

The Sanderson Athletic Club Welcomes You

Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2019 Induction Celebration



September 29, 2019
North Ridge Country Club



Stephen Bonack
Phil Bye
Jon Goldberg
Jarita Crump
Mac Murray
Perry Simmons
The Beachum Family
The Riggs Family
The 1980 Volleyball Team
The 1991 Gymnastics Team





Induction Ceremonies - Class of 2019

Friday, September 27, 2019

7:00 Kickoff at Gregson Stadium on the Sanderson campus
Varsity Football - Enloe Eagles at Sanderson Spartans
Introduction of the Class of 2019 at halftime

Sunday, September 29, 2019

1:30-2:00 Meet and greet at North Ridge Country Club
2:00- Welcome - David Neal, Athletic Director

Luncheon

Introduction of Guests - Bob Catapano
Induction of the Class of 2019 - The People and Their Stories
Presentation of Medals

Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame

The Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame was established by the Sanderson Athletic Club on November 8, 2010. The club's Hall of Fame Committee is responsible for administering the Hall of Fame program. The purpose of the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame is to honor people who have distinguished themselves through extraordinary performance as a Sanderson athlete or through extraordinary service to Sanderson Athletics and to inspire present and future Spartans to excel in the same tradition.

You Can Nominate Someone for the Hall of Fame

Nominations for the consideration of candidates for induction to the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame are invited and accepted from anyone who cares to make them. They are to be sent by email to the Sanderson Athletic Director David Neal (dneal@wcpss.net) or to the chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee (Bob Catapano - rcatapano@att.net). Submissions should be as detailed as possible, providing as much information as possible to support each nomination. There is no standardized form on which to submit nominations. Nominations will be accepted at any time. However, the deadline for nominating a person, a team, or a family for consideration for the class of inductees in any given year is March 15 of that year.

Categories of Nominees

Nominees will be considered in the following categories: athletes (must have graduated from Sanderson at least five years ago), coaches or trainers, administrators or faculty members, teams, families, other individuals or groups.

Donating to the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame

Donations are welcome to help defray the expenses of the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame. Donations are entirely tax deductible. Checks should be made payable to "Sanderson Athletic Club" with the notation "Hall of Fame" on the memo line. Checks can be mailed to David Neal, Athletic Director, Sanderson High School, 5500 Dixon Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609.



STEPHEN BONACK

ATHLETE 1989-1993

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

Stephen Bonack (SHS Class of 1993) was an outstanding swimmer while he was a student at Sanderson from 1989 until 1993. His specialty was the breaststroke and he competed at an elite level to bring statewide and national recognition.

He was a four-year letterman in swimming at Sanderson under Coach Meredith Carle. He was a multi-year winner in the 100yd Breast and 200yd Individual Medley in the NCSAA Sectionals and Regionals. He was the runner-up in the 100yd Breast in the NCHSAA 4A State Meet as a junior and the 4A State Champion in the same event as a senior (1993). His state title swim in 1993 set a Sanderson school record of 59.51 in the 100yd Breast that stood for 22 years until it was broken in 2015 by Daniel Dozier. Daniel's record was topped by Sammy Lucht in 2018 and now stands at 57.99.



Steve went on to swim at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he was a four-time letterman and an All-American. His All-America honors were earned on the basis of event performances in the 100 Breast, 200 Breast, and 200 Medley Relays he swam over the course of his time as UNC. They include 1st Team All-American honors earned in the Breaststroke events his junior year (1994-1995). He was named Co-ACC Swimmer of the Year and was an Olympic Trial Qualifier that same year. Steve was inducted into the UNC "Swimming Champions Circle," the equivalent of their Hall of Fame, in 2011.

Steve graduated from UNC in 1997 with a B.A. in Industrial Relations and followed that up with an MBA from Babcock School of Management at Wake Forest in 2004. He works for Wells Fargo and specializes in risk management. He and his wife of twenty years, Jenny, met at UNC. They have a son, Owen (13), and a daughter, Brynn (10). They live in Charlotte.

PHIL BYE and JON GOLDBERG

ATHLETES 1987-1991
HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2014



Phil Bye

Phil Bye and Jon Goldberg (both members of the SHS Class of 1991) were talented tennis players. They are the first tennis players selected for induction into the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame because they have the distinction of being the only Sanderson tennis players so far to have earned the title “NCHSAA State Champion.” In May 1991, they teamed up to win the doubles competition in the NCHSAA 4A State Championship Tournament, upsetting the top-seeded twosome of Jay Kilroy and Miles Highsmith, from Charlotte Myers Park High School, 6-3, 6-1 in the championship finals. The result was so convincing that the match took only 64 minutes to complete!



Jon Goldberg

Phil and Jon each had fine high school tennis careers with stellar records. Sanderson had a dual team record of 15-2 during their senior season in 1991, good for second place in the Cap Five Conference. Jon finished three high school seasons with 47 wins and 4 losses in singles play. Phil had 36 wins and only 4 singles losses, also in three seasons. But there was little evidence that either of them was destined to be a state champion until they started playing together as a doubles team during their senior season. The doubles championship was a crowning achievement for both players. They achieved considerable success and built confidence playing together as the season progressed – losing only two matches to one pair of talented opponents all season long.

Phil graduated from UNCW in 1995 with a degree in Business Management. He and his wife, Phoebe, have two sons, Preston (16) and Parker (13). They live in Clayton where Phil is the President of Bye Insurance Services Inc., founded in 2003.

Jon played tennis for two years at UNC-Chapel Hill. He graduated from UNC with a B.A. in Journalism and Mass Communications in 1995 and a J.D. from UNC Law School in 2005. He and his wife, Deborah, are the parents of Julia (10) and William (7). Jon has practiced commercial real estate law in Charlotte for the past 14 years. He is currently a partner at Alexander Ricks PLLC.



Phil and Jon pose with Coach Fowler and the plaques they earned for winning the NCHSAA State Championship.

Coach Andy Fowler has fond memories of her state champions...

When I think back to the spring of 1991 when Jon and Phil won the state championship, I remember their differences – in playing styles and personalities. In doubles, communication is very important. These two enjoyed playing together and they were good buddies, so they communicated extremely well! In doubles, sometimes the differences in playing styles complement each other and make for a strong team. Jon was very focused, calm, and deliberate in his game. He also had an extremely strong backhand. Watching Jon, one would never know if he was winning or losing. Phil, on the other hand, was a very emotional player, full of high spirits. He had an explosive serve, which added a different dynamic to the team. Both loved to serve and volley, and they were formidable at the net! So, cool and laid back Goldberg and volatile and exuberant Bye made an amazing team! They were fun to watch and coach! Over the years, I coached many, many doubles teams but Jon and Phil will always hold a special place in my heart.



JARITA CRUMP

ATHLETE 1994-1998

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

Jarita Crump (SHS Class of 1998) was a talented and determined student-athlete and a great teammate while she was a student at Sanderson from 1994 until 1998. She was an outstanding basketball player, track athlete, and student.

After one year on the JV team, Jarita earned three varsity letters in basketball under Coach Cindy Branscome and led the team to several fantastic seasons. In tenth grade, the team was 20-7 overall. In eleventh grade, they went 18-7 overall and 10-2 in the Cap Seven, won the conference championship for the first time in 17 years, and won the conference tournament championship where Jarita was named tournament MVP. As a team captain for her second consecutive year as a senior, they went 27-3 overall and 14-0 in the Cap Eight and repeated as conference tournament champions and advanced to the Eastern Regional Finals. Jarita was named Sanderson's "Most Outstanding Female Basketball Player" and was selected to the All-Conference team as a junior and as a senior. She was named to the *News & Observer's* "Old Reliable Team" and was honored as a Raleigh Sports Club "Student Athlete of the Week" as a senior. She was also named to the All-Conference Academic team all three years.



Jarita earned three varsity letters in Track & Field under Coach Raymond Hammond. She and three teammates were Bronze Medalists in the 1996 NCHSAA 4A State Championship meet in the 800m relay. She was the Cap Seven champion in the 200m, 400m, and 4x100m relay as a junior (1997) and also won gold in the Cap Eight Championship meet in the 200m as a senior (1998).

After all those accomplishments, it should come as no surprise that she was named Sanderson's "Most Outstanding Female Athlete" following her junior (1996-1997) and senior (1997-1998) years. The fact is that Jarita is one of Sanderson's All-Time Most Outstanding Athletes!

Jarita studied and played collegiate basketball at Campbell University for four years (1998-2002). She was named the Lady Camels' team captain and became a starter during her junior and senior seasons. The teams were successful and even earned a spot in the NCAA Division I National Championships. She was a three time All-Conference Academic Team honoree. She graduated from Campbell in 2003 with a Bachelor's in Business Administration (BBA) and an MBA - Masters in Business Administration.

Jarita spent a few years in the business world but was drawn back to the world of athletics. There, she would find her joy in coaching, teaching, and mentoring. She rose from assistant to head coach at Word of God in Raleigh (2006-2010). In her only two years as head coach, the team went 33-11 overall and 12-0 in their conference. Jarita was name SEIC Coach of the Year both years, the team won two regular season and two conference tournament titles and one NCSIAA State title! Sound familiar? She coached the Leesville Road H.S. women's varsity team for one year (2010-2011). She coached at Saint Augustine's University for 6 years including 2 years as the head coach. She was also a Professor in the School of Business at St. Aug's.

Presently, Jarita sells real estate with a focus on the new home industry. Jarita is the proud mother of daughter Kyra Parker. Kyra attends St. David's.



Jarita and daughter Kyra



MAC MURRAY

PRINCIPAL 1968-1983

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

Mac Murray started teaching at Broughton High School after earning a B.S. in Mathematics Education at NC State University in 1965. While teaching physics at Broughton, he earned a Masters in Education Administration from UNC (1967). After two years in the classroom, he became an assistant principal at Broughton. Broughton was busting at the seams with over 3,000 students at the time! His administrative assignment that year was to assume a leading role in planning for the opening of the new high school that would open a year later in North Raleigh.

True to that plan, Mac was a member of the administrative team that opened Jesse O. Sanderson High School in 1968. He was an assistant principal to Watson Holyfield for the first three years (1968-69 through 1970-71) and was the principal for the next twelve years (1971-72 through 1982-83).



Looking back on the fifty-one year history of Sanderson High School, it's remarkable how much the school's culture and traditions have been built upon the solid foundation laid under Mac's leadership during his time here. His plan and his vision for quality and equity came to fruition. He recruited a staff of great teachers to help him execute the plan. He placed a high value on what students could learn outside the classroom – on athletic teams and in other student activities. Many of the traditions we take for granted today – the growth of the athletic department... athletic banquets... outstanding athlete awards... senior assembly... the interlocking SHS letter... were put in place during his regime. That sort of influence on the school makes his induction into the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame appropriate, if not long overdue.

Upon his departure from Sanderson, Mac spent seven years at WCPSS Central Office as Assistant/Associate Superintendent for Administration. Those appointments were followed by a six year run as the Superintendent of Pender County Schools. He retired in 1996.

Mac and his wife, Suzanne, live in Wilmington. Mac's daughter, Ginger, and son, Chuck, are Sanderson graduates and both were outstanding swimmers.

Mac remembers the early years at Sanderson...

Nearly half of my professional career was spent at Sanderson in one form or another, so it will always have a special place in my memories. We were a great and competitive school immediately, since the Board of Education decided to transfer seniors as well as underclassmen to Sanderson in the first year we opened. Led by those 252 seniors and a dedicated, motivated coaching staff, we were able to form teams and compete well, instantly, in the old Cap 8 Conference. The highlight of that initial year, of course, was beating Broughton in basketball on their home court! In the ensuing years, we were able to add other sports such as gymnastics, soccer, and swimming.



PERRY SIMMONS

ATHLETE 2005-2009

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

Perry Simmons (SHS Class of 2009) was an outstanding three-sport student-athlete at Sanderson. He lettered in varsity football for four years while playing for Coach Jason Tindal. After a year on the JV basketball squad, he lettered for three years in varsity basketball under Coaches LeVelle Moton and Mike Shaw. He was a “thrower” on the Track & Field team and lettered for two seasons.



Football was the sport in which he dominated. He was a four year starter for the Spartans and was selected to the Cap Seven All-Conference team all four years! He was a team captain as a junior and as a senior. He was often used as a “two-way” player – on both offense and defense. He played in the 2008 Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas. As a senior, he was named 4A All-State by NCPreps.com and was honored as a “Carolina Panthers Community Captain” along with nine other student-athletes from across NC in recognition of outstanding academic achievement, demonstration of leadership, and community service. Perry was a beloved and respected teammate. He was named Most Outstanding Football Player at Sanderson following his senior season.

Perry was named Sanderson’s Most Outstanding Male Athlete as a junior (2008-2009) and as a senior (2009-2010).

Perry earned a scholarship to play football at Duke University where he was a four-year starter at offensive tackle after one red-shirt season. He arrived at Duke in the second year of Coach David Cutcliffe’s tenure and helped turn around the program. Perry was a leader of the offensive line, and earned Honorable Mention All-ACC, and ACC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors. He was an “ironman” for the Blue Devils, making a record number of 50 consecutive starts. The team played in the ACC Championship game in his senior season and in a bowl game in each of Perry’s last two seasons. Unfortunately, he injured his ACL and MCL in the third quarter of the 2013 ACC Championship game and was unable to play in the post-season Chick-fil-A Bowl. Perry helped the 2013 Blue Devils to their first 10-win season in program history. He earned Academic All-ACC and Academic All-America honors. He earned post-graduate scholarships from the ACC, the NCAA, and the National Football Foundation that helped pay for graduate school at Stanford. While a student at Duke, he took a mission trip to Ethiopia where he participated in a water-well digging project. Perry graduated from Duke with a B.S. in Civil Engineering in 2014 and went on to earn a Masters in Civil Engineering at Stanford University in 2017. As you can see, he was a consummate and decorated student-athlete.

Perry is employed at Cypress Creek Renewables in Durham. The company develops, builds, and operates solar power facilities across the United States.

Perry reminisces about his time at Sanderson... I'll always be thankful for Sanderson High School and the environment its staff provided for me to learn and grow as both a student and an athlete. Mr. Burgess, Ms. George-East, Ms. Ammons, Ms. McNally, Ms. Blackwell, Coach Tindal, Coach Lewis, Coach Rodriguez, Coach Moton, and many other dedicated teachers and coaches pushed my limits, challenged me to do my best, and prepared me for the world ahead. It is an honor to be selected into the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame and behind the achievements which prompted my consideration are countless stories of Sanderson community members helping unlock and develop the potential of my classmates and teammates. Sanderson High School is a special place with special people and it is humbling to be recognized among them.



THE BEACHUM FAMILY

SHOHN (SHS '93)

DACIA (SHS '02)

DEVEN (SHS '02)

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

Steve and Willie Mae Beachum raised three children who each made significant contributions during their time at Sanderson High School. It was plain to see that mom and dad's positive influence over their son and daughters brought the desired results. Shohn and twin sisters Dacia and Deven graduated nine years apart from each other so Sanderson was fortunate to have Steve and Willie Mae around for eight years within a thirteen year period!



Dacia Shohn Deven

Shohn played soccer and ran track. Soccer coach Bob Catapano remembers Shohn as "highly skilled and very fast – with and without the ball... he made his teammates look great too... and he had a wicked shot! And he played with such joy!" In three years on the varsity, he scored 43 goals and had 25 assists. He led the Spartans to two consecutive trips to the NCHSAA 4A State Finals (1991, 1992) only to be disappointed both times. He was a three time All-Conference and All-State honoree and two time All-American! He was named the 1992 NC Player-of-the-Year by the NC Soccer Coaches Assn. and was the NC Gatorade Player-of-the-Year. To put the icing on the cake, he played in the 1993 East-West All-Star Game. Coach Brent Gore still touts his effort to convince Shohn to run on the track team as a senior. Shohn ran the 100, 200, 4x100, and anchored the SHS 4x400 relay team to achieve a conference record time. Shohn played for the Wolfpack soccer team while he was a student at NC State. He graduated from NC State in 1997 with a degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. He is employed by Maclean Power Systems, a power utilities company, where he works in product compliance. He and his daughter, Zoe, live in Charlotte. Zoe is in the second grade.

Dacia and Deven ran around together all the time. Twins! They both lettered for four years in basketball (Coach Cindy Branscome and Coach Battle Watkins) and soccer (Coach Todd Worley). They were great students, always making the A/B Honor Roll and earning Academic All-Conference and Academic All-State recognition.

Dacia earned All-Conference honors in both sports and All-State honors in soccer. She was the captain of the soccer team as a senior and was named Sanderson's Most Outstanding Soccer Player. She played in the 2002 East-West All-Star game where she was named Most Valuable Player.

Deven was a four-year starter in both sports at SHS. She earned All-Conference honors in soccer and was the captain of both teams, as a senior in soccer, and as a junior and senior in basketball.

Both girls attended college at UNCG where they had distinguished four year careers playing soccer for the UNCG Spartans! They helped the team win two Southern Conference Championships as well as two conference tournament championships. They both earned All-Conference Academic honors. Deven was the team captain for two years and made All-Conference three times.

Dacia and Deven received degrees from UNCG in Communication Sciences and Disorders (2006) and a Masters in Speech-Language Pathology (2008).

Since 2008, Dacia has served as a licensed speech-pathologist for Guilford County Schools. She presently lives in Greensboro.

Deven is a speech-pathologist as well. She worked in Guilford County from 2008 until 2018, but now works for Wake County Public Schools. She and Jerry Irving were married in 2018 and they are expecting their first child mid-2019.



THE RIGGS FAMILY

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

David and Marie Riggs were pillars of the Sanderson community for ten years. Their family lived in the Sanderson community from 1989 through 1998. Their children, Ashley, Kelly, and Gresham, are Sanderson graduates.

Sanderson was one of the stops on David's legendary tour as a head football coach. He coached the Spartans to back-to-back playoff berths in 1997 and 1998. The 1998 team was one of the best teams in SHS football history. They finished the season at 9-3 and, in addition to being the first SHS football teams to win 9 games, were the first to win a playoff game - a 37-6 victory at Durham Riverside. David was the head coach of the East in the 1995 NC East-West All-Star Football game and was an assistant coach for the 1998 Shrine Bowl game. More than any of that, David was the consummate gentleman, competitor, and role model for all of the coaches and students at Sanderson.

Marie was the ever-present "team mom," shepherding the needs of David's players along with those of their children. She fed her famous spaghetti dinner with homemade bread and brownies to over 500 football players on Wednesday nights after practice during ten seasons. She was the Spartans' #1 fan!

Daughter Ashley (SHS '91) led the Spartans to the 1991 NCHSAA State Soccer Championship. The 1991 Soccer Team was inducted into the SHS Athletics Hall of Fame in 2012! Ashley was named the Most Outstanding Player of the state championship game and was the Most Outstanding Player on the team at the end of the season. She was named to the All-Conference and All-State soccer teams her junior and senior seasons. She played collegiately for the University of North Carolina Tar Heels.

Daughter Kelly (SHS '93) was a faithful, enthusiastic, and capable student sports medicine trainer all four years she attended Sanderson. Working under the guidance of teacher-trainers Charlie Ketcham and Sue Stevens, Kelly served the football, basketball, and soccer teams. She was the head student trainer her senior year.

Son Gresham (SHS '99) was an outstanding football player. As a senior he led David's 1998 team to the 9-3 record while rushing for over 1,000 yards. He was voted the 1998 Cap Eight Player-of-the-Year and played in the Shrine Bowl.



David values his time at Sanderson... It is an honor for me and our family to be part of the great tradition of athletics and education at Sanderson High School. There were a couple busy years when we were all involved at the same time: Gresham serving as ball boy for football and also for soccer, Ashley playing soccer, Kelly serving as trainer, and Marie being the number one Spartan Fan, all while I was Head Football coach. What an honor and memory for the Riggs family. All of our children graduated with a very fine education from Sanderson and made friends and relationships that will exist for a lifetime and I appreciate that greatly. It was a life changing experience for our family and I feel fortunate that we as a family experienced that. Our experience at Sanderson included winning in athletics and in the classroom, but even more so in the treasured memories and relationships with the students, faculty and administration.



THE 1990-91 GYMNASTICS TEAM

UNDEFEATED STATE CHAMPIONS

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

The Sanderson gymnastics program did not excel all of a sudden during the season of 1990-91. Prior to the Nineties, the program had already won six North Carolina Gymnastics Coaches Association State Championships and six Cap Eight/Nine Conference Championships. So there were always high expectations as the team gathered for the 1990-91 season. The expectations were tempered somewhat because long-time Sanderson coach (and 2014 SHS Athletics Hall of Fame inductee) Jennie Adams had stepped down in 1989. A new coach for the 1989-89 season held in the position for just one year but led the team to a stellar second place finish in the state meet. Another new coach, Tammy Stamper, assumed the role for the 1990-91 season.



Despite the success of the teams that preceded them, the 1990-1991 team is the first SHS gymnastics team to be inducted into the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame. What is so special about them? In a word: UNDEFEATED! They vaulted to the top to win every meet and earned the Cap Five Conference Championship and the State Championship along the way.

Not pictured: Angela Baldrige

Back row (L-R): Coach Tammy Stamper, Thevy Sourisak, Susan Barker, Andrea Wells, Maggie Fleming, Cassy Hux
 Middle row (L-R): Dianna Balletta, Paula Griffin, Kerry Vinsel, Danna Danieleley, Chrissy Sanders
 Front row (L-R): Ashley Doleman, Jennifer Egan, Vanessa Stack, Mandy Cox, Jenny Mitchell, Leena Pendharkar

One of the challenges faced by coaches trying to put together winning high school gymnastics programs in North Carolina is to build a team and a program that addresses the talents and needs of the year-round gymnasts as well as the non-year-rounders. Coach Stamper effectively met the challenge because the 1990-91 team had some of each. But mostly, the team had some outstanding athletes.

Susan Barker Gower (SHS '92) was a junior on the 1990-1991 team. As a freshman, she was named "Triangle Gymnast of the Year" by the *News & Observer*. Freshman Jennifer Mitchell Miner (SHS '94) was named Sanderson's "Most Outstanding Gymnast" for the team (and repeated as such for 1991-92 and 1993-94) and earned All-American honors. Jennifer ran Track & Field as a senior and performed so well in hurdles and 4x100 relay that the coaching staff chose her as Sanderson's "Most Outstanding Female Athlete" for 1993-94. Freshman Mandy Cox Cramp (SHS '94) was Sanderson's "Most Outstanding Gymnast" for the 1992-93 season. Susan, Jennifer, and Mandy earned "All-Cap Five Conference" recognition for 1990-91 and were accompanied for that honor by Angela Baldrige (SHS '91) and Diana Balletta (SHS '91).

Coach Tammy Stamper was unexpectedly hospitalized due to complications during pregnancy just before the state meet. The gymnasts didn't miss a beat. But they were thankful that teacher Patsy Stone stepped in to be with them at the meet.



THE 1980 VOLLEYBALL TEAM

NCHSAA STATE CHAMPIONS 24-2

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2019

Consider the accomplishments achieved by the Sanderson Volleyball teams under Coach Nancy Walker in the two seasons prior to 1980. The awesome 1978 team were undefeated State Champions (29-0) and inducted into the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame in the inaugural Class of 2011. The 1979 team (20-1) suffered their first and only loss in the NCHSAA state semi-finals. So the 1980 team entered the season riding the wave of success that had been built in the two previous years. They did not disappoint! The team opened the season winning four matches against non-conference opponents. Then they won 12 and lost 2 - both times to Cary in three games - in Cap Eight Conference regular season action. Only one Cap Eight team would go to the NCHSAA playoffs in those days and that would be the winner of the Cap Eight Tournament. The Spartans upset Cary in the finals to win the tournament title and advance to the playoffs. Five dominating wins later, the Spartans had run their record to 24-2 to earn the NCHSAA State Championship – again! Today they take the place they deserve next to their sisters from the 1978 team – in the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame. Do the math to consider how good those three teams were. Their record over three years was 73 and 3!

Three of the outstanding athletes on the 1980 team were Jenny Hauser McCauley (SHS '81), Stephanie Rhame Lockwood (SHS '81), and Diane Ross Dean (SHS '82). Stephanie was a two-time state volleyball champion (1978 and 1980)! Jenny was Sanderson's Most Outstanding Volleyball Player and Most Outstanding Female Athlete in 1980-81. Diane was inducted into the Sanderson Athletics Hall of Fame in the Class of 2014 because of her prowess as a volleyball and basketball player and was Sanderson's Most Outstanding Female Athlete in 1979-80 and 1981-82. Celia Blackwell, Tomi White, and Karen Tichenor rounded out the starting lineup and Kathy Urben, Anne Lach, and Christine Berg brought quality depth and strong contributions off the bench. By the way, for those who think that "year-round specialization" is relatively new thing... think again. Although several of the young ladies played two or three sports at Sanderson, a few of them built their volleyball skills in off-season programs offered by NC State Volleyball Coach Pat Hielscher.



Not pictured: Cindy Stone, Kim Powell (Mgr), Mary Ellen Shene (Scorer/krpr)
Back row (L-R): Jennie Hauser, Stephanie Rhame, Diane Ross, Cathy Urben, Karen Tichenor, Tomi White, Betsy Easterly (Mgr)
Middle Row (L-R): Celia Blackwell, Coach Nancy Walker, Renee Sokol
Front Row (L-R): Christine Berg, Anne Lach, Stefanie Barber

SHS Athletics Hall of Famer Diane Ross Dean remembers... *Our state championship season in volleyball in 1980 was one of the most memorable experiences in my sports career. What I remember most about that experience is the closeness of that team. We did everything together both on and off the court. Beyond the closeness on the court and the pure team chemistry... we ate lunch, went to soccer and football games, spent weekends going to movies... we just had unique chemistry. We did not have a "star"... we just had consistency at every position... and the determination to never give up. I remember a very close match at Chapel Hill High School that was our toughest match of the playoffs... and in the match, I remember our team toughness and how we pushed to the end to pull out the victory... even though they had a big crowd. I also remember coming home late from the finals... and the pep rally the next day wearing pieces of the championship net around our necks and feeling SO appreciated by our student body. That was the absolute BEST feeling in the world. We were all so fortunate to be a part of it. It was CRAZY!!!*



SANDERSON ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME



Hall of Fame Class of 2011

- Floyd Allen (SHS '78)
- Clark Brisson (SHS '87)
- Jim Brown (Coach and AD)
- The Cody Family
- Rick Donnalley (SHS '77)
- David Cooke (SHS '78)
- David Fox (SHS '89)
- Liz Bailey Ham (SHS '01)
- Dee Kazmierczak (Booster)
- Steve Kenney (SHS '74)
- Pat Teague (SHS '82)
- The Worley Family
- The 1978 Volleyball Team
- "The Streak" in Men's Soccer



Hall of Fame Class of 2012

- The Barber Brothers
- Tresa Brown-Tomlinson (SHS '80)
- Dirk Ewing (SHS '75)
- Jenny Huber John (SHS '89)
- William Keever (SHS '88)
- The Lawson Family
- Bill Lynch (SHS '77)
- Chris Mitta (SHS '84)
- David Neal (SHS '92)
- Dan Schlesinger (SHS '73)
- Chuck Sledge (SHS '85)
- The 1991 Women's Soccer Team



Hall of Fame Class of 2013

- Bob Catapano (Coach and AD)
- Tyreck Knox (SHS '95)
- Betsy Cook Lanzen (SHS '89)
- Chuck Lehning (Coach)
- Treshell Mayo (SHS '92)
- Todd Renner (SHS '84)
- Jay Stainback (SHS '83)
- Terry Teague (SHS '79)
- Gregg Zwilling (SHS '83)
- The 1981 Men's Soccer Team
- The Founders of the Sanderson Athletic Club



Hall of Fame Class of 2014

- Jennie Adams (Coach)
- LeBaron Caruthers (SHS '72)
- Sparky Cullen (SHS '86)
- Diane Ross Dean (SHS '82)
- Bill Harrington (Coach)
- John Haskins (SHS '76)
- Steve Rackley (SHS '73)
- The 1988 Men's Soccer Team
- The 1989 Men's Soccer Team

