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Lyle and Eleanor Smith to Receive World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame's Nell & John Wooden Lifetime Coaching Achievement Award

Eunice Kennedy Shriver to Receive Founder's Award, Milford Terrell to Receive Idaho Award

BOISE, Idaho, May 25, 2007 -- The World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame announced on Friday that legendary Boise State University football coach Lyle Smith and his wife Eleanor have been named recipients of the prestigious Nell and John Wooden Lifetime Coaching Achievement Award.

The Wooden Award, which recognizes the personal philosophy of legendary UCLA basketball coach John Wooden, is presented annually by the World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame to a coach along with his or her spouse who has made exceptional contributions to their players and their futures.

In addition, the Boise Hall has recognized International Special Olympics Founder Eunice Kennedy Shriver with its Founder's Award and Humanitarian Bowl chairman and Idaho Board of Education member Milford Terrell with its Idaho Award. The humanitarian awards will be presented at the Hall's 13th annual induction ceremonies June 20 in Boise.

"Through athletics and life, Lyle and Eleanor Smith have forged deep and meaningful relationships within Idaho's communities," said Larry Maneely, Board President of the World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame. "The trust and guidance that they established through the discipline of athletics has positively shaped the lives of many of Idaho's leaders in government, private industry and academics. The state of Idaho is a better place because of Lyle and Eleanor Smith."

The 2007 World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies take place Wednesday, June 20 in Boise, Idaho. Tickets are available at www.SportsHumanitarian.com.



About The World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame

The World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame (www.SportsHumanitarian.com), located on the Boise State University campus in Idaho, recognizes individuals and organizations from the world of amateur and professional athletics who, through their humanitarian efforts, distinguish themselves as role models in the community. Over 35 sports-humanitarians have been enshrined in Boise including tennis great Arthur Ashe, Major League Baseball pioneer Jackie Robinson, NFL coaching legend Tom Landry, the NBA's David Robinson, soccer great Pelé and the Harlem Globetrotters.

The Hall was the inspiration behind Boise's Humanitarian Bowl and its Humanitarian Awards program annually recognizes exceptional community-focused organizations and leaders from Major League Baseball, National Basketball Association, National Football League, National Hockey League, Major League Soccer, NASCAR, NCAA College Football and other organizations. The World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and is open weekdays to visitors and humanitarians of all ages.

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