



# West Shore Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame, Inc.

2018 Fall Newsletter

Greetings good people;

It has been an amazing year for all of us associated with the West Shore Chapter. We continue to grow and work hard for our membership and local sports community.

## Mark your calendar...

**May 19, 2019:** *Hall of Fame Recognition Ceremony to Honor the Class of 2019* (Inductees and Scholar-Athletes) will take place at the Radisson in Camp Hill. 1-2PM social hour. Program and luncheon begin promptly at 2PM. Registration information will soon be posted on the website.

What a fantastic night it was this past May to celebrate our Class of 2018 with our Hall of Fame Recognition Ceremony. This evening combined the induction of six new members into the West Shore Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame, Inc. and the recognition of our local high school senior scholar-athletes. Each inductee seemed to capture the essence of their own success in an inspirational message to the future leaders in the audience.

*Congratulations to the Class of 2018* – pictured below from L to R:

Robyne Bostick, Larry Kostelac, Jr., Shelly Stallsmith, Amy Backel, Coy Wire and William Patrowicz



# **Class of 2018 Inductees**

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### **Snapshot Biographies**

#### **AMY BACKEL**

2005 graduate of Northern High School. Eight-time PA State medalist in Javelin, Shot Put, High Jump, and Pole Vault, 2005 Nike High School All-American (Indoor Pentathlon), Penn Relays runner-up (Javelin), and placed 13<sup>th</sup> in USATF Junior Championships in Heptathlon). Awarded prestigious John Travers Award in 2005. Continued athletic career at the University of Oklahoma where she placed in the NCAA Championships each year from 2008-2010. Nationally, competed and placed in the USA Olympic Trials, the USA Championships and the USA Junior Championships placing as high as 10th in the Javelin in the 2012 Olympic Trials. In 2010 chosen as the NCAA Today's Top VIII Award winner and was the University of Oklahoma's First 3-time Academic All-American. Currently a project engineer at EST, Inc. in Denver Colorado.

#### **ROBYNE BOSTICK**

1989 graduate of Trinity High School, played on the 1986 PIAA AA Championship Trinity basketball team. Scored 1,269 points while at Trinity. Continued her athletic career at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia where she was named a Kodak District II All-American, First Team All-Atlantic 10 and Big 5 Rookie of the Year in 1991 and currently ranks 10th on St. Joe's all-time field goal percentage list. Inducted into the St. Joseph's Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2000 as well as the Philadelphia Big 5 Hall of Fame. Coached Women's Basketball at Northern Arizona, Long Island University, Princeton, Air Force, Vanderbilt, and James Madison. She is currently Associate Head Coach of the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

#### **LAWRENCE KOSTELAC JR.**

Part of a three-generation family that has greatly influenced Trinity athletics. His father was the former athletic director and his son Larry III, is a former player on Trinity's first State Championship team and an assistant coach. Larry Kostelac Jr. is a 1976 graduate of Trinity High School where he excelled in basketball earning spots on the South Central League All-Star teams and was named to the Patriot Big 15 basketball Team in 1976. Continued his basketball career at Shippensburg University where he was coached by Rodger Goodling. Has led the Trinity boys' basketball program to unprecedented success from 1984 until present day. Named PIAA Coach of the year two times and has more than 600 victories and numerous titles to his name, including two PIAA State Championships; he is still leading the charge and chasing championships.

#### **WILLIAM PATROWICZ, JR.**

1986 graduate of Cedar Cliff High School and a 1991 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Began throwing the javelin in high school where he qualified for district competition. It wasn't until he walked-on to the Virginia Tech team that he began to excel, setting a Virginia Tech record. Left Virginia Tech to accept a full scholarship at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and set a Big Ten record in each of those two years. Later competed for the All-US Army Track and Field Team, competed internationally, and achieved a Master's All-American designation in 2009. His best throw was 241'2". A national A-Team member and an alternate to the 1998 US Bobsled Team. Currently a technology partner to law enforcement organizations worldwide. He is presently under consideration to be the next U.S. Ambassador to Iceland.

#### **SHELLY STALLSMITH**

Central York High School graduate. A stellar volleyball player, led her high school team to three District titles. Selected as a member of the All-State Volleyball Team. Continued her athletic career at Shippensburg University; was named to the All-PSAC Team. Set a record for "ACES" at Shippensburg in 1984. This record still stands and is 3rd overall in the PSAC Conference. Well known in the Central Pennsylvania area for her career in sports journalism. Carlisle Sentinel Sports Editor for 10 years. Over 16 years' experience in a variety of sports positions with the Harrisburg Patriot News, Pennlive, the York Daily Record, and GameTimePA. In 2012, spearheaded the special section produced by the Patriot in recognition of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Title IX. Project was recognized for an award due to her investigative talents, in-depth interviews, and historical perspective.

#### **COY WIRE**

Cedar Cliff High School graduate 1997 where he set school records in both football and wrestling that have still not been broken. Graduated from Stanford University, was the first player in modern school history to lead the team in rushing one year and tackles in another. Drafted by the Buffalo Bills in 2002. Named Buffalo's Special Team Player of the Year twice and in 2005 was selected by his teammates as the Bills' Walter Peyton Man of The Year. Following a neck injury, signed with the Atlanta Falcons in 2008. Played three seasons for the Falcons, named team captain and selected by teammates as the franchise recipient of the Ed Block Courage Award. Presently an anchor and correspondent for CNN Sports.

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**2018 Senior Scholar - Athletes**

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>Male Nominee</u>	<u>Female Nominee</u>
Boiling Springs	Alexander Eshelman	Sydney Harris
Camp Hill	Luca Colestock	Anne Johnson
Cedar Cliff	Patrick Wiestling	Hailey Weidenhammer
Cumberland Valley	Jack Dengler	Sophie Rice
East Pennsboro	Payton Morris	Hannah Young
Mechanicsburg	Caleb Everett	Elizabeth Hoover
Newport	Bryce Deaven	Megan Campbell
Northern	Austin Schreffler	Kyra Gerber
Red Land	Ethan Misal	Rhyan Socash
Susquenita	Trent McGuire	Callie Rohrer
Trinity	Justin Idrovo	Lauren Gatesman
West Perry	Ben Moyer	Savannah Urich



*Congratulations to Luca Colestock and Sydney Harris winners of the \$1000 Earley Family Scholarships!*

*\*\*\* Our board is so proud to recognize these future leaders. We also would like to thank our members who support this program and scholarships through very generous donations!*

- Letters were recently sent to those of you who have outstanding dues obligations for 2017-18. It is imperative that you update your dues to our chapter, especially those of you who were inducted. The state has increased the cost of dues per member to each local chapter. You will not receive a ballot from the state if your dues are not paid. For more information please contact Brad Cashman at P.O. Box 1155, Camp Hill, PA 17011 or any board member. Information is also on our website.
- The board would like to thank Iris Cekovich and Karen Hertzler for their many years of service on the board.
- The executive board meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 5PM at Marzoni's in Mechanicsburg. If you are interested in joining please contact our President, Barb Adams (717.385.2536) [barbadams239@pa.net](mailto:barbadams239@pa.net). We welcome new executive board members: Ryan Hartman, Jim Hudson and Andy Shay.
- Election of officers will take place at our June 10 meeting.
- Annual Membership Meeting: Monday, June 10, 2018 7PM @ Marzoni's in Mechanicsburg (immediately following monthly board meeting).
- **2018-19 Executive Board Members:** Barb Adams (President), Anna Baldini (Secretary), Ginny Boynton, Brad Cashman (Membership) Brad Cashman Jr., Mike Craig, Dixon Earley, Peg Earley, Ryan Hartman, Jim Hudson, Seth Pehanich, Gerry Schwille (Sr. VP), Andy Shay, Frank Snyder, Jr. (2nd VP), Mark Ulsh (Treasurer), George Yeager, Jim Sauv  (past president).
- Don't forget to check our website at: <https://westshorehof.wordpress.com/> and Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/westshorehof/>.

Hope to see everyone on May 19, 2019 as we honor the CLASS of 2019. Registration forms will be on our website soon. Barb will also be happy to email one to you. If you have any questions please contact our President, Barb Adams: (717.385.2536 - cell) [barbadams239@pa.net](mailto:barbadams239@pa.net).

We urge you to continue your support through membership, donations, and attendance at our main events. Our membership is over 200 strong and growing. We thank you for your support and encourage you to become an active part of the West Shore Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame, Inc.

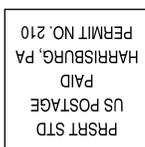
Yours in sports,

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