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Penny Lee Dean, EdD to receive the 2024 Poseidon Award



FORT LAUDERDALE –

The International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF) will recognize Penny Lee Dean, EdD for her high-level achievement in marathon swimming with the 2024 Poseidon Award. The Award will be presented to Penny during the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame (IMSHOF) Induction and Award Ceremony on Saturday May 18th, 2024 in Cancun México. The Poseidon Award is presented annually by the International Swimming Hall of Fame to the organization or individual for high level achievement from personal effort or initiative in a field of endeavor that contributes to the performance of marathon swimmers or to the development and status of Marathon Swimming to the world.

This year's award honors Penny Lee Dean, EdD. She delivered high level achievements as a marathon swimmer: won 1 major (1979 World Professional Marathon Swimming Federation) and other prestigious races, set 2 overall Catalina Channel speed records which still stand more than 40 years later, set overall English Channel speed record which stood for 16 years and female record which stood for 28 years.

Penny delivered high level achievements as an administrator: Catalina Channel Swimming Federation - Founder, President more than 10 years and Historian/Board Member for more than 40 years. Meet director for the 1984 USA Long Distance International Championships across the Catalina Channel.

She delivered high level achievements as a coach: USA Swimming National Open Water Team Coach for twelve years (winning every competition) - taking teams to the 1991 Pan Pacific Championships; 1991 World Swimming Championships; 1982/1986/1990 Windermere Championships; 1990 English Channel Race and 1984/1989 Catalina Channel Races.

She was inducted as an Honor Swimmer in the International Marathon Swimming Hall of Fame (IMSHOF) in 1980. The International Swimming Hall of Fame inducted Penny In 1996 and presented her with the Buck Dawson Authors Award in 1998.

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