

Wilson Athletic Hall of Fame 1996 Inductees

Anna Chase – (Coach/Teacher) – Anna started her teaching and coaching career at Oley Valley High School, where she coached field hockey, basketball and softball for ten years and started the OVHS girls track program.

Anna was Wilson's assistant field hockey coach from 1961-69 and revived Wilson's girls track program in 1968, coaching it until 1978. Her 1976 team was County champion. Ann retired from coaching and became a very active member of the Berks County Track and Field Officials Association. She is also a member of the 25 Years of Coaching Association of Berks County.

Anna also ran the Berks, District 3 and PIAA State Girls Golf Tournament from 1974 through 1979.

John Gurski, Jr. – (Class of 1980) – John was co-captain of the 1979 Championship squad and graduated in the top 5% of his class. He was an outstanding tackle and led the blocking for an offense that amassed 2576 rushing yards and 274 points.

He was selected at the Lancaster-Lebanon League's Section I Lineman of the Year and for the L-L's Offensive First Team. He was also a member of the Coaches' State All-Star Team, The Reading Eagle-Times First Team – Offense and Big-33 Team member. He earned a full scholarship to Penn State and was the center on PSU's first National Championship Team in 1982.

His fondest memory is playing for his father, friend and coach – the greatest mentor, John, Jr. says – a son could have.

Dr. Carl Hassler – (Class of 1954) – Dr. Hassler was a three-sport athlete for the then-Presidents, throwing a total of ten TD passes. He went on to play QB at Ursinus College and graduate from Jefferson Medical College. Upon receiving his M.D., Dr. Hassler served in the US Army Medical Corps for two years and then set up a family practice in Lincoln Park.

He was team physician to the Bulldogs for 11 years (1969-79).

Doug Hess – (Class of 1975) – In football, Doug was a two-year starter and co-captain as a defensive back, setting season and career interception records. He was selected All-County his senior year.

Doug was also an outstanding diver – District 3 Champion in 1974 – and eighth in the PIAA State Championships. He was the top diver in the Central Penn League his junior and senior years. Doug also played two years of baseball.

He moved on to the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science in 1980 and played two years of baseball. He would later open his own pharmacy in Morgantown, PA.

Dr. Lee Schaebler – (Class of 1950) – Lee was a four-sport athlete at Wilson, participating in football, basketball, swimming and track. He would later graduate from Ursinus College and Jefferson Medical College.

He began family practice in 1959 in Lincoln Park and served as Wilson team and sports physician alongside Dr. Carl Hassler. He served in that capacity from 1969 until 1980.

Jake Slemmer – (Class of 1991) – Jake wrestled for three years at Wilson but earned the most fame as a three-year starter in football. Switching to linebacker from the line his junior year helped propel him to the Pennsylvania All-State First Team in 1990 as the Bulldogs won back-to-back District 3 Championships. Jake led the Bulldogs in tackles for two years and remains among the all-time leaders in Wilson history.

Jake earned a football scholarship to Boston University.

Kim (Schroll) Underwood – (Class of 1991) – Kim was outstanding in both athletic and academics at Wilson. She was a four-year letter winner in field hockey, swimming and softball.

She was an All-Division selection in softball and earned All-League and All-State honors in swimming, qualifying in the 50 freestyle and on two relays. She also led the swimming team in points scored.

In field hockey, she earned All-American honors and earned a scholarship to the University of North Carolina. There, she helped the Tar Heels to three NCAA Title Game appearances, captaining them to the Championship in her senior season in 1995.

Kim returned to Wilson to teach in the Physical Education Department and served as Head Coach of Wilson Field Hockey.

Glenn Weyman – (Class of 1954) – Glenn pitched Wilson to a Berks County Championship in 1954 and is among Wilson's all-time leaders in strikeouts and career wins. He played baseball for three years and basketball for two.

He also pitched for the West Reading and West Lawn Legion teams. He would later establish a career in banking.