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USSF NAMES THREE FOR NATIONAL SOCCER HALL OF FAME HONOR
EAST WINS NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL GOLD IN INDIANAPOLIS

NEW YORK, N.Y., August 4, 1982 -- Three new members will be inducted into the United States Soccer Federation National Hall of Fame, it was announced today. John O. Best, a former USSF Vice President, Joe Carenza, a leading developer of soccer in the St. Louis area, and Lamar Hunt, a prime mover of professional soccer, will join 147 other Hall of Famers from previous years.

The USSF Hall of Fame Committee, comprised of six former Federation presidents, made final decisions from four new candidates nominated for 1982 and 25 nominees from previous years. The three inductees will be honored at the USSF's 66th Annual General Meeting in Dallas, August 25-29, and presented official certificates and lifetime passes at the Hall of Fame luncheon August 26.

"The three men selected this year certainly deserve the Hall of Fame honor," said Tom Sager, Chairman of the Hall of Fame Committee. "Each has served the game of soccer for many years and are excellent additions to the National Soccer Hall of Fame."

Best, who was nominated by the California Soccer Association-South, was the first FIFA referee ever appointed in the United States in addition to being a former USSF Vice President. He is currently Chairman of the USSF Rules and Revisions Committee.

Carenza, nominated posthumously by the Missouri Soccer Association, played an instrumental role in the development of soccer in the St. Louis area. He helped organize the CYO soccer program in St. Louis, which has produced many outstanding professional and college players, and was coach of the Kutis S.C. that won the 1957 U.S. National Open Cup.

Hunt, who has been a major factor in the development of professional soccer in the United States through his ownership of the

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Dallas Tornado and now the Tampa Bay Rowdies, was nominated by the North Texas Soccer Association.

A well-known business and sportsman, Hunt was one of the original group of owners in the United Soccer Association in 1967, which later became the North American Soccer League.

The USSF Hall of Fame was originated by the Old Timers' Association in 1950. There are two categories for Hall of Fame membership; playing achievement and administrative achievement. Candidates can be nominated for either or both categories and are made eligible for two Hall of Fame honors--the Hall of Fame Meritorious Service Award and the National Soccer Hall of Fame. It is entirely up to the discretion of the Hall of Fame Committee for final selections.

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EAST TEAM REPEATS NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The East captured its second consecutive soccer championship at the United States Olympic Committee's National Sports Festival IV this weekend, capturing a 2-1 double overtime decision over the North. Tom Kain, a 5-11 forward from Wall Township, N.J. who was a member of the U.S. National Youth Team that played in the 1981 World Youth Championship in Australia, scored the winning goal for the East in the 93rd minute of play. Kain's shot from the right baseline deflected off a North defender into the net amid a tangle of players perched in front of the goal.

Soccer, one of 33 sports represented in the fourth National Sports Festival, included 72 of the top American amateur players. The competition, used primarily for the identification and development of future Olympians, saw the East and the North qualify for berths in the gold medal match with identical 1-1-1 records. The West, also 1-1-1 but with a poorer goal differential than the North, and the South, 1-0-2,played for the bronze medal in Saturday's doubleheader.

The 4,100 spectators at the final saw plenty of soccer action as the West defeated the South 3-2 on a goal by Igor Beyder (118:06) in a game that also went into double overtime. The West took the lead early in the second half on a goal by Tom Vischer, but the South went ahead on goals by Greg Heilman and Sean McCoy that came less than a minute apart in the 58th and 59th minutes. The West tied it up on a 74th minute goal by Vischer, before capturing it in the overtime.

In the gold medal match, David Lischner put the East ahead with a goal in the 25th minute. The North tied it up in the 77th minute on a goal by David Hodgson. However, Kain scored the game-winner in overtime to give the East the gold medal.

The East's path to the finals included a 2-0 win over the South (July 27), a 1-0 win over the West (July 28) and a 4-0 loss to the North (July 31). The North (formerly the Midwest), NSF champions in 1978 and 1979, played to a 0-0 tie with the West (July 27), lost to the South 2-1 (July 28), and romped over the East 4-0 (July 31).

The East's Dan D'Angelo, a defender, was selected the tournament's Most Valuable Player by the soccer participants following the gold medal match.