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DAWAHARES FAMILY TO BE INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME

LEXINGTON, Ky. – Long known for its chain of stores bearing the family name and for its support of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame and other programs, KHSAA Commissioner Brigid DeVries announced Wednesday that the members of the founding Dawahare family will be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame in March, 2004.

The family, originally comprised of brothers Willie, Woodrow, Dee, Harding, Hoover, Frank, Martin and A.F. and sisters Nellie, Mary and Sybil, will be inducted as a group at the March 16, 2004 banquet.

“The Board of Control approved the inclusion in the 2004 class some time ago,” DeVries said. “There was a delay in the announcement because we were waiting until a time when we could get the family together in conjunction with a Board of Control meeting to celebrate this occasion. Unfortunately, this was not possible when we announced the 2004 class last June.”

The Dawahares family has supported the KHSAA for many years, serving as title sponsor of the Hall of Fame since its inception in 1988. Since that time, over 300 former coaches, athletes, administrators, officials and special contributors have been honored by induction into the Hall of Fame. In 2000, the present museum display at the KHSAA office in Lexington was constructed which displays plaques honoring each inductee.

“Through the years the Dawahares family has been supportive of not only the KHSAA and the Hall of Fame, but collectively coaches, participants and administrators from across the Commonwealth,” DeVries concluded.

The 2004 induction class also includes Brown Badgett, Ron Cain, Ancie Casey, Otis Dinning, Marty Donlon, Kim Hawkins, Alvis Johnson, Kenneth Moore, Ben Pumphrey, Kim Mays Rose, Evan Settle, Billy B. Smith, Eugene Washington and Jim Watkins.

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