

# North Dakota Soccer Hall of Fame Class of 2012

## Michael

## Fedorchaks



Michael "Mike" Fedorchak's relationship to FIFA in the US was developed through his connections and involvement in soccer while stationed in England. Mike trained the very first FIFA certified referee's in North Dakota. He certified referees in Fargo, Jamestown, Bismarck and Minot.

Mike had connections with Werner Roth and Dennis Dually, two of the top FIFA people in the US. Dennis was based out of Minnesota and Werner was from New York.

They worked with Mike to certify referees and coaches in North Dakota. Mike was certified to referee by George McCade. George was a FIFA World Cup referee. Mike refereed FIFA national matches in England. One such match was between England and Australia. The crowd was rather hostile to having a "Yank" referee the game, with a few shouts of go home "Yank".

Mike also did the first international games between military bases in Europe. He was the coach for Chicksands AFB and he brought a base team over from Germany and