

Mike Marty, the first male volleyball coach in Iowa, started Dubuque Hempstead's volleyball program in 1972. In his first year, he took Hempstead to the state tournament and finished second. He coached 15 seasons and ended with a 380-70 record. He took the Mustangs to 5 state tournaments, winning a state title in 1975. He was elected Mississippi Valley Conference Coach of the Year 3 times. He was also a nominee for National Coach of the Year. Mike coached the Senior All Stars twice and served on the all tournament selection committee for the state tournament. Mike also was the color announcer for Iowa Public Television for the state tournament.

Mike served on the IGHSAU Volleyball Advisory Board for 11 years mostly during the 1970's. During this time, the sport of volleyball really started to grow and he helped suggest rule modifications to make the game of volleyball better for Iowa. Mike also conducted numerous clinics, from Dubuque to Clinton and many other towns helping volleyball grow in the state as much as he could for all age groups, from junior highs, to adult leagues.

Currently Mike is retired but is teaching as a substitute at Dubuque Hempstead. He and his wife, Cecelia, have been married for 37 years. They have two children, Brigitte and Mark and three grandchildren.

Tom Van Den Bosch coached at Hull Western Christian from 1973-1996. He compiled a 709-71 record. He took Western Christian to 16 state tournaments, winning 4 titles, 1989, 1993, 1994, and 1995. He reached the finals in 1991 and the semi-finals 4 other years.

During his time at Western Christian, Tom was named Coach of the Year four times, 1989, 1993, 1994, and 1995. He coached 4 Iowa Players of the Year, including Nancy Meedering who played in the 2004 Olympic Games. Tom served on the Volleyball Advisory Board during the 1980's and 90's. He was nominated for the National High School Volleyball Coach of the Year in 1990. Tom also coached the Senior All Stars twice, 1989 and 1994.

Tom has spoken at numerous clinics in Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota. In 1997 he spoke at the National High School Convention. He also served as advisor to the IGHSAU in organizing the wall of champions in Des Moines.

Tom after Western Christian took over as Head Coach at Dordt College. In 8 years, he has a 274-57 record. He was named Conference Coach of the Year 6 years, Regional Coach of the Year, 4 years, and National Coach of the Year in 2003.

Tom and his wife, Carol, have been married for 35 years. They have three sons, Kyle, Mark, and Todd, and one grandchild.

Shirley Grimm (Stanwood, Iowa) served as a referee from 1972-1992. She was recruited to be an official by Marilee Oldorf the head coach at Lincoln Community when she was in college majoring in Physical Education. During

her career, she officiated over 15 state tournaments. The first state tournament she worked was in 1975.

Shirley assisted the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union to conduct rules meetings across the state of Iowa. Shirley would also attend the National Federation Rules Meetings in order to make Iowa rules adaptations, some of which are still in place today. Shirley continued to serve the IGHSAU in this capacity until the early 1980's.

Shirley was active in helping to formulate the East Central Iowa Volleyball Officials Association (ECIVOA). In 1982, Shirley served as an officer and assisted the scheduling of matches for officials in the Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, and surrounding area until her retirement in 1992. Shirley also taught an officials class through Kirkwood Community College during the late 1980's.

Shirley has been married for 45 years to Lou and has three children: Lori, Susie, and Matt. Shirley is also in the Burlington Hall of Fame for Softball. Due to failing health conditions, Shirley will be unable to attend the ceremony. Accepting in her place will be her daughter, Susie.