

Wisconsin Soccer Hall of Fame – Class of 2015 Bios



Craig Carlson, Madison 56ers

A native of Madison, Craig Carlson began playing U6 soccer with a local school and parks group. Craig played high school soccer for Madison West high school and led them to the 1982 state tournament, the same year he earned all-city honors. After many years with the Madison United Soccer Club, Craig played with the legendary Madison 56ers Soccer Club in the 80's and 90's. During that time, the 56ers appeared in eleven consecutive WSA State finals, won three Wisconsin Major Division titles, won four State Open Cup Championships, and won two State Amateur Cup titles. The 56ers also won the Region 2 Amateur titles in both 1990 and 1992, advanced to the USSF national finals and won three consecutive Region 2 Tournament of Champions titles in 1988, 1989, and 1990. In 1992, Craig was a member of the 56ers USSF National Amateur Championship. A dominating striker, Craig is 5th all-time in total points for the 56ers. Following his playing career, Craig remained active as a coach. He holds a US Soccer "A" license and was head girl's coach at Madison Edgewood high school and head boy's coach at Madison West high school. Craig was on the regional ODP staff for four years, was the Wisconsin Youth Soccer association Associate Director of coaching 10 plus years and a US Soccer staff instructor. Craig lives in Madison with his wife Stephanie and children Luke, Cameron and Kate.



Chuck Coan, Neenah Soccer Club

A native of Lansing, Michigan, Chuck Coan has been a stalwart in the Wisconsin soccer coaching ranks for 35 years. His experience spans from club to school programs and from youth to adult. Chuck has coached at Paper Valley Youth Soccer Club; Neenah, Kaukauna and Oshkosh North high schools; and Marian, Lawrence, UW-Green Bay and Michigan Tech at the collegiate level. In 2004-05, Chuck was named the Girl's Competitive National Coach of the Year by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. He also served as Wisconsin State Technical Director for NSCAA from 2004-11. Chuck lives in Neenah with his wife Marti. They are the parents of son Chris and daughter Chelsea and grandparents to Joe and Eion.



Dave Jaworski, Madison 56ers

Dave Jaworski is a native of Chicago. Dave enjoyed a tremendously successful career as a star defender on the University of Wisconsin's Men's soccer team. Additionally, Dave was a key member of the powerhouse Madison 56ers Soccer Club in the 80's and 90's. During that time, the 56ers appeared in eleven consecutive WSA State finals, won three Wisconsin Major Division titles, won four State Open Cup Championships, and won two State Amateur Cup titles. The 56ers also won the Region 2 Amateur titles in both 1990 and 1992, advanced to the USSF national finals and won three consecutive Region 2 Tournament of Champions titles in 1988, 1989, and 1990. The pinnacle of Dave's soccer career came in 1992, when he led the 56ers to the USSF National Amateur Championship. Following his playing career, Following Dave's playing career, he went on to a very successful career as a referee, including officiating at the collegiate and major club level. Dave is one of the most wellrespected referees in the United States as a result of his knowledge and skills as well as his experience as a top-level player. Dave continues to referee. Dave lives in Madison with his wife Deanna and daughter Rachael.



PJ Johns, UW-Milwaukee

PJ Johns grew up in Oconomowoc WI and attended the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, where he was a standout goalkeeper from (77-80. PJ led the Panthers to 2 NCAA tournament appearances in 1979 and 80. When he graduated, PJ held many records, but perhaps the most impressive record was his 'lowest goals against average' of .73 from 1978 - 80, a record that stood for 20 years. After college, PJ went on to play and coach professional indoor and outdoor soccer for over 15 years. His professional experience includes 81 – 84, NASL (Edmonton Drillers – '81 Indoor Champs and Vancouver Whitecaps); 84 – 89, MISL (Cleveland Force, Tacoma Stars); 89 – 92 in the MSL (Cleveland Crunch); 93 – 95 in the NPSL (Canton Invaders, player and assistant coach); 95 – 96 in the CISL (Pittsburgh Stingers and Detroit Neon). PJ was named defensive player of the year and league all-star many times over. In 1992, PJ was the goalkeeper for the US Soccer Futsal National Team, where they took 2nd place in the World Championships in Hong Kong. PJ and his wife Jill have 2 adult children and reside in Silver Lake OH, where PJ has been involved with coaching high school soccer and running his own soccer camp for many years.

	<p>Scott Kreitmeir, Bavarian</p> <p>Scott was born in West Allis in 1971 and grew up in Brookfield. From his early years, growing up with the Bavarian Soccer Club, it was evident Scott was a special player. As a central mid-fielder with the Bavarians, Scott was part of 12 youth state championships. Scott attended Brookfield Central HS, and the accolades just kept on coming, including 3 times allconference, 2 times all-state, team MVP, All-Midwest, All-American and in 1989 he was named Gatorade HS player of the year in WI. Scott went on to play in the Olympic Sports Festival tournament 3 times and was a member of the US U-20 national team. Scott then played professional soccer for a number of years beginning with Second Division German team, 1860 Munich, before returning to the states to play with the Milwaukee Rampage, Chicago Power and Milwaukee Wave. Scott was an AllStar with the 1994 Rampage team and won a NPSL championship in 1997 with the Milwaukee Wave. Scott returned to the Bavarians and amateur soccer in the early 2000's and proceeded to win 4 US Amateur Cup Championships from 01 to 04. Scott, his wife Jacqueline and their 2 children, Kace and Gavin, reside in Waukesha WI where Scott enjoys coaching youth soccer.</p>
	<p>Mike Lekan, Milwaukee Kickers</p> <p>From New Berlin, Mike Lekan distinguished himself over nearly three decades as an administrator, coach and club manager in Wisconsin youth soccer. From 1985 to 1996, Mike was a coach or assistant coach with several teams, including the New Berlin Warriors, Croatian Eagles, Spring City Steam and Spring City Magic. Mike started his work as an administrator in 1990 when he served as director of the Wisconsin Competitive Girl's Soccer League. It was the first of many administrative roles, including game scheduler for the Metro League, director of the Wisconsin Boys and Girls Premier Leagues, commissioner of the Metro Youth League, president of the Metro Youth Region Soccer District and vice president of the Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association. Mike has also served as president of the Croatian Youth and co-director of the Spring City Soccer Club. Mike resides in New Berlin with his wife Nancy. The couple has two children, Todd and Rebecca, and four grandchildren.</p>
	<p>Peter Mariahazy, Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association</p> <p>Peter Mariahazy was raised in the Chicago area and in 1990, he moved to Wisconsin with his family. In 1991, he joined the Board of Directors of the Menasha Area Soccer Club. In 1993 he was elected president of the club. Peter negotiated a 50 year land lease for the main complex and a land use agreement with the park department to add three soccer fields nearby. In 2000, Peter was appointed Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Tournament Sanctioning Director. In 2001, Peter was elected as Treasurer of WYSA. In that time, he developed financial policies to increase cross check and control of funds within the organization and instituted electronic signatures for approvals. During 2006, Peter was elected Vice President of WYSA and served as the co-chair of the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) to host the US Youth Midwest Regional Championships in the Fox Cities.</p>

Later in 2006, Peter transitioned from WYSA Vice President to WYSA President. Peter has served as WYSA President since that time. During his tenure, the WYSA has been recognized as the Youth State Association member of the USSF. In 2011, Peter worked with the LOC to again host the Midwest Regional Championships. In addition, he initiated action to form and have recognized the Wisconsin Soccer Leagues as the new Adult State Association member of the USSF. Peter has also served on several committees at a national level for US Youth Soccer. In addition, Peter was a certified referee for 8 years. He has coached several youth teams. Peter lives in the Fox Cities with his wife, Joann. They have two sons, Rocky and Stephen, and three grandchildren.



John Sweeney, Milwaukee Kickers

John Sweeney is a native of San Francisco. When looking at John's soccer resume, it is evident that he loves the game and will do whatever is necessary to advance the sport. John played soccer at the youth, high school and college levels. He has been coaching and administering soccer programs since the late 70's and was even is a USSF certified referee and has refereed HS soccer since 1990. In 1980, John started and coached Marquette's University Women Soccer Club and over the next 10 years compiled a record of 201-53-23. From 1985-2005, he found time to administer the Milwaukee Kickers O-30 adult rec league. From 1997-2008, John was very involved with coaching youth soccer with the Milwaukee Kickers. Here are just a few of his teams highlights: Tosa Revolution boys U15-18, WI Premier Champs 2001; USA Cup Finalist 2001: Tosa Kickers Girls U15-18, WI Premier Champs 2007; Tosa Warriors Boys U11-18, WI Premier Champs 02, 04, 06 & 07; Kickers U19 Boys WI State Cup Champs 2008. In 2007, John was the WI Youth Girls Soccer Coach of the Year and Kickers Boys Coach of the year. From 2008- 2013 John was also involved with the Milwaukee Kickers Adult Soccer program. Again, his teams had great success, including Kickers Majors 2009 WASA Runner up, Kickers Reserve 2011 WASA Champions, Kickers Reserve 2012 WASA Champions, and Kickers U20 Men's USASA National Champions. John and his wife Barbara live in Wauwatosa and are the parents of Michael, Dan, Thomas and Maggie.