

Turns & Distances



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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS
USATF OFFICIALS HALL OF FAME
2007 Horace Crow
Leo Costanzo
2008 Lori Maynard
George Kleeman
2009 Dick Connors
2010 Bob Podkaminer
THE DICK CONNORS
MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD
(Instituted June 1, 2015)
2015 George Kleeman
2016 Charles Sheppard
2017 Teddy Hayes
Jim Hume
THE DICK BARBOUR
MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD — FIELD
(Instituted June 1, 2015)
2015 Bruce Makinson
2016 Derwent "Deri" Bowen
2017 Mike Aro
THE HORACE CROW
Memorial Award — Field
1995Sonny Maynard
1996 Rich Zulaica
1997 (no award)
1998 Bill Edgar
1999 Joan M. Wilson
2000 Phil Watkins
2001 Dr. Leon Glover, Jr.
2002 Bruce Colman
2003 Dick Petruzzi
2004Teddy Hayes
2005 Shirley Connors
Margaret Sheehan
2006 John Murray
2007 Bill Hawkes
2008 John Shirey
2009 Jim Waldron
2010 Pat Randall
2011 Leon Wimbley
2012 John Lilygren
2013 Charles Murphy
2014 John Bowen
Dave Soeth
2015 Bob Thompson

2016 Sue Murray

2017 Robert Benoy

Sunday, August 27, 2017... *U. C. Davis, Bruce Edwards Club Room*. The Pacific Association Officials held their Annual Meeting. Along with a scrumptious meal, and a business meeting, the Annual Meeting was an opportunity to recognize the fine work of some of our member officials. The awards were presented by Awards Chair **Leon Glover**.

DICK CONNORS MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

recognizes the 40 years of contributions by **Dick Connors** to the officials of the Pacific Association.
Dick brought all of his talents to bear within the association as Officials Chair, as an active teacher at training clinics, as a Clerk of Course at innumerable track and cross country meets and as a starter. Dick was the guiding light behind the creating and publishing of <u>Turns</u> & <u>Distances</u>.



Dick Connors

Dick is in the National Officials Committee Hall of Fame, has received the National Officials Committee Andy Bakjian Award for outstanding service, the Charles Ruter Award as an outstanding running event official and an NOC Chair Award for services to the National Officials Committee. Dick was selected as a clerk at the 1996 Olympic Games.

It is fitting that **Theodore "Teddy" Hayes** receive the DICK CONNORS MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD for Teddy's officiating career began, as he says, "In the 80's I was at the California State High School Meet, and Richard called me out of the stands. I did not think he was talking to me. When I turned around, nobody was there BUT me. I went down, and he asked me to be, what I would learn later, was the flight coordinator. Then it was on. Shirley became my Mentor." Teddy was first certified in March of 1995, worked his way through the various levels, was certified as a **MASTER LEVEL** Horizontal Jumps official, and in 2014 designated an NTO (National Technical Official).

Teddy's resume shows he has worked meets all over the country, meets in Arizona, Arkansas, Alabama, California, Florida, Iowa, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Oregon, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas.

THE GEORGE NEWLON MEMORIAL AWARD — TRACK

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1995	Bob Mason	
1996	Ben Morjig	
1997	(no award)	
1998	Jerry Colman	
1999	Bobby Hughey	
2000	Dan Davidson	
2001	John Coie	
2002	Gerry Collet	
	Dick Iwamiya	
2004	Rick Urband	
2005	Joe Harper	
2006	Richard Cabral	
2007	Colin Campbell	
2008	Jeannie White	
2009	Rory Osborne	
2010	Tiffany Banks	
2011	Phil Leake	
	Dennis Boyle	
2013	Elisabeth Price	
	Jonathan Price	
2014	Leroy Milam	
2015	Joe Nemeth	
2016	Sean Laughlin	
2017	Craig Wilson	

THE LORI MAYNARD MEMORIAL AWARD FOR SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO TRACK & FIELD

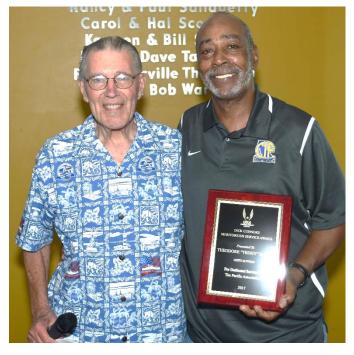
2009 Art and Becky Klein
2010 Deanna and Jon Vochatzer
2011 Keith Conning
2012 Dave Shrock
2013 (none)
2014 Joanne Camargo
2015 Bob Rush
2016 Irene Herman
2017 Kathi and Rick Berman

Teddy has worked meets in the Southeast Conference, the PAC 12, Atlantic Coast Conference, Southwest Athletic Conference, and the Big Sky and Mountain West Conferences. He has worked National Senior Game, USATF Indoor and Outdoor Championships, the USATF Junior Olympics and the USATF Olympic Trials.

Teddy has been selected as the head official at Olympic Trials, at the IAAF Junior Outdoor World T&F Championships in Eugene and the USATF Indoor

Nationals and IAAF Indoor World Championships in Portland.

Teddy
reports, "My
most
memorable
experience was
when Christian
Taylor (Florida),
Will Clay
(Oklahoma),
Andrea
Geubelle
(Kansas),
Marquise
Goodwin



(Texas), and Jamesha Youngblood (Oregon) came to me in Des Moines and congratulated me on becoming the first African-American to be the head of the USATF Olympic Trials.

I also received congrats from some of the OLD guys: Savante Stringfellow, Jeff Henderson and Gold Medalist Tlanna Bartoletta and Dwight Phillips.□

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Red flag or white flag, Teddy is well known for his use of flags.

THE DICK BARBOUR MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD (RETIRED JUNE 1, 2015) 1985 Hank Patton 1986 George Newlon Roxanne Anderson 1987 Dan Dotta Del Dotta 1988 Harry Young Henry "Hank" Weston 1989 Ed Parker Harmon Brown 1990 Horace Crow 1991 (No award) 1992 Dick Connors 1993 George Kleeman 1994 Tom Moore 1995 Charlie Sheppard 1996 Norm Morrison 1997 (no award) 1998 John Luppes 1999 Richard Zulaica 2000 Jim Hume Jim Wynn 2001 Bob Shor Rick Milam 2002 Bob Rauch 2003 Lori Maynard Sonny Maynard 2004Gail Wetzork 2005 Phil Watkins 2006 Bill Edgar 2007 Ed Hicks 2008 Dick Iwamiya 2009 Bruce Colman 2010 Bobby Hughey 2011 Don Bailes 2012 Shirley Connors Margaret Sheehan 2013 Bob Podkaminer

John Barbour, son of Dick Barbour, placed second in his age group at the 2015 USATF Cross Country meet in Golden Gate Park.



Dr. Leon Glover

2014 John Murray

Connors Laureate Jim Hume

By Bruce Colman

When Jim Hume received the *DICK CONNORS MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD*, this honored fifty years' work in track and field in Northern California.

Since getting involved in the late 1960s, Coach Hume has assumed many roles:

- As a coach with the Millbrae Lions Track Club.
- As Age Group chair of Pacific Association under the AAU and then The Athletic Congress.
- As Youth Chair; as Women's Track and Field chair; as PA President in the early 1980s.

• As competition secretary for innumerable meets all

over the region, both preparing heat sheets and recording results—the role in which fellow officials most-often find him at competitions.



- As an instructor in the PA Officials Committee training program, from its earliest days in the 1970s.
- As principal writer, designer, and publisher in recent years of this publication (though not the writer of this encomium).
- And, most crucially, for each and every Pacific Association official, as Certification Chair since 2000.

Awards Chair Leon Glover says this award is "particularly for the great job he did under difficult conditions with the Recertification - and the many twists and turns from National."

Off the field of play, Coach Hume's career began with service in the Coast Guard. He went on to teach English, reading, computer-use, computer programing, and coaching cross country and track and field, in the San Francisco (1969-1986) and the San Mateo public schools (1986-2002).

The DICK BARBOUR - MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD — FIELD

The DICK BARBOUR MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD – FIELD honors the contributions of **Dick Barbour** a Master Level horizontal jump official who was selected to work the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

In the early days when track and field became its own NGB (National Governing Body) separate from the AAU, Dick was the first treasurer for the Pacific Association Board of Athletics.

Michael "Mike" Aro is recognized for his work as both a Throws and a Vertical Jumps official with THE DICK BARBOUR - MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD — FIELD



Mike was first certified in 2008, was certified as a Master Level Throws official in 2012, and in the Vertical Jumps in 2016. Michael has been a teacher in our clinics, a mentor to younger officials and is a pioneer in the use of the Leica Disto Laser to measure the long throws. He has been selected to work the USATF National meets.



In 2016 Mike officiated 33 meets covering 108 events.

THE HORACE CROW - MEMORIAL AWARD — FIELD

The Horace Crow Memorial Award — Field honors the contributions that **Horace Crow** made to the Pacific Association and the health of track and

field nationally. Within the Pacific Association, Horace was a Master Level official who usually ran the pole vault.

On the national level, there are two yearly awards named after Horace, a National Officials Committee Award for an outstanding field event official and an award from the Associations Committee, which acknowledges his contributions to that committee.

The Pacific Association's Officials Committee recognized **Robert Benoy** with ^{THE} **HORACE CROW - MEMORIAL AWARD — FIELD**

Robert is a horizontal jump official who was first certified in 2005 and certified as a Master Level Horizontal Jumps official in 2017. He was upgraded to National Level as a Marshal in 2017.

Robert has been selected to work in multiple USATF National meets, he works regional and NCAA championship meets, and Pacific



Association invitationals. Robert has been a teacher and mentor in the Pacific Association training program.



Robert Benoy makes sure the horizontal jumps are organized at the California State High School Meet.

The George Newlon Memorial Award — Track

The George Newlon Memorial Award — Track honors the contributions of **George Newlon**. In the days before fully automatic timing, George Newlon was the master of the finish line and its hordes of hand timers. As track and field became independent of the AAU, George found himself the leader of what would become the Board of Athletics. In the days before fully automated finish lines, George Newlon was our leader.

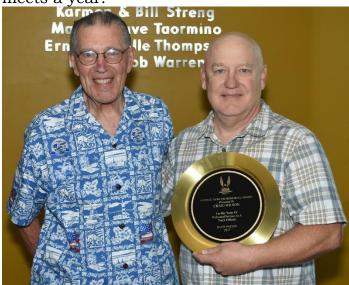
The Officials' Committee is honored to recognize the work of **Craig Wilson**, a.k.a.

Red Cap Timing with THE GEORGE NEWLON
MEMORIAL AWARD — TRACK

Craig was first certified in 2006 and UpGraded to Master Level for both Competition Secretary and Fully Automatic timing in 2017.

He is also a National Level LDR/CC/Off Track Timer/Recorder and a Grade 1 Track Events Referee.

Craig began using Finish Lynx to time track meets when his daughter was in high school. His interest has expanded until he now times over 60 track and cross country meets a year.



Craig is a code writer who has written two programs aimed at helping spectators understand the action at a meet. Craig has written a program for the announcer to use, so the announcer sees runners' times and places as soon as Craig has created the results with *FinishLynx*, the timing program for track races.

The second program Craig has written (Field Series Entry) allows a field event official with a laptop computer to enter an athlete's marks in real time. This information is available to coaches, announcers, and spectators using their own electronic devices.

THE LORI MAYNARD - MEMORIAL AWARD FOR SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO TRACK & FIELD

The Lori Maynard - Memorial Award For Special Contributions to Track & Field honors the contributions Lori made to the Pacific Association as a leader, an official and a race walker. Lori served as the head hammer throw official in the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta and as an international race walk judge in the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney. Lori was also a member of many national TAC and USATF committees. The Lori Maynard award recognizes extraordinary contributions which do not fall within the realm of our other awards.



Awards Chair Leon Glover and Lori's husband Sonny Maynard did the honors.

This year, The Lori Maynard - Memorial Award For Special Contributions to Track and Field was presented to the husband and wife duo of **Kathleen** "**Kathi**" and **Richard** "**Rick**" **Berman** for their contributions to the Pacific Association's LDR program. LDR races constitute races which are usually not held on the track. Think road runs and cross-country races. Kathi and Rick are active officials, mentors, and clinic teachers.

Kathy was first certified in 2001 and certified for Master Level LDR, and as a Grade 2 LDR Referee before the current database system came into use.

Rick got a late start as he wasn't certified until 2002, but he too is a Master Level LDR official and a Grade 2 LDR referee.

ATTA BOY CERTIFICATES

Sometimes our officials go above and beyond in service, and the Awards Committee is pleased to award them an **ATTA BOY CERTIFICATE** in recognition of their contributions. When the Pacific Association hosted the 2017 USATF National Championship Meet in Sacramento, both **George Kleeman** and **John Murray** went above and beyond. George was the Technical Manager for the meet and John was the Officials Coordinator.



George Kleeman





John Murray

In Recognition of Your leadership¶