

IGHSAU to induct 3 into Track Hall

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DES MOINES -- Burlington's Jenna Caffrey, Dani Stipe of Carroll Kuemper Catholic and Tipton's Ashley Miller will be inducted into the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union's Track and Field Hall of Fame Saturday afternoon at the Iowa State Track and Field Meet.

Caffrey was one of Iowa's premier hurdles in Iowa from 2003-to-2006. She owns five state championships and six Drake Relays titles. She was a two-time state champion in the 100 meter hurdles and anchored two Burlington shuttle hurdle relay teams to state crowns. She also was a state champion in the 400 hurdles her senior season.

Caffrey was a part of two record-setting performances, anchoring Burlington's 2005 state champion shuttle hurdle relay team to a Class 4A record time of 1:01.47 and set a State Meet Record in 2006 in the 100 meter hurdles (30-inch) with a time of 13.76.

Caffrey was a three-time Drake Relays champion in the 100 hurdles, setting two Drake records in the process. She also anchored two shuttle hurdle relay teams to Drake titles.

Caffrey was a two-time NCAA qualifier at Iowa State, earning first team Academic all-Big 12 honors her junior season.

Stipe, a 2006 Carroll Kuemper Catholic graduate, enjoyed an outstanding athletic career. In addition to her prowess in track and field, she was an elite all-state softball athlete that was Iowa's offensive player of the year her senior season in 2006.

On the track, she owns eight state crowns and one Drake Relays title. The long jump was her specialty, where she won the Class 2A state crown three times. Her jump of 18'11.5 in 2006 remains the Class 2A record.

Stipe won four state titles in 2006. In addition to her state record in the long jump, she successfully defended her Class 2A 100 and 200 meters titles, setting a 2A record in the 200 meters with a time of 24.98 while anchoring the Kuemper Catholic 4x400 meter relay team to a

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2A record time of 3:56.61.

Stipe was a four-time NCAA qualifier and four-time Missouri Valley Conference champion, winning two heptathlon titles in addition to conference championships in the 4x400 meter relay team and one pentathlon championship.

Miller, a 2007 graduate from Tipton, is the most decorated track athlete in Iowa girls track and field history. Miller was unbeaten in 15 state track and field races, winning four state crowns her sophomore, junior and senior seasons.

The 800 meters was her signature race, becoming just the third prep to win the event four times. She owns the Class 2A state record in the 800 and ranks eighth on the all-time list with a time of 2:10.10. She also captured three 800 titles at the Drake Relays.

In addition to her four wins in the 800, Miller anchored four distance medley, two 4x400 and two 4x800 meter relay teams to state titles and also won individual titles in the 400 and 1500 meters. Tipton won the Class 2A team title all four years Miller competed.

In addition to her track accomplishments, Miller was a two-time Class 2A individual champion in Cross Country.

Miller is finishing a standout career at the University of Nebraska. A three-time first team academic all-conference performer, she is a four-time conference champion for the Cornhuskers, winning the 1500 meter Big 12 Conference title as a junior, then capturing the Big Ten Conference 3000 meter indoor crown this winter in school record time.

Miller won her first Drake Relays title as a college performer last month when she captured the Drake Relays 1500 meters in a Drake record time of 4:15.61. Last week at the Big Ten Championships in Madison, she won the 800 and 1500 meters and was named first team all Big Ten this week.