

National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum Florida Chapter



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The President's Podium

This is a first...The class of 2020 being inducted in 2021 along with the class of 2021. As we all know and understand, COVID-19 has changed all of our lives and how we live. Face covering, social distancing, canceled functions and tournaments, watching the same Hallmark movies over and over, and pretty much being restricted to our homes - that's the negative side. The positive side - families spending more time together, upgrades and needed repairs to our homes, and reevaluating our lives. Where are we going from here? I am not sure anybody has that answer, but I can tell you the Florida Chapter is moving forward. We just completed a promotional video for the Coaches Conference. There are plans in place for bigger and better wrestling tournaments. Our museum continues to grow with new displays. The wrestling scholarship has added an annual female scholarship. This year's guest speaker at the state tournament will be available to all wrestlers this year, and we have more new events to be announced and planned for the future to support the wrestling community.

Why are we committed? Wrestling over the years has suffered many setbacks with major colleges canceling wrestling programs, high school programs canceled. There is a lack of support (and financial support) promoting these programs in college and high school, and minimal social media coverage. Even though our main commitment is honoring Florida coaches, officials, and contributors (volunteers who have committed a lifetime of service to wrestling), we feel it is important to support and commit to the growth of wrestling. It all starts with the grassroots programs. How many times have we driven down a road and seen signs

for football, soccer, or baseball registration? Why are we not promoting wrestling in the same manner? If cities and counties can build football, baseball, and soccer fields, there is no reason they should not be building facilities to house wrestling, martial arts, cheerleading, dance, and basketball. What's the answer? Pressure. Organizations need to come together and solicit local government agencies for support. Again, it needs to start at the grassroots level and move on to the high school and college level. We need to stop the decline. It is all about exposure, money, and taking the extra steps to build that strong following, to demand the recognition we deserve. **This is why we will continue support the wrestling community.** Don't get me wrong - our first priority is to support the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum and the Florida Chapter's growth, but the future of wrestling means getting involved in all aspects of wrestling.

***Remember, when we do it, we do it with class,
for we are honoring the best of the best.***

Thank you,

Gary Townsend

In Memoriam

Mrs. Patsy Fleckman, wife of Ira, Class of 2006

Mr. Thomas James, Class of 2020

Our deepest sympathies to these families.

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Mark your calendar
Honors Weekend for the
Classes of 2020 and 2021
is August 13-14, 2021!

2022 NOMINATIONS

Dear Wrestling Community,

Thank you for your continued support of the Florida Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. It is the wrestling community that is responsible for helping us find and recognize those men and women that have dedicated their lifetime to the sport of wrestling. We once again ask for your assistance to help us find deserving individuals to honor.

The timeline for making a nomination for the 2022 Induction Class begins now and continues until July 1st, 2021. Applications can be downloaded from our website at <http://www.nwhof.org/florida>.

Each nominee needs to be involved in the sport of wrestling for a minimum of twenty years, and complete the application. In addition to the application, the nominee has to include one nomination letter, two letters of recommendation, and a photograph. The picture will allow the alumni to place a face with the applicant's name.

After completing the application, please mail all of the required information to me at: Robert Burns, 328 S.E. 2nd Court, Deerfield Beach, Florida, 33441.

Please DO NOT send anything to Stillwater, Oklahoma.

If you have any other questions or concerns, contact me at 954-426-6457. I look forward to seeing all of your deserving nominations.

Stay safe.

Bob

PS: Please read the next article for a full explanation of the nomination process!

“Wrestling will be around forever. It's been around thousands of years. It's going to be around till the end of time.”

— Mark Schultz

The Nomination Process

Hello, my name is Bob Burns, and I am the Nominations Director for the Florida Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. Today, I would like to guide you through our nomination process.

The procedure starts with people like you. The Florida Chapter relies on the wrestling community to find men and women that have dedicated their lives to the sport of wrestling. Anyone can nominate someone that they feel is deserving and qualified. The National Wrestling Hall of Fame requires a minimum of twenty years of service to be eligible for the "Lifetime Service" award. However, there are two other categories in which a person could be nominated, the "Medal of Courage", and "Outstanding American". There is no minimum number of years of service attached to either of these awards. They are based on the individual's participation in wrestling, and the merit of the act being honored.

No matter which category they qualify for, all roads to the National Wrestling Hall of Fame begin with an application. You may download the application from our website, or I could mail you a hard copy. Our website address is www.nwhof.org/florida. You may contact me at 954-426-6457 or hofwrestle07@yahoo.com.

In addition to the completed application, the nominee has to include one letter of nomination, two letters of recommendation, and a photograph. The picture enables the alumni to put a face to the applicant's name. After gathering the required information, it needs to be sent to me. As with the application, you may email it, or send it via the postal service. My mailing address is 328 S.E. 2nd Court, Deerfield Beach, Florida, 33441. Once I receive the application, I create a hard copy file, and then start an "official" application. The application is done electronically. Usually, it is at this time that I communicate with the nominee. I may ask for more information, or clarification on the submitted information.

After an application is complete, it is reviewed by the Florida Chapter executive board at our annual retreat, which is usually scheduled for the end of September. Following review of the new and carryover applications, the executive board votes to determine the additional nominees to complete the new ballot. Once on the ballot, the nominee will receive a three-year time period for potential induction. If not selected during the three years, the nominee is removed. However, a re-

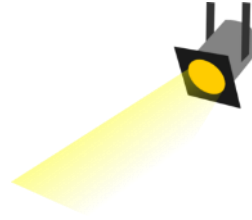
nomination letter can bring the application back for review, and a possible re-entry on the ballot. The same timeline is true for nominees not selected for the ballot. Their application will be considered for the ballot for three years, and can be re-nominated.

Once on the ballot, the biographies of the sixteen nominees and the official ballot are sent to the Florida Chapter attorney, usually within two weeks of our retreat. At the same time, I send out a notice of the voting timeline to our alumni. One week from the mailing the ballots are due and must be submitted to our lawyer. Within two days, our chapter president, the Chapter's attorney, and the nominations director tabulate the ballots. The six nominees with the highest number of points are that year's induction class. The applications of the new induction class are then sent to our national office in Stillwater, Oklahoma. After being approved, the national office will send a letter of congratulations to the new inductees. They will also receive a congratulatory call from our chapter president. Unfortunately, if you receive a call from the nominations director, it means you have to wait until next year.

"Next year". It is hard to understand "next year" in relation to the voting process. Our "next year" means that we are currently accepting applications for the 2022 Induction Class. That also means that we are now voting for the 2021 Induction Class, and it is still October 2020. Therefore, until July 1st, 2021, we will accept applications for the 2022 Induction Class. Basically, we are always working a year ahead of the calendar year. I have been doing this for the last five years, and I still find it a bit confusing. To help me not get confused, I refer to the nominees by their induction year.

In review, the basic procedure is that you find a worthy candidate, complete and application, and send it to me. I will be glad to guide you through the rest of the process. We thank the wrestling community for their continued support in helping us find those deserving individuals to honor. On behalf of the Florida Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame, thank you for your time.

Bob Burns



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Charlie Zies

Class of 2003

Charlie is doing well and living in Tennessee. He recently spoke with Alan Solomon (Class of 2016) and had these updates for us:

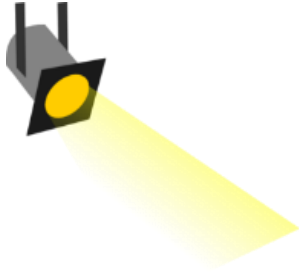
Charlie and Susan, his wife of 43 years, have two children. Daughter Hannah has two daughters, and Charlie enjoys being their granddad. Son Chuck is a trainer at ProBasketball in Miami.

- Charlie retired from Florida Christian in Miami in 2008.
- They used to travel and spend time in Montana and Wyoming, where a friend from his Vietnam time owns a cabin.
- He is no longer involved in wrestling.
- Yardwork is his hobby.



Every day I turned a “you can’t” into “you can”.

--Rulon Gardner



Alumni Spotlight

Ira Fleckman

Class of 2006

Ira is also healthy and keeping busy. He too spoke with Alan Solomon (Class of 2016) and had these updates for us:

- Ira's son, Solomon, is coaching at Cannon School in Concord, NC.
- Since his induction in the HOF, he has also been honored by the Mid-Florida Wrestling Association.
- Ira enjoys golfing when he can, and loves talking about golf and wrestling.

"This is a sport (wrestling) that has turned many boys into men and many men into leaders. And it is a sport in which you can be a giant regardless of how big you are."

– Carl Albert
(former U.S. Speaker of the House of
Representatives and Oklahoma University
wrestler)

An Open Letter to the Wrestling Community

Bob Walker, Class of 2003

Dear Gary,

I went to school at the University of Alabama from 1971 to 1975. I spent the next four years, from 75-79, with Athletes in Action Wrestling Team, a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ. During my time with Athletes in Action, we competed against the best colleges all over the country. This exposed me to over 100 different wrestling programs.

I made the decision to retire from wrestling in 1979 at the conclusion of the season. That spring, the head coaching job at Alabama came open. I was scheduled to wrestle in the freestyle nationals in Iowa in April and scheduled an interview for the position right after the tournament.

I placed 2nd in the freestyle nationals then headed to Tuscaloosa for a job interview. I presented them with a plan to correct what I saw as the major flaws in many college wrestling programs. I also presented them with a letter from a prospective donor who was pledging towards endowing a scholarship. Unfortunately, they had already decided to drop the wrestling program. The AD told me that they only had a handful of complaint calls since that announcement. The biggest problem besides Title IX that Alabama had, was that the old coach did not make an effort to develop Alabama high school wrestling. As a result, there was no outrage or even much objection to dropping the program.

It's hard to discuss perceived problems or issues with wrestling without seeming to be too negative. Here are my thoughts.

- Title IX makes has made it more difficult to start or even maintain college wrestling programs. Women's wrestling can help to balance the numbers but it also adds to the cost to start or maintain a program.
- Wrestling needs to pay its way. Having your hand out and expecting someone else to pay your bills is not a successful strategy. When there is a downturn in the economy or a something more serious like a pandemic,

budgets have to be cut. Non-revenue producing sports are the most logical place to start when faced with eliminating programs.

- Coaches need to make their program the best program that the college offers. Hire quality stand-up individuals with integrity and honor. Make it your mission to endear your program to the athletic director, administration, students, and community. Recruit individuals who will buy in to that mission and will conduct themselves in a manner that will bring respect and honor to your program and the university.

Increasing funding for college programs:

1. Endow all scholarships.
2. Endow budget items, coaches' salaries, travel, uniforms and equipment.
3. Enlist the help of estate planners to solicit donations from wealthy individuals. Large donations can be realized through wills and life insurance.
4. Run summer wrestling camps to help with budget expenses. Funnel the profit into the wrestling team budget.
5. Promote matches and events.
6. Promote your program with in-state wrestlers.
7. Cultivate a following, make fans all over the state. If a program has a large following, is representing the university well, and is paying its way, there is no reason for it to be dropped.
8. Create special events/tournaments. Big tournaments are very lucrative. They should be used to fund wrestling at the highest level.
9. Make wrestling more exciting! When wrestling was dropped from the Olympics, rule changes were enacted that made wrestling more interesting to watch. Keep changing the rules to encourage more action. There is still too much stalling in both the collegiate and Olympic level wrestling. Until a few years ago, I stopped watching wrestling because it was so boring. It is more interesting to watch now BUT can be made better.
10. Live within you means. Start small. Build your program one block at a time.
11. Establish the support system needed to run the best program possible.

Thank you for reading this, Bob

Coaches Corner

By Sal Basile, Coaches Representative on the NWHOF FL Chapter Board

Greetings from the Coaches Corner,

With the start of the 2020-21 wrestling season quickly approaching, I wanted to pass along some important dates. As we all know, navigating through this unprecedented time has been extremely difficult and, to be certain, many changes are to come this wrestling season. As of now, regular season practices are set to begin on Monday, November 9th. Pre-season tournaments are slated for the week of November 20th, with regular season completion set to begin Monday, November 30th.

The Knockout Christmas Classic, scheduled for December 28th and 29th, is one to mark your calendar for. Over the past several years this has become one of the premier tournaments in the country, and by far the toughest in the Southeast. This year's event will be held at the Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee and will feature many of the best teams from across the country.

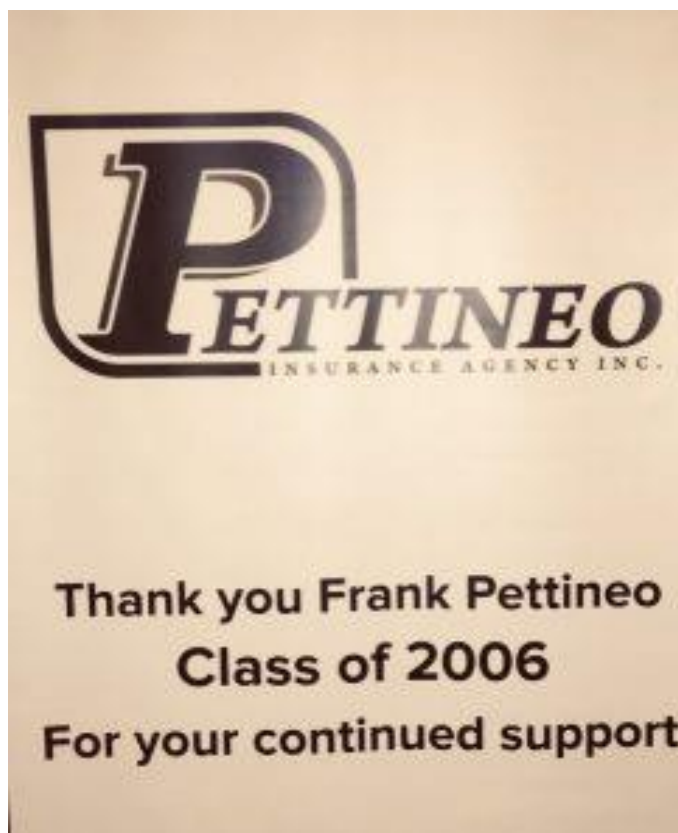
For the post season, district tournaments are scheduled for the week of February 20th, 2021. Region tournaments will be held February 26th and 27th, and the FHSAA State Championships will be held March 5th and 6th at the Silver Spurs Arena.

We wish everybody a healthy and productive wrestling season, and look forward to seeing everyone back on the mats!!

An Anecdote from my Memory Hole- Bob Thomas, Class of 2017

I wrestled in high school because there was a place for me. I was little. In 1965, I weighed 78 pounds. As a senior, I weighed 115, and this morning I weighed 155. Here I learned the value of spitting, the whirlpool, plastics and excitedly finding out that you lose weight during sleep. God bless my mom for preparing my weekly starvation diet.

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Development Duties

by Jeff Malavsky, NWHOF FL Chapter Board Member

Why Fundraising is Important to the Florida Chapter of the NWHOF

It seems obvious why fundraising is important: to raise funds for needed items, services and programs. Yet, raising funds has so many other benefits besides the obvious. Often budgets get cut, or less than ideal family situations mean that our student athletes have to go without gear, tournaments and opportunities that other teams get and have a chance to participate in. Later in life opportunities may be diminished because of this. There are, unfortunately, needs of great variety all around us, and fundraising will most likely be an aspect of our lives for generations to come. However, raising funds for a cause has a lot more benefits than taking care of an obvious monetary need.

Unexpected Benefits

Fundraising is important for a variety of other reasons as well. For example, it allows the athletes or other recipients of the funds to feel some pride of ownership. In many cases, the beneficiaries of the raised funds do not feel they have received “charitable money”, but feel that they have actually earned the item or experience that the funds have provided. What better way to help a person to feel empowered than to allow them to help raise the funds needed for a cause that will benefit them?

Fundraising Can Make a Huge Impact

With growing pressure from government to “do more with less,” it is unfortunately true that the way many schools and communities are doing this is by cutting out programs that they deem as not being essential. This often means that many childhood experiences will be lost as well. First time field trips to a museum or a play or concert would vanish without fundraising programs. In addition, we’ve all seen firsthand that wrestling programs at the schools are often the first to go. This has a much greater impact on society than one might realize at the time. For example, it’s been tested and proven many times, that students who have wrestled turn out to be some of the best employees. And those who also receive music instruction have better academic skills than children who don’t. What about the sense of accomplishment and increased self-esteem that creativity can bring?

Learn to Help Others

Fundraising is one way of engaging our student athletes in civic minded activities from a young age. It creates awareness in a young person that they are part of a community, and that it entails a certain amount of responsibility and self-empowerment. When they are raising funds for other segments of society, it teaches them to appreciate what they have and to understand that they have the ability, even from a young age, to help others. It is a fact that students who participate in civic or public service from a young age are more likely to continue doing so into adulthood. On the other hand, if young people are being helped by others who are doing fundraising for a cause that affects them, they understand that there are people who care about them outside of their immediate circle. This can help them to have a greater sense of self-esteem and self-worth, which can lead to better life choices overall.

As hard and as frustrating as raising funds can be at times, let’s not forget the huge impact it can make for generations to come! On that note, we at the Florida Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame wish you great success in this upcoming season and good luck with your next fundraising campaign!

Officials Position

by Jim Smoot, Officials Representative on the NWHOF FL Chapter Board

Greetings fellow officials!

I hope everyone continues to be healthy and safe during these trying times. COVID-19 has caused much disruption for the wrestling community. Many older officials are choosing to retire or not be an active official this year. This means that recruitment is even more important to us this year. Reach out to former wrestlers, both high school and college, to help out with this shortage.

The wrestling season will definitely be different this year. Many of the counties are only permitting dual meets, tri-meets and quad-meets - no tournaments. Some counties are allowing teams to travel to tournaments while others are not. These rules could be expanded or retracted at any time, depending on the virus in your local area. There are some tournaments that have been taking place. An example would be the Super 32 Qualifier in Osceola, and the Super 32 Tournament in South Carolina. So far, there are no reported outbreaks from these tournaments. Facilities that are holding these tournaments have been restricting who is allowed to attend by only allowing one coach and limiting family members. Many clubs are holding weekend tournaments and, so far, no problems have arisen for the officials, coaches, or wrestlers.

Due to all this, it is very important that everyone is in communication with their county athletic directors to get the most current information regarding restrictions being placed on wrestling matches.

Please stay safe and hopefully this season will be a success despite this awful Coronavirus.

Yours in wrestling,

Jim Smoot

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No activity I know is more of a confidence builder and at the same time more 'humility training' than wrestling.

--- Congressman James Leach

(1960 Iowa 138 lb. High School

Wrestling Champ and U.S.

Congressman from 1976-2006)

Museum Memo

by Pete Collins, Class of 2012, Museum Director for the Florida Chapter

A very popular museum display has been the collection of FHSAA State Tournament programs from past years. Thanks to donations from former Lyman Coach Skip Pletzer and Broward Community College Coach Ron Schultz, we obtained the programs for 1965 and 1966, the first two FHSAA sanctioned state tournaments.



Our goal is to collect the programs for each classification from every FHSAA tournament held over the years to complete the collection. We are also in the process of scanning every State Tournament program so that they may be viewed online as well.



A large collection of past FHSAA State Tournament programs was donated by former Bradenton SE coach Bob Thomas.



The Florida Chapter thanks our alumni and all those who have donated memorabilia to the museum. We are continually adding to our collection. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Pete Collins at petecollins52@gmail.com.

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Website Wonders

By Bob Thomas, Class of 2017, Media Services Chair for the Florida Chapter

Big Dreams - Big Realities

Our Florida Chapter lives along the banks of the Suwannee River, within the sights and sounds of Disney World, and beside the canals of Islamorada. We cover the map of Florida with 112 living and 14 deceased members that are enshrined in the National Wrestling Hall of Fame and Museum in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Our mission is to support Florida scholastic and collegiate wrestling and to elevate the men and women who are dedicated officials, coaches and contributors.

Alumni, you can let your presences be known from your corner of the state. Exercise your nominating and voting privileges to create the next class to be honored. Attend the Honors Weekend in August. The Wyndham at Disney Springs is the ideal place to bring your grandchildren for the Disney experience, for golfing, and Disney Springs and outlet malls for retail therapy.

Many of us are currently active in the sport and many of us are retired. The retired among us have resources to share. It might be a connection to a future sponsor, or vendors with beneficial products and services. The reality is that you are the resource most useful to our organization's mission.

Did you know that you can make tax deductible donations to your chapter? Your board members dream big. The Chapter has obligatory annual dues to pay National, yet ask for no dues from our members. With your dedicated service to the Florida Chapter, big dreams can become big realities.

Alumni, we are working to update your biographies on the NWHOF website. Please take a few minutes to read about yourself by searching our web page, www.nwhof.org/florida. Click on the 'State Chapter Honorees' button at the top. After you have reviewed the information on the webpage, please send all additions for your bio to rtownsendt@1791.com. Let us hear from you.

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(The Florida Wrestling Room)

All of our Facebook posts will link to our website,

With honor comes responsibilities. Now is the time to pay it forward.

Bob Thomas

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RETIREMENT PLANS

Certain IRA holders have the opportunity to make tax-free distributions from their IRAs to qualified charitable organizations. For tax-free eligibility, the qualified charitable distribution (QCD) must be sent directly from the IRA payable to the receiving qualified 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Eligibility and Donation Limit

IRA holders must be at least 70½ years of age before the distribution. In addition, beneficiaries of inherited IRAs who meet the age requirement can also take advantage of QCDs.

For those who qualify, the maximum IRA charitable distribution is limited to \$100,000 per tax year. Any distribution in excess of this limit will not qualify for the tax exclusion benefit and will be treated as ordinary income. The provision applies for Traditional, Roth, and inherited IRAs, but does not typically apply to distributions from “active” SEP or SIMPLE IRAs.

Benefits of a QCD

If a taxpayer makes the donation as prescribed by the IRS, then the distribution will be excluded from gross income and counts toward:

- The taxpayer’s \$100,000 exclusion limitation for the year the distribution occurs and
- The taxpayer’s required minimum distribution (RMD) for the current year

With the increase in the standard deduction for 2018 and future tax years to \$26,600 for married filing jointly age 65 or older and \$13,600 for single filers age 65 or older, more Americans will be using the standard deduction rather than itemizing deductions on their tax returns. QCDs are excluded from taxable income, but do not allow for an itemized deduction. If more individuals age 70 ½ or older use the standard deduction, the QCD is a great way to keep taxable income lower when satisfying an RMD and still get the full benefit of the standard deduction. By using the standard deduction, a taxpayer will receive no benefit for their charitable contribution unless it is processed as a QCD from an IRA. In addition, by not including a charitable donation from an IRA as ordinary income, an individual’s adjusted gross income is not increased, which could affect the ability to:

- Qualify for Roth IRA contributions
- Avoid other potential tax ramifications, such as:
 1. The 3.8% health care surcharge. (Even though distributions from IRAs are exempt from the 3.8% health care surcharge, taxable distributions from IRAs could push income over the threshold amount, causing other investment income to be subject to the surtax.)
 2. Paying more for Medicare Premiums.
 3. Taxation on Social Security Benefits.

QCD Tax Reporting

Typically, the custodian of an IRA will report a QCD as a normal distribution on the 1099R tax form, while QCDs from inherited IRAs are reported as death distributions. This gives the IRS no notification that an IRA holder intended to make a tax-free distribution from the IRA to a charity. It is the responsibility of the IRA holder or his or her tax preparer to properly report the QCD on a 1040 tax return. It is also strongly suggested that the IRA holder obtains a receipt from the charitable organization.

Is a QCD the right strategy for you?

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Memories of Great Matches Involving Florida Wrestlers
by Ira Fleckman, Class of 2006, Contributing Writer

A memory of a tough wrestler: JERRY BILLER, Venice.

I can remember Jerry Biller in a great many matches. Jerry is the son of former Venice wrestling coach Jerry Biller, and his younger brother, Derrick, was the first opponent my son Solomon ever wrestled. The referee for the memorable match was Don Curtis, professional wrestler and big booster of amateur wrestling. Jerry's sister, Niki, was and remains today a beautiful blond. Sometimes she takes time at the State Championships to leave her huge husband and give me a big hug. That is another reason I will never miss a State Tournament.

Jerry was lanky and tall for 138 -145. He was well schooled but seemed to enjoy roughing it up with an opponent, well within the rules but definitely hard-nosed. Jerry won the State Championship at 138 in 1983. That isn't the match or tournament that sticks in my memory. It was either in Indianapolis at the AAU Regional, or at the AAU Grand National in Lincoln, Nebraska, where Jerry was forced to concede a match due to injury.

This happened a long way back and I may need to be corrected on a few details but the BIG PICTURE is something I always maintain focus on.

Jerry broke his thumb. His dad took him to the doctor and returned in time for him to compete in the next round. He finished the tournament and placed first, ahead of the guy he was forced to default to. Jerry claimed he wasn't suffering any pain but my son, Solomon, and I hurt just thinking about shaking hands with an opponent, let alone returning to finish a tournament and win it.

The last time I saw Jerry Biller, he had returned from the Gulf War as a Captain. He was one of those guys in special forces, Rangers, or whatever they are called, who go in first and make it easy for those who follow. If I had known that Jerry Biller was among the first to attack the Iraqis, I wouldn't have been so surprised in how quickly our forces won.

I believe Jerry took a management job with Target Stores and is back in Venice. I would love to see Jerry involved with Florida wrestling in any capacity. I am super proud of Jerry Biller as a Florida wrestler and as a US patriot. Kids, remember, don't try this at home.

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Best wishes for a great season!

On behalf of everyone here at **MyHOUSE**, we wish you all – wrestlers, coaches, officials, booster clubs, and fans – a great 2020-2021 wrestling season!

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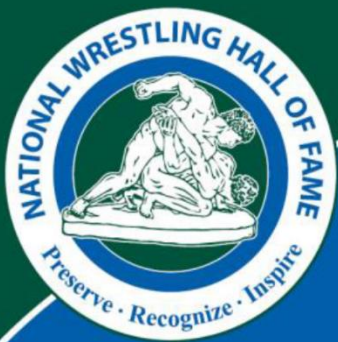
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