

**Thirteenth
Northmont Athletic
Hall of Fame**



January 27, 2024

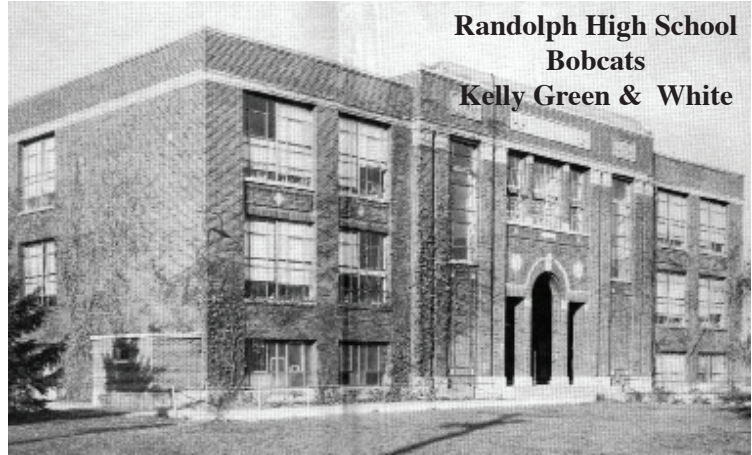
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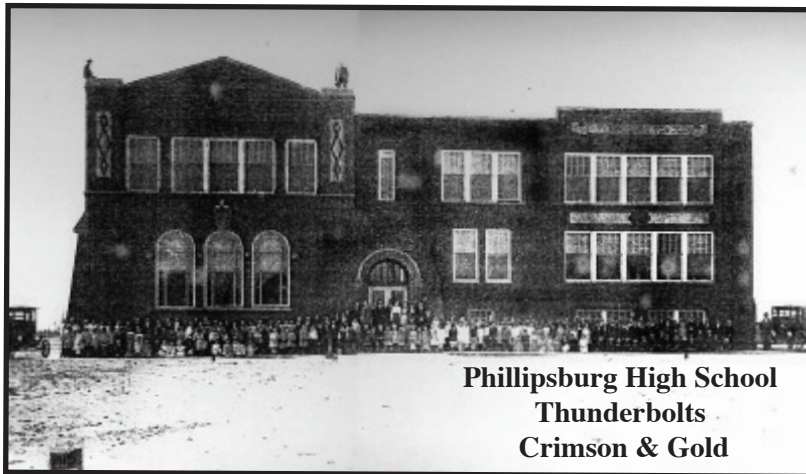
Yesterday



Randolph High School was granted a charter by the State of Ohio in 1903. The first school building was in what became known as the Tietzmann building. Growth continued for Randolph schools and the Tietzmann 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. In 2015, the building was demolished as part of an Ohio Facilities Construction Commission partnership to build new school buildings.



Randolph High School
Bobcats
Kelly Green & White



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. The school was closed in 2009 in a district cost-saving measure and sold.

In 1944, talk began about additional consolidation of schools. A plan was suggested for Randolph, Clayton, Phillipsburg, and Brookville to join into one large school district with a new complex of buildings to be built in a central location. Brookville voters rejected the concept and the consolidation of the others became a reality in 1957. The new Board of Education purchased a 55-acre farm at the corner of Crestway and National Roads. A contest was held among the school children to name the new district and Patty Bowser won with the name Northmont, which is a contraction of North Montgomery County. It was decided to use the Phillipsburg mascot, "Thunderbolts," and the school colors of Randolph, Kelly green and white. The transition was completed and Northmont High School opened in the 1959-60 school year.





*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 any time. 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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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 thy sons have risen from thee,
Sturdy hearts and 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
Phil Nussman - Class of 1981 - Contracts Manager O'Neil & Associates, Inc.
-Northmont 2012 Hall of Fame Inductee
Robin Spiller - Class of 1973 - former Northmont teacher/coach and retired athletic administrator
-Northmont 2005 Hall of Fame Inductee
Jane Yensel Woodie - Class of 1973 - Northmont Board of Education Vice President - lifelong resident
Kelly Klaus Scherer - Class of 1989 - Premier Health Partners
-Northmont 2012 Hall of Fame Inductee
Micah Harding - Northmont Athletic Director - Northmont High School administrator
James Smith - Northmont teacher/coach and assistant athletic director
Collin Abels - Class of 1993 - Northmont High School administrator
-Northmont 2012 Hall of Fame Inductee



2024

Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame

Welcome to the thirteenth Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame induction.

This is a time for all of us to be able to share our “Green Pride” and the rich athletic tradition that is Northmont. Our experiences as athletes and supporters of athletics bring us together and bond us for a lifetime.

Today’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,

Micah Harding
Athletic Director/Assistant Principal
Northmont High School

In Memory

Morgan Davis

July 8, 1944 - October 15, 2004





The Northmont Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Dinner

January 27, 2024

**Introduction of Inductees - 3:30 p.m.
Northmont High School - Lecture Hall A**

WelcomeMicah Harding
Master of Ceremonies. Micah Harding

Class of 2024

**CJ Barnett
Jim Campbell
Jessica (Clutter) Kunk
Libby (Pfeffer) Kunkel
Mark Mays
Justin Watkins**

**Dinner - 5:00 p.m.
Northmont High School -Auditorium Lobby**

Invocation. Rev. Dan Kincer

Athletic Hall of Fame - 2024 Inductees

CJ Barnett - Athlete

CJ Barnett played football and basketball for Northmont from 2005 to 2009. On the football fields, CJ concentrated his athletic ability as well as his leadership skills on the defensive side of the ball, playing cornerback and special teams returner. Coach Abels talked about how CJ was truly Northmont's "lockdown" corner and took away the opponent's best receiver. As such, CJ was Northmont's two-time Defensive Back of the Year, two-time 1st team All-GWOC, 1st Team All-SW District, and 1st Team All-State. He is one of only a handful of players who ever achieved being a captain in his junior and senior years. On the basketball court, CJ played both guard positions. He continued his career in football as a three-year starter for the Ohio State Buckeyes defense. He signed as a free agent with the New York Giants and currently works for the OSU athletic department as the Assistant Athletic Director for Player Development and External Affairs. He is married to Charli and they have three children, Kobie, Callie and Amari Valerio.



Jim Campbell - Athlete



Jim Campbell played Northmont Baseball from 1979 to 1981. He did appear in a couple of games his sophomore year, but most of his activity is between his junior and senior years. As a lefty with a lively fastball, Jim achieved some outstanding stats his junior year: a 0.23 ERA with a total of 94 strikeouts. His senior year, Jim was the most dominate pitcher in the Dayton area and still holds Northmont Baseball records in wins: 13 wins, 99 innings pitched, and 151 strikeouts (this is 1.5 strikeouts an inning). At the end of the season MCC tournament, Jim pitched both games of a double-header to lead the team to the league championship. Jim said he felt good after the first game and wanted to continue in the second game. As such, Jim threw a complete game and a "No Hitter." After high school, Jim continued his baseball career for Wright State. Jim works as a Senior General Manager for ABM Industries and lives in Dallas, Texas with his daughter Meghan.

Jessica (Clutter) Kunk- Athlete

Jessie Clutter played Northmont Softball from 2008 to 2011. Jessie held most of the pitching records in program history. Her totals are: Career wins – 60, with 26 wins coming in her junior year; 598 strikeouts out of 514 total innings pitched; an ERA of 0.55 runs per game with her highest being a small 1.85. Her awards include 1st team All-League, 1st team All-District, 1st team All-Metro and 2nd team All-State. Jessie often displayed leadership that the opponents' coaches recognized awarding her the Wendy's High School Heisman Award and the Dayton Rae Burick Women in Sports nominee for 2010. After high school, Jessie played for Wilmington College. Jessie is an Eligibility Specialist for Miami County. She is married to Dustin Kunk and they have two kids, Nolan and Kinley.



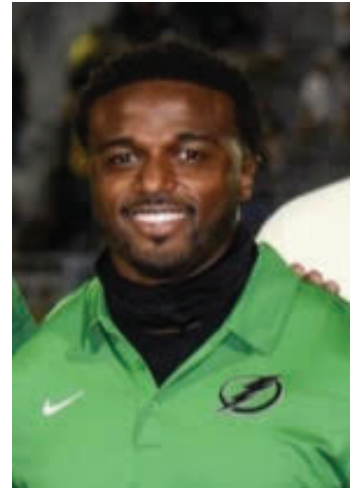
Libby (Pfeffer) Kunkel - Athlete



Libby Pfeffer played softball and basketball for Northmont from 2010 to 2013. From the first game of her freshmen year through her senior year, she filled the shortstop position. She displayed great range and throwing ability. Offensively, there are record-holders and then there are record-holders! After reviewing the softball record book, her name is sprinkled multiple times in all the categories. Libby's top two years in single seasons are: Runs scored - 44 (# 3) and 43; RBIs - 59 (# 1) and 39; Hits - 61 (# 1) and 48; Homeruns - 10 (# 1) and 6; Doubles - 13 (# 3) and 11. She holds the single-season batting average of .678 (# 1). Libby achieved Ohio All-State in honorable mention as a sophomore and in her junior and senior years, she was 1st team. Libby continued her softball career at Wright State and started every game. Libby is an Occupational Therapist for the Montgomery County Educational Service Center. She is married to Ryan Kunkel and they have two children, Quinn and Luka.

Mark Mays - Athlete

Mark Mays played football and ran track from 2005 to 2009. From the first day at Northmont, his coaches stated "Mark is one of the fastest football players to ever play at Northmont." As a running back, he led his team in rushing his junior and senior years. In a high school playoff game against Fairmont, Mark rushed for a school record for most yards gained. His awards are numerous with a two-time Offensive Back of the Year, a 2nd team and 1st Team all-GWOC. He then was selected to play in the 2009 North-South Ohio All-Star Game. While running track in the spring, Mark held school records in the 100- and 200-meter events. Mark was 1st team all-GWOC in his senior year and 2nd team all GWOC his junior year. Mark continued his football career at Bowling Green State University. He came back to Northmont as a Jobs for Grads Instructor. He is married to Katanna and they have two children, Miliana and Kya.



Justin Watkins - Athlete



Justin Watkins played football, basketball, and baseball from 2002 to 2006. Besides being an outstanding all-around athlete, Justin was Captain in all three sports his senior year. As a receiver, Justin's name is sprinkled throughout the record book: 1st in receiving yards for a game; 2nd in catches in a game with 11. For a season and career, Justin held the 2nd most receiving TD's in a game, season and career. Justin played in the annual Miami Valley All-Star Game after his senior year. In basketball, he was a crafty point guard according to Assistant Basketball Coach Sam Pfeffer. Per Pfeffer, "being a three-sport captain shows the type of leader and person Justin showed each day on and off the field and court." In baseball, Justin was a mid-infielder and pitcher. He batted .373 in his junior year and followed up with a .354 average his senior year. He achieved a 1st Team all GWOC honor and 2nd team all MVBCA honor. Justin also achieved Academic All-Ohio. He continued his football career at University of Dayton where he was the record holder for career receiving yards and won the Emile Karras Award for Inspirational Leadership. Justin is an Area Sales Director at Great Lakes and lives in Cincinnati with his wife, Krista and children are Kyra and Griffin.

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.



Ned Booher



David Burrows



Renu Dewan Manni



Karen Emery



Susan Morris Hawley



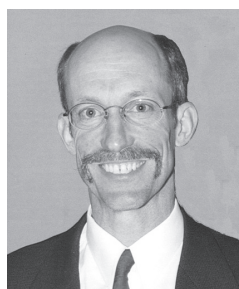
Ron Hawley



Donna Knutson



Bill Krintzline



Jack Lintz



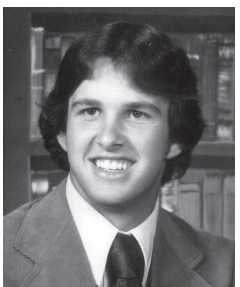
Kris Mangan



Sally Murphy



Craig Newburg



Gregg Nischwitz*



Kristy Orre



Raymond "Doc"
Pumphery Sr.*



Chester A. Roush



Wendy Hacker Stevens



Connie Walton

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Mary Alice Wolf Baup

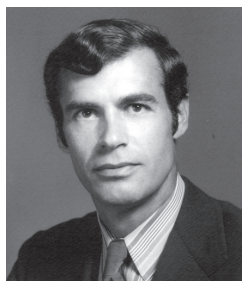


Bill Yensel*

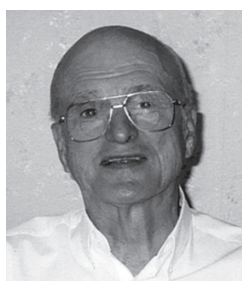


Ben Zechar

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2005



Larry Binkley*



Lee Bohlender



Arthur Glenn
Brumbaugh



Dorothy Fore Burkhart



George Demetriades



Jerry Fisher



Dave Gilbert



Paul Harper



Larry Kain



John Kelley



Mark Miller



Nanette Payne



Peg Meece Ralston



Arlene Kessler Rasnic



Amy Estridge Ross



Todd Saul



Robin Spiller



Steve Spirk

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2006



Lori Davis-Clem



Alan Greenwell



Gwen Hoover



Curt Josselyn



Mark Lucas



Mike Mangen

* Deceased

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2006 - continued



Dave Palsgrove *



Jamie Plummer



Ralph Ramsey *



Eddie Ruff



Jill Shaffner



Eddie Waymire



Jeff Weiland

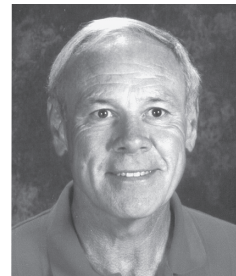


Jason Welch

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees 2007



Gary Dillhoff



Charlie Fry



Mark Spirk

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2008



Curt Conley



Doug Mangen

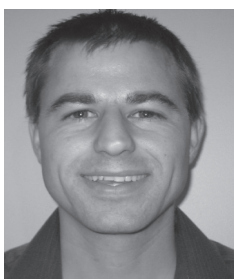


Darvin L. Marshall



Greg Menke*

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2010



Joe Barnes



David Diggs



Rick Dill



John Downs



Dan Gowdown



Chris Webb

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2012



Collin Abels



Lance Beck



Kelly Klaus Scherer



Phil Nussman



Rick "Fireball" Roberts



Dale Storch*

* Deceased

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2013

State Soccer Teams



1978 Northmont Boys' State Champions



1985 Girls' State Champions



1987 Girls' State Champions

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2013 - continued

State Soccer Teams



1988 Boys' State Champions



1988 Girls' State Champions



1989 Girls' State Champions

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2014



Dr. Michael Barrow



Brad Burbage



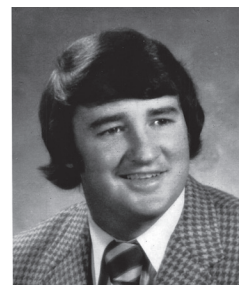
Jeannie Koester Krueger



Dr. Gale Mabry

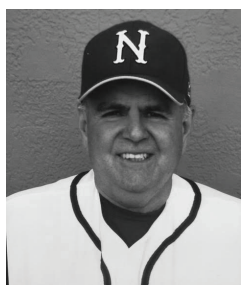


Dayne Palsgrove



Bill Snyder*

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2016



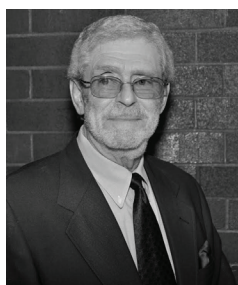
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Tyler Horner



Aaron Lewis



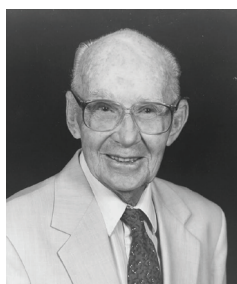
Dr. Doug Longenecker



Carrie Sigler



DeeDee Schutte-Snyder



Jim Weaks*

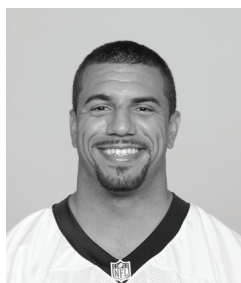


John Young

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2018



Greg Behrens



Kurt Coleman



Linda Stebbins
Hinkleman



Becky Jones Marker



Angi Beecroft
Rosenbeck



Brian Waltersheide

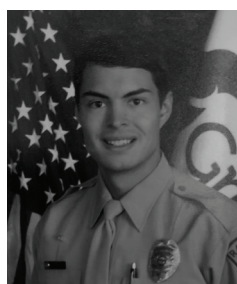
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Cathy Brumbaugh
Anderson



Angie Poppaw
Franklin



Mike Foley



Don Gillespie



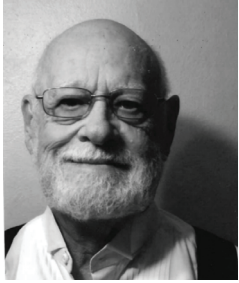
Kenny Hayes



Ralph Steffano

* Deceased

Athletic Hall Of Fame Inductees - 2022



Steve Booker



Tim Bookwalter



Chris Burkhardt



Alex Jones



Crystal (Dunkle)
Kinnaird



Carrie Stallard



Northmont High School



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