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WEST SHORE CHAPTER

PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

The Executive Board of the West Shore Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame is pleased to announce the 2023 Hall of Fame Class who will be inducted on Sunday, May 15, 2023, at Mountain View Middle School, 30 Bali Hai Road, Mechanicsburg. A reception will be held at 1 pm with the ceremony beginning at 2 pm. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, Senior Citizens (62+) & Students (grades 3-12) are \$5. All

tickets can be purchased at the door the day of the ceremony. Commentative programs will be available for \$5.

In addition to honoring the class of 2023, Scholar-Athletes (one male and one female from each school) from Boiling Springs, Camp Hill, Cedar Cliff, Cumberland Valley, East Pennsboro, Harrisburg Academy, Mechanicsburg, Newport, Northern, Red Land, Susquenita, Trinity, West Perry, and West Shore Christian Academy High Schools will be honored. One male and one female will be awarded a one-time \$1,000 scholarship. Two males and two females will be awarded a one-time \$500 scholarship. Scholar-Athletes are nominated for the award by their High School Administration.

Class of 2023 Inductees:

Heather (Conroy) Hower - Susquenita Field Hockey, Basketball, Softball, Track and Field. Aside from her 1,225 career points in basketball, and 92 points in field hockey, Heather also participated in track and field and hit .467 in softball as a senior. Heather's accolades led her to win the prestigious "Travers Award". She went on to star as a mid-fielder at Penn State University twice earning All-American honors and completing her Nittany Lions career with 38 goals and 90 points. In the 2022 special edition to the Patriot New, Heather was listed among the top 50 most influential and talented athletes from central Pennsylvania from the past 5 decades.

Leah Gingrich - East Pennsboro Swimming. Leah competed in her first Olympic Trials at age 14. She was a four-time NISCA All-American and won six PIAA individual titles. Leah continued her swimming career at the University of Texas where she became a Big 12 Champion. Leah also competed internationally as a member of the Junior National Team, Pan American Team, and swam open water events.

Todd Stuter - East Pennsboro Football Coach. Over the 22 years under his helm, Coach Stuter's teams compiled a win loss record of 134-96. His teams qualified for the PIAA District 3 football playoffs for 7 years and played in 10 playoff games. The football teams were the Mid-Penn Colonial Champions in 2001, 2002, 2014, and 2015. Coach Stuter was named Colonial Division coach of the year in 2001 and 2014.

Donnie Eppley - Basketball Referee and Assigner. Donnie has been a basketball referee for 40 years officiating over 1,000 Division 1 basketball games. He has officiated in (11) Division 1 conferences and (12) NCAA Men's Division 1 Championships. Donnie officiated the NCAA Men's Division III Final Four in 2009, the 2003 McDonald's All-American Game and the Gold Medal game in the 2004 Special Olympics World Games held in Dublin Ireland. He has been the high school assigner for the Mid-Penn Conference for over 20 years and currently assigns five Collegiate Division III Men's Basketball Conferences in the Middle Atlantic Region along with the Horizon League (Division I Men's Basketball).

Colonial Thomas Spahr - Trinity Cross Country and Soccer. Colonial Spahr has had a distinct career of setting records at all levels. He was the first Trinity High School cross country runner to medal at The Pennsylvania State Championships. He set the course record at Trinity High School in 1992. Thomas went on to University of Delaware where he was a 7-time conference medalist in the Steeple Chase and 5k races. Colonial Spahr was Captain of the 75th Ranger Regiment Army 10-mile team where he finished 90/18000 competitors. He has spent his adult life serving our country.

Katelyn (Murray) Hanner - Trinity Basketball. Katelyn was a 4-year starter under legendary coach Harry DeFrank finishing her career with 1,250 points. She helped her team to 2 District 3 Championships and 4 appearances in the State Basketball Tournament. Katelyn continued her academic and athletic career at St. Bonaventure where she finished with 1,129 points and 197 3-pointers. During her career, Katelyn was named to 2 Atlantic 10 All Academic teams and graduated as Valedictorian with Summa Cum Laude Honors.

Jamie Miller - Red Land Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Although Miller excelled as a 1,000-point scorer in basketball and played volleyball, the soccer field is where she shined the brightest. Jamie earned All-State, All-Region, and All-America honors for her dynamic skills. She continued her career at James Madison University where she earned the conference defensive player of the year. Coach Miller leads the girls' program at Red Land. In the 2022 special edition to the Patriot New, Jamie was listed among the top 50 most influential and talented athletes from central Pennsylvania from the past 5 decades.

2023 Scholar-Athlete Nominees:

Female:

- Jillian Strine, Boiling Springs
- Abigail Ebel, Camp Hill
- Sydney Weyant, Cedar Cliff
- Meredith Seber, Cumberland Valley
- Paelyn Bayer, East Pennsboro
- Camryn Halcovage, Harrisburg Academy
- Gracyn Catalano, Mechanicsburg
- Claire Weidenhammer, Newport
- Elizabeth Anthony, Northern
- Grace Wagner, Red Land
- Samantha Wechsler, Susquenita
- Maya Caicedo, Trinity
- Alexis Hockenberry, West Perry
- Alicia Wolfe, West Shore Christian Academy

Male:

- Tommy Crum, Boiling Springs
- Gavin Nunn, Camp Hill
- Daniel Schraeder, Cedar Cliff
- Nolan Gilbert, Cumberland Valley
- Andrew Swenson, East Pennsboro
- Jacob Rainey, Harrisburg Academy
- Seth Brubaker, Mechanicsburg
- Brady Kain, Newport
- Nathan Deller, Northern
- Parker Lawler, Red Land
- Jackson Albright, Susquenita
- Trey Weiland, Trinity
- Nolan Zeigler, West Perry
- Isaac Eichelberger, West Shore Christian Academy

About West Shore Hall of Fame

The Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame was chartered in 1962, the West Shore Chapter in 1982. It is the only community-based Hall of Fame in the Country, and its present 30 Chartered Chapters serve more than 300 communities throughout the state of Pennsylvania. Each year the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame inducts area greats of yesteryear and endeavors to include athletes, administrators, coaches, and those involved in sports medicine, and the sports media. The Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame also honors the scholastic, collegiate, community service and courageous athlete awards within those communities.

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