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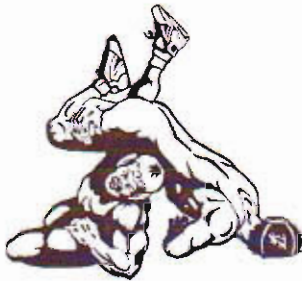
FAME 2011



LARRY BATES

JAMES A. LYNCH

JEFFREY A. LYNCH



MOLLY B. PETERMAN

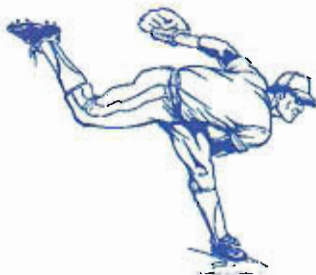


1956 BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

1958 BOYS WRESTLING TEAM

ELEANOR DOERSAM

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD



Welcome to Lansing Eastern Athletic Hall of Fame

4:45 p.m. Friday, February 11, 2011



Eastern High School has a long history of academic excellence, athletic achievement and community support. We are blessed with alumni who are proud of their school and support Eastern long after they leave our halls. We are pleased to have the opportunity this evening to welcome back our alumni and other guests as we gather to recognize the accomplishments of some of our outstanding athletes of the past and to acknowledge with gratitude the contributions of a woman whose loyalty and dedication make her name synonymous with Eastern High School.

As we join together in celebration, it is important to acknowledge the efforts of the Hall of Fame committee and the Alumni Association of Eastern High School for their support, concern and all they do to plan activities which provide our community the opportunity to experience the excellence that is Eastern High School.

*Susan Land
Eastern High School
Principal*

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 2011 Lansing Eastern Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony. We are proud that Eastern is the only high school in the city with an Athletic Hall of Fame, ours being established in 2005.

Today we honor four individuals and two teams who will join thirty-three individuals and seven teams previously inducted. In addition, we are honoring an individual for special recognition for many years of outstanding service to Lansing Eastern High School and the Eastern High School family. Selection into the Hall of Fame recognizes not only these fine individuals for their commitment and dedication to their sport but also for their continued exceptional work in their professional and community endeavors.

Congratulations. We salute all of you on your special day.

*Suzanne Beekman Mills, Class of '57
Chair, Eastern Athletic Hall of Fame Committee*



**LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

INDUCTION CEREMONY

Dinner and Program

February 11, 2011

4:45 pm – Social Hour

5:15 pm – Dinner

6:00 pm – Induction Ceremony

Welcome **Sue Mills**

Invocation **Tim May**

Dinner **A Catered Affaire, Inc.**
Served by Students in Eastern's International Baccalaureate Magnet Academy and Student Senate

Introduction of Special Guests **Sue Mills**

Introduction of Former LEHS Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

Induction of 2011 Honorees

**Larry Bates
James A. Lynch
Jeffrey A. Lynch
Molly B. Peterman
1956 Cross Country Team
1958 Wrestling Team
Eleanor Doersam – Special Recognition Award**

Adjourn to Don Johnson Field House

**SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS AND SPONSORS
WITHOUT WHOSE HELP THIS PROGRAM WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE**

**Lansing Eastern High School Alumni Association
Lansing Eastern High School Parent Teacher Student Association
Lansing Eastern High School Athletic Department – David Panici, Athletic Director**

**A Catered Affaire, Inc. – Doyle Kitchell
Bill Allen
Renie Araoz
Xavier and Chris Barajas
Dick Barker
Bill Brown
Howard Cook
Paul Cook
Jack and Sue Davis
Eleanor Doersam
H. Arthur Doersam
Jim Dorin
Marjorie Edwards**

**Joseph Fanning
Jerry Granger
Ron Granger
Jack Gunther
Jerilynn Burnett Haber
Lou Hekhuis
Bud Howard
Don Johnson
Jay Lane
Tim May
Leanne Lynch Miller
Linda Miller
Sue Mills**

**Ron Morgan
Tom Penrod
Max Pierce
Fern Preston
Jim Sinadinos
Joan Snider
Sohn Linen
Terry Tisdale
George Wakulsky
Susan Wedley
Phyllis Willis**

As of February 3, 2011



LARRY BATES • CLASS OF 1955



First Three-Time State of Michigan Individual Wrestling Champion

Captain of the 1955 State Championship Wrestling Team

Co-Founder DeWitt Middle School Wrestling Program

Mentored Many Students in Middle School

Coached Two Sons to Two State Championships Each



JAMES A. LYNCH • CLASS OF 1981



FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK 1979-1981

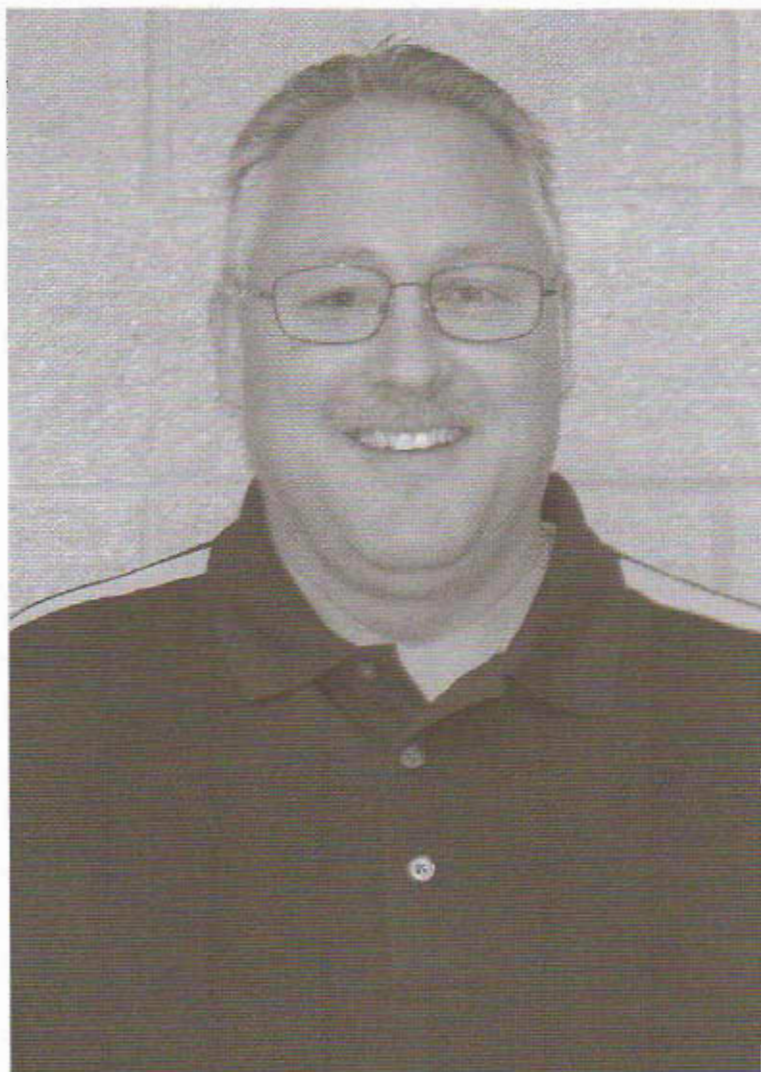
Captain of the football and basketball teams 1980-1981

Member of the 1980 State Championship Basketball Team

1980 All-League Quarterback
1980 Second Team All-Area
1980 All-State Honorable Mention

Grand Valley State University
Football 1981-1984

Captain of football 1984
1983 Second Team All-League Quarterback
Held 3 NCAA Division 2 passing records
Held 5 Grand Valley State University passing records



**FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, BASEBALL
1979-1981**

Captain of the football and basketball teams 1980-1981

Member of the 1980 State Championship Basketball Team

1979 & 1980 First Team All-League Linebacker

1980 Football Dream Team

1980 Defensive Player of the Year

1980 All-State Linebacker

Grand Valley State University

Football 1981-1984

Captain of football 1984

1983 First Team All-League Linebacker

Held 3 Grand Valley State University defensive records



BASKETBALL

1000+ Point Club – Eastern HS 1994-1998

PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL

16 pts / 8 rebs / gm – Spain 2008-2009

29 pts / 8 rebs / gm – Iceland 2007-2008

35 pts / 12 rebs / gm – Ireland 2006-2007

22 pts / 9 rebs / gm – Germany 2005-2006

21.5 pts / 10 rebs / gm – Argentina 2003-2004

1300+pts / 750+rebs University Detroit Mercy 1998-2002



1956 BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM



1956 BOYS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Front Row: Don Gaudard, Captain Dave Brown, Garey Bullock

Back Row: Team Manager Don Hough, Dick Stauffer, Ron Selfridge, Bob Pearl,
Art Vaillencourt, Ray Auvenshine, Coach Charles Sweeney

1956 Class A State Champions

Regional Champions

6A League Champions

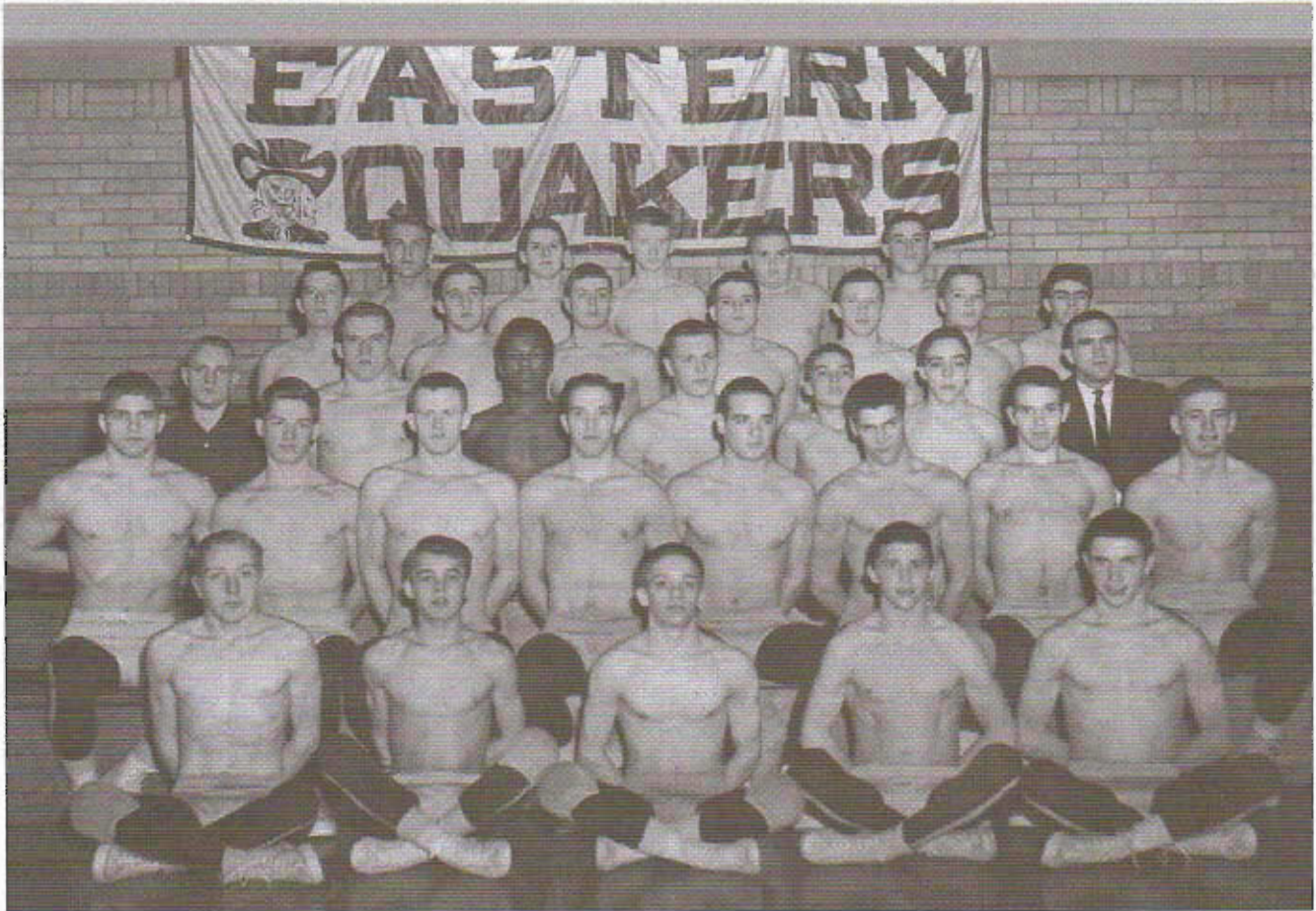
City Champions

13-0 Undefeated Season

Member Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame



1958 BOYS WRESTLING TEAM



1958 BOYS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING TEAM

First Row: D. Diehl, G. Gogarn, T. Tisdale, T. Hartman, D. Kares

Second Row: A. Valcanoff, D. Girvin, R. Rapp, W. Portt, T. Girvin, B. Brown, B. Portt, R. Parkinson

Third Row: Mgr. C. Mosher, L. Boettcher, C. West, L. Lynch, M. Byington, D. Crawford, Coach Vito Perrone

Fourth Row: J. Hayes, D. Wright, D. Segelstrom, T. Pierson, B. Bair, L. Rohrer, A. Vaillencourt

Fifth Row: B. Weaver, T. Johns, D. King, R. Unger, F. Tupica

1958 Class A State Champions
Regional Champions
6A League Champions
13-0 Undefeated in Dual Meets



ELEANOR DOERSAM



SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Presented to

ELEANOR DOERSAM

Began teaching career at Eastern in 1953
Encouraged girls' intramurals and club growth for next 40 years
Began Inter-scholastic Volleyball Program in city schools
Coached Eastern girls in volleyball to ten consecutive City Championships
Helped integrate girls' athletics under Title IX in Lansing School District
Founder and charter member M Club for women at University of Michigan
Researched inaugural Eastern Athletic Hall of Fame Program
Strong supporter of all members of the Eastern family in academics, athletics, and life

LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL 2005 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Paul Cook

Coached basketball at Eastern for many years. His 1980 team won the Class A title. During his coaching career of over 40 years, his teams won more than 800 games.



Walter Graff

Coached basketball, baseball, and football at Eastern during the school's first years of competition from 1928 until 1941. His 1934 basketball team won the State Championship. In football, his teams won 26 consecutive victories from 1932-34.



Kevin Andre Jackson

Wrestled at Eastern and was State Class A Champion. He went on to a successful career in college and Olympic Wrestling winning the Gold Medal at Barcelona in 1988. He later coached the U.S. Olympic team in 2004.



Donald Johnson

Wrestling coach at Eastern between 1948 and 1957. He had five state champion teams during his tenure and was later an administrator at Eastern. The Fieldhouse is named in his honor.



Maro Miller

Played football, basketball, and baseball at Eastern during the 1936-39 season and was an All-State football player in 1938.



Thomas Petroff

Played baseball and football at Eastern during the 1940's and was an All-State Honoree. He later played professional baseball from 1947-52 with the Yankees and Indians.



Carol Rapson

Was a leader in many activities from 1954-57 (including basketball and softball) as a participant in Girl's Athletic Association programs before competition between female athletes began. She later played softball with the Lansing Laurels.



**1981 Girls Softball State
Champions**

Compiled a record of 25-1 on the way to winning the state championship. Coach Jean Robinson Clum was named Softball Coach of the Year.



Jay Vincent

An outstanding basketball player at Eastern in the late 70's when he was named as an All-State selection. Later, he went on to a successful college career at Michigan State University and also played professionally for many years.

LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL 2006 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Bill Allen

Bill Allen was an Eastern student from 1950-1953 where he lettered in football, wrestling, and baseball. In 1952, he was named the MVP on the football team. He was also captain and State Runner-Up on the wrestling team. Mr. Allen was named Wrestling Coach of the Year in 1968, and was inducted into the Wrestling Hall of Fame at Owosso High School. Mr. Allen was a teacher, coach, and administrator at Eastern for many years.



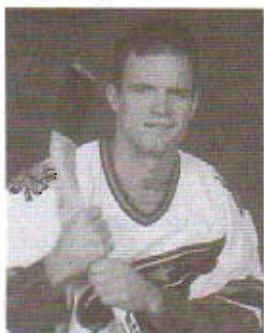
Jack Hernly

Jack Hernly played football, basketball, baseball and ran track at Eastern when the school first opened in 1928. He was captain of each of the teams during his senior year and was also the first senior class president at the school. Mr. Hernly set a state and national record of 171'8" in the javelin throw and was Student Athletic Director from 1927-29.



Tom Jamieson

Tom Jamieson played three years of varsity tennis at Eastern and was the #1 singles player all 3 years. He was also a member of the varsity swim team for three years and co-captain his senior year. Dr. Jamieson was also president of both the senior class and the National Honor Society. Dr. Jamieson was inducted into the Greater Lansing Hall of Fame in 1982 and is the Team Physician for the Lansing School District.



Kelly D. Miller

Kelly Miller played varsity baseball at Eastern in 1980 and 1981, and was also named valedictorian for the Class of 1981. Mr. Miller had an outstanding hockey career at Michigan State University from 1981-1985 where he was an All-American, Academic All-American, and Team Captain.



James P. Sinadinos

Jim Sinadinos played football, baseball and wrestling at Eastern from 1950-1952. As a senior in 1952, he was an undefeated State Champion wrestler. Mr. Sinadinos also wrestled at Michigan State University from 1953-1956 where he was an All-American, two time National AAU Champion and a Big Ten Champion.



Kim Worden

Kim Worden played varsity basketball, volleyball and softball at Eastern from 1974-1978, earning All-State honors in basketball and softball her senior year. She now provides instruction for softball players through her "Worden's Extra Innings Fastpitch" business.



1979 Boys Golf Team

The 1979 Boys Golf Team led by Coach Tom Penrod won the State Championship, the first and only Golf State Championship for the Lansing School District.



1980 Boys Basketball Team

The Quakers won the Class A State Basketball Title downing Highland Park 64-53. The 26-1 mark was the best ever achieved by an Eastern team.

LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL 2007 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Larry Fowler

Larry Fowler played football and wrestled at Eastern from 1948-50. He was a state champion in wrestling, and also received All-State Honors in football. Larry continued to play both sports at Michigan State University from 1951-53. He was an All-American member of the 1952-53 National Championship Football Team. Larry also finished 2nd in the Big Ten in wrestling.



Iian Mull

Iian Mull swam and played water polo at Eastern from 1988-1992. He was a 2-time Michigan High School Swimmer of the Year. Iian was a 4-time Secondary Conference Champion in college. He also received two gold medals at the Olympic Festival in Los Angeles, California.



Irvin Kolberg

Irvin Kolberg played football, basketball and baseball at Eastern. He was All-State in football and All-League in basketball as a star player on Eastern's 1934 State Championship Team. Irvin was considered the top baseball prospect of his era where he progressed to the top minor league level before baseball ceased because of World War II. He was inducted into the Inaugural Class of the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame.



Sam Vincent

Sam Vincent was 1st Team CAC, the State Journal Dream Team and First Team All-State in 1981. He was awarded the first ever Mr. Michigan Basketball and awarded First Team All-American by Parade Magazine. Sam played 4 years at Michigan State University before going into the NBA. Sam played several years in the NBA and coached semi-pro basketball over-seas and with the NBA.



Martha Macias-Mendez

Martha Mendez played varsity basketball, volleyball and softball at Eastern from 1974-1977. She earned All-Conference, All-Area, and All State Honors in both basketball and softball in 1977. Martha also played fast-pitch softball with the Lansing Lassies for several years, with the team finishing 10th in the nation in 1980. She also coached Junior Varsity Softball at Eastern for 10 years.



Claude & Lois Donahue

The Donahue's have been faithful Eastern Quaker Fans for 60 years. They have followed both men's and women's sports through the good times and not so good times, traveling to games in all kinds of weather. Claude graduated from Eastern in 1942 and Lois graduated in 1945. They had 4 children go through Eastern; Cheryl 1969, Mary Lou 1971, Dan 1974, and Sue in 1979.

1949 Boys Swim Team

Eastern's Boys Swimming Team won fame in 1949. Praised as the finest in Michigan's history, the team finished an undefeated season, winning the 5A League, The Ccreal Bowl Relays and winning the State Championship.

LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL 2008 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



David Cushion

David Cushion was a member of the Golf Team at Eastern High School from 1964-1966. He was also Honor Society President and a member of the Student Council. David Cushion is better known for his bowling accomplishments after high school. He is a member of the Lansing Bowling Hall of Fame and has bowled 23 300 games. He was also named "Bowler of the Year" 4 times.



Lyle W. Sherman

Lyle Sherman played football, baseball and basketball at Eastern from 1932-1934. He received All City and All State Honors in football and basketball his junior and senior years. He was also Team Captain for the Class A State Basketball Champions in 1934. Lyle Sherman was inducted into The Greater Lansing Area Sports Hall of Fame in 1981.



James Walker

Jim Walker played football and wrestled at Eastern High School from 1955-1957. He was captain of the wrestling team his senior year and also placed 3rd in the State Tournament. He was a wrestling coach for 25 years, nineteen of those at Eastern. In that span he had a dual record meet of 187-33-2, 15 Conference Championships, 14 District Titles, 7 Regional Titles and in 1972 won the State Championship. Mr. Walker coached 13 Individual State Champions and was named "Regional Coach of the Year" six times. He was inducted into the Michigan Wrestling Hall of Fame.



Susan Wedley

Susan Wedley was the Girls Athletic Association President during her junior and senior year of high school. She participated in field hockey and lacrosse while at Michigan State. Now a resident of Royal Oak, Susan helped create a number of popular athletic programs including Girls and Women's Softball, Basketball, and Volleyball. As Royal Oak Superintendent of Recreation, she became the first woman ever to receive the Royal Oak Jaycee's Distinguished Service Award, the organization's most coveted annual honor.



1955 Wrestling Team

For the second consecutive year, Coach Don Johnson's wrestlers won the 6A and the State Championships. In addition to an undefeated season's record, they had won thirty-seven straight dual meets, losing only two since 1950.

LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL 2009 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Richard A. Barker

Richard (Dick) Barker was a former football and baseball captain and basketball player who also played football and baseball at Michigan State University and starred in city league softball before being inducted into the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame. Dick was also inducted into the Michigan Amateur Softball Hall of Fame.



Rudy Castellani

Rudy Castellani was a 12-letter winner in football, baseball, basketball and track. Rudy was Student Council President and Valedictorian. Rudy also played football at Michigan State University and performed the first open-heart bypass surgery in the state in 1956 at Detroit Receiving Hospital.



Rick Edwards

Rick Edwards holds the Eastern swimming record, also swam at Central Michigan, and coached the Quakers boys to eight league championships and was the National High School Athletic Coaches Association national Coach of the Year in 2002. He was recently inducted into the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame.



Robert Henderson

Robert Henderson won the state's Mr. Basketball Award and was a McDonald's All-American in 1982 before helping University of Michigan to two Big Ten Championships.



Alex Valcanoff

Alex Valcanoff won wrestling state championships in 1957 and 1958 and was also an all-state football player in 1958. He played football at Michigan State University and also wrestled, placing third in the Big Ten.



1934 Boys Basketball Team

Eastern's 1934 boys basketball team won 5A league championship with a 16-1 record and earned Lansing's first state title before also being inducted into the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame.

Back Row: Trainer Rouse, Joseph, Lyle, Athletic Director Wheeler, Melendy, Sherman, Padgett, Kichak
Front Row: Kolberg, Lamb, Coach Graff, Capt. Sherman, Assistant Coach Burnham, Kowalski, Roe

LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL 2010 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Jean Robinson Clum

Jean, a 1964 graduate was volleyball captain for three years, on the swim team and was GAA President. She earned 8 varsity letters at MSU, 3-Field Hockey, 4-Basketball, 1-Softball. Jean coached at LEHS for 10 years. Her volleyball record was 70-1 with 5 League Championships. Her softball record was 148-27 with 6 League Championships. The 1981 softball team was State Champion and Jean was a 2-time Softball Coach of the Year.



Don Feighner

Don pole vaulted with a bamboo pole at LEHS from 1956-1959. In '58 he placed 1st in both the Regional and Six-A Track Meet and the team won their 1st Track Championship in 25 yrs. In '59 he set a new Regional pole vault record, placed 2nd in the State meet, was Six-A League Pole Vault Champion and set a new city, schools and field pole vault record.



Dr. Richard Fronczak

Dick, a 1957 LEHS graduate participated in wrestling, football and golf. He was a State Champion in Wrestling, All-State in Football and wrestled for the University of Michigan. Dick is an Orthodontist – Diplomate and resides in Colorado.



Tim May

Tim, a 1974 graduate played basketball, baseball and golf. He was All State in basketball and baseball and he played both basketball and baseball at Western Michigan University. Tim was a long time successful coach and teacher in the Battle Creek Public Schools. He was elected to the Battle Creek Area Amateur Sports Association and Michigan Amateur Baseball Association Wall of Fame in 2009.



George Wakulsky

George was a Five-A League Champion and Golf Medalist in 1947. He is the only player in golf history at LEHS to play cross-handed and become a champion. He played golf at MSU in 1956, 1957 and was Captain in 1958. George is a City of Lansing 3-time All-City Match Play Champion, 2-time All-City Stroke Play Champion and 2-time All-City Seniors Champion. George is a member of the Greater Lansing Sports Hall of Fame.



Bill Land

A Special Recognition Award was present to Bill in 2010 to show the Eastern family's appreciation for his over 38 years of volunteer service as a ticket seller, basketball and football clock operator and away game basketball scorekeeper for Eastern High School athletics.



1955 Boys Cross Country Team

The 1955 Boys Cross Country Team won Eastern's First State Championship in Cross Country. They also were Regional Champions, City Champions and lost only one duel meet during their championship season.

Lansing Eastern High School
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME
Operational Guidelines

- 1) **Name and Purpose:** The name of the governing body shall be **THE LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME SELECTION AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE.**

The **Purpose** will be to oversee and refine the selection and administration process for the members of **THE LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME.** Initially, the committee shall select graduates of Eastern High School that have excelled in athletic endeavors. The committee may decide at a later time to recognize other outstanding graduates.

- 2) **Membership:** The committee will consist of nine (9) members and will represent a cross-section of persons (age, gender, ethnicity, and type of representative...former athletes, coaches, student leaders, staff and community members) that is appropriate to oversee the process. Initial committee members will be selected for a one, two, or three-year term so that each year three (3) committee members will have their term expire on June 30. The committee will seek persons interested in serving on the committee, and will form a list of such persons. The three (3) persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall become the three (3) new members. This will occur at the final meeting of the school year (before June 30).

The Eastern High School principal, the Eastern Area Director (or principal supervisor), and the Eastern Athletic Director shall be *ex-officio* committee members and must approve the candidates selected for the Athletic Hall of Fame.

- 3) **Committee Organization:** At the first committee meeting each school year (after July 1), the committee will elect a President/Director, Secretary/Recorder, and Treasurer.

The President/Director will call and conduct meetings and appoint appropriate committees. The Secretary/Recorder will keep the minutes of each meeting and will oversee the selection/election process. The Treasurer will keep financial records and will oversee fund-raising efforts to raise monies necessary for the operation of the Athletic Hall of Fame. Funds may be sought from the District, from Eastern High School, and from interested individuals and businesses. A quorum of five (5) members must be present at a meeting to conduct business of the committee.

- 4) **Selection Process:** The committee shall seek nominations from the Eastern High School community during the fall of each school year. Nominees must have graduated from or retired from coaching at Lansing Eastern High School at least five years prior to their nomination. Student athletes must have participated at least two years at the varsity level in a sport they are nominated to represent. Committee members shall research the individuals nominated by interviewing colleagues, checking yearbooks, newspaper records, and other reliable information sources (i.e. MHSAA and/or college/universities attended). Positive character traits (both during and after high school) shall also be a factor in the selection process.

Information about those nominated will be presented at a meeting during the latter part of the calendar year. Nominees that have the support of at least four (4) of the nine (9) committee members will appear on the fall ballot.

Each committee member shall be able to support the induction of up to five (5) persons appearing on the final ballot. Only the candidates receiving votes from at least six (6) of the nine (9) members shall be inducted during that school year, with the induction ceremony taking place in the spring of each year. Voting shall be done by secret ballot.

The committee shall decide when the induction program/reception will take place, what items the inductees will receive, and what will become part of the Hall of Fame display. Inductees and those introducing them shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes for comments.

- 5) **Amendments to Guidelines:** The committee may decide to amend these guidelines at any regular meeting, but amendments must receive support of 2/3 or six (6) of the nine (9) committee members.

Nomination Form

Lansing Eastern High School Athletic Hall of Fame

NOTE: Nominees may be individual athletes and/or coaches that represented Eastern High School. Teams may also be nominated. Nomination Deadline: October 1st

Name of Nominee: _____

Address of Nominee (if known)*: _____

Phone* (if known): () _____

Sports(s) Year(s) of participation* (if known): _____

*address/phone information not needed for team nominations

Name(s) of Person(s) Making Nomination: _____

Relationship to Nominee (Check all that apply):

Self Classmate or Teammate Coach Family Friend

How can the committee reach you if more information is needed? Phone: () _____

E-Mail: _____

Accomplishments...Honors...Reasons for the nomination (attach copies of documentation - news clippings, yearbook information, certificates, etc., when possible)

Signature (Person making the nomination): _____ Date: _____

NOTE: Persons may be nominated for outstanding accomplishments or service after high school or for participation in sports that are or were not offered during the time of their high school attendance. Nominees must have graduated from or retired from coaching at Eastern at least five (5) years prior to their nomination. Those nominated will be considered for a period of up to three (3) years. If not selected during the first year another form need not be submitted. Those selected for induction will be announced and notified by December 31st. The annual induction ceremony will take place during January or February of each year.

Return the completed nomination form to:

**David Panici, Athletic Director
Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination
220 N. Pennsylvania Ave.
Lansing, MI 48912**



**LANSING EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE**



Sue Beekman Mills, Chair
Chris Barajas, Secretary
Jean Robinson Clum, Treasurer
Kathy Behil
Howard Cook
Eleanor Deersam
Jim Dorin
Louis Hekhuis
Jim Lynch

Tim May, Alternate
Ron Lett, Alternate

Susan Land, Principal, ex officio
David Panici, Athletic Director, ex officio