



## THAYER TUTT SPORTSMAN AWARD

### JIM WARSINSKE

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Jim Warsinske has led one of the most amazing behind-the-scene careers in the history of Colorado Springs for more than four decades. He was the Director of Operations for the 1983 U.S. Olympic Committee's National Sports Festival, which was a tremendous success. He served in a major international program role for the USOC operations at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games as the representative for the U.S. soccer team at the University of Stanford and was the General Manager for the 1986 World Cycling Championships and the 1991 Junior World Cycling Championships in Colorado Springs. Later, he served as the CEO of the Colorado Springs Sports Corporation and created the first Colorado State Games (now the Rocky Mountain State Games). Following his time at The Sports Corp, he was the Operations Director for the 1995 Olympic Festival held in Colorado Springs, Denver and Boulder. Warsinske also served as the joint Director of Development for the campaign to raise the critical funding that led to the opening of the Colorado Springs World Arena. He was also instrumental in the creation of the Colorado Springs Sports Hall of Fame with Ralph Routon, Terry Sullivan and Tom Falgien. He still serves as a member of the World Arena Board of Directors.