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Tonight we celebrate our 27th Annual Hall of Fame awards dinner as we welcome you to the Genesys Athletic and Banquet Center.

Our committee this year once again has selected an outstanding group of individual inductees Dan Severn – Courtney Hawkins – Bill Brandt – Daryl Turner – Marty Crane - Steve Schmidt – are being honored for their dedication and commitment to the sports they played.

This year we have two recipients for the Special Service Award. Their commitment to quality and sportsmanship has had a positive impact on hundreds of Flint athletes. They are Dick Daly and Jack Doering.

Also tonight we are inducting the following teams:

1953 Northern High School Track Team

1968 Strohs Fast Pitch Softball

1974 Powers Catholic High School Baseball Team

The board of directors would like to express our appreciation to the Flint Journal. The Journal staff with their excellent articles, have all contributed to the success of the Greater Flint Sports Hall of Fame.

The Flint Journal's commitment to quality is further demonstrated by their contributions of the hall of fame plaques which are on display tonight. These plaques will be permanently enshrined in the Greater Flint Sports Hall of Fame Located at Genesys Athletic Club.

A Special "THANKS" goes to the Genesys Conference & Banquet Center and the Genesys Athletic Club for providing the permanent home for all past, present and future plaques of our honorees.

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Master of Ceremonies: Bill Troesken, Member Board of Directors

Invocation: Rev. Roy Horning, Pastor of St. Robert Church-Flushing

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Presentation of the Class of 2006.....Bill Troesken

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- ★ **Jack Doering-Special Service Award**
- ★ **Dick Daly-Special Service Award**
- ★ **Dan Severn**
- ★ **Courtney Hawkins**
- ★ **William Brandt-represented by his son, Steven**
- ★ **Daryl Turner**
- ★ **Marty Crane**
- ★ **Steve Schmidt**
- ★ **Flint Northern H.S. 1953 Track Team**
- ★ **Powers Catholic H.S. 1974 Baseball Team**
- ★ **Stroh's Beer 1968 Softball Team**

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Jack Doering Special Service Award

By Greg Tunnicliff

Jack Doering didn't tolerate drivers getting nasty with one another at Auto City Speedway.

With as competitive as short-tracking can be, tempers sometimes flare. When they did, such activity was always grounds for getting time off.

However, if a couple guys wanted to duke it out, the former Auto City owner preferred they do it on the track's front stretch, not in the pits.

"He had a little bit of Barnum & Bailey and a little bit of the WWE (World Wrestling Entertainment) in him, maybe a lot," said Dixie Motor Speedway owner Mike Kern, who used to race at Auto City. "Jack had the knack of knowing what people wanted to see."

Doering was a pioneer in the sense that he realized early on that oval-track racing was more than just cars going around the track. It was entertainment, too.

It was partly because of his foresight into this concept that enabled him to take a bankrupt facility and turn it into one of the top local sports attractions.

That foresight and skill has earned Doering, 72, the Special Services Award from the GFASHF.

"Any short track is in the show business, not the racing business," Doering said. "The No. 1 person at the track is the race fan."

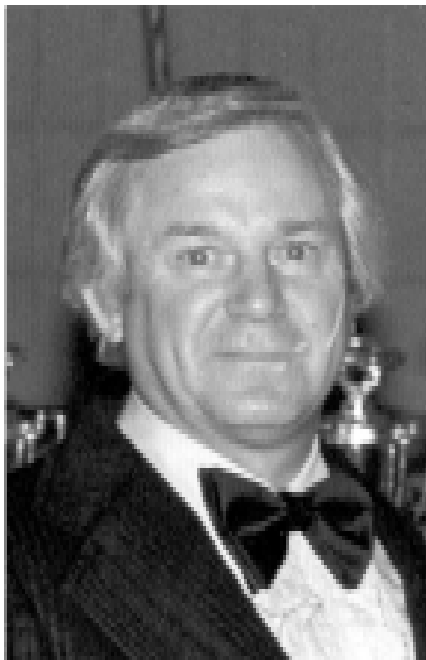
Doering had always been an avid racing fan and in 1958 he took a job as the track's people counter.

Auto City went bankrupt during the summer of '58 before reopening a year later under then-owner Joe Grabenhorst.

Doering was elevated to the promoter's position on July 4, 1959 by Grabenhorst when then-promoter Bob George failed to show up.

Over the course of the next 41 years, the Clio resident would transform Auto City from a dirt quarter-mile track into the premier racing facility on the east side of the state.

He became partners with Grabenhorst in 1962 before taking over sole owner-



ship of the track when Grabenhorst died in 1985.

During his tenure he added a half-mile track in 1960. Both ovals were paved in 1986.

What set him aside from the typical promoter was he wasn't afraid to occasionally veer away from traditional racing. Various "Hollywood" acts and personalities would make appearances at Auto City during Doering's watch.

Joey Chitwood's Thrill show, Speed-O the Clown, Robbie Knievel and Burt Reynolds all went through Auto City's gates.

Doering instituted one-on-one spectator drag races, had skydivers parachute into the track and put on motorcycle demolition derbies and fireworks displays.

When he owned Dixie, he once staged a professional wrestling match between Dick 'The Brusier' and 'Gorgeous George'.

And boy did his tricks work. Auto City's seating capacity leaped from 3,000 to 7,000.

"Who wouldn't want to go to a carnival," said John Doering Jr., Jack's son. "Who wouldn't want to go to a big show? Anything he could think of to put on a show he would do."

Gimmicks aside, Doering knew that

besides keeping the fans happy, he also had to give the drivers a reason to come back.

He did this by doing whatever he could to help them out and increasing the track's weekly purse.

Auto City's purse was initially \$300. That figured swelled to \$3,000 in 1961 and then to \$25,000 in Doering's final season of 1999.

"He was fair with everybody," said Clio's Darrell McManus, who raced super late models at Auto City. "He treated everybody the same and he made every racer feel needed."

Doering was also big into the big-time traveling acts. He booked such notable shows as the American Speed Association, Main Event Racing Series and the Auto Value Super Sprints.

His biggest show was undoubtedly the Colonel's Firecracker 150, which took place every year on July 4. The winner of the super late-models feature took home a new pickup truck.

"He was a promoters' promoter," former Auto Value Motorsports Director Dan Scheuerlein said. "He could not do enough for his sponsors. It was a little bit of Las Vegas."

Doering's innovativeness and his passion for the sport earned him an enormous amount of respect in the racing industry.

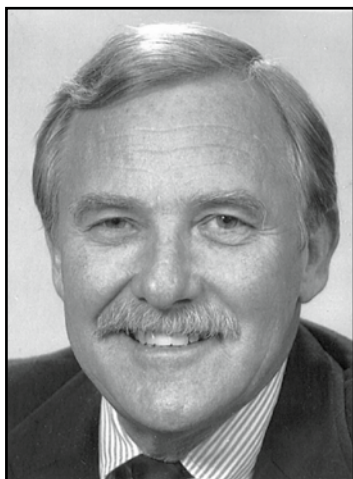
He helped found the Michigan Speedway Promoters Association in 1972 and he was inducted into the Michigan Motorsports Hall of Fame in 1987.

Doering is always quick to point out the success of Auto City was not entirely his doing.

He attributes the vast majority of it to his family – wife, Bonnie, and sons John Jr. and Jason – his friends Grabenhorst, Scheuerlein, Don Williamson former Journal Sports Editor Doug Mintline and his many employees.

"I always felt like the luckiest man in the world," Doering said. "Every day was fun. I never dreaded going to the race track. Maybe I did put a little mark on this town."

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Dick Daly Special Service Award

By Dean Howe

Dick Daly's middle name should have been "co-operation."

Whether he was working for somebody or somebody was working for him, Daly's motto was always about getting along.

It's why the former St. Michael and Eastern Michigan University (then Michigan State Normal College) football star was so effective in his job, first as a community school director in Flint, then as an employee and boss for Flint's Community Schools sports and recreation programs.

It's why he is receiving the Special Service Award tonight from the GFASHF.

"I loved working with him and for him," said Tom Cole, longtime friend and fellow employee in the Flint school system. "Dick was a good director and he could make you laugh. It was just a pleasure to be around him."

Daly might be the first to tell you he doesn't really belong on the same wall with so many other Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Famers. His plaque is up there because of what he did to further the opportunities for so many in Flint and Genesee County in physical education and recreation.

From the beginning, he's a man who put some oomph behind the Flint Olympian and CANUSA Games. He still sits on a committee to continue fundraising for these games, which passed the 50-year milestone last summer.

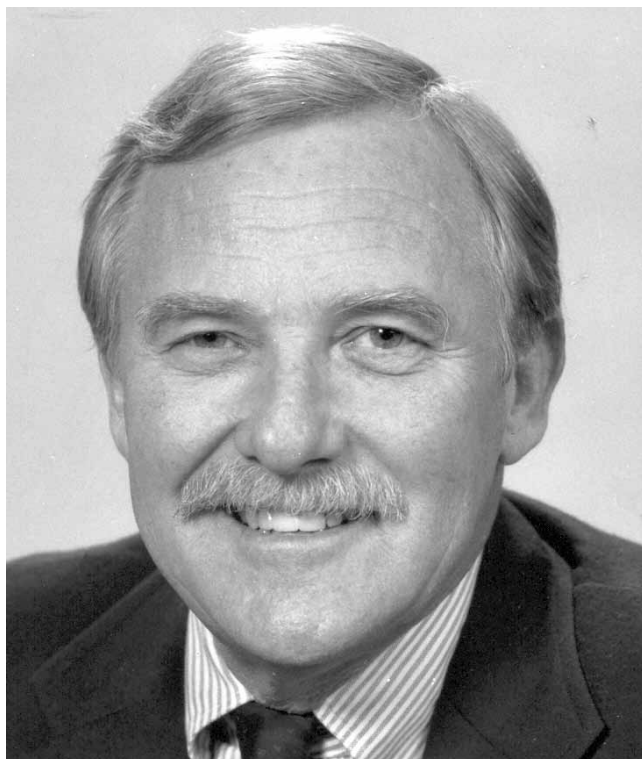
It was Daly who organized the Flint Winter Games, which offered all kinds of sports, indoor and outdoor, to people of all ages.

"I really appreciate all the cooperation we got from so many agencies to help keep our programs in high gear," Daly said. "On my watch, there were so many good things happening in Flint. I'm proud to say I was a Flint guy and always will be. It's a great community because so many people have joined forces to make it all work."

Let's talk about Daly's athletic career because he's too modest to speak of it.

Daly was an all-league performer in the old Flint Area Parochial League in the early 1950s, a quarterback in football and a standout also on the basketball court and on the baseball diamond.

He chose Eastern to major in education and English. He also became a big part of stellar football teams, coached by the late Fred Trosko in Ypsilanti.



For two years Daly was a two-way starter at end, despite weighing only 170 pounds.

"I was pretty intense and I had a quick temper," Daly said. "But I certainly enjoyed my college days at Eastern."

After graduation, Daly returned to Flint and became a community school director at Stevenson School. He worked in that same capacity at McKinley and Holmes middle schools before heading to the Board of Education to begin his duties in the physical education and recreation and athletic department.

He retired from his job as director of the physical education, recreation & athletic programs in 1992.

Daly always had a strong appetite for hard work and an appreciation for what Flint had to offer. He had a smile and laugh that made people want to cooperate on all levels, for the sake of improving the sports and recreation programs.

A devoted family man, Daly and his wife, Margaret, celebrated their 50th anniversary last summer.

The Dalys have six children, Chris, Rick, Laura, Julie, Rob and Ellen, and nine grandchildren. They, along with others, are in the banquet hall tonight to salute a man who, for much of his life, gave the people of Flint and Genesee County a reason to play the sports and games.

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Dan Severn Wrestling

By Lee Morse

Fans worldwide have seen Dan “The Beast” Severn enter the athletic stage and perform at a level unknown to most people.

Severn has traveled the world showing off his abilities in Greco-Roman and freestyle wrestling, mixed martial arts and as a professional wrestler.

It all started for Severn as an eighth-grade basketball player in Montrose, sitting on the bench when a flu epidemic hit the school. A few of his friends asked if he’d fill in at a weight class for the wrestling team, so the team wouldn’t have to forfeit.

“I wrestled twice, lost twice and ended the season sitting on the basketball bench,” Severn said.

The next year he went out for wrestling, where he finished with an uninspiring 13-14 record.

But that wasn’t indicative of things to come, as he finished his high school wrestling career with eight national high school records, two national championships, two state titles and was a three-time All-American.

Severn was as dominant a wrestler as the Flint area has ever seen, finishing his high school career by winning his last 100 matches over his junior and senior years while helping Montrose High become the first school in the state to win back-to-back titles in Class C.

Of Severn’s 100 consecutive wins, (those in which the other team didn’t forfeit his weight class), all but one ended in a pin.

His record for pins (112) stood as a U.S. national record until 1992.

“I loved football more than wrestling,” Severn said during a 1992 seminar in Durand. “I was a three-sport athlete in high school, wrestling, football and track.

“I found out I could control my own destiny in wrestling, but in football I had 10 other guys on the field and I couldn’t control their destiny. If they didn’t want to win as bad as me, I couldn’t do much about it.”

His older brother, David, helped bring him into wrestling. Together they became the first brother combination to win state titles in the same year. Dan then combined with his brother, Mark, the next year to become the second tandem.

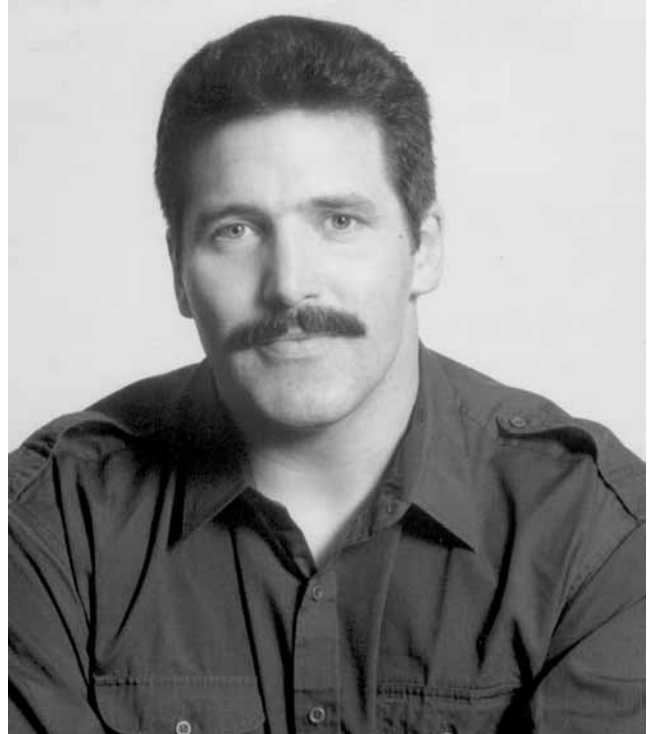
He was one of four Severn brothers who wrestled at Arizona State. Dan won three Pac-10 championships, was a two-time All-American and compiled a record of 127-11-1 between 1977-1980.

His 127 wins stood as a Sun Devils’ school mark for eight years, and is still fifth on the list.

He still owns the ASU record for most pins, 73.

Severn also holds the mark for most pins in a season (25) and is second in career winning percentage (.917). Three Severns show up on the career victories list for ASU. Dan is fifth at 127, Dave is ninth with 117 and Rod is tied for 17th with 103.

During his wrestling career, Dan Severn held more



than 70 national and international titles. They include 13 national AAU championships from 1982-94 and a gold medal at the 1985 Canada Cup. He was an alternate for the 1980 and 1984 Olympic wrestling teams.

Severn gained new popularity in 1994 when, at age 40, he stepped into the octagon for the first time for the Ultimate Fighting Championships, where he was given his nickname “The Beast” by football hall of famer Jim Brown.

He is the only three-time UFC champion and is a member of the UFC Hall of Fame.

For his career in mixed martial arts, Severn compiled a record of 70-13-7 through last August.

“I started late in life,” Severn said of his mixed martial arts record. “I became the oldest MMA guy in the U.S. after winning my last match over Skip Hall. He was 61 and he retired after our match.”

Severn recently celebrated his 4,000th athletic competition, but doesn’t see himself hanging around like Hall.

“I’ve lived a lifetime of setting records and breaking records,” Severn said.

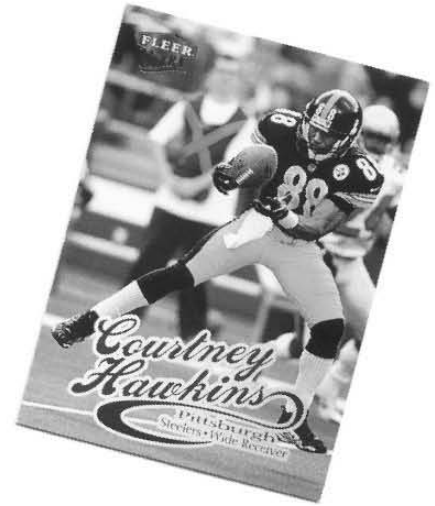
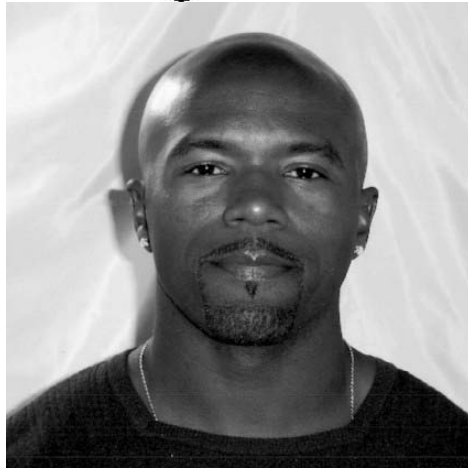
Severn stays busy putting on seminars for law enforcement, making speeches at schools and updating his Web site, dansevern.com.

“Two words come to mind,” Severn said when asked to sum up his athletic career.

“I’ve made a difference and made an impact. Even as I teach class, I motivate people to make that difference and impact on people’s lives.

“A lot of people talk. To me talk is cheap. I’m not going to promise you anything I can’t come through with.”

Courtney Hawkins

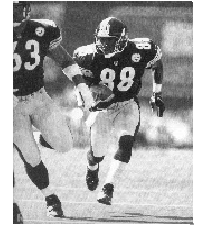


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Courtney Hawkins Football

By Bill Khan

If you want to get Courtney Hawkins started, just bring up the issue of specialization in high school sports.

All too often, kids are being told they need to focus on one sport to have a chance of playing at the college or professional level.

It's particularly prevalent in Flint, where many youngsters are steered toward year-round basketball.

Hawkins hates what he sees.

"You only get one opportunity to play high school sports," Hawkins said. "You get four chances to play football, four chances to play basketball, track, baseball, whatever.

"A lot of these so-called 'coaches' - I'm not talking everybody - but the ones who sit up and tell a kid, 'You're a basketball player,' they're doing that kid an injustice."

Hawkins knows of what he speaks.

He was the ultimate multi-sport athlete in the 1980s at Beecher, making All-State in football, basketball and track. He was an integral part of six state championship teams in basketball and track and a football team that made the state playoffs in 1985 back when qualifying was tougher.

Yet, juggling three sports didn't keep him from making it to the top in one. After a record-setting career at Michigan State, he played nine years in the National Football League with Tampa Bay and Pittsburgh.

He credits all of his experiences competing in whatever sport was in season with making him the football player he became.

"Most college coaches would rather have a well-rounded athlete than a guy who just plays football or basketball," Hawkins said. "For instance, coach (Tom) Izzo said he loves a guy who's played football, because he knows he'll be tough and won't shy away from contact. Each sport kind of brings out different things."

Hold on. He's not through.

"There are exceptions to the rule," Hawkins added, "but there aren't many Kobe Bryants or LeBron James walk-

ing around Flint. These kids are being misled by some people. I don't know if they're doing it for their own gain or what, but they need to tell our kids to do as much as they can, get as much exposure as they can. Who knows? You may be a basketball player, but you may be the next Jerry Rice or Walter Payton. You won't know unless you give it a chance."

In football, Hawkins ran 378 times for 3,202 yards and 63 touchdowns, averaging an incredible 8.5 yards per carry. He had 4,569 yards in total offense.

In basketball, Hawkins was a two-time All-Stater who set a school record by averaging 7.7 assists per game in 1987-88. He was the starting point guard on the 1984-85 and 1986-87 state Class B championship teams.

Beecher was the state Class B track champion all four years that Hawkins competed. Hawkins ran on four state championship relay teams during his career.

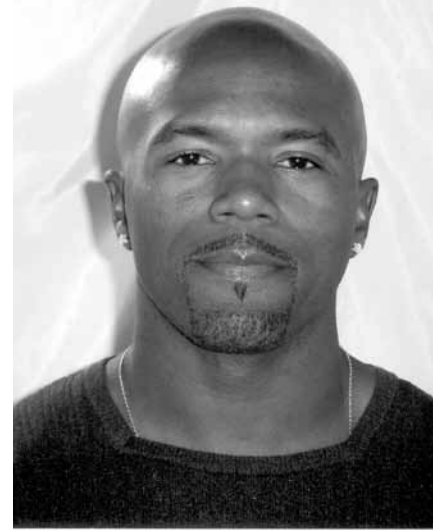
"It kept me in shape all year long," Hawkins said. "It kept me out of the streets. My mom knew where I was."

Hawkins' versatility as an athlete was evident on the football field during his days at Beecher.

He made the varsity in 1984 as the starting quarterback, then moved to running back the following season. He was a two-way All-Big Nine Conference pick as a running back and defensive back, but was switched to wide receiver by coach George Perles when he arrived at Michigan State.

Hawkins broke out as a sophomore in 1989 with a school-record 60 catches for 1,080 yards, earning a spot on the All-Big Ten Conference first team. He was the MVP of the John Hancock Bowl in 1990, making six catches for 106 yards in a 17-16 victory over USC.

Hawkins had 138 catches for 2,210 yards at MSU, then grabbed 366 passes for 4,573 yards and 18 touchdowns in 129 NFL games for Tampa Bay from 1992-96, then for Pittsburgh from 1997-2000.



Hawkins has played for some of the biggest names in the coaching profession - Perles, Tony Dungy and Bill Cowher - but holds a special place in his heart for Mose Lacy, the stern basketball coach at Beecher.

When Hawkins was named Beecher's football coach this year, one of his first moves was bringing back Lacy to coach the Buccaneers' linemen.

"He's a special man," Hawkins said. "He took so many of us boys from the Beecher area and took us in as if we were his own. He molded us into young men, into gentlemen, to be respectful but to also be tough.

"When you look at Beecher, when he left is when the demise started. He held kids accountable."

Hawkins is attempting to bring Beecher back to prominence as football coach and athletic director. He returned to the Flint area three years ago and thought it was time to return to where it all started.

"We've got a lot of kids walking these halls that don't play any sports," Hawkins said. "I don't understand it.

"We ought to push the kids back onto the court and back onto the field. That way, we'll get them off the streets.

"I tell these boys every single day, 'there's no love on those streets.' You may be fooled that there's something special on those streets, but the streets are dangerous and have taken away so much from the city of Flint."

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Bill Brandt Softball Pitcher

By Rickey Hampton

Steve Brandt knew his father, the late Bill Brandt, was a pretty good fast pitch softball player.

But Steve, who just a child when his dad was dominating Flint's splendid City AA fast pitch softball leagues for nearly a decade, had no idea how great his father was until he was selected for induction into the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame.

"I really didn't the feel the full impact of how big a deal this was until I went to the press conference," said Brandt, who lives in Lansing. "I'm sitting around all these pro athletes, and learning about all of these other great athletes, and then realizing my dad is among them.

"It makes me, and my family, very proud. Dad just loved to play. He had no idea that playing ball would come to such fruition."

Nicknamed "Mr. Softball", out of respect of his utter dominance, Brandt pitched from 1956 to '65. He compiled a sparkling, 96-28 record as a pitcher for Davis Supply, Buick, Sports Shop, and Team Equipment.

One of Brandt's best seasons came in 1959, when he went 18-1, with an earned run average of 0.36. He had three no-hitters that season, topping it off with a perfect game. His brilliance earned him the league's Most Valuable Player award.

Brandt was 68-10 from 1956-'61. He led the league in strikeouts on numerous occasions, and was also the regular winner of the ERA crown.

A big, barrel chested, man who looked more like an NFL linebacker than a pitcher, Brandt was an intimidating force according to his son, Michael.

"He was so imposing on the mound," said Michael, who now lives in a Charleston, S.C. suburb. "He was known as 'Big Bill' and 'The Horse' by his teammates and competitors.

"Dad was pretty fast, as you had to have speed," he explained. "But I recall him as a junk ball king, with many secret pitches he had learned over the years.

"He had a curve, a riser, that rose about a foot, and a change-up that broke many a batter's will. His riser was deadly not only to batters, but he broke the fingers of two catchers."

Not only was Brandt physically imposing, Michael also remembers his unique pitching style.

"He used to refer to it as the half-pitch, as opposed to the standard full-round 'windmill' pitch that most



used for speed," Michael said. "Most pitches left his hand, as his hand made contact with his right outer thigh, just above the knee. That is where the fancy spins originated."

Brandt passed away in 1983 from a heart attack. He was 55. Before his death he worked many years for Consumers Energy, and eventually moved to Oscoda.

"But they wouldn't let him pitch up north because of his name and reputation that followed him," said Steve.

Tonight's induction is a proud moment for the Brandt family.

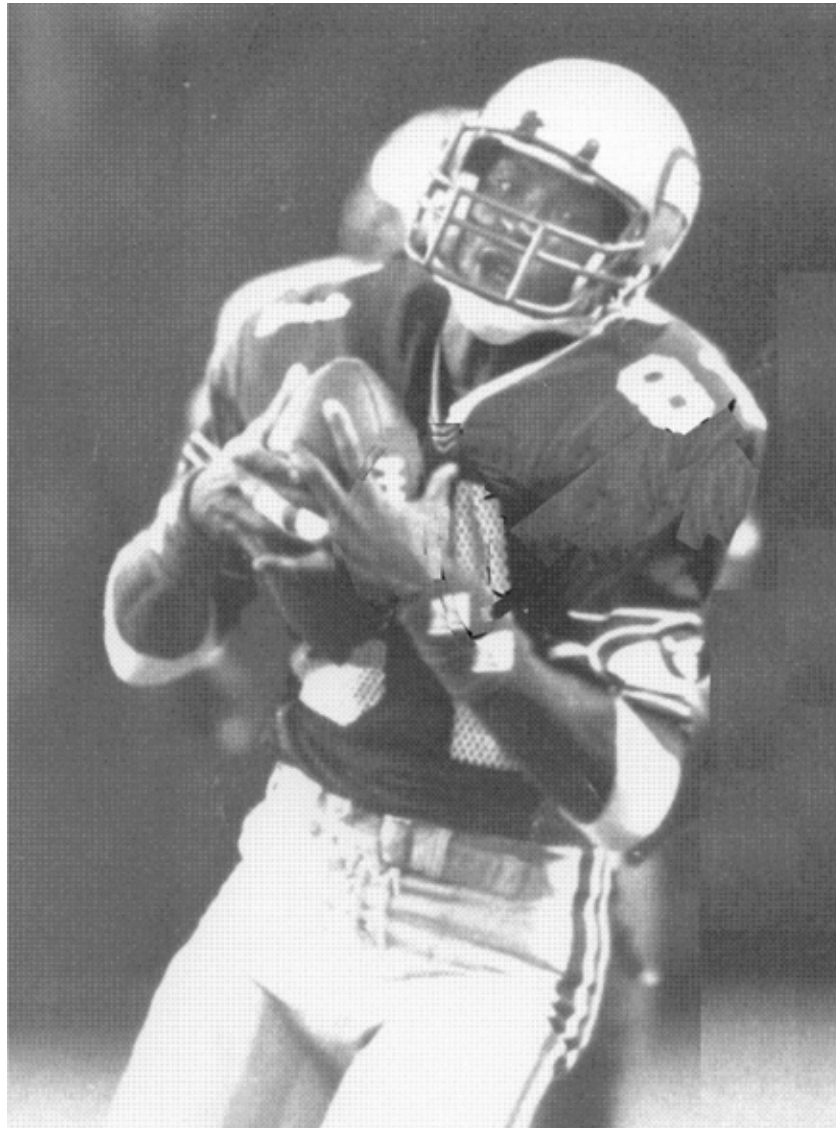
"All of our family is from the Flint area and our whole family was really ingrained in sports, but no one has ever done the things he did," Steve said.

"To be included with all the great athletes from the Flint area is an honor I know he would be proud of.

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DARYL TURNER



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Daryl Turner Football

By Keith Morris

The way Daryl Turner was going, the Pro Football Hall of Fame was looking like a very real possibility.

Following a standout prep career in both football and basketball at Flint Southwestern High and an impressive college football career at Michigan State, Turner exploded onto the National Football League scene after being selected in the second round of the 1984 NFL Draft by the Seattle Seahawks.

He led all rookies with 10 touchdown catches in 1984 and was even more impressive in 1985, leading the NFL with 13 TD receptions. The 6-foot-3, 194-pound speedster caught 101 passes for 36 touchdowns in four seasons.

Then, as quickly as he burst into the spotlight, his flame died.

Self-destructive behavior ended his bright NFL career and his fourth season with the Seahawks was his last.

"(Among) the regrets I have is No. 1 that I didn't play longer in the NFL," Turner said. "As far as the accomplishments, that was fine but it always comes back to you. What could you have done different? And what I would have done different was leave the drugs alone."

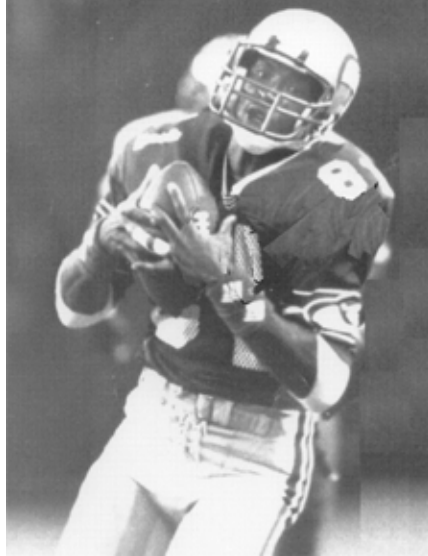
Turner began drinking in the eighth grade and alcohol and drug abuse doused flaming star too soon.

"I see the guys now and how easy it is to get yourself in trouble with the drugs in sports," Turner said. "I am who I am but at that time that person was a drug-buying person."

"That was a person doing something that was easy to him. My off-season training was just running a couple of miles and I was ready to go."

"I don't talk too much about what the accomplishments were because No. 1, that was small. Some of the things I did in Seattle, that was fine, but a lot more could have been accomplished if the drugs weren't involved."

"It's an honor," Turner said of tonight's induction. "It means a great



deal that I could be recognized by my peers. It's something I've always wanted to be a part of. There's a lot of athletes that come out of Flint and to have your peers recognize you as one of them is remarkable.

"When they first started the Hall of Fame, I wanted to be a part of it. Once I found out about it I felt my talents were good enough to be in that Hall and basically I had to get my life together to get myself in a position to be in the Hall of Fame."

Turner, who caught 78 passes for 1,577 yards (20.2 average) at MSU, was All-State in football at Southwestern and also starred on the basketball court.

"When it comes to a pure athlete I thought Daryl really fit that position," said Jeff Grayer, former All-State basketball player at Flint Northwestern High and a 2003 inductee into the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame.

"He played every sport and was an awesome talent."

Grayer remembers seeing Turner play in a game against Northwestern his senior year.

"I went to watch Barry Stevens (of Northwestern) play and saw this guy keep coming down the lane and slamming down dunks and I was thinking, 'Who is this guy?'"

"The next time I saw him he was catching touchdowns for Michigan State. I thought he was one of the

best basketball players I've seen come out of Flint and to do what he did in football is a testament to his talent."

Former Central High basketball coach Cliff Turner was among the many who were impressed by Turner as a high school athlete.

"He was an outstanding athlete and was good at whatever he did," Turner said. "He had quickness and strength. He had all the tools. He could have been a Division I college basketball player."

Daryl Turner, who'll be 45 this month, lives in Birmingham with his wife of three months, Diane. The couple met while Turner was working at the Salvation Army during his rehabilitation.

"God sent her to me," Turner said. "That's what I believe and she believes it."

One of the ways he turned his life around was by witnessing to youngsters. He joined other standout athletes from the area at the Flint Athletes for Better Education basketball camp, telling campers about how his experience with drugs and alcohol derailed his career and his life.

"One of the things we preached back in June (at the camp) is there's a time and place for everything, but doing drugs is not going to work," Turner said.

"You need to stay on your course and make education first and you'll have time for recreation later on in life as you get older, but at this present time you don't need that."

Although he was one of the best receivers in the NFL, it's not a football game that Turner mentions when asked about his favorite sports memory. No, it's a high school basketball game he remembers most fondly.

"The day I hit 40 points against Grand Rapids Central as a senior," he said. "I was 15 of 19 from the field and 10 of 12 from the free throw line. That is the one that stands out to me all the time."



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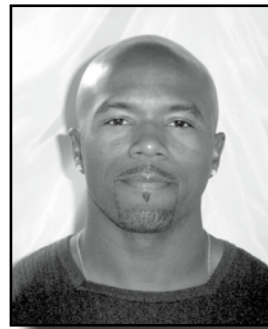
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# Marty Crane Track Coach

*By Brendan Savage*

Growing up, Marty Crane wanted to be a baseball player.

His grandfather was a catcher. His dad was a catcher. And Crane was a catcher.

Baseball was his passion. That is, until one day in 7th grade, when he was catching for his junior high team and Kearsley High track coach Harry Burnett happened to stop by and catch the action. In watching Crane on the baseball field, Burnett saw the makings of a track star.

"I'd back up first base and I'd beat the runner down to first base," Crane said with his trademark chuckle. "He told me, 'You need to run track.' I wanted to be a state champion and I didn't think you could be a state champion in two sports.

"I hated giving (baseball) up. I went to Cy Richards (Kearsley's baseball coach) and he said, 'You've got to go your own way. Your career is probably not in baseball.' "

No, it was in track, where Crane not only went on to win that state championship he coveted but also helped countless other youngsters win state track titles in 34 years as the head coach at Beecher. His Buccaneers captured 10 state team championships as well as numerous individual crowns.

"It's a great honor," Crane said of tonight's induction. "This is a tribute to a lot of the kids who ran for me more than anything. As a coach, you get all the accolades, but the kids do the work.

"It doesn't hurt to have the good ones. The old story was that you can have a plow mule run, but to win you need some thoroughbreds. And I had some thoroughbreds."

Did he ever.

Guys like Carl Banks, Lonnie Young, Thad McFadden and Courtney Hawkins, who all were track stars at Beecher long before embarking on successful careers in the NFL.

"I always said they were our million-dollar babies," Crane said with a laugh.

Crane's first visit to the state championship winner's circle came in 1960, when he was a junior at Kearsley. He ran on the sprint relay team that won a state title before winning the 400 on his own as a senior.

After graduating from Kearsley in 1961, Crane ran on the track team at Western Michigan but he didn't have the same success, thanks in part to lingering injuries.

Crane got his degree at WMU and was hired at Beecher Junior High the same day he applied for the job. It was there that he broke into coaching as the cross country mentor before finally becoming the track coach at the high school in 1969.

Seven years later, the Bucs won the first of Crane's 10 state titles.

Crane, who retired from the high school in 2003, jokes that his position as a physical education teacher played a pivotal role in Beecher's track success.

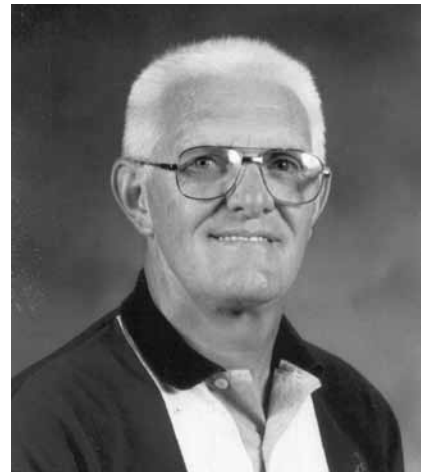
"I could catch the kids in most of physical education classes that were good athletes and try to steer them away from baseball to track," he said, laughing again.

These days, Crane keeps busy as a coach in the Olympian and CANUSA Games in which he was an original participant as a youngster. He also serves as an official in high school cross country and track meets as well as winter college events. He also works the Crim Festival of Races every year.

Looking back, there are plenty of moments Crane is fond of recalling. There were the three straight state titles from 1976-78, the four in a row from 1985-85, the two times Beecher's boys and girls won state titles in the same year, and the 1983 team that finished first in Class B with 91 points while runner-up Ecorse had just 33 1/2.

But two highlights stand out more than all the others, according to Crane.

One was in 1992, when the Bucs won their 10th and final state title under Crane. That was the year Beecher



became the only team in state history to win all four relay events before giving Crane his first and only Gatorade bath after the meet

The other?

Well, it happened in 1976 and it's best to let Crane tell that one himself.

"They say you never forget your first kiss," Crane recalled. "Well, our first state track championship, I was keeping score and I had us winning. They announced the team scores and called the runner-up as Flint Beecher and the winner as Dearborn Robichaud.

"I went to the press box and said I didn't have them for that many points. I was persistent about it.

"I said, 'there's something wrong. Can you go back to the scoring? I'm not taking that (the runner-up trophy). You can take it and send it to Robichaud.' It didn't belong to us."

When the scorekeepers wouldn't budge, the Bucs got on their bus in Battle Creek without any hardware and headed to Marshall for something to eat before continuing home.

While the team was eating, a scoring error was discovered. Dearborn Robichaud had been awarded eight points that actually belonged to Dearborn Riverside. The difference made Beecher the rightful champion.

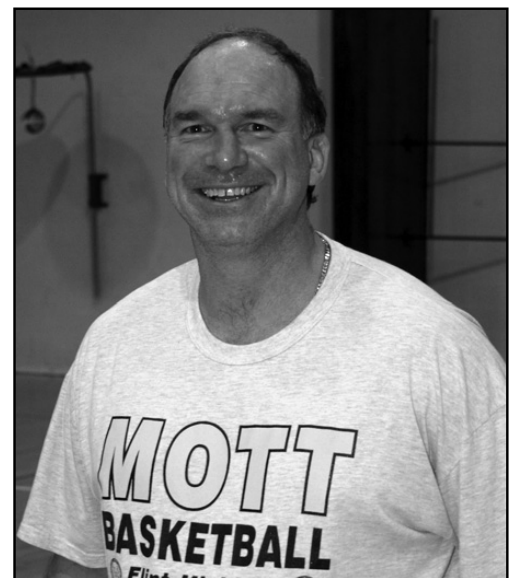
"The state police pulled over their (Robichaud's) bus and got the trophy," Crane said laughing. "The cops brought it back to the school and our athletic director and board president ended up bringing it to us where we were eating."

And a dynasty was born.



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**Congratulations, Steve, on your induction.**



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# Steve Schmidt Basketball Coach

*By Dan Nilsen*

Steve Schmidt initially turned down the job as Mott Community College basketball coach.

On the eve of his interview, the Lansing native re-searched Flint by watching "Roger and Me."

"I didn't have a true picture of Flint at that time based on that movie," Schmidt admits now. "My heart said no."

Two weeks later, Schmidt's heart and mind were changed by a second visit to the campus. He took a closer look at the facilities, and he ran into a couple of downcast players who asked if he was going to be their coach.

"They didn't know who I was, they didn't care who I was. They just wanted a coach," Schmidt said. "It broke my heart. I turned around, went to the athletic director's office and said I'd like the job."

That was in 1991.

Today, it's hard to imagine Mott basketball without Schmidt pacing the sideline, driving his teams to achievements unmatched by most programs. In his 15 years, Mott has won eight conference championships, five state titles, four regional crowns and the 2003 national championship. The Bears have made three other final four appearances since 2000, finishing as national runners-up in 2001 and 2004.

Schmidt has the most wins in school history with a 379-105 record (.783), including a 187-38 conference mark (.831) and a school-record 33-4 log in 2001. His last 11 teams have won at least 25 games. He was National Coach of the Year in 2003.

None of that would have happened had Schmidt not taken the Mott position as his first head coaching job. The program was on the verge of collapse after the previous coaching staff left and only a handful of players remained.

"It was as dysfunctional a program as you could walk into," he said. "The integrity of the program had been compromised."

"People wouldn't even look at me straight because there had been so many problems in the past with behavior and academics. The athletic director told me I'd be lucky to win three games my first year."

A naive Schmidt rejected that notion and led the Bears to a 14-14 record.

More importantly, he instilled character into a program that now is respected nationally.

"He knows how to handle kids and how to handle the academic part of it," said assistant coach Carl Jones. "He's big on loyalty, punctuality, learning and being honest. If a kid stays two years in our program, they've learned a lot more than just basketball."

Schmidt has sent more than 50 players on to four-year institutions, many into Division I programs.

Ten former Bears have been NJCAA All-Americans. All of them bear the trademark of Schmidt-coached teams:



disciplined, unselfish, relentless competitors.

"He's tough but fair," said Terrence Watson, a sophomore from Detroit Murray-Wright. "If you're a good player, he's going to push you to the next level. He's helped a lot of kids from Detroit make it."

Schmidt pushed himself to D1 ball. A three-year varsity player and All-State quarterback at Lansing Waverly, he played two years of basketball at West Valley College in California. That earned him a scholarship to Central Michigan University.

His passion for the game is one reason Schmidt doesn't talk much about his three ensuing years with the Washington Generals, the patsies for the Harlem Globetrotters tour.

"I don't like to dwell on that, but it was a great people experience," he said. "I could write a book on it. I got to see 27 countries from 1985 to '88."

His coaching career began as a volunteer at Waverly and Lansing Community College at the same time.

"I had two practices a day and four games a week," he said. "I was the happiest guy in the world and I wasn't making a dime."

The dedication hasn't waned.

One of the players Schmidt ran into on his second visit was Yusuf Harris. The Northern grad played two years for Schmidt and now is in his 11th season as an assistant.

"His intensity was from Day 1, and it hasn't changed," Harris said.

Schmidt has had offers from four-year schools, and last summer was a finalist at CMU. It's still his dream to coach a Division I program, although it would be difficult leaving Mott.

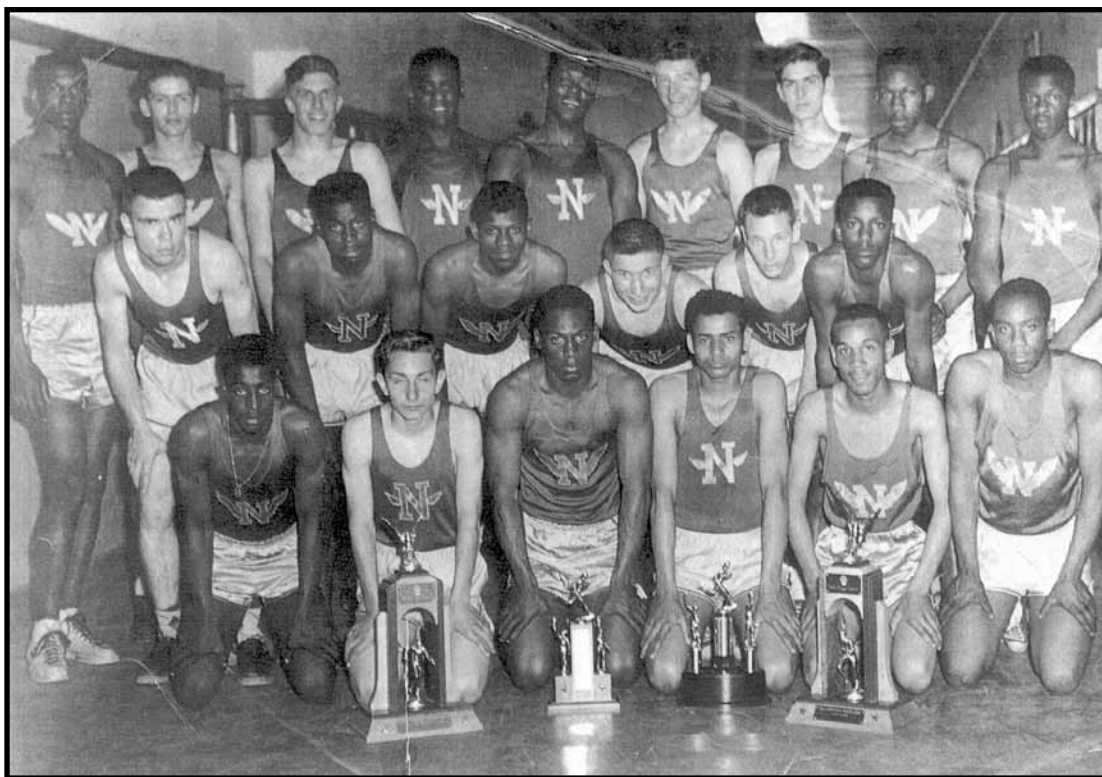
"It feels kind of odd talking about the hall of fame because the career is not over, the story is not done being written," said Schmidt, 44. "I have a lot of energy left, a lot of coaching to do and impact to make on people."

"I still think that's the most important thing you can do as a coach - to make a positive impact on the people you work with."

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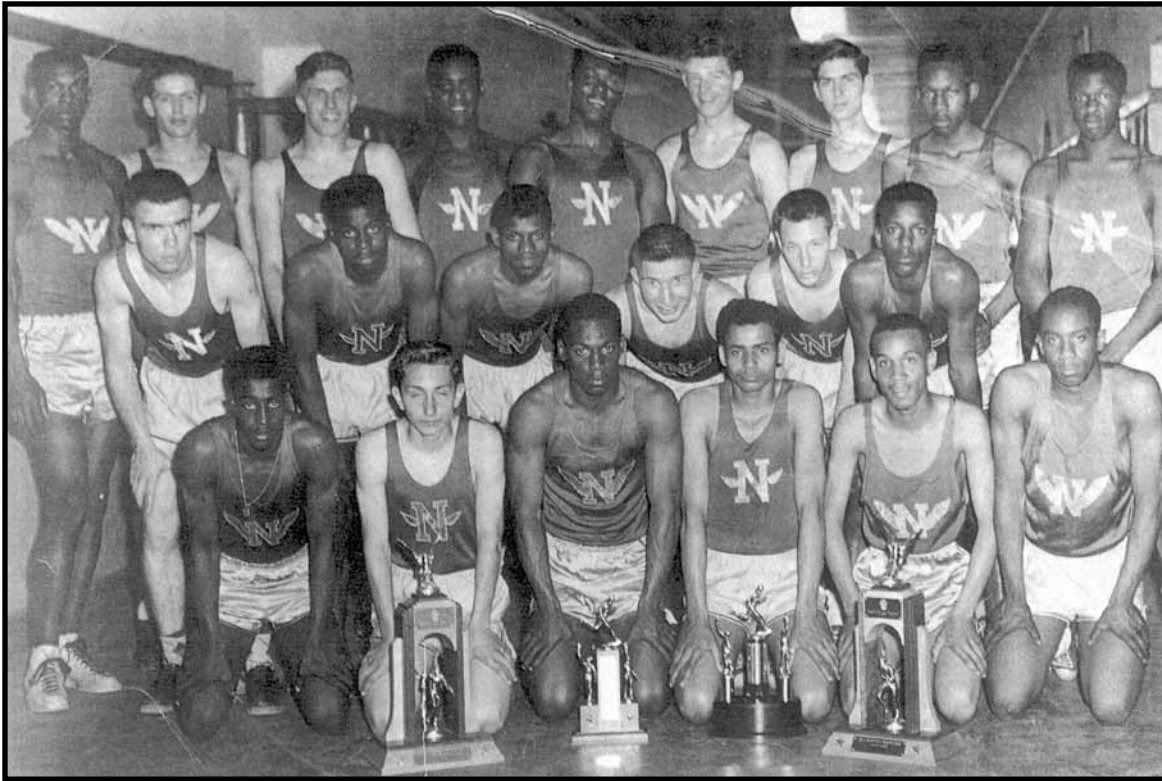
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# Flint Northern High Track 1953



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## *By Dan Nilsen*

Norm Bryant remembers looking out his math class window at Emerson Junior High and watching Northern High's track team practicing on the oval below.

Burning up the cinders were guys like Leroy Bolden, Ellis Duckett and Sylvester Collins, and Bryant recalls thinking, "I'll never be that fast.

"Then, when we got over there," Bryant says now with a chuckle, "we broke all their records."

Indeed, they did.

Bryant and his 1953 Northern teammates not only matched the 1950 team's state championship, they erased many of their names from the city, regional and state record books.

Now, the '53 Vikings are getting ahead of their predecessors again, with their induction into the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame.

Led by Leon Burton, one of the fastest hurdlers in the nation, Northern was nearly unbeatable in 1953, winning the regional by 20 points over Dearborn Fordson and taking the Class A state crown by 13 points over Pontiac.

The nucleus of the team also included Bryant, brothers Art Johnson and R.G. Johnson, John Langhorne, Jerry Miller and Gary Crowell. All qualified for the state meet, along with miler Doug Wright, quartermiler Jim Logan, hurdler Lloyd Miller and pole vaulter Bob Failing.

Burton (1987), Art Johnson (1996) and Bryant (2005 Special

Service Award) already are in the hall.

The Vikings were so deep that, when coach Bill Cave took seven of them to the Mansfield Relays in Ohio, the rest of the team still beat Bay City Central 68-41 in a dual meet.

Cave was assisted by Norb Badar, who molded Burton into a champion hurdler.

"He was a hurdler himself and I learned a lot from him," said Burton. "How to get over the hurdles, how to snap the back foot over. "But I couldn't run the high hurdles. They were too high for me."

After sitting out his junior year due to ineligibility, Burton got everyone's attention in Northern's first dual April 7.

On a soft, slow track at Saginaw Arthur Hill, he broke Collins' track record in the 65-yard low hurdles, soared a field-record 22-1 1/2 on his only broad jump attempt, led a 1-2-3-4 Viking sweep in the 100 and anchored the 880 relay team to a 1:32.6 clocking.

Three days later at the Saginaw Relays, he began a season-long duel with Pontiac's Alonzo Harris that would culminate in the state meet.

They missed a showdown in the Saginaw Valley Conference meet, because Burton was suspended for school attendance reasons. Northern finished fourth without him.

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# Flint Powers Catholic High Baseball 1974



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## *By Dan Nilsen*

Jim Vanitvelt's favorite story about his 1974 Powers Catholic High baseball team sums up the season in a nutshell.

The Chargers were about to play Grand Blanc at Bassett Park, and Bobcats coach Joe Pitock was concerned about the wet field conditions.

"You don't need to worry about that," said Vanitvelt. "Craig McGinnis is pitching today."

It might have sounded arrogant, but Vanitvelt was right: The field conditions barely came into play.

McGinnis struck out 19 Bobcats that day, needing only two groundouts to complete a perfect game. He fanned 16 in a row at one point.

Such dominance was common with the senior left-hander that season, and Powers rode his arm to a 30-6 record and the Class B state championship.

The Chargers were loaded in 1974, going four-deep in their pitching staff and carrying players on the bench that would have started for many other teams. Their defense was solid, they hit over .300, with 26 home runs, and they had a knack for winning games in their last at-bat.

But McGinnis was the ace that drew the big-league scouts. The numbers on the lanky southpaw were staggering: 13-0 record, six earned runs, 0.52 ERA, 28 hits and 171 strikeouts in 81 1/3 innings.

He was an All-State selection and a seventh-round draft pick by the Chicago Cubs.

"He had a fastball in the 90s and a great curveball, and he was 6-foot-4 and left-handed," Vanitvelt said.

Behind him was junior Brian Petroff, who made All-State as a shortstop but also went 8-0 on the hill. No. 3 hurler Bret Hamilton had to wait until the following year to make All-State, and No. 4 Ken Zimmerman might have thrown harder than all of them.

The infield had Ron Sompels at third base, Petroff at short, Greg Care at second and Paul Stringer at first. Ron Myers, Fred Ducharme, Jerry Reinhart and Jim Standal patrolled the outfield and Cuban native Abelardo Quijano was behind the plate.

Chris Daly, an All-State shortstop the following year, played that position when Petroff was pitching. Brian Chartier and Dave Kerouac also pitched.

"We had talent that didn't even play," McGinnis said. "But everybody had an important role. At some point that season, everybody who wore that burnt orange jersey stepped up and did something for the team. That's what made us good."

Powers reeled off seven wins to start the season, including

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# Stroh's Beer Softball 1968



The 1968 Stroh's softball team: (front row, from left) bat boy Ed Doyle, Dick Zrakovi, Bill Doyle, Dave Bulliner, Marv Stephenson, Jim Hanzek. Second row: coach Rex Baxter, Jim Doyle Jr., Jerry Peters, Tom Peek, manager Jim Doyle Sr. Back row: Bill Weber, Howard Burtoft, Ron Huntoon, Chuck Doyle, Clarence Williams (sponsor representative).

## *By Dan Nilsen*

It was the Year of the Tiger, and Ernie Harwell was telling everyone to "Hang on to your Stroh's, here comes the ninth."

It was 1968, Harwell was giving radio play-by-play of the Detroit Tigers' march to a world championship, and Stroh's Beer was a major sponsor of the broadcasts.

Back then, the Detroit brewery also supported softball teams around the state, and one of them was a little dynasty in Flint.

The Stroh's fastpitch team, managed by Jim Doyle Sr. and starring three of his sons, won its seventh straight Flint Class AA championship that year and went on to claim the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association state title.

Much like the Tigers' 23-year drought between World Series, it was Flint's first state title since 1954.

The Brewers, as they were nicknamed in Flint Journal accounts, dominated league play with a 22-1 record and swept the state tournament in three games. Unaccounted for are numerous weekend tournaments the team traveled to or hosted to sharpen their skills.

Pitching almost every game was Jim Doyle Jr., a 34-year-old Buick employee and the best fastpitch hurler in the area. Doyle had the biggest year of his career to that point, going 22-1 in city play and winning two of the three state tournament games.

Doyle had been pitching in men's leagues since age 13 and was clocked at over 100 mph.

"His riseball was his best pitch," said third baseman Marv

Stephenson. "By the time it got to you, it was going up over your bat."

"If it went up at the right time," Doyle said. "If it didn't, it went the other way."

In league and state tournament play alone, Doyle had a 0.55 earned-run average and 11 shutouts. His 252 strikeouts in 152 innings left his defense with long stretches of inactivity.

"I was glad I was an infielder," said second baseman Bill Doyle, Jim's younger brother. "At least I got to throw the ball around the infield."

But the defense was there when needed. Stephenson went 52 chances without an error at one stretch, despite playing in close to take away the bunt.

Dave Bulliner was good enough at shortstop to move Bill Doyle out of a 15-year stint at that position. Jim Hanzek was one of the best first basemen around, according to Stephenson.

"Throwing to him, I didn't worry," said the third-sacker. "If it was in the dirt, he'd get it. If it was up over his head, he'd jump up and get it. Maybe that's why I got the fielding record."

Jerry Peters caught Doyle's pitches, and Howard Burtoft, Ron Huntoon and Chuck Doyle were in the outfield. Dick Zrakovi was a strong utility infielder and Tom Peek a capable sub.

Most were good hitters, with Bill Doyle owning a couple of city batting titles with .396 and .402 marks. Stephenson and Burtoft supplied some power, and Jim Doyle could crank one

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# SPECIAL SERVICE AWARDS



1980

## CHARLES STEWART MOTT

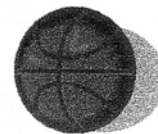
Thousands of boys and girls in the Flint area were introduced to athletics through the generosity of the Mott Foundation. The Foundation generally was started just for that purpose, eventually growing into adult programs, too. Mott's interest first, and the Foundation later, established a community format copied nationwide. It was reward enough for Mott's love of children and sports.



1980

## FRANK MANLEY, SR.

A result of his intense interest in Flint area youth, Manley inspired C.S. Mott to finance a pilot program in sports and recreation. As a result, the Mott Foundation was created and the community school philosophy adopted. The combination of Manley's enthusiasm and Mott's support provided a base of opportunity for all children and adults, a format copied nationwide.



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 MSU All American NFL  
 Player of the Year-1952-All-Pro



**Don Coleman 1980**  
 Flint Central All-State  
 MSU-All American, National  
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 Flint Northern Football Coach  
 Record-148-41-13, First H.S. Coach  
 Inducted in Mich. Sports Hall of Fame



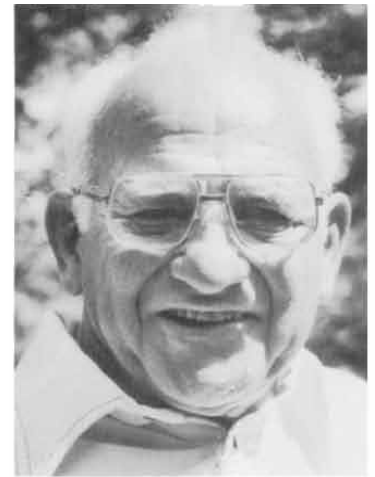
**Merv Rettenmund 1981**  
 Southwestern H.S.-Ball State  
 Univ. Played in 4 World Series  
 During 13-Year Career



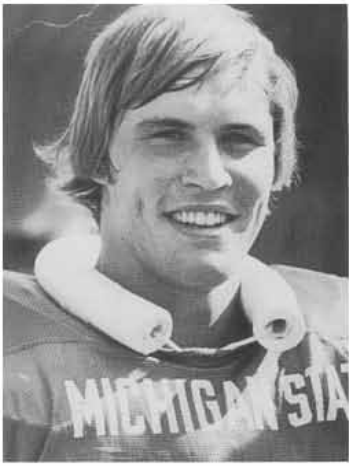
**Frank Szczepanski 1981**  
 Special Service Award for  
 Charity efforts through bowling  
 Prominent Bowling Writer



**Chet Lipski 1981**  
 At 5'7", 145lbs. Considered  
 one of the best All Around  
 Athletes in Flint History



**Doug Blom 1981**  
 Outstanding Golf Career  
 Won 19 City Amateurs and  
 over 50 titles in 25-year span



**Brad Van Pelt 1981**

Owosso H.S. 3-Sports All State,  
MSU All American,  
New York Giants-All-Pro



**Clarence Peaks 1981**

Flint Central Quarterback,  
MSU All American,  
NFL Star Fullback



**Roger Bernard 1981**

Standout Professional Boxer  
1923-37 Compiling a record of  
307 Victories and 25 Defeats



**Sue Novara-Reber 1982**

Northwestern High School,  
Two-time World Sprint Cycling  
Champion, Won 7 U.S.A. Titles



**Leo Sugar 1982**

Flint Northern Multi-Sports Star,  
Purdue All Big Ten,  
NFL Standout-Defensive End



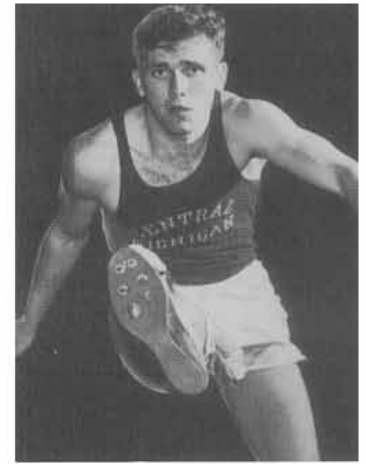
**Everett A. Cummings 1982**

Special Service Award for  
Leadership in Developing  
Athletic & Recreation Facilities



**Fred Trosko 1982**

Flint Northern 9 Letter Winner  
U of M Halfback,  
Coach at Eastern Mich. Univ.



**Jim Podoley 1982**

Mt.Morris H.S. Standout Athlete,  
C.M.U Starred in Football,  
Track. NFL Redskins & Giants



**Jim Barclay 1982**

First Northern H.S. Basketball  
Coach-Won four State Class A  
Basketball Championships



**Floyd Bates 1982**

Central H.S. 3 Sports Star, Played  
Softball with Joe Louis Punchers,  
Basketball Harlem Globe Trotters



**Dave Hoskins 1983**

Pitched for Cleveland Indians,  
One of Best in City League,  
Outfielder & Pitcher in 1940s

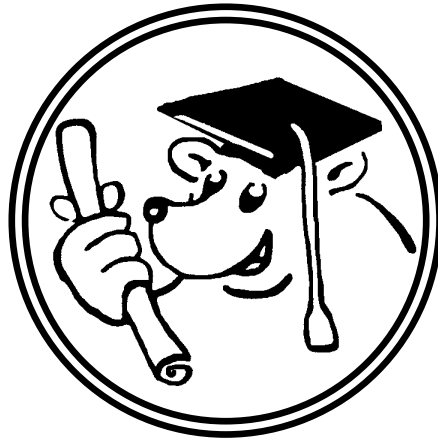


**"Tubby" Raymond 1983**

Northern H.S., Univ. of Mich.  
Coached Delaware to Three  
NCAA Division II Football Titles

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**Bob Rowe 1983**  
 Flushing High Star  
 W.M.U. Lineman of the Year  
 NFL All-Pro St. Louis Cardinals



**Pam Stockton Brady 1983**  
 Southwestern H.S., 24 Nat'l  
 Badminton Junior Championships, 16  
 Nat'l Adult Titles



**Jim Doyle 1983**  
 Flint's Greatest Softball  
 Pitcher, Pitched in 1980 Pan-Am  
 Games Pitched a No Hitter at 49



**Bill Hamilton 1983**  
 Northern Football & Track Star  
 Outstanding Baseball &  
 Softball, Member Mich. Softball  
 Hall of Fame



**T.J. Halligan 1983**  
 Special Service Award, Bowling  
 Proprietor for 40 Years, Pres. of 3  
 Minor Leagues of Pro Baseball



**Fred Lawson 1984**  
 Special Service Award for  
 Contributions to Junior Golfers.  
 Pro at Mott Park & Swartz Creek



**Dominic Tomasi 1984**  
 Star at Northern, Capt. & MVP  
 of U of M 1948 National  
 Championship Football Team



**Jimmy Johnson 1984**  
 Central H.S. II Letter Winner,  
 South Carolina State  
 All American Football 1937



**Howard "Gus" Hughes 1984**  
 Star Athlete-St. Michael & Central,  
 Coached St Michael to Class C State  
 Championship in 1928 Basketball



**Howard Gilroy 1984**  
 Bowling Great 4-300 games,  
 more than 90-700 Series. His  
 803 series was best in 37 years.



**Peg Hammond 1984**  
 Eight-Time City Singles Champ  
 Tennis, Mott Foundation Sports  
 Teacher in Tennis & Badminton



**Jesse Thomas 1984**  
 Central All-Around Athlete  
 MSU Multiple Track Champ,  
 NFL Def. Halfback Balt. Colts



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MSU World Records 50 to 60 Yd.  
Dash, Stole 29 Bases for Oakland A's



**Russ Reynolds 1985**

Northern All-Around Athlete,  
MSU Capt & Quarterback  
23 Yrs. Beecher Football Coach



**Stan Broome 1985**

Special Service Award  
Known as "Mr. Flint Central"  
36 Yrs. Coaching, Administrator



**Nap LaVoie 1985**

Special Service Award 38  
Years as Coach, AD at Central  
Head Football Coach 1934-1939



**Ken Failing 1985**

Coached St. Mary to State  
Basketball Championship 1939  
Pro Athlete on Flint Teams



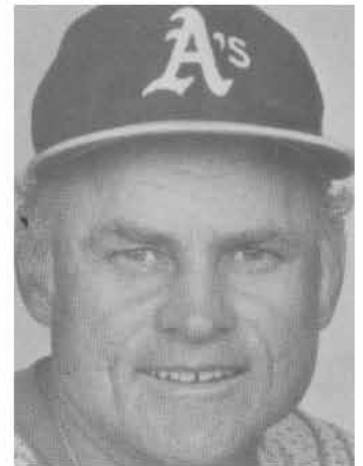
**Mike Menosky 1985**

Played for Red Sox &  
Wash, Senators. Flint's First  
Major League Baseball Player



**Leroy Bolden 1985**

Northern Star on 1950 State  
Champions, MSU All American  
NFL Cleveland Browns



**Steve Boros 1985**

Northern Baseball Career  
U of M Standout, Played Pro Baseball,  
Flint's First Major League Manager



**Bill Barclay 1986**

U of M Lettered in Golf, Football,  
Basketball, Coached Northern  
Basketball Team 1933 State Title,  
Won State Amateur Golf Title



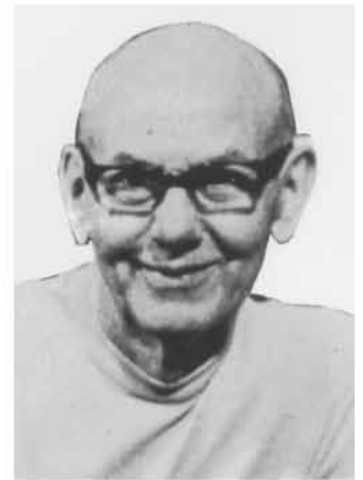
**Jeanette Robinson 1986**

Member of Women's Pro  
Bowling Tour, Won Nat'l Title  
in 1974, 15 Sanctioned 700-  
Series



**Bill Minardo 1986**

Special Service Award First  
Comm. Sch. Dir, Retired as  
Dir. of Comm. Svcs.



**Ollie Craven 1986**

Bowled many 300 Games  
Over 100-700 Series, World  
Record for five games 1,324

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\*All State Baseball 1975





**Norb Badar 1986**

Track, Cross Country Coach  
Northern, 33 Yrs, 4 State Titles,  
Coach of Year Nine Times



**Ellis Duckett 1986**

Northern 2 Time All State  
Halfback MSU Star Played in  
1959 Rose Bowl



**Sophie Kurys 1986**

Record Setting Star in American  
Girls Baseball League-1943  
Stole 200 Bases in one season.



**Ted Prichard 1987**

Pitched Minor League Baseball  
Was 21-6 for Elmira, N.Y., City  
Rec. Director 1937-1942



**Jerry Rideout 1987**

Special Service Award as "Mr.  
Buick Open" Golf Tournament,  
Dir. of P.R. at Buick



**M. Joe Roberson 1987**

Northern and Flint J.C. Excelled  
in Baseball and Basketball.  
Pitched in Minors, A.D. at U of M



**Mel Winer 1987**

Central H.S. Multi Sports,  
Starred in City Rec. Leagues,  
Won City Title in Golf & Tennis



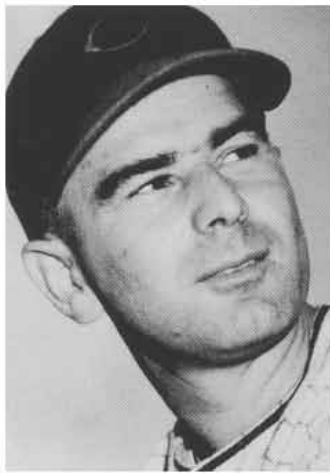
**Jo Lake 1987**

Coached 8 State Champions in  
Basketball, Volleyball & Softball  
at Holy Rosary & Kearsley



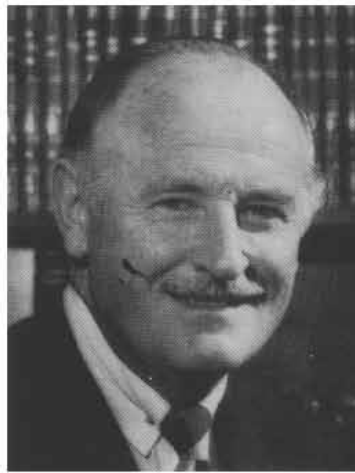
**Leon Burton 1987**

Northern Star in Football & Track  
Arizona State-Led Nation Rushing  
Scoring in 1957. Pro-N.Y. Titans



**Andy Sventko 1987**

Excelled City League Baseball,  
Mgr. Bishop Construction,  
Nat'l Amateur Champs 1975



**J. Vincent Murphy 1987**

Special Service Award for  
Support of Golden Gloves  
Physician for Athletic Teams



**Bob Fleischmann 1988**

Outstanding Tennis Player at  
Northern, Flint Jr.C. & MSU  
Won 9 Straight City Titles

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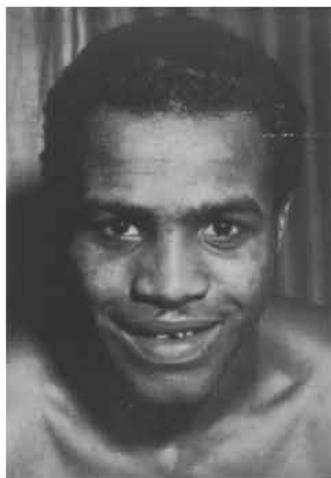
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**Pete Fusi 1988**

Northern All State Football  
MSU Football Center 1946-49  
Outstanding H.S. Football Coach



**Bennie McCombs 1988**

Golden Gloves Champion  
Mich Light Heavyweight  
Champion, 90-6 as Pro Boxer



**Howard Auer 1988**

Tackle at U of M, Coached  
Central  
1947 State Champions, Had



**Ed Krupa 1988**

Northern "Wonderboy" All  
State Football & Basketball,  
Notre Dame Halfback



**John Matthews 1988**

8-Time Nat'l Wrestling Champ  
U.S. Olympic Team,  
Best Wrestler in C.M.U. history



**Barry Edmonds 1988**

Special Service Award as  
Superb Journal Photographer  
Documented many events.



**Bob Suci 1989**

Grand Blanc 15 Letter Winner  
MSU 2-Way Player  
AFL Defensive Back



**Gene Summers 1989**

Northern Outstanding Player  
M.C.C.-Set 7 Basketball Records  
Northern Mich-Set 5 Records



**Ray Seidel 1989**

St. Michael H.S. Starred in  
Baseball Pitched 5 Seasons in  
Minors



**Vinnie Frechette 1989**

Won Ten City Golf Titles  
20-700 Series 300 Game  
Pitched Softball No Hitter



**Mike Goggins 1989**

St. Michael H.S. 12 Letter Star  
Univ. of Detroit Capt Football 1951  
Catholic All-American Team



**Jack Morse 1989**

All-Time Great Player in  
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**Ken Morrow 1990**

On U.S. Olympic Gold Medal Hockey Team 1980, N.Y. Islanders Won Four Straight Stanley Cups



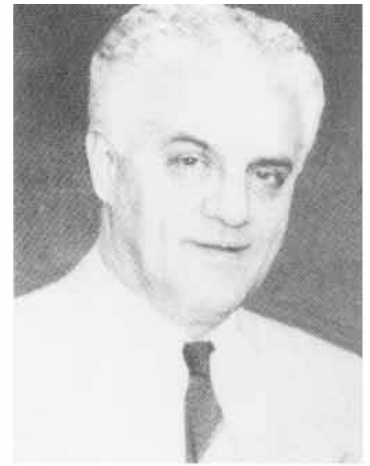
**Al Johnson 1990**

Central H.S. All State Football Mich Softball Comm. of Year 1985, Sports Dir. Flint Parks & Rec: 30 Yrs



**Jock Leslie 1990**

State Golden Gloves Champion Pro Boxer-fought Willie Pep for Title at Awood Stadium



**Mike Gorman 1990**

Special Service Award Led drive to create College & Cultural Center & Flint U of M



**Bob Harvey 1990**

Central-earned 7 Letters E.M.U. played 3 sports, Played Minor League Baseball



**Reggie Williams 1990**

Southwestern & Dartmouth. Played in two Super Bowls, NFL Man of the Year 1986



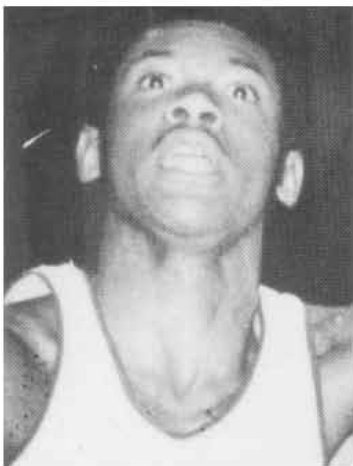
**Bart Markel 1990**

Three Time National Champion in Motorcycle Racing. Retired in 1972 with Record 28 Victories



**Dennis Johnson 1991**

Northwestern All State End Southern Cal All American NFL Vikings, Tampa Bay



**Terry Furlow 1991**

Northern State Basketball Champions MSU-Set Game & Season Scoring Marks, NBA No.1 Draft Pick-76ers



**Ron Pruitt 1991**

Central 3 Sports Star, MSU All American Catcher, Played with 4 Major League Teams

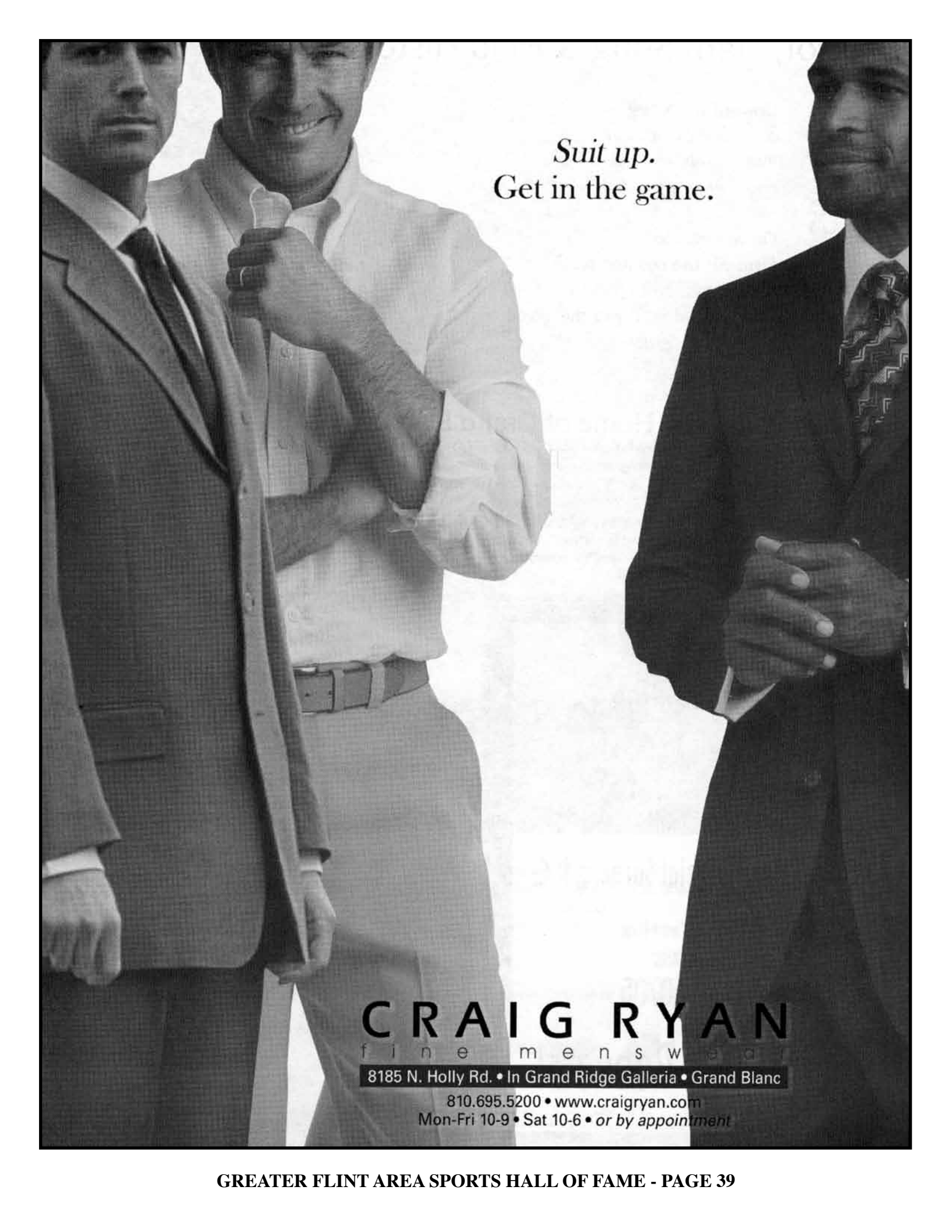


**Bobby Crim, Louis Craig 1991**

Special Services Award for Crim Road Race Benefitting Special Olympics which he founded and she originally directed. The Crim Race has over 10,000 participants annually.





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**Andy McDonald 1991**  
Northern QB & Head Coach  
C.M.U. All American NFL  
Asst. Coach, Northern Arizona



**Bob Leach 1991**  
Central Outstanding Player &  
Head Coach, Uof M Baseball,  
Coached Ferris, Asst. Coach NFL



**Joe Kinzel 1991**  
Central Basketball, Outstanding  
Golfer, Bowler, Figure Skater,  
Minor League Baseball



**George Guerre 1992**  
Central-Outstanding in Football  
MSU Standout Halfback, played  
in North-South All Star game



**Stan Gooch 1992**  
Flint Tech & CMU Basketball  
Coached Central to 3-State  
Titles, Coached Mott C.C.



**Tony Branoff 1992**  
Central All-State,  
U of M MVP-All Big Ten, Played  
East West Shrine Game, Sr. Bowl



**J.B. Cook 1992**  
Northern Tennis State Champ,  
Played, Basketball, Paddleball,  
Softball, Popular Official



**Doug Mintline 1992**  
Special Service Award for  
promoting community sports,  
Flint Journal Sports Editor



**Anne McLogan Herman 1992**  
St.John Vianney, W.M.U.,  
on U.S. Wheelchair Team in  
Paralympics 7 Nat'l Marks



**Bill Yambrick 1992**  
Northern Football  
W.M.U. Capt., MVP  
Member WMU Hall of Fame



**Larry Mancour 1992**  
Grand Blanc, Flint J.C.  
Basketball Star, Golf Pro-Helped  
organize return of Buick Open



**Booker Moore 1993**  
Southwestern Set numerous  
records, Penn State Halfback,  
NFL No. 1 Draft Choice-Bills

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Special Service Award for  
Community Sports Promotions  
Multi Media Sports Reporter



**Len Sweet 1993**  
Northern "Wonderboy"  
2 Straight State Championships  
Coached Dye to State Title



**Mike Secrest 1993**  
Won 1987 Race Across America,  
Set 3 World Records in Endur-  
ance Bicycle Racing



**John Bero 1993**  
Northern Baseball Infielder  
Played in Major Leagues & Mi-  
nors for 10 years



**Herb Odom 1993**  
Northern H.S. Won  
State Golden Gloves  
MSU-Won NCAA Boxing Title



**Jack Pratt 1994**  
Area's Winningest Football  
Coach, Over 200 Victories,  
3 State Basketball Titles



**Trent Tucker 1994**  
Northwestern H.S.-All State  
Minnesota-All Big Ten  
NBA 11 years, No. 1 Draft Pick



**Joe Pitcock 1994**  
C.M.U Holds Batting Record  
Coached 39 years-Mostly at  
Grand Blanc-566-380 Record



**Cotton Goodell 1994**  
One of Flint's fastest ever Baseball  
Player, Minor League Standout,  
Record 31 H.R.s in 1940



**Wally Jakowczyk 1994**  
St. Mary 3 Sports, First Parochial  
Player All City Football.  
Minor League Baseball.



**Rick Leach 1994**  
Southwestern All State 3 Sports  
U of M All American QB  
1st Round Draft Choice-Tigers



**Dr. Hira E. Branch 1994**  
Special Service Award  
for donating medical help at  
football games & Golden Gloves



**Jack Petrill 1995**  
Community Service Award  
Rec. Director-IMA Promoted  
city's biggest events



**Andy Sabota (Pelio) 1995**  
Northern Led Team to State  
Basketball Title, played Minor  
League Baseball



**Grover Kirkland 1995**  
Coached NW High to 2 State  
Basketball Titles, 60 Straight  
Victories 20 Straight City Series



**Nick Manych 1995**  
Beecher-3 Sport Star  
E.M.U. 3 Time All Conference  
Drafted by Colts in NFL



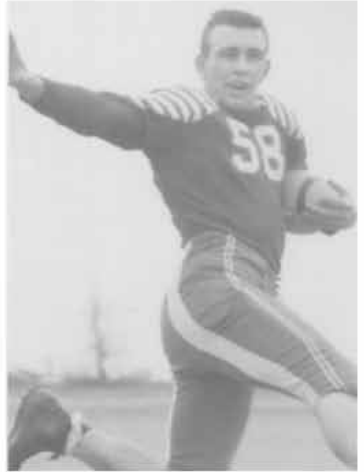
**Justus Thigpen 1995**  
Northern basketball M.C.C. All Conf  
2 yrs Weber State 1st Flint  
Player NBA



**Dorothy Kukulka 1995**  
Coached Northern Girls Basket-  
ball to record 76 Straight Wins,  
4 State Titles,



**Chub Guzak 1995**  
Northern 3 Sport Star  
Minor League Baseball  
Standout for Seven Seasons



**Jim Crang 1995**  
Beecher 13 Letters,  
All State Halfback Scored  
perfect 500 Phys. Fit Test



**Pamela McGee 1996**  
Northern State Champs '78-'79  
USC-2 NCAA Titles-Won Gold  
Medal on U.S. Olympic Team



**Paula McGee 1996**  
Northern-76 Straight Wins  
Began Northern's Unequaled  
Dynasty, USC 2 NCAA, titles



**Art Johnson 1996**  
Northern All State Halfback  
MSU Star, Avg. 7 yds per carry  
CFL All Pro, Rookie of the Year



**Harvey Ethier 1996**  
Special Service Award for  
Dedication to Parochial Athletics  
Coached all sports at St. Mary's

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**Don Jarrard 1996**  
Coached at Flint J.C. Outstanding  
local player. Capt. MSU Golf Team.  
Dir F.J.G.A



**Carl Cmejrek 1996**  
Southwestern 9 Letters 3 Sports  
U of M All Big Ten Baseball,  
on Rose Bowl Football Team



**Hank Minarik 1997**  
Central All State Football 1945  
MSU All American NFL-Steelers



**Joe Ponsetto 1997**  
Central Capt. Football, All Sag. Valley  
U of M-First Freshman to start at QB  
All Big Ten Capt



**Clete LaSalle 1997**  
St. Michael H.S. 11 Letters  
All City Football, Pitched for Flint  
Eagles & Blue Devils



**Lamar Gant 1997**  
Northwestern H.S., at age 18 won  
first World Powerlift Championship  
followed by 14 championships



**Bernie Compton 1997**  
St. Mary H.S. Led Team to State Basket-  
ball Title ,WMU Capt. Basketball and  
Baseball Teams



**Fred Turner 1997**  
State Amateur Golf Champ,  
Won 8 Major City Tournaments  
Exceptional career over 20 yrs



**M.B. Cossman 1997**  
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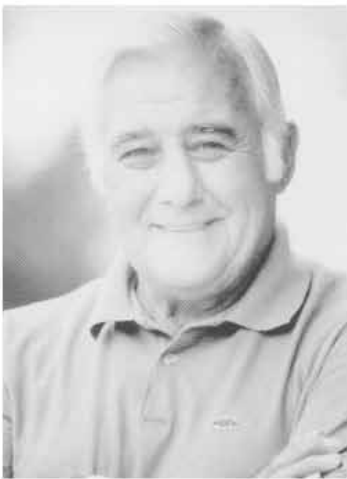
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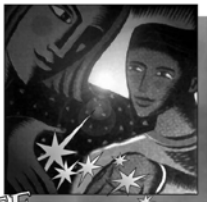
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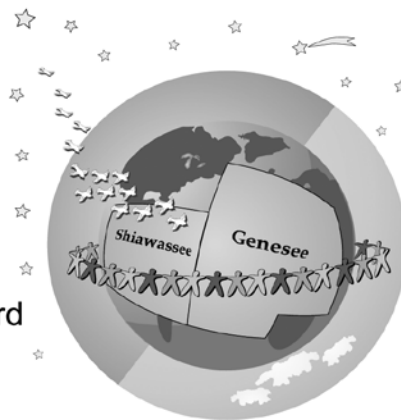
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Central All Sag. Valley 1939 C.M.U Hall of Fame Football, First Vice President State Coaches Assn.



**Joe Byrd 1998**  
State Golden Gloves Champion, U.S. Olympic Boxing Coach, Coached many local Champions



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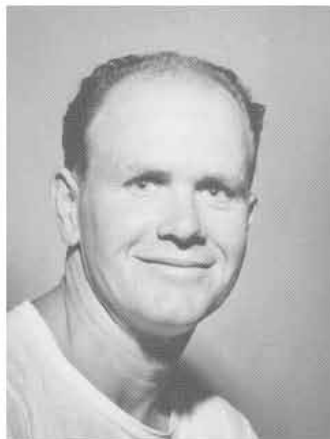
**Paul Staroba 1999**  
St. Matthews H.S. 3 Sports All State, U of M-Led Big Ten in Punting NFL-Cleveland Browns



**Ricky Patton 1999**  
Southwestern-All State Halfback Jackson State-All American NFL Super Bowl 49ers-1981



**Dar Christiansen 1999**  
Southwestern Outstanding Coach 21-0-City Football Record State Champ 1976



**Varnard Gay 1999**  
Only Coach to win Track State Titles in three enrollment classes. Anchored four Relay Teams at W.M.U.



**Deanne Moore 1999**  
Fenton H.S. All State Basketball Softball MSU Hall of Fame, Athlete of Decade for Softball



**Leroy Decker 2001**  
Fenton H.S. A.D  
Won 518 Games Coaching  
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**Don Reid 2001**  
St. Marys 3 Sports Star All State  
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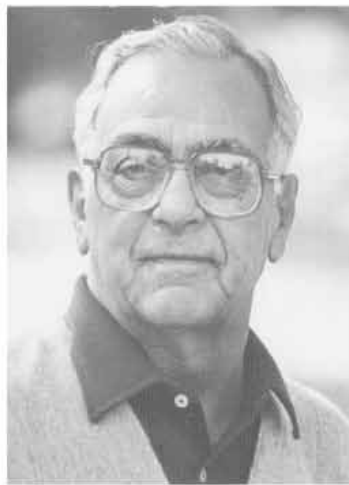
**"Bud" Brotebeck 2001**  
Central Basketball & Baseball  
W.M.U. 3 Letters, Played  
in College World Series



**Jay Springsteen 2001**  
Won Three Grand National  
Motorcycle Racing Crowns, Total  
40 Victories



**Jack Baldwin 2001**  
W.M.U Led Team to College World  
Series, Coached at Mandeville &  
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**Ed "Blackie" Abraham 2001**  
Coached at Sacred Heart H.S. Guided  
Youngsters Year-Round and as Sum-  
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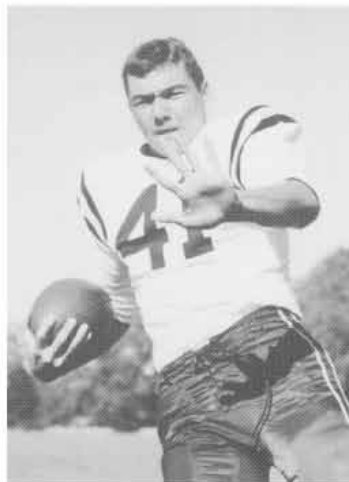
**Len Hoyes 2001**  
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**Jim Vukovich 2002**  
Northern & U of M Baseball  
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**Steve Urick 2002**  
Northern 8 Letters, U of M  
Baseball Minor League  
Baseball, Talented Golfer



**Bruce McLenna 2002**  
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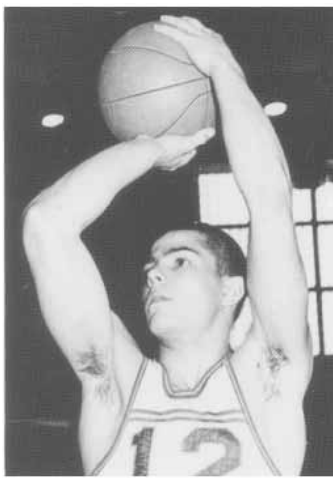
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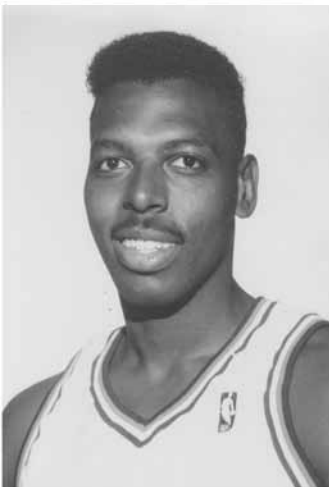
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C.M.U.- Parochial School Coach



**Jeff Grayer 2003**  
Northwestern-Basketball State Champs,  
Iowa State, Member 1988 Olympic  
Team, Played NBA



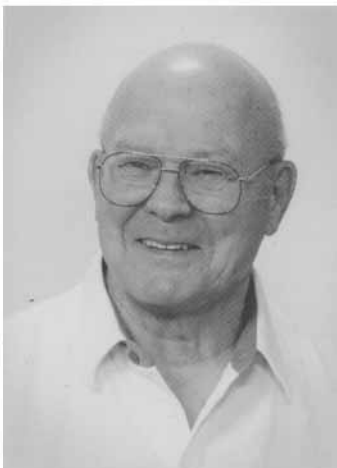
**Frank Thomas 2003**  
Played Football at Northern  
& MSU, Coach & Athletic Dir  
at Grand Blanc for 35 years.



**Francis Bentley 2003**  
Northern Wrestling Coach & A.D.,  
National Wrestling Hall of Fame,  
CANUSA Coordinator



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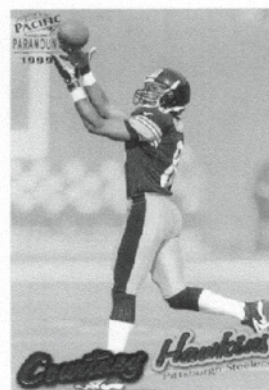


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**Greg Reynolds 2004**

U.S Sr. Amateur Golf Champ. 3 City Amateur Championships, 7 Genesee All-star Classics



**Linnell McKenney 2005**

Northwestern H.S. Basketball Star Ky. State, Saginaw Valley. Pro-Ball in Europe, St. Louis Streaks-WBL



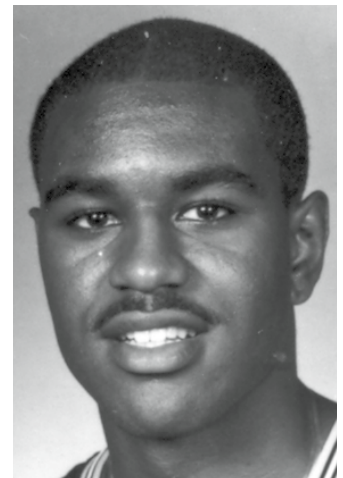
**Wayne Van Slyke 2005**

Flint Central H.S., Premier Pitcher IMA Park 8-No Hitters-1 perfect game



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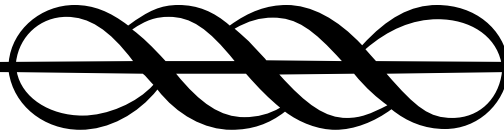
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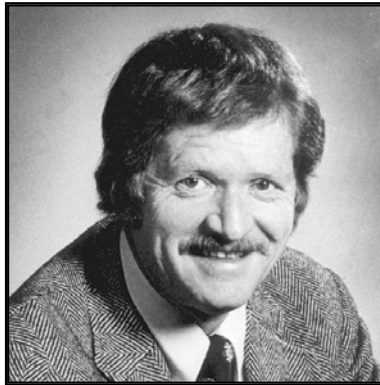


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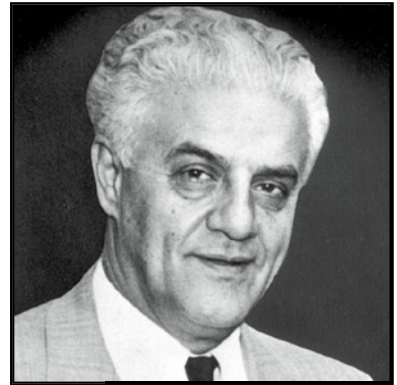
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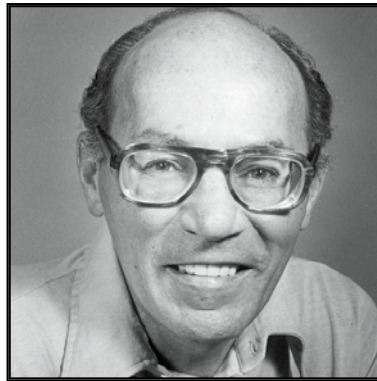
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At state, Burton lowered his hurdles time to 19.1, two-tenths off the national record.

"He was four hurdles ahead of everybody," Bryant said. "If somebody had been pushing him, there's no telling what he would have run."

Burton was pushed by Harris in the 100, but in looking back to check on the Pontiac star, both were beaten by Kalamazoo's John Johnson in 9.9.

No matter.

Miller, Crowell and the Johnsons ran a state-record 2:29.7 in the three-quarter-mile relay, and Burton, Langhorne and the Johnsons won the 880 relay. Northern totaled 37 points to Pontiac's 24.

"We knew we had it," said Art Johnson. "We knew Leon Burton was the best hurdler in the nation, we knew no one was going to beat us in the relays and we had a coach who could tell you how many points it would take to win it.

"We had a tremendous team that year."

## Flint Powers Catholic High Baseball 1974

a 3-0, 11-0 sweep of Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher that earned the Chargers the No. 1 ranking in the first state poll of the year.

They won a key Big Nine Conference showdown on May 2, when Daly, a transfer from Flushing, drilled a two-out, two-run pinch single in the seventh to beat his old school 3-2.

"I lost friends from Flushing that day," he joked.

They won the Big Nine with a 12-1 record and reached the final of the Greater Flint Invitational tournament, losing 3-1 to Grand Blanc before 1,173 fans at Lincoln Park. That was their last loss of the season.

The state tournament was a breeze except for the district championship game against Mt. Morris. The Panthers managed just two hits off McGinnis, but took a 3-2 lead into the seventh with the help of walks and three Powers errors.

But Powers loaded the bases in the top of the seventh, and Stringer cleared them with a two-out blooper to right that rolled to the fence when the Mt. Morris right fielder narrowly missed a diving catch.

"It was my turn, I guess," Stringer said.

The Chargers routed Saginaw MacArthur 8-2 and Novi 13-0 in the regional, and beat Lowell 5-1 in the state semifinal at Marshall.

Bishop Gallagher lent a hand by knocking out a 33-1 Mount

Pleasant team in the other semi, then McGinnis won the title game 4-0 with a two-hitter. His 15 strikeouts still stand as the record for a championship final.

"We had one heck of a ballclub, and it just all came together," McGinnis said.

Two months later, McGinnis helped Carpets by Jim Smith win the national Connie Mack championship. He rejected the Cubs' signing bonus and instead led the University of Michigan to three Big Ten Conference titles and the College World Series.

He later played 10 years in the Netherlands and Europe.

Petroff also pitched in the CWS with Eastern Michigan, and Care won a national championship with Bishop Construction.

Powers had another strong team in 1975, but lost 1-0 in the district to Bentley, which went on to win the state title.

"We had a lot of depth and kids who knew how to play the game," Vanitvelt said.

## Stroh's Beer Softball 1968

out on occasion, too.

The team had fallen just short of the state title the previous two years, again paralleling the Tigers, who lost the 1967 pennant on the last day.

But 1968 was their year.

Stroh's only city loss came July 25 against runner-up Fisher Bros. Sand and Gravel before 500 fans at Whaley Park. Bill Weber, who had pitched with the Brewers the previous year, beat Doyle 2-1.

Stroh's also lost a tuneup for the state tournament on Aug. 18, bowing 4-3 to Bay City in 17 innings despite 21 strikeouts by Doyle.

The team picked up Weber for the eight-team state tournament in Kalamazoo. Stroh's drew a first-round bye when Ann Arbor was disqualified.

The Brewers beat Midland 7-2 in their first game, scoring four runs in the second inning. Doyle pitched three perfect innings, then Weber finished up, hitting a home run in the fifth.

Doyle pitched the final two games, shutting out Ann Arbor 1-0 with 14 strikeouts on Saturday. Doubles by Chuck Doyle and Burtoff scored the only run.

The Ann Arbor club came back through the losers' bracket to reach the finals, but Doyle beat them again on Sunday, 4-1 on a four-hitter. He fanned only five, but Bill Doyle made a leaping catch at second and Stephenson speared a liner on his knees at third.

"It was one of those years that everything clicked," said Bill Doyle. "You can't explain that kind of stuff sometimes.


"We'd been there before. I think that had a lot to do with it. You could just relax and play ball."



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- 1994 - Flint Central Football 1924  
Flint Central Football 1947
- 1995 - Flint Northern Basketball 1936  
Flint Northern Football 1942
- 1996 - St. Matthew Basketball 66-67 & 67-68
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Flint Northern Baseball 1953
- 1999 - Flint St. Marys Basketball 1939  
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- 2001 - Flint Northern Football 1956  
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Holy Rosary Girls Basketball - 1974, 75
- 2004 - Flint Central 1958 Football Team
- 2004 - Bentley H.S. 1973 Baseball Team
- 2005 - St. Mary Flint 1942 Football Team
- 2005 - Flint Central - 1981-82-83  
Basketball Teams

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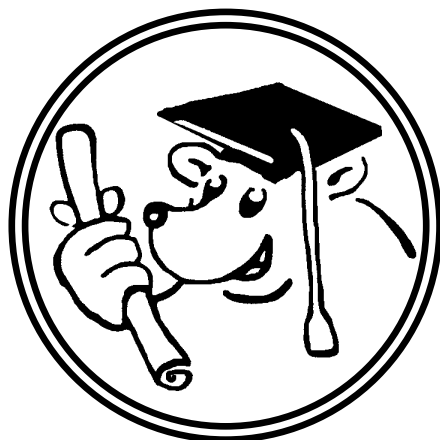
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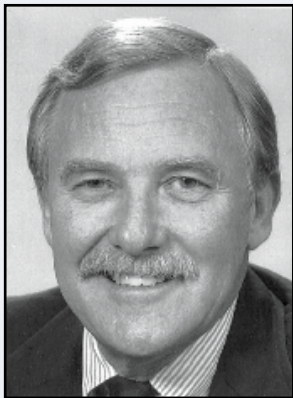
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