# PERRY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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The Distinguished Munni and

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September 14, 2013

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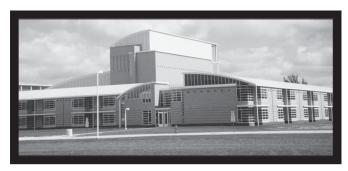
# Perry High Vehool — Through the Years—



1921 = 1968



1968 - 1993



1993 - present

# The Distinguished Alumni and

# Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Welcome Todd Porcello, Principal Perry High School
Master of Ceremony
Hall of Fame History Dr. Jack Thompson, Superintendent Perry Local Schools
Alumni Associations
Invocation
Dinner
Induction Ceremony
Introduction of Inductees
DISTINGUISHED
Donald J. Densmore presented by: Dr. George Tarbuck
ATHLETIC
Dan Allen presented by: Darrell & David Allen
Jeffrey Fredrick Stetler presented by: Mike Ryan
Todd Kapostasy – formal presentation will take place in 2014
Closing Comments

A special "thank you" to Bill Sarvis for creating the Alumni Photo Presentation.

# 1993-2013 Tnductees

#### CLASS OF 2013

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

#### CLASS OF 2012

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

#### CLASS OF 2011

Jack Huxel (A) Elaine Tikka-Lillback (D) Adam Santee (A)

#### 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 Brahler 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 Brewster (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 Brewster (A) Paul "Dean" New (A) John Smith (A)

#### CLASS OF 1994

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

#### **CLASS OF 1993**

Larry Brainard (A) Larry Brewster (A) Norvin Carter (A) Barry Deming (A) Charlene Digman (A) Penny Crofoot Harris (A) Harry Hawkins (A) Ray Joles (A) Keith Klinger (A) Henry Kobulnicky (A) Larry Logan (A) Bruce Phillips (A) Gary Richmond (A) Ron Richmond (A) James Secor (A) Cindy Seese (A) Larry Thompson (A) D. R. Trisket (A) William Walker (A)

A = Athletic Hall of Fame

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D = Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame

### ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME HISTORY

Twenty-two 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 94 athletes, administrators and coaches.

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.

# DONALD J. DENSMORE





CLASS OF 1950

Donald J. Densmore is a 1950 graduate of Perry High School, where he was involved in a number of activities including band and the football team manager.

Don is a lifelong resident of Perry who has dedicated a great amount of his life in actively serving others through his involvement with numerous groups and organizations. It has been stated, "Don doesn't just 'join' an organization or cause, he gets involved. He is passionate, he takes on leadership roles, he exceeds expectations and he sets the bar much higher for those that follow. He has made, and continues to make, a difference in the lives of others."

He served as a school board member for 16 years; 6 of those years as President. During this time, he helped in the process of acquiring land and overseeing planning and design of the new Perry Education Complex. Don is a long time member of the Perry Band Boosters, First Baptist Church of Perry, and Perry Historical Society, where he currently serves as President. In the Church, he held about every leadership position possible and directed the choir for over 30 years. He organized and conducted the Perry Community Choir and Orchestra, which presented an annual Easter Cantata for 18 years.

Don served in the US Army during the Korean War and has been a member of the Perry American Legion Post #697 for 60 years, and currently serves as the Post Commander. He has organized the Memorial Day Ceremony and parade for over 30 years.

Don married his grade school sweetheart, Marjory Salchow, and they enjoyed 50 years of marriage. They raised six children all of whom graduated from Perry High School. After Marjory passed away in January 2003, he married Karen Blake in September 2004. Don and Karen have been the helpers and advocates for a quadriplegic artist who is able to create beautiful digital art on a computer.

# DAN ALLEN





CLASS OF 1988

Athletic Contributions: Football: 1985, 1986, 1987 Baseball: 1986, 1987, 1988

Dan Allen (1988) was a two sport athlete during his athletic career at Perry High School, earning a total of six varsity letters, three in football and three in baseball. Dan was a three year starter and team Captain for the Perry Football program, and was a major reason the Pirates won the league championship and qualified for the school's first ever playoff appearance in 1987. During his senior campaign, Dan was named the Pirate Lineman of the Year, 1st team All-East Suburban Conference Center, 1st team Lake County Touchdown Club, and 1st team All-News Herald. He was also the Cleveland Touchdown Club Representative in which he was selected to represent the entire East Suburban Conference as their nomination for the Scholar-Athlete Player of the Year. Dan also earned state recognition as he was selected as an All-Ohio Lineman during his senior season. Head Coach Bob Ritley said, "Dan was a Captain and played a vital role in leading our team to success. He took the time to develop himself into the strongest lineman he could be, putting in countless hours in the weight room, and always pushing to get the best out of his teammates. He was an outstanding role model for all Perry athletes."

His accomplishments did not end on the gridiron. Dan was also a three year letter winner for the baseball program, earning 2nd team All-ESC honors as a junior and serving as team Captain as a senior. Dan was the President of the National Honor Society and was awarded four year ROTC Scholarships from both the Air Force and the Army. He ultimately earned an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy, where he graduated in 1992 with a degree in Economics. Dan served for five years on active duty, attaining the rank of Captain. He has been working in Corporate Finance since leaving the Air Force.

# TODD KAPOSTASY





CLASS OF 2002

Athletic Contributions: Track: 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 Basketball: 2000, 2001, 2002 Football: 1999, 2000, 2001

Todd Kapostasy (2002) was an outstanding three sport athlete for Perry High School, excelling in track, basketball and football while earning 10 Varsity letters. Todd was a four year letter winner during his career for the Perry Track program, serving as team Captain as well as being selected team MVP his senior year. Todd was a two time District Champion and three time State Qualifier in the High Jump, finishing as high as 4th at the State meet. He was also a three time CVC High Jump Champion and still holds both the school and conference records with a jump of 6 feet, 7 inches.

Todd excelled on the basketball court as well, and was a three year letter winner for the basketball program. He served as Captain his senior year while being selected 2nd team All-CVC. He was also chosen as the Lake County Basketball Coaches Student-Athlete of the Year. Todd was also a three year letter winner for the football team, while taking home 1st team All-CVC honors as a place kicker and punter, and was selected as the Lake County Touchdown Club's Kicker of the Year.

Todd was as successful in the classroom as he was on the playing field. He was a member of the National Honor Society, and earned a scholarship to Brown University where he majored in Political Science. While at Brown, he high jumped for both the indoor and outdoor track teams. He is now a features producer for Fox Sports and travels the country to produce sports related stories for Fox Sports TV programming.

# **JEFFREY FREDRICK STETLER**





CLASS OF 1988

Athletic Contributions: Football: 1985, 1986, 1987

Baseball: 1988

Jeffrey Stetler (1988) was an outstanding two sport athlete for Perry High School, excelling in both football and baseball. Jeff was a three year starter and letter winner during his career for the Perry Football program. As a Captain of the team during his senior year, Jeff was a major reason Perry qualified for the playoffs for the first time in school history. Head Coach Bob Ritley said, "Jeff was responsible for leading that team by his effort, attitude, and his burning desire to be the best at his position. He understood our motto "Those who stay, will be champions" because when others refused to go hard, Jeff worked harder and pushed all of us to be the best. He was an outstanding role model for all Perry athletes." Jeff racked up many awards from his senior year, including the Pirate Lineman of the Year, 1st Team All-East Suburban Conference, 1st Team Lake County Touchdown Club, and 1st Team All-News Herald. He earned state recognition by being selected 1st Team All-Ohio for the 1987 season. Jeff also excelled in the sport of baseball, was a letter winner for the Pirates on the diamond, and was selected 1st Team All-ESC as a Designated Hitter.

Jeff went on to attend Baldwin Wallace College where he continued to excel athletically. He was a four year letter winner on the offensive line for the Yellow Jackets and started 35 of 41 games during his college career including 31 in a row. Jeff served as Captain of an undefeated NCAA Division III National Playoff team his senior year while also being named 1st Team All-Ohio Athletic Conference and Division III Honorable Mention All-American. Jeff later served our country in the United States Army before being appointed as a Special Agent in the FBI, where he still serves today.

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# 2014 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:	
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\*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

# 2014 PERRY ALUMNI ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM / REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

#### **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:			

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E-mail:	Phone:
Address:	City: State:
Nominated by:	Date:
Additional Information (Attach)	):
• Summary:	
Coaching Achievement (if app	plicable)
	Civic/Charity):
	licable):
High School Scholastic Achiev	vements:
Leadership and impact on tear	m success:
• School, County, District, State	Records and years set (if any):
High School Athletic Achieven     (# years and sport each award)	ments (All League, All County, All State) was won):
• Sports Participated in (# years	for each sport):

\*\*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 on line at: http://www.perry-lake.org/HallofFame.aspx



# 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.