

WPIAL HALL OF FAME & COURAGE AWARD 2010 INDUCTEES

ATHLETES

STEVE BREASTON, WOODLAND HILLS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2002

One of the most exciting players in WPIAL football history. As a senior quarterback at Woodland Hills, he rushed for 1,718 yards, averaged 11.4 yards a carry and threw for 600. A master of big plays, he was involved in 33 touchdowns as a senior, either running, passing or on punt returns. The average length of those TDs was 41.9 yards. He also won WPIAL track championships in the 300-meter hurdles and 400. He went on to a successful career as a receiver at the University of Michigan and is now playing receiver with the NFL's Arizona Cardinals.

DICK DEVENZIO, AMBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1967

When the subject is top basketball guards in WPIAL history, DeVenizio's name always comes up. He averaged 20 points a game on Ambridge's 1967 team, possibly the greatest in WPIAL history. He averaged more than 30 points a game as a junior at Springdale. Also as a senior, he was a Parade All-American and went on to become the starting point guard for the Duke Blue Devils.

B.B. FLENORY, VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976

B.B. once made Sports Illustrated's Faces in the Crowd for scoring 81 points in a junior-high game. He went on to become a prolific scorer at Valley, finishing his career with 1,800 points and is one of only 13 basketball players in WPIAL-City League history to be selected to the Parade magazine All-American team. He went on to play at Duquesne University and is still among the top 15 scorers in Duquesne history.

CHRIS DUGAN, SOUTHMORELAND HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1996

Considered one of the greatest distance runners in WPIAL history. In cross country and track, Dugan won six WPIAL titles and five state championships. He became the first boy to win a state cross-country championship three years in a row. He also was a track standout in the 1,600 and 3,200-meter runs. As a senior, he set WPIAL records in both the 1,600 and 3,200. He went on to become a two-time All-American at North Carolina State.

TY MOORE, NORTH ALLEGHENY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1990

At North Allegheny, Moore was the first wrestler in state history to win his first 100 matches. His career record was 146-1 and is among an elite club of four-time state champions. He was the Post-Gazette Athlete of the Year in 1990 along with teammate Ray Brinzer before going on to wrestle for the North Carolina Tar Heels.

MANNY PIHAKIS, CANON-MCMILLAN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1952

A four-time WPIAL wrestling champ and a three-time state champion. His career record was 99-1. He went on to receive a scholarship from the Indiana, and his career record with the Hoosiers was 57-8. Immediately after college in 1957, he became Canon-McMillan's athletic director, a position he held for 36 years before retiring in 1993. During his tenure at Canon McMillan, he served as chairman of the WPIAL Wrestling Committee for many years.

**GRETCHEN RUSH- MAGERS, MT. LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1982**

Rush-Magers was a three-time WPIAL tennis champion – and the only year she didn't win it in her high school career, she didn't play high school tennis. She also was a state champion and went on to Trinity College in Texas, where she was a two-time NCAA singles runner-up and NCAA doubles champion. As a professional, she played at Wimbledon, the French Open and U.S. Open.

**BRANDON SHORT, MCKEESPORT HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 1995**

Short was one of the best linebackers in WPIAL football history, a dominant player on McKeesport's 1994 team that won WPIAL and state Quad-A championships. He was a Parade All-American and a USA Today All-American. But he also was the starting center on McKeesport's WPIAL championship basketball team in 1995. He went on to become an All-American linebacker at Penn State and played seven years in the NFL.

COACHES

PAUL HINDES

BALDWIN GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL, BASKETBALL, SOFTBALL

When it comes to winning WPIAL championships, Hinds hit the trifecta at Baldwin, winning titles in three different sports. Hinds won five WPIAL titles in volleyball, three in basketball and eight in softball. He also won three state titles in volleyball. All told in three sports, he won 27 sections and 16 WPIALs.

HARRIETT MORRISON

FARRELL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

You'd need four hands to count all the WPIAL titles Morrison won as Farrell's girls' volleyball coach. She won 20 WPIAL championships and eight state championships. She retired a few years ago with a record of 554-59 and is one of the few women in the Pennsylvania Volleyball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

ART WALKER

MT. LEBANON-SHADY SIDE ACADEMY FOOTBALL

In WPIAL football coaching annals, there is an "Art" to winning. He is one of only four coaches in WPIAL history to win six football championships. He won five during his 21 years at Mt. Lebanon (1967-87) and one more in his five years (1994-98) at Shady Side Academy. His all-time record was 207-73-6.

CONTEST OFFICIALS

TOM STABILE

FOOTBALL, BASEBALL, BASKETBALL

Stabile has been involved in interscholastic athletics in the WPIAL in many roles including Student-athlete, coach, teacher, administrator, and a contest official in three sports. An official for more than 40 years, he has officiated WPIAL championship contests in football, basketball, and baseball. Currently an NFL official, a position he has held since 1995.

BILL CHRISTY

BASKETBALL, SOFTBALL, VOLLEYBALL

During his career as an official, Christy worked 87 consecutive seasons in basketball, softball, and volleyball. In 1986, he officiated at the NCAA National Championship and in 1991 at the NAIA National Championships. In addition to serving as an active official, He was highly respected as an assigner, observer, evaluator, supervisor, and educator of contest officials. In each of his roles, he was a consummate professional, who always had the respect of his peers, coaches, athletic administrators, and student-athletes who had contact with him.

CONTRIBUTOR

MICHAEL MANZO

For nearly three decades Manzo has served as the WPIAL legal counsel since 1981. During his tenure, he has advised all three WPIAL full-time executive directors on all aspects of operating the league while always emphasizing the educational values of interscholastic athletics and the ideals of good sportsmanship. Athletics has always been an important part of his life. He participated in three sports in High School in Scranton, PA and played football and lacrosse at Princeton University. He has served as the counsel for the former Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Lacrosse Association and also represents the Pittsburgh Steelers.

TEAMS

BRADDOCK FOOTBALL

1959

This was the last of Braddock's teams that won six WPIAL titles in a row under legendary Coach Chuck Klausing in the late 1950s. Those teams also had a 56-game unbeaten streak, which is still a WPIAL record. The 1959 team might have been the best as it finished 9-0 and outscored opponents, 278-75. The '59 team produced a future NFL player in Ken Reaves, plus a handful of Division I college players, including Curtis Vick (Purdue), John Jacobs (Arizona State) and Roland Mudd (Minnesota). This team was also featured in a four-page Sports Illustrated article that recognized Braddock's program and its long unbeaten streak.

GATEWAY FOOTBALL

1986

Legendary Gateway coach Pete Antimarino had many great teams, but this one ended the season 13-0 and ranked No. 3 in the country by USA Today. Only two teams scored more than a touchdown on the Gators and they outscored opponents, 357-79. Gateway won the WPIAL Quad-A title in 1986 in an epic championship game, 7-6, over North Hills. The game drew more than 20,000 fans at Three Rivers Stadium. A handful of players on this Gateway team went on to play at big-time colleges, including Curtis Bray (Pitt) and Terry Smith (Penn State).

COURAGE AWARD

JIMMY MONTECALVO

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

In his short life, Jimmy battled cancer that let to a multitude of challenges. A positive outlook and determination led Jimmy to success in life and sports. At Washington High School, he enjoyed success as a wide-receiver and kicker in football, and as a stellar performer on the golf and track teams. An honor student, he was named an All Star Achiever by the Post Gazette as a senior. he graduated magna cum laude from Bethany College and pursued his life's work as a sports journalist. Regardless of the task, Jimmy was always smiling as he toiled until there was no more to give. Jimmy passed away in June, 2008 at the age young age of 26.