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SAC-JOQUIN SECTION ANNOUNCES 2012 HALL OF FAME CLASS

LODI (June 8, 2012) – They range from Olympic gold medalists to World Series heroes to super-star coaches. They were successful from the 1920s to the present time. The list of 43 inductees into the 2012 class of the Sac-Joaquin Section Hall of Fame includes many of the best and brightest athletes, coaches, administrators, officials and media members to ever grace a field within the Central Valley.

The 19 athletes range from Stan Hack, Sacramento High Class of 1928, to Suzy Powell, Downey High Class of 1994.

The 10 coaches include Jesuit's Paul Rose, who has more wins than any other boys soccer coach in state history, and three who top the Section list in career victories in their sports: Bill Baxter (girls basketball), Ron Clarke (softball) and Max Miller (football).

The inductees were decided through a lengthy process that included months of research and three separate committees.

The induction banquet and ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, October 14 at Power Balance Pavilion in Sacramento. Anybody with questions is urged to call Section Director of Communications Will DeBoard at 209-334-5900, ext. 21.

The Section's inaugural class in 2010 had 56 members, making a total of 99 Hall of Fame inductees over the two groups. As we move forward and catch up with our 70+ years of history, the classes will decrease in size.

We'll be toasting this group in October, and now, let's celebrate the Sac-Joaquin Section Hall of Fame Class of 2012:

ATHLETES (19)

SHAWN ANDAYA-PULLIAM, LODI: Andaya-Pulliam was the 1983 CalHiSports state Ms. Softball (one of six SJS athletes to win this award). She pitched the Flames to Section championships in 1982 and 1983. She went on to Texas A&M, where she earned NCAA all-American and College World Series all-tournament honors three times each. In 1987, Andaya led the nation in strikeouts (326) and wins (36) and she was the winning pitcher in the national championship game. She's a member of the Texas A&M athletic Hall of Fame.

JOHN AZEVEDO, GRACE DAVIS: Azevedo won Sac-Joaquin Section individual wrestling titles in 1973 and 1975 and he won CIF State titles in 1974 and 1975. He also placed fifth in the state in 1973. He's the first two-time state wrestling champion in Sac-Joaquin Section history. He went to Bakersfield State, where he won four NCAA championships. His collegiate record was 122-2. He was a member of the 1980 Olympic team and won the 1982 national freestyle championship. He went on to coach the highly successful Calvary Chapel High team, winning seven state team titles, and most recently was the head coach at Cal Poly-SLO.

MIKE BRUNER, LINCOLN-STOCKTON: Bruner won four Sac-Joaquin Section swimming titles during his time at Lincoln-S. He won the 400 freestyle three years in a row (1972-74) and also won the 200 freestyle in 1974. He went on to Stanford University, where he won four Pac-10 championships in three different events; the 200 butterfly (twice), the 500 freestyle and the 1,650 freestyle. In the 1976 Summer Olympics at Montreal, he won a gold medal in the 200 butterfly and was part of the winning 4x200 freestyle relay team. His winning time in the butterfly was a new world record, and the relay team also set a world record.

MILO CANDINI, MANTECA: Candini goes down as one of the greatest high school athletes in City of Manteca history. He lettered in four sports – football, basketball, baseball and track and field – for all four years at Manteca High. He was the CalHiSports state medium schools athlete of the year in 1934 and 1935 and was the CalHi medium schools baseball player of the year in 1935 and 1936. He signed with the New York Yankees out of high school and spent several years in the farm system. He eventually played eight MLB seasons (mainly with the Washington Senators) and compiled a 26-21 record with a 3.92 ERA.

KELLIE COOK, NEVADA UNION: Cook is one of the top girls basketball players in Sac-Joaquin Section history. She led Nevada Union to three straight Section Division I championships (1989-91). In the 1991 title game, she scored 47 points in a 67-64 win over Merced – the most points ever in a Section championship game. She was named to the CalHiSports first-team all-state team in 1990 and 1991 and she was the 1991 Gatorade California girls basketball player of the year. She was named a Parade all-American. She went on to Northwestern, where she remains the school's 3-point percentage record holder for both one season and a career.

TONY EASON, DELTA: Eason led Delta High to two Sac-Joaquin Section championships, in 1977 and 1978. In '78, his senior year, Eason's Saints had a perfect season (11-0). That Delta team sent four players from its 27-man roster on to the NFL. Eason was the 1977 CalHiSports small schools male athlete of the year and also the state small schools football player of the year. He was a two-time all-Big-10 selection at quarterback while at the University of Illinois. He played eight seasons in the NFL, mainly with the Patriots. He quarterbacked the Patriots to the 1985 Super Bowl.

JOHN FERRIS, RIO AMERICANO: Ferris won five Sac-Joaquin Section individual swimming championships while at Rio Americano. He won the 100 butterfly three times (1964, 1966-67) and once each he won the 200 individual medley (1965) and 200 freestyle (1966). He went to Stanford, where he won eight Pac-10 swimming titles (100 and 200 butterfly three times apiece and the 200 IM twice). He was the 1969 NCAA champion in the 200 butterfly, and later held the world record in that same event. He won bronze medals in the 200 butterfly and 200 IM at the 1968 Mexico City Olympics.

STAN HACK, SACRAMENTO: Hack graduated from Sacramento High School, where we can find anecdotal evidence of him playing for the school baseball team as early as in the sixth grade. After graduating in 1928, he played for a Sacramento professional team – the Senators – before being sold to the Chicago Cubs. He played 16 seasons at third base for the Cubs (1932-47), where he made five all-Star teams and he led the National League in stolen bases and hits twice each. He was considered the top third baseman of his era and is still considered one of the more popular players to wear the Cubs uniform.

J.D. HILL, EDISON: Hill played football, basketball, baseball and ran track and field while at Edison. He was an all-league standout in all of those sports. He won Sac-Joaquin Section titles in the 100 and 220-yard dashes in 1966, finishing second in the state championships in both races. He went to Arizona State University, where he set a record by playing three sports (football, baseball and track and field). He was a first-team all-American and NCAA offensive player of the year for the 1970 undefeated ASU football team. He played seven years in the NFL as a wide receiver.

RAY LANKFORD, GRACE DAVIS: Lankford was a football and baseball star at Grace Davis in the early 1980s. As a running back, he led the Spartans football team to the Sac-Joaquin Section Division I championship game in 1984. That remains the only football team from Modesto to make it to the Section Division I championship football game. He was a standout football and baseball player at Modesto Junior College as well. He turned to baseball after college, eventually playing 14 seasons as

an outfielder in Major League Baseball. He has 238 home runs and 258 stolen bases for his professional career, making him one of 25 players in MLB history to have at least 200 home runs and 200 stolen bases.

PAUL LARSON, TURLOCK: Larson was a football, basketball and track and field standout at Turlock. He won the Sac-Joaquin Section 880-yard dash in 1947. He was named the 1949 CalHiSports state football player of the year; he's one of only six players from the Section to receive such an honor. He's a charter member of the Turlock High School Hall of Fame. He played quarterback at the University of California, leading the country in passing yardage in 1954 (finishing fifth in Heisman Trophy voting). He led the nation in all-purpose yards in 1953. He played defensive back as well, and is third on Cal's career interceptions list with 12. He also punted, kicked field goals and returned kicks. He played two seasons in the NFL.

GERALD MADKINS, MERCED: Madkins is considered one of the Sac-Joaquin Section's top basketball players. He led Merced to Sac-Joaquin Section Division I championships in 1986 and 1987, and he led the state in points scored in both seasons as well. He was the 1987 Northern California boys basketball player of the year and received first-team all-state honors from CalHiSports. He played all five positions on the court, and his teams went 58-7. For his high school career, Madkins averaged 26.3 points, 7.4 assists and 2.8 steals a game and shot 67% from the field. He was a four-year player at UCLA and was a team captain on a Pac-10 championship team. He played three seasons in the NBA.

DAVE MAGGARD, TURLOCK: Maggard played football, basketball and competed for the track and field team at Turlock. He won the 1957 Sac-Joaquin Section shot put title and later finished fifth in the state. He's a member of the Turlock High School Hall of Fame (second class). He went to the University of California, where he is considered one of the top track and field athletes in school history. He held the Cal shot put record for 19 years and twice placed among the top five in the NCAA. He won the shot put in the 1968 Olympic Trials, later placing fifth at Mexico City. He went on to become the Cal track and field coach and athletic director. He was Managing Director of Sports for the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

MIKE MERRIWEATHER, VALLEJO: Merriweather was a standout in football, basketball and baseball while at Vallejo. He chose to play football for the University of the Pacific instead of going with baseball and entering the Major League Baseball draft. He went on to become a star at linebacker in the NFL, mainly with the Pittsburgh Steelers. He played 11 years of professional football, where he was a three-time Pro Bowler and he was named first-team all-NFL in 1984.

SUE PEDERSON, RIO AMERICANO: Pederson didn't compete in high school because, at the time, there were no high school sports for girls. She was one of the greatest age-group swimmers of all time. As a 14-year-old and attending Rio Americano, she won four Olympic swimming medals in the 1968 Olympics. She was a part of two gold medal-winning relay teams and she won silver medals in the 100 freestyle and 200 individual medley. Over her career, she set three world records, nine American records and she won six national championships.

SUZY POWELL, DOWNEY: Powell was a basketball and track and field star at Downey in the early 1990s. She's most well known for her track and field exploits, where she was a four-time Sac-Joaquin Section champion in the discus. She won three state titles in the discus from 1992-94. She was also an excellent basketball player who led her team to the 1994 Section Division I title. She was the 1994 state girls track and field athlete of the year as well as the 1994 state girls overall athlete of the year. She is one of only two SJS athletes to be named the state female athlete of the year. She held the national high school record in the discus from 1994-2009 (188-4) and she still holds the SJS discus record. She went to UCLA and represented the USA in the Olympics in 1996, 2000 and 2008.

JOE RUDI, DOWNEY: Rudi played three sports at Downey: Football, wrestling and baseball. He was best known for his prowess on the baseball diamond. He mainly played shortstop and third base, hitting .320 as a sophomore and .436 as a junior. He was hit by a pitch early in his senior year, breaking a bone and ending his season. He signed with the then-Kansas City A's and played 16 seasons in Major League Baseball. He was a three-time all-star selection who led MLB in hits in 1972 and was runner-up in MVP voting in 1972 and 1974. He played in three World Series (1972-74), all of them vic-

tories.

STEVE SAX, MARSHALL (RIVER CITY): Sax was a football and baseball standout at Marshall High School (now called River City HS). He was the 1978 CalHiSports medium schools baseball player of the year and was the CalHi state medium schools male athlete of the year. He signed with the Los Angeles Dodgers out of high school, and went on to a 14-season career in Major League Baseball. He mainly played with the Dodgers and New York Yankees. He was a five-time all-star selection and was a part of two World Series champions. For his career, he batted .281 with 913 runs scored and 444 stolen bases.

DANIELLE VIGLIONE, DEL CAMPO: Viglione is one of the top girls basketball scorers in state history. She was a long-range shooter who filled the basket for Del Campo. She led the state in points scored in 1992 and 1993 and in scoring average in 1993. She still holds the state record for points scored in a season (1,300; more than 100 points head of No. 2 Cheryl Miller at 1,197). She also holds state records for 3-pointers in a season and in a game. She led Del Campo to the 1992 Section Division II championship. She went on to the University of Texas, where she averaged 15.8 points a game for her career. She played for the WNBA's Sacramento Monarchs for one year and professionally overseas for a decade.

OFFICIALS (3)

JIM COOMBS: Coombs, a retired educator from the Sacramento City Unified School District, coached basketball, track and field and swimming at McClatchy High. He's been a member of the Northern California Officials Association since 1967. He was a basketball official from 1967-2010 and a football official from 1977-84. He was also the NCOA baseball assigner for two years.

HANK deLOTTY: deLotty was a member of the Northern California Officials Association for more than 35 years, officiating both football and baseball. He was a baseball umpire for 35 years, working multiple Sac-Joaquin Section championship games. He worked all levels of baseball, from the top varsity matchups to freshman games. He was a football official for 25 years, working many Section championship games as the referee.

BOB WOOD: Wood was a basketball official in the southern half of the Sac-Joaquin Section from 1974-2003. He was the president of the NCOA-South basketball division for two terms, the Rating Committee Chairman for six years and the basketball rep on the NCOA-South Executive Committee for 10 years. It is estimated Wood worked from 100-125 playoff and state basketball tournament games, the most of any official in NCOA-South history. He was a member of a state championship high school team in North Carolina.

MEDIA (1)

GARY TRAYNHAM: Traynham was the sports editor at the Woodland Daily Democrat from 1963-2007, during which time he was also heavily involved in the Woodland community well beyond covering its high school athletes. He founded the Woodland High golf tournament, which raises \$5,000-10,000 every year toward local high school athletics. He was the media relations chairman for the state high school track and field championships held in Woodland in 1973. He's the co-founder of the Woodland Athletic Hall of Fame. He's covered Woodland High athletic events in Washington DC, Florida and Hawaii.

COACHES (10)

BILL BAXTER, EL CAMINO: Baxter is primarily known as a girls basketball coach at El Camino. His teams won 601 games from 1987-2010, qualifying for the playoffs in every year. He watched his teams win 14 league titles and five Sac-Joaquin Section championships. His 1994 team went 36-0, winning the state Division III title. He's the winningest girls basketball coach in Section history. He was also the boys and girls water polo coach at El Camino from 1974-87, winning a combined 31 league titles.

RON CLARKE, FAIRFIELD: Clarke coached softball at Fairfield from 1978-2011, where he saw his teams go 732-256-5. He is the winningest softball coach in Sac-Joaquin Section history and he's ranked No. 3 on the state all-time victories list. His teams won four Section championships; in 1981, 1995, 2000 and 2001. He coached one of the top softball players in Section history in future National

Team member Alicia Hollowell.

MIKE GLINES, CENTRAL CATHOLIC: Glines has been extremely successful coaching both football and baseball at Central Catholic. He was Central Catholic's football coach from 1970-78 and from 1995-2007, where his teams compiled a 204-31-4 record and won 12 Sac-Joaquin Section championships in three different divisions (1973, 1997-99 and 2001-2007). The Central football team also won 61 straight games from 2001-05, the second-longest such streak in state history. He was the CalHiSports state small schools football coach of the year in 1973 and in 2003. In baseball, he coached Central Catholic to 10 straight SJS championships and his record since 2004 is 215-38. He was the 2006 CalHi small schools baseball coach of the year.

CHARLIE LEE, BELLA VISTA: Lee goes down as one of the top wrestling coaches in Sac-Joaquin Section history. In 22 seasons at Bella Vista, his teams went 248-28-1. His Broncos won five Sac-Joaquin Section tournament championships (1979, 1981-84). His teams also finished second in the state meet three times and third in the state twice. He was inducted into the California Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2001. He was also a multi-sport star at San Juan High in the 1950s, and he was a starting tackle for the National Champion Iowa Hawkeyes in 1958.

MAX MILLER, CORDOVA: He coached for 28 years within the Sac-Joaquin Section, compiling a 254-90-4 record as the head coach. He was at Rio Americano from 1974-80, at Cordova from 1981-93 and 1999-2007, and he was at Johnson from 1996-97. His 1985 Cordova team was his only Sac-Joaquin Section championship winner and was the Section's first 14-0 football team. He was the defensive coordinator at Folsom in 2010, when the Bulldogs went on to win the Section D2 championship as well as the CIF State D2 championship bowl game.

BILL ROOD, LINDEN: Rood coached volleyball at Linden from 1981-2006, where his teams won 20 Mother Lode League titles, 11 Sac-Joaquin Section championships, seven CIF Northern California championships and two CIF State titles. His teams won the 1990 State Division III championship and the 1996 state Division IV title. He was the 1990 CalHiSports state volleyball coach of the year.

PAUL ROSE, JESUIT: Rose recently became the state's all-time winningest boys soccer coach. He's seen his teams compile a 656-95-99 record from 1979-present, and they're still going strong. He was the 2001 CalHiSports state boys soccer coach of the year. He's been named national coach of the year by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America three times. His teams have won nine Sac-Joaquin Section Division 1 championships.

GARY SUMMERHAYS, DEL CAMPO: There are no coaches within the Sac-Joaquin Section with the success in a variety of sports that Summerhays and his teams have experienced. He was the boys soccer coach at Del Campo for 25 years and he was the girls soccer coach from 1975-1994. He coached the boys golf team in the 1970s. He coached the boys basketball team for at least one year; his first year, the team went 24-4 and lost to Merced (and Gerald Madkins) in the 1986 SJS D1 championship. He coached girls volleyball teams to league titles. He was the CalHiSports state girls soccer coach of the year in 1989; his girls teams won eight Section D1 titles, including five in a row from 1989-93. His boys soccer teams won seven Section D1 championships from 1977 to 1992. In boys golf, his 1971 and '78 teams won the Section D1 championship, his 1976 and 1977 teams won the NorCal championship and his 1977 team won the state title.

HARVEY TAHARA, McCLATCHY: Tahara coached boys and girls basketball and boys and girls golf at McClatchy. He coached boys basketball from 1979-1995, where his teams compiled a 292-196 record and won four league titles (1983, 1990, 1992, 1993). He coached girls basketball from 1997-2011, and those teams compiled a 223-136 record. His total basketball record is 515-329. His boys basketball team won the 1993 Sac-Joaquin Section D2 championship. His girls team in 2007 won the Section D1 championship. He's one of only four coaches in Section history to win championships in both boys and girls basketball. He coached the boys golf team from 1977-1997 and he coached the girls golf team from 1997-2004. In 2004, McClatchy was the runner-up in the SJS championship tournament.

MARY JO TRUESDALE, SHELDON: Truesdale saw her teams within the Sac-Joaquin Section

(Elk Grove and Sheldon) compile an overall record of 484-160-5. She's been at Sheldon for the last 15 years. Her teams have won five SJS D1 championships (2002, 2007, 2008, 2011 and 2012). She was named the 2007 CalHiSports state softball coach of the year. Her 2008 team went 32-2 and finished the season ranked #1 in the state overall by CalHiSports. She spent some time coaching out-of-state; her overall career record as a head coach is 597-224-5.

ADMINISTRATORS AND BENEFACTORS (10)

KEVIN BROWN: Brown, the Superintendent for the Rocklin Unified School District, has been involved with the Sac-Joaquin Section for the last 29 years. He served on the Board of Managers for 16 years, was the realignment chair for six years and has served on several Section appeals panels. He has also served on the Section Budget Committee. He was the Delta League President from 1983-93 and he was the district athletic director for the Folsom-Cordova School District for three years.

JAMES CAVE: Cave served as the Sac-Joaquin Section's first commissioner, from 1942-1968. Before then, there was no Sac-Joaquin Section; instead, it was all part of the much larger Northern Section. But Cave, who worked as an administrator and coach at Stockton High School, took the reins when the SJS became its own entity. There have only been three commissioners in the Sac-Joaquin Section's history: Cave, Clarke Coover from 1968-1993 and Pete Saco from 1993 to the present.

JIM DIMINO: Dimino has worked as a coach, athletic director, athletic director liaison and Section basketball tournament director since the 1960s. He was the head baseball coach at El Camino from 1964-71 and the head football coach from 1971-1990. His football teams won seven league titles and two Section championships (1984 and 1985). He was the athletic director liaison for San Juan Unified School District from 1974-94 and he's been the director for the Section basketball postseason games at UOP.

BILL FLAKE: Flake was a teacher and coach at Placer High from 1961-2000. He started the school's wrestling program, and was its coach from 1964-89, during which time his teams went 267-59. He was Placer's athletic director from 1970-2000. Flake served as the Sac-Joaquin Section wrestling chairman from 1986-2000. He's been the commissioner of the Pioneer Valley League since its inception in 2001.

BARB FRANCO: Franco was a successful volleyball coach and a district administrator in the Napa area who has been very supportive of high school athletics. She was the Napa High volleyball coach from 1982-96, during which time her teams won nine Monticello Empire League titles and three Sac-Joaquin Section championships. Her team was the Northern California Division II champion in 1996. She was the MEL president and member of the Section Board of Managers from 2004-2011.

DAN GONSALVES: Gonsalves has worked as a coach, athletic director and district athletic director within Modesto City Schools for 53 years. He coached wrestling at Modesto and Grace Davis High Schools from 1956-73. He coached fellow Hall of Famer John Azevedo. He's coached football in some capacity at Modesto City Schools for 48 years (22 years as varsity head coach). He's been the district athletic director for the last 34 years. Johansen High's football stadium is named after Gonsalves. He is also a longtime official and tournament director; Gonsalves is believed to be the only person in Section history to have directed, officiated and coached in three different sports in the Sac-Joaquin Section championships.

LOYD HOBBY: Hobby served as one of the longest-standing athletic directors in Sac-Joaquin Section history. He was a teacher and coach at Mariposa High School for 36 years, and he served as the athletic director for 46 years. He coached football, basketball and golf; the Mariposa gymnasium is named after him. He was named the state athletic director of the year in 1995.

PAUL HOOVER: Hoover was a teacher, counselor and director of student activities for the Napa Unified School District for over 30 years. He was the Monticello Empire League Commissioner since its inception in 1976 to his death in 2003. He was the official scorekeeper for the Sac-Joaquin Section basketball tournament for many years as well. The 2003 SJS basketball tournament was dedicated in Hoover's memory.

BOB TAYLOR: Taylor began his academic career at Bret Harte High, where he taught and

coached all sports from 1947-52. From there, he went to Downey High School, where he spent the next 30 years as a teacher, coach and administrator. He was the Central California Conference commissioner from 1984-2001. The gymnasium at Grace Davis High is named after Taylor.

WALKER VICK: Vick was a teacher, coach and athletic director at Manteca High School for 41 years. He was the school's athletic director for 27 years. He coached mainly football and baseball, and the Manteca High fieldhouse is named after him. He was named the state and Western Regional athletic director of the year in 1989. He's worked in the Sac-Joaquin Section office as an award coordinator since 2000.

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CIF Sac-Joaquin Section oversees high school athletics for 195 schools and 225,000 students. Its geographic boundaries stretch from Merced in the south, Grass Valley in the North, Napa to the west and the Nevada state line to the east. The Section is the second largest of California's 10 athletic sections.