

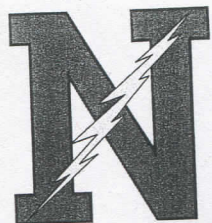
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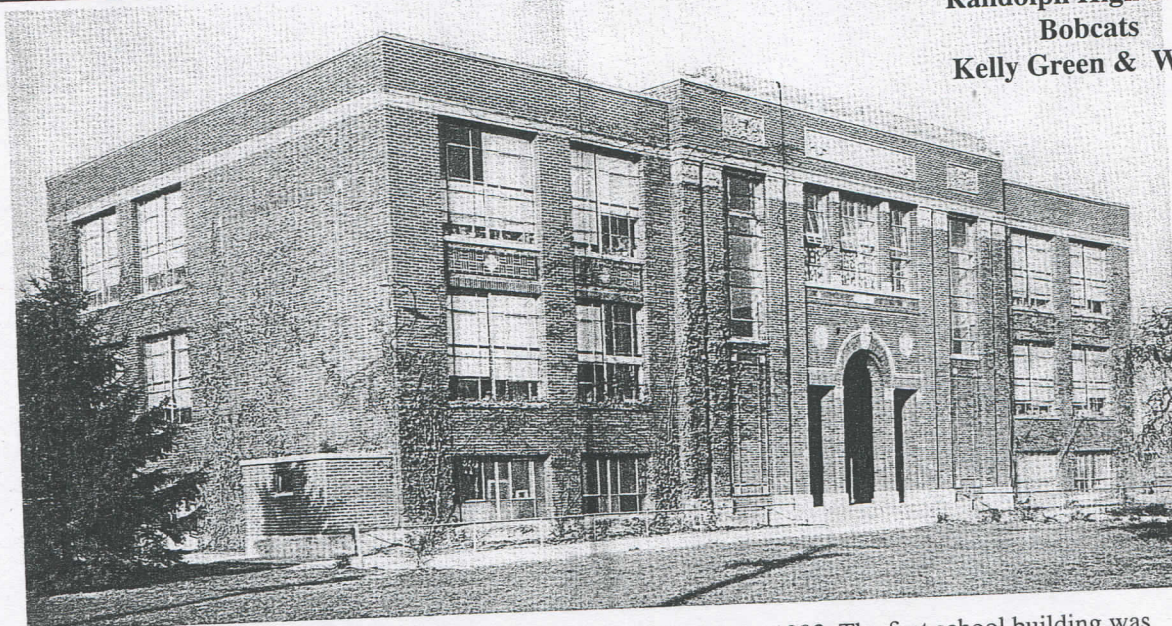
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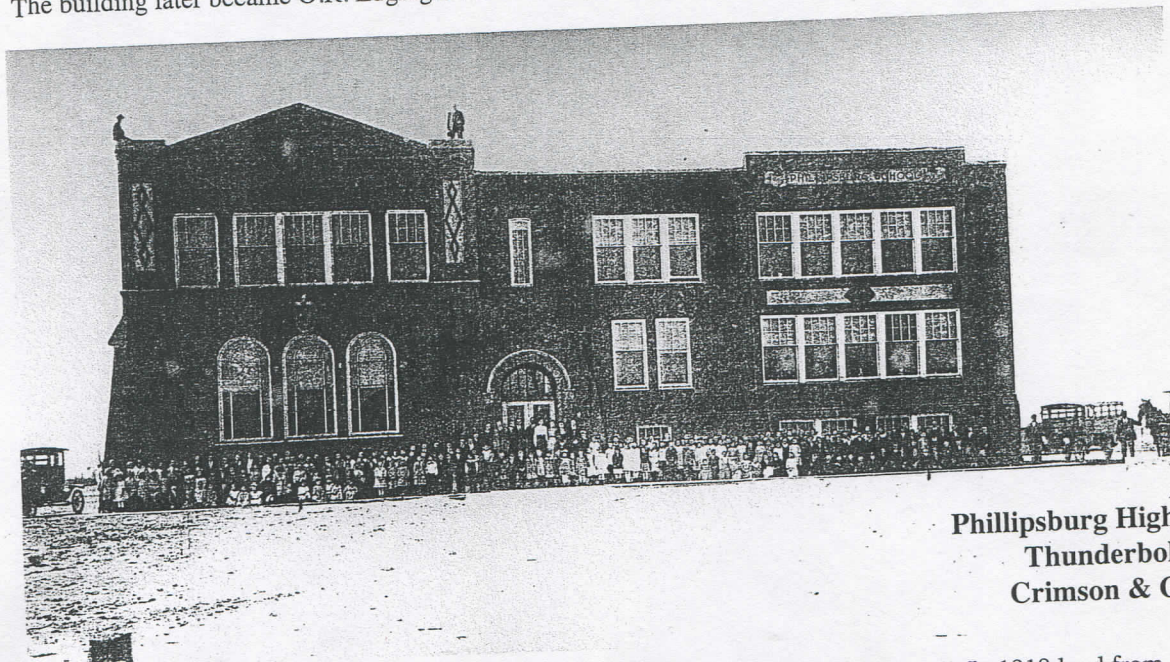


# Yesterday



**Randolph High School**  
**Bobcats**  
**Kelly Green & White**

Randolph High School was granted a charter by the State of Ohio in 1903. The first school building was in what is now known as the Tietzman building. Growth continued for Randolph schools and the Tietzman building could no longer accommodate the growing school population. In 1924 a new Randolph High School building was completed to take care of the growing number of students. The new Northmont High School opened in the fall of 1959, and the old Randolph High School became the new junior high school. The building later became O.R. Edgington Elementary School.



**Phillipsburg High School**  
**Thunderbolts**  
**Crimson & Gold**

Phillipsburg High School was organized in 1906 with classes held in the township hall. In 1919 land from Montgomery, Darke, and Miami counties became the Phillipsburg Consolidated School District. A new building was built and served Phillipsburg until the new Northmont High School opened in 1959. The existing building became Phillipsburg Elementary School.





*Established*  
*August 11, 2002*

Being named to the Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame is the highest honor that can be awarded to former athletes, coaches, administrators, or boosters by the Northmont Athletic Department.

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to honor individuals who have made lasting and significant contributions to the Northmont Athletic Department and perpetuated the spirit of pride and loyalty that is a cornerstone of the Northmont community.

Candidates' qualifications must possess the following criteria: 1) Nominees must have been Student/Athletes of Phillipsburg, Randolph, or Northmont High Schools, 2) Nominees must have distinguished themselves as a member of the Northmont coaching staff, 3) Nominees must have distinguished themselves in the area of administration, or 4) Nominees must have been a dedicated fan of the Northmont athletic program. All candidates must have been out of school for at least 10 years.

The volunteer selection committee makes nominations and considers those received from alumni and the community. Members can nominate anyone from any era. Nominations must be submitted by March 1 of the preceding year. Nominations are researched and discussed, and a final list of candidates is then presented along with a detailed biography. Post high school athletic achievement, be it college, pro, or amateur, is not a consideration.

The committee sets no quotas by sex, sport, school, or era. Members are unbiased and fair-minded. Also, the committee is sworn to strict confidentiality of all discussions resulting from this process so as to protect the candidates and maintain the highest standard of integrity.

The Hall of Fame Committee accepts nominations at anytime. Nominators should provide as much detail as possible as to why they believe the candidate is worthy of induction. Nomination does not assure induction, only consideration. All nominations are archived and discussed with diligence. It is also recognized that a process such as this is not perfect. Given the number of schools, years, and candidates, it is possible for a worthy candidate to be overlooked. This is why community and alumni nominations are highly encouraged.





The Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame would like to thank the many devoted individuals who have helped to make the Athletic Hall of Fame a reality.

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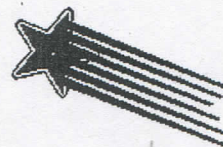
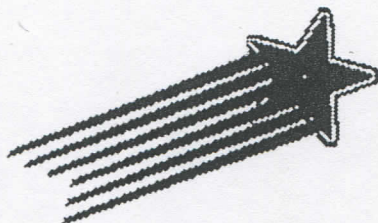
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Tom & Sharon Walker

Greg Behrens.....	Program Biographies
Pam Pearson.....	Northmont Food Service Director
Morgan Davis - Posthumous.....	Northmont Class of 1962
Tom & Sharon Walker.....	Randolph Classes of 1957/1956
Jenny Wood.....	Program

#### Northmont Fight Song

Fight on Northmont High let our fight song lead us on. Win for  
Northmont High let our echoes fill the air  
Thunderbolts on field and court and in the classroom, too  
On to win victorious always loyal and true.  
Northmont ever proud, green and white we'll follow you.



#### Northmont Alma Mater

Northmont High in days to come  
As the years behind us roll;  
See our sons have risen from thee  
Sturdy heart, pure of soul.  
We will pledge our love forever.  
Sing thy praises to the sky.  
Weave the story of thy Glory.  
Alma Mater Northmont High.

#### The Hall of Fame Committee

Morgan Davis - Class of 1962 - J. S. Davis Company - Posthumous  
Jerry Fisher - Class of 1963 - retired teacher/coach - Northmont 2005 Hall of Fame Inductee  
Dr. Gale Mabry - former Northmont teacher-high school administrator - retired Superintendent  
of Northmont and Beavercreek City Schools  
Greg Behrens - Northmont High School athletic trainer for 25 years - current Northmont administrator  
Phil Nussman - Class of 1981 - Manager of Transportation Relizon  
Robin Spiller - Class of 1973 - former teacher/coach and current athletic administrator at Northmont  
High School - Northmont 2005 Hall of Fame Inductee  
Jane Yensel Woodie - Class of 1973 - Board of Education Member-lifelong resident





# 2012

## *Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame*

W

elcome to the seventh Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame induction.

This evening is a time for all of us to be able to share our "Green Pride" and the rich athletic tradition that Northmont carries from Randolph and Phillipsburg High Schools. Whether we are a Thunderbolt or a Bobcat we share a common bond and new Northmont experiences. Tonight's festivities have been made possible by the generous donations and support from graduates and Northmont residents.

It is with great Northmont pride that we welcome you to this year's induction, where we honor the past and look to the future. Northmont Athletics, "Excellence On and Off the Field of Play."

Sincerely,

Robin Spiller  
Athletic Administrator/Assistant Principal  
Northmont High School



# In Memory

## Morgan Davis

July 8, 1944 - October 15, 2004



Morgan was the quintessential "Friend of Northmont." His support began during his days as a student in the Randolph and Northmont School District and never wavered. He was a 1962 graduate of Northmont High School. He was an excellent basketball player and a member of several championship teams. After high school Morgan attended Ohio Northern University.

Morgan was Vice President of the J.S. Davis Company, a member of the Clayton United Methodist Church, and a member of the Downtown Dayton Partnership. He was very active in the Junior Achievement program and received the Spirit of American Enterprise Award in 1981. He also served on the Board of Trustees for Ohio Northern University.

He never lost his enthusiasm or interest in working with young people and education. Through the years he developed a lengthy resume of involvement in education. His contributions to the Northmont Schools were recognized when he was inducted into the Northmont Roll of Recognition in 1992. His plaque reads, "Educational Advocate and Friend."

Morgan served on many committees within the school district. He was on the Roll of Recognition selection committee and had started a "History of Northmont" project. The "Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame" was one project, above all, that held his interest and his attention. Morgan felt very strongly that a Hall of Fame was needed to recognize all athletes and it needed to encompass the three districts that came together to form Northmont. He was an original member of the committee and provided valuable leadership to get the Athletic Hall of Fame established.

The Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame would not have come into being without the efforts of Morgan Davis. The athletes of the past, present, and future, have an opportunity to be recognized because Morgan had the vision to pursue what was fair and right for all.





# **The Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Dinner**

**January 28, 2012**

Welcome. .... Robin Spiller  
Acknowledgements. .... Robin Spiller  
Selection Committee Introduction. .... Greg Behrens  
Invocation. .... Rev. Ron Hajarian

**Dinner - 4:30 p.m.  
Northmont High School  
Auditorium Lobby**

Master of Ceremonies. .... Greg Behrens

## **Class of 2012**

Collin Abels  
Lance Beck  
Kelly Klaus Scherer  
Phil Nussman  
Rick "Fireball" Roberts  
Dale Storch \*



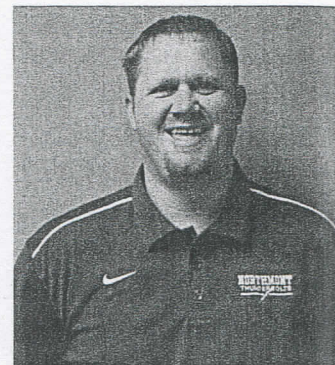


# Athletic Hall of Fame - 2012 Inductees

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## **COLLIN ABELS – ATHLETE**

Collin Abels was an outstanding three-sport captain for football, basketball and baseball earning nine varsity letters. In football, he was a three-year letter winner playing both sides of the ball as a defensive cornerback and an offensive quarterback. He still holds the record for most career interceptions at 14 while quarterbacking the team to Northmont's 1st playoff appearance in 1992. Collin was named to the All GMVC 2nd Team his junior year, all GMVC 1st Team, All Area 1st Team and the All Southwest District Team his senior year. Not missing a beat, Collin was named Co-MVP of his senior year basketball team along with all GMVC 2nd Team and All District 9 team. Collin didn't stop his winning ways during the springtime, earning three varsity baseball letters. In his junior year of baseball he was named Most Improved Player and placed on the All GMVC Honorable Mention Team. His senior year he was selected Co-MVP, placed on the All GMVC 1st Team and was named to the All Area 1st Team. His name remains in the baseball record book at #7 for Hits (41) and #6 and #10 for Stolen Bases (23 & 28 respectively). Collin played college baseball at the University of Dayton and is currently teaching social studies and coaching three sports here at Northmont High School.



## **LANCE BECK - ATHLETE**

Coaches claim that you can't "teach" speed and stealing should never be allowed. Yet, Lance Beck, Class of 1994, was known for his speed as a base runner. He also holds the Northmont all time record for stolen bases in one season (40), which still ranks him #23 in the State of Ohio. He used that same speed for the cross-country and basketball teams. Lance is one of twelve Northmont runners (#9) to break the 16:00 (15:52) mark in cross country. He was named to the All-Ohio Team for three years, as well as being a three-year conference champion, a two-year district champion and a regional runner up. He was a member of one state qualifying team, four conference championship teams and four district championship teams. In baseball, his .487 batting average (9th in Northmont record books) plus his ability to lay down a bunt, combined with his speed out of the box made him an offensive nightmare. Lance was voted GMVC Player of the Year for his senior year. With an unexpected early departure from the State baseball tournament, Lance switched to track and broke the school record in the 400m, earning him participation in the State Track Meet.



## **KELLY KLAUS SCHERER - ATHLETE**

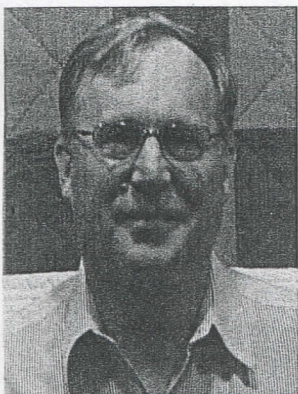
Kelly Klaus, Class of 1989, was a member of one state semi soccer team and three state soccer championship teams, earning three varsity letters. She also lettered four years in basketball, starting with a 3-17 record her freshman year and improving to a 21-2 league, sectional, and district championship record as a senior. Kelly's roles were motivator, play caller, mentor and leader responsible for setting the game tempo. She knew that those things, as well as execution of game strategy; created winning seasons and led to championship trophies. She made those around her play better and created a team climate that would not accept less than their best performance. She literally was the "Coach" on the field/court as proven by serving as senior captain and winning the Coaches Award for both the state championship soccer team and district championship basketball team. Kelly was named All Area, 1st Team in soccer and All Area, Honorable Mention in basketball as a senior. She now lives in Brookville, is married with three children, and works for Premier Health Partners.





## PHIL NUSSMAN- ATHLETE

Phil Nussman had a great high school and college career in both football and baseball and continues as an involved alumni, parent and community member. During Phil's junior and senior years ('79-'81), Northmont had some of the most successful seasons ever. Serving as quarterback, Phil helped lead the Bolts to an 8-1-1 MCC championship record his junior year and a 10-0 championship his senior year, which led Northmont to be named the Dayton Daily News Team of the Decade for the 1970s. Phil received all league and all Dayton honors as a place kicker. During that same time period, the baseball team posted two 20+ win seasons winning the MCC conference titles for both years. Phil had a .365 batting average and led the team in stolen bases for his junior year and hit by pitches his senior year. He played football and baseball for the University of Dayton. He was part of their 1981 NCAA Division III runner up team and their 1984 10-1 National playoff team. Based on his character, Phil was the winner of the 1984 Lt. Andy Zulli Memorial Trophy. Phil was inducted into the first Northmont Football Hall of Fame, Class of 1996, and is a present Board member for the Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame. Phil married his high school sweetheart, Lisa (Vergamini) and they have two children who are also Northmont graduates.



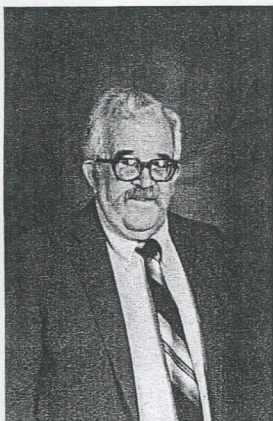
## RICK ROBERTS – COACH

Rick "Fireball" Roberts' picture has the following quote attached to it: "The best Coach is a great Teacher and a great Teacher will be the best Coach." Rick taught physical education, health education and driver's education. He simply viewed coaching as an extension of teaching in the classroom and devoted many hours to instructional clinics to improve his coaching/teaching techniques. He started as a cheerleading coach for a short while before he moved into both football and baseball. He was involved with a long string of championships from SWBL to GMVC to GWOC in both sports. In football, Rick coached with Coaches Booher, Domsitz, and Schneider; focusing on wide receivers and defensive backs. In baseball, Rick started as an assistant to Ralph Ramsey and later became the head coach for five seasons; compiling a record of 64-62-2, with the best season being 1979 when he went 17-7. The next season, he switched roles with his assistant, Rick Dill, a previous inductee in the Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame. "Fireball," as he was affectionately called, pioneered the "North" membership in the Miami Valley Baseball Coaches' organization and has been voted into their Hall of Fame. Rick loved being an assistant so that he could concentrate on helping individual athletes accomplish their personal goals while helping them become better human beings. He always took advantage of a teachable moment. Rick is now retired from teaching, but continues to work as a realtor.



## DALE STORCH – COACH \*

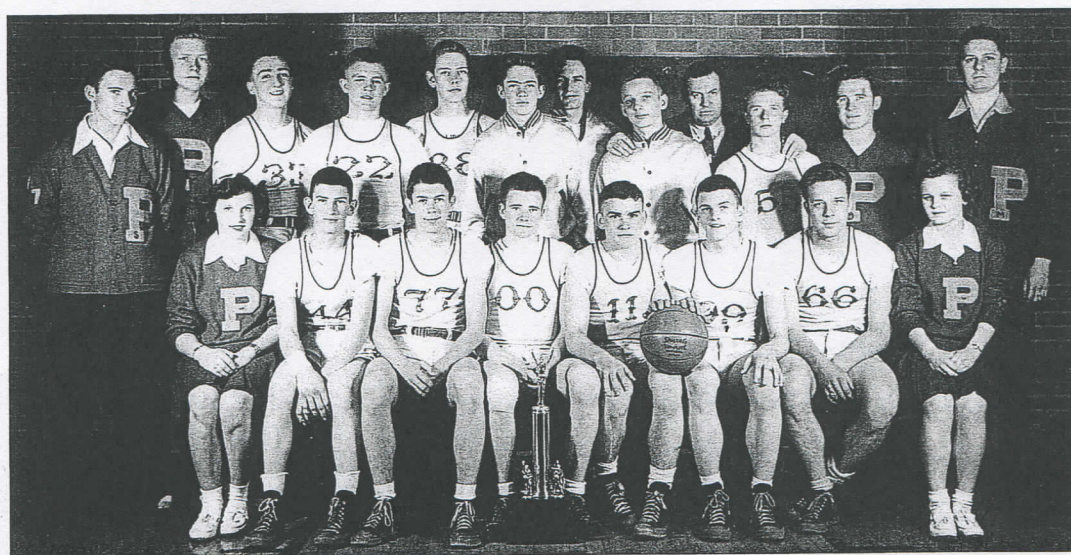
Dale Storch spent his entire career as a dedicated Northmont High School social studies teacher and coach. As a standout football player for Vandalia High School, Dale often gave rides to future Northmont Head Football Coach Ned Booher. Prior to and during Ned's tenure, Dale coached freshman football, filmed games, and scouted upcoming varsity opponents. A graduate of Wittenberg College, Dale also served honorably in the Merchant Marines during WWII. These experiences along with working nights for *Newsweek Magazine* help to create his unique and unforgettable personality. Dale is best remembered as the Father of Northmont's wrestling program and a pioneer in the development of wrestling in Southwestern Ohio. A charter member, leader, Coach of the Year, and Hall of Fame member of the Greater Miami Valley Wrestling Association, Dale was known for inspiring his athletes. Dale insisted all his wrestlers displayed good sportsmanship as ambassadors of the Northmont Community; whether they were challenging one another to "wrestle-off" or for the State championship. Dale was also inducted into the Ohio State Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Now deceased, Dale's legacy lives on in those he inspired to become teachers, coaches and mentors.





# Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2004

## PHILLIPSBURG 1947 BASKETBALL TEAM DISTRICT CHAMPIONS AND STATE RUNNER-UP



Standing left to right: Manager Jim Reed, Cheerleader Charles Strain. Players, Ralph Hoke, George Maurer, Dale Falknor, Junior Hartman, Vincent Mitchell, Jim Kroplin, Coach Doc Pumphery, Rusty Wombold, Cheerleader Bob Durst, Manager Jim Yost. Seated, left to right: Cheerleader Norma Myers, Players Vernon Loughman, Sammy Haines, Captain Perry Mayo, Deo Schaurer, Lee Bohlender, Dwight Peffley, Cheerleader, Theola Maurer.



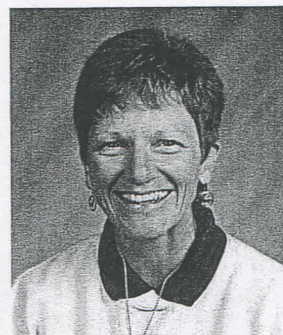
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David Burrows



Renu Dewan Manni



Karen Emery



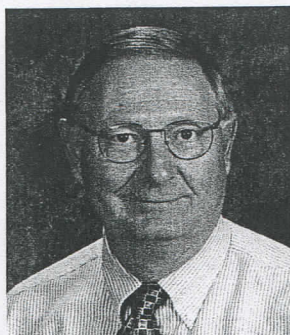
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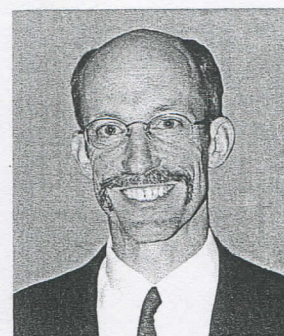
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Donna Knutson



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Jack Lintz



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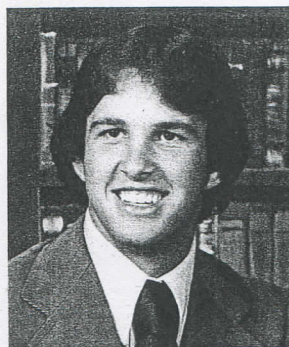
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Craig Newburg



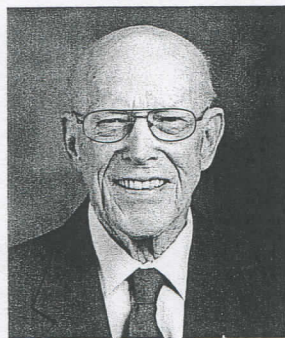
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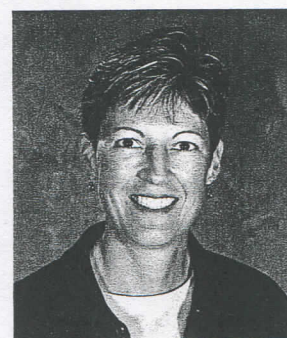
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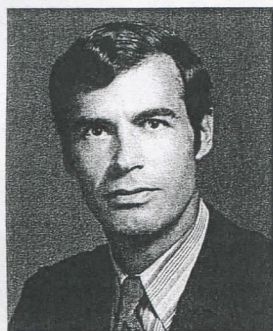


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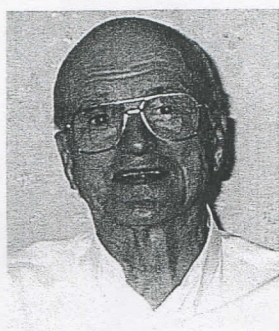


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Larry Binkley\*



Lee Bohlender



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Dorothy Fore Burkhart



George Demetriades

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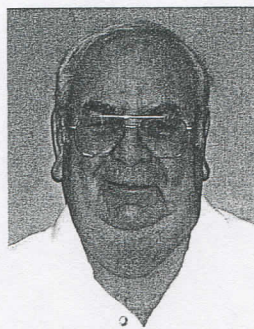
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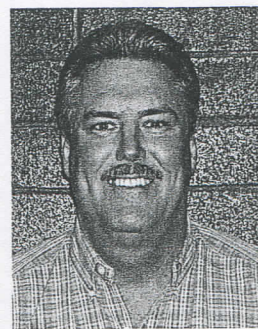
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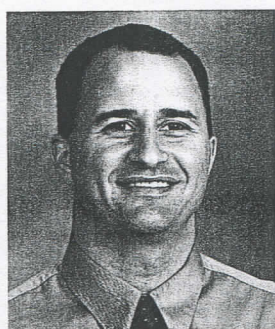
Paul Harper



Larry Kain



John Kelley



Mark Miller



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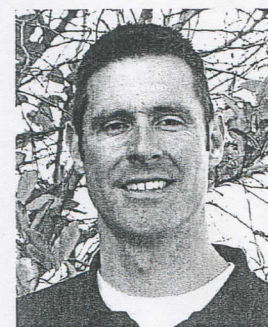
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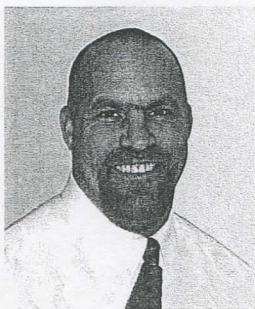
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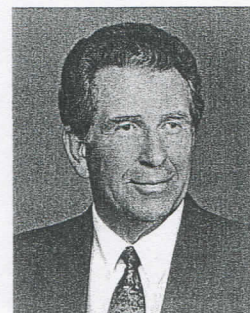
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Mike Mangen



Dave Palsgrove \*



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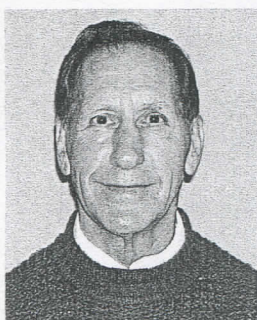
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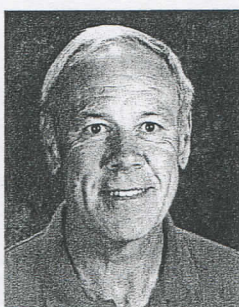


Jason Welch

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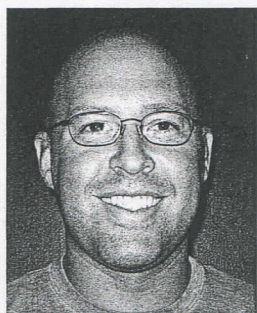


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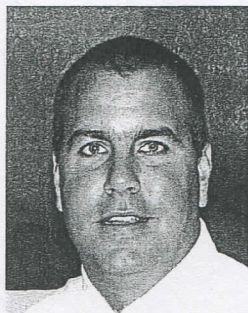
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Doug Mangen

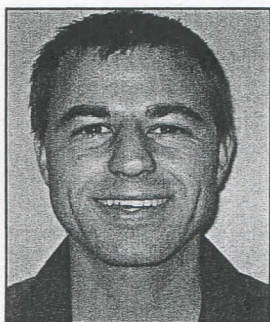


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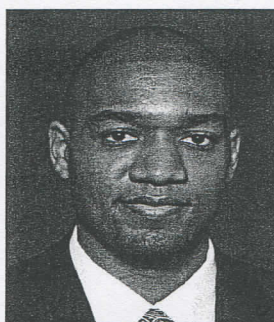


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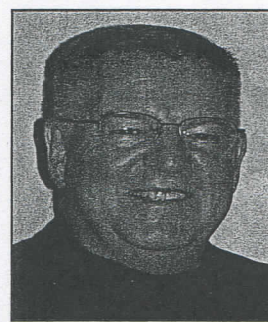
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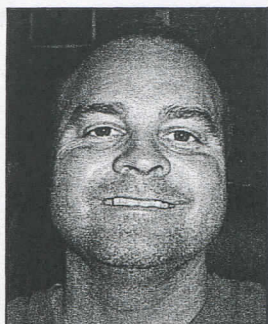
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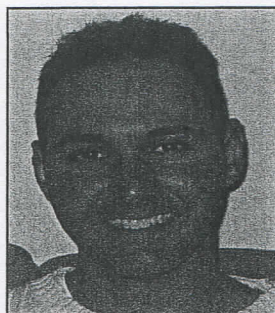
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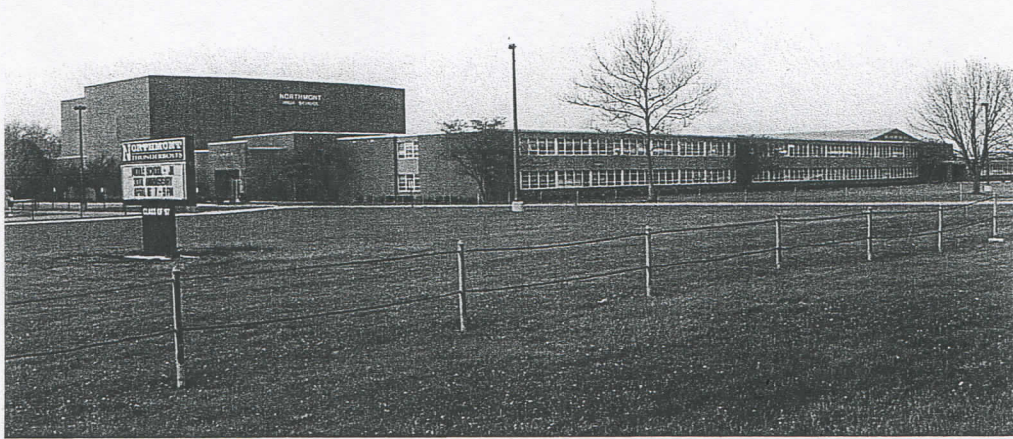
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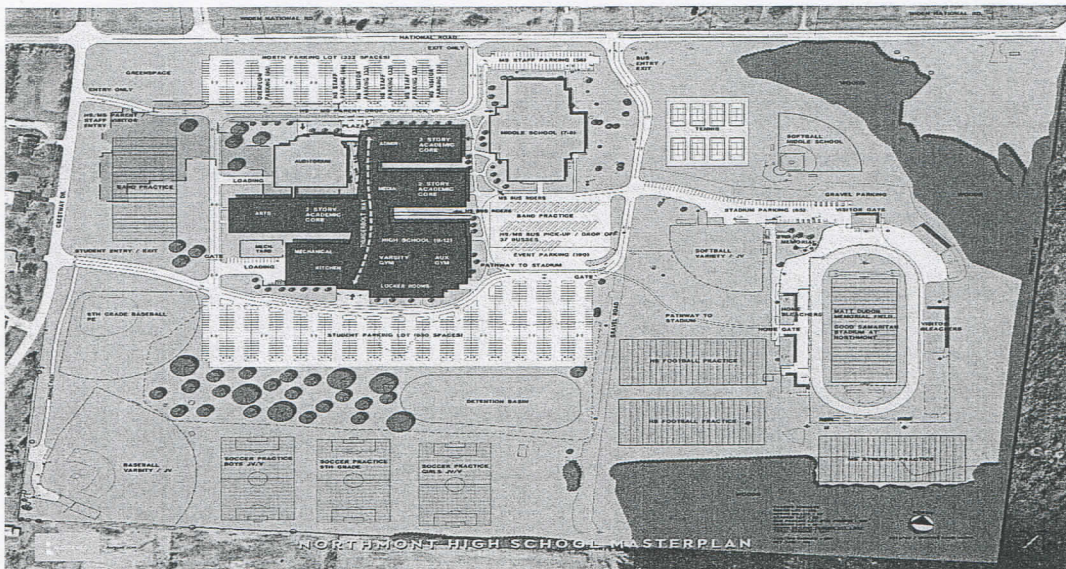
# Northmont High School

## Today - 2012



In 1944 talk began about additional consolidation of schools. A plan was suggested for the school districts of Randolph, Clayton, Phillipsburg, and Brookville to join into one large district with a new complex of buildings to be constructed in a central location. Brookville voters rejected the consolidation concept. The consolidation became a reality in 1957. The new Board of Education purchased a 55-acre farm at the corner of Crestway and National Road. A contest was held among all the school children to choose the new name of the consolidation. Patty Bowser won the contest with the name Northmont, a contraction of North Montgomery County. It was decided to use the Phillipsburg mascot of the Thunderbolts and the school colors of Randolph, kelly green and white. The transition was completed and Northmont High School opened in the school year 1959-1960.

## Tomorrow



In 2011, the Northmont community passed a bond issue to build a much needed new High School and Early Childhood Learning Center. The new High School will be built around the existing auditorium and will feature an arena style gymnasium, as well as, updated science facilities and larger classrooms to facilitate 21st Century learning. The Ohio Schools Facilities Commission is contributing \$35 million toward this project. This is an exciting time to be a Thunderbolt!



# ***Congratulations To Inductees!***

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