

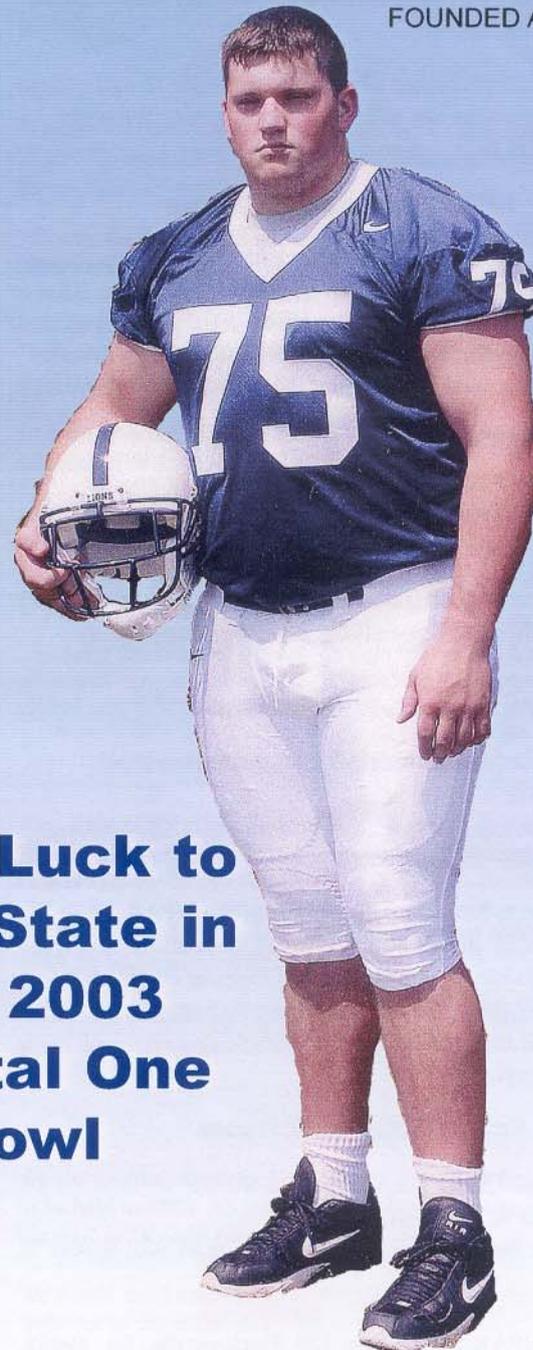
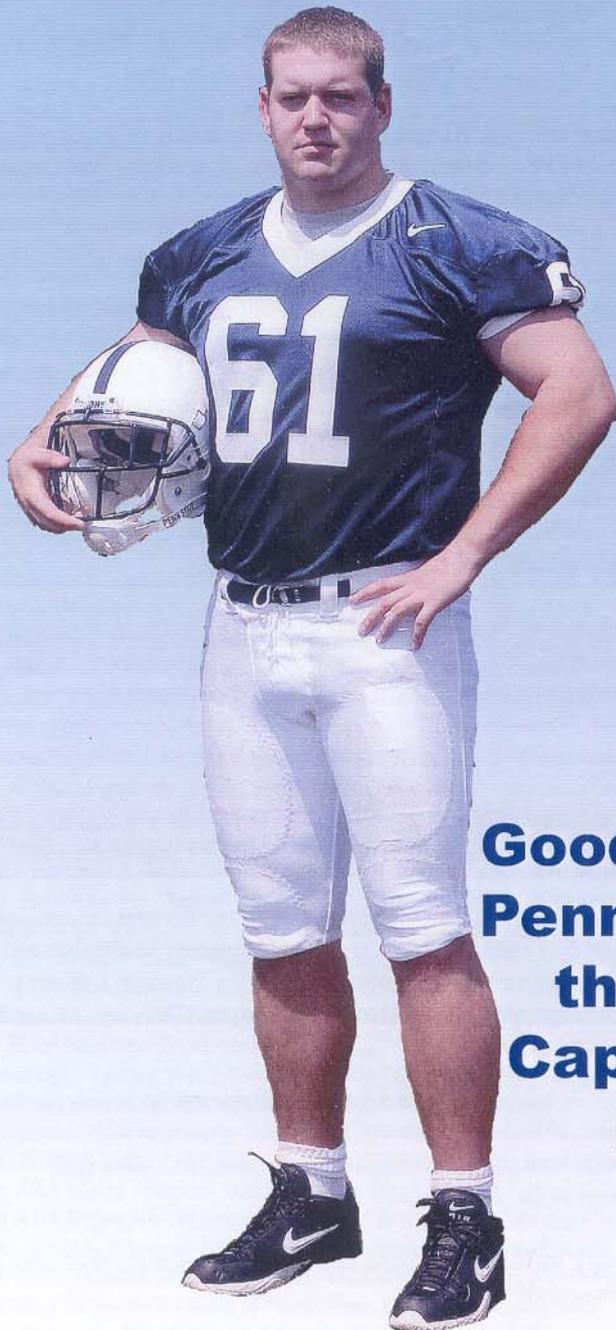
North Penn Alumni Athletic Association

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**Good Luck to  
Penn State in  
the 2003  
Capital One  
Bowl**

Dave Costlow North Penn 1999 and Chris McKelvy North Penn 2000  
Profiles on can be found at: [http://www.mclarnon.com/NPFootball/College\\_Knights.htm](http://www.mclarnon.com/NPFootball/College_Knights.htm)

### NPAAA Scholarships Presented

The NPAAA Scholar Athlete \$250.00 Scholarship was presented to Jennifer Krepps. Jennifer played Field Hockey, Winter Track, and Girls Soccer. She will attend the University of Delaware to Play Women's Soccer.

The NPAAA Jaynes K. Gulick Memorial Track and Field \$1,500 Scholarship was presented to Steve Craig. Steve ran the 800 meters and distance relay, setting many school records. He will run for Duke University and study Pre-Law. (The money for this award was raised by three former Gulick runners-Steve Bond'78, Greg Matusky'79, and Greg Sargent'80. Over \$6,000 has been raised by this trio to date. Way to go, guys!) In addition to the James K. Gulick Memorial Trophy, a permanent plaque (which will be located in NPHS) has been donated by Loretta and Jim Church.

These awards were presented at the NPHS Senior Awards Night on June 3. Congratulations to Jennifer and Steve. We wish them much luck in their future endeavors.

### NPAAA Membership Status

NPAAA current membership is now over 100, thanks to personal appeals of the Board of Directors and other members. The complete roster is now listed on our NEW WEBSITE, www.NPAAA.org. Look for more information and photos as improvements are added. Check out the website for information on:

- Sports Hall of Fame Inductees
- NPHS and LHS football information and photos
- Coming soon -- Other sports information from
- NP/Lansdale/Hatfield and North Wales High Schools

### NEW MEMBERS received as of December 1:

Erv Jaros ----- '65  
 Ronald E. Jaros ----- '66  
 Robert E. Krum, Jr . ----- '67  
 George Loux ----- '61  
 Sam Reiner ----- '61  
 Dave Seibert ----- '74

If you would like to have a complete list of the NPAAA current membership, please contact us. If for reasons of privacy you choose not to have your membership appear on this list, contact us immediately and we will honor that request as well. We do not release any personal information to anyone.

### Accolades and Alumni Reports

Jim Church, Lansdale HS '50 (Huskies), was presented with a plaque by the Suburban One League in appreciation of his positive coverage of Suburban One Athletics on his weekly VINPV "On the Bench Sports" shows and live game broadcasts. The annual meeting of the League was held at Williamson's Restaurant on April 24, 2002. Congratulations, Jim!

Hatfield HS (Falcons) and North Wales HS (Walers) reports will begin in the next issue of Knight Times and on the Knight Site (NPAAA.ORG).

### In Memoriam

HESTON D. LEIDY, aged nearly 85, of Souderton, died Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2002 at Grandview Hospital, where he had been hospitalized. He was the husband of F. Betty Leidy, with whom he celebrated 60 years of marriage in August.

Born in Lansdale. His parents moved the family to a farm in former Leidytown, where Heston grew up. He graduated from the new Hatfield Joint Consolidated School in 1935, having spent grades 1- 12 there.

Heston played basketball and baseball at HHS, in the locally wide area, and in the Philadelphia area. He pitched for the Souderton YMCAs and a number of local baseball teams.

Heston joined the Harleysville Lions Club in 1947 and served as their treasurer for two years. He became secretary in 1954, a position he still held at the time of his death. He was also treasurer of the North Penn/SA Sports Hall of Fame since 1993.

He received the Melvin Jones Award, the highest recognition given by Lions' International for outstanding leadership and distinguished service. He also received the Norman I. Bergey Award, granted by the Harleysville Lions Club, for outstanding service.

### Please send obituaries to:

North Penn Alumni Athletic Association, P.O. Box 322, Harleysville, PA 19438

Kindly include your name and daytime phone number with all correspondence.



Tony Bartle



Kathy L. (Kreisher) Rhodes

Photos by Ken Zepp

**NPAAA THIRD ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING**

**JANUARY 6, 2003 - 7 P.M.**

**NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL AUDION  
GUEST SPEAKERS: TONY BARTLE, '75**

Tony led the North Penn High School Swim Team to its First Pennsylvania State Championship. He placed first in the 200 Yd Freestyle and set a State Record in the 500 Yd Freestyle. He anchored the 4 x 100 Freestyle Relay that also broke the State Record. Tony earned High School All-American Honors in the 500 Yd Freestyle and the 4 x 100 yd Relay.

Tony earned a full scholarship to UCLA where he was a four-time All-American and Team Captain. He was a finalist in 200 Yd Butterfly, 500 Yd Freestyle, 800 Yd Free Relay, and the 400 Yd Free Relay. He placed fourth in the 1976 Olympic Trials.

In 1980, Tony was a member of the honorary Olympic Travel Team.

Tony currently lives in Lansdale and is the owner of Tom Brown, Inc., a distributor of construction adhesives and foam adhesives for manufacturing.

Tony was inducted into the North Penn / Souderton Area Sports Hall of Fame in May of 2000.

Plan to attend the NPAAA Annual Membership Meeting and hear an inspiring message from this outstanding athlete and member of our community.

**KATHY L. (KREISHER) RHODES '81:**

Graduate of North Penn High School in 1981. Played Tennis 10, 11, 12; Captain in 11 and 12. Basketball 10, 11, 12 - lettered in 11 and 12. All Bux-Mont Honorable Mention II, All Bux-Mont Second Team in 12; Captain in 12. Named to All-Star Team for the Annual Cage Classic to Benefit PA Special Olympics in 12. N.P. Booster Club Award winner for MVP in 12. Varsity Softball 10, 11, 12; lettered in 10, 11, 12. All Bux-Mont Honorable Mention in 10. Jr. year, Softball - Bux-Mont Champs (I 60), 2nd in Districts, 2nd in State, First Team All Bux-Mont (short-stop). Sr. year, Bux-Mont Champs (16-0), District Champs (pitched a no-hitter), Regional Champs (pitched a no-hitter), State Champs (pitched a no-hitter), All Bux-Mont First Team (pitcher). N.P. Booster Club Award for MVP. Outstanding Jr. Girl Athlete Award in 11, Genuardi Sports Award for out-standing Sr. Female Athlete. 1981 N.P. Reporter Athlete of the Week in 12. 1985 graduate of Lock Haven University; degree in Health and Physical Education. L.H.U. Softball, Varsity starter al 4 years, Team Captain Sophomore, Junior and Senior years. Freshman year helped pitch L.H.U. to PSAC Title and Regional Playoffs, MVP Soph., Jr., Sr. years. All Conference Team (outfield) Sr. year, All Division Team - Western Division Sr. year. Started four years on L.H.U.'s Women's Club Soccer team. Played summer softball for Souderton Clippers 1981-89 (when they folded). 1983 Clippers were First Place Regional Tournament. 1984 WP of Allentown Invitational Tournament - batting avg. (.450), 1985 Slate Champs 1986 - 5th place in National Tournament, 1988 State Champs, 11th in National Tournament. 1990 to present- member of Allentown Patriots Women's Major Softball team, 1990 State Champs, 1993 earned the Batting Title at the ASA Major National Tournament in Stratford, CT; named to 3rd Team ASA Major All-American Squad and invited to Oklahoma City to try out for U.S. National Team. Physical Education teacher at North Penn 1988 - present. Assistant Varsity Basketball (coach at North Penn 1993-97; J.V. Softball Coach at North Penn H.S. 1999. Kathy was inducted into the North Penn/SA Sports Hall of Fame in 2002.

**Non-Athletic Alumni Noteworthy News**

Gerson "Gus" Rosenberg, a Jane A. Fetter Professor of Surgery, Professor of Bioengineering, Chief of the Division of Artificial Organs at Milton S. Hershel Medical Center and the College of Medicine, and a pioneer in the design and development of pumps to assist or replace failing hearts, has been named "2002 Engineer of the Year" by the readers of Design News Magazine. Rosenberg was honored at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, Chicago. His award included \$25,000 in educational grants from the Torrington Co., Torrington, CT, which will go to the College of Engineering, Department of Biomedical Engineering at the University.

Gus is a 1962 NPHS graduate. He received a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering in 1975 from The Pennsylvania State University. He was head of the Penn State Research Team which invented the artificial heart.

**Comments from our Readers**

"Thanks for the complimentary issues of "Knight Times". - Wayne Heiman, LHS,'44. [Note: Heiman. was inducted into the NP/S Sports Hall of Fame in 1994]

"Thanks for the complimentary issues of "Knight Times." I took forward to receiving them. You guys are doing a great job keeping me informed out here in California. We've needed this organization for a long time. Keep up the good work." - Tom Nolen, LHS,'49

"I checked out the NPFOOTBALL.COM and alumni assoc. website. Cool!" Barbara (Harper) Gordon, NPHS '62. [Note: Gordon was inducted into the NP/S Sports Hall of Fame in 1997]

"We've had numerous compliments about Meredith Moore's interview ever since she appeared on my program June 29. Please tell her for me.: - Jim Church, LHS, '50. [Note: Jim is host of WNPV's "On the Bench." Inducted into the NP/S Sports Hall of Fame in 1994.1

"We have the Hatfield HS Falcon logo on a sweatshirt available for you when you are ready to market the Hatfield HS apparel. The HHS alumni will love them." - Shirley (Vincent) Kulp, HHS '54.