

*15th Annual  
El Paso Athletic  
Hall of Fame  
Awards Dinner*



To honor those athletes, both men and women, who have in their athletic fields of endeavor brought great credit upon themselves and El Paso County.

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INTRODUCTION OF  
SPECIAL GUESTS

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PRESENTATION OF 1970  
ATHLETES OF THE YEAR:

Kerry Pearce  
Paul Gibson  
Karen Linton  
Dick Gibbs

By: GRANVILLE (BILL) GREEN  
DR. DON EWALT  
FRANK PORTH  
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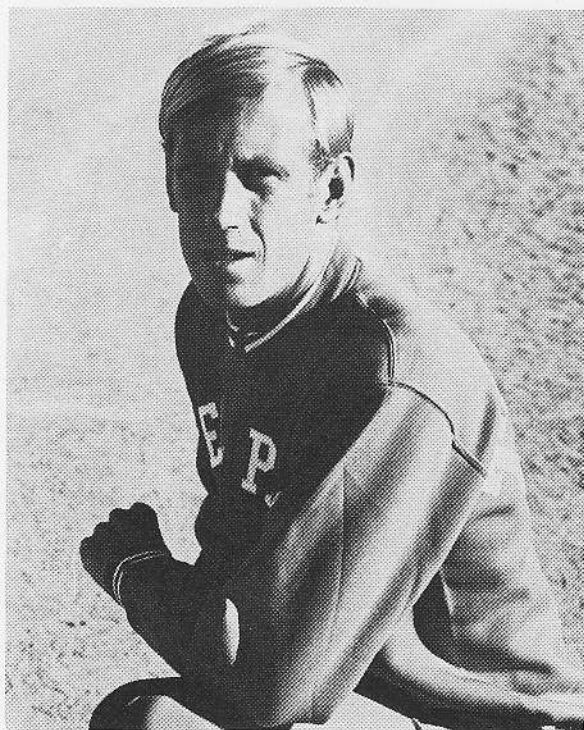
PRESENTATION OF  
HALL OF FAME

AWARDS:

Vernus Carey  
Don Haskins  
Paul Barry

By: CLYDE WAFER  
ANDY COHEN  
BERT WILLIAMS

# Athletes of the Year



KERRY PEARCE

Kerry Pearce is a native of Richmond, Australia, and was recruited for the U.T. El Paso track team by Coach Wayne Vandenburg who predicted that Pearce would become one of the all-time great distance runners.

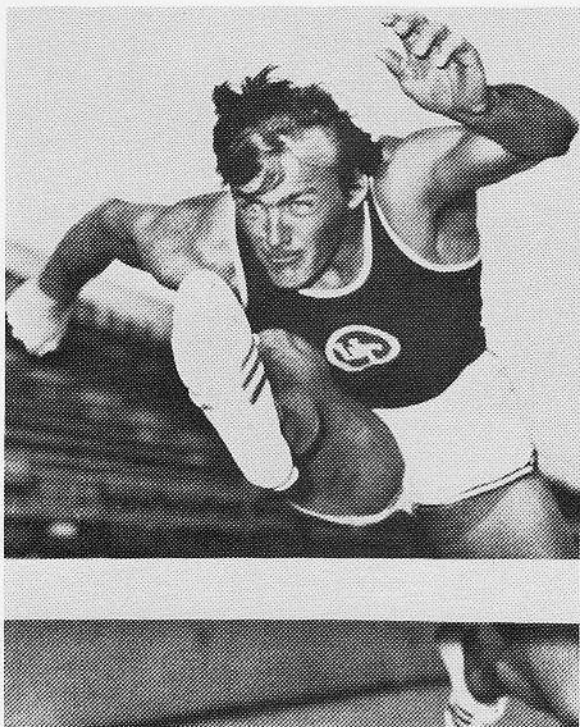
Pearce has now finished his college eligibility but will continue to participate in national and international competitive running in preparation for the 1972 Olympics in Munich. He plans to develop a career in teaching and coaching.

In 1971, Kerry was voted the outstanding indoor runner in the world by Track and Field Magazine. He was voted outstanding performer in three worldwide competitive meets: the Millrose Games in New York, the All-America Games in San Francisco and the Seattle Invitational Track and Field in Seattle.

In 1968, he established a new world indoor record in the two-mile in San Diego. He won All-America honors for the indoor NCAA two-mile, the outdoor NCAA three-mile steeplechase, and for finishing third in the 5000-meters.

In 1969-70, he captured All-America honors by running on UTEP's four-mile relay team which was the best in the U.S. that season. He was a member of the All-America Cross Country team.

# Athletes of the Year



PAUL GIBSON

Paul Gibson is national collegiate high hurdles champion and a prime candidate for the U.S. team in the 1972 Olympics in Munich, Germany.

Gibson, the former Carlsbad High School athlete, has had two big seasons of track competition at UTEP and is now in his third.

His best time in the 120 yard hurdles is 13.6. He hopes to break or tie the 13.2 world high hurdles record held by six men.

Gibson was picked as the outstanding athlete in the Millrose Games in New York in 1970. He has won several Western Athletic Conference trophies.

Wayne Vandenburg, UTEP coach, said this about Gibson: "His mental and physical approach to track is unparalleled. He is as willing an athlete as I've ever coached. He'll do anything and everything to help the team. My only regret is that he's a senior.)

Gibson will return to the football field this fall in a bid to play for the U.T. El Paso Miners. He has his eyes on pro-football.

# Athletes of the Year



KAREN LINTON

Star bowler Karen Linton was chosen as an Athlete of the Year on the basis of her 1969-70 season during which she posted the third highest series, a 760, and third highest average, a 206, in the Women's International Bowling Congress, and bowled one of only 14 sanctioned 300 games.

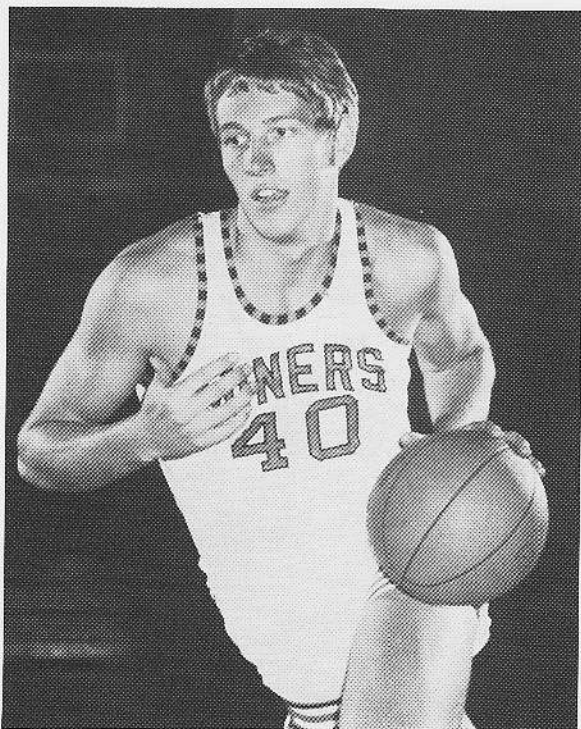
Karen has competed as a member of the WIBC in many professional and pro-am tournaments. Her bowling career has been one of steady improvement.

A few years ago she was selected by the National Bowlers Writers Association as recipient of the Albert E. Crow Star of Tomorrow award.

Graduated from Austin High School in 1962, she lettered in basketball and softball and was voted Most Athletic Girl as a senior but could not accept the award because of membership in the WIBC. She was born in Port Huron, Michigan, in 1942.

She is employed as a traffic manager by radio station KHEY.

# Athletes of the Year



DICK GIBBS

Iowa . . . That's where the tall corn and some top basketball players grow. Dick Gibbs is that state's contribution to U.T. El Paso basketball. He helped the Miners win the Western Athletic Conference in 1970—their first year of competition in the conference. And he was their outstanding player during the past season when the Miners finished tied for second and just missed the title again. He was a unanimous all-WAC selection.

Gibbs was picked by the New York Nets in the fourth round of the American Basketball Association draft and is expected to go high in the National Basketball Association draft.

The big Iowan, who is 6-5 and weighs 205 pounds, hopes to play pro basketball and his UTEP coach, Don Haskins, who lauds Gibbs' total dedication to the game, believes he will be an outstanding success in the pro game.

Gibbs' coach at Burlington (Iowa) Junior College was Ed Sparling. And that's the reason the blonde Ames youth came to El Paso. He had offers from more than 100 major colleges after his graduation from Burlington.

Haskins recruited him by "recruiting" Sparling as his aide at UTEP. Sparling not only brought Gibbs but Charlie Brakes and Greg Davis to UTEP.

# Hall of Fame Living Awards Special Awards

## VERNUS CAREY

Vernus Carey, a member of the Central YMCA staff for 41 years and the inspiration of many El Pasoans who got their first lessons in physical training under him is honored in the Coaches and Administration category of the Athletic Hall of Fame.

Carey, retiring from the "Y" in 1963, now devotes much of his time in helping operate Carey's Ranch Camp near Cloudcroft. Vernus started in the "Y" in 1922 as assistant physical director to the late A. L. (Doc) Holm. In 1924, he became physical director and in 1956 he was promoted to general secretary and helped raise money to build the present "Y" building, one of the finest of its kind in the country.

A versatile athlete himself in amateur boxing and wrestling, Vernus carried on programs of high achievement at the "Y". Many of his students went on to become top athletes in colleges.

Vernus and his wife, Mary Louise, reside at 6813 Bellrose and have one married daughter.



## DON HASKINS

UTEP basketball coach, Don Haskins, is a big man with an eye toward good men. His Miners in two years have won the Western Athletic Conference title once and missed the second time by a single game. Haskins is best remembered by for his great team of 1965-66 which lost only the last game of their regular schedule and went on to win the NCAA Championship at College Park Md.

A native of Enid, Oklahoma, Haskins had all-state honors in basketball and baseball at the time of his graduation in 1948.

He enrolled in Oklahoma A&M, now Oklahoma State, and continued making headlines. His team went to the NCAA semi-finals in 1950-51 and during his senior year. Before coming to UTEP 10 years ago, he coached at both Hedley and Dumas, Texas.

He is married to the former Mary Gorman of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and the couple have four sons. They reside at 6357 Westwind.



# Hall of Fame Living Award Participating Athlete

## PAUL BARRY

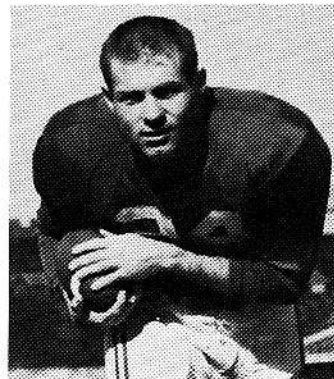
Paul Barry was an all-time great at Ysleta High School. He starred in football and track and was named all-district halfback in football. He was graduated from Ysleta High in 1944, having competed three years in the 220 and 100 yard dash, the relays and in the broad jump.

Barry then entered the University of Tulsa where he played football three years and competed nationally in track. While playing football with the Tulsa Hurricanes, he was named on the All-Missouri Valley Conference Team for three years. In 1946, and in 1949, he was named to the Second All-America team.

After finishing college Barry starred with the Washington Redskins, Chicago Cardinals and Los Angeles Rams. During his eight year professional career he was a starting offensive back each season while playing with such famous names as Bob Waterfield, Glen Davis, Charley Tripzsi and Ollie Matson.

### ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

1963	JIM (BAD NEWS) BARNES	TWC
1964	RONNIE KAHN	El Paso High School
1965	BILL STEVENS	U. T. El Paso
1966	JACKIE GUADAGNOLI	Irvin High School
1967	LEE TREVINO	Professional Golf Assn.
	DON MAYNARD	New York Jets, AFL
	FRED CARR	U. T. El Paso
	CHARLIE WEST	U. T. El Paso
1968	LEE TREVINO	Professional Golf Assn.
1969	NCAA CROSS-COUNTRY	U. T. El Paso
	CHAMPIONS	
	JOHN BURGESS	New Mexico State Univ.
	NATE ARCHIBALD	U. T. El Paso





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