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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



Perhaps the single most useful benefit of your membership to the International Association of Sports Museums and Halls of Fame is the annual conference. The Board and I have been most pleased with the improved quality of these conferences over the years. We are again quite pleased with the format for our 2004 conference.

I'm also excited as my institution, the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame, will host the conference at the end of October. IASMHF's 34th Annual Conference will be held in Springfield, Massachusetts on October 27-29. By the way, if you've never experienced the fall season in New England, that's worth the price of admission right there!

The scope of the sessions cover a wide variety of topics presented by a cross-section of our colleagues. We are certain that the educational and professional development offered will be of great usefulness to you and your staff.

We've purposely left plenty of time for attendees to socialize. It seems that time spent outside of the conference sessions offers a unique opportunity to speak with the many professionals who share your thoughts and ideas as well as face the types of problems and hurdles that you do.

Whether you're a first-time attendee or annual participant, I look forward to seeing you at the end of October.

Regards,

Mike Brooslin  
IASMHF President

## IASMHF NEWS: 34th Annual Conference

The 34th Annual IASMHF Conference will be held at the **Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame** in Springfield, Massachusetts on October 27-29, 2004.

Brochures for the conference have been e-mailed and mailed to members.

For more information or to register for the conference, please call Executive Director Roger Yaffe at (312) 551-0810 or e-mail at [info@sportshalls.com](mailto:info@sportshalls.com).

## ENSHRINEMENT NEWS: Recent Inductions and Nominees for 2005

### College Football Hall of Fame

*South Bend, Indiana*

The 10th annual Enshrinement Festival took place during the weekend of August 13-14 at the **College Football Hall of Fame** in South Bend, Indiana.

As part of the 10th Anniversary Celebration, the College

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## AROUND THE HALLS: News and Updates from IASMHF Members

### Babe Ruth Birthplace and Museum

*Baltimore, Maryland*

The Ed Block Courage Award Foundation announced on September 2, 2004 that the organization's Johnny Unitas Tops in Courage Award will be permanently housed at the **Babe Ruth Birthplace and Museum**, located at 216 Emory Street in down-

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## FEATURE: 50th Anniversary Celebration Brings the Legends of Tennis Home

The Newport Casino played host to a full house of tennis fans as 50 of the sport's greatest champions returned to Newport for the **International Tennis Hall of Fame's** 50th Anniversary Celebration. Co-chairing the event was 1995 Hall of Famer Chris Evert, who was joined by an incredible cast of champions – truly one of the greatest reunions ever to take place in the history of tennis.

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Football Hall of Fame brought back an Enshrinee to represent each of the nine previous classes inducted in South Bend. These Hall of Famers participated in a special 10th Anniversary Autograph Session on Friday, August 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the Hall of Fame Gridiron Plaza.

The 10th Anniversary Enshrinees included: Jim Grabowski (1995, Illinois), Billy "White Shoes" Johnson (1996, Widener), Hugh Green (1997, Pittsburgh), Dave Rimington (1998, Nebraska), Bill Fralic (1999, Pittsburgh), Willie Lanier (2000, Morgan State), Gordie Lockbaum (2001, Holy Cross), John Hicks (2002, Ohio State) and Napoleon McCallum (2003, Navy).

To mark the occasion of the 2004 Summer Olympics, Ollie Matson, the only living athlete who has won an Olympic medal and been inducted into both the Pro and College Football Hall's of Fame, was also among the returning Hall of Famers. Matson was honored at the Mayor's Breakfast for his achievements as a superb athlete.

### **Pro Football Hall of Fame Canton, Ohio**

The largest enshrinement crowd in the **Pro Football Hall of Fame's** 41-year history was on hand Sunday August 8, 2004 for the induction of



*Aerial image of the 2004 enshrinement ceremony*

four pro football greats. An audience of nearly 22,000 packed Fawcett Stadium, which is located across the street from the Hall, for formal induction of Bob "Boomer" Brown, Carl Eller, John Elway, and Barry Sanders. The ceremony was broadcast live on ESPN and received the

highest rating for any Pro Football Hall of Fame enshrinement televised by the network.

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In mid-August, two of pro football's true pioneers Benny Friedman and Fritz Pollard, were selected by the Pro Football Hall of Fame's Seniors Committee as finalists for election into the Hall of Fame with the Class of 2005.

Friedman, a two-time All-America quarterback at Michigan, played with the Cleveland Bulldogs (1927), Detroit Wolverines (1928), New York Giants (1929-1931), and the Brooklyn Dodgers (1932-1934). When he turned pro, the college football sensation was greeted with fanfare that was exceeded only by the media attention given future Hall of Fame halfback Red Grange when he turned pro in 1925.

Pollard, an All-America halfback from Brown University was a pro football pioneer in more ways than one. He turned pro in 1919, when he joined the Akron (OH) Pros following army service during World War I. In 1920, the Pros joined the newly founded American Professional Football Association, later renamed the National Football League. As a member of the new league, Pollard immediately earned a place in pro football history as one of just two African Americans in the new league. In 1921 he earned another distinction becoming the first African American head coach in NFL history when the Pros named him co-coach of the team.

Friedman and Pollard will join 13 still-to-be-named modern-era candidates on the list of finalists from which the Class of 2005 will be selected. The Hall of Fame selection meeting will be held on February 5, 2005, the day before Super Bowl XXXIX in Jacksonville, Florida. To be elected, Friedman and Pollard must each receive the same 80 percent voting support that is required of all finalists.

### **International Tennis Hall of Fame Newport, Rhode Island**

Tony Trabert, Chairman of the Enshrinee Nominating Committee and President of the International Tennis Hall of Fame, announced on

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September 7 that eight people have been named to the 2005 International Tennis Hall of Fame Induction Ballot. Those individuals are: Jim Courier, Yannick Noah, Jana Novotna, Owen Davidson, Christine Truman Janes, Patricia Canning Todd, Earl "Butch" Buchholz, Jr. and Eiichi Kawatei.

"I am pleased to announce the people on the Ballot for 2005 that have done so much for tennis," said Trabert. "The individuals listed on this year's ballot have made an incredible impact on our sport and are deserving of this honor."

### **Recent Player Nominees (3)**

American Jim Courier, 34, turned pro in 1988 and during his 13-year career he captured 23 singles titles and 6 doubles titles. He won back-to-back Australian Open Singles Championships in 1992-93 and back-to-back Singles Championships at Roland Garros in 1991-92.

In 1983 Yannick Noah became France's new tennis hero, as he descended upon Roland Garros serving and volleying his way to the singles crown. Dropping only one set during the fortnight, he became the first Frenchman in 37 years to capture the men's singles title. During his 12-year career he captured 23 singles titles and 16 doubles titles, and had an overall singles Grand Slam event win-loss record of 85-35.

Jana Novotna, 35, of the Czech Republic, captured the women's singles championship at Wimbledon in 1998 after reaching the final in both 1993 and 1997. In addition, she won 12 major women's doubles championships: 2 Australian (1990, 1995); 3 French (1990-91, 1998); 4 Wimbledon (1989-90, 1995, 1998) and 3 US (1994, 1997-98); along with 4 major mixed doubles championships: 2 Australian (1988-89) Wimbledon (1988) and US (1987).

### **Master Player Nominees (3)**

Australian born Owen Davidson, known for swinging a vicious left-handed serve followed by consistent volleys and enviable drop shots, was a mixed doubles specialist completing the Mixed Doubles Grand Slam in 1967. He won ten major mixed doubles championships.

Christine Truman Janes was crowned the Wimbledon Junior Champion in 1956 (age 15), and went on to become the youngest woman to

win the French Singles Championships in 1959 at age 18. (Steffi Graf became the youngest in 1987; Monica Seles in 1990.)

Patricia Canning Todd, a right-handed player with a dominant backhand, won four majors: one singles title, two doubles titles and one mixed doubles title. She captured the 1947 French Singles Championship and the 1948 French doubles and mixed doubles championships.

### **Contributor Nominees (2)**

Earl "Butch" Buchholz, Jr., has played key roles in the evolution of both professional and amateur tennis since 1963 when he became a founding member of the first men's players association.

Eiichi Kawatei is the former Tournament Director for the Japan Open and Asian Open (both 1977-1986) and founder of the International Club of Japan (1978).

Courier, Noah and Novotna have been nominated in the ITHF's Recent Player category; Davidson, Janes and Todd have been nominated in the Master Player category; while Buchholz and Kawatei have been nominated in the Contributor category. A panel of international tennis media will vote on the Recent Player nominees. A 75% favorable vote is required for induction. The International Masters Panel, which consists of Hall of Fame inductees and other individuals who are highly knowledgeable of the sport and its history, vote on the Master Player and Contributor nominees. To be inducted as a Master Player or a Contributor, an affirmative vote of 75% is required.

The announcement of the official 2005 induction class will be made in early January and induction ceremony is slated for Saturday, July 9th.



## NEWSLETTER TIP

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If the web page is opening in your Adobe Acrobat Reader, and you prefer to view it in your browser (i.e. Explorer, Netscape), you need to change your PREFERENCES under the "Edit" menu in Acrobat Reader.

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town Baltimore. A special presentation took place on September 17 at the Museum's Babe Ruth Theater.

Officials from both the Foundation and the Museum were joined that day by a collection of Unitas' former Baltimore Colts' teammates, including Pro Football Hall of Fame running back and current President Emeritus of the Foundation, Lenny Moore. The award will temporarily be displayed at the Emory Street location before moving in May 2005 when the Museum opens its second site at historic Camden Station called Sports Legends at Camden Yards.

Following Unitas' passing in September 2002, the Foundation elected to pay tribute to his courage, character and legacy by renaming its Special Courage Award in his honor. Therefore, during the organization's Silver Anniversary Celebration on March 25, 2003, the accolade became known as the Johnny Unitas Top in Courage Award. Unlike the standard Courage Ed Block Award that can only be presented to a player in the NFL, the Johnny Unitas honor is reserved for a non-player (such as an owner, coach or administrator) in the NFL, who is nominated by his/her team for demonstrating tremendous courage in the face of adversity and/or serving as an inspiration to others. The inaugural award was presented to the Unitas family in John's name in March 2003. The honor will not be presented annually as it will be reserved for extraordinary circumstances that are worthy of prestigious recognition. The award is a bronze cast of Unitas' high-top shoe,

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## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

### College Football Hall of Fame

*South Bend, Indiana*

A radio play-by-play legend at Washington State University, **Bob Robertson** received the 2004 Chris Schenkel Award from the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame.

The award, named for legendary college football announcer Chris Schenkel, is given annually to a college football broadcaster on the local level who has excelled in his field and contributed to his community. It was presented Friday, Aug. 13 at the Mayor's Breakfast during the College Football Hall of Fame's Enshrinement Festival in South Bend, IN.

Past award winners include Chris Schenkel (1996), Jack Cristil (Mississippi State, 1997), Max Falkenstein (Kansas, 1998), Jack Flemming (West Virginia, 1999), Ray Christensen (Minnesota, 2000), Frank Fallon (Baylor, 2001), Bob Brooks (Iowa, 2002) and Larry Munson (Georgia, 2003).

In his 38th year as the football radio voice of the Cougars, Robertson's success and approval behind the mic has earned him Washington Sportscaster of the Year honors 15 times. His football broadcasting career also includes stints at the University of Washington and the University of Notre Dame. Demonstrating great knowledge and versatility, Robertson is also Washington State's 22-year basketball announcer and has called both soccer and baseball games in his illustrious career that spans more than half a century.

### International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame

*St. Louis, Missouri*

Peter B. Hamilton, President of Brunswick Bowling & Billiards, and Vice Chairman of Brunswick Corp., Lake Forest, IL has been elected to a three-year term on the **International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame** Board of Trustees. The announcement comes from William T. Scheid, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Hamilton heads up the division that oper-

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## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Be sure to get news about your organization into the IASMHF newsletter by adding us to your mailing lists.

We're looking for your press releases, photos, feature stories and other related material about your Hall of Fame or the sport(s) you represent.

Please submit material to IASMHF Communications Chairperson Pete Fierle at:  
**pete.fierle@profootballhof.com** or fax it to **330-456-9080**

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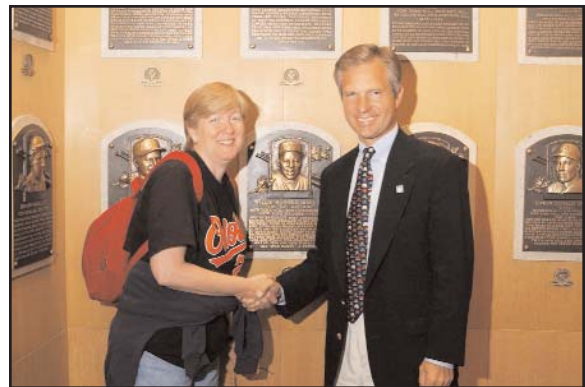
crafted by Frederick Kail, the individual who created the Uritas statue outside of M&T Bank Stadium. It is made possible through support from Grant Thornton, Strategies and Offit Kurman.

The Ed Block Courage Award Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to recognizing courage among players in the National Football League (NFL) while heightening awareness of the plight of abused children in NFL cities. The Foundation's efforts are supported by both the NFL and the Pro Football Athletic Trainers Society (PFATS). The primary vehicle utilized by the Foundation to bring attention to its cause is the Ed Block Courage Awards event held annually in Baltimore. The 27th Annual Ed Block Courage Awards are slated to occur March 13-15, 2005. The beneficiary of the Foundation's efforts is the organization's Courage House National Support Network for Kids.

The Babe Ruth Birthplace and Museum is the birthplace of George Herman "Babe" Ruth, the official Museum of the Baltimore Orioles, and the archives for the Baltimore Colts and Johnny Uritas. In May 2005, the Museum will open a second site at historic Camden Station called Sports Legends at Camden Yards. This tour through Maryland's sports heritage will explore the history of Baltimore's Orioles, Colts, Ravens, and Blast; the Negro League Baltimore Black Sox and Elite Giants; collegiate sports such as teams fielded by the University of Maryland, Naval Academy, and Johns Hopkins; and the area's unique sports of lacrosse, jousting, and duckpin bowling. It will also be home of the Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame, which honors native sons and daughters who have excelled in a variety of sports.

### Baseball Hall of Fame Cooperstown, New York

*Orioles fan from Silver Spring, Md. becomes lucky number 13 - Flew to Cooperstown on Friday the 13th and attends 13 Orioles games annually*



*Gail Millar of Silver Spring, MD, shakes hands with Baseball Hall of Fame President Dale Petroskey. Millar became the 13 millionth visitor to the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum on August 17, 2004.*

The **National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum**, which turned 65 on June 12 this year, welcomed its thirteen millionth visitor, when Gail Millar from Silver Spring, Maryland stepped through the front doors of the Museum at 1:35 p.m. on the afternoon of August 17, 2004. Millar was immediately greeted by Hall of Fame President Dale Petroskey, who presented the lucky visitor with a \$500 Presidents' Circle membership and a \$100 gift certificate for the Hall of Fame's Museum Shop and Bookstore.

Millar, the associate director for budget management and technical assistance for the United States Department of the Treasury was both surprised and elated. "This is incredible. I can't believe it. I am so pleased. Thirteen must be my

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new lucky number. I flew to Cooperstown on Friday the 13th and I attend 13 Orioles games every year."

Wearing a "25" Orioles jersey in honor of her favorite player, Rafael Palmeiro, Millar added, "Raffy's my favorite player. He once gave me a flower at the ballpark on Mother's Day." Making her maiden voyage to Cooperstown, Millar was vacationing with her children, Joseph (15) and Jeanne (12) Delbalzo, and her best friend from childhood, Debbie Reed.

Millar is the second visitor from Silver Spring, Maryland to become a "millionth" visitor to the Hall of Fame, joining the Museum's five millionth visitor, Elaine Parachini in 1977.

**Delaware Sports Museum and Hall of Fame**  
*Wilmington, Delaware*



Coinciding with the Summer Olympics in Athens, the **Delaware Sports Museum and Hall of Fame** unveiled a special exhibit honoring the over two dozen Delawareans who have participated in the Summer and Winter Olympics beginning in 1908. Visitors to the museum located at Frawley Stadium in Wilmington can see actual uniforms, equipment, medals, publications, torches, photographs, memorabilia and more loaned to the museum by the participants themselves.

The more than fifty years of Olympic displays begin with Dover's Frank Shakespeare's rowing Gold Medal in 1952 at Helsinki, Finland to the pairs skating team of Tiffany Scott and Philip Dulebohn at Salt Lake City in 2002. Other Gold Medal winners who have contributed to the exhibit include Mike Neill (baseball in 2000),

Dionna Harris (softball in 1996) and Nelson Diebel (two golds in swimming in 1992). A major variety of items from Squaw Valley (1960), Mexico City (1968), Los Angeles (1984), Calgary & Seoul (1988), Barcelona (1992), Albertville (1994), Atlanta (1996), Sydney (2000) and Salt Lake City (2002) are included.

In addition to the exhibit, visitors can view many Olympic videos, including the actual Gold Medal performances of Frank Shakespeare, Dianna Harris and Mike Neill. The exhibit which opened on Thursday, August 12 was scheduled to run to mid-September.



**Pro Football Hall of Fame**  
*Canton, Ohio*

Twenty-eight members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame returned to Canton on Tuesday September 21, 2004 for the Hall's Enshrinee Golf Classic X.

Each Hall of Famer served as a captain for their six-man team who competed in the scramble format. The tenth annual Enshrinee Golf Classic, a charity tournament, was held at Canton's Glenmoor Country Club featuring a beautiful Jack Nicklaus designed course.

The Hall of Famers who participated in this year's tournament included: Lem Barney, Chuck Bednarik, Bobby Bell, Elvin Bethea, Lou Creekmur, Joe DeLamielleure, Bill Dudley, Carl Eller, Ted Hendricks, Ken Houston, Deacon Jones, Leroy Kelly, Paul Krause, Yale Lary, Dante Lavelli, Larry Little, Howie Long, Don Maynard, Hugh McElhenny, Lenny Moore, Anthony Muñoz, Joe Perry, Mel Renfro, Bob St. Clair, Billy Shaw, Charley Taylor, Dave Wilcox, and Jack Youngblood.

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## **International Tennis Hall of Fame** *Newport, Rhode Island*

The International Tennis Hall of Fame presented two exhibits in the US Open Gallery at the 2004 US Open beginning August 28th through September 12th. In conjunction with the United States Tennis Association (USTA), the International Tennis Hall of Fame opened *Courting Favor: Tennis Posters from the Golden Age* and *A Passion for Tennis: Selections from the Albert & Madeleine Ritzenberg Tennis Collection*.

The specialty posters on view in *Courting Favor* are drawn from the collections of the International Tennis Hall of Fame, the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum, All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club, and the Collection of Alan G. Schwartz, President of the USTA, and the Tennis Corporation of America. The select items displayed in *A Passion for Tennis* are from the International Tennis Hall of Fame's newly acquired collection of tennis-themed objects ranging from the 15th century through the 1930s.

These two unique exhibitions have been made possible by the generous support of the USTA. This is the sixth consecutive year that the International Tennis Hall of Fame has presented exhibitions for tennis fans in the US Open Gallery.

## **Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum** *Pickerington, Ohio*

The **Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum**, the premier museum and storyteller of motorcycling history in America, recently announced a national two-year mobile tour to complement its next major exhibit, *Motocross America*, scheduled for a spring 2005 unveiling. The Museum's newest exhibit will trace the evolution of the country's original action sport from its 1920s roots to today's wildly popular Supercross and freestyle events. At the same time, the mobile version of *Motocross America*, presented in a custom-designed 53-foot transporter, will bring the

sport's colorful characters and stories, its cutting edge technology and gear, and the high-energy lifestyle surrounding it, straight to the heart of the action—major U.S. market race track, stadium and consumer show events.

During its 24-month cross-country schedule, *Motocross America* will connect with millions of motorcycle enthusiasts, including the 3-million-plus passionate fans who will attend major motorcycle races and shows. Clear Channel Entertainment – Motorsports is partnering with the Museum to bring the exhibit to AMA Supercross races beginning in early 2005 and continuing through 2006. *Motocross America* will also travel to select outdoor AMA Chevrolet Motocross races, AMA Chevrolet Superbike races and sponsor-selected venues. An additional partnership with Advanstar, the country's leading motorcycle consumer show producer, is bringing the tour to major metro-market Cycle World International Motorcycle Shows, presented by Toyota Trucks.

Mark Mederski, Executive Director of the Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum, considers the mobile tour invaluable for introducing new generations of enthusiasts to the Museum's mission of preservation and education, as well as promoting the thrill of competition. "With the right encouragement, today's young enthusiast could well be tomorrow's Motorcycle Hall of Fame member," says Mederski. "That's why our traveling exhibit not only showcases the sport's rich past and present, but features a comprehensive racing resource center with tips and tools for getting started in making racing history."

*Motocross America* will also showcase an exclusive group of sponsor partners, each a leader and innovator in products that fuel the passions of motorcycle and action sport enthusiasts. At each venue, the traveling exhibit will form the core of an action-packed hub where race fans, riders and enthusiasts can learn about, experience or even sample the latest goods and services created for their unique interests and needs.

"We expect strong sponsor interest in *Motocross America* because of its highly meas-

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urable and retail-driven marketing opportunities,” says Fran O’Hagan, Executive Producer of the *Motocross America* tour. O’Hagan, who has a long history of brand management and marketing expertise for brand icons like BMW, Indian Motorcycle, Mercedes-Benz and Monaco Coach, also notes that the tour is a potent antidote to traditional media investments. “Capturing and keeping the attention of information-overloaded consumers, especially the 18 to 34 year old male demographic, is getting more challenging all the time,” he notes. “By initiating a relationship on a consumer’s preferred turf, at the time of their choosing, sponsors can connect with customers who are fully tuned in—not out.”

### **National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame** *Chicago, Illinois*

The **National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame** hosted a private luncheon for Olympian and NIASHF Inductee Matt Biondi on Wednesday, June 30, 2004. The NIASHF also unveiled its newest exhibit commemorating this great champion.

Biondi is one of only two swimmers who have won seven medals in one Olympics and eleven career medals. Biondi began modestly in 1984, earning his first gold medal as a member of the US 4x100m freestyle relay team. Four years later in Seoul, Biondi picked up a bronze medal in the 200m freestyle and then entered the 100m butterfly, in which he was the favorite. However he had to settle for second place when Anthony Nesty of Suriname beat him 53.00 seconds to 53.01 seconds. This led Biondi to reflect, “One one-hundredth of a second - what if I had grown my fingernails longer?” Biondi successfully channeled his disappointment, entering five more events, winning gold medals in all of them and setting world records in four. He took part in all three US relay victories and also won the 100m freestyle and the 50m freestyle. In this last race, he won by defeating teammate Tom Jager for the first time in two years. Biondi returned to the Olympics in 1992. After placing fifth in the 100m freestyle, he earned a gold medal in the

4x100m freestyle relay and a silver medal in the 50m freestyle. Finally, Biondi swam the butterfly leg in the qualifying round of the 4x100m medley. When the US team won the final, Biondi was awarded yet another gold medal - the eighth of his career. Biondi was inducted into the NIASHF in 1992.

### **Women’s Sports Foundation**

The Women’s Sports Foundation is proud to introduce its commemorative book and traveling exhibit, *SuperWomen: 100 Women-100 Sports*. The project pays tribute to the joy, athleticism, strength, diversity and artistry of women in sports. The beauty and power of female athletes is captured through a mosaic of portraits and personal triumphs in a new book by Jodi Buren, in cooperation with the Women’s Sports Foundation. Buren’s work has appeared in *Sports Illustrated*, *Life*, *Time* and *The New York Times*. *SuperWomen* features champion athletes Chris Evert, Lisa Fernandez, Julie Foudy, Sarah Hughes, Jackie Joyner-Kersey, Billie Jean King, Annika Sorenstam, Picabo Street, Michelle Wie and many more in sports from adventure racing to wrestling.

The book has come to life through the 40 color photos – 30 x 40 inches – featured in the *SuperWomen* Exhibit. This flexible exhibit consists of 22 free-standing panels (88 total running feet) that can be configured in a variety of ways to accommodate venue needs. In addition, the museum-quality photographs may be hung without using the free-standing display panels with all editorial material separately mounted.

The exhibit opened at the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, IL, in June, and is currently on display at the Pacific Design Center in Los Angeles, CA. Future sites include the America West Arena in Phoenix, AZ, and the NCAA Hall of Champion in Indianapolis, IN. The Women’s Sports Foundation is currently searching for additional venues to display the *SuperWomen* Exhibit in 2005.



Descending upon Newport, Rhode Island July 9-11 were tennis legends Malcolm Anderson, Lesley Turner Bowrey, Louise Brough Clapp, Maria Bueno, Rosie Casals, Dorothy "Dodo" Cheney, Arthur "Bud" Collins, Ashley Cooper, Margaret Smith Court, Frankie Dürr, Stefan Edberg, Roy Emerson, Chris Evert, Neale Fraser, Shirley Fry-Irvin, Steffi Graf, Ann Haydon Jones, Bob Hewitt, Lamar Hunt, Robert Kelleher, Jan Kodes, Jack Kramer, Art Larsen, Rod Laver, Gene Mako, Hana Mandlikova, John McEnroe, Frew McMillan, Angela Mortimer Barrett, Gardnar Mulloy, John Newcombe, Alex Olmedo, Budge Patty, Nicola Pietrangeli, Dennis Ralston, Nancy Richey, Tony Roche, Mervyn Rose, Ken Rosewall, Dick Savitt, Ted Schroeder, Frank Sedgman, Pancho Segura, Vic Seixas, Stan Smith, Fred Stolle, Brian Tobin, Tony Trabert, Guillermo Vilas and Virginia Wade.

On Friday evening Hall of Famers, family and friends gathered at the Hall of Fame for an exclusive "Welcome Home Dinner." This was a wonderful and unique opportunity for many Hall of Famers to embrace their past, mingle with other Famers not seen in years, and share golden moments with their former court rivals. A special 50th Anniversary Video was debuted, which honored the Hall of Famers in attendance and captured the spirit of the weekend's festivities.

On Saturday, an incredible Parade of Hall of

Famers received a royal welcome, as His Serene Highness Prince Albert of Monaco participated in the ceremonial parade introductions. "It is indeed an honor to help celebrate this most auspicious occasion," said HSH Prince Albert. "The spirit of excellence is in the air and we gather from various walks of life, from various nations and various backgrounds, with a common regard for those who have made the sport of tennis so great."

Joining HSH Prince Albert for the parade presentation were International Tennis Federation President Francesco Ricci Bitti, United States Tennis Association President Alan Schwartz, International Tennis Journalist John Barrett (husband of Hall of Famer Angela Mortimer Barrett) and Jan Leschly, Chairman of the International Tennis Hall of Fame. Together, with Tony Trabert and Virginia Wade, each Hall of Famer was re-introduced on center court to the non-stop applause and cheers of the crowd.

Leschly, in his opening address claimed, "What a wonderful day for tennis lovers around the world and what a wonderful milestone to have reached. We are delighted to welcome home these Hall of Famers who have indeed come from all four corners of the Earth to be with us today."

That evening, the 50th Anniversary

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Celebration continued at The Breakers, Newport's most opulent Gilded Age mansion. The black-tie Jubilee was the perfect setting for close to a thousand attendees, enjoying dinner and dancing on The Breakers' cascading lawns overlooking the Atlantic Ocean.

Tony Trabert, President of the International



L-R: Steffi Graf, Chris Evert, and Andre Agassi

Tennis Hall of Fame and 1970 Hall of Famer spoke at the Jubilee. "I am thrilled with the Hall of Famers who came to support the Hall of Fame. It certainly appears that our 50th celebration has been a huge success. Thank you all for your tremendous support."

On Sunday, thirty-nine Hall of Famers returned to center court as the Class of 2004 (Steffi Graf, Stefan Edberg, and Dorothy "Dodo" Cheney) was officially inducted and the singles and doubles finals of the Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships were played. Rod Laver, arguably one of the greatest tennis players of all-time, summed up the entire weekend. "It's been great to be here in Newport. We don't see each other often, and this has been just absolutely wonderful."



L-R: Guillermo Vilas, John McEnroe, and Rod Laver

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ates the retail bowling center, bowling equipment and billiards products businesses of Brunswick Corp. Previously, he served as Brunswick's Chief Financial Officer.

Prior to joining Brunswick in 1995, Mr. Hamilton held key executive positions with Cummins, Inc, the law firm of Califano, Ross, and Heineman in Washington D.C., and with the U.S. Navy branch of the Department of Defense.

He earned a bachelors degree from Princeton University and a law degree from Yale. He is married to the former Elizabeth A. Arthur and the couple has two children.



**Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame**

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**THE NAZI OLYMPICS** Berlin 1936

comes to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame for its only New England appearance courtesy of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington D.C. It will be on display in the Hall's Special Exhibits Gallery from October 19, 2004 to January 17, 2005. This exhibition explores the ways in which the Nazis used the 1936 Olympic Games for propaganda, and tells the stories of athletes who were barred from competition due to their ethnic or racial heritage.