

## **Whitefish Bay High School 2019 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees**

*The induction ceremony will be on April 13, 2019 at 2:00 in the high school Link.*

### **Howard Zien (Athlete, Class of 1967)**

Howard Zien was a dominant athlete at Whitefish Bay High School. He not only starred in football, basketball and track, he was also a captain and leader in each of these sports. He lettered as a freshman in track and accumulated nine additional letters over the course of his high school career. He helped lead Whitefish Bay High School to a conference championship in football in 1966, when he was also named 1st team All-Suburban and 2nd team All-State. In 1967, Howard was the starting point guard on the first Whitefish Bay High School basketball team to make it to the state tournament. In track, Howard was the state champion in the 180 yard hurdles in 1966 and 1967. His time of 19.1 is still the state record for that event.

### **Jennifer Patrick Sovada (Athlete, Class of 1990)**

Jennifer Patrick Sovada was a two sport varsity athlete at Whitefish Bay High School where she collected 5 letters in basketball and soccer. In basketball, she was both a two-time captain and a two-time all conference player. Her senior season she averaged a team leading 17 points per game and set the then school rebounding record. In soccer, she was the team captain both years on varsity. After high school she went on to play basketball at The United States Air Force Academy. Jennifer led the team in scoring during the 1992-93 and 1993-94 seasons. She was selected to the All-Colorado Athletic Conference team in 1993 and 1994 and finished her collegiate career with 1,124 points.

### **Willi H. Wessels (Coach)**

Willi H. Wessels was the Varsity Boys Soccer coach at Whitefish Bay High School from 1979-1986. In 1982 and 1983, Whitefish Bay won the first two official WIAA state titles for Boys Soccer. Willi also led the team to the unofficial state championship in 1980. During his tenure, Whitefish Bay earned 5 conference titles and in his last year as coach, he reached 503 career wins through his illustrious high school and club coaching career. In 1982 during his stellar run leading Whitefish Bay, he was recognized as Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association Coach of the Year. In 1991, Willi was inducted into the Wisconsin Soccer Hall of Fame, and in 2009 was a member of the inaugural class of the Wisconsin Soccer Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

### **Steve Markson (Athlete, Class of 2006)**

Steve Markson was a four sport varsity athlete at Whitefish Bay High School where he collected 12 letters in Cross Country, Basketball, Track & Field, and Baseball. During his illustrious cross country career, Steve was the lead runner on the 2005 State Championship Cross Country team, a member of 3 conference and sectional championship teams, a four-time individual all-conference member, a two time individual all-state member, and both the 2005 individual conference and sectional champions. In track, Steve was a State Champion in 2005 & 2006 in the 800 meter run and a State Champion in 2005 & 2006 in the 3200 meter relay. He held two school records (800m + 3200 Relay). In basketball, Steve was a 3-year starter and was a member of the 2005-2006 conference championship team.