In 2001, AOSSM established the Hall of Fame to honor members of the orthopaedic sports medicine community who have contributed significantly to the specialty and set themselves apart. Being inducted into the Hall of Fame is one of the highest honors given to a society member, and we congratulate the inductees on their great achievements in sports medicine.

Recipient is chosen by nominations submitted by AOSSM members. These nominations are reviewed by the Hall of Fame Subcommittee and voted upon for final selection.

2001 Inductees:
Fred L. Allman, MD  Robert K. Kerlan, MD
Martin E. Blazina, MD  Don M. O’Donoghue, MD
Joseph D. Godfrey, MD  Donald Slocum, MD
Jack C. Hughston, MD  Marcus J. Stewart, MD
John C. Kennedy, MD

2003 Inductees:
Frank H. Bassett, III, MD  John L. Marshall, MD
John A. Feagin, Jr., MD  James A. Nicholas, MD
Frank W. Jobe, MD  Carter R. Rowe, MD
Robert E. Leach, MD

2004 Inductees:
Bernard R. Cahill, MD
Robert R. Oden, MD
Frank C. McCue, III, MD

2005 Inductees:
Leslie M. Bodnar, MD  Joseph S. Torg, MD
Arthur L. Boland, MD  Robert W. Jackson, MD
Gerald A. O’Connor, MD

2006 Inductees:
Kenneth E. DeHaven, MD
Alexander Kalenak, MD
January 30, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Frank R. Noyes, M.D.
   AOSSM Hall of Fame Nominee

It is my distinct pleasure to write a letter of recommendation for Frank R. Noyes, M.D. for the AOSSM Hall of Fame. The quality and quantity of his contributions to sports medicine make him an excellent candidate for this award.

Dr. Noyes has published over 225 peer reviewed articles in his career. Much of his earlier work helped to establish a basic understanding of knee biomechanics. Many of these are landmark articles that continue to be referenced to this day. His work with Ed Grood helped to pioneer the collaboration of orthopaedics with biomechanical engineers. I believe the results he obtained with this collaboration helped to change the effort in sports medicine research from simple observational studies to hypothesis based research, which is most valued by the high quality journals we read today.

Dr. Noyes has been the model for the clinician-scientist. He has taken what he discovered in the laboratory and applied it to a large group of clinically based studies. Many of these are model studies with large population samples, validated testing methods, appropriate statistical analysis, and extremely high follow-up rates. It is rare for even prolific authors to have a handful of these very difficult clinical follow-up papers during a career. I believe it is truly remarkable that any one author can have a scope, number, and quality of publications for this many clinically based studies.

Dr. Noyes has been recognized by his peers as an outstanding scientist as well. He has received over a dozen academic awards which include the Gleason Research Award, the O’Donahue Award, and the Kappa Delta Award. Dr. Noyes has demonstrated his commitment to teaching and service to the orthopaedic community in many other ways as well. He has been invited faculty or visiting professor literally dozens of times. This has included local, national, and many international invitations. He has been an instructional course lecturer multiple times for both AAOS and AOSSM.

Dr. Noyes has been Director of a certified sports medicine fellowship program for over 25 years. He has been involved in the training of over 120 fellows, many of whom are today involved in academic sports medicine practices and contribute back to the sports medicine community.

His service also includes editorial board appointments for at least 11 different journals. He has also had many committee appointments such as Chairman for the Upper and Lower Extremity Course for AAOS and Research and Education Chair. He was also one of the original orthopaedic surgeons to serve on the National Arthritis Advisory Board of the NIH. This has helped the NIH realize the importance of funding orthopaedic research.

Finally, Dr. Noyes could be considered a surgeon's surgeon. He continues to have a very busy surgical practice, full of complex knee injuries. Treating angular deformities, multiple ligament injuries, meniscal and articular surface injuries are all part of his daily practice. He continues to be referred many patients by other orthopaedic surgeons for his expertise and his extremely complex patients.

I believe only a small handful of orthopaedic surgeons have contributed to AOSSM in both the quantity and high consistent quality that Dr. Noyes has demonstrated. I give him my most enthusiastic nomination for the AOSSM Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Thomas N. Lindenfeld, M.D.
Associate Director
April 1, 2008

Frank R. Noyes, MD
Cincinnati S M and Orthopaedic Center
10663 Montgomery Road
Cincinnati, OH 45242-4403

Dear Dr. Noyes:

You have been selected as an inductee to the AOSSM Hall of Fame. This is considered one of the Society’s highest honors in which there are only a select few inductees named each year. The Hall of Fame is intended to recognize persons who have contributed significantly to the specialty of sports medicine and have set themselves apart, which we feel you have done in your many contributions to sports medicine over the years.

You will be recognized, and presented with a plaque on Friday, July 11 at 9:27am, in the Mediterranean Ballroom at the JW Marriott Grande Lakes Hotel, during the Society’s 2007 Annual Meeting. If you are unable to be present, please notify Camille Petrick at the Society Office, via phone or e-mail (Camille@aossm.org)

You will also be acknowledged via a display that is showcased at all AOSSM Annual Meetings.

Lastly, please forward a short bio (some previous samples are attached) along with a photo you would like us to use in the display, via e-mail to Camille@aossm.org by May 9, 2008.

You exemplify the best in orthopaedic sports medicine and thus we congratulate you on your induction into the AOSSM Hall of Fame. We are honored to have you a part of this very special group of individuals.

Congratulations on this achievement!

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. DeHaven, MD
Chair, Hall of Fame Committee
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Award-winning Researcher, Frank R. Noyes, MD, Inducted into Sports Medicine Hall of Fame

ORLANDO, Florida – Frank Noyes, MD, who has conducted ground-breaking research in many areas of knee injuries and disorders and served as an educator to orthopaedic surgeons for nearly three decades, will join three other physicians as a 2008 American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) Hall of Fame inductee. The induction takes place July 11, 2008 at the AOSSM Annual Meeting in Orlando.

Dr. Noyes’ early laboratory investigations lead to the understanding of the mechanics of knee ligament failure, the effects of immobilization on the knee joint, the desired properties for knee ligament replacement tissues, and the primary and secondary ligament restraint system. More recent investigations have focused on the anatomy and function of the posterior cruciate ligament and posterolateral knee structures, the ability of a double-bundle PCL reconstruction to restore normal posterior tibial translation, the effects of irradiation on allograft tissue properties, and methods to improve the outcome of meniscal transplantation. Dr. Noyes’ research accomplishments also include the development of one of the most widely used knee outcome systems.

A long-term advocate of the understanding and prevention of knee injuries, Dr. Noyes’ neuromuscular retraining program “Sportsmetrics”, developed over 10 years ago, is now utilized in more than 450 sites in the United States and Europe. The program has been proven to reduce the incidence of knee ligament injuries in female athletes.

Dr. Noyes has always been a strong proponent of education, establishing in 1978 one of the first formal sports medicine fellowships in the United States from which 116 physicians have graduated to date.

Dr. Noyes joined the University of Cincinnati, Department of Orthopaedics in 1975 as Director of the Sports Medicine Institute and Director of Orthopaedic Research. He helped establish one of the nation’s first biomechanical laboratories within the University of Cincinnati Medical School and the Department of Engineering. The University of Cincinnati formally recognized Dr. Noyes’ efforts in research and student education with its Award of Excellence and named its biomechanics laboratory, the Noyes Tissue Engineering and Biomechanics Laboratory. In 1981, Dr. Noyes founded the Cincinnati Sports Medicine and Orthopaedic Center, and the non-profit Research and Education Foundation in 1985.

Dr. Noyes’ list of awards and honors also includes the AOSSM’s Excellence in Research award, the O’Donoghue award, the George D. Rovere Award of Excellence, and the Kennedy Lectureship. He has also received the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation’s Clinical Research Award and the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeon’s Kappa Delta award.

Additional sports medicine credits include serving as the team physician for the University of Cincinnati athletic programs and numerous semi-pro and professional teams in football, soccer and women’s sports.

AOSSM established the Hall of Fame in 2001 to honor members of the orthopaedic sports medicine community who have contributed significantly to the specialty. Nominations are submitted by AOSSM members and reviewed by and selected by the Hall of Fame subcommittee.
The American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) is a world leader in sports medicine education, research, communication and fellowship, and includes national and international orthopaedic sports medicine leaders. The Society works closely with many other sports medicine specialists, including athletic trainers, physical therapists, family physicians, and others to improve the identification, prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of sports injuries.

For more information, please contact AOSSM Director of Communications Lisa Weisenberger at 847/292-4900, or e-mail her at lisa@sportsmed.org. You can also visit the AOSSM Web site at www.sportsmed.org.
Congratulations on an award long over-due!

Thanks to your insights, research and passion for teaching, orthopedic sports medicine was jerked from a special interest "boys club" to the scientific discipline that it is today. Your attention to detail, meticulous approach to the knee exam and continual reassessment of results, is an example that is unparalleled.

Thank you for allowing me to be one of your first "extreme make-overs"!

I'm sure, that since I was first with you in the U.C. training room, you have learned that tight ends catch passes, not make tackles and YES, you did blow off Freddie Fu during his traveling fellowship visit to Cincinnati.

Best Personal Regards
I was fortunate to have been Frank Noyes’ 3rd fellow in 1979 at the University of Cincinnati. Known for his research on the ACL at that time, I participated in the early development of ACL surgery. Over the ensuing 25 + years, the mere mention of my training with him has given me instant credibility in sports medicine circles. He is to be congratulated for this deserving award!
I finished my Orthopedic residency in 1980 at the University of Montreal. Then I had the privilege of joining Dr. Noyes for a one year Fellowship. What an adventure. He was already an international authority on basic science, biomechanics, rehabilitation, sports medicine, research... Coming to Cincinnatti and working with Dr. Noyes was quite an eye opener.

I learned to be critical of myself, my work, my research, my decision making process, my results. Still today, I challenge myself everyday to improve myself and provide better care to my patients.

He put together a fabulous group of people in research, clinical and applied sciences who worked under his close direction to make significant contributions to the way research is done and eventually change the way we treat patients and athletes. He has always remained dedicated to his research, to his patients and very complimentary of his staff and support people.

It has been 28 years (already!).

Frank, thank you for everything. I have looked at Orthopedics and Sports Medicine with a different pair of eyes after spending a fabulous year with you. You have forever changed and positively influenced so many people during your career.

Congratulations on your nomination. Greatly deserved!
Frank,

In the eyes of your past fellows you have always been a "Hall of Famer". It would be hard to list the ways you have impacted the lives of so many budding sports medicine specialists. However, your honesty, integrity, work ethic and generosity are traits fellows will always admire. From watching the fireworks at 1 Lytle to monkey ACL's at Ohio State my fellowship year was a fantastic experience. So I hope with all the accolades- that you are given credit for being a great teacher and mentor. By the way, the first fellowship "baby", Daniel, is now 25 years old....time flies.

Best always
Dr. Noyes:

Congratulations on your receiving the AOSSM Hall of Fame Award. From your academic attitudes and research models, to your commitment to education, to your value of personal relationships, you have been a role model for the orthopedic and sports medicine communities and a role model personally for each of us who has had the pleasurable opportunity to work with you.

Historically, orthopaedic surgery was advanced by anecdotal reporting of individual experience. This was especially true in sports medicine. Your approach of careful, objective data collection, animal modeling, and collaboration with the biomechanical and materials engineers, truly revolutionized orthopaedic research and clinical decision making. You have taught several generations of orthopaedic surgeons to think differently, to think like the scientists they are, in their approach to any problem. You have dedicated much of your energy to training others, individually and in groups. You have, by your own example, set high standards for us all in our commitment to learning, teaching, and caring for our patients.

The opportunity to be your Fellow was clearly the most important in my professional life. I relearned how to think clearly, how to perform surgery, how to approach research questions, and how to collaborate effectively. More unexpected, but of tremendous practical value, you taught me about group management and business decision making in a collaborative environment. The concept of a Sportsmedicine Center which you popularized, has subsequently been a successful clinical and business model for many of us and has been imitated around the world.

Whether counseling a patient, a colleague, or a friend, your attention is entirely focused on the person and the moment. You have a passion for giving all of your personal, intellectual, and emotional energy to any one who needs you. You generously share yourself with so many others. People sense your caring, strive to return it, and strive to emulate you.

You are visionary on so many levels. Your energy seems unlimited and your standards always without compromise. Your generosity and caring have deeply touched your patients and your colleagues alike. Warm and heartfelt thanks. I shall always strive in some small way to be like you. You are so very deserving of the Hall of Fame Award. Congratulations!
This is an honor long overdue for Frank. I will always consider Frank to be personally responsible for bringing science to a field dominated by butt-slapping & "personal experience". No one person other than my parents has been more influential on my life. Both Frank & my parents kicked me out of the nest, but they made sure I was ready to fly first! In 84-85 when I was @ CSMOC, it should have been called a Sportsmedicine/Knee Fellowship, but nobody knew as much about the knee as Frank. The joke "Frank has forgotten more about the knee than most people know" doesn't work because I doubt he has forgotten a thing. It was my honor to be the first double/triple varus knee fellow which spurred in me a career long interest in knee salvage & an understanding that the work is truly never done; every time I thought we were, Frank had more things to review. "A little is a lot," "You have one chance to do it right," & "Turn up the tap" are but a few sayings I still use. How to present, how to dress, all came from Frank. I COULD NOT be PROUDER of him or his influence on me. I love you, Frank R. Noyes, M.D.

Best wishes & Congratulations
Dear Frank:

Congratulations, Frank, on your induction into the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine Hall of Fame. I cannot think of anyone that deserves this honor more than you! Your contributions have been immense and have coursed over more than 30 years. You made Drs. Bill Smith, Gerry O' Connor, and Herb Kaufer very proud with your academic achievements. As an orthopaedic resident and junior staff member, I witnessed their tributes to you and their admiration for your work. Personally, I am very grateful for my fellowship training at Cincinnati Sports Medicine and the relationship we have had for the past 24 years. I am extremely proud and honored that I can call you my mentor and friend.

As a young resident, I heard many things about Frank Noyes: his hard work, ambition and keen interest in the knee. As my training progressed, I could not help but think that the best place to do a fellowship would be at Cincinnati Sports Medicine. How pleased I was when my dream came true. 1984-1985 was a great year for me. The experience that I gained in Cincinnati was tremendous. Working alongside you in the clinic and the operating room was a life influencing experience. The many lectures and conferences held by Drs. Grood and Butler challenged me and taught me to think critically. Getting to know Tom Lindenfeld was great and was the beginning of our journey to many hunting and fishing expeditions. Working with Mary Marshall and experiencing her dedication to research while witnessing the structure of a great clinical practice got me off to a great start. Finally, appreciating the business expertise of Linda Raterman and realizing how important dedicated employees are, all helped to make that year tremendous for me.

After I left Cincinnati in 1985 to start my practice at the University of Michigan, I appreciated all that you had taught me even more. The complex ligament problems and alignment deficiencies all made a lot more sense thanks to your guidance. The scientific integrity that you displayed, the motivation to continue to improve clinical care and your tireless will to teach are but a few of the qualities that I continue to admire in you. Those features never seem to dull and each year at Hilton Head I am amazed at how high you continue to hold the bar.

Personally, you have helped me in many ways including your most recent effort to write a very important manuscript for the first edition of *Sports Health*. I am sure that it will be a great contribution to the sports medicine literature and am very happy that you are willing to contribute.

Thank you for being the mentor, clinician, scientist and friend that you have been over the last 24 years. I wish you many more productive happy years with Joanne at your side and only hope that you find more time to fish the waters off the coast of Florida, the streams of Utah, and the lakes of Michigan.

Congratulations and best wishes!
Dear Dr Noyes,

We are sure that 22 years ago few people thought this would last, and we know you had very mixed emotions about Scott stealing Diana away from you. However, today we celebrate our 22nd wedding anniversary and have raised two wonderful kids and now have a 2 1/2 year old granddaughter to boot. I can honestly say that the physician I have become, the career I was able to establish, my thought processes and my surgical skills were significantly shaped by my year in Cincinnati. There are so many memories that flood back from my year there - the fellows I worked with, Sandy and Charlie, the staff that made me feel like part of an extended family, the course in Hilton Head sailing on a small catamaran with Diana, Becky and Zack. But most of all there are memories of Frank. I can remember driving up to the Tri County office in his 928 stopping at the Wendy's drive thru and paying with a $100 bill. There was the time at the end of our year when he stepped way out of his comfort zone and showed up at our Lids and Shades party in a cowboy hat and sunglasses. But most of all I remember his patience and guidance, his exceptional surgical skills and his soft spoken demeanor and ability to convey his vast knowledge and unique perspective on orthopedics and life. Charlie, Sandy and I used to tell the staff at Deaconess that they really didn't appreciate who they were working with, how important his work was to the field of Sports Medicine and Orthopedics. They used to say that he was just Frank. And in truth, he is both, a caring, humble professional who deeply believes in his work and in educating young surgeons who will follow in his footsteps. We have nothing but respect and admiration for Dr. Noyes and can never thank him enough for all he has added to our lives, especially by allowing us to meet and giving us his blessings. And last but not least, the gift of our wedding night in the penthouse suite at the Cincinnati Hyatt gave us a special start to the beginning of our life together that is a memory we will never forget.

We both would like to congratulate Dr. Noyes on his much deserved election to the AOSSM Hall of Fame. There is no one who is more deserving of that honor.
Dear Dr. Noyes:

Congratulations on a long overdue honor. I still think fondly of my time in Cincinnati and the educational opportunities you provided. Thank you for willingness to teach and to continue to teach so many for so many years. It is a rare talent to teach effectively for the long term and you have mastered is well. Again, congratulations on your induction to the Hall of Fame. Thank you for being there for so many of us.
Rush University Medical Center  
MidWest Orthopaedics at Rush  
Chicago, IL

I am very happy to congratulate Frank on the well deserved honor as a member of the AOSSM Hall of Fame. Frank is among the most prominent clinician/scientist in the sportsmedicine field who made major contributions that influence how we practice our craft. Frank challenged me and all of his fellowship alumni to let research and evidence guide us and avoid the seduction of fashion and fad.

When I came to Cincinnati as a fellow in 1988, I was excited to learn the advanced skills of knee surgery yet unaware that I could have also received a degree in animal husbandry. The daily care of goats became a major interest. While operating on over 40 goats in my 15 months, the greatest challenge was getting those damn goats to walk across the force plates without kicking me. Thanks for giving me the opportunity of a most rewarding career.
It is amazing to realize 20 years have passed since I arrived to begin my fellowship at CSMOC in 1988. I extend my congratulations to Dr Noyes for his well deserved induction into the AOSSM Hall of Fame. His accomplishments in clinical practice, research and education are a benchmark for excellence in Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine. The year I spent in Cincinnati has greatly impacted upon my medical career. I recall the emphasis placed on thorough physical exam of the knee in an effort to accurately diagnose complex knee instability patterns and I continue to rely on these skills in clinical practice. The curriculum and education process at CSMOC introduced me to diverse areas of basic science and clinical Sports Medicine, also taught me to analyze and interpret published work. I recall scrubbing with Dr Noyes as he expertly performed PCL reconstruction cases; these were truly cutting edge procedures, and gave me the background and confidence to tackle these and other challenging surgeries as I entered my own Orthopaedic practice. Finally, I recall the lesson about wearing white shirts and make sure to wear one whenever I testify in a deposition. I regret that I will not be able to attend the meeting in Orlando to offer my personal congratulations.

With best regards
Frank,

Congratulations on your well deserved AOSSM Hall of Fame induction. You are certainly a pioneer in the field of sports medicine and your early vision helped to shape our profession into what it is today.

Thank you for all of your contributions to the field of sports medicine.

Congratulations!
Dear Dr. Noyes,

Congratulations on being inducted into the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine Hall of Fame. It is a just reward for your dedicated work toward the advancement of Orthopaedic Sports Research.

Tam and I greatly enjoyed our 14 months in Cincinnati and think often about them fondly. We appreciated the family atmosphere and working conditions as well as the wealth of knowledge I left with. I owe much of my successful sports medicine practice in Dallas to the things I learned during my time in Cincinnati.

I appreciate your constant efforts in finding the truth in both your research and your clinical practice. In this day and age of pushing marketing, it requires the scientific process you taught me to treat each patient in the best and most appropriate way.

I am deeply indebted to you and for your influence on much of my professional life. No one is more deserving of such an award as you.
Dr. Noyes has been a phenomenal mentor for many fellows and residents in orthopaedic surgery over his career. Frank has the reputation of being serious at all times, but during my year with Dr. Noyes in 1989-90, I saw a soft side of him that is rarely mentioned. Trish and I were very fortunate to have two infants at the time in our household and being in training, the financial issues although short-lived, can be a bit overwhelming. Dr. Noyes went above and beyond his responsibility to Trish and me at the time. Dr. Noyes was generous to me in compensation (he paid me more than my contracted salary!) and made sure that I had virtually no expenses with my work and meetings knowing that we had the added family expenses. Although his mentoring of excellence, integrity, and perseverance has served me well in my orthopaedic career, his generosity during my fellowship year made our home life easier. That is one example I have carried on to this day in my career working with residents and fellows.

Congratulations Dr. Noyes on your induction to the AOSSM Hall of Fame. There is no one more deserving. Thank you for all that you have done for Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine.
Dear Frank,

Congratulations on entering the AOSSM Hall of Fame. If anyone is deserving, it's you.

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to pursue my career in sports medicine. You probably don't recall, but when I came to Cincinnati to interview in 1990, I had been in practice 2 years and was trying to pursue a career in sports medicine. You were adding a fellow, and Dr. Groode (being a fellow Western NY native) realized I was available to start that July, rather than a year away like most residents. You called me the following day and offered me the spot. You saved me a year of my life.

1990-1991 in Cincinnati was one of the best experiences of my professional career. Thanks. You are now joining a fraternity that you greatly deserve to join. Congratulations and again, many thanks.
Fond Memories of Dr. Noyes:

1. I would ask a question of Dr. Noyes and frequently he would say: "Ed that is a 20min answer and we can discuss it later" the great thing is that he was serious and we would discuss it later.

2. He would always challenge routine things that I had been taught in Residency and ask if I knew of a study that showed that I should continue doing it, it reminded me that much of what we do is only because we were taught to do it that way, not because it was actually the right thing to do.

Congratulations, Dr. Noyes!
Dr Noyes fellowship was the single most important event of my professional career. He showed me not only impeccable technique and skills, but also instilled honest, clear and concise reporting of the findings in his studies. For all of that, I am truly grateful and will always be known in this region as "A Noyes Fellow." "Frank" will always be a great colleague, and a lifetime friend.
Frank, it is with sincere pleasure that I have this opportunity to reflect on your career and the way it has affected mine. There is no one in my medical training that has had more of an influence on me than you. A true gentleman, you will always be viewed as a true "triple threat" in sports medicine: a technically excellent surgeon, innovative researcher, and outstanding teacher. Your contribution to knee surgery has formed the foundation on which many orthopedists have, and will continue to base their treatment, formulate their rehabilitation protocols, and advance the science of sports medicine. You practiced (and taught your fellows to do the same) evidence-based medicine before this term was in vogue. You have settled for nothing less than excellence in everything you do. Whether trying to diagnose a complex ligamentous injury, perform a reconstructive operation that lesser surgeons wouldn't even consider, or painstakingly track down every patient in a clinical series so that follow-up approaches 100%, you have led by example. Though not all of your fellows may have pursued an academic career as you have, they have all benefited from an exposure to your thoroughness and attention to the smallest detail. It is this trait - attention to detail - that truly separates the excellent from the really good. You have, and will always be, a true role model to me. I can only hope to achieve a fraction that you have during your distinguished career. Congratulations on your induction into the AOSSM Hall of Fame!
I am so pleased that Dr. Noyes will receive recognition for all that he has contributed to the field of sportsmedicine, he certainly deserves it. I've never met anyone so dedicated to the pursuit of the truth. By emphasizing the rigor of the scientific method he brought a credibility to sportsmedicine (and orthopaedics, really) that was desperately needed at the time. The meticulous design, flawless methodology and tireless attention to detail he put into his research made so many of his papers the classics upon which the rest of sportsmedicine is founded.

I think the Frank Noyes memory I never forget is that he flew to Denver for my wedding six months after I finished my fellowship. Here was this world famous guy, one of the busiest men I'd ever known, and he took the time to honor me in that way. We were flat broke at the time, and the wedding was a pretty low budget affair, but that didn't seem to bother him a bit. We all had a great time and his being there made a great day in my life just that much more special.

I regret the fact that I haven't kept in better touch with Dr. Noyes. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't use something that he taught me, whether it be a surgical technique, or how to look at and think about data, or how to run the office. He'll be remembered best as a clinical scientist, but he also taught us fellows a "can - do" attitude regarding patient care. He wanted every patient's experience at CSMOC to outstanding, and he gave us the support we needed to help accomplish that.
Dear Dr. Noyes,

Congratulations, on your induction to the AOSSM Hall of Fame! I am gratified to know that the AOSSM has finally recognized what your fellows have known for years. Your dedication to excellence and quest for knowledge has propelled you not only to the top of Orthopedics but also to the top of Medicine. You are a superb scientist and surgeon. You have dedicated your life to improving our knowledge of knee biomechanics and in the process you have improved the quality of life of your patients. Your scientific research has left an indelible mark on the field of Orthopedics that will not be surpassed for many generations. In addition to your many accomplishments I have always been touched by the kindness and respect that you have shown your fellows. I hope that you will continue to teach and inspire fellows for many years to come. I send you my heartfelt thanks for the wonderful education that you have provided me and for the friendship that we have shared these many years.
It is great to hear that the AOSSM has finally decided to include Dr. Noyes in the list of Sports Medicine Giants by inducting him into the Hall of Fame. As with the balloting and election process in our professional sports league, there is no doubt that he was a ‘first time inductee’.

“Finding answers and then translating them into clinical practice is a task few attempt and fewer achieve. Dr. Noyes has not only achieved this quest but enlightened his mentees to the joy and satisfaction that the process holds. Without his guidance and encouragement, I would not have achieved nor perhaps attempted to pursue my academic career. I can only hope to continue to be stimulated by the questions before us and to have the enthusiasm and interest to pursue their answers as he has throughout his career.”
Dear Dr. Noyes,

I was very excited to hear that you were selected for the 2008 AOSSM Hall of Fame Award. This is truly a well-deserved achievement that recognizes your lifetime investment in Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine. Your undying dedication to high quality research (always >90% patient follow-up!) is obvious from your lasting legacy of landmark publications. In addition, your time and effort educating fellows throughout the years has left a widespread impact on both academic and private practice orthopaedics across the nation. I especially appreciate all the personal time and resources that you and your partners invested in my career during my fellowship to give me a good foundation for my future.

Thanks again for being such a good mentor and educator. I pray Friday July 11, 2008 is a great day for you and your family.
Dear Doctor Noyes,

Congratulations on being elected into the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine. It is a great honor that reflects your dedication to sports medicine and your lifelong commitment to research. Your passion to your work is amazing. I know it is not your nature but it truly is incredible to stop a take a moment to look at your accomplishments. You helped push sports medicine to the forefront of modern medicine and your dedication to research and science has helped to change fundamental of sports medicine. Sport medicine is now based on science rather that “this is how I do it”. You are truly a giant in Sports Medicine. I look forward seeing you at the meeting and sharing in the recognition of your accomplishments at the induction ceremonies. Please enjoy the moment of this special day.

It has been ten years since my fellowship but it seems like only yesterday. It is amazing how fast time flies. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for the opportunity to spend a year with you at Cincinnati Sports Medicine. It was tremendous educational experience that has shaped my orthopaedic career and sports medicine practice. You and your staff made that year an incredible learning opportunity. There is not a day that goes by that I do not reflect on the principals that you have taught me on physical examination, arthroscopic techniques, physical therapy and scientific research. I have yet to attend a better lecture at any conference then the lectures you have given on complex knee topics. When I am challenged with a difficult case, I return to these principals on a regular basis.

I especially appreciate the extra time and interest you have always given to me and my career. You have always cared about my career progress and my family. Many fellows have had the opportunity to work with Dr. Noyes but I feel lucky to be one of the few fellows who got to know Dr. Noyes. I am very grateful for that opportunity. It means a lot to me to be a former fellow of Cincinnati Sports Medicine and Dr. Frank Noyes. Thank you again for everything you have done for me.
From Dr. Michelle Cullen (Mark Cullen’s wife):

I would like to say as the wife of an Orthopaedic surgeon who trained under Dr. Noyes, what an honor and privilege it has been to have been associated with one of the finest Orthopaedic surgeons and leaders in sports medicine research and the team of talented, hardworking and conscientious individuals he attracts and inspires to do and be their best in every facet of the practice, education and care of patients. I know first hand what a profound effect Dr. Noyes' example has made on my husband's sports medicine practice. Dr. Noyes' positive influence strengthened the wonderful foundation set in my husband's Orthopaedic residency to a level of excellence evidenced in his current practice philosophy, his work ethic, the care of his patients and also the care of the community here in Gwinnett County in NE Georgia. We are always so proud of the doctor Mark is and Dr. Noyes made and contributed to that profoundly and I will always be grateful. I am so glad to know he is being given this recognition and honor, one that he truly deserves 10x over.
My year (1998-1999) with Dr. Noyes was inspirational, and his teachings continue to shape my practice today. Spending time with him in managing complex cases helped me to be excited rather than intimidated by those cases I see in my own practice. I still appreciate that I can call him and ask his advice, and my wife Leslie and I enjoy our ongoing friendship. He is what a great surgeon should be: scientifically sound, technically savvy, and ethically solid. I congratulate him on this wonderful achievement.
Dear Frank

Thank you for taking me under your wing for fellowship. I had completed a difficult residency with little sports medicine experience and I feel extremely grateful to have lived and breathed knee surgery for a year with you. During the course of my fellowship year I experienced complex case after even more complex case, training me to handle the everyday arthroscopy challenges with ease.

Frank, I always enjoyed your desire to teach at every moment and the fact that you opened your house so readily. I was often amused at how you were capable of taking 10,000 phone calls on any given clinic day (many form previous fellows asking for advice) and still see the patients that had flown in from out of the country to see you. You are truly a master surgeon and teacher and I know that as sophisticated as you may think you are, hot dogs are still your favorite food.

It was a privilege to work with you and your staff. I have established a busy knee and shoulder practice in Portland, Oregon and I owe a great deal to you. I offer my sincerest kudos on your achievement.
It is an honor to congratulate Dr. Noyes on a clearly well deserved achievement. As a former fellow, I witnessed the commitment to education and innovation that Dr. Noyes so easily conveyed on a daily basis. Some educators can write well, others can perform well in surgery. Dr. Noyes is one of the rare gentlemen who can do both. I am honored to be a part of his legacy.
The honor bestowed upon you for your lifelong devotion to the field of sports medicine is a small token for the vast knowledge you have imparted to the world via your contributions to the orthopaedic literature.

However, the most significant impact you have made, aside from the patients who have benefited so greatly from your direct care, is the knowledge and clinical excellence that you have handed down to those surgeons who have had the privilege to train under your direction. The clinical acumen and complex diagnostic and technical surgical skills that you have so patiently and deftly imparted upon your protégées has led to the extension of the unique Cincinnati experience to medical centers and academic institutions throughout the United States and beyond. Patients fortunate to have treatment under the direction of Frank Noyes-trained surgeons are afforded the extended reach of his clinical & research genius. Your legacy exists in the exponential number of patients whose lives have been altered for the better by your teaching.

Myself and other Cincinnati-trained fellows can offer little in return for the debt we owe you for welcoming us into your extended family, imprinting upon us a foundation of knowledge that is unprecedented in sports-medicine training programs, and allowing us the opportunity to rationally and artistically provide superior care to our patients.

My family and I offer you heartfelt congratulations on this richly deserved recognition.
It is my pleasure to add my congratulations to the many that are presented in this Memory Book. I had the tremendous opportunity to work with Dr. Noyes both as a resident and later as a Sports Medicine Fellow. I first would like to thank Dr. Noyes for his avid support of military medical training by allowing residents to rotate at CSMOC and learn from him and all the great doctors, staff, and therapists at CSMOC. As a fellow, I can attest that Dr. Noyes always showed the utmost patience, skill, and professionalism to the fellows, as well as, to his patients. I have tried to incorporate this professionalism and patience in my practice. Everyone knows that Dr. Noyes is a pioneer in Sports Medicine surgery and research. The combination of clinical care and orthopaedic research at CSMOC under Dr. Noyes' long-term guidance is among the best in the world. I am happy that he is receiving this much deserved recognition. Congratulations Dr. Noyes!!
Dr. Noyes,

Congratulations on being inducted into the AOSSM Hall of Fame!!! Your tireless teaching efforts, countless published peer reviewed articles, and research strides in the field of Orthopaedic Sports Medicine have had far reaching effects across not only the United States, but the world. You are a true pioneer in the field!!!

I truly valued my fellowship year with you and your sports medicine staff. The many hours spent with you in the operating room, lectures, and laboratory has only enhanced my clinical and surgical expertise of the knee. Many of my orthopaedic colleagues from around the Omaha, NE area ask me for my advice on difficult knee cases, knowing that I was a "Noyes fellow". Your teachings have given me an aire of confidence that I benefit from.

I hold you in the highest regard; you are a true gentleman. Thank you for all that you have done to shape my career.

Once again, congratulations!
I would like to congratulate Dr. Frank R. Noyes on this most prestigious and well deserved honor of being inducted into the 2008 American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) Hall of Fame. It is well known that Dr. Noyes is one of the pioneers of modern day sports medicine and I am fortunate to have had the privilege to study under him. In my orthopaedic residency program I knew early on that I wanted to pursue sports medicine as a career. My fascination with the complexities of knee injuries and how to treat them was the driving force behind my decision. Once I became a fellow of Cincinnati Sports Medicine and Orthopaedic Center in 2002, I had a greater appreciation for the profession as a whole. Dr. Noyes focused on all aspects of sports medicine, both from an operative and preventive care side. He is equally passionate about preventing knee injuries as he is about addressing them once they occur.

Dr. Noyes places a high premium on education as well as patient care. There are many talented orthopaedic surgeons who perform meticulous procedures. With Dr. Noyes the emphasis is not just on surgical techniques, but surgical indications to make sure the right procedure is performed. I have always had a personal interest in research. I feel that it is the driving force behind what keeps our profession moving in the right direction. It is not enough to rest on a few good ideas of the past, rather to take those standards of orthopaedic care and improve on them. This is one of the qualities I admire most about Dr. Noyes. He does not rest on his laurels; rather, he works tirelessly to find a better answer to complex orthopaedic problems.

The most important lessons I have learned from Dr. Noyes cannot be taught in a textbook or classroom. He is a true professional and treats all his patients and colleagues with a level of respect and professionalism rarely equaled. It would be easy for a man of his stature and accomplishments to be dismissive of others or to have an inflated opinion of his own self-worth. From the day I met Dr. Noyes and worked with him, his compassion and modesty made the biggest impression on me. As a young man in a new city, he and his wife JoAnne welcomed me and the other fellows into their home on several occasions and made us feel at home. Indeed, when the fellowship ended I felt like part of a family.

In closing, I would not only like to wish congratulations to Dr. Noyes for this most prestigious honor, but recognize what an honor it is for the AOSSM as well.
Dear Dr Noyes

My heartiest congratulations to you on your induction into the AOSSM hall of Fame. You have been one of my mentors and your induction makes me proud as well.

The foremost thing I admire is your patience dealing with me. Having not had much exposure to arthroscopic surgery, I came as a 'bad fit' into your fellowship program...and with your crazy list of surgeries, it exposed my deficiencies early on...but with your patience and teaching, and my desire to learn, the fellowship proved to be extremely fruitful...it changed my career, and sports medicine has become an integral part of my practice. And I am thankful to you for the same.

I also admire your interests and achievements in research, besides clinical medicine. You have been and would always be a source of inspiration for me and my colleagues.

Best wishes to you, your family and your practice.
Dr. Noyes,

I would like to congratulate you on your well deserved honor of being inducted into the AOSSM hall of fame. It was my honor to train with you and get a fantastic education in sports medicine. I have had the honor of learning from the two best educators of sports medicine physicians in the country, and it is exciting to me that you and my father are in the same entering class.

Thank you for your time and attention to my training during my year there as well as your continued support.
Dr. Frank Noyes is a true gentleman who has an unparalleled passion for excellence and has achieved numerous accolades in many different areas of orthopaedic sportsmedicine. He has achieved mastery of the triad of outstanding clinical and surgical skills, teaching, and research. Dr. Noyes’ distinguished academic achievements are impressive not only due to the sheer number of publications over such a wide time period, but also the inherently high quality of the research and subsequent publications with some of the best follow-up rates ever reported in the orthopaedic literature. Regarding his teaching and talks, they are simply first-class.

In addition to his academic side, he has taught me much about life as well. Dr. Noyes applies passion, skill, dedication, and talent to all of his pursuits, allowing him to maximize both his own talents as well as the talents of those around him. He has an inherent sense of respect for patients and staff evident in his words and actions, both when they are present and when they are not. It has truly been an honor and a privilege to have had the opportunity to train with Dr. Noyes. He has instilled in me a strong desire to contribute back to my future patients and colleagues through clinical and surgical excellence, teaching endeavors, and contributions to research. He has set in motion a cascade by motivating numerous fellows, colleagues, and staff who will in turn inspire others, thus ensuring a renewal of high-quality contributions and advancements for many years to come. I can think of no one more deserving to be inducted into the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine's Hall of Fame other than Dr. Frank R. Noyes.
Dear Dr Noyes,

Congratulations on your entry to the AOSSM hall of fame!!! When I received a list of the hall of fame members from the AOSSM late last year, I did not see your name. I stood there shaking my head in disbelief. While I appreciate the contributions of the members listed, I wondered who could possibly have left Dr Noyes out of the Hall of Fame for this long. I am glad to see this will change.

On a professional note, I wanted to thank you for all you have taught me. I am such a better surgeon for having trained at CSMOC with you. It has brought me a level of respect among orthopaedists which I strive to uphold. People simply expect a very high level of knowledge and skill from anyone who has trained with you.

On a personal note, I wish to thank you again for your example of expressing gratitude. There are very few people in my life who fundamentally changed the way I communicate with others. You are one of them. I use the expression "I appreciate ..........." everyday and I always think of you for having shown by example the value of constantly expressing gratitude for the assistance we receive in our profession.

Congratulations again for an award that is long overdue!!
Dr. Noyes,

Congratulations on the award. This is a richly deserved award as you've done a tremendous amount to advance our knowledge of surgical applications and treatment outcomes of knee injuries. You're also an excellent teacher with a passion for passing your knowledge along to others.
Dr. Noyes,

It has been a privilege to be one of the numerous fellows you have trained throughout your sports medicine career. Your contributions to the orthopaedic field have been immeasurable, and your legacy continues through your dedication to education and research. Congratulations on this much deserved award.
It truly has been a pleasure to work with Dr. Noyes. I believe he has created one of the, if not the best, fellowships in the country. The excellence of CSMOC was clear from my first contact with the program. It is obvious this excellence starts with him.

My personal experience with Dr. Noyes has been tremendous. He is an outstanding educator, both in the clinical and operative settings. Even more importantly, I believe, is the manner he does his business. He is always respectful to other surgeons and medical professionals. He has taught me much more than just the technical aspects of being a surgeon-how to be a successful and respectful physician.

To Dr. Noyes, thank you so much for your dedication to education and our profession. You have no doubt touched the lives of all of your fellows, but also that of thousands of other medical professionals through all of your efforts.

With sincere gratitude and respect
The first time I saw Dr. Noyes was during my interview for the Cincinnati SportsMedicine fellowship. We were at Deaconess Hospital and he walked into the surgeons' lounge with his white boots and country swagger. I immediately felt like I was in the presence of a surgical giant. I had not yet read his classic articles on ligament biomechanics or meniscus repair but I knew this man was special. As the fellowship started, my appreciation for his contribution to sports medicine only grew stronger. I've learned many surgical pearls and clinical vignettes but what I learned most from Dr. Noyes was outside of the OR and the clinic. Despite all the accolades and awards, the most amazing attribute of Dr. Noyes is his honesty, humility and his willingness to advance the science and not rest on his past laurels. These things are taught by example and there is no better example than Dr. Noyes.
Dear Frank

Congratulations on your induction to the AOSSM Hall of Fame. Those of us that work with you know how great you are and now you have one more honor to add to your impressive collection. It’s been an honor and privilege to work with you for the past (almost) 31 years. When I joined the team, sports medicine was in its infancy and you were among the “young bucks” who was establishing himself in the competitive international world of sports medicine. I remember the excitement that you and many others shared each time an abstract was accepted for publication or presentation or the thrill of being asked to participate in an instructional course, visiting professor or a special meeting. These commitments then required spending countless hours to make sure that the shade of red for the background on a slide was perfect for a presentation and the awe that the Genographics slide system could make beautiful slides without kodaliths or gel strips for only $100/slide! The joy of learning a manuscript was accepted for publication in a prestigious journal (JBJS and others) and seeing your curriculum vitae grow by the pages were all small rewards along the way. Being selected by the AAOS to chair what would be the precursor to our Advances on the Knee and Shoulder conference in 1981 at the Breaker’s Hotel in Palm Beach, Florida was the prelude to many annual continuing education conferences including basic arthroscopy courses in Cincinnati at the former Stouffer Hotel advancing to the Westin, Hyatt and ultimately Hilton Head. I’ve lost track of how many meetings we’ve done since 1981. The honors that followed Kappa Delta including being selected as an ABC travelling fellow (beating out many other worthy competitors) and ascending through the ranks of all the elite organizations including AOA, Herodicus and others are all noteworthy. Establishing one of the countries’s first scientifically based sports medicine fellowships 30 years ago while running a busy Ortho II trauma service at the University of Cincinnati was nothing short of a miracle while spending countless hours in the biomechanics lab with Ed Grood, Dave Butler, Fred Suntay and many research assistants and medical students. Having the courage to leave the relative safety of the University environment to be able to lead and direct a multi-faceted program without the politics or constraints of an institution of higher learning was unthinkable in the early 1980’s was either brilliant or suicidal and obviously it was one of your many excellent decisions. While you’ve done your duty as a team physician to professional, collegiate and high school athletes on the sidelines your forte has never been in the trenches as a jock doc but rather at the educational, clinical, surgical and research levels. Your contributions to the advances of sports medicine are too numerous to mention. Working with the Fellowship Curriculum Committee to establish what is still probably today the backbone of a sports medicine curriculum was a labor of love. The Cincinnati Knee Rating System. The Rehabilitation protocols. The Key to the Knee. The “Book”. What’s left for you to accomplish? A legacy of over 125 fellows trained to date is a great testimony to your commitment and dedication as an educator. As the AOSSM so aptly states in your letter confirming your selection to their Hall of Fame, “You exemplify the best in orthopaedic sports medicine and thus we congratulate you on your induction into the AOSSM Hall of Fame. We are honored to have you a part of this very special group of individuals”. I don’t think anyone could say it better.
Dear Frank,

Congratulations on your induction into the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine Hall of Fame. You have truly earned this honor by your many significant contributions to education, research and care of patients with sports injuries. It has been my good fortune to have worked with you over the past 35 years and collaborate on a portion of your efforts. This period was filled with excitement, joys, anxiety, euphoria, honors, travel to exotic places, and the opportunity to meet and interact with the best orthopaedic sports medicine specialists in the world. It has been a fantastic voyage and I’m delighted to be back on board for the remainder of the trip. I am looking forward to what we can still accomplish together.

Congratulations again. You have accomplished much to be proud of – so enjoy this honor.

Sincerely, from your friend and colleague
Dear Frank,

Congratulations on being inducted into the AOSSM Hall of Fame this year. This award is most deserving given the over 30 years of clinical and basic science research that you have contributed to the field. Your initial basic science research on ligament and knee function continues to be both novel and timely. Your knee classification system and your clinical research to speed cruciate ligament and meniscal healing are pioneering and have set the pace for sportsmedicine research by those who have followed.

On a personal note, it has been an honor to collaborate with you over the years. Your focus and dedication to research has been a model for clinical scientists. Your conceptual approach to research and your clear presentations are also examples to be emulated.

Enjoy the meeting and soak in all the praise at the ceremony.
Tim Heckmann, PT, ATC  
Cincinnati SportsMedicine and Orthopaedic Center  
Cincinnati, OH

Dr. Noyes:

Congratulations on your induction into the AOSSM Hall of Fame. I could not agree more with the committee’s decision based on your role in the field of SportsMedicine. You have had such a significant impact by demonstrating your roles as team physician, clinician, researcher, and educator. Thank you for being willing to take a chance on a new graduate physical therapist in 1981; especially one from THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY. It is hard for me to believe that I have spent over half of my life in service to Cincinnati SportsMedicine, and the ideals you developed in opening this private practice. You have been a major force in developing the MD/PT/ATC team concept which continues to be a model for success in SportsMedicine and Orthopaedics. It has been my honor to work along side you in the clinical environment and to see the impact we have had on the lives of our patients. We have added excellent physicians, physical therapists, and athletic trainers to develop the practice to where it is today. You have trained SportsMedicine and Orthopaedic fellows to go out into clinical and academic practice which has demonstrated the level of excellence which has become synonymous with Cincinnati SportsMedicine and Frank Noyes, MD. Surgical procedures and rehabilitation techniques have continued to evolve thanks to your dedication to research and education. Our Hilton Head course is a testament to our approach to SportsMedicine and clinical practice. This continues to be one of the premier SportsMedicine courses in the country. Over the years, I even survived the closing of the One Lytle office and our move to Montgomery.

On a personal note, thank you for being a role model and mentor. My development as a clinician is definitely a reflection of your willingness to invest your time and energy in my career. It has been an honor to be a part of the Cincinnati SportsMedicine and Orthopaedic Center. I look forward to many more years of clinical practice together. Also, it has been my pleasure to get to know both you and JoAnne, and to be able to share a glass of wine on numerous occasions. I also look forward to many more. CONGRATULATIONS AND CHEERS!!!
I want to congratulate Dr. Noyes on being inducted into the AOSSM Hall of Fame. His devotion to the field of orthopaedics and research has been instrumental in teaching physicians over the years on advances of the knee. I’ve been fortunate to work with him over the past 18 years and his passion to improve the well being of patients never seems to amaze me.

Dr. Noyes is well known for his surgical skills and research, but what most people don’t know is his desire to improve all aspects of orthopaedics. Over 25 years ago he saw the importance of a “team approach”. Because of this philosophy, he started the “Advances of the Knee & Shoulder Course” which includes physicians, physical therapists, and athletic trainers. It is currently the longest continuous combined course in the country.

As the Medical Director of Cincinnati SportsMedicine & Orthopaedic Center, Dr. Noyes has had tough decisions to make over the years. His values of first-rate care, constant improving one’s ability to learn, professionalism, and injury prevention has been the success of the company. Because of his expectations over the years, Cincinnati SportsMedicine has routinely had a 98% or better satisfaction rating from patients.

The Hall of Fame is a reflection of one’s career and their accomplishments and Dr. Noyes is well deserving of this recognition. He is a distinguished educator, leader, and researcher, as well as a special person who is compassionate about his family and friends. On behalf of his staff and all the patients he’s helped over the years, Congratulations!
Dr. Noyes,

When I heard that you would be receiving this tremendous honor by the AOSSM I found myself thinking of the great impact you have had on my career. For my generation of Physical Therapists and Athletic Trainers your clinical work and research set the Gold Standard of how I and others were learning to treat the patient with knee problems. There is no doubt that the invitation to join the CSMOC team has resulted with educational opportunities that spurred clinical and professional growth far superior to any other possible setting.

The memory that I have that most demonstrates this takes me back to 1992 as I was completing the interview process with CSMOC. As a PT with 3 years experience I was working in a hospital setting with many other PT’s and AT, C’s: it was an open gym setting where the staff and patients intermingled regularly. As you can imagine there was also a fair amount of extraneous “hospital noise” via the intercom and loudspeaker. Suddenly, a message came across the intercom for me that I had phone call from “a Dr. Noyes, could I take it?” As I was hurrying to a phone I noticed that all of the PT’s and ATC’s on our staff stopped what they were doing at the sound of your name. Your reputation, dedication, and contributions to our field were immediately recognized by all the staff and the simple mention of your name made them take notice. Regardless of the specifics of an invitation to join CSMOC and a move of my family the response I saw in my peers at that time made it immediately evident that the opportunity presented was one I could not pass up.

I guess you could say the rest is history as for the past 16 years the opportunities to participate in the clinical, educational and research fields associated with CSMOC has been an experience like no other. Through all of the highs and lows over the years there has been one constant: no matter where I was working – teaching at the entry level programs for Physical Therapists, attending a CEU course or meeting or discussing research with other professionals – I always received the same comment of how lucky I must feel to work at CSMOC. I am proud to be a member of the CSMOC family and team and look forward to putting forth the effort to continue the reputation of the Center that you started.

Thank you again for your leadership, education and dedication to the profession of Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation.
Dr. Frank Noyes is a complex, brilliant motivated man and challenge for a sales rep and a company to establish a close relationship. It took a number of years and attempts to create business and ideas that Dr. Noyes would trust and believe. He does this in the most professional manner and even when the answer was no, it was purely on the highest ethical standards. I feel very honored to have a business and personal association with him and his team. He takes great pride in the development of his people and the numerous fellows he has trained. I continue to learn about sports medicine orthopedics and life by spending time with his group. Pleas accept my humble congratulations for a well deserved induction into the hall of fame.
My first exposure to the orthopaedic industry was at the Academy in Atlanta… I believe it was 1987. I had just taken my first job out of my Masters’ Degree, and my task was to lead the start-up, cardiac homograft (allograft) company (CryoLife, Inc.) which employed me into the world of orthopaedics. Well I went to the meeting that year, and was exposed to the likes of Frank Noyes, MD; Doug Jackson, MD; Steve Arnoczky, DVM and many others who were out there on the edge of innovations in orthopaedics. These were the days of synthetic and xenograft ligaments, early attempts at meniscus allograft transplantation and many more exciting studies in orthopaedics, and no meeting was complete without Frank Noyes, Ed Grood and Dave Butler weighing in. Those were some fast and exciting days that I will always remember fondly.
Dr. Noyes:

Congratulations on the prestigious award presented to you at the AOSSM! Your successful career as a surgeon, colleague, and thought leader has obviously contributed a great deal to the Orthopedic Community to both physicians and patients.

I have been a representative with Genzyme for only 1 1/12 years, and it was immediately apparent to me the integrity you hold Cincinnati Sports Medicine to within the entire community. I recently attended your conference in Hilton Head, on behalf of Genzyme, this year. Needless to say, the entire program was impressive and so well organized; the clinical content was superb and the logistics were flawless. Clearly, your fellows embrace the opportunity to work with you and your expertise; your staff consistently keeps everything running smoothly in order to maintain the reputation of Cincinnati Sports Medicine. I truly believe good employees come from a moral and decent leader, so I congratulate you for all the years you have invested in the practice.

I look forward to a continued relationship with Cincinnati Sports Medicine and Genzyme; it has truly been my pleasure to be associated with such an incredible research institution.

Again, congratulations on your induction to the Hall of Fame!!