

**18th 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.*

**Tuesday, April 9, 1974 El Paso Country Club**

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# ***El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame Award***

## ***Athlete's Category***



FRED WENDT

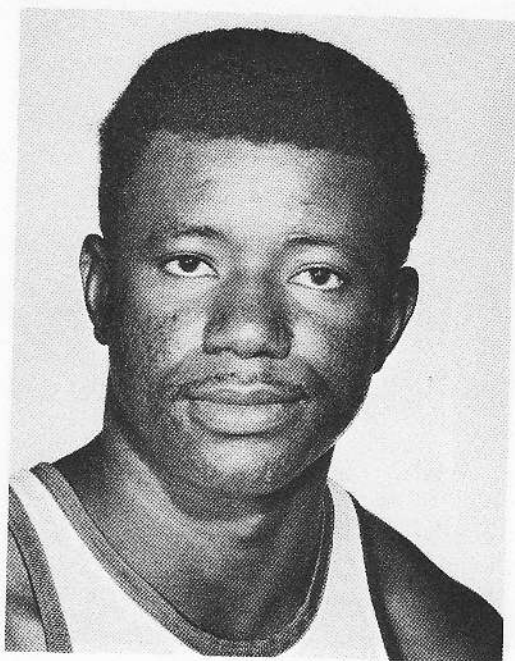
Fred Wendt's national rushing record as a fullback-halfback at UTEP stood for 20 years (1948-1968), until it was broken by O. J. Simpson. In 1948, Fred rushed for 1,570 yards, at an average of 8.53 yards per carry. In his spare time at UTEP, he also ran track, holding the 100-yard dash record of 9.5 seconds for some time.

Fred, married to the former Doris Bowden, was born in Las Cruces and attended schools in Amarillo and El Paso, before graduation from Texas College of Mines in 1948. An above-average student in business, Fred is presently employed by James & Cook Inc. in Odessa, Texas.

Honorable Mention All-America in 1946, first team Little All-America in 1948, Fred still holds 12 all-time records at UTEP, including most net yards rushing in a single game, highest average rushing in a single game, best average punting in a single game, most touchdowns in a single game, most points scored in a single game, most rushes in a season, most TD's scored in a season, most PAT attempts in a season, most points scored in a season, most net yards rushing (career), best average per rush (career) and most points scored (career).

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**NOLAN RICHARDSON**

Nolan Richardson completed the circle of his athletic achievements this year, having gone from Bowie High School all the way back to Bowie High School in a 15-year period. The Bowie High School basketball coach's 1973-74 squad set a school record with a 30-4 season, and a district championship. Richardson was a member of the Bowie team that held the old record of 25 wins.

A recurring knee injury nipped a potential professional basketball career for Nolan, who played part of the 1965 season with the Chicago Bulls, and retired after a year with the Dallas Chaparrals.

During his college career he was named all-conference twice, once in baseball at Eastern Arizona Jr. College (where he was also 2nd team Junior All-America in basketball) and once in basketball at Texas Western College.

Nolan was an all-district player at Bowie in basketball, baseball and football nine times, and made the all-state basketball team in 1958 and the all-state football team in 1959. In 1958 he broke all city basketball records in points scored, games played and total time played, and was voted most valuable player. In 1959, he merely broke all the old records he set in 1958 and again was voted most valuable player.

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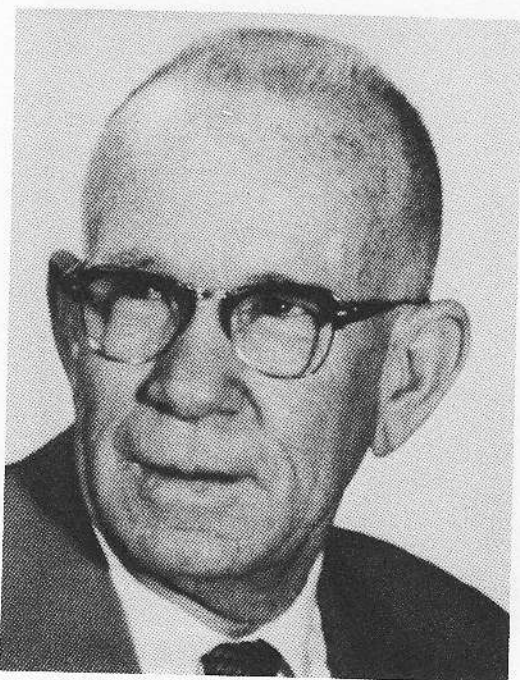
**MARY HOOVER**

Multi-faceted. It takes a double-word to describe Mary's athletic activities. She entered her first rodeo at age 5. She won a rodeo competition, the city tennis tournament and El Paso Country Club beauty contest in the same week. If there was competition after school — football, basketball, baseball, kick the can, track, tennis, marbles, jacks, top-spinning, riding, shooting, swimming, selling cookies or walking on one's hands— Mary Hoover was participating. As a Girl Scout, she once sold more cookies than anyone else in the city. She was sent home from school several times for wearing jeans under her school dress. Only reason for wearing the jeans was so she could walk on her hands to and from school. She began playing golf in 1955 with a 19 handicap.

She presently holds the course record at Coronado Country Club in El Paso with an even par 73. From 1961 through 1972 she had won 39 non-handicap tournaments on courses all over Texas and New Mexico, as well as in Juarez.

A listing of her tennis triumphs would take up three pages in this book. Let's just say that she began playing in 1941, and was a national doubles champion in 1946. She also was ranked seventh nationally in singles and was a Junior Wightman Cup Team Member.

***El Paso Athletic  
Hall of Fame Award  
Coach's and Administrator's  
Category***



**CHARLES "RED" HARRIS**

A mover and a molder, Red Harris is still at it. He is presently El Paso Public School psychologist, influencing the lives of hundreds of persons off the playing field, as he has molded the lives of hundreds of boys in the fields of athletic endeavor.

His coaching career began in 1928 in Thrall, Texas, where he coached all high school sports. Red then returned to Georgetown, Texas, where he was born, coaching football ten years and basketball six years and winning three district championships.

In 1943, Red moved to El Paso's Austin High School where in a 12-year span his football teams won seven district titles and a bi-district championship. As a baseball coach, his teams won one district title. He several times was honored as Coach of the Year in the district.

Red served as a football official in the Border Conference, is an Honorary Life Member of the El Paso Football Association and has served two terms on the Legislative Council of the University Interscholastic League (El Paso Region).

After retirement from active coaching, he was a counselor for five years, assistant principal for one year and principal at Austin High from 1956 to 1970.

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**SAUL KLEINFELD**

Sports promotion and the name Saul Kleinfeld are synonymous in El Paso. Public relations director and sales manager of Union Furniture for the past 37 years, Kleinfeld was nominated for induction as much for those he has helped in the sports world as for his personal performance in athletics.

Some of his promotions include the Harlem Globetrotter Show in El Paso, sponsorship of two Little League teams, 10 women and men's bowling teams, a semi-pro baseball team, and the Jackie Robinson Memorial Golf Tournament. The basketball team he promotes and coaches has played seven games against the Mexican Olympic team.

In high school, Saul played starting forward on the Wonder Team of Passaic, New Jersey, which won 159 straight basketball games. Besides participating in cross country, he lettered four years in basketball, football and baseball, and was the 1927 New Jersey Golden Gloves welterweight boxing champion.

Although his days as an active sports participant may have slowed somewhat, he still will accept almost any challenge in almost any sport. He has a particular fondness for the little people, and his continuing activities on their behalf take many forms. He has been known to climb into a ring to referee a wrestling match for the entertainment of the little ones.

***El Paso Athletic  
Hall of Fame  
Posthumous Award  
Athlete's Category***



**RAYMOND B. WARD, SR.**

Raymond Ward, former president and owner of Ray Ward & Son Contractors, was one of the most versatile and talented athletes ever to attend Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

The Newark, New Jersey, native played three years of varsity football at Brown as a left tackle and was on the wrestling team three years (captain his senior year).

He was a member of the Brown University team that played Washington State in the Rose Bowl game of January 1, 1916. One of his teammates was Fritz Pollard, one of the first Negro All-Americans recognized in football. Pollard, along with coaches Eddie Robinson and Wallace Wade, have been inducted into football's Hall of Fame.

Ward had been an El Paso resident for 33 years. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor, a son, a daughter, eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Ward had been an enthusiastic supporter of many activities throughout his years in El Paso, being active in the First Presbyterian Church for many years and an active member of the Rotary Club for over 25 years.



# ***El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame Award***

***Member of the Sports Media***



**BOB INGRAM**

Fresh out of the University of Oklahoma School of Journalism in 1926, Bob Ingram joined the old *El Paso Post* as a reporter. When the paper later formed a sports section, he became its sports editor (now the *El Paso Herald-Post*), a position he has held ever since.

Not only has he reported the sports news, he also has helped, encouraged, promoted and backed just about every type of athletic endeavor imaginable.

Bob played a major role in originating the Sun Bowl game, now viewed by millions throughout the country. He was the first to propose such a game, which began with a match between two high schools. The next year, two colleges participated, and the game has grown since to its present status.

He also nicknamed the El Paso baseball team the Sun Kings.

A soft-spoken, modest person who considers himself "an old country sports writer," Ingram's column, "As I Was Saying," has been a favorite with El Pasoans for four decades.

In 1971, he was named winner of the El Paso Sportsman of the Year Award for 1970 at the annual Temple Mt. Sinai Sports Banquet. Last year he was named Newsmen of the Year by the El Paso Press Club. He is known throughout the country as the Dean of Southwest Sportswriters.

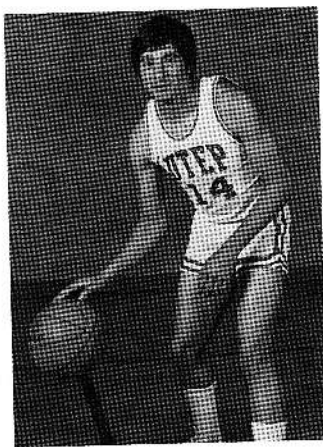
# Athletes of the Year



## GUS BAILEY

It goes without saying that Gus has been an asset to this city through his athletic ability. He is a Burges High School (El Paso) graduate. He enrolled at UTEP and started a devoted athletic career, highlighted by his chance to represent his city, university and country in the World University Games in Moscow, Russia last August.

His accomplishments while starting for Don Haskins' basketball teams for the past three years include; All-WAC first team as a junior; All-WAC second team as a senior; All-Tournament team at the Show Me Classic in Columbia, Mo., his senior year; named WAC Player of the Week late in the 1974 season. Post season honors thus far include being selected to play in the Pizza Hut Classic in Las Vegas, Nev., April 1.

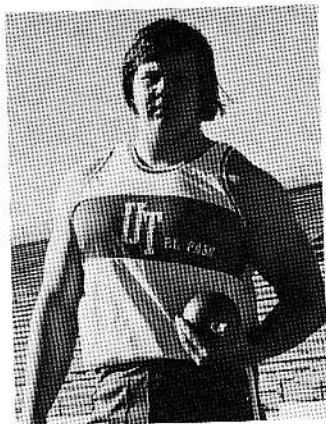


## HUMBERTO BAUTISTA (Beto)

Beto is a native of El Paso, Texas, a graduate of Austin High School, where he was co-captain of the All District Basketball team. He was in the National Honor Society.

He attended the University of Texas at El Paso for four years, playing one year of freshman ball and three years varsity. He has been honorable mention on the WAC All-Conference Team for three years, besides being a member of the All-WAC Academic Team. Beto, a very, very bright young man, is a pre-medical student.

He was captain of the Mexican National Basketball Team at the World University games, Moscow, Russia, Summer of 1973.



## HANS HOGLUND

Believed to be the "best left handed shot putter in the world," Hans has represented The University of Texas at El Paso by winning the four top shot put championships in intercollegiate track in the United States in 1973. He won the WAC Indoor, the WAC Outdoor, the NCAA Indoor, and the NCAA Outdoor championships. In addition, Hans set a Swedish national record in 1973. Also, he is an All-American in track for 1973.

Hans was born in 1952 in Molndal, Sweden, which is still his home. He was recruited by Wayne Vandenburg for UTEP in 1972, and fortunately for us in El Paso, Hans has another year's eligibility.

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