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Jaeger served as Dickinson's parks and recreation director from 1977-1995 and was the 14th individual inducted into the NDRPA Hall of Fame.

A member of NDRPA since 1977, Jaeger was a constant presence in the organization, serving on membership and legislation committees, and later acting as president-elect and president.

Jaeger received his undergraduate degree in recreation management from Minot State University in 1977. He was known for his passion for the parks and recreation profession. Jaeger believed recreation should be made available to all citizens and was proud of starting a low-income fee assistance program and unified sports, which provided partners for individuals with intellectual disabilities. He strived to educate the public on the value of parks and recreation, not only for physical fitness and wellness, but also for social and emotional health.

Numerous additions were made to Dickinson Parks and Recreation while Jaeger was director, including the Gress Softball Complex, North Softball Complex, Dickinson Recreation Center, and Heart River Golf Course.

He received the distinguished Fellow Award from both NDRPA and the National Recreation and Park Association Midwest Region.

He was active in North Dakota Babe Ruth Baseball and was president of North Dakota Amateur Basketball. He was also an active participant in community organizations, including the Dickinson Optimist Club, Dickinson High School Booster Club, Trinity High School Booster Club, and Dickinson State University Booster Club. Jaeger passed away in 2014.

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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