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**NMAA ANNOUNCES NMAA HALL OF FAME  
“CLASS OF 2014”**

**ALBUQUERQUE, NM** - The New Mexico Activities Association announces the “Class of 2014” for induction into the NMAA Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will take place during the U.S. Bank State Basketball Championships on March 13, 2014.

The inductees are:

**Art Karger, Lovington HS and Lovington Schools**

Art was a teacher, coach, athletic director, assistant principal, principal, and superintendent for 27 years at Lovington HS and Lovington Schools. He also taught and coached 8 years in Texas. His Lovington Wildcats boys basketball teams were state champions in 1983, runner-up 1989, and third in 1986 and 1988. He served on the NMAA Board of Directors and was 4-AAA District Chairperson.

**Ed Ping, Thoreau HS and Gallup McKinley Schools**

Ed was a teacher, counselor, coach, and principal at Thoreau HS and the district athletic / activities director for Gallup-McKinley schools (12 secondary high schools in Class A to AAAA) for 13 years (29 years total). His basketball teams advanced to the state tournament 3 consecutive years and were state runner-ups in 1981. He served on the NMAA Executive Committee (two terms), Sportsmanship, and Classification & Realignment Committees.

**Phil Sategna, Bloomfield HS and Bloomfield Schools**

Phil was a teacher, coach, and athletic director for Bloomfield High School for 34 years and also was at Park Junior High in Artesia for 4 years. His cross country and track & field teams amassed 5 state championships, 4 state runners-up, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place 6 times with 64 individual state champions. He has served on the NMAA Commission (2 terms), Track Qualifying Standards, Track Sports Specific, Hardship, Seeding & Selection, Cross Country, and Hall of Fame Committees.

**Fern Spencer, Tohatchi HS and Gallup McKinley Schools**

Fern has been a business vocational teacher, head teacher, and coach for 39 years at Tohatchi High School, also serving as athletic director for 18 years. She has received coaching milestone awards for 100, 200, 300, and 400 career wins in her 34 years as a girls

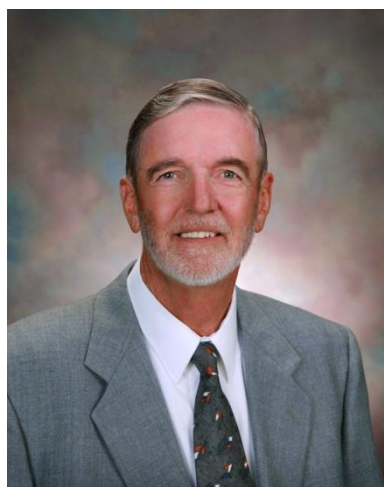
basketball coach. She has served as the NMAA 1AAA District Chairperson and been elected President of both the NM High School Coaches and Athletic Directors Associations.

The NMAA Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon will be held Thursday March 13, 2014 at 12:00 pm at the Marriott Pyramid North (5151 San Francisco NE 87109) followed by the Ring Ceremony at the Pit at halftime of the 6:30 pm state basketball game. These will be the 90-93 members inducted in to the NMAA Hall of Fame.

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