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62nd Madison Sports Hall of Fame Club Induction set for June 4th

Ed Bosold, Elise Edwards, Jonte Flowers, Al Minnaert and Peter Mueller honored

Madison, WI, – (April 7, 2025) The 62nd annual Hall of Fame inductee class of the Madison Sports Hall of Fame Club sponsored by Strand Associates features a diverse class consisting of a multi-sport athlete from East, a soccer goalie from Memorial, a basketball player from LaFollette, the winningest high school football coach in the history of Madison and an Olympic Gold Medal speed skater. The dinner and enshrinement ceremony will take place at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center on Wednesday, June 4th, 2025.

The Public is welcome to attend. Tickets for the event are \$60 and they will be sold until May 30th. The event is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to attend and salute this exceptional group of inductees. Go to our website at madisonsportshalloffame.org/banquet to order banquet tickets online or contact Banquet Coordinator, Al Schumacher (608-395-4648) to order banquet tickets in person.

Madison Sports Hall of Fame Class of 2025:

Ed Bosold, a multi-sport athlete at Madison East who was All-City, All-Conference, All-Area in football and All-State, All-City in basketball and was a member of the 1970 State qualifying baseball teams at Madison East. Ed went on to play football at the University of Wisconsin where he was a 3-year starter as an outside linebacker on defense. Ed currently still owns the Wisconsin record of 5 fumbles recovered during the 1972 season. Ed also gave back to the games he loved by coaching football and basketball as an assistant at Monona Grove and McFarland High Schools for over 25 years.

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Elise Edwards, from Madison Memorial who competed in volleyball, basketball and soccer where she garnered All City, All Conference and All State honors and won the State Tournament 2 years in soccer as the All-State goalie. Elise went on to study and play soccer at Stanford where she led the Cardinal to an NCAA tournament bid in 1990. She is the career leader in saves at Stanford with 409 saves. Elise is currently the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Butler University.

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Jonte Flowers, Madison LaFollette football, basketball and track and field athlete who won the Division 1 State Basketball title in 2002 and the Division 1 Track and Field Championship in 2003. Jonte went onto to play basketball at Winona State where he won 2 NCAA Division 2 titles and finished runner-up a third year. Flowers continued his

basketball career after college by playing professionally, overseas for 11 years. Jonte holds numerous individual, conference and national basketball awards and records.

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Al Minnaert, a Builder of Sport Inductee from Madison Holy Name and Edgewood High School. Al spent 33 years (7 at Holy Name and 26 at Edgewood) coaching football where his teams won 1 WISAA State Championship and had 2 runner-up finishes at State. His Edgewood teams made the WISAA playoffs in 21 out of the 24 years that he coached. Al was named the All-City Football Coach of the Year on 6 occasions and completed his coaching tenure as the winningest coach in the history of Madison prep football with 203 wins. In addition to his coaching duties, Al was either Director of Athletics or Assistant Athletic Director at those schools for 26 seasons.

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Peter Mueller, a Madison LaFollette student who, while he played golf during the spring seasons at LaFollette, was best known as an International Speed Skater and Olympic Gold Medalist. Peter was a 2-time National Champion and a member of 2 United States Olympic teams. Peter won the Gold Medal in the 1000 meter race in the 1976 Winter Games. Since retiring from competing, Peter has been a speed skating coach throughout the world, coaching for France, Austria, Holland, Norway and Germany.

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These sport names will join the more than 250 individuals already in the Madison Sports Hall of Fame.

The Madison Sports Hall of Fame Club began as the Pen and Mike Club in 1963 to recognize and honor great athletes and sports figures from Madison. The group hosts weekly luncheon meetings from September through May and holds the induction ceremony every year. Go to <u>madisonsportshalloffame.org</u> to find out other information about the club.