



ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

*Hamilton
Big Blue*

*Garfield
Griffins*

*Taft
Tigers*

6:00 pm
Saturday, January 26, 2013

Courtyard by Marriott

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

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INTRODUCTION OF HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

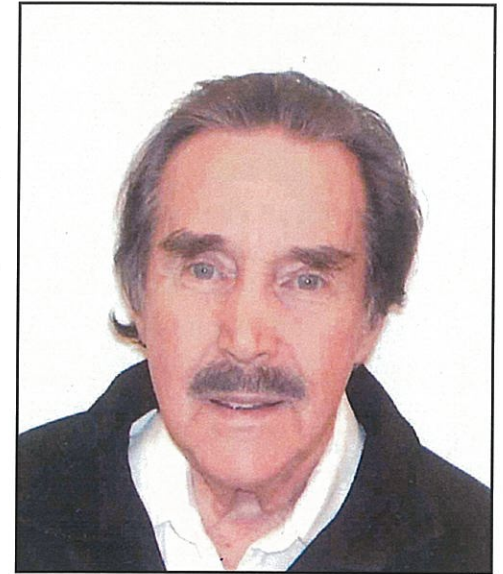
Phil Griesinger - Class of 1975

Phil Griesinger graduated from Hamilton Taft High School in 1975. He played basketball for fellow Hall of Famer Marv McCollum for three seasons, becoming the first player to play in every varsity game all three years. He is the school's all-time assists leader (271) and ranks 14th in scoring (582 points). Griesinger helped lead the 1972-73 team to a 20-3 record, with a district championship and regional runner-up finish, good enough for the Tigers to be named #4 in the state. A captain on the 1974-75 team, Griesinger was selected All-GMC, All-Golden Triangle, and honorable mention All-Ohio. He also was the team captain on the 1974 Taft summer baseball team coached by Joe Urso. He hit over .500 and won the summer league batting title. Griesinger went on to play basketball for four seasons at Miami University under coach Darrell Hedric, helping the team win back-to-back Mid-American Conference championships. He was a member of the 1978 team that upset defending national champion Marquette in the first round of the NCAA Tournament before losing to eventual national champion Kentucky. He joins his uncle, Bernie Griesinger, into the Athletic Hall of Fame.



Dennis Harget - Class of 1949

Dennis Harget graduated from Hamilton High School in 1949. He competed in gymnastics for three years under fellow Hall of Famer Jim Grimm and qualified for the national championships as a junior and senior. He finished ninth as a junior and third as a senior, missing out on the national championship by two-tenths of a point. He was a teammate of fellow Hall of Famer Fred Belden. Harget went on to The Ohio State University, where he competed in gymnastics for two seasons. After college he earned first place in diving in the one- and three-meter diving board events at the Midwest Open during his two years in the Air Force. He also started the Marilyn-Dennis School of Gymnastics and Tumbling, where he has been the coach for 48 years. The school has hosted two national championships in 1980 and 1986, and Harget was named National Coach of the Year in 1985 and 2000. He coached the state AAU gymnastic team champions in 1965 and 1967 and was inducted into the United States Tumbling Association Hall of Fame in 2000. Harget has coached 167 national champions in tumbling, trampoline and double mini-tramp. He also has coached nearly 50 national team champions and has held an International Tumbling Judges Certificate for eight years. Harget also has been the technical vice president for 12 years in the U.S. Tumbling and Trampoline Association.



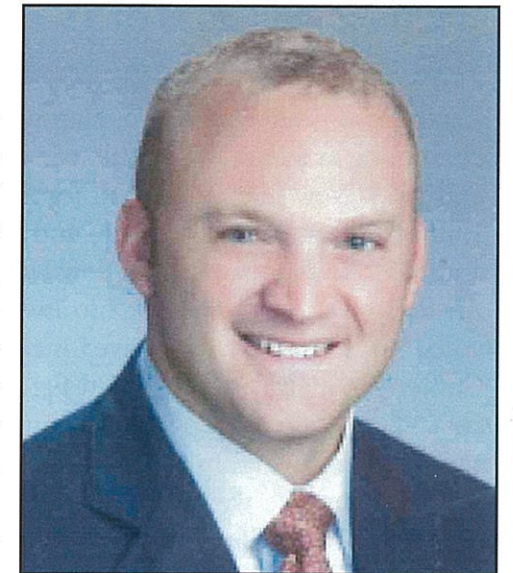
Mike Gurr - Class of 1996

Mike Gurr graduated from Hamilton High School in 1996. A three-year letterman in football, Gurr helped lead the 1994 Big Blue team to the state playoffs as they boasted a 8-2 record under fellow Hall of Famer Ed Mignery. He was voted All-Greater Miami Conference as a junior and senior and All-Southwest District as a senior. A team captain his senior year, Gurr was voted to the Cincinnati East/West All-Star Game and the Ohio North-South All-Star Game and was named a Top 100 high school senior recruit. He was named Most Efficient Offensive Lineman and first team All-GMC. After high school, Gurr attended The Ohio State University on a football scholarship. He was part of the No. 1 ranked freshman recruiting class in 1996 and was part of the Big Ten championship team that played in the Rose Bowl that year, finishing No. 2 in the nation in the USA Today Coaches and Associated Press polls. He helped OSU win another Big Ten championship as a junior in 1998, when the Buckeyes won the Sugar Bowl and again finished No. 2 in the country in both polls. A four-year letterman and two-year starter, Gurr was a four-time Academic All-Big Ten selection.



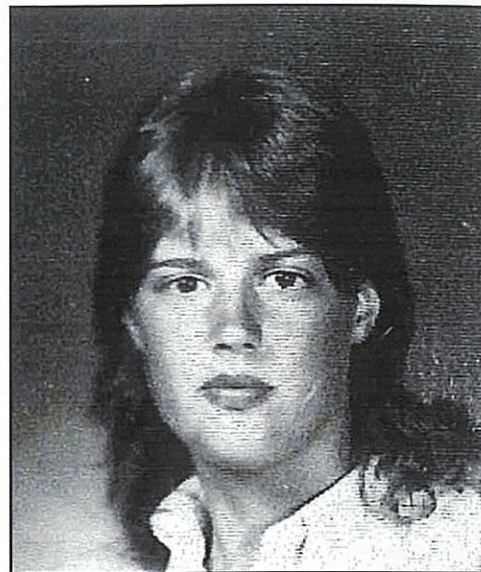
Andy Mignery - Class of 1999

Andy Mignery graduated from Hamilton High School in 1999. He earned four letters in football and three each in basketball and track and field. Mignery was a nominee for the Cincinnati NFL Chapter's "That's My Boy Award" following his senior season in 1998 when he started at quarterback and punter and led Big Blue to a 10-0 regular season while playing for his father and fellow Hall of Famer Ed Mignery. He also was selected to the Ohio North-South All-Star Game. Andy was named first team All-GMC and All-Southwest District his junior and senior years and set the school record for single-season and career passing yardage. Mignery also was named first team All-GMC and All-Butler County all three years in basketball. In track and field, he set the school record in the discus with a throw of 173 feet, 3 inches and went on to finish third in the state his senior year. He earned a football scholarship to the University of Michigan, where he was a four-year letterman as a tight end and punter. Mignery won the 2003 Man of Michigan award and the 2003 Dr. Arthur Robinson Award, given annually to the top student athlete at Michigan, and he was voted to the All-Big Ten academic team 2000-2003. Mignery signed a contract with the New England Patriots and was a member of the practice squad in 2004.



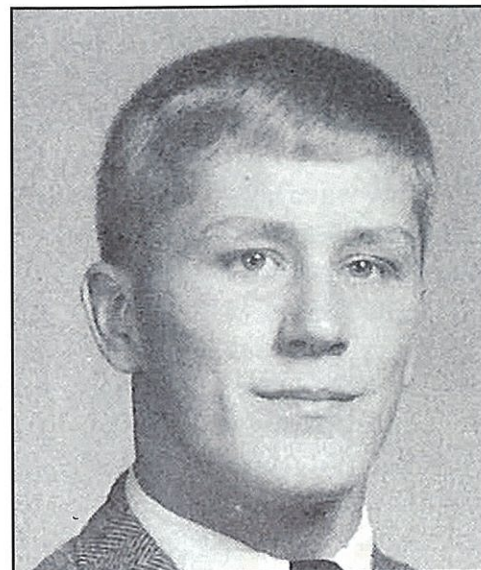
Linda Milholland - Class of 1987

Linda Milholland graduated from Hamilton High School in 1987. She played softball for four seasons under coach and fellow Hall of Famer John Spears and Matt Arminio. As a sophomore, Milholland helped lead the 1985 softball team to the state championship with a 28-2 record with fellow Hall of Famers Shauna Bowman, Tina Gregory, and Elise Spears. As a senior, she was dominant on the mound, going 16-1 with the only loss coming in 11 innings in the state semifinals against Canton Glen Oak. She had eight shutouts and two no-hitters while striking out 162 batters in 71 2/3 innings, finishing with a 0.12 ERA. She also played volleyball and basketball for three seasons at HHS. Milholland earned a scholarship to Eastern Michigan University, where she is still regarded as one of the top pitchers in school history. She was inducted into the EMU Hall of Fame in February 2012 and the Butler County Softball Hall of Fame in October 2012. Milholland still ranks second in career ERA at Eastern Michigan (1.21) and third in career shutouts (17), complete games (67), wins (54) and strikeouts (310). Milholland was a three-time Mid-American Conference Pitcher of the Week and 1990 second team All-MAC pick.



Cecil New - Class of 1967

Cecil New graduated from Hamilton Taft High School in 1967 after competing as a four-sport athlete in football, basketball, baseball and track and field. New played football for three seasons under coach and fellow Hall of Famer Fred Garretson, and he played three seasons of basketball and baseball for coach and fellow Hall of Famer Marv McCollum. He was All-Southwest District, All-Ohio and All-American in football. He also was voted Most Valuable Defensive Lineman in the Ohio North-South All-Star Game. Competing in track and field his senior year for the Tigers under coach Gus Mate, New placed fifth in the state in the high jump. He earned a full-ride scholarship to the University of Kentucky, and after a career-ending injury he went on to graduate from the Miami University. New worked as the chief probation officer for Butler County Juvenile Court. He joins his brother Marty in the Hamilton City School District Hall of Fame.



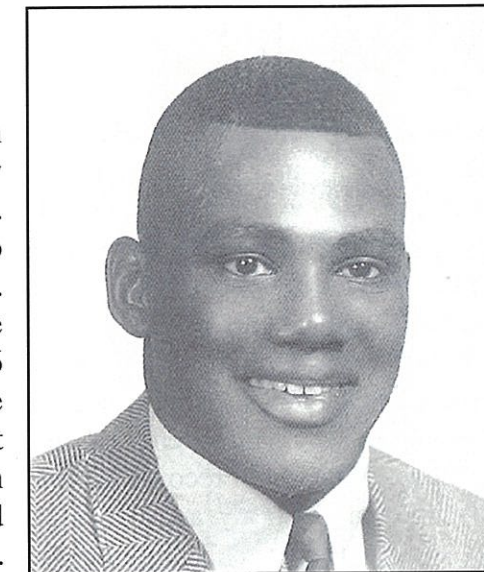
Damita Shazier Rhodes - Class of 1984

Damita Shazier Rhodes graduated from Hamilton High School in 1984 as a three-year letterman in basketball under head coach and fellow Hall of Famer Pat Sword. Rhodes was named first team All-GMC and was voted to the District 15 All-Star team her senior year. She set two school records with 194 possessions in a season and 67 blocked shots and was named Defensive Player of the Year. Fellow Hall of Famers Karen Baker and Lisa Eggelston Brown were teammates of Rhodes' as they led the team to a record of 18-6 overall and 8-2 in the GMC in 1984. Seeded fourth, the team finished as district runner-up. Rhodes was also captain of the Big Blue volleyball team under coach Robin Michael with fellow Hall of Famers Elise Spears and Karen Baker. She played basketball at Shelby State Community College in Tennessee for two years and they finished 3rd in the nation in 1985. She was the leading rebounder and defensive player of the year in 1986. She then played at Memphis State University and was named Lady Tiger Classic Tournament MVP in 1988. She was named defensive Player of the Year in 1989 and is the 5th all time block shot career record holder for Memphis State.



Michael "Tim" Taylor - Class of 1967

Michael "Tim" Taylor graduated from Hamilton Garfield High School in 1967 after playing football for three years under head coach and fellow Hall of Famer Lou Florio. He also participated in baseball and basketball. In 1966 Taylor caught a two-point conversion to beat Middletown 8-6 to lead the Griffins to the only undefeated football season in school history. In his sophomore year, he hit a home run for the Griffins for the only score in a 3-1 loss to Taft in the Greater Ohio League Tournament. In 1966 Taylor came off the bench in the final two quarters to go 4-for-4 from the field and 4-for-4 from the free throw line for 12 points in a win against state-ranked Dayton Roosevelt. He is ranked # 51 in basketball scoring in Garfield history. For the last 30 years Taylor has volunteered for boys and girls basketball, football and softball teams and works with the Booker T. Washington Community Old Timers Reunion. He also helps with locating former athletes in the community for the Butler County Sports Hall of Fame, as well as the Hamilton City School District Hall of Fame. Taylor worked as a paraprofessional for eight years and has worked seasonal jobs for the University of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Reds and the Cincinnati Bengals. He joins his brother Charles "Skip" Taylor as a member of the Hamilton City School District Hall of Fame.



Karen Turman - Class of 1977

Karen Turman graduated from Hamilton Taft High School in 1977 after playing tennis for three years. She started playing tennis in the fifth grade and was teaching summer camps by the age of 16. She started her school tennis career at Harding Junior High under coach Bob Burns. Turman won the City Championship at the age of 14. She played on the boys team her sophomore and junior years at Taft for coach John Kolley. Turman played for coach Darlene Sharp's girls team her senior year and was named first team All-Greater Miami Conference along with doubles partner and fellow Hall of Famer Sue Barber Westin. They won the district and regional championships and finished state runners-up while leading the Taft team to an 8-0 record, along with fellow Hall of Famer Sally Belew Streeter. In 1981 Turman graduated from DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind., where she played tennis all four years, competing in the national tournament as a junior and senior. She currently is an elementary school physical education teacher in Tampa, Fla., and coached the boys tennis team for nine years at Land O' Lakes High School. She has coached the girls teams for six years, winning six conference titles, four district titles and sent many individuals to the state tournament. A USTA-certified professional, she has played on USTA women's doubles and mixed doubles teams. Turman also is the tennis director at summer camps in New England.



Sean West - Class of 1992

Sean West graduated from Hamilton High School in 1992 after playing baseball for four years under head coach and fellow Hall of Famer Dan Bowling. He led Big Blue with a .418 batting average his junior year and was named MVP and Offensive Player of the Year. He won the same awards again in his senior year, along with being named Scholar Athlete. He was named first team All-GMC. West also was a first team selection on the *Cincinnati Enquirer* and *Cincinnati Post* all-city teams. He also played one year of basketball for Hamilton. He continued to play baseball at Xavier University, where he lettered all four years as one of the team's top hitters. West set four school records his junior year and was named team captain his junior and senior years. He still ranks as the XU leader in career doubles (62) and triples (six), and he owns the single-season RBI mark (70) and in career RBI (188). He ranks #1 in career games played with 223 games. West also ranks among the school's greats in numerous other categories. He played in six World Series events. West was the hitting coach for the 2010 Great Lakes Summer Collegiate League Champions, the Hamilton Joes.



ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

Class of 1997

*Jim "Boxcar" Bailey
* Frank Clair
*Alex "Boo" Ellis
Kevin Grevey
*Jim Grimm
Derek Howard
*Judy Kraft
*Marvin McCollum
*Joe Nuxhall
*Paul Sarringhaus
*Warren Scholler
*Jack Smith
Greg Stokes
*Chuck Thackara
Mike Townsend
Bill Wilks

Class of 1998

Shauna Bowman
Bill Evans
Bernie Griesinger
*Bill McCormick
*Rudy Oaklets
*Carl Ott
*Floyd "Breezy" Reid
Leonard (Jim) Smith
David Stalls
*Pat Sword
Charles "Skip" Taylor
*David "Chuggy" Waller

Class of 1999

Mel "Moody" Baker
Taylor "Tay" Baker
Jack Gordon
Jerry Johnson
Andy Kolesar
Mark Lewis
*Ervin J. Nutter
Bernie Reid
*Bill "Coach" Sharp
Elise Spears
*Arthur "Ray" Tilton
Willie Townsend
David Weaver

Class of 2000

*Barbara Norman Fitton
Lou Florio
*Jim Hall
*Ragan Henry
Demus Jones
Don Knodel
Kent McCormick
Terry Merz
Joe Okruhlica
*Harry Phillips, Sr.
*Virgil M. Schwarm
Jim Sutton
*Bob Wainscott

Class of 2001

Karen Baker
Ron Couch
Dick Dallmer
*Dana King
Marcy Maurer
*Don Nuxhall
Jim Patterson
Leonard Rush
Alson Scrivner
Bill Shank
*Ralph Smith
Clint Spearman, Jr.
Payton Townsend, Jr.

Class of 2002

Fred Belden
Russ Bowermaster
Robby Cobb
Fred Garretson
Dan Hartleb
Gary "Spud" Hornsby
Carolyn Hefner McAllister
Andrea Walters Moorehead
*Ray Pryor
*Charles Schwing
John Smith
Richard Smith
* Robert "Pappy" Smith
Tyrice Walker

Class of 2003

Bryan Barlow
Tony Blaine
Scott Grevey
Barb Hurley
Mike Marks
Mark Martin
*Winston Metcalfe
Richard Nelson
Cash Powell, Jr.
Ron Sutton
Harold "Buster" Treinen
Jack Young
Dot Smiley Zaragoza

Class of 2004

Jim Blount
*John Born
Wayne Bowling
Lisa Eggleston Brown
Gary Fox
*Henry "Woody" Herzog
Bill Hibbard
Jerry Mathews
Marty New
Frank "Eddie" Simpson
*Lowell Storm
Jimmy Wagner

Class of 2005

Dick Boggs
Norm Grevey
Luke Hibbard
Greg Jonson
Bobby Lakes
Phil Lillard
Mary Ellen Menzer
Charlie Pater
Andy Reid
Fred Weinman

Class of 2006

Dave Bauer
*Eric Childs
David Connell
Jay Fry

*William Hamm
Rob Huffman
Elgene Mainous
*Phil Phelps
Michael Reese
Marty Reist
Ron Spurlock
Sue Barber Westin

Class of 2007

John Bercaw
Larry Bowling
Jack Garreston
Chris Kingsbury
*Claude "Cat" Neeley
David Raab
Bob Rainey
*Gary Reist
Stacy Boling Wilson

Class of 2008

Sheree Barlow
Mike DiStaola
Joe Hudson
George Jonson
Jim Kernahan
Michael McCollum
Gerald "Jerry" Scrivner
John Spears
Otto Swanner
Fred Thomas

Class of 2009

Larry Allen
Don Baker
Bill Dinger
*Edward Eberth
Anna Harvey
Tom Jones
Curtus Moak
Ricky Stone
Sally Belew Streeter
Tom Taylor
Elbert Walker

**Denotes Deceased*

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

MEMBERS

Class of 2010

Aaron Cook
Don Curtis
Alex Davis
Bob Garretson
Tina Gregory
Jerry Law
*Stan Lewis
Ed Mignery
Craig Mills
*Garland Munz
Brian Nicley
Ted Norris

Class of 2011

Matthew Blauvelt
Dan Bowling
Pat Burtis
Malcolm Dixon
Mark Hopkins
Ron McWhorter
Francis Parrish
Chad Pennington
Richard Prather
John Ross
Tracy Collett Trunck
Larry Wood

Class of 2012

Dewey "Duke" Baker
*Rollie Barton
Brett Couch
Dr. Pearlman "Tony" Hicks
*Lewis "Lew" Hirt
Angela Harris Martin
Mark McCormick
Seth Morris
Fred Rodgers
Greg Siereveld

**Denotes Deceased*

HAMILTON'S PLAYERS OF THE YEAR FOR THE STATE OF OHIO

1939	Paul Sarringhaus	Football
1947	Joe Nuxhall	Basketball
1949	Bill Wilks	Basketball
1981	Greg Stokes	Basketball
1985	Elise Spears	Softball
1988	Mark Lewis	Baseball
1990	Tyrice Walker	Basketball
1993	Chris Kingsbury	Basketball
1997	Aaron Cook	Baseball
1999	Seth Morris	Baseball

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NOMINATION

The Hamilton City School District has a rich heritage of producing outstanding athletes from its senior high schools: Garfield, Hamilton and Taft. These fine athletes have gone on to become outstanding citizens as well. We are pleased to recognize these distinguished individuals.

We encourage our alumni and friends' input and nominations.
Please submit your nominee's information, using the criteria below.

Send your form to:
Hamilton High School
1165 Eaton Avenue
Hamilton, OH 45013
Attn: Mike Dellapina

Please feel free to submit news clippings, statistic sheets, etc. to support your nomination.

Criteria for Selection

1. The nominee, either living or dead, has made a significant contribution to athletics in high school or beyond.
2. A player nominee must be a graduate from a Hamilton high school (Garfield, Hamilton or Taft) for at least 10 years.
3. A coach nominee must no longer be an active coach in the Hamilton City Schools.
4. The nominee must be a contributing member to society.
5. The nominee may be a Hamilton supporter who did not participate in a particular sport, but has contributed to the school's sports program.

NOTE: Once nominated, the nomination stays in an active file.

Nominee _____ Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

*Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Year of Graduation _____

Outstanding Accomplishments while in High School _____

Why do you feel this person should be inducted into the Hall of Fame? _____

Petitioner's Signature _____ Phone _____

* If you do not know the nominee's current address, please submit the other information.

*Please feel free to use additional paper for your comments.
Unsigned nomination forms will not be considered.*