baseball—Tom Hertzell, Lincoln
Wrestling—Mike Lee, Omaha; Fred
 Marisett, Omaha

2019-2020

Soccer—Tim Williams, Omaha Boys
Golf—Rich Reinert, North Platte

2018-2019

Speech—Jake Jacobsen, Kearney
Volleyball—Malaefono Fisaga, Bellevue
Wrestling—Ed Planansky, Hemingford;
 Joe Planansky, Ft. Collins, CO; Adam
 Bonesteel, Lincoln; Tim Classen, Utica;
 Kevin Trowbridge, Geneva

2017-2018

Basketball—John Miriovsky, Sun City
 West, AZ
Softball—Bob Hawkinson, Omaha
Track and Field—Jerry Ball
 (posthumously), Omaha
Wrestling—Jim Bayly (posthumously),
 Omaha; Matt Burcham, Omaha; Dr. Kirk
 Hutton, Omaha

2016-2017

Basketball—Larry Bornschlegl, Lincoln
Track and Field—Charlie Gordon,
 Apache Junction, AZ; Al Satterly, Grand
 Island; Dave Dostal, Sun City West, AZ ;
 Dave Stodola, Omaha; Genine Hannah,
 Omaha

2015-2016

Girls Tennis—Gene Starmer, Omaha;
 Les Livingston, Kearney; Greg Classen,
 Papillion
Football—Paul Wiseman, Elkhorn
Soccer—Doug Epps, La Vista
Speech/Play Production—David Cooper,
 North Platte

2014-2015

Basketball—Janet Zillig, Lincoln; Deb
 Headley, Lincoln
Golf—Craig Ames, Omaha; Justin
 Ahrens, Omaha
Music—Tim Gansebom, Norfolk; Blake
 Lyon, Holdrege; Sharon Hoffman,
 Bayard

2013-2014

Music—Jim Kucera, Waverly; Doran
 Johnson, Omaha; Teresa Rotert, Hershey

2012-2013

Speech/Play Production—Matt Davis,
 Waverly

2011-2012

Speech/Play Production—Theola Peck,
 Beemer
Track and Field—Jerel Welker, Lincoln

2010-2011

Golf—Wilma Gilliland, Kimball
Boys Basketball—Bill Holliday, Elm Creek

2009-2010

Football—John Lavicky, Dwight
Basketball—Jerry Eickhoff, Lincoln
Speech/Play Production—Kris Walker, Glenrock, WY; Jill Hoelsing, Alliance; Mary Thieman, Petersburg; Jane Teply, Kearney; Lee Jacobsen-Meyer, Fremont; Connie Madison, North Platte; Jan Knispel, Valentine; John Heineman, Lincoln; Janet Fritzinger, Howells; Kate Diaz, Ogallala

2008-2009

Football—Michael Kotrous, Omaha
Music—Roger Thaden, Lincoln; William Roehrs, Lincoln
Basketball—Harold Simpson, Lincoln

2007-2008

Wrestling—Douglas (Scott) Latter, Holdrege
Basketball—Jim Morrison, Howells
Football—Gene Wissenburg, Newman Grove
 Ron Mimick, David City; Jim Strehle, West Point

2006-2007

Football—Gary Patzel, Newman Grove
Football and Basketball—Louis Brim, Sargent
Wrestling—Jani Richards, Pickstown, SD

2005-2006

Football—Mark Skillstad, North Platte; Bill Mimick, Newman Grove
Girls Golf—Orville Qualsett, Grand Island
Officiating—Darrell Lenz, Chappell

2004-2005

Football—Gary DeBoer, Nelson; Bobby Mills, Grand Island
Wrestling—Duane Choutka, Lindsay; Greg Conrad, York; Ron Stokey, Lewellen; Jerry Smyth, Greeley; Dave Scheffler, Lincoln

2003-2004

Baseball—Charlie Rush, Bellevue; Dr. Jerry Bartee, Omaha
Wrestling—Hank Ostdiek, Bridgeport
Football—Fred Meyer, Sargent
Tennis—Ron Garofolo, Omaha
Golf—Dennis Knipping, Oxford
Play Production—Jack Garrison, Kearney

2003-2004 cont.

Speech and Debate—Janet Rose, Kearney
Speech and Play Production—Patsy Koch Johns, Lincoln

2002-2003

Music—Steve Baker, Elkhorn

2001-2002

Wrestling—Don Eichner, Ogallala

2000-2001

Track—Merlin Lawrence, Omaha; Larry Jacobsen, Omaha
Swimming—Betty Jakob, Grand Island; Wally Jakob, Grand Island
Wrestling—Colleen Classen, Utica; Lynn Senkbeil, Lincoln; John Davis, Beaver Crossing; Mick Pierce, Lincoln
Football—Keith Staehr, Kimball

1999-2000

Football and Basketball—Lawrence Frederick, Falls City
Football and Track—Ralph Black, Neligh
Speech and Play Production—Mel Shoemaker, Kearney
Basketball—Dale Young, Hampton
Swimming—Jean Green, Lincoln
Soccer—Harry Forehand, Omaha

1998-1999

Cross Country—Jay Dirksen, Lincoln
Speech and Play Production—Skip Altig, North Platte
Wrestling—Doyle Wolverton, Lincoln
Football—Gary Frerichs, Coleridge

1997-1998

Wrestling—Kathy Shada, Lincoln; Lynn Edgell, Blair; Mary Caverzagie, Plattsmouth
 Jim Ayers, Ogallala; John McMullen, Fremont; Roger Berney, Fremont; Nick Chiburis, Bellevue; Phyllis Brown-Hendrix, Council Bluffs
Football—Moe Milliken, Holdrege
Speech and Play Production—Dave Hastings, Ord; Loray Hastings, Ord; Janell Custer, Broken Bow; Cathleen Diaz, Ogallala; Diane Finch, Arnold; Ardys Dunsmoor, Hampton; Diana Tate, Grant
 Mary Alice Konz, Kearney; Diane Rood Linke, Norfolk
Speech and Debate—Allen Janovec, Norfolk
Speech—Dan Johnson, Lincoln; Mary Winn, Scottsbluff

1996-1997

Wrestling—John Shaw, Lincoln; Bob Houser, Lincoln; Joe Bateman, Omaha; Ray Osborn, Omaha

1994-1995

Track—Don Copenhaver, Omaha
Basketball—Bob Cottrell, Lincoln

1993-1994

Basketball—Rudy Stoehr, Lincoln
Track—Henry Amend, Omaha; Tom Hallstrom, Omaha

1992-1993

Football—Al Gaston, Grant
Baseball—Ken Allen, Ralston

1991-1992

Gymnastics—Dick Bayer, Omaha
Swimming—Lynn Groff, Omaha
Wrestling—Orval Borgialli, Lincoln; Beau Haizlip, Omaha

1989-1990

Speech—Richard Cross, Norfolk
Boys Golf—Harold Hawkins, Oakland-Craig

1988-1989

Music—Mildred Appleoff, Falls City; John Svoboda, Falls City

1987-1988

Football—Francis Skupa, Campbell; Andy Blue, Oxford; Bill Manley, Oxford; Earl Beeler, Oxford
Basketball—John Johnette, Omaha
Swimming—Dr. Richard Hammer, Lincoln; Dr. William Weyhrach, Lincoln
Wrestling—Max Kitzelman, Fremont; Dean Kelley, Omaha; Dr. Frank Weirman, Lincoln
Track—Dr. Duane Haith, Omaha; Cecil McKnight, Plattsmouth

1986-1987

Football—Tom Jaworski, Omaha

1985-1986

Girls Track—Arnold Jakubowski, Howells
Speech—Terry Pettersen, Omaha
Gymnastics—Francis Allen, Lincoln

1984-1985

Track—Jess Keifer, Holdrege

1979-1980

Track—Willis Jones, Beatrice