



Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame

June 2010



The woman who has established herself as one of the top coaches in the history of both collegiate and international women's basketball will be a guest speaker at Jamestown Community College.

Stanford women's basketball coach **Tara VanDerveer**, who directed the Cardinal to a runner-up position in the 2010 NCAA Tournament in April and is the owner of a 757-193 career record spanning 31 seasons, will present a talk at 7 p.m., June 16 at the Scharmann Theatre on the JCC campus.

The event, which is free to the public, is sponsored by the Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame and JCC.

VanDerveer, who owns a home at Chautauqua Institution, is a 2010

Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame inductee with a resume that puts her among the elite in her profession.

A 10-time Pac-10 Coach of the Year, VanDerveer entered the 2009-10 season with the third-highest career winning percentage among active Division I women's basketball coaches and has won two NCAA Championships and 17 Pac-10 titles. This year's trip to the NCAA Tournament — the Cardinal lost to UConn in the title game — was the 25th postseason appearance of her career.

In addition to two national titles, VanDerveer is a three-time National Coach of the Year and was elected to the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2002. She was also the U.S. national team head coach at the 1996 Olympic Games.

Sinatra Earns AACA Trifecta

Dr. Chuck Sinatra, a past president and long-time member of the Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors, recently completed a rare triple feat at the Antique Automobile Club of America's Grand National Meet in New Bern, NC. Three vehicles he entered for judging – a 1917 Smith Flyer, a 1958 Harley-Davidson motorcycle and a 1956 Templeton race car – were all victorious as the best restorations in their respective categories. Sinatra, himself a national AACA judge, has now won eleven Grand National titles.

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