

The Warren Sports Hall of Fame

Induction Ceremony
Class of 2025 - 2026



February 1, 2026
DiVieste Banquet Center



The Warren Sports Hall of Fame was formed in 1988 for the purpose of honoring those men and women in our community who have excelled athletically or who have made substantial contributions to athletics in Warren. The Warren Sports Hall of Fame recognizes the contributions of individuals who gave of their talents to our city.

Bill White, former President of Major League Baseball, and Paul Warfield, NFL Hall of Famer, were two of the first Warren natives to be inducted into the Warren Sports Hall of Fame, setting the tone for the quality of inductees to follow.

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Special Thank You to Robb Schmidt
for his efforts in the production of this program.

The Warren Sports Hall of Fame would like to
remember Pat Guliano, a member of its Board of
Directors, who sadly passed away in 2025.



DR. JAMES D. BRODELL SR.

Presenter: Gary Rishel



Long before he became one of the region's most respected orthopedic surgeons, Dr. James David Brodell, Sr., was a Warren G. Harding High School student with a passion for science and service. After graduating in 1970, he pursued a B.S. in Biology at Washington & Jefferson College, followed by his medical degree from Case Western Reserve University and orthopedic surgery training at the University of Rochester.

Dr. Brodell returned to Warren in 1983 and immediately became a cornerstone of local athletics. As team physician for both Warren G. Harding and Warren Kennedy, he provided expert care to student-athletes for more than a decade. His work with All-American Sports Medicine and his leadership in numerous coaches' clinics helped elevate the standard of sports medicine throughout the Mahoning Valley.

Beyond his medical contributions, Dr. Brodell is a second-degree black belt and spent nearly 20 years teaching martial arts at Warren Junior Tae Kwon Do School and Kim's Martial Arts. His commitment to discipline, mentorship, and community wellness has touched thousands of families across the region.

His legacy is defined by healing, teaching, and a lifelong dedication to the athletes of Warren.



PAMELA BROWN-GANT

Presenter: PJ Notar



When discussing the most dynamic multi-sport athletes in Warren G. Harding High School history, the name Pamela Brown-Gant rises quickly to the top. A 1999 graduate, Pamela excelled in basketball, volleyball, and softball—becoming the first Harding athlete to be named All-Conference first team in all three sports.

Her basketball achievements remain legendary. A four-year letter winner and team captain, Pamela earned Trumbull County Player of the Year honors in 1998–99 and broke the school's single-game scoring record twice, finishing with an incredible 44-point performance against Geneva. She ranks second all-time in rebounds with 675 and earned All-Ohio, All-Northeast Ohio, and Steel Valley Conference honors throughout her career.

Pamela continued her basketball journey at Bowling Green State University, competing in the Mid-American Conference from 1999 to 2003. After earning her degree—and later a graduate degree from Strayer University—she returned to Warren to coach middle school volleyball and basketball, as well as girls' junior varsity basketball at Harding.

Pamela's legacy is one of excellence, leadership, and trailblazing achievement across multiple sports.



JOHN CONDOLEON

Presenter: Michael, Caitlyn, and Laney



For more than three decades, basketball in Warren has been shaped in part by the steady leadership of John Condoleon. A 1983 graduate of Warren G. Harding High School, John was a four-year member of the Panthers' basketball program and part of the 1981 District Championship team. After earning his business degree from Bowling Green State University, he returned home to begin a coaching career that would span generations.

John's early years included roles at Harding and JFK, where he served as a junior varsity and varsity assistant before becoming the youngest head coach in Kennedy boys' basketball history at age 32. Over seven seasons, John guided the Eagles to four sectional titles and two district championship appearances, earning a reputation for developing disciplined, fundamentally sound teams.

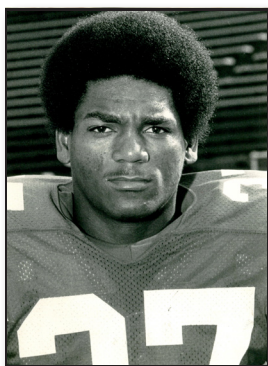
In 2004, John stepped away from coaching to lead Condo Inc./Warren Precision Products, a global manufacturer of aerospace and industrial components. But in 2013, JFK called on him again—this time to rebuild a girls' basketball program that had been shut down the previous year. John accepted the challenge, leading the team to three district finals and coaching three 1,000-point scorers, including his daughter Caitlyn, the school's all-time leading scorer and 2020 Trumbull County Player of the Year.

John and his wife, Tricia, live in Howland with their children Caitlyn, Michael, and Laney—a family deeply woven into the fabric of Warren athletics.



KELTON DANSLER

Presenter: Nick Frankos



Few linebackers in Warren's storied football history have left a mark as enduring as Kelton Dansler. A standout at Warren G. Harding High School in the early 1970s, he anchored the defense at middle linebacker and quickly emerged as one of the region's most dominant players. In 1974, Kelton earned All-Conference first team and All-Ohio second team honors while helping lead the Panthers to the 1974 Class "AAA" State Championship.

That same year, Kelton was selected to the prestigious North-South All-Star Game and also competed in the Ohio-Pennsylvania All-Star Game, contributing to a winning effort and showcasing his ability against top competition.

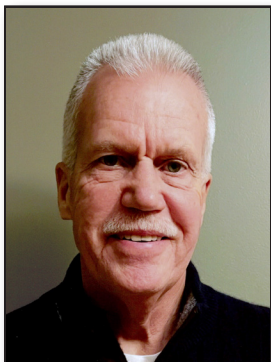
Kelton continued his football career at The Ohio State University, where he played under the legendary head coach Woody Hayes. He became a four-year letterwinner, spending three seasons as a starter at outside linebacker. His impact was immediate and lasting, earning All-Big Ten first team honors in 1977 and 1978. Kelton was named Associated Press All-American second team in 1977 and finished his Buckeyes career ranked 13th all-time in tackles with 316.

From Warren to Columbus, Kelton built a legacy defined by excellence, leadership, and championship pedigree. His achievements continue to stand among the finest ever produced by a Warren linebacker.



MARK ELSTON

Presenter: Halle Lawrence



For more than five decades, Mark Elston has been a constant presence in Warren City Athletics—competing, coaching, and shaping programs across multiple sports. His journey began at Warren John F. Kennedy High School from 1970–73, where he earned MVP honors, All-Conference first-team recognition, and All-Ohio special mention while ranking among league leaders in scoring, rebounding, and shooting efficiency.

Mark went to become one of Kent State Trumbull's most decorated athletes, earning two MVP awards in both basketball and tennis. He was also named the Thomas E. Carney Campus Athlete of the Year in 1976. His success carried into Warren's city leagues, where Mark was a multiple-time All-Star in basketball and an MVP and batting champion in softball. In 50+ Senior Baseball, he continued to excel as both a player and leader, earning MVP and batting titles while helping grow the league across four states.

Mark's contributions extend far beyond his own play. He coached, sponsored, and organized teams in Warren City basketball and softball for decades, served as Vice President and Board Member of the 50+ Baseball League, and has owned and managed 50+ and 60+ teams since 2005. Since 2013, Mark has also served as Field Director for Warren JFK's baseball and softball facilities, ensuring high quality fields for student-athletes.

A longtime business owner, Mark operated Car Tunes, Inc., from 1976–2010. He and his wife Tammy have been married for 46 years and share a close-knit family: daughter Randi (Marc), grandchildren Halle and Colton, and son Garrett.



GLORIA LOYCHIK GILLEN

Presenter: Bob Todd



Long before opportunities for women in sports were widespread, Gloria Loychik Gillen was already breaking ground. A 1958 graduate of Warren G. Harding High School, she competed on the boys' tennis team in singles and doubles—a rare achievement for a young woman in the 1950s. Gloria went on to earn recognition in major regional tournaments, including the Seaway Open, Northeast Ohio Junior Girls events, and multiple Cleveland area competitions.

Gloria continued her athletic career at Kent State University, joining the women's field hockey team and serving as co-captain in 1961. Her leadership and competitive spirit helped pave the way for future generations of female athletes at a time when women's sports were still developing.

After completing her degree at Kent State and earning a graduate degree from Westminster College, Gloria returned to Warren to teach Health and Physical Education at East Junior High School from 1962–67. Her influence as an educator and mentor helped expand athletic opportunities for young girls during a pivotal era in school sports.

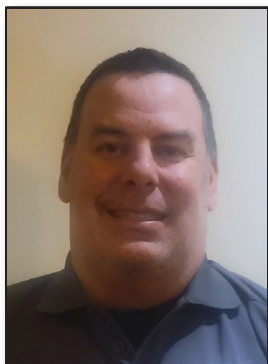
Gloria remained active in the local tennis community through the Warren Tennis Club and Eastern Ohio Ladies events, continuing a lifelong connection to the sport she helped elevate in Warren.

She married long-time Warren Kennedy Athletics Director John Gillen on July 31, 1965. The couple had four children; John, Annie, Brian and James along with four grandchildren; Matthew, Ian, and Maggie Needs, and Ivan Gillen.



TEDD GOZUR

Presenter: Denny Rossi



Athletic versatility defined the career of Tedd Gozur, a 1995 graduate of Warren John F. Kennedy High School, whose achievements spanned football, basketball, and baseball. His senior year was particularly memorable, earning All-Ohio first team honors in football and being named Trumbull County Athlete of the Year.

Tedd continued his athletic career at Allegheny College, where he excelled in both football and basketball. He earned All-Conference honors as a defensive back and was recognized with the Sixth Man Award and All-Tournament team honors in basketball. His competitive spirit and leadership made him stand out in every program he joined.

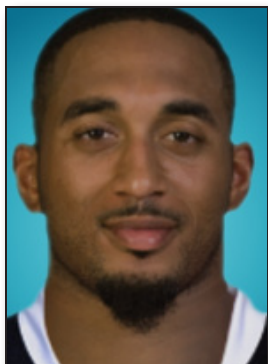
After college, Tedd dedicated himself to developing young athletes across the Mahoning Valley. He has coached youth football, basketball, baseball, and soccer for more than a decade, served as head varsity basketball coach at Lordstown High School, and continues to mentor athletes at multiple grade levels. His commitment to officiating is equally impressive, with more than 12 years of umpiring high school baseball and fast pitch, along with experience refereeing basketball and soccer.

Tedd's lifelong dedication to athletics—as a player, coach, and official—reflects a deep love for competition, community, and the next generation of athletes.



DAVID HERRON, JR.

Presenter: Boom Herron



The football journey of David Herron, Jr., began on the fields of Warren G. Harding High School, where he graduated in 2002 under the guidance of Head Coach Tom McDaniels. His athleticism and versatility earned him a place at Michigan State University, where David initially played fullback and special teams before transitioning to inside linebacker—a move that would define his collegiate career.

David quickly became a defensive force for the Spartans. As a sophomore, he started 11 games and recorded 95 tackles, including eight tackles for loss and three sacks. He posted double-digit tackles against Penn State, Michigan, and Indiana, and earned recognition as one of the team's most productive defenders. By his senior year, David was a team captain and a preseason nominee for the Bronko Nagurski Trophy, awarded to the nation's top defensive player.

David's professional career began with the Minnesota Vikings, where he made his first NFL start on Monday Night Football in a win over the New Orleans Saints. Over the next several years, David played for the New England Patriots, Kansas City Chiefs, New York Jets, San Diego Chargers, and Las Vegas Locomotives (UFL), showcasing resilience and adaptability across multiple organizations.

David is the son of Bishop David Herron and Lady Brenda Herron. He now lives in Detroit with his wife, Jessica, and their four children—David III, Dylan, Dash, and Jet—continuing to inspire through his example of leadership, faith, and perseverance.



ELI HILAS

Presenter: Vivian Zoumas



Few athletes embody the spirit of Warren G. Harding High School quite like Eli Hilas, whose toughness and reliability anchored the Raiders' offensive line in the early 1970s. As a right offensive tackle and kicker, Eli played a pivotal role in Harding's 1971–72 State Championship run, contributing both power and precision to one of the school's most celebrated football teams.

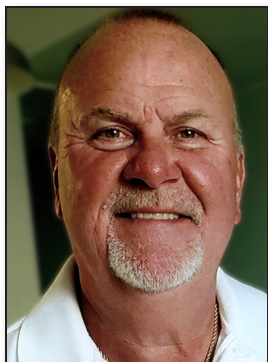
After graduating in 1973, Eli carried that same work ethic into the workforce. He spent his early years at Van Huffel Sheet and Tube as a machine operator while also painting for John Hilas Painting. In the early 1980s, Eli began a decades-long professional relationship with Brodell Medical, Inc., supporting Drs. James, Robert, and Linda Brodell in their growing medical practice. Around that same time, he launched Eli's Landscaping, LLC—a business that continues to serve the community more than 40 years later.

Eli's story is one of quiet excellence: a championship athlete, a dedicated worker, and a small-business owner whose commitment to Warren has never wavered.



STEVEN VINGLE

Presenter: Ashlee Howard



Across four sports and multiple decades, Steven Vingle built a reputation as one of Warren's most versatile and accomplished athletes. His high school career began at Warren John F. Kennedy (1975–76) and continued at Warren Western Reserve (1977–78).

Steven's senior year became a defining chapter. In 1978, he was named Most Valuable Player in both baseball and basketball. He went on to become a four-year letterwinner in baseball, a three-year letterwinner in basketball, and a two-year letterwinner in football, contributing at a high level across every season and every roster he joined.

His baseball career extended beyond high school. In 1980, Steven pitched in the Pittsburgh Pirates' minor league system, gaining professional experience and representing Warren on a national stage. He later became a fixture in Warren's competitive baseball community, starring for Second National Bank, the Warren "AA" baseball champions from 1981–85, and earning Warren "AA" All-Star recognition. In 1989, he added another accolade as MVP of the Warren Softball League.

Vingle's commitment to the game continued long after his playing days. He served as pitching coach at JFK baseball in 1999 and later guided young athletes as pitching coach at Harding from 2008–2016, helping shape the next generation of Warren ballplayers.

Steven's athletic journey reflects dedication, versatility, and a lifelong love of sport—the very qualities that define Warren's athletic legacy.



TAMEKA WASHINGTON McBRIDE

Presenter: PJ Notar



Tameka (Washington) McBride attended Warren G. Harding High School for her junior and senior years, excelling as a three-sport athlete in volleyball, basketball, and softball. However, basketball became her signature arena. Tameka scored more than 1,000 career points, earned Steel Valley Conference honors, and consistently led her team in steals and assists.

Her success at Warren G. Harding propelled her to a standout collegiate basketball career at Penn West University (formerly Clarion University), where she was a four-year player and starting guard. Tameka was recognized for her consistency, leadership, and competitive drive, earning PSAC "Player of the Week" honors on multiple occasions.

In addition to her athletic achievements, Tameka demonstrated exceptional leadership as President of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), an NCAA leadership role representing all sports at the university. In this role, she served as a voice for student-athletes, partnering with university leadership to enhance the student-athlete experience.

Professionally, Tameka continues to give back to the sports community. She recently played a key role in supporting the installation of a new scoreboard at the Mollenkopf Stadium, where she serves as Senior Vice President of Sales.

Tameka is married to a former college football standout, who competed at Troy University and Virginia Union University and is the proud mother of two young athletes, Delayna, and Devin.

The Warren Sports Hall of Fame Honored Inductees

– 1989 –

James C. Brutz, John Chickerno, Leonard J. Corbin, Henry DeSantis,
Mackie Johnson, Jr., C. William Muter, Keith O'Rourke, Charles Riffle,
Dave Rodgers, Edwin M. Stroud, John I. Vidu, Paul D. Warfield, Bill White

– 1990 –

Charlie Caffie, Jim Gardner, Sr., Paul R. Gore, Robert Lewis, Jr.,
Ruth Linamen, May Loney, Bogan Reed, Joe Rich,
Donald Spender, Abe Williams

– 1991 –

"Heinie" Beck, Herb Eddington, Pierre Hill, Jim Keadle, Ed Kvesich,
Jim Lewis, Perry Martini, Jr., Lionel Harding-Thomas

– 1992 –

William D. Bevan, Richard Boyd, John Krafcik, Kack D. Pietila,
Eugene E. Rossi, Benjamin Venetta, C. David Zoba

– 1993 –

Jack Begalla, Larry Imburgia, Steve Job, Lalu Sabotin,
Gene Slaughter, Don Szuch, Dennis Zolciak

– 1994 –

Mike Delaquila, Jack Gysegem, Chet LaBuda, Bill Miller,
David S. Preston, Don "Chiefy" Robinson, Dan Yount, Darryl Zupancic

– 1995 –

Robert F. Busbey, Teddy Fittapaldo, Kent Fusselman, Bill Kollar,
Glen W. Moore, Charles A Potashnik, Sr., Jack Rogers

– 1996 –

Billy Fetchko, George "Knobby" Fulton, Michael N. Graham, Sr.,
Willie Jones, William Kraker, John Lawhorn, Nate Segal,
Dan Sferra, Bill Todderdale, Vern C. Wireman

– 1997 –

Bob Armstrong, Dr. Joseph W. Carroll, Jr., Gaomer Davis, Jr., John D. Gillen,
Kenneth "Buzzy" Hood, Mike Klapac, Dr. Wayne Lawrence, Ed Lucko,
John L. Smith, Gary Windle, Dennis Yanta

– 1998 –

Aaron Brown, Ross Browner, Tony Buttar, Dwight Lafferty,
Vick Mascio, Tony Napolet

– 1999 –

Leon "Red" Ames, Nick Angelo, Bob James, Bob Laricca, Larry Larson

– 2000 –

Don Fowler, Joseph Holko, Bill Kovach, Tom Matey, Jack C. Thornton,
Bob VanFossan, John Henry Ziegler

– 2001 –

Tony Capers, Berniece Greetham, David Jenkins, Tom LaBaugh,
Sam Marzullo, Dennis Pardee

– 2002 –

Dr. Roger Bryant, Joseph Campana, Marty Cristo, Tim Davis,
Judge Robert Nader, David Preston, Corey Stringer

– 2003 –

Dan Bevan, Frank Bubba, Robert Funge, George Hines,
Norman Person, Eric Thompson, David Williams

– 2004 –

Francis Dowdell, Lee Pate, James Pipino, Dennis Rossi, Frank Supancic

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– 2005 –

Alvin Burch, Henri Crognale, George Johnson, Reedy Thomas

– 2006 –

John Beach, David Thomas, James Valentine, Ray Yannucci

– 2007 –

James Coates, Jr., Dan Ross, Clyde Muter, MD, Nicholas Frankos,
Ray Frazier, Dennis Jasinski

– 2008 –

Gary Hinkson, John "Jack" Polena, Anthony "Tony" Sabino,
Edward Smith, John O. Vlad MD, John "Jack" Watkins, Leo Zampedro

– 2009 –

Tonia Stubbs, James Mitolo, Thomas Raptis, Dick Strahm,
Patrick T. Hovance, Paul J. Trina, Sim Earich

– 2010 –

George Buchwalter, Bruce Crites, Richard Hart, Edward Lucko,
Burrell McGhee, Richard Muccio, Denise Pupillo-Klump

– 2011 –

Steve Arnold, Otto "Cal" Cavalcante, John Landolfi, Denise Naples,
George Nicula, Gerald Rishel, Jim Sylvester

– 2012 –

George Bollas, Patrick Guliano, Jim McQuaide, Joe Novak,
Vince Peterson, John Theoharis

– 2013 –

Thomas Batta, Alfie Burch, Jim Hilles, Dr. Myron Lotz, Fred Pisanelli,
Robb Schmidt, Thomas Trimbur

– 2014 –

Don Calloway, Walter Corbin, Donald Ford, Sr., Ed Glass, Ed Kloboves,
David Pappada, Allen Ryan, Albert Thigpen

– 2015 –

Anthony Candella, Pat Danko, Clifford Johnson, Tim McNeil,
J.P. Notar, Sandra Samuels, Raymond Tesner

– 2016 –

Anthony Antolini, Bob Davis, Paul Gould, M.D., Jay Lacy, Dominic Massary,
Thom McDaniels, Milton Mollenkopf, Robert Saffold, Jeff Woof

– 2017 –

Carl Angelo, Mark Brandon, Jim Gilmore, Jay Lacy, Laura Broadbent O'Hara,
Anthony Naples, Tom Paolucci, Brian Renn

– 2018 –

Van Brandon, LeShun Daniels, LaVaile Richardson, Daniel Smith,
Kevin Taylor, Astron Whatley, Greg Zackeroff

– 2019 –

Dave Arnold, Jim Campbell, Stanley Elkins, Marty Murray, Chad Phillips,
Frank Thomas, Mandy (Zolciak) Willis

– 2021 - 2022 –

Edward Antonelli, David Binko, Holly Chapin, Sam Covelli, Jason Kokrak,
Jim McGee, Michael McLain, Patrick Merrick, Anthony Payiavlas,
Vanness Provitt, Vernita Provitt-Lyons, Congressman Tim Ryan,
Dr. Calvin Washington

The Warren Sports Hall of Fame Honored Inductees

– 2023 - 2024 –

**Don Andres, Jeff Bayuk, Greg Bumbu, Brian Cross, Mark Herron, Jake Jones,
Don Lee, David Lee Morgan, Jr., John Rubesich, Laura Rubesich,
Megan Trimbur Gallagher**



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