

Hall of Fame Inductee

Jerry Morse-Karzen - New Trier High School



Jerry Morse-Karzen has been a fixture in the New Trier tennis community for nearly four decades. He has been part of 23 state championships, 50 state trophies, and over 650 dual match wins. In his thirteen years as head girls coach for the Trevians, Jerry's teams have captured six trophies, including the state title in 2004. He has worked very hard to allow as many kids as possible a chance to play for New Trier, often having 100 girls in the tennis program.

Jerry's entire life has revolved around tennis. North Shore Racquet Club (Club Karzen) is one of the most successful tennis and basketball clubs in the Midwest. Jerry has graciously donated free court time to the state finals on many occasions that required indoor play to complete the tournament. A former standout player at New Trier and the University of Michigan, Jerry has continued winning awards throughout his adult life, combining with his children to win an astonishing 37 national father / child doubles championships. He and his son, Brett, have ended the year ranked #1 in the nation ten times, while he and his daughter, Becky, have had the same distinction nine times.

Here is what others have to say about Jerry:

"A world-class competitor. Jerry's greatest qualities are his commitment to team success and enthusiasm for the game!"

Dave Lipe, Edwardsville

"Jerry Morse-Karzen has led the New Trier girls tennis program to a consistent level of success throughout his tenure as the head coach. New Trier High School congratulates Jerry on this achievement and his career."

Scott Wiviott, New Trier (Athletic Director)

The IHSTCA would like to congratulate Jerry Morse-Karzen on receiving its highest honor. Welcome to the IHSTCA Hall of Fame!