Press Release:

**2020 Indiana Track and Field Hall of Fame Inductees**

**Women**

**Jan Eichenauer – Gappa**
Wabash High School 2000

Eichenauer was a three-time IHSAA State long jump champion (1997, 1999, 2000) before taking her talents to Purdue University as a heptathlete.

**Ellie Tidman**
Batesville High School 2010

Tidman was a four-time IHSAA State high jump champion (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010). While in high school, Ellie was never defeated in a high jump competition winning the Midwest Meet of Champions and selected Miss Indiana Track and Field Athlete in 2010. She took her talent to Vanderbilt University.

**Rebecca Williams – Podojil**
Tri High School 1992

Williams placed five times in the IHSAA State championships before taking her talents to University of Miami Ohio University. In 1996 she was the alternate in the 400 hurdles for the United States Atlanta Olympics.

**Men**

**Andrew Shields**
Fishers High School 2009

Shields was a three-time IHSAA State Meet Distance Champions 2008 800 meter and 1600 meter and 2009 1600 meter. 2008 and 2009 Indiana Gatorade Runner of the Year. At University of Wisconsin Drew was awarded the Big Ten Freshman of the Year in cross country.

**Matthew Terrell**
Ben Davis High School 2009

Terrell was a five-time IHSAA State Meet Sprint Champion. He then became an Ohio State University sprinter.

**Olympian**

**John Nunn**
Evansville Harrison High School 1996

Nunn was a three-time Olympian (2004 Athens, Greece; 2012 London, England; and 2016 Rio de Janciro, Brazil) in the racewalking events. He accepted a walking scholarship to University of Wisconsin at Parkside where he became the 1997 10k Junior National Champion setting a record and represented the United State in the Pan Am Junior Championships. In 2001, Nunn started his senior competition by winning the first of 15 National Race Walk Championships. He racewalked in three World Championships and was ranked among top ten racewalkers for 17 years (2000 - 2017).
Coach

Lane Custer  West Lafayette High School  1978 – present

Custer 62 combined season (as the head coach of boys and girls track and field) has collectively produced 53 Hoosier Conference Team Championships. 56 Individual All State honors 94 State Champion) and 27 All State Relays (7 State Champions) from a public school with an enrollment of about 750 students.

Contributor

Lee Aldridge  Pioneer High School

Aldridge served as an IHSAA official for 48 years. Notable performances include 13 years as a member of the IHSAA State Meet starting crew and several years a an IHSAA rules interpreter. He worked 23 consecutive years as a Division 1 and/or 2 NCAA official, World Indoor Championship, Pan-Am Games and three Olympic Trials 1988, 1992 and 2000.

Relay

4 X 100 Meter  Gary Roosevelt  1982

Gary Roosevelt’s 4 X 100-meter Relay of Jeff Patrick, Alan Price, Don Young and Glen Moore have held the IHSAA State Meet record for 28 years. This was a very special group of sprinters, the first and only group to finish 1, 2, and 3 in an IHSAA State Meet. Patrick 1st, Moore 2nd, and Young 3rd in the 1982 100-meter race. Price’s times indicated that he could have been one of the IHSAA finalist if rules would have allowed his participation. All had stardom careers in college. They were coached by Hall of Famer John Campbell.

Pioneer

Orval Martin  Bellmore High School  1926

Martin won the 1926 IHSAA State Mile Champion and placed second in the National Interscholastic Championship Meet in Chicago. Attend Purdue University and in 1928 qualified for the Amsterdam Olympic Games, however, the 1928 Olympic coach replaced him with another runner that had not qualified as a 1500-meter runner. He later became the head coach at Purdue University and later at Lafayette High School.

Homer Thomas  Marion High School  1903

Thomas set the national 12-pound hammer throw record in 1903 at 160’5”. Attend Purdue University and won the 1904 Western Conference (Big Ten Conference) hammer throw, captained the football team and played a year of pro football at Massillon, Ohio. Spent 36 years at Birmingham, Alabama as their Director of Physical Education and coached several sports. Many newspapers reported that he was a member of the 1904 St Louis Olympics, however, that has not been verified.

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