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HAUSER INDUCTED INTO WBCA HALL OF FAME

Stevens Point, Wis. -- Deb Hauser, Associate Director of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association, will be inducted into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame this evening at the WBCA Hall of Fame Banquet in Middleton.

Hauser, Gov. Jim Doyle, Loren Homb of Monroe and Al Ask of Sparta will be enshrined as Friends of Basketball class of 2010. Twenty-four other coaches or players will be inducted during the ceremony.

Hauser becomes the fourth WIAA Executive Staff member to receive the honor. Former Executive Director Doug Chickering was inducted in 1999; former Associate Direct Karen Kuhn was enshrined in 2002 and former Executive Director John Roberts was honored in 2007.

She joined the WIAA as assistant to the director in January 1993. In July 1995, her title changed to assistant director, and in 2002, Hauser was named an associate director and her responsibilities were restructured. Her current responsibilities include basketball and soccer, as well as tournament planning, cooperative teams, seeding protocol, conference realignment and athletic director workshops. In addition, she assists in maintaining the WIAA Web site and technological aspects of the office.

During her tenure with the Association, she has served as chair of the Soccer Rules Committee for the NFHS from 1999-2003 and was a member of the NFHS Equity Committee from 2004-2007. In addition, she was a member of the NFHS Officials' Quarterly Publications Committee from 1996-98. In 2007, Hauser received the NFHS Citation Award for contributions to the NFHS, state associations, athletic director and coaching professions, and advocating for officials.

Prior to her current responsibilities, Hauser had overseen the administrative efforts in the sports of golf, soccer, tennis, swimming and diving. She has also been instrumental in the officials' program.

Hauser graduated from UW-Whitewater in 1978 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education with a minor in coaching. She received a Master of Science degree from UW-Platteville in Secondary Education in 1991.

She began her career in education at Darlington High School in 1978 as a business education teacher and coach. She was the head girls basketball coach, as well as an assistant volleyball and track and field for four years.

Hauser was named the athletic director at Darlington in 1984 and held that position until coming to the WIAA. She served four years on the WIAA sports Advisory Committee and was named District 5 Athletic Director of the Year by the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association in 1988.

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