

*Eighth Annual
Athletic
Hall of Fame
Inductions*

April 29, 1989

Van Houten Dining Hall

COLLEGE ARCHIVES

*Edinboro
University
of Pennsylvania*

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

ATHLETIC STAFF

Baumgartner, Bruce	Assistant Wrestling Coach
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Conley, Glen.....	Women's Volleyball Coach
DeAnna, Mike	Head Wrestling Coach
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Eshelman, Carla.....	Athletic Secretary
Gierlak, Dan	Assistant Football and Head Softball Coach
Hollman, Tom.....	Head Football Coach
Jay, Todd	Sports Information Director
Lipkovich, Dr. Kathleen	Associate Athletic Director
McDonald, Jim	Athletic Director
Niswonger, Mark.....	Assistant Football Coach
Radovich, John.....	Head Baseball and Assistant Women's Basketball Coach
Roberts, George.....	Director of Sports Medicine
Sims, Jim	Head Men's Basketball Coach
Smiley, Tim	Assistant Men's Basketball Coach
Stamm, Paul	*Head Swimming Coach
Swank, Stan.....	Head Women's Basketball Coach
Umbarger, Harold	Assistant to the Athletic Director
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Watts, Doug.....	*Head Cross Country and Track Coach

*Denotes Men's and Women's Programs

HALL OF FAME BOARD

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ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Edinboro University took a historic step in its athletic program seven years ago with the induction of 18 individuals into its newly created Athletic Hall of Fame. The University honored 18 charter members who had distinguished themselves in their associations with athletics at Edinboro either by virtue of their performances or by their meritorious efforts on behalf of the University's athletic program.

Tonight, the Fighting Scots Athletic Department takes special pride, once again, by honoring eight new members with their induction into the Hall of Fame. Each new inductee or representative will be presented a plaque which identifies his or her athletic service to the University. A duplicate plaque will be placed in the Athletic Hall of Fame trophy case located in the lobby of McComb Fieldhouse.

As an added highlight, Edinboro University will also present its annual Outstanding Athletic Contributor, Coach of the Year and Senior Athletes of the Year awards. These honors are bestowed annually, and selection is made solely by the University's athletic staff members.

SOX HARRISON AWARD WINNERS

SENIOR MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

1956 - Richard Yezzi	1973 - Dave Antognoli
1957 - John Shesman	Jim Romaniszyn
1958 - Bernard Twardowski	1974 - Tom Herr
1959 - Fred Trot	1975 - Don Gerdich
1960 - Emil Magdik	1976 - Dennis Hampton
1961 - David O'Dessa	1977 - Howard Hackley
1962 - no award	1978 - Dalvin Baehler
1963 - Arnold Bradshaw	1979 - Terry Patterson
1964 - Richard Forcucci	1980 - Brian Jordan
1965 - Dan Petchel	1981 - Tim Beacham
1966 - Dave Shenefelt	1982 - Lance White
1967 - Jim Dietrich	1983 - Greg Beardsley
1968 - Don Dougan	1984 - Edwin Wright
1969 - Frank Smith	1985 - Blair Hrovat
1970 - Ted Robison	1986 - Mike Hahey
1971 - Ebby Hollins	1987 - Luke Graham
1972 - Fred Riley	1988 - Dean Hall

SENIOR FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

1984 - Ellen Mulligan	1987 - Carrie Yenchak
1985 - Mary Ann Chilcott	1988 - Libby Austin
1986 - Coleen Snyder	

PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies.....Todd V. Jay
*Sports Information Director
Edinboro University*

Invocation.....Chaplain Mearle Jay
USAF Retired

DINNER

Introductions.....Todd V. Jay

Outstanding Athletic Contributor.....Todd V. Jay, Presenting

Special Awards.....Todd V. Jay, Presenting

Induction Ceremonies.....James McDonald, Presenting
*Athletic Director
Edinboro University*

Coach of the YearDavid O'Dessa, Presenting
*Vice President for Administration and Institutional Advancement
Edinboro University*

Senior Female Athlete of the YearJoseph Mineo, Presenting
Nancy-Acker Award
*President
Edinboro Alumni Association*

Senior Male Athlete of the YearDavid O'Dessa, Presenting
Sox Harrison Award

BenedictionChaplain Mearle Jay

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE CITATIONS

The following is a list of inductees and the inscription which appears on each Hall of Fame member's plaque. They are cited for the accomplishments they achieved while performing for the University or their meritorious efforts on behalf of Edinboro's athletic program.

J. JUDE BASILE, 1976 - Encinitas, California

His record-setting years as quarterback for Edinboro on the gridiron. From 1973-75, Basile led the Scots to a 17-9-3 overall slate. Completed nearly 50% of his passes for 3,379 yards and his 21 touchdown passes rank third in the school's history. Co-captain of the 1975 squad and at one time held school records in yards passing and most completions in a season.

LEO BEMIS, 1941 - Verona, Pennsylvania

His accomplishments as an Edinboro athlete and collegiate coach. A 1941 graduate, Bemis lettered in football and wrestling for three years. Initiated the soccer program at the University of Pittsburgh where he was coach for 30 years. Guided the Panthers to 155 soccer victories and coached a total of six All Americans at Pitt.

JIM KIRK, 1974 - Edinboro, Pennsylvania

His many achievements for the Edinboro soccer team from 1970-74. Two-years team captain, Kirk is regarded by many as "the best soccer player in Edinboro history." Four-time All PSAC pick and is all-time leading scorer in the school's history with 36 goals. Currently a member of the Sox Harrison Scholarship Board at the University.

DALE LOESLEIN, 1978 - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

His accomplishments on the Edinboro golf team from 1975-78. One of the squad's top golfers for four years, he twice earned All American honors on the Division II level. Four-time All PSAC and District 18 performer, Loeslein also captured numerous amateur tournaments during his career at the 'Boro.

DENNIS RANALLI, 1974 - Erie, Pennsylvania

His accomplishments as a tennis player at Edinboro in the early 1970's and his coaching success at nearby Mercyhurst College. Three-time singles runner up and two-time doubles champion in PSAC and also twice District 18 singles champ. Overall record at Mercyhurst, combined men's and women's program, was 94-33.

DAVID SEIGH, 1975 - Johnstown, Pennsylvania

His achievements on the football field for the Scots during the mid 1970's. One of only four players in Edinboro history to be named first-team All American. Earned the honors in 1975 as a defensive back. Numerous times named All Conference and District and finished his career with 134 tackles and six interceptions.

DAVE SHENEFELT, 1966 - Bethel Park, Pennsylvania

His accomplishments for the Fighting Scot basketball team from 1962-66. Named the Sox Harrison Award winner as the school's top male athlete his senior year. Lettered four years and was named co-captain his final season. Gained second-team All PSAC honors and was tabbed honorable mention on the Penn-Ohio all star squad.

TIM SMILEY, 1978 - Ft. Wayne, Indiana

His outstanding accomplishments on the hardwood for the Edinboro basketball team. A 1978 graduate, he is currently the top scoring guard in the school's history with 1,574 points. Named All American twice and All PSAC three times. Smiley has served as the assistant men's basketball coach at Edinboro University for the past six years.

COACH OF THE YEAR

- 1988 - Doug Watts
- 1987 - Doug Watts
- 1986 - Jim Sims
- 1985 - Doug Watts
- 1984 - Jim Flynn
- 1983 - Denny Creehan
- 1982 - Guy Conti

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

CHARTER MEMBERS - 1982

Sox Harrison (deceased)
Henry Anderson, 1931 (deceased)
Walt Askins, 1960
Lawrence Blaney, 1932 (deceased)
Arnold Bradshaw, 1963
Gary Gilbert, 1961
Curly Halmi (deceased)
Joseph Leson, 1935 (deceased)
Emil Magdik, 1960
David O'Dessa, 1961
Dan Petchel, 1965
Fred Riley, 1972
Ted Robison, 1970
Joe Sanford, 1971
Frank Smith, 1969
Frank Soscia, 1942 (deceased)
John B. Wolfe, 1940
Mike Zahorchak, 1937

1983 INDUCTEES

Nancy Acker (deceased)
Dave Antognoli, 1973
William Holland, 1935
Hanio "Hank" Mariotti
Joseph Massa, 1934 (deceased)
Loyal Park, 1953
James Romaniszyn, 1973
Jim Sims, 1964

1984 INDUCTEES

Tom Herr, 1974
John McCurry, 1972
Robert McVeigh, 1951
Jerry Mifsud, 1973
Keith Nicolls, 1951
Oscar Palmquist, 1934 (deceased)
Nettie Mai Ruttle (deceased)
Jack Weixel, 1950

1985 INDUCTEES

Harold Arrowsmith, 1932
Robert Camp, 1930 (deceased)
Bill Engh
Chuck Lodge, 1952
Jack Sinnott, 1959
Roy Stauffer, 1974
Bernard Twardowski, 1958

1986 INDUCTEES

Art Arrowsmith, 1932 (deceased)
Fred Caro
William Hoffman, 1932 (deceased)
Paul Newman, 1964

1987 INDUCTEES

Don Dougan, 1968
James Flynn, 1959
Richard Forcucci, 1964
George "Whitey" Giesler, 1932
Dale Hrach, 1971
Bud Ruland, 1955
Fred Trott, 1959

1988 INDUCTEES

Kevin Foley, 1976
David Green, 1976
Howard Hackley, 1976
Joe Iacovetta, 1957
Robert "Red" Lytle, 1940
Joe Shesman, 1955
Jay Spitala, 1977
Richard Yezzi, 1956

B. REGIS "SOX" HARRISON

1889 - 1983



First Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee - Gone But Not Forgotten

Six years ago Edinboro University had the privilege of paying tribute to B. Regis "Sox" Harrison with his induction as the first member of the Athletic Hall of Fame. Sox was the key figure in the building of Edinboro's athletic program where he unselfishly devoted 34 years of service to the University as an athletic director, coach and physical education instructor.

Sox, who was an outstanding athlete himself, was friends with a long list of legendary sports figures which include such prominent people as Jim Thorpe, "Pop" Warner, Connie Mack and Joe McCarthy. Ironically it was McCarthy, a roommate with Harrison at Niagara University where he starred in both baseball and football who gave "Sox" his nickname. McCarthy first gave him the tag in the early 1900's, after Indian baseball star Louis Socksalexis for whom the Cleveland Indians were named.