

# 10th Annual Induction Banquet Class of 2019

Thursday, January 31, 2019 6:00 p.m.
The Carlisle, Lombard, IL

## **Evening Program**

Social Hour 6:00 PM

Welcome Brandon Murphy

Athletic Director

Dinner Served Chicken Tortellini Soup

Carlisle Salad

Sirloin of Beef and Breast of Chicken

Yukon Gold Roasted Potatoes

Carrots & Green Beans

Brownie Sundae

Comments Dan Krause

Principal

Willowbrook High School

Introductions Brandon Murphy

Video Presentation of Inductees Produced by Jeff Reher

Address to the Class of 2019 Tim Daly

Inducted 2014

Presentation of Inductees Bryan Murphy

Closing Comments Brandon Murphy

## Willowbrook High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2019 Inductees

#### William Biliskis

#### **Class of 1968**

Bill spent his years at Willowbrook on the Track and Cross-Country teams, earning three varsity letters in each sport, being named Captain in both sports his senior year. On the track team, Bill was a three-time All-Conference champ and an All-Sectional/All-County record holder. At the State Meet, Bill finished 6th in State in the 880. On the Cross-Country team, Bill was a three-time All-Conference champ and placed 8th in the State meet.

#### Yolanda Lewis Marshall

#### **Class of 1997**

Yolanda was a three-sport athlete while at Willowbrook, earning a total of 10 varsity letters and the Helen Carpenter Female Athlete of the Year award. As Captain and MVP of the Basketball team, she earned three All-Conference and 2 All-Area awards. She was also Captain and MVP on the Volleyball team with three All-Conference and one All-Area awards. Finishing up in Track, Yolanda was four-time All-Conference, three-time All-Area and four-time All-State.

#### Cherise Porter

#### **Class of 2012**

Cherise spent her four years at Willowbrook as an athlete. On the Track Team she was the Captain and MVP, earning four varsity letters in the sport. During this time, she was named the Daily Herald Athlete of the Month. Cherise was a four-time All-Conference, All-Sectional, All-State and All-American. Her two years on the Volleyball team earned her the honor of Captain and MVP. Additionally, she was a member of the Basketball team, earning three varsity letters and was named All-Conference two of the three years. As a Senior, Cherise was awarded the title of Helen Carpenter Female Athlete of the Year as well as a Booster Club Scholarship.

#### Steve Congenie

#### **Class of 2012**

Wrestling was Steve's sport, competing all four years at Willowbrook at the varsity level, earning four varsity letters. Among his honors are, three-time All-Conference, three-time Regional/ Sectional Champion, three-time All-State, becoming a two-time Undefeated State Champion and an All-American. His Senior year he was The USA Folkstyle National Champion. Steve was awarded the Booster Club Trophy for being the Senior Male Outstanding athlete. Steve continued his wrestling career at Cornell University.

#### Orv Wilkin

#### Coach 1967-2001

From 1967 through 2001, Orv coached baseball, football, track and girls' basketball, taking a few breaks throughout those 34 years. In 1978, 1991 and 2000, Orv led the Willowbook Varsity Baseball team to West-Suburban Gold Conference Championships. Under Orv's leadership and guidance, many of his athletes went on to compete at Division 1 Colleges and Universities. Two of Orv's athletes, Tom Hicks and Dan Schatzeder, became professional athletes. Athletic Summer Camps were started by Orv in 1970, but sports were not the only thing that he was dedicated to at Willowbrook. He ran the Pep Rallies, was the Student Council sponsor and started the "zero hour" Physical Education class. Since his passing in 2002, the Orvin D. Wilkin Memorial Scholarship has awarded in excess of \$24,000 in scholarships to Willowbrook Students. Known throughout the community for his generous nature and genuine love for Willowbrook and its students, Orv's main goal was in teaching his athletes about character, responsibility and kindness. According to his daughter Amy, winning the contest was important, but how his athletes turned out in life was even more important to him.

#### Brendan McArdle

#### **Outstanding Contributor**

Brendan McArdle has been a part of the Willowbrook High School soccer community for the past 39 years. He began his work as a ball boy for the boy's program in 1980 while he was a student at Willowbrook. After graduating from Willowbrook in 1982 he continued to serve as ball boy at every sophomore and varsity home game. When Willowbrook started the girls' soccer program in the spring of 1993, Brendan jumped on board in the inaugural season. He has been a valuable part of the girls program every season since, continuing to serve as ball boy (and #1 fan) for every sophomore and varsity home game. In addition, Brendan rides his bike everywhere he goes, including from Villa Park to our away games at places like York, Glenbard East, and Addison Trail, no matter the weather. During fall, winter, and spring you are very likely to see Brendan cheering on the Warriors at all different athletic contests.

Brendan has received Willowbrook's Distinguished Alumni recognition, was the Village of Villa Park's Outstanding Citizen of the Year in 2010, and is one of three people to receive a 40 Year Participant award from the North East DuPage Special Recreation Association. Brendan has twice been a statewide top three finalist for the Illinois High School Soccer Coaches Association Soccer Person of the Year award. He is known and respected by each soccer coach whose team has competed at Willowbrook, and every referee who has officiated a game here in the past 39 seasons. He is the first to congratulate the opposing team for a great game at the end of each contest. Brendan McArdle is a model of positivity, support, and sportsmanship. There is no finer representative of what high school athletics is all about than him.

#### 1998-1999 Wrestling Team

Coached by Chuck Rosetti and Assistant Coaches Mike Farina, Tom Gervais, Jeff Reher and John Mensik, the 1998-1999 Wrestling Team had an undefeated record, earning them the titles of Conference Champion, Regional Champion and Sectional Champion. They were selected as the 14th best team in the USA for the decade of the 1990's. In addition, the team was one of the top 8 teams in the State of Illinois and was nationally ranked with a record of 28-1, with their only loss 25-27 to the number one ranked team in the USA.

#### Members of the team are:

Dave BenneyWillie ReedyMike BehnkeBrandon MurphyMatt SantilliDan DalyJon HoweAdam St. LouisRich BehnkeMike KiteKevin CarnahanNick ErlenbaughChris GirouxChris ConversaTim Daly

Joe Johnson Nick Metcalf
Doug Giroux Andrew Santilli
Rob McAllister Matt Roth

#### 2006-2007 State Champion Pom Pon Team

The 2006-2007 Pom Pon Team was led by Coaches Alison Jenkins and Kathy Palladino.

Members of the State Championship Team are:

Nikki Sangiacomo
Christa Kucik
Jillian Domin Miesczak
Lindsay Guare Edwards
Melanie Gitchell Kane
Talyr Torrence
Alyssa Steinke
Christa Kucik
Melanie Camire
Allison Wood Davitt
Megan Enke
Michelle Riemma
Megan Behnke Millar

Lauren Baumgartner
Desiree Fligelman Savo

Jen Crawford

## WILLOWBROOK HALL OF FAME MEMBERS <u>Class of 2010</u>

| Harlan Krafft             | Class of 1963   |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| John Lundquist            | Class of 1964   |
| Robert Carpenter          | Class of 1966   |
| Tom Hicks                 | Class of 1971   |
| Dan Schatzeder            | Class of 1972   |
| Tom Domin                 | Class of 1975   |
| Kirk Mango                | Class of 1975   |
| Tim Vandergrift           | Class of 1980   |
| Julie (Callan) Felichio   | Class of 1983   |
| Jill Pizzotti             | Class of 1984   |
| Mark Nigro                | Class of 1985   |
| Andrea (Miller) Kenny     | Class of 1992   |
| Jody Gerut                | Class of 1995   |
| Christine (Mueller) Hasle | r Class of 1996 |
| Matt Roth                 | Class of 2001   |
|                           |                 |

## **Class of 2011**

| Al Loew                   | Coach 1959-2003                       |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Clint Evans               | Coach and Athletic Director 1965-2009 |
| Jim Tyree                 | Coach 1965-1995                       |
| Chuck Tassio              | Class of 1968/Coach 1990-2003         |
| Jean (Fitzpatrick) Waldro | n Class of 1982                       |
| Sheila (Roelle) Haarstad  | Class of 1987                         |
| Rob Janata                | Class of 1991                         |
| Mike Behnke               | Class of 2002                         |

## <u>Class of 2012</u>

| John A. Fischer | Athletic Director | 1959-1973     |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Neil Schmitt    |                   | Class of 1964 |
| Mike Rowland    |                   | Class of 1971 |
| Tom King        |                   | Class of 1992 |

## WILLOWBROOK HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

**Class of 2013** 

| Keith McCanless   | Class of 1965 |
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| David Lichtenheld | Class of 1970 |
| Susan Jurkonis    | Class of 1994 |
| Aaron Burns       | Class of 2001 |
| Victor Lesch      | Coach         |
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1964 Boys State Champion Gymnastics Team

## Class of 2014

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|----------------|----------------------|
| Richard Scorza | Class of 1966        |
| Andy Preuss    | Class of 1975        |
| Roy Sparks     | Class of 1982        |
| Tim Daly       | Class of 2000        |
| Tramell Smith  | Class of 2002        |
| Chuck Rosetti  | Head Wrestling Coach |
|                |                      |

1998 Girls Badminton Team IHSA State Champions

## **Class of 2015**

| Bruce Kelsay              | Class of 1975 |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Erin Belling              | Class of 1994 |
| Jennifer Goebel Goldstein | Class of 2000 |
| Robert Scahill            | Class of 2005 |
| Colin Madison             | Class of 2007 |
|                           |               |

1999 Girls Badminton Team IHSA State Champions

| <u>Class of 2016</u>                  |                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Richard Busch                         | Class of 1964   |
| Elizabeth Lustrup Lee                 | Class of 1985   |
| Steve Chmelik                         | Class of 1985   |
| Phil Aliano                           | Class of 1997   |
| Marshall Stoner                       | Coach 1967-1972 |
| 2003-2004 State Champion Pom Pon Team |                 |

### WILLOWBROOK HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

## **Class of 2017**

Mike Battista
Chris Kuntz
Class of 1964
Chris Kuntz
Class of 1976
Pete Kolzow
Class of 1993
Bryan Murphy, Jr.
Class of 1998
John Hamann
Coach 1966-2000
Rich Rentner
Outstanding Contributor

2004-2005 State Champion Pom Pon Team

## **Class of 2018**

Edward Leppert Class of 1962
Craig Martin Class of 1977
Jennifer Jorgensen-Lackey Class of 1986
Nadine Wille-Whitmore Class of 1987
Margo Littlehale Coach 1980-2009
John Price Outstanding Contributor

2005-2006 State Champion Pom Pon Team

Thank you for attending the Willowbrook High School
Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Banquet
and supporting our Inductees.
Their athletic achievements truly exemplify the
qualities of a Warrior and it is with great pride
that we honor them tonight.