

# North Penn Alumni Athletic Association 9th Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony



October 12, 2013  
North Penn High School

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NORTH PENN ALUMNI ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION  
NINTH ANNUAL HALL OF FAME  
INDUCTION CEREMONY AGENDA,  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2013

- National Anthem
- North Penn High School Alma Mater
- Opening Remarks by NPAAA President, Tom Strickland
- Welcoming remarks from Burton T. Hynes, North Penn High School Principal
- Introduction of our two Master of Ceremonies
  
- Introduction of the 3<sup>rd</sup> North Penn High School Lifetime Achievement Inductee:  
STEPHEN G. SOMKUTI, M.D., Ph.D., F.A.C.O.G., NPHS Class of 1978
  
- Introduction of the NPAAA Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees:
  - Kevin Akins, NPHS, 2004
  - I. Newton Cowan, Lansdale High School, Coach, 1933-1941
  - Stephen Craig, NPHS, 2002
  - Jennifer Krepps Atkiss, NPHS, 2002
  - Christopher McKelvy, NPHS, 2000
  - Steven Nyce, NPHS, 1992
  - Dominick Szabo, NPHS, 2000
  - Kristi Troster, NPHS, 2003
  
- Introduction of TWO PIAA State Championship Teams:
  - 2002 BOYS TRACK TEAM PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS
  - 2003 FOOTBALL TEAM PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS
  
- Closing Remarks by NPAAA President, Tom Strickland
- Adjournment to the Wall to unveil this year's plaques of this year's inductees.
- An opportunity to photograph the inductees will be provided following the ceremony.
- Following the Ceremony, a social event will be held in the Hall of Fame Area.  
Please join us for some light refreshments and help congratulate the inductees.

TONIGHT'S CEREMONY IS BEING RECORDED BY NPTV.

Thank you to Bob Gilmer, Mary Faikish, and their crew.

Also a thank you to the Audio Visual crew for their help this evening.

Thank you to Ken McLarnon for putting together the Hall of Fame Event Program.

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**October 12, 2013**

**Welcome to everyone attending this evening's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.**

**In 2011 we had a very exciting announcement. The NPAAA had expanded its mission to honor all North Penn High School & Legacy School graduates who have made significant contributions to society in the Arts, Business, Education, Legal, Medical, Performing Arts, Public Service, or the Sciences fields of endeavor. A new and separate "Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame Wall of Honor" was established and installed. This year we are honoring our Third Lifetime Achievement Inductee.**

**Since the NPAAA was established in the Year 2000, we have successfully awarded 55 scholarships to outstanding senior class male and female student athletes. Please visit the KnightSite ([www.npaaa.org](http://www.npaaa.org)) to view a listing of the individual scholarship winners. Make sure you visit the Walls of Honor and Halls of Fame where we have successfully enshrined 132 individual athletes and coaches, 23 championship teams, and 3 Lifetime Achievement individuals. In addition, the NPAAA has reached a milestone of over 430 members and growing every day.**

**Tonight we are honoring and inducting, 9 individuals (1 Lifetime Achievement and 8 athletes), and the 2002 Boys PIAA State Championship Track and Field Team and the 2003 PIAA State Championship Football Team.**

**All of these teams and individuals have demonstrated excellence through sacrifice, dedication, courage, hard work, and commitment. These values were instilled by coaches who dedicated their lives and careers to teaching athletes the cardinal virtues of ancient Greek philosophy: justice, prudence, temperance, and fortitude. These lessons of virtue develop individual character that shape and influences the rest of our lives. These inductees have excelled in their respective areas and serve as examples of what the teachers and coaches of the North Penn School District have produced dating back to the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. They represent the history of North Penn High School athletics and academics, including the Legacy**

## **NPAAA Board of Directors**

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**Schools.** By providing future generations a documentation of our sports history, and now alumni career excellence, we not only provide a source of pride but also a standard to emulate. This history originated with our "Legacy Schools": Hatfield High School, Lansdale High School, and North Wales High School, dating back to 1887. They were consolidated in 1955 to become North Penn High School.

At the conclusion of the induction ceremony, you are invited to a reception to congratulate the inductees, reunite with classmates, teammates and meet new friends. By bringing together athletes, teams, and coaches spanning many decades we hope to provide a forum and an opportunity to create an atmosphere for collegiality and reunion.

Finally, as President of the NPAAA, I can only express sincere gratitude for the opportunity to work with the individuals who make up the NPAAA Board of Directors. These individuals enthusiastically volunteer their contributions, their talents, time, resources, and dedication to the mission of the NPAAA. This evening's historic event is a result of a classic team effort. The virtues I mentioned before, regarding the inductees, most certainly apply to the NPAAA Board of Directors, Key Members, member donors, NPAAA Corporate Partners and our NPAAA Hall of Fame Event Corporate Sponsors. They all deserve our appreciation for their efforts.

A very special thank you to Dr. Curtis Dietrich, Superintendent of North Penn School District, Principal Burt Hynes, Athletic Director (and NPAAA Board Member) Don Ryan, Don's Assistant, Linda Law, and all of their executive support teams. They have endorsed these initiatives from their inception and have provided the venue and overall support for all the NPAAA Hall of Fame Events.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Strickland Jr.", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

**Thomas F. Strickland Jr.**  
**President NPAAA**  
**NPHS Class of 1962**

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On behalf of the North Penn School District and Board of Education, I want to offer my congratulations to you, the inductees, as you enter the North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Hall of Fame. Your induction signifies our opportunity to recognize those athletes, teams and coaches who contributed to building the foundation of today's athletic programs at North Penn. We are proud and honored to recognize the past contributions of an exceptionally talented group of athletes and coaches.

As you may know, North Penn has been recognized by Sports Illustrated, not once but twice, as the #1 Athletic Program in the state of Pennsylvania with over 48 state titles. This type of success is a result of years of outstanding athletics in the district and the community.

Tonight it is our pleasure to bestow this special recognition upon you, for not only participating in the North Penn Athletic Program but also for the outstanding personal contributions and achievements you have earned. Your honor is richly deserved and will always be remembered through the efforts of the North Penn Alumni Athletic Association.

Your inclusion on our "Wall of Fame" will serve now and into the future as an important and authentic role model for today's and tomorrow's student athletes, making you, forever, a cherished member of our North Penn Family.

Once again, congratulations and thank you for your contributions to the # 1 athletic program in the state of Pennsylvania.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Curtis R. Dietrich".

Curtis R. Dietrich, Ed.D.  
Superintendent  
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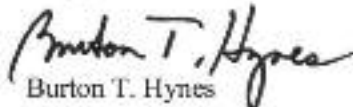
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October, 2013

The faculty, staff, and administration of North Penn High School join me in congratulating each new 2013 North Penn High School Hall of Fame inductee. Through the sponsorship of the North Penn Athletic Alumni Association, we annually honor one graduate with a Lifetime Achievement Award, and numerous athletes and coaches with induction into our Athletic Hall of Fame.

Both award categories represent outstanding achievement and excellence accomplished through hard work, dedication, and commitment. Each recipient is a role model for current and future North Penn High School students to emulate. Thank you for living up to the high expectations of your coaches, parents, and teachers. Your North Penn family proudly recognizes your enduring contributions to the North Penn legend.

Congratulations!



Burton T. Hynes

Principal

North Penn High School

## **Our Mission Statement:**

The mission of this Association shall be to uphold the standards and prestige of the North Penn High School athletic program and to encourage and promote higher education through scholarship awards to those athletes who demonstrate courage and sacrifice during their athletic careers. In addition, a hall of fame has been established to recognize those alumni from North Penn High School and its legacy schools who best exemplified those high standards while participating in athletics in high school. A second hall of fame has been established to recognize the lifetime achievement of North Penn High School and legacy school alumni who have distinguished themselves in their respective professions.

### **NPAAA Scholarship Winners**

The North Penn Alumni Athletic Association is proud to support some of the outstanding scholar/athletes of North Penn High School in their pursuit of higher education. Listed below are the recipients of the annual scholarships that your membership and donations help to support.

#### **NPAAA Scholar Athlete Award**

2002		Jennifer Krepps	
2003	Kristi Troster		Nicholas Fanslau
2004	Liz Monachello		Mike Partain
2005	Shi Chen		Abraham Horng
2006	Jennifer Kesilman		Matt Francis
2007	Kaitlyn Dugan		Paul Biedlingmaier
2008	Sara Ciaverelli		Sanjay Misra
2009	Gabrielle Pakhtigian		Robert Zinsmeister
2010	Sophie Eiger		Jason Mineweaser
2011	Mike McGuire		Jenna Thomas
2012	Dylan Eiger**		Meghan McGovern**
2013	Jenna Stover	Kyle Mayfield	John Morris

#### **Lansdale Warehouse Scholor Award**

2012	Dylan Eiger**	Meghan McGovern**
2013	Jennifer Halcovage	Daniel Boardman

#### **James K. Gulick Award**

2002	Steven Craig
2003	Matt Henderson
2004	Scott Simonovich
2005	Sean Doyle
2006	Cody Edling & Phil Wright
2007	Christopher Dollinger
2008	Zach Hoagland
2009	Brian Quintrell
2010	Samuel Bernitt
2011	Domenic Pileggi
2012	Christopher Trimble
2013	John Macauley

\*\* Award provided by Lansdale Warehouse



## **Andy Kusma Memorial Award**

Andy's sports career started when he was a shy, young boy in New Jersey playing little league baseball. After relocating to Pennsylvania as a fourth grader, Andy discovered sports as a positive way of interacting with others. Sports would continue to shape his life and the person he became. Andy found positive influences from coaches throughout his sports career and looked to them for guidance.

This scholarship was created by Andy's friends and family with the help of the NPAAA, to help keep his memory and dedication to sports alive, after losing his battle with pancreatic cancer on December 25, 2007. Andy understood the importance of a college education, and the struggle many families have with the growing cost of tuition. It was his dream to be able to reward the athletes of North Penn Athletics, by allowing them the opportunity to continue their athletic careers while receiving a college education.

In 2008, the North Penn Athletic Alumni Association presented 3 male athletes with the first scholarship in the name of Andy Kusma. The Andy Kusma Scholarship Fund has continued to grow since then, through in-kind donations and proceeds from the Andy Kusma Memorial Golf Tournament, now in its second year.

### **2009**

Matthew Albaugh

Samuel Bergey

Brandon Rothenberger

### **2010**

Michael Duggan

Thomas John Gill

Jason Mineweaser

### **2011**

Justin Carter

Alex Della Buono

Taylor Koffke

### **2012**

James Alvarino

Dylan Eiger

Mikhail Khodak

### **2013**

Daniel Boardman

David Salverian

Michael Swanson

## **Kenneth R. Schmidt Memorial Award**

2013

Jilian Sarm

Joseph O'Brien

## **Richard Swanker Athletic Award**

2013

Meghan McGovern

Christopher Trimble

2013

Sydnee Jacques

Riley Gaibler

## **A History of the North Penn School System**

Dick Shearer

The roots of public education in the North Penn area predate the Civil War when simple one-room schoolhouses dotted the countryside. They offered schooling at the most basic level because all the primary grades were taught by a single teacher in that one-room environment. Students who wanted “higher” education had to travel to a town where advanced courses were available. As villages grew into larger boroughs in the 1880s, 12-year diploma programs were offered in these schools, and senior classes evolved – some with as few as a single student.

Lansdale School District was formed in 1871, a year before the community became an incorporated borough. In 1872, its first public school was built on East Main Street. The first graduating class in 1888 consisted of four students. The original school on Main Street was replaced by the larger Broad Street and Green Street schools in 1888 and 1899, respectively, but it was not until 1914 that the first Lansdale High School was built. An influx of new industries and affordable residential housing quickly pushed the high school building past capacity, and in 1930 the school board agreed to build a new high school on Penn Street, where there would be plenty of room for future expansion. Because of this foresight, the second Lansdale High School stood the test of time much better than its predecessor. Over a period of 40 years, the campus grew to serve a total of seven towns and townships in the region. When regional consolidation took place in 1955, the Penn Street school underwent a massive expansion project that more than doubled the size of the original school. In June 1955, the final Lansdale High School diplomas were awarded, and three months later North Penn High School was born.

Like Lansdale, Hatfield’s education system evolved from one-room schools into a larger school that began offering advanced grades during the 1890s. Hatfield Consolidated School District was formed in 1921 when residents of the borough and township agreed to erect a modern high school on the borough-township line in 1921. The new facility contained 19 rooms and was built on a 10 1/2-acre tract at Fairgrounds and Cowpath Roads. When the building opened in September 1922, it was the first six-year high school in this part of the state. A total of 492 students were brought together under the same roof, taught by a 15-member faculty. Hatfield High featured the largest auditorium and gymnasium between Philadelphia and the Lehigh Valley. Now the home of the Biblical Theological Seminary, Hatfield High School’s last graduates received their diplomas in 1955. The high school closed its doors on June 10, 1955, and in September, 1955, Hatfield’s underclassmen began attending the North Penn Joint High School in Lansdale.

Public education in North Wales also began with a one-room school located on Main Street that was built before the town was incorporated in 1869. The bustling young town soon outgrew its first schoolhouse and a new one was erected at Third and School Sts. By the 1890s that structure also proved inadequate and a three-story addition was built to house all 12 grades. North Wales held its first commencement in 1887 – with one student receiving a diploma. The School Street building was replaced in 1928 by what is now North Wales Elementary School on Summit Street. Like Lansdale and Hatfield, North Wales became a part of the North Penn Jointure in 1955, ending the era of independent school districts – and high schools – in each town.

To come full circle, the post-World War II construction boom impacted the once rural townships of Hatfield, Montgomery, Upper Gwynedd and Towamencin much like the rapid growth the borough experienced a half-century earlier. The venerable Lansdale/North Penn High School was no longer able to contain the influx of new students. In 1971 a new, massive high school campus was built in Towamencin, and Penn Street was converted into what is now Penndale Middle School.





## **The History of the North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Two Hall of Fames** **By Thomas F. Strickland Jr., President NPAAA, October 12, 2013**

The NPAAA was founded in the year 2000 with a mission to uphold the standards and prestige of the North Penn High School athletic program and to encourage and promote higher education through scholarship awards to those student athletes who demonstrate courage and sacrifice during their athletic careers.

The NPAAA expanded its mission in 2004 when a decision was made by the Board of Directors to establish a sports Hall of Fame to recognize those alumni from North Penn High School and its legacy schools who best exemplified those high standards while participating in athletics in the high school.

After the NPAAA voted to initiate an athletic Hall of Fame, the Board of Directors proceeded with defining its vision. First, the NPAAA had to establish a qualification criteria and organizational guidelines to provide a systematic methodology for selecting inductees. Once that was established, the NPAAA created three committees: one to research, prioritize and select the inductees; a second to determine appropriate inductee awards and method of recognition; and a third to initiate a fundraising campaign to provide the monies necessary to support the NPAAA's dual mission of scholarship awards and athletic recognition.

The mission of the NPAAA is sustained by a desire to provide future generations with a historical record of the outstanding student athletes and teams representing North Penn High School and its legacy schools (Hatfield High School, Lansdale High School, and North Wales High School). This history, which provides both a source of pride and a standard to emulate, dates back to 1887.

On October 8, 2005, the NPAAA hosted its Inaugural Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at North Penn High School. Fifty two athletes (spanning eight decades) and one team were inducted. The ceremony was attended by several hundred people and included the enthusiastic endorsement and participation of North Penn School District Officials. A program was provided that included the history of the schools, a history of the team inducted, and profiles of the inducted athletes. An announcement was made at this event about plans to establish a permanent Hall of Fame Wall in North Penn High School. This initiative was presented to North Penn High School Officials and was enthusiastically approved.

A fundraising campaign was initiated immediately following the Inaugural Hall of Fame Induction Event and by Mid-August 2006, the NPAAA raised sufficient funding to proceed with the creation of the Hall of Fame Wall. A vendor was selected to provide the raised metal plaques that would be installed on the Wall of Fame in North Penn High School.

In addition, The North Penn Alumni Athletic Association, as part of its Sports Hall of Fame mission, gives Special Recognition to teams that did not achieve PIAA State Championship level, but won league a championship along with other NPHS league championship teams in any given year; or a team(s) that in the opinion of the NPAAA Board of Directors should be recognized

for their unique contribution to North Penn High School sports history. Three special recognition plaques have been installed on the Wall of Honor.


On May 16, 2011, the NPAAA Board of Directors again approved the expansion of its current mission of providing scholarships to senior student athletes and the creation of the Sports Hall of Fame, to establishing a “Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame” to be installed in North Penn High School. The NPAAA has now expanded its mission to honor all North Penn High School & Legacy School graduates who have made significant contributions to society in the Arts, Sciences, Law, Medical, Business, performing arts, and public service or education fields of endeavor.

This initiative was presented to, and approved by, the North Penn School District Superintendent and North Penn High School Principal. The NPAAA has been provided a wall at North Penn High School (separate from the Athletic Wall of Honor) to display inductee profile plaques. This year (2013) we are inducting the third Lifetime Achievement award winner.

Since 2005 and including the Event on October 12, 2013 we have installed 132 plaques for the individual athletes, 23 team plaques, 3 Lifetime Achievement plaques, and three special recognition plaques on the Halls of Fame Walls of Honor.

You can see and read about all of the inductees on the NPAAA Knight Site: [www.npaaa.org](http://www.npaaa.org)





## North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame Wall of Honor

*Established October 8, 2011*

The North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Lifetime Achievement Hall of Fame will honor North Penn High School and Legacy School graduates who have made significant contributions to society in the Arts, Business, Education, Legal, Medical, Performing Arts, Public Service, or the Sciences fields of endeavor.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

<p style="margin: 0;">Thomas F. Strickland, Jr. North Penn HS 1962 President</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Al Stroding 200-2302 President Emeritus</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">James Halmer North Penn HS 1973 Vice President</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Greg Kobasa North Penn HS 1985 Board Member</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">Kate Skowron North Penn HS 1981 Treasurer</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Jane Willis North Penn HS 1989 Board Member</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">William Siskinon North Penn HS 1988 Corresponding Secretary</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Richard Swanson North Penn HS 1986 Board Member</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">Ron Jurek North Penn HS 1988 Recording Secretary</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Rita Carnell North Penn HS Coach and Faculty Board Member</p>
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**NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL  
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**STEPHEN G. SOMKUTI, M.D., PH.D., F.A.C.O.G.**

NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL, 1978

Dr. Somkuti is a Board Certified Reproductive Endocrinologist who completed his training at Duke University and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He is an attending physician at Abington Memorial Hospital in Abington, PA, and Medical Director of the In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) Program at the hospital's Toll Center for Reproductive Sciences. He is a Clinical Assistant Professor at Jefferson Medical College, a visiting scientist in the Department of Biology at Lehigh University and Associate Professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences in the School of Medicine at Temple University.

The recipient of numerous research publication awards from the American Society for Reproductive Medicine and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and has earned the privilege to serve as the President of the Philadelphia area Reproductive Endocrinologist Society. Dr. Somkuti has extensive experience and expertise in surgical and medical treatments of infertility, laser surgery and IVF. His research pursuits range from understanding endometriosis and its effects on implantation to exploring connections between fertility and the environment.

B.A., B.A., Lehigh University, Biology and German, 1982

Ph.D., Duke University, Pharmacology, 1986

M.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1989

Postdoctoral Associate, National Institutes of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), 1986

Residency, Duke University Medical Center, Obstetrics and Gynecology, 1993

Fellowship, Reproductive Endocrinology and Fertility

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Memorial Hospital, 1995

INDUCTED 2013

Steve was known as a nerd in high school and had the nickname of “professor”. These were the waning last years of fallout from the Vietnam War... all types of smoke could be smelled in the hallways and corridors of NPHS! His teachers were all absolutely inspiring, especially in English and History and German. He was on the track team as a sprinter. He also played violin in the NPHS orchestra. The gifted and advanced placement program at NPHS allowed him to enter Lehigh University with sophomore standing and graduated three years later with a double major in Biology and German. Both parents were in the sciences and their influences helped to secure a summer student position at the Baylor college of Medicine in Houston Texas in the Department of Cell Biology. It was a very exciting time as molecular biology was in its infancy. He spent two summers working in a laboratory involved with understanding reproductive hormone receptors and started his passion for the study of the reproductive system.

After graduation from Lehigh, he held a job at Smith Kline and French Laboratories as a research scientist in renal pharmacology. He was also active in the North Penn Symphony Orchestra. Next, he entered Duke University and obtained a Ph.D. in Reproductive Biology/Pharmacology/Toxicology studying the mechanism of toxicity of organophosphate chemicals on the male reproductive system. After a postdoc at the NIEHS, he completed medical school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. From there he went back to Duke to complete Residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology and then back to University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and completed the subspecialty Fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Fertility. It is quite obvious that he was following the number one basketball teams around! He saw five national championships (between Duke ‘91, ‘92, UNC ‘82, ‘93, and NC State ‘83) during his 14 years of doing “hard time” there. In addition to being fluent in German and Hungarian, needless to say he became “fluent in basketball” as well!

In 1995, he joined Jay Schinfeld at Abington Reproductive Medicine and helped grow a single office and 6 employees to its present state with seven office locations with five physicians and over 50 employees. There, he has been instrumental in offering the latest advances in assisted reproductive technologies. His clinic was the first to perform preimplantation genetic diagnosis on embryos to evaluate for the presence of single gene mutations to prevent the transmission of a disease and allow a healthy outcome. This can be done for over 200 different genetic diseases. His clinic has had over 5,000 live births from IVF alone. Dr. Somkuti has extensive experience and expertise in surgical and medical treatments of infertility, minimally invasive surgery. His research pursuits range from understanding endometriosis and its effects on implantation to exploring connections between fertility and the environment, improving fertility preservation options in patients with cancer, preimplantation genetic diagnosis, and understanding the effects of aging on fertility. He enjoys cycling, running, hiking, the beach, stamp and coin collecting, opera, music, fine wines, cooking, and traveling. Some of his best friends are still from his NPHS days.

Dr. Somkuti is proud of his two children: Livia a high school senior who is interested in a career in music and vocal arts and enjoys horseback riding, and son Michael, a junior, who is into computers, programming and his guitar.

## 2013 NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees



### **KEVIN T. AKINS**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 2004**

9 Varsity Letters: 3 Football, 2 Indoor Track, 4 Spring Track  
2004 Mr. PENNSYLVANIA FOOTBALL  
2003 MEMBER PIAA STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM  
2002 & 2003 NPHS Offensive Player Award MVP  
2003 1st Team SOL Running Back and Defensive Back  
2002 MEMBER PIAA STATE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM  
2003 PIAA STATE CHAMPION 4X400m RELAY  
2003 PIAA State 4X100m Relay Runner Up  
2 Times PTFCA 1st Team All State Track & Field  
2004 SOL 200 meter Champion  
5 times 1st Team SOL Track & Field  
2008 Boston College Football "Unsung Hero Award"  
2007, 2008 ACC Football Conference Champions  
Boston College, B.S. Communications, 2008  
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I have always had a goal of succeeding and excelling on and off of the playing field, whether this being building personal relationships and team moral or providing advice to peers and community members. After graduating from Boston College I have developed careful understanding of the sports and business world, and with a get knocked down and get back up attitude. I continue to strive within my calling of providing assistance to aspiring athletes, while also contributing to business endeavors with his colleagues and family.

Most importantly I attribute much of my success to my father and mother, Ronnie and Zeldia Akins, as well as my three brothers Eric, Ronnie, and Kristopher. Who are also corner stones of the North Penn Sports Community, having all been contributing members of at least one state championship team. Without their support I could have never made it this far.

One slogan I have always lived by is "leaders are selected, but a good follower can always become a great leader" and in saying that I will always live life's ventures in stride, reaching each goal that comes to mind.



## 2013 NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees



### **I. NEWTON COWAN**

#### **Coach, Lansdale High School, 1933-1941**

Baseball 2 yrs., Basketball 5 yrs. & Football 8 yrs.  
Bux-Mont League Football Record; 43 wins - 13 losses - 5 ties  
2 Bux-Mont League Football Championships 1937 & 1939  
Undeafated 1937 Football Team; Enshrined NPAAA Hall of  
Fame 2005  
1939 Bux-Mont League Football Co-Champions, Record 6-2  
1934 and 1936 Bux-Mont League Football Runner Up  
MVP & Most Improved Football Awards Named in His Honor  
Supervising Principal Hatfield High School, 1951-1956  
Attended Carnegie Mellon University, 1925-1928  
Franklin & Marshall College, BS, Psychology, 1930  
Temple University, M.Ed., Education, 1941  
Temple University, Ed.D. Education Administration, 1956  
**INDUCTED 2013**

Dr. I. Newton Cowan's football career was associated with several successful football programs both as a player and as a coach. He started his football career with Lancaster High School in Lancaster, PA. In 1923 with Newt as the fullback, the Lancaster High School football team was undefeated and out scored it's opponents 393 to 15. That season Newt who scored 10 touchdowns also played guard on defense.

In college Newt was a member of the Carnegie Institute of Technology's (now known as Carnegie Mellon) football team. The greatest victory in Carnegie Tech's football history occurred on November 27, 1926, with Newt Cowan as the starting offensive and defensive right guard. That day on Forbes Field, Carnegie Tech was a heavy underdog to the renowned coached Knute Rockne's Notre Dame football team and its famous "Four Horsemen". The results were all for Carnegie Tech with a final score of Carnegie Tech 19 to Notre Dame's 0. Dr. Cowan was named Honorable Mention All-American Football Carnegie Institute Starting Offensive Guard on the 1928 Football Team that also defeated the 7-1 Notre Dame Team, Coached by Knute Rockne.

Following his graduation from Carnegie Tech in 1928, Newt taught school at Shadyside Academy and in 1929 he was the line coach for Franklin and Marshall. He then was the Athletic Director at Wesley College Institute in Dover, Delaware, before arriving at Lansdale High School in 1933 to teach Social Studies and coach football, basketball, and baseball. While at Lansdale High School, he was the head football coach for the undefeated and untied football squad of 1939.

In 1941, Newt Cowan became the Principal and Athletic Director at Upper Mooreland Township Schools. Later he was the Supervising Principal at Hatfield, the Superintendent of Schools at Palmra, NJ, and the Superintendent of schools at Roselle Park, NJ.

Dr. Cowan did post graduate studies at Franklin and Marshall College, Columbia University, and Temple University where he received his doctorate in 1956.

Dr. I Newton Cowan died in 1960 while he was the Superintendent of Schools at Roselle Park, NJ.

## 2013 NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees



### **STEPHEN CRAIG**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 2002**

13 Varsity Letters: 2 Cross Country, 3 Soccer, 4 Indoor Track, 4 Spring Track  
2002 INDOOR STATE 800 METER CHAMPION  
1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 INDOOR STATE CHAMPION, 4 X 800m RELAY  
2001 & 2002 NPHS Indoor Track MVP  
National Scholastic Indoor Meet 4X800m Champions 2001 & 2002  
Co-Captain of the 2002 PIAA STATE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM  
2002 PENN RELAYS CHAMPIONSHIP OF AMERICA  
DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY CHAMPIONS, School Record 10:17.47  
2001, 2002 Penn Relays Championship of America 4 X 800m 1st American Team  
1999, 2000 & 2002 PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS 4 X 800m RELAY  
Holds North Penn HS 800 meter Record, 1:52.17  
NPHS Spring Track MVP 2000, 2001 & 2002  
8 Times PTFCA 1st Team All State Track & Field  
6 Times National Scholastic Sports Foundation All-America Team  
2001 Co-Captain of the NPHS Soccer team  
Duke University, Men's Track and Field, 2002-2006  
Duke University, B.A. Public Policy Studies, 2006  
INDUCTED 2013

As an athlete at North Penn, Steve earned 13 Varsity letters in Cross Country, Soccer, Winter Track and Spring Track. Steve began his career at North Penn after securing a varsity position on the Soccer Team as a freshman. During the offseason, Steve joined the Winter Track Team fall of freshman year. That season Steve was able to earn a spot on the North Penn 4x800m Relay Team along with Zack Webb, Lee Benedette, and Jim Farrow. That relay team later went on to win the Indoor State Championship (1999). It was after this first season of winter track that Steve became hooked on competitive running.

During Steve's track and field tenure at North Penn he was proud to be a part of several successful 4x800m Relay teams that went on to win Indoor State Championships in 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and Outdoor State Championships in 1999, 2000, 2002. Steve looks back on the 2002 Penn Relays Distance Medley Relay as one of his favorite races during his HS career. In a last minute team decision to enter the Distance Medley Relay, Coach Swanker submitted the entry form the day of the final cutoff. In a surprise showing, the team of Dan Michael (1200m), Matt Henderson (400m), Adam Thomas (800m), and Steve Craig (1600m) went on to win the Penn Relays Championship of America in a come from behind victory setting a school record of 10:17.47.

Steve's most memorable athletic accomplishment was participating on the 2002 Outdoor Track and Field Team that went on to win the PIAA State Team Title in 2002. The entire team had strong performances throughout the weekend. Zach Thomas took 4th in the 110M Hurdles, Matt Henderson placed 3rd in the 200m Dash, and all three North Penn relay teams (4x100—3rd (Mike Penn, Zach Thomas, Kevin Zeblium, Matt Henderson), 4x400—3rd, and 4x800—1st (Rick Bennett, Adam Thomas, Dan Michael, Steve Craig) placed in the top three. However, the state title came down to the last relay of the day. North Penn was trailing

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### **JENNIFER KREPPS ATKISS**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 2002**

10 Varsity Letters: 3 Field Hockey, 3 Indoor Track, 4 Soccer  
2002 Field Hockey Co-Captain and NPHS Co-MVP  
2002 Suburban One All League First Team Field Hockey  
2001-02 Indoor Track Co-Captain and NPHS MVP  
2002 NPHS The Outstanding Senior Athlete  
2001 Middle Distance Award; 2000 Coaches Award  
Member of the 4x400m School Record 2002  
2001, 2002 Soccer Co-Captain and NPHS MVP  
Suburban One All League 1st Team; Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12  
1999 NPHS Defensive MVP & Hardest Worker Award  
2002 NPAAA Scholar Athlete Award  
2002 William F. Dannehower Award 3rd Place  
University of Delaware Varsity Athlete, Women's Soccer  
University of Delaware, B.A. Biological Sciences Education 2007  
Penn State University, M.Ed. Instructional Systems 2012  
INDUCTED 2013

While attending North Penn, Jen earned 10 varsity letters in field hockey, winter track, and soccer. Jen received the NPHS Athletic Department Award for Outstanding Female Athlete in grades 10, 11, and 12 and was voted by her peers as Most Athletic her senior year.

Academically, Jen was a member of National Honors Society and graduated in the top 2% of her class. In her senior year, she was awarded the NPAAA Scholar Athlete Award and was second runner up for the Montgomery County William F. Dannehower Memorial Award recognizing students' outstanding accomplishments in athletics, academics, and community service.

Jen broke onto the North Penn athletic field by playing soccer during her freshman year. As a member of the soccer team she started every game and earned Suburban One All League 1st Team honors in each of her four years on the team. During her freshman and sophomore years, she was awarded Rookie of the Year, Defensive MVP, and Hardest Worker honors. Then as a junior and senior, she served as a team captain and was named team MVP.

During her sophomore year, Jen earned spots on the field hockey and winter track rosters. As a member of the field hockey team, Jen was named to Suburban One All League 2nd team in grades 10 and 11 and then 1st team in grade 12. As a senior, Jen was a co-captain and co-MVP of the field hockey team. Winter track was a sport that Jen originally joined to stay in shape for soccer. However, due to the influence of her coaches and the friendships she developed on the track, running became a passion that she still enjoys today. In addition to meeting her future husband on the track, Jen placed at the Indoor State Championship in the 4x400m relay, the 4x800m relay, and the open 400m. Jen was awarded Rookie of the Year in grade 10, Middle Distance MVP in grade 11, and was a team captain and the team MVP in grade 12.

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### **CHRISTOPHER J. MCKELVY**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 2000**

9 Varsity Letters: 3 Football, 2 Indoor Track, 3 Spring Track, 1 Swimming  
2000 INDOOR STATE SHOT PUT CHAMPION  
Indoor School Record in Shot Put 58' 10.25"  
2000 PTFCA Indoor & Spring 1st Team ALL STATE, Shot Put  
2000 NPHS Indoor & Spring Track MVP  
2000 PIAA SPRING STATE SHOT PUT CHAMPION  
Spring Track School Record in Shot Put 59' 7.5"  
1999 NPHS Football Team Co-Captain  
1999 PENNSYLVANIA LINEMAN OF THE YEAR  
1997, 98, 99 1st Team Offense, SOL, Reporter, Intelligencer  
1999 1st Team Offense, Inquirer, Associated Press (Big Schools)  
1999 1st Team Offense, PIAA All-State, All-East Elite Team  
1999 1st Team Offense Parade Magazine All-American  
2000 Big 33 & Montgomery County All Star Football Games  
1997 MEMBER PIAA STATE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM  
Pennsylvania State University Football 1st Team Offense 2001, 02, 03  
Pennsylvania State University, B.S. Kinesiology, 2006  
INDUCTED 2013

9 Varsity Letters: 3 Men's Outdoor Track and Field, 2 Men's Indoor Track and Field, 1 Men's Swimming, 3 Football. 1997 District qualifier and member of the 1997 Men's state champion swim team. 2000 Indoor Track and Field, PIAA state champion (shot put), First Team All-State (shot put), placed 5th in the Nike Indoor National Championships (shot put) North Penn High School indoor shot put record holder. 2000 Outdoor Track and Field, Suburban One League discus & shot put champion, District One shot put champion and PIAA State Champion (shot put), 1st Team All-State (shot put) and North Penn High School outdoor shot put record holder. 1997 Football –1st Team All Bucks County & Montgomery County. 1997, 1998, 1999 Football: 1st Team Suburban One League (offense), 1st Team All-Intelligencer (offense), and 1st Team All-North Penn Reporter (offense). 1999 1st Team Philadelphia Inquirer (offense), "Associated Press" Big School 1st Team All-State, "Prep Magazine" All-American, "Super Prep Magazine" All-American, "Parade Magazine" 1st Team All-American, 1st Team PIAA All-State (offense), 1st Team All-East Elite Team, "USA Today" 2nd Team All-American (offense), 1999 Pennsylvania Lineman of the year, "The Recruiting Advisor Magazine" #1 Offensive Lineman in the country, North Penn Booster Club MVP Award. Chris received the 1998 North Penn High School most outstanding junior athlete award. Chris was a team captain for football in 1999 and the North Penn High School most outstanding senior athlete award winner. He represented North Penn in the Montgomery County All-Star football game and Pennsylvania in the Big 33 All-Star game with teammate and running back Hikee Johnson.

College recognition: Chris attended Pennsylvania State University on a Football Scholarship. Lettered 3 years in Football 2001, 2002 and 2003 and saw significant playing time as a true freshman in the fall of 2000. Chris was an offensive starter in 2001, 2002 & 2003 and a key contributor in the 2002 line that helped

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### **STEVEN A. NYCE**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 1992**

6 Varsity Letters: 3 Football, 1 Indoor Track, 2 Spring Track  
1992 PIAA SPRING STATE SHOT PUT CHAMPION  
1992 PIAA District 1 Shot Put Runner up  
1992 SOL Shot Put Champion  
1991 NPHS Football Co-MVP Award  
1991 Football NPHS Outstanding Defensive Award  
1991 Football NPHS Academic Achievement Award  
1991 Football NPHS Off-Season Training Award  
1991 Football 2nd Team SOL Fullback & Linebacker  
1990 Football NPHS Defensive Hard Hat Award  
1993-1996 LaSalle University, All-East Track & Field (6 Times)  
LaSalle University, B.A., Economics, 1996  
University of Notre Dame, M.A., Ph.D., Economics, 2000  
INDUCTED 2013

While attending North Penn High School, Steve participated in football and track and field. He started on the football team at linebacker as a junior and senior and he earned second team all-league honors in both years. Steve also started at fullback his senior year, earning second team all-league honors. As a senior, he was voted co-captain by his peers, leading the team in tackles and interceptions, and he was named team co-MVP. His most memorable game came in his senior year (on September, Friday 13th), where he scored 4 touchdowns on the way to a convincing victory over Souderton. Steve is most proud of earning the football team's Academic Achievement Awards and Off-Season Training Awards in his senior year.

Steve joined the track and field team in the spring of his junior year. After earning a varsity letter in his junior year throwing the javelin, he began throwing the shot put during the winter track season of his senior year, where he placed fifth at the Winter Track State Championships. Steve carried that momentum into the spring season, where he was the League Champion, runner-up at the District 1 Championships and PIAA State Champion in the shot put.

Steve continued his track and field career at Penn State University (1992-3) and LaSalle University (1993-1996). He earned All-East in the shot put six times and he was the 1994 and 1995 Midwest Collegiate Conference Champion and 1996 Atlantic 10 Champion in the shot put. Other notable accolades include the 1996 LaSalle University MVP Track and Field, 1996 Atlantic 10 Academic All-Conference and 1996 LaSalle University Male Student Athlete of the year. Steve continued his academic pursuits at the University of Notre Dame where he graduated with a Ph.D. in Economics in 2000.

Steve resides in Ashburn, VA with his wife, Jenny, and three sons, Braden 4, Grayson 2 and Tatum 8 months. He is currently the Director of the Research and Innovation Center for Towers Watson, a large global professional services company. He is honored to become a member of the North Penn Alumni Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

## 2013 NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees



### **DOMINICK SZABO**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 2000**

11 Time National Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association All American  
3 Time PIAA STATE CHAMPION, setting 2 STATE RECORDS  
2000 PIAA STATE CHAMPION 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY, STATE RECORD  
Held 6 NPHS Pool Records out of a possible 11 in 2000  
Set five Team records 1997-2000; 2 Individual and 3 Relays  
Won 10 District One Titles, Setting 4 District One Records  
From 1997 to 2000 the NPHS Swim Team Won 84 Consecutive Dual Meets,  
4 Suburban League, 4 District I and 4 PIAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS  
Led NPHS to 2000 NISCA National Power Point Team Championship  
2000 National Ranked, 2nd 100yd Breaststroke and 3rd in 200 Ind. Medley  
Qualified for the 2000 Olympic Trials Senior Year at North Penn  
American University: NCAA Qualifier and All American 2003  
Patriot League 100 Breaststroke & Medley Relay Champion, Record Holder  
Placed 8th in the 100 yd. Breaststroke at the 2004 Olympic Trial Finals  
American University, B.S., Business Administration, 2007  
Inducted 2013

"Following graduation, Dominick competed in the 2000 US Olympic Trials and placed in the top 25 in the 100 Breaststroke. He then accepted a Division 1 swimming scholarship from American University in Washington DC where he earned the Most Valuable swimmer award his freshman year and placed 7th at NCAAs in his Junior year. He took time to train with Michael Phelps at North Baltimore and made it to the finals of the 2004 US Olympic Trials, where his time would have been in the top 25 at the Olympics. Dominick then graduated from American University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. After some time with an advertising/marketing firm, decided to expand his experience in corporate sales while also managing a restaurant. He is now working in accounting and operations for a growing Real Estate company in Washington DC.

The new position allows flexibility for his new and growing family since the birth of his incredible daughter, Sophia, in 2011. Dominick and his partner, Joy, live and work in the DC Metro area."

## 2013 NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees



### **KRISTI TROSTER**

#### **Athlete, North Penn High School, 2003**

7 Varsity Letters: 2 Field Hockey, 2 Basketball, 3 Softball  
2003 Field Hockey Tri-Captain & NPHS Co-MVP  
2003 1st Team SOL All-League Field Hockey  
2002 1st Team Inquirer, Southeast PA  
2002 Times Herald Field Hockey Player of the Year  
2003 SOL 2nd Team All-League Basketball  
NPHS Basketball Co-Outstanding Senior, NPHS Outstanding Junior,  
NPHS Co-Outstanding Sophomore Award  
2003 Softball Captain and NPHS Co-MVP  
2002, 2003 SOL 1st Team All-League Shortstop  
2001 SOL 2nd Team All-League Designated Hitter  
2002 Inquirer 1st Team All Suburban Shortstop  
2002 Intelligencer 1st Team All Area Shortstop  
2003 Inquirer 1st Team All Southeast PA, Softball  
2003 Genuardi's Most Outstanding Female Athlete Award  
UMBC Female Scholar Athlete Award 2007  
University of Maryland Baltimore County, B.S. Biology, 2008  
Inducted 2013

Kristi was an accomplished tri-athlete at North Penn High School where she participated in field hockey, basketball, and softball. She received multiple varsity letters in field hockey and basketball and three in softball. Kristi was a key contributor on many successful teams, each of the teams she contributed to received District 1 playoff berths with several continuing on to states. She earned all league honors in each of her 7 varsity seasons, All South Eastern PA 1st team in 2 seasons, and 1 Player of the Year award. Her interest in sports was cultivated at an early age by her supportive and athletic parents. Kristi's mother, Freddi Troster, was an outstanding high school field hockey player. Her father, Barry Troster, is a past inductee of the NPAAA Hall of Fame after starring in both basketball and baseball at North Penn and Ursinus College. It is no surprise the passion and love her parents share for athletics were instilled in their daughter Kristi.

Upon graduating from North Penn in 2003, she continued to excel in both field hockey and softball at Division I University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) and in the classroom. Kristi lettered 4 years in field hockey team where she started all 64 games in her career. She is ranked 4th all-time for both career goals and total points in UMBC history and was named to the America East All Rookie Team in 2003 and to the America East 2nd team All League in 2005 and 2006 respectively. Kristi was named Tri-captain and Co-MVP in both 2005 and 2006 and was named to the National D1 Academic Squad in each of her 4 seasons. She was named to the inaugural America East All Academic Field Hockey Team in 2005. In 2006 Kristi was a repeat honoree. She was a member of the softball team in 2003 and in 2007. In 2007 she named a starting outfield, batted .301 on a team which finished 2nd overall in the America East. In each of her six competitive seasons at UMBC, she earned the America East Honor Roll for a GPA of 3.0 or better and in 4 of those

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## **STEVEN CRAIG continued from page 16**

Cumberland Valley and Altoona by 3 points and needed a 5th place finish or better in the 4x400m to win the team title. In a very tight race, the 4x400m relay team of Steve Craig, Dan Michael, Kevin Akins, and anchor leg Matt Henderson managed to squeeze out a 3rd place finish to secure the team title.

Steve feels very fortunate to have received the guidance and direction from coaches Richard Swanker, Ron Jaros, and Jay Jones who set the foundation for a proud North Penn Track and Field tradition. Without the commitment and hard work of teammates throughout the 1999-2002 seasons the success of the 4x800m relay and the PIAA State Championship Team in 2002 wouldn't have been possible.

After graduating North Penn High School, Steve went on to Duke University where he continued his track and field career earning All-East Honors. Steve graduated in 2006 with a B.A. in Public Policy Studies. Post College, Steve moved to Minneapolis, MN to work for a startup IT company, which later went through a successful IPO and then went on to be acquired by Dell Inc. in 2011. Steve now works as a Sales Executive for Dell in the Mid Atlantic Area.

Steve is the proud husband and father of his beautiful wife Sarah and adorable 9 mos. old son Hayden. Steve and his family currently reside in East Norriton, PA where they spend most of their spare time taking care of their little guy, but enjoy spending downtime with family and friends.

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## **JENNIFER KREPPS ATKISS continued from page 17**

Jen went onto play soccer at the University of Delaware (UD). As a fighting Blue Hen, Jen earned the CAA Academic Award during each of her four years on the team and was named to the ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA District II All-Academic 2nd team as a junior and 1st team as a senior. Jen also earned the UD Team Sportsmanship Award as a sophomore and was nominated for the NCAA Sportsmanship Award as a senior. Additionally, she was a member of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee and was honored with the UD Student Services for Athletes Outstanding Contributor Award during her senior year. Academically, Jen earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biological Sciences Education and a minor in Nutrition.

Following graduation from the University of Delaware, Jen earned her M.Ed. in Instructional Systems from Penn State University and works as a Biology teacher, soccer coach, and class advisor at Central Bucks High School South. Jen is thankful for her athletic experiences at North Penn and feels that the mentoring by her coaches and the relationships with her teammates have helped her to be as passionate about teaching and coaching as she is today. She is honored to become a member of the NP Athletic Hall of Fame.



## **CHRIS MCKELVEY continued from page 18**

running-back Larry Johnson become the 9th player in NCAA history to rush for 2,000 yards in a single season. Chris started the Capitol One Bowl against Auburn in January of 2003 and represented Penn State in the Blue Gray All-Star game after his senior season. Chris graduated Penn State with a Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Kinesiology.

Professional: Was offered free-agent contracts with the Dallas Cowboys, Baltimore Ravens and New Orleans Saints and signed a contract with the New Orleans Saints in 2004. It is a little remembered fact by those that only knew Chris in high school or college that he actually began his athletic career as a swimmer with North Penn Aquatic Club, following in his brothers footsteps and started swimming competitively at the age of 5. He still holds several team and pool records in the local area. In High School Chris left swimming to pursue his own interests in Track and Field and Football. He had a passion for both sports and loved the individual competition of Track and Field and the team aspects of Football. Chris is extremely grateful to the coaches throughout the entire history of his association with North Penn. They nurtured his development as an athlete and person, at all levels from youth programs to the High School level. They played a big part in his life and imparted many valuable life lessons. He would have loved to have competed in Track and Field at Penn State, but time constraints and the grueling football schedule simply would not allow it. He has many great memories at North Penn and Penn State. Some of the most notable were breaking the shot put record at North Penn that had stood since 1967 to the football grudge matches against CB West recorded in the ESPN documentary "The Season", to running out of the tunnel at Beaver Stadium to play in front of a national TV audience and a packed house of 109,000 against Ohio State, Michigan and others.

Today, Chris is a Special Agent for Homeland Security Investigations. Chris commented, "It's an honor to associated with such a great group of athletes and I hope I can continue to represent North Penn and the community with great pride and success" as he is honored and humbled to become a member of the North Penn Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

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## **KRISTI TROSTER continued from page 21**

seasons earned the commissioners honor roll with a GPA of 3.5 or better. Kristi was named the 2007 UMBC Female Scholar Athlete of the Year and graduated with a BS in Biology.

Kristi resides in Ocean City, NJ and teaches biology at Egg Harbor Township High School in Egg Harbor, NJ. She coaches softball at Egg Harbor Township and is an assistant field hockey coach at Division III Richard Stockton College in Pomona, NJ.

# 2002 Track Team PIAA AAA State Championship

## Nobody Beats the Knights!

Leading up to 2002, North Penn was labeled as an 800 meter runner's paradise. Year after year, Dick Swanker would construct a 4x800m relay team that continually challenged Pennsylvania's elite schools for the state title. State Relay titles, school records, and individual contributions at the state and national level were not uncommon for the North Penn Track and Field team. However, 2002 was shaping up to be a special season and not just because of a single relay.

The 2002 season, would bring the return of state and district senior point scorers Steve Craig, Dan Michael, Zach Thomas, and Kevin Zeblum, along with promising Juniors Rick Bennett, Matt Henderson, and Adam Thomas. Steve & Dan had shown their versatility in the mid distance events with the ability to compete in the 400m to the 1600m in previous seasons. Zach Thomas was a state contender in the hurdles and Matt Henderson was an all around threat in the sprints. While the outlook for the team going into the 2002 season was optimistic, the team's mission didn't take shape until the 2002 Penn Relays.

The Penn Relays is always one of the highlights of any track season, and 2002 didn't disappoint. The team of Matt Henderson, Adam Thomas, Dan Michael, and Steve Craig won the Championship of America in the Distance Medley Relay, something no other team in school history had accomplished, while also setting a school record of 10:17.47. In the 4x800m Championship of America race the relay team of Rick Bennett, Dan Michael, Adam Thomas, and Steve Craig were the 1st American Team to cross the finish line. The 4x400m team of Steve Craig, Dan Michael, Kevin Akins, and anchored by standout Matt Henderson finished 1st in the Philadelphia area schools race. Lastly, the 4x100m Relay Team of Mike Penn, Zach Thomas, and Kevin Zeblum, also anchored by Henderson took 4th in their heat setting a new school record of 42.5 seconds! The Knights performance at the 2002 Penn Relays was described as North Penn's "strongest team performance at the Penn Relays in school history," and with such a depth of success it certainly brought into focus the bigger mission for the 2002 Knights Track and Field season.

A state team title for North Penn Track Field was an honor only achieved by one other North Penn Track and Field team, the 1981 Boys Team. It had been over two decades since the North Penn Track and Field team had celebrated the success of a State team title. With the momentum from the Penn Relays, the Knights polished off the regular season undefeated in dual meets, 7-0 (at the time North Penn was in the midst of an undefeated dual meet streak that started in 1995). The Knights then captured their 7th consecutive Suburban One Patriot League crown with no issue. The next hurdle was the District 1 Championships at Coatesville High School.

If North Penn was going to be a contender for a State Team Title, the District 1 Championship was as good a place as any to test it out. Glen Mills had dominated the District One meet with 7 consecutive championships. In the year prior (2001), after a disappointing loss in the 4x400, the Knights finished 5th as a team walking off the track to the infamous Glen Mills chant, "Nobody beats the Bulls!" However, 2002 proved to be different than 2001. Steve Craig and Dan Michael dominated the 800 meters and 4x800m relay. Matt Henderson & Kevin Akins scored in the 200 meters and were key cogs in their respective 4x100m and 4x400m relays. Zach Thomas scored in the hurdles and Kevin Zeblum placed in the 100 meters. After two long days, North Penn was triumphant for the first time in over 10 years with a 12 point victory over 2nd place Glen Mills. And so began the chant, "Nobody beats the Knights!"

There was still one more rung on the ladder though, Shippensburg University, the 2002 PIAA AAA State Championship Meet. The bus departed with 12 guys; Kevin Akins, Rick Bennett, Steve Craig, Tim Heebner, Matt Henderson, Matt Krum, Mike Macksoud, Dan Michael, Mike Penn, Adam Thomas, Zach Thomas, Kevin Zeblum. Each played their part, Zach Thomas took 4th in the 110M Hurdles, Matt Henderson placed 3rd in the 200m Dash, and all three North Penn relay teams (4x100—3rd (Mike Penn, Zach Thomas, Kevin Zeblum, Matt Henderson), 4x400—3rd (Steve Craig, Dan Michael, Tim Heebner, Kevin Akins, Matt Henderson), and 4x800—1st (Rick Bennett, Matt Krum, Adam Thomas, Dan Michael, Steve Craig) placed in the top three. Going into the last race of the day, the Knights trailed Cumberland Valley and Altoona in the overall team standings by 3 points. If North Penn was going to hang a banner on the wall in 2002 they would need a 5th place finish or better in the 4x400m relay to win the team title. In what was a very tight race, the last race for many of the team members, the 4x400m relay team of Steve Craig, Dan Michael, Kevin Akins, and anchor leg Matt Henderson managed to squeeze out a 3rd place finish in a school record time to clinch the state title. 3rd place never felt so great! We did it...STATE CHAMPIONS!



**NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL  
UNDEFEATED BOYS TRACK TEAM 2002  
Suburban One League Champion, District One Champion  
PIAA AAA STATE TEAM CHAMPION**

**Head Coach Richard Swanker**

**Assistant Coaches: Ron Jaros, Jay Jones, Dave Franek**

**Captains: Steve Craig and Dan Michael**

**Team Members in picture:**

**Front row lt / rt:** Coach Jaros, Mike Penn, Adam Thomas, Matt Henderson, Matt Krum, Tim Heebner, Coach Franek  
**Coach Swanker. 2<sup>nd</sup> row Lt / Rt:** Mike Macksoud, Zach Thomas, Dan Michael, Steve Craig, Kevin Zeblum,  
Kevin Akins, Rick Bennett

**Team Members not in Picture: Coach Jones**

**Seniors: Greg Abram, Andrew Barndt, Jarret Coleman, Dave Hartzell, Bryan Hughes, Zac Hurst, Victor Jacques, Mike Kwan, Dane Mengel-Spurio, Ryan Palser,**

**Juniors: Dan Colvin, Sean Hettel, Mike Hertz, Ben, Hunt, Jared Keisling, Jong Kim, Ian Maurer, Chris McCarthy, Aleks Musika, Phil Riccardi, Chris Schautz, Ryan Verost, Dave Wilderman, Phil Zhou**

**Sophomores: Brian Akiss, Dave Baer, Alex Bloom, Chris Bloom, Eric Boyer, Jim Casertano, Steve Dasch, Dustin Doran, Brian Ford, Bob Gallagher, Chris Graham, Dan Jacques, Chris Knechel, Haibo Lu, Paul Mencil, Frank Prior, Mike Russel, Scott Simonovich, Tim Sin, Will Wilson, Phil Yoo.**

**Freshman: Andrew Baker, Mike Craig, Garry Coe, Matt Himes, Abe Horng, Rob Hudson, Dev Kaneria, Phil McHugh, Brandon Mordas, Kwaku Osei, Andrew Sims, Don Thorpe, Dan Yolton, Zack Sitkin**

**PIAA All State: 4X800m Relay: Adam Thomas, Matt Krum, Dan Michael, Steve Craig  
4X100m Relay: Mike Penn, Zach Thomas, Kevin Zeblum, Matt Henderson  
4X400m Relay: Steve Craig, Kevin Akins, Dan Michael, Matt Henderson  
Steve Craig 800m.**

**Dual Meets 7 – 0**

North Penn 101	C B East	49	1 <sup>st</sup> PIAA AAA STATE TRACK & FIELD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP
North Penn 107	Pennsbury	43	1 <sup>st</sup> DISTRICT ONE AAA TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP
North Penn 114	C B West	36	1 <sup>st</sup> SOL PATRIOT DIVISION TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP
North Penn 96	Council Rock	54	1 <sup>st</sup> Trojan Track & Field Classic Champion
North Penn 108	Neshaminy	42	Penn Relays Distance Med. Relay Championship of America 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
North Penn 96	Wm Tennent	54	Penn Relays 3200m Relay Championship of America 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
North Penn 124	H. S. Truman	26	Penn Relays 4X400m Relay Philadelphia Area 1 <sup>st</sup> Place

**Championship Meets:**

**North Penn PIAA AAA State Championship :**

4X800m Relay: Adam Thomas, Rick Bennett, Matt Krum, Dan Michael, Steve Craig 1<sup>st</sup> Place

4X100m Relay: Mike Penn, Zach Thomas, Kevin Zeblum, Matt Henderson 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

4X400m Relay: Steve Craig, Tim Heebner, Kevin Akins, Dan Michael, Matt Henderson 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Steve Craig 800 meters 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Zach Thomas 110 meter Hurdles 4<sup>th</sup> Place; competed in 300 hurdles.

Matt Henderson 200 meter 6<sup>th</sup> Place

Dan Michael competed in the 800m

**Inducted NPAAA Hall of Fame – 2013**

# 2003 Football Team PIAA AAA State Championship Team of the Decade

A wire to wire finish is something tough to achieve in sports; whenever a squad is ranked #1 in the preseason, it is unfounded, based on hype, or filled with too much expectation. The result usually falls short. We didn't. After the final second ran off the clock for the 2002 North Penn Knights, the expectation for the 2003 campaign was State Championship or bust. Why wouldn't it be? We had promising talent coming back including the already proven core of juniors and sophomores that helped the 2002 team to the State Semi-Finals. Our goal was not to meet those expectations but to exceed them.

There wasn't an offseason that year, by January the 2003 football season began for everyone. As the months rolled on, our team mastered what our competition would be starting months later. Through lifting and conditioning in the winter, passing league in the spring and practices in the summer, our team became familiar with the technique, strength and togetherness we would need to get through camp in August and our opponents in the fall. Once Hell Week arrived, we were ready to fine tune our craft and that craft was kicking ass.

August camp was different this year; the cadence drill involved a sled for our starting offensive line to push; Coach Carey turned the bell ringer backwards and it truly turned into a bell ringer; all of position coaches made sure that every time we were running at all cylinders—especially Coach Jones during conditioning; and Coach Beck made sure to let us know when we were slacking during camp. It was hot, film was humbling, and each of us got out of bed like old men every morning – but the foundation we built in the heat of August lasted through the blizzards of December.

Before we knew it, our first test was in front of us: Cardinal O'Hara. They were supposed to have the best running back in the state: Ours was better. Their offensive line was supposed to be bigger, stronger and faster: Our defense ran through and around them. Their defense was supposed to scare our rookie quarterback: He lit them up. When the final whistle blew, everyone in the state knew that the 2003 North Penn Knights were a team that was ready to claim their crown.

Every Friday night there was a new opponent and a new test but nobody proved to be worthy of dethroning the Knights. Our four headed rushing attack seemed to run through any defense as if they were non-existent. Our defense was relentless, tallying up sacks, tackles for losses, and takeaways. Our special teams were known for returning kick returns for touchdowns and blocking punts almost every game. It was truly Knight Time in 2003.

The AAAA State Championship was the prize of all of the hard work throughout the 2003 season. The Knights galloped into Hershey in early December as an underdog and rolled over Pittsburgh Central Catholic. The final seconds ran off the clock and the Knights of North Penn were crowned State Champions completing the seldom accomplished wire to wire bid.

Though ESPN did not document the 2003 State Championship Knights, they are the only North Penn Football team to have gone 15-0 and won the only PIAA AAAA State Football Championship. The 2003 Team holds the record in points scored and the Seniors are the first class in memory to have never lost to arch-rival CB West. In 2010, the boys were named "The Team of the Decade" by the Philadelphia Inquirer, not too shabby for some kids from Lansdale.

Written by the Captains of the 2003 North Penn Knights Football Team: Jeff Ball, Jim Casertano, George Farrell, Chad Finney, & Chris Tribanas



# NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL UNDEFEATED (15-0) FOOTBALL TEAM 2003

**Suburban One League Champion, District One Champion**

**PIAA AAAA STATE TEAM CHAMPION**

**Head Coach Dick Beck**

**Assistant Head Coach Jay Jones**

**Assistant Coaches: Mike Carey, Dave Franek, James Williams, Ryan Major,  
Jason Munn, Ed Harkins. Jim DePaul, Bob Taggart, Joe Wilus**

**Captains: Chris Tribanas, George Farrell, Jim Casertano, Jeff Ball, Chad Finney**

**Team Members:**

#2 Jim Laky	#18 Eric Halberstadt	#37 Alex Zeblium	#55 Cory Focht	#77 Zach Detwiler
#3 Terence Walton	# 20 Pete Stoll	#40 Ian Carpenter	#56 Chris Tribanas	#78 Dotun Akintoye
#4 Kevin Beyers	#21 Anthony Signore	#41 Ian Thacker	#57 Jeremy Schenkel	#79 Mike Partain
#5 Jeff Gill	#22 John Kalis	#42 Andrew Brown	#60 Dave Mims	#80 Dave Kornock
#7 Kevin Akins	#23 Chris Cazier	#43 Jim Casertano	#62 Fred Piantini	#81 Jon Striefsky
#8 Adam Hearn	#24 Thomas Romeo	#44 Alex Johnson	#66 Ryan Adams	#82 Anthony Stumpo
#9 Zach Raffle	#25 Shane Gallagher	#45 Brian Ford	#67 Greg Warwick	#84 Jeff Ball
#11 Matt Burke	#30 Ray Alexander	#50 Andrew Sipp	#70 Tom Green	#85 Chris Bloom
#13 Deanco Oliver	#31 Steve Wittmer	#51 Alex Munio	#71 Chris Knechel	#87 Phil Schilling
#14 Tony Cardona	#33 Chad Finney	#52 Chris Hood	# 74 Kevin Uhl	#88 Josh Neubert
# 15 Shaun Mulvihil	#34 Nick Taggart	#53 Bobby Huber	#75 Mark Hanna	#90 Mark Koenig
# 17 Neal Kulp	#36 Brandon Turner	#54 Kurt Morgan	#76 Eric Sullivan	#99 George Farrell

**Sophomores: Ken Broughton, Lloyd Casper, Nick Cope, Josh Dubois, Sean Hinkle, Andrew Kohler, Walton Lee Paul Leslie, Evan Mackey, Dave Madara, Ben Meyers, John Rodriguez, Dave Schmeltzer, Kevin Spross, Joe Talotta Vincent Tancredi, Joe Wagner**

**Dual Meets 10 – 0**

North Penn 35	O'Hara	7
North Penn 38	Bethlehem Catholic	7
North Penn 49	H. S. Truman	8
North Penn 49	Abington	7
North Penn 35	Pennridge	10
North Penn 45	Glen Mills	19
North Penn 35	Neshaminy	17
North Penn 38	C B East	7
North Penn 43	Pennsbury	19
North Penn 41	C B West	7

**District One Play Offs 3 - 0:**

North Penn 28	Ridley	7
North Penn 42	Pennridge	19
North Penn 43	Interboro	28

**Eastern Finals:**

North Penn 38	Easton	21
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**PIAA AAAA STATE FOOTBALL FINALS:**

**North Penn 37                      Pittsburg Central Catholic 10**

**USA Today ranked North Penn Football Team 8<sup>th</sup> in the Nation in 2003  
Named, "The Team of the Decade" by the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, 2010**

Inducted NPAAA Hall of Fame - 2013

# NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees

## Class of 2005

DICK ALBRIGHT  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1949

MARV ANGSTADT  
Coach, Lansdale/North Penn HS 1941-1969

DOT BALL  
Coach, North Penn HS

BILL BARTLE  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1978

TONY BARTLE  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1975

PAUL BATTAVIO  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1947

GERRY BOWER  
Coach, Hatfield HS, 1948-1955

AL BRODHAG  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1959-1976

RICK CARROLL  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1971-1988

ROBIN CASH  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1968

TOM CASH  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1943

JIM CHURCH  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1950

BILL CLUGSTON  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1969

JOHN CORRADO  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1939

JIM CRAWFORD  
Coach, Athletic Director  
Lansdale/North Penn HS, 1930-1974

JIM CRAWFORD, JR.  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1963

CLARENCE DIDDEN  
Athlete, Hatfield High School, 1928

PETE EHLI  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1935

RON ERB  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1959

CARL GIURANNA  
Coach, Lansdale/North Penn HS

BARBARA HARPER GORDON  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1962

RICHARD P. "BUDDY" GORDON  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1960

JIM GULICK  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1950

CHARLIE HAHN  
Athlete, North Wales HS, 1954

RON HANGEY  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1961

MARY ANN LEIGHT-HARRIS  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1957

ROBERT HARTMAN, D.Ed.  
Athlete, Hatfield HS, 1951

WAYNE HELMAN  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1944

LAURA ANN CASH KEHLER  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1947  
Coach, North Penn SD 1955-1978

ED KLAVON  
Coach, North Penn HS 1956-1992

CHRIS KWORTNIK  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1989

JOAN MOSER  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1968-1985

LYNNE FUSS MOYER  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1958  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1962-1966

SHIRLEY OTT  
Athlete, Hatfield HS, 1946  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1955-1961

DAVID PHILLIPS  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1964

CHARLIE PREDIGER  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1964

HARRY RAKOWSKI  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1956

KATHY KREISHER RHODES  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1981  
Coach, NPHS, 1993-1999

DAVE RITTENHOUSE  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1961  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1974-1998

MARY LOU FRETZ ROUSH  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1966

DR. GEORGE SANDS  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1924

LEE SAVERIO  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1947

KRISTIN SOMMAR  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1996

# NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees

## Class of 2005 cont.

JOHN VINSKI  
Coach, Lansdale/North Penn HS, 1951-1985

DICK WAITE  
Athlete, Hatfield HS, 1931

MARIBELLE WALDO  
Coach, Lansdale HS, 1944-48, 1952-55  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1955-1960

ERNEST WAYLAND  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1959

JOSEPH "DOBBIE" WEAVER  
Coach, Lansdale HS, 1920-1928

CARL "HICKS" WEINGARTNER  
Athlete, North Wales HS, 1928

PATRICIA WHITMAN  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1957

EDGAR WILLIAMS  
Lansdale HS, 1933 Sports Writer

HARRY WURSTER  
Athlete, Hatfield HS, 1955

## Class of 2006

DAN DRISSEL  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1963

STAN FRETZ  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1935

ERV JAROS  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1965

CAROL SCHMIDT KRIEBLE  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1957  
Coach, NPHS 1961 and 1962

STEVE MILLER  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1967

CLIFF NGUYEN  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 2000

SHANE PRATT  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1992

SONDRA GERHART RAKOWSKI  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1957

FRANK ROBISON  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1961

JACK WATT  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1938

DEREK WILLIAMS  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1992

JAMI WILUS  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1998

## Class of 2007

EBIHO AHONKAI  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1993

DANIELLE STRADER BORDI  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1993

BETH GEORGE CISAR  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1997

JESSICA FRANKS  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1997

ROBERT HALLMAN  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1965

G. KENNETH KRATZ  
Athlete, Hatfield HS, 1949

BLAIR MANCINI  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1981

THOMAS NOLEN  
Athlete, Lansdale HS, 1949

SUSAN ALBRIGHT REINHARD  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1962

ROBERT T. STEWART  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1969

RICHARD A. SWANKER  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1966  
Coach, North Penn HS, 1982-2005

JASON WALLACE  
Athlete, North Penn HS, 1996

# NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees

## Class of 2008

MATT ANTUNES  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1998

STEVEN D. BOHNER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1998

BRENDA BALLANCE BRODT  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1977

PATRICIA WAGNER HENRY  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1967  
Coach 1971 - 1980

PAUL WILLIAM MACOLLY  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1967

FRANK MALACK  
Athlete, Lansdale High School, 1948

JULIANA SCHULTE O'REILLY  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1982

BRUCE REINERT  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1969

CAROL SAMES  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1980

EUGENE H. SAYLOR  
Athlete, Lansdale High School, 1946

LINDA CORRADO SNYDER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1967

BARRY TROSTER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1962

## Class of 2009

BILL BERARDELLI  
Coach, North Penn High School, 1989-1994

OTTO BOHMUELLER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1960

JERRY BONFIGLIO  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1962

DONALD DELP  
Athlete, Hatfield High School, 1948

JULIE KRAIL EVANS  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1993

ALISSA MOSER GORMAN  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1998

SHARON FUSS HARE  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1960

TIM KULIG  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1984

ANDRES "ANDY" KUSMA  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1969

BILL MULLER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1976

DOUGLAS PAULS  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1976

BRIAN WETHEY  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1984

## Class of 2010

PAUL ALAMAN  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1970

ALLEN BARTLEBAUGH  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1971

RONALD E. JAROS  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1966  
Coach, North Penn High School, 1975- present

MARK MELILLO  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1978

ED OSWALD  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1970

DAVID PIER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1985

SELMA BJORKLUND ROBINSON  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1975  
Coach, North Penn High School, 1980-1990

FRED SHISLER  
Athlete, Lansdale High School, 1952



# NPAAA Hall of Fame Inductees

## Class of 2011

BRADD DELMUTO  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1997

MARK HOFF  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1980

LARRY PIJANOWSKI  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1985

LINDA KRELOVICH SANFIELD  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1989

ZAC FRYLING  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2003

JENNIFER HOUSER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1996

D. HENRY "SKIP" RUTH  
Athlete, Lansdale High School, 1953

SCOTT TANTINO  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1996

## Class of 2012

LARRY A. FRITZ  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1971

STEVE GILDEA  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1982

SHARON HERZOG  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1981

JOSEPH HEYER  
COACH Basketball North Penn HS, 1969 - 1990

JIM KWORTNIK  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1983

DANIEL T. POUST  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1959

COACH KENNETH D. POUST  
Coach Football 1942-1951

SUSAN SOMMERS  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1984

## Class of 2013

KEVIN T. AKINS  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2004

I. NEWTON COWAN  
Coach, Lansdale High School, 1933-1941

STEPHEN CRAIG  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2002

JENNIFER KREPPS ATKISS  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2002

CHRISTOPHER J. MCKELVY  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2000

STEVEN A. NYCE  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 1992

DOMINICK SZABO  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2000

KRISTI TROSTER  
Athlete, North Penn High School, 2003

## **NPAAA Hall Of Fame Inducted Teams**

2005

**1937 LANSDALE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM**  
UNDEFEATED AND UNTIED WITH 8 WINS AND 0 LOSSES

2006

**1976 NPHS GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM**  
THE UNDEFEATED STATE CHAMPS  
**1981 NPHS BOYS WINTER AND SPRING TRACK TEAMS**  
STATE CHAMPIONS

2007

**1975 NPHS BOYS SWIMMING TEAM**  
UNDEFEATED STATE CHAMPIONS  
**1987 NPHS WRESTLING TEAM**  
PIAA STATE CO-CHAMPIONS

2008

**1948 LANSDALE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM**  
UNDEFEATED BUX-MONT CHAMPIONS  
**1979 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SWIMMING TEAM**  
UNDEFEATED STATE CHAMPIONS

2009

**1981 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM**  
PIAA AAA STATE CHAMPIONS  
**1985 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM**  
PIAA AAA STATE CHAMPIONS

2010

**1990 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM**  
PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS  
**1990 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM**  
PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS  
**1991 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM**  
PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS  
**1992 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM**  
PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS

### **NPAAA Special Recognition Teams**

The North Penn Alumni Athletic Association, as part of its Sports Hall of Fame mission, gives Special Recognition to teams that did not achieve PIAA State Championship level, but won a league championship along with other NPHS league championship teams in any given year; or a team(s) that in the opinion of the NPAAA Board of Directors should be recognized for their unique contribution to North Penn High School sports history.

A picture of the plaques can be found on page 33.

# NPAAA Hall Of Fame Inducted Teams

2011

## 1998 GIRLS WATER POLO TEAM

PIAA State Champion

## 1997 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK TEAM

Undefeated Suburban One League Champion

District One Champion

PIAA AAA State Champion

## 1996 BOYS WATER POLO TEAM

PIAA State Champion

## 1995 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK TEAM

Undefeated Suburban One League Champion

District One Champion

PIAA AAA State Champion

2012

## 1997 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIM TEAM

PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS

## 1998 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIM TEAM

PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS

## 1999 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIM TEAM

PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS

## 2000 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SWIM TEAM

PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS

2013

## 2002 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRACK TEAM

PIAA STATE CHAMPIONS

## 2003 NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM

PIAA STATE CHAMPION



# NPAAA Membership Roster

## Eternal Memorial Memberships

Louis G. Alaman, Sr. Memorial Associate Member (Memorial by Paul R. Alaman)	Clarence R. Hangey North Wales, 1937 (Memorial by Ron and Peggy Hangey)	Ronald P. Murphy North Penn High School, 1966 (Memorial by Coach Ed Klavon)
Henry R. Albertson Lansdale High School, 1949 (Memorial by Betty M. Albertson)	Robert Hartman Hatfield High School, 1951 (Memorial by Shirley F. Hartman)	Ralph Plack Coach (Memorial by Paul Alaman)
George W. Atwood North Penn, 1967 (Memorial by Paul Alaman)	Bob Iles Long-time fan and former booster club president (Memorial by Randy Iles)	Kenneth D. Poust Lansdale High School, Coach (Memorial by William R. Netsch, Jr.)
Helmut "Bud" Bauscher North Penn High School, 1969	Bob Keyser Lansdale, 1947 (Memorial by Dawn Smith & Donna Lee Raimoodo)	Terry Rodenhaver North Penn, 1961 (Memorial by Pat Rodenhaver)
Robert Chubb Coach (Memorial by Rob Chubb)	Andy Kusma North Penn, 1969 (Memorial by Greg Kobasa & Jim Decembrino)	Melvin F. Shisler Assistant Principal and Faculty Manager of Athletics Lansdale High School (Memorial by Frederick H. Shisler)
I. Newton Cowan (Memorial by Kathie Cowan Bayline)	Dennis F. Landis North Penn, 1963 (Memorial by Gerald & Robert Landis)	Edmund H. Stewart, Sr. Memorial Associate Member (Memorial by Ted Stewart, Bob Stewart, & Barbara Stewart Sut- cliffe)
James B. Crawford, Sr. Coach (Memorial by T. Strickland and A. Wurster)	Melvin F. Landis Lansdale High School, 1955 (Memorial by Gerald & Robert Landis)	Rip Teasenfitz North Penn High School, 1956 (Memorial by Bill Ryan)
John & Mary Drusedum (Memorial by Mark Drusedum)	Tracey Anna Edelman North Penn, 1993 (Memorial by Julie Krail Evans)	Tom Leonard Coach (Memorial by Al Brodhag)
Albert Finn North Penn High School, 1962 (Memorial by Coach Ed Klavon)	Eric Lord North Penn High School, 1968 (Memorial by Coach Ed Klavon)	John Vinski Coach (Memorial by Al Brodhag & Tom Strickland)
Stan Fretz Lansdale High School, 1935 (Memorial by N.P.A.A.A.)	Paul Matusky (Memorial by Coach Al Brodhag)	Carl M. "Hicks" Weingartner North Wales, 1928 (Memorial by N.P.A.A.A.)
James K. Gulick, Sr. Coach / Lansdale, 1950 (Memorial by Classmates, 1950)		Edgar J. Williams, Jr. Lansdale High School (Memorial by Mrs. Edgar J. Williams, Jr.)

# NPAAA Membership Roster

\*Lifetime Member

+Deceased Lifetime Member

\*\*Deceased

## Hatfield High School - Lansdale High School - North Wales High School

### Lansdale High School

1938

Acuff, Jane I.

\*\*Atwood, George J.+

\*Dimmig, Warren

\*Watt, John

1939

\*White, Alvin

1941

\*Young, Gordon F.

\*Moyer, Hobart H.

1942

\*Delp, Ellis B.

Frederick, Ruth

1943

\*Armstrong, Harry+

1944

\*Helman, Wayne+

1946

\*Saylor, Eugene

1947

Battavio, Paul A.

\*Kehler, Laura Ann Cash

\*Saverio, Lee

1948

\*Mallack, Frank

1949

\*Albright, Richard+

\*Fretz, William A.

\*Nolen, Tom

1950

\*Albertson, Betty Panter

\*Church, James A.

\*Dowiak, George

\*Dowiak, Thelma Hager

\*\*Schmidt, Kenneth R.+

\*Schmidt, Nancy L. Weand

1951

\*Robinson, Ronald

### Lansdale High School cont.

1952

\*Koehler, Frank

\*Schrader, Robert J.

\*Shisler, Fredrick H., M.D.

\*Wheeler, Jr., C.R. "Tony"

1953

\*Ruth, Henry "Skip"

1954

\*Trinkle, Bob

### Hatfield High School

1945

\*Weierman, John I.

1946

\*Ott, Shirley Knipe

1948

\*Kratz, Ken

1949

\*Delp, Donald N.

1952

\*Hartman, Shirley F. Moyer

1955

\*Javorka, Frank

\*Schwartz, Jack

\*Wurster, Sr., Harry L.

### North Wales High School

1928

\*\*Rosenberger, William C.+

1944

\*Stokes, Ruth

1954

\*Hahl, Charlie

1955

\*Welsh, Howard

# NPAAA Membership Roster

\*Lifetime Member

+Deceased Lifetime Member

\*\*Deceased

## North Penn High School

1956

\*Albright, Grover  
 \*Carlson, Stephen A.  
 \*Gulick, Phyllis Cavoti  
 \*Kane, Phyllis Shambough  
 \*Landis, Gerald  
 \*Rumpf, Bill  
 \*Ryan, Bill  
 \*Sellers, Dick  
 \*Sherratt, James R.

1957

\*Amsutz, Gloria Krauser  
 Harris, Mary Ann Leight  
 \*Kriebel, Carol Ann Schmidt  
 \*Miller, Stanley  
 \*Nyce, Joseph C.  
 \*Rakowski, Sondra Gerhart  
 \*Schwartz, Roberta Schaedler  
 \*Smink, Joyce Smith  
 \*Snyder, Raymond  
 \*Soltys, Paul P.

1958

\*Guarini, Cecelia Martin  
 \*Harris, Richard  
 \*Housekeeper, Russell  
 \*Lindahl, John F.  
 \*Moyer, Lynne Fuss  
 \*Ryan, Donald C.

1959

\*Erb, Ronald  
 \*Kneedler, H. Lane  
 \*Wayland, Ernest

1960

\*Anderson, Neil  
 \*Blackman, Charles  
 \*Bohmueller, Otto  
 \*Bonekemper, George  
 \*Bonekemper, Tom  
 \*Glover, Edwin C. Sr.  
 \*Gordon, Richard  
 \*Poust, Diane Kay  
 \*Hare, Sharon "Sherry" Fuss  
 \*Kulp, David M.

1961

\*Boben, Joan Hartsog  
 \*Delp, Paul  
 \*Gehring, Phillip (Kurt)  
 \*Grimes, Robert Jr.  
 \*Hangey, Ron  
 \*Knoll, John  
 \*Kohler, Ron  
 \*Kratz, Jane Kneedler  
 \*Kriebel, Doug  
 \*Loux, George S.  
 \*Rambo, Ed  
 \*Reiner, Sam  
 \*Robison, Frank  
 \*Spang, Edward  
 \*Stewart, Russell  
 \*Zinsmeister, Bill

1962

\*Alaman, Lou  
 \*Bonfiglio, Jerry  
 \*Brommer, George  
 \*Cairns, John L.  
 \*Costello, Maureen Bush  
 \*DeSanto, Grace Jekot  
 \*Geiser, Joe  
 \*Gordon, Barbara Harper  
 \*Lacher, Ron  
 \*Moats, Raymond H.  
 \*Reinhard, Sue Albright  
 \*Rosenberg, Gus  
 \*Rosenzweig, Aaron Ross  
 \*Strickland Jr., Thomas F.  
 \*Troster, Barry  
 \*Wurster, Art  
 \*Young, James "Cy"

1963

\*Buck, Walter S., 3rd DPM  
 \*Cavoti, Nicholas  
 \*Crawford Jr., Jim  
 \*DeFranco, David  
 \*Drissel, Dan  
 \*Dunning, Donna  
 Erb, Joyce  
 \*Fry, Gary  
 \*Hapel, George

1963

\*Jarinko, Steve  
 \*Kneedler, Edwin S.  
 \*Kratz, Dave  
 \*Krum, Harold "Buddy"  
 \*Lemon, R. Thomas  
 \*Lukens, Tom  
 \*Malone, Barbara Steager  
 \*Moran, Sharon Everest  
 \*Staley, Wilford  
 \*Stewart, Ted  
 \*Swanker, James

1964

\*Crouthamel, Richard  
 \*Phillips, David+

1965

\*Hallman, Robert  
 \*Jaros, Erv  
 \*Lacher, Gregory  
 \*Manero, Robert  
 \*Maute, Ken  
 \*Netsch, Linda Poust  
 \*Reinbold, Edward  
 \*Sebulsky, Wayne  
 \*Yoder, William

1966

\*Acuff, Kathy  
 \*Beebe, Thomas  
 \*Jaros, Ron  
 \*Roush, Mary Lou Fretz  
 \*Swanker, Richard  
 \*Wiley, Jim

1967

\*Everist, Beryl  
 \*Henry, Patricia Wagner  
 \*Kobasa, Jerry  
 \*Krum, Jr., Robert E.  
 \*Macolly, Paul  
 \*Miller, Steve  
 \*Tittle, Kent B.

# NPAAA Membership Roster

\*Lifetime Member

+Deceased Lifetime Member

\*\*Deceased

## North Penn High School

1968

\*Cash, Robin  
\*Hangey, Dean  
\*Hecker, Byron  
\*McGuire, Thomas P.  
\*Moyer, Barbara  
\*Moyer, Chris G.  
\*Rogers, Rod  
\*Swanker, Bryce

1969

\*Clugston, Bill  
\*Decembrino, James  
\*Gouldey, Bruce K.  
\*Grindle, Charles  
\*Hanna Jr., Robert W.  
\*Iles, Randy  
\*Joseph, Frank G.  
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\*Miller, John  
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\*Wert, Barry L.

1970

\*Alaman, Paul R.  
\*Bartle, Frank  
\*Bauscher, Wolfgang "Butch"  
\*Deardorff, Curtis L.  
\*Heimer, James  
\*Nelson, Jr., Robert W.  
\*Oswald, Eddie  
\*Weierman, John

1971

\*Atwood, Bruce+  
\*Bartlebaugh, Allen E.  
\*Chubb, Rob  
\*Cressman, Cathy  
\*Fritz, Larry  
\*Landis, Robert M.  
\*Law, Linda K. Hallman

1972

\*Breuer, Chuck  
\*Campbell, Tom  
\*Darcy, Mike  
\*Moyer, Terry L.  
\*Rhoads, Thomas  
\*Wicklund, Jane Potcner

1973

\*Mengel, Donna L.  
\*Rodenbaugh, Thomas

1974

\*Geiger, Stan  
\*Seibert, Dave  
\*Ward, Ginny

1975

\*Bartle, Tony  
\*Hudy, Joe  
\*Knerr, Bill  
\*Kratz, Dale J.  
\*Moser, Cathy Lampitoc  
\*Moser, William  
\*Quintrell, Timothy  
\*Robinson, Selma Bjorklund  
\*Rothenberger, Dale  
\*Smerkanich, Matthew  
\*Wonsidler, Craig

1976

\*Brodhag, Bill  
\*Ernst, Dave  
\*Gainey, Cathy Clause  
\*Gaskin, Joe  
\*Gray, Kimberly  
\*Martin, Harry+  
\*Muller, William J.  
\*Pauls, Douglas J.  
\*Pauls, Terri Pitman  
\*Yoder, Carole MacBain

1977

Chaffee, Daniel  
\*Charlton, Deborah  
\*Drusedum, Mark  
\*Johnson, Anne  
\*Kratz, Kenneth A.  
\*Madge, Edward R.  
\*Mengel-Raby, Dawn L.  
\*Mollard, Roxana D.  
\*Smith, Gail E.

1978

\*Bartle, Bill  
\*DiZio, Joe  
\*Dupee, Matthew D.  
\*Glackin, Mike  
\*Melillo, Mark  
\*Somkuti, Stephen

1979

\*Ellsworth, Laurie Bourguinon  
\*Kratz, David  
\*Matusky, Gregory  
\*Matusky, Judy Rodkey

1980

\*Boorse-Fabius, Donna  
\*Hemmer, Beth Macarthy  
\*Hetteima, Rebecca Heinz  
\*Hoff, Mark  
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1981

\*Clarke, John D.  
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\*Hradnansky, John  
\*Lasorda, Sharon Herzog  
\*McGuire, Beverly Kratz  
\*Schmidt, Kenneth D.  
\*Stike, Rosemarie Burcin

1982

\*Colton, Mona Pinto  
\*Gildea, Stephen  
\*Keffer, Eric  
\*Kriebel, Dr. Kelly

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+Deceased Lifetime Member

\*\*Deceased

## North Penn High School

1982

\*O'Reilly, Juli  
\*Shettsline, Robert  
\*Wenhold, Karen  
\*Ziegler, Karen L.

1983

\*Canazaro, Joe  
\*Fields, Mia  
\*Kwortnik, Jim

1984

\*Carroll, Rac  
\*Gulick, James K. Jr.  
\*Keffer, Kathy Schmidt  
\*Kulig, Timothy S.  
Luby, Derrick  
\*Sommers, Susan  
\*Wethey, Brian

1985

\*Glose, Tracy  
\*Pier, David  
\*Pijanowski, Larry

1986

\*Crawford, Ron  
\*DeHaven, Cindy Kane  
\*Dowiak, Eric  
\*Waters, Keith W.

1987

\*Duffy, Tracy Smith  
Geist, Scott  
\*Gottshall, Kevin  
\*Kroberger, Chris  
\*Krzemien, William Jr.

1988

\*Finacchio, Dan  
\*Sinkinson, Bill  
\*Stephens, Ed

1989

\*Gilmer, Bob  
\*Kwortnik, Chris  
\*Martin, Steve  
\*Sanfield, Linda Krevolich

1990

\*Cliver, Michael  
\*Drissell, Jason  
\*Finacchio, Matt  
\*Giardinelli, Robert T.  
\*Gulick, Michael  
\*Heyer, Joe Jr.  
\*Vavra, Jason

1991

\*Kutzler, Mickey Wetzel  
\*McDermott, Tim  
\*Smallwood, Tom

1992

\*Cullen, Darienne Drissell  
\*Faikish, Kevin  
\*Lee, Christopher  
\*Nyce, Steven A.  
\*Pratt, Shane  
\*Riffert, Colleen  
\*Smith, Michael C.  
\*Young, Tory

1993

\*Bock, Barbara Weigner  
\*Evans, Julie Krail  
\*Mack, Joshua  
\*Mastrocola, Valerie Canazaro  
\*Miller, Sharon Conley  
\*Pratt, Kristen Talese

1994

\*Daniluk, Chris  
\*McKelvy, David  
\*Pearcey, Anne  
\*Walsh, Don

1995

\*Williams, Brook

1996

\*Houser, Jennifer  
\*Smolinsky, Mark  
\*Tantino, Scott  
\*Vincent, Steve  
\*Wallace, Jason

1997

\*Cisar, Beth George  
\*Delmuto, Bradd  
\*Franks, Jessica  
\*Frederick, Stephanie  
\*Gamble, Kristen Krail  
\*Manero, Kevin

1998

\*Antunes, Matt  
\*Barrage, Kristen Welsh  
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\*Wilus, Jami

1999

\*Costlow, David  
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\*Hoke, Nicole Seward

2000

\*Grubb, Jason T.  
\*McKelvy, Chris  
\*Nguyen, Cliff V.

2001

2002

\*Krepps, Jennifer  
\*Craig, Steve

2003

\*Fryling, Zachary  
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2005

\*Kratz, Josh

2006

\*Leslie, Paul  
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## North Penn High School

2007

\*Everist, Beth  
\*Wilus, Michael

2008

\*Lipsi, Nathan  
\*Montijo, Zachary  
\*Robinson, Molly

2009

\*Camasso, Domonic  
\*Rinker, Shelby  
\*Stoll, Andrew

2010

\*Stoll, Eric

2011

\*Knower, Chuck  
\*McGuire, Michael Thomas

2012

\*Alvarino, Javier

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Name	School	Class	Joined
Albertson, Henry R.	L	49	2003
Albright, Richard	L	49	2005
Armstrong, Harry	L	43	
Atwood, Bruce	NP	71	2002
Atwood, George J.	L	38	2002
Frederick, Steve	AM		2002
Helman, Wayne	L	44	2005
Housekeeper, Wm. Russell	NP	56	2009
Martin, Harry	NP	76	2006
Moyer D.D.S., Hobart	L	45	2007
Phillips, David G.	NP	64	2004
Rosenberger, William C.	NW	28	2002
Schmidt, Kenneth R.	L	50	2003

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\*Blackwell, Tom  
\*Cox, Andrew  
\*Dietrich, Curtis R.  
\*Frederick, Stephen+  
\*Gadaleta, Joe  
\*Giuranna, Mike  
\*Hassler, Dr. Bob  
\*Heyer, Joe Sr.  
\*Hladkik, Steven  
\*Hollenshead, Robert  
Hurst, Robert  
Hynes, Burton  
\*McKelvy, Adele  
\*McKelvy, Bruce  
\*McLarnon, Kenneth T.  
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\*Giuranna, Carl M.  
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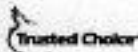
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## CHEERS AND SONGS

### Boom Chicka Boom

Boom Chicka Boom, Boom Chicka Boom  
 Boom Chicka Boom, Chicka Boom-Boom-Booms  
 Ric Roc Rah, Ric Roc Bee  
 North Penn High School, let's go!

### Monotone

N-O-R-T-H-P-E-N-N (3 counts) Fight!

### News Flash

Extra-Extra, read all about it,  
 We got a team and we're gonna shout it.  
 One for the money, two for the show.  
 Come on, fellows, let's go!

### Muddle Yell

The team was in the huddle.  
 The coach put down his head,  
 They all got together  
 And this is what they said,  
 We're gonna fight,  
 Fight with all our strength and might.

Hey!  
 Win we can, so here we go again,  
 Fight, fight, fight, fight,  
 Fight, fight, fight, fight,  
 Fight, fight, fight, fight,  
 Ray, team, fight.

### Dynamo

Dynamo, let's go; Dynamite, let's fight.  
 Dynamo, Dynamite; let's go, let's fight.

### F-I-G-H-T

We're gonna F-I-G-H-T, we're gonna F-I-G-H-T  
 We're gonna F-I-G-H-T, we're gonna fight.  
 We're gonna win, we're gonna beat  
 (name of opposing team).

### Victory Yell

V, V, I, I, V-I-C-T-O-R-Y,  
 Victory, Victory, Victory.

### Fifteen Rahs

We've got the coach, team, pep, steam.  
 Fifteen rahs for the whole team.  
 Rah, rah—rah, rah, rah (say three times)  
 Ray, team, fight.

### Tom-Tom (Football)

Tom, Tom the player's son,  
 Stole that ball and away he run  
 Down the field touchdown bound,  
 Come on, fellows, go to town.

### Go Back

Go back, go back, go back to the woods;  
 You haven't got, you haven't got,  
 You haven't got the goods,  
 You haven't got the rhythm,  
 You haven't got the jazz,  
 You haven't got the team  
 That North Penn has.

### Navy and Blue

Navy and blue fight, fight;  
 Navy and blue fight, fight  
 Who fight, we fight, navy and blue.  
 Fight, fight.

### Push 'Em Back

Push 'em back, shove 'em back, way back  
 (repeat three times)  
 Fight, team, fight.

### Line Up Cheer—Basketball

Right forward, left forward, center and guard  
 Shoot 'em in the basket, it's not hard.  
 Grab that ball and dribble down the floor.  
 Come on Knights, score, score, score.

### Team Yell

We got the T-E-A-M, that's on the B-E-A-M  
 We got the team, that's on the beam  
 So let's get hep to the jive.  
 Come on fellows—Skin 'em alive!

### Touchdown Cheer

Down by the goal post, skit, skat;  
 We want a touchdown, push 'em back,  
 Tackle, sock 'em, knock 'em down;  
 Come on team, let's go.

### Line Up Cheer—(Football)

Fullback, quarterback, tackle and guard;  
 Hit that man and hit him hard.  
 Grab that ball and hold it tight,  
 North Penn High School  
 Fight, fight, fight.

### Beat Me Daddy

Beat me Daddy, eight to the bar,  
 Cause we got a team that's going far.  
 Now swing me, sugar, to the boogie beat,  
 Cause we got a team that's really neat.

### Give 'Em the Ax

Give 'em the ax, the ax;  
 Give 'em the ax, the ax, the ax.  
 Give 'em the ax, where—  
 Right in the neck, the neck, the neck  
 Right in the neck, the neck, the neck—  
 Right in the neck, right in the neck there.

### Blood n Thunder (Basketball)

Blood n Thunder, Blood n Thunder  
 Shoot 'em high and pass 'em under  
 Take to the left, take to the right  
 Come on, Knights, let's fight.

**Babo**

With a Babo, with a Bibo,  
 With a Babo, Bibo, Boom  
 Boom caught a rat trap,  
 Bigger than a cat trap  
 Boom caught a rat trap,  
 Bigger than a cat trap  
 Babo, Bibo tis boom bah—  
 North Penn High School—Bah, Rah.

**North Penn Chu-Chu**

N—chu—chu—chu  
 O—chu—chu—chu  
 (spell out North Penn)  
 N—chu  
 O—chu  
 (spell out North Penn)  
 N-O-R-T-H-P-E-N-N  
 Toot—foot.

**Indian Yell**

Who's gonna win, win; who's gonna win, win  
 Who's gonna win, win now  
 We're gonna win, win; we're gonna win, win  
 We're gonna win, win how—Easy.

**Line Up Cheer (Use the names of starting line up**

for the team)  
 (Name) yea —, —, —, he's our man.  
 If he can't do it,  
 (Name) yea —, —, —, he's our man.  
 If he can't do it (continue this till all of starting  
 line up has been named—then)  
 Subs can, yea subs. Subs, subs, they're our men.  
 If they can't do it,  
 Knights can, yea, Knights.  
 Knights, Knights, they're our men.  
 If they can't do it nobody can.

**Sound Off**

**Sound Off**  
 You pass the ball right to the guard,  
 Back to the forward throw it hard.  
 Sound off for North Penn High,  
 Sound off for North Penn High,  
 Knights fight 1-2-3-4, 1-2-3-4,  
 Eerie, Maenia, Minnie Moo.  
 Keep 'em back and undersee.  
 Sound off for North Penn High,  
 Sound off for North Penn High,  
 Knights fight 1-2-3-4, 1-2-3-4,  
 The Knights put up the fight—you're right  
 The Knights put up the fight—you're right.  
 They did it with all their might—you're right,  
 They did it with all their might—you're right.  
 Sound off for North Penn High,  
 Sound off for North Penn High,  
 Knights fight 1-2-3-4, 1-2-3-4,  
 About face 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10.  
 Knights fight—Fight, Knights, fight!

**Across the Field**

Fight the team across the field,  
 Show them North Penn is here  
 Set the earth re-ver-bat-a-ting  
 With a mighty cheer. Rah, rah, rah.  
 Hit them hard and see how they fall,  
 Hail, hail the gang's all here.  
 Never let that team get the ball,  
 So let's beat (Name of opposing team) right now.  
 North Penn High School (clap in rhythm),  
 North Penn High School (clap in rhythm).  
 Hoo-rah (clap, clap), Hoo-rah (clap, clap)  
 for North Penn High.

**North Penn Rouser**

North Penn High School, hats off to thee.  
 To your colors true we shall ever be,  
 Firm and strong united are we.  
 Bah, rah, rah—Sis-Boom-Bah  
 Rah, rah, rah, rah—rah, rah, for North Penn High.

**SONGS****Say North Penn**

(To the tune: Dance with Me Henry)

Say North Penn—chu-chu-chu  
 We know just what to do—chu-chu-chu  
 To make a hit with you.  
 You gotta stay in training  
 Watch that smoking  
 Practice when its raining  
 Don't mean loafing.  
 No hugging, no kissing with the girls  
 You gotta stay out of the social world.  
 Now don't forget your grades  
 You've gotta have at least an A.  
 Eu, Ew, Ewey  
 This training sure is killing me  
 I haven't seen a bottle of root beer  
 Since August of last year.  
 So if you want to earn a letter  
 Or a girl in a sweater  
 Just get this straight  
 Eu, Ew, Ewey  
 You can't celebrate—no siree.  
 So if you have hair on your chest  
 You're a Knight—Ugh, Ugh—Oh yes.

**Blue Suede Shoes—Football**

One for the money, two for the show  
 Three to get ready, now go team, go.  
 Get out on that field and play football tonight  
 You can block 'em hard, tackle 'em right  
 Pass it off and fight, fight, fight!  
 You can do anything, that you want to do,  
 But uh-uh, buddy, don't make a boo-boo.  
 So get out there and play football tonight  
 Fight! Fight! Fight! 'Em right—Hey  
 Fight! Fight! Fight! 'Em right—Hey  
 You can do anything—so get out and win tonight  
 Two, three, four Hikal

**Go, North Penn**

Go, North Penn High School,  
 Break right through that line.  
 With our colors flying,  
 We will cheer you all the time.  
 Rah, rah, rah.  
 Go, North Penn High School,  
 Fight for victory.  
 Spread for the fame of our fair name,  
 Go, North Penn, win that game (Go).

**Fight On**

Fight on for North Penn High  
 Fight on, fight on for victory,  
 Our Alma Mater, dear,  
 Looks up to you, fight on and win.  
 For North Penn High, fight on,  
 For North Penn High, fight on.

**Fight North Penn**

Fight, North Penn, fight, North Penn,  
 Fight against the foe.  
 Wave your colors, wave them proudly,  
 As we onward go—Rah, rah, rah.  
 Win the battle, win the battle,  
 With your fight and might.  
 Our man of North Penn High School,  
 Fight, fight, fight.

**Victory Song**

All hail our North Penn High School,  
 We're here one hundred million strong.  
 Our hearts are always with you  
 And eyes upon you, every North Penn man.  
 Oh, yes we're here to cheer you,  
 And put the old pep in each play,  
 So fight, fight, North Penn,  
 Fight, fight, North Penn,  
 Charge and win your way to victory.

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## Lansdale High School

Oh Lansdale High, we'll sing to thee,  
To Thee our cheers will rise,  
We'll strive for thee with loyalty,  
We'll honor Lansdale High!

When high school days have passed away,  
And we fore'er must part,  
That fervent love for thee holds sway  
Within each student's heart.

Then let us gather once again,  
Before we say good-bye,  
To sing once more that sweet refrain:  
We'll honor Lansdale High!

### **Chorus**

We'll love thee, Lansdale High,  
We'll praise thee, Lansdale High,  
We'll think of thee, wher'er we be.  
We'll honor Lansdale High

## North Wales High School

Dear North Wales High....  
We sing your praise and glory....  
Dear North Wales High....  
Our Alma Mater true....  
With you we'll stand forever true and loyal....  
We're with you in defeat or victory....  
We'll sing a praise of love and honor for you....  
And may our lives be credit to your name.

## North Penn High School

As knights who in the olden times  
Would pledge their loyalty  
To keep their honor shining  
and ever true to be.  
We entered here at North Penn High  
With hearts resolved to dare.  
Our noblest aim to bring to fame  
our Alma Mater fair.

While yet we linger in the halls  
And on the campus too,  
We'll keep our colors living,  
The navy and the blue.  
Thru all our years at North Penn High  
We'll fervently declare  
To love profound that circles round  
Our Alma Mater fair.

When we have left familiar ways,  
With friends have had to part;  
And school days are a mem'ry  
Deep in each separate heart;  
Then we shall think of North Penn  
High  
How once we gathered here,  
How often praised with voices raised  
Our Alma Mater fair.

Music by Robert Barboni, LHS 1957  
Words by Eleanor Richards, French  
Teacher LHS & NPHS

## Hatfield High School

(Tune: MacNamara's Band)

Oh, we pledge our loyalty and love for  
Alma Mater dear;  
Each faithful heart shall play its part  
With fellowship and cheer.  
Maintain the right, uphold the light,  
Apply the Golden Rule.  
Amid the strife and stress of life,  
We sing for Hatfield School.  
Go forth each lad and lassie  
When you hear the duty call.  
In age or youth proclaim the truth,  
And you shall never fall.  
Then forth we'll go proudly to show  
That we have never lacked  
The sportsmanship and courage  
That stand for the "Orange and Black."

RICHARD OTT AND FAMILY

## TONIGHTS TWO MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

### **Mr. Joe Heyer, Jr., NPHS Class of 1990, and NPAAA Member:**

Joe Heyer, a 1990 NPHS graduate, is currently a Senior Advertising Executive with the Philadelphia 76ers and Philadelphia Flyers. In addition, Joe is a play by play announcer who has appeared on ESPN2, Versus, Comcast SportsNet and the Temple University Sports Network.

### **Mr. Kyle Berger, NPHS Class of 1999, and NPAAA Member:**

Kyle Berger is a 1999 graduate of NPHS. He was a four year varsity letter winner as a 189 pound wrestler with a career record of 88-26. Kyle was a three time Section II Champion, the 1998 District I North Champion, a 1999 SE Region Champion and PIAA State Qualifier. He broadcast Football, Basketball and Baseball games on North Penn Television before moving on to the University of Miami, where he graduated as a member of the Class of 2003 with a Broadcast Journalism/American Studies Major. He served as a play-by-play radio announcer for the Hurricanes' Football and Baseball Teams and called two National Championship Football Games, two College World Series, and one NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament. Professionally, Kyle worked as an announcer for the Vermont Mountaineers of the New England Collegiate Baseball League in 2004, as an announcer for the Wilmington Blue Rocks, Single A affiliate of the Boston Red Sox, in 2005, and is now an announcer for WNPV Radio in Lansdale. Kyle currently teaches communications and is the Student Government Advisor at North Penn High School.



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