PERRY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Presents

The Distinguished Alumni and Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

September 26, 2015

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Through the Years

1921 - 1968

1968 - 1993

1993 - present
Welcome .................... Todd Porcello, Perry High School Principal
Master of Ceremony .................................... Phil Cassella
Hall of Fame History ................ Dr. Jack Thompson, Superintendent Perry Local Schools
Alumni Associations ............................ Dr. Chandice Richards
Invocation....................................... Dr. George Tarbuck
Dinner ........................ Vicki Peters, Perry Food Service Director
Induction Ceremony ................................. Goodwin Theatre
Introduction of Inductees ................................. TJ Rockwell

DISTINGUISHED
Maria Zampini presented by: Judith Church

ATHLETIC
Drew Davis presented by: Clifford Brewster
Amanda Tsipis presented by: Dan D’Amore
Theresa Ersek – formal presentation will take place in 2016

Closing Comments....................................... TJ Rockwell

A special "thank you" to Bill Sarvis for creating the Alumni Photo Presentation.
CLASS OF 2015
Drew Davis (A)
Theresa Ersek (A)
Amanda Tsipis (A)
Maria Zampini (D)

CLASS OF 2014
Rick Amos (D)
Heath Baker (A)
1970 Baseball Team (A)
2004 Baseball Team (A)
Roy Infalvi, Jr. (A)
Andrea Parhamovich (D)
Arthur F. Warren (D)
Michelle Webb (A)

CLASS OF 2013
Dan Allen (A)
Donald J. Densmore (D)
Todd Kapostasy (A)
Jeffrey Fredrick Stetler (A)

CLASS OF 2012
Nicole Altenweg (A)
Robert J. Dawson (D)
Pasquale "Pat" Giannell (A)
Gene Kobus (A)
Corey L. Sarosy (A)
Brian Varsey (A)

CLASS OF 2011
Jack Huxel (A)
Adam Santee (A)
Elaine Tikka-Lilback (D)

CLASS OF 2010
Dennis Hudson (A)
Renee Lynch (A)
Mike Patrick (A)
Martha Shepard-Behm (D)

CLASS OF 2009
T.J. Huxel (A)
Lou DiDonato (A)
Don Martony (A)
Dr. Lawrence W. Stauffer (D)

CLASS OF 2008
Jackie Altenweg (A)
Donald E. Carter (D)
Judy Miller Church (D)
Nathan Comes (A)
Karl W. Locke (D)
Michelle Rizzo Wardle (A)

CLASS OF 2007
Chandice Albrecht-Richards (A)
George H. Hazel (D)
Don Johnson (A)
Carole Martin (D)
Tim Ritley (A)

CLASS OF 2006
James Adams, Jr. (A)
Robert Lyons (D)
Kevin Marty (D)

CLASS OF 2005
Elisabeth Braher Mortimer (A)
James Cicero (D)
Jack Melvin (A)

CLASS OF 2004
Tom Advey (A)
Barbara Bacon-Inscho (A)
Ray G. Few (D)
Jack R. Kless (D)
Carl F. Torch (A)
David J. Winter (D)

CLASS OF 2003
Marvin A. Bihn (D)
Phil Cassella (A)
Bob Ritley (A)
Robert Sater (A)
Jim Siegel (A)
Raymond Sines (D)
Bob Wilson (A)

CLASS OF 2002
Russell Adams (D)
Vernon C. Hull (D)
Darrell Allen (A)
Bret Born (A)
Cindy Cecconi Allen (A)
Tom Flenner (A)
Ben Johnson (A)
Rebecca L. Moroose (D)
Richard Palmer (A)
T. J. Rockwell (A)
Loyal G. Tillotson (D)
Nancy Watson-Brown (D)

CLASS OF 2001
William E. Coleman, Jr. (A)
Ann Cook-Whitman (D)
Dick Drews (A)
Lucille Kraws-Banks (D)
Dennis Loria (A)
Carl Meglan (D)
Ralph Rockow (D)
Bernie Trubisky (A)
David R. Trubisky (A)
Leonard Trubisky (D)
Phyllis Wilson-Hudson (D)

CLASS OF 2000
Joseph Harold Medlen, Sr. (A)
Terry Rich (A)
Ray Tenkku (A)
Brenda Tenney (A)
Dana Tharp (A)

CLASS OF 1999
Thomas P. Barrett (A)
Lisa Fiske Boylan (A)
Patrick J. New (A)

CLASS OF 1998
Clifford Brewer (A)
Tracy Nichols Busch (A)
Barbara Moore (A)
Noel Sferra (A)

CLASS OF 1997
Fred Colburn (A)
Lee Katona (A)
Bill Meredith (A)

CLASS OF 1996
Don Crawford (A)
Denny Hoffacker (A)
Julie Lukey (A)
Stephanie Soppitt (A)

CLASS OF 1995
Rick Brewer (A)
Paul “Dean” New (A)
John Smith (A)

CLASS OF 1994
Timothy R. Brainard (A)
C.M. "Doc" Brown (A)
Robert Dale Brewer (A)
Norman G. Hoyt (A)
Jerry Judd, Jr. (A)
Jim Rockow (A)

CLASS OF 1993
Larry Brainard (A)
Larry Brewer (A)
Norvin Carter (A)
Barry Deming (A)
Charlene Digman (A)
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A = Athletic Hall of Fame
D = Distinguished Alumni
Hall of Fame
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME HISTORY

Twenty-four years ago, the Perry Pirate Booster Club authorized the formation of a Hall of Fame Committee to honor Perry Athletes by developing a process to create an Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame.

In March of 1992, Perry Local Schools’ Board of Education authorized the concept of the Perry Pirate Booster Club. The Club selected a committee and developed the guidelines for how the Hall of Fame would be established. The policies and procedures were approved by the Booster Club in the spring of 1992.

A committee and public nomination procedure was put into place during the fall of 1992. In January of 1993, 65 individuals qualified to be placed on a ballot for voting by the committee. The first induction class of 21 former Perry athletes, coaches, or community contributors was selected in May of 1993 after receiving sufficient votes for induction. Since its inception, the Hall of Fame committee has inducted a total of 100 athletes, administrators, coaches and 2 teams.

It is our hope that Perry’s Athletic Hall of Fame not only honors the accomplishments of our inductees, but also serves to inspire future Perry High students to aspire to the accomplishments of those Hall of Famers who have built the fine tradition of Perry Athletics.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI HALL OF FAME HISTORY

In the spring of 2001, the Perry Board of Education established The Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame to honor former students of Perry High School whose lives are exemplary for both their career accomplishments and their contributions to the well being of others. They have been selected because they have distinguished themselves in their field of study, career or community service. In addition, these individuals will serve as an inspiration to the students of Perry Local Schools, encouraging them to live their dreams and to pursue personal excellence in all future endeavors.

The members of the charter committee of the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame began their work early that year. Their task was to establish the policies and procedures that would guide the future selection of all Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame inductees. These members were nominated by the Board of Education and represented a cross-section of school and community members.

After determining the nominating criteria and process, the final task of the Charter Committee was to recommend individuals to serve on the Selection Committee. This committee was also comprised of a diverse cross-section of people including representatives from the Perry Board of Education, the Perry Historical Society, school administration, staff, students, and community.
Maria Zampini is a 1980 graduate of Perry High School, where she was involved with the National Honor Society, the yearbook staff, and a majorette.

Maria’s roots are deeply planted in her hometown of Perry, Ohio where she attended school and has worked for 30+ years. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Horticulture from Penn State University. She has cultivated a career in the horticulture business where she currently serves as president of UpShoot LLC, a boutique horticultural marketing firm specializing in new plant introductions and gardening-related products.

She is a sought after national and international speaker, writer and respected consultant who serves on a number of horticulture industry boards. She is the Director of Plant Development for HGTV HOME Plant Collection. Her work includes sourcing genetics for the various plant collections, working with grower and retail partners, as well as networking with garden writers. Her book, Garden-pedia: an A-to-Z Guide to Gardening Terms was released in January 2015.

In addition, she writes for multiple green industry trade journals and consumer gardening magazines including most recently Nursery Management, Green Profit and Ohio Gardener.

She has served as a member of the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army, Painesville division and on the Board of Directors for Lake Erie College and the Lake County Visitors Bureau. She was the first female president of the Ohio Nursery and Landscape Association and the International Ornamental Crabapple Society.
Drew Davis (1987) was an outstanding two-sport athlete in both football and wrestling for the Perry Pirates. Drew was a four-year letter winner for the Pirates wrestling program and was Perry’s first and perhaps only four time regional qualifier in Class AA. In 1987 Drew finished fourth place in the State AA wrestling tournament which at the time was Perry’s highest place finish in wrestling program history. Drew was a four time Regional qualifier from 1984-1987 and finished second in the 138 pound class at the 1987 Regional Tournament. He was the District Champion his senior year and the District runner during his junior season. Drew was an All-ESC league wrestler three times and The News-Herald wrestler of the week in both 1986 and 1987. Drew was the Grand Valley Wrestling Tournament Champion and MVP in 1986 and the Hawken Tournament Champion in both 1986 and 1987. During his junior and senior seasons, Drew was named the Perry Wrestling MVP, won the Most Takedowns Award and Team Point Award.

Drew moved to South Carolina in 1992. The father of three children, he coached girl’s softball, baseball and football. Drew helped start and coach a new wrestling program in the middle school and high school in Pageland, South Carolina. Drew never lost his love for Perry Wrestling as he traveled many times to Columbus from South Carolina to watch the state wrestling tournament and was witness to Perry’s first state champion, Billy Miller. Now back home living in Ohio after 23 years, Drew is a grandfather of one and a driver for US Foods.
Theresa Ersek (1994) was an outstanding four-sport athlete during her athletic career at Perry High School, earning four varsity letters in basketball, three in volleyball, two in softball and one in track. Theresa earned four letters for the Lady Pirate Basketball program and was the team MVP for two years. Theresa scored over 1,000 points by the end of her junior campaign and was a 1st Team All-ESC selection, and Special Mention All-State selection that year. She followed that up by averaging 24.8 points per game her senior season, was a 1st Team All-District selection and a 2nd Team All-State selection. Theresa’s accomplishments did not stop when she stepped off the hardwood. She was a three-year letter winner for the volleyball program, and was a 1st Team All-ESC selection her junior and senior seasons. She was also selected 1st Team All-District and was named the Division III Northeast District Player of the Year. Theresa was a 1st Team All-ESC selection in softball her sophomore and junior years, and qualified for Districts in the high jump her senior year.

Theresa went on to West Liberty University (WVA) and was a four-year player for the basketball program, where her team won two division championships and she was part of the All-Tournament Team her senior year. She also played softball at West Liberty for two seasons where her team advanced all the way to the District Finals. Theresa lives in Northeast Ohio and is a client manager for Cedar Brook Group, a financial planning/retirement company. She enjoys participating in half marathons, triathlons, biathlons and plays volleyball in her spare time.
Amanda Tsipis (2004) was an outstanding two-sport athlete for Perry High School, excelling in both basketball and soccer, earning eight varsity letters between the two sports. Amanda is the 2nd leading scorer in school history for the girls’ basketball program with 1,216 points while also setting school records for single game, season and career free throw percentage, season and career 3 point percentage, as well as career games played. She was team captain both her junior and senior seasons and led her team to Sectional and District Championships each season. During her career, Amanda helped lead her team to three CVC titles, four Sectional Championships, three District Championships, and three appearances in the Regional Sweet Sixteen. She was named 3rd Team All-Ohio her senior year, was the CVC MVP her junior and senior seasons, 1st Team and 2nd Team All-NE Ohio District her junior and senior years respectively, earned 1st Team All-Plain Dealer and News-Herald, and was named the Lake County Basketball Club’s Female Athlete of the Year her senior season.

Her success did not stop once she stepped off the basketball court. Amanda excelled for the Pirates on the soccer field as well. She was named the team MVP her senior year while earning All-Greater Cleveland 2nd Team honors and being selected 1st Team All-CVC. Amanda was an excellent student as witnessed by her earning Co-valedictorian her senior year and was involved in numerous clubs and activities at PHS. Amanda went on to attend the University of Notre Dame in Indiana where she was a four-year letter winner for the Fighting Irish Women’s Basketball Team. She was a Big East All-Academic selection each of her four years, won the Notre Dame Women’s Basketball Team Spirit Award for four years, was selected as the Notre Dame Rockne Student Athlete of the Year and was a Team Captain for the 2007-2008 season.

Amanda currently lives in Chicago, IL. She is Vice President at J.P. Morgan where she underwrites commercial loans for Healthcare, Higher Education and Non-Profit institutions. She also volunteers her time as a CYO basketball coach and inner city youth tutor and mentor.
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**2016 Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Nomination Form**

**CRITERIA**

- Nominees shall be alumni of Perry Local Schools who have distinguished themselves at a high level of achievement in their particular field of study, life’s work, or community service in areas such as, but not limited to, the arts, business, education, government service, community service, science and technology.
- Nominees must have graduated at least fifteen years prior to the selection date. Individuals may be nominated posthumously.
- Nominations may be submitted by any Perry High School graduate, Perry community member or member of the Selection Committee.

Name of Nominee: ___________________________________________________

Address:_______________________________________ Phone:_______________

City:___________________________________ State:_____ Zip Code:__________

Perry Graduate – Class of:______________________________________________

Significant Accomplishments:___________________________________________

___________________________________________________________________________

Why I think this person should be nominated: _____________________________

___________________________________________________________________________

___________________________________________________________________________

Nominated by:________________________________________________________

Address:__________________________________ Phone:____________________

City:_____________________________________ State:_____ Zip Code:________

E-mail: ____________________________________

*All nominations must be received by March 31st.*

Send completed nomination form to:
Perry High School, Attn. Mr. Todd Porcello, One Success Blvd., Perry, Ohio 44081

Updated nomination form is available at http://www.perry-lake.org/HallofFame.aspx
CRITERIA

• Nominees must have graduated at least ten years prior to the selection date. Individuals may be nominated posthumously.
• Nominations may be submitted by any Perry High School graduate, Perry community member or member of the Selection Committee.

There are three (3) categories of nominees eligible:
1. **Athlete** – an athlete’s class must have graduated at least ten (10) years prior to selection.
2. **Coach/Administrator** – a coach or administrator must have served on the Perry Schools staff for at least ten (10) years and must have retired or left the school system prior to selection.
3. **Honorary** – An alumnus or non-alumnus Perry resident may also be chosen for making a significant impact on the Perry Schools athletic program.

One or more of the following criteria should be of exceptional quality to justify a nominee’s selection. Those nominated in the athlete category must meet several of the listed criteria to be chosen for selection.
1. Varsity level of competition*
2. Leadership roles
3. Impact on athletic team success
4. Scholastic achievements*
5. All Ohio, District, County selections*
6. School, County, District, or State records*
7. All League selection*
8. Postgraduate achievements
9. Coaching achievements
10. Community achievements

*These criteria must be completed if nominee is an athlete.

Please complete each section thoroughly.

Name of Nominee:______________________________________________
Address:_________________________________Phone:________________
City:________________________________State:_______Zip:___________
Perry Graduate - Class of: ________________________________________
Reason for Nomination:__________________________________________
Accomplishments:______________________________________________
• Sports Participated in (# years for each sport):

• High School Athletic Achievements (All League, All County, All State) (# years and sport each award was won):

• School, County, District, State Records and years set (if any):

• Leadership and impact on team success:

• High School Scholastic Achievements:

• Post Graduate College (if applicable):

• Community Service Record (Civic/Charity):

• Coaching Achievement (if applicable)

• Summary:

Additional Information (Attach):

Nominated by: Date:

Address: City: State:

E-mail: Phone:

**All nominations must be received by January 31st.**

Send completed nomination form to:

Perry High School, Attn. TJ Rockwell, One Success Blvd., Perry, Ohio 44081

The nomination form is available online at:

http://www.perry-lake.org/HallofFame.aspx
Alma Mater

Perry For You

Our school is an emblem of spirit and fair play;
Long will she stand thus as a shrine of our today.
Proud are we of our charity and standards high in aim;
Win or lose we will ne’er refuse to try to play the game.

Perry for you we’ll work and fight, we’ll honor your name.
Perry for you we claim the right to spread far your fame.
Courage and loyalty, qualities dear to all;
For Perry, our alma mater, to us you will reign o’er all.

Written by Gilbert Porsch, a music teacher in Perry

Fight Song

We love you dear old Perry High School,
For you, we’re proud to serve
'Tis our flag red and white,
That inspires us to fight
For the name we are proud to preserve.
Red and white, let’s fight!
To you we will ever be faithful,
Dear old Perry High,
The team we will back
They are so hard to crack,
'Cause that’s our dear old Perry High.