

HALL OF FAME



Tim Mueller

Tim Mueller **BISMARCK PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**

1998

Tim Mueller was the seventh individual inducted into the NDRPA Hall of Fame. He began his service in the community in 1972 as an employee of the State Outdoor Recreation Agency, which would later be known as the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department (NDPRD). Mueller also served on the Board of Park Commissioners in Bismarck from 1986-2006, serving five terms as president.

Mueller joined the NDRPA when his career began and later held many offices, including president and member of the board of directors.

During his time as the deputy director of the NDPRD, Mueller was involved with the development of the North Dakota Scenic Byways Plan and the North Dakota Nature Preserve System. Mueller also led the initiative to begin the North American Regatta, held for 10 years at Lake Sakakawea, and the Prairie Rose State Games, an Olympic-style event held from 1987-2011. In 1988, Mueller received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Public Service for his work at the NDPRD.

While a NDRPA member, Mueller coordinated the establishment of the Sandra Modisett Memorial Scholarship. He also assisted with the development of *FOCUS* in 1973 and served as its editor for several years. Mueller was a five-time recipient of NDRPA's Outstanding Leadership Award. He also received the Fellow Award (1988) and the Individual Citation Award (2008) from the National Recreation and Park Association Midwest Regional Council.

Under his leadership, Bismarck Parks and Recreation District received the NRPA Gold Medal in 1993 and was a gold medal finalist in 1991, 1992, and 1999.

All NDRPA Hall of Fame members are recognized with plaques at the North Dakota Sports Hall of Fame in the Jamestown Civic Center.

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